

Merced Union High School District Response To Community Transportation Concerns

Board Meeting

January 9, 2013

BHC Concerns

(November 2012 MUHSD Board Meeting)

- Limited community understanding
- Not aware of process to obtain grant-funded bus passes
- Unaffordable bus pass rates: Introductory rates of \$22.50/students and \$45/student in January
- Routes are long and unsafe
- Increased tardiness

Limited Community Understanding

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- Town Hall Meetings were posted on the website from June 11- July 10, 2012 and again August 6-August 18, 2012
- Merced Sun-Star posted an article regarding transportation “Town Hall” meeting on June 8, 2012 referencing the dates and times of the meetings.

Town Hall Meeting Locations	Dates/Times	Dates/Times
Golden Valley HS	June 18 @6:30pm	August 13 @5:00pm
Buhach Colony HS	June 20 @6:30pm	August 14 @5:00pm
Atwater HS	June 21 @6:30pm	August 15 @5:00pm
Merced HS	July 2 @6:30pm	August 16 @5:00pm
Livingston HS	July 9 @6:30pm	August 17 @5:00pm

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- Town Hall Meetings dialer notification dates –

Campus	Date of Dialer Call (Five-Mile Radius)	Date of Dialer Call (All Students)
Golden Valley HS	June 15 & 16, 2012	August 12, 2012
Buhach Colony HS	June 17 & 18, 2012	August 13, 2012
Atwater HS	June 18 & 19, 2012	August 14, 2012
Merced HS	June 27 & 28, 2012	August 15, 2012
Livingston HS	July 6 & 7, 2012	August 16, 2012

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- The bus routes were posted to the District website on August 8, 2012 consisting of the following:

Atwater High School
Golden Valley High School
Merced High School
Yosemite High School

Buhach Colony High School
Livingston High School
Sequoia High School

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- News - Local
Friday, Aug. 10, 2012
Students, parents to feel impact of cuts in Merced Union High School bus service
By DOANE YAWGER - dyawger@mercedsunstar.com
- MERCED -- *About 900 high school students at Merced, Atwater and Livingston campuses will have to figure out a new way to get to classes later this month as transportation cutbacks approved in the spring take effect. In mid-March, Merced Union High School District trustees cut busing for students living within a five-mile radius of their campuses...*

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By DOANE YAWGER - dyawger@mercedsunstar.com
- *...A second series of town-hall-style meetings will be held Monday through Friday at area high schools. New routes will be discussed and questions will be answered.*

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By DOANE YAWGER - dyawger@mercedsunstar.com
- *...Kahn said the district's website will have new bus routes posted by Aug. 10. He said there will be some minor changes related to safety, primarily moving pickup and drop off points away from state Highways 59 and 140.*

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By DOANE YAWGER - dyawger@mercedsunstar.com
- Mr. Yawger's article by-lined above drew 111 comments from the public

Not Aware of Process to Obtain Grant-Funded Bus Passes

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- MUHSD CBO, MUHSD McKinney-Vento grant coordinator, and MUHSD Interpreter have visited BHC offices at the United Way Merced on two occasions - November 1st and November 29th
- At the November 1st meeting no parents/students attended, and MUHSD provided BHC with McKinney-Vento program materials, discussed the program, and how the monthly meetings should progress
- At the November 29th meeting one parent with her student arrived, and the MUHSD McKinney-Vento grant coordinator met with them privately
- At the November 29th meeting, MUHSD CBO suggested that moving the monthly meeting location to Stephani or Franklin school might produce a better turn-out. Melissa Kelly-Ortega agreed to initiate the change of venue

Unaffordable Bus Pass Rates: Introductory Rates of \$22.50/Students and \$45/Student in January (BHC, November 2012 MUHSD Board Meeting)

- MUHSD has requested that MTA investigate the possibility of a cheaper pass that restricts use to school days at 'start' and 'let out' time periods
- MTA agreed to discuss the matter with its stakeholders
- MTA has invited the MUHSD CBO to a 01/24/2012 Town Hall meeting that will discuss bus passes, adjustments to current routes, etc.
- The current rates represent approximately 21% of the per student cost of MUHSD's Home-to-School program in the 2011-2012 school year
- The MUHSD is hopeful that through its participation with BHC, more families will find themselves eligible for McKinney-Vento or donation assistance

Routes are Long and Unsafe

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- Total routes were reduced from 20 in 2011-2012 to six routes in 2012-2013 (teen mom program inclusive)
- Drivers are servicing multiple schools
- Longest route first through last stop in 2011-2012 was MHS route 37 (1 hour 57 minutes)
- Longest route first through last stop in 2012-2013 is BCCHS route 3 (2 hours 37 minutes)

Increased Tardiness

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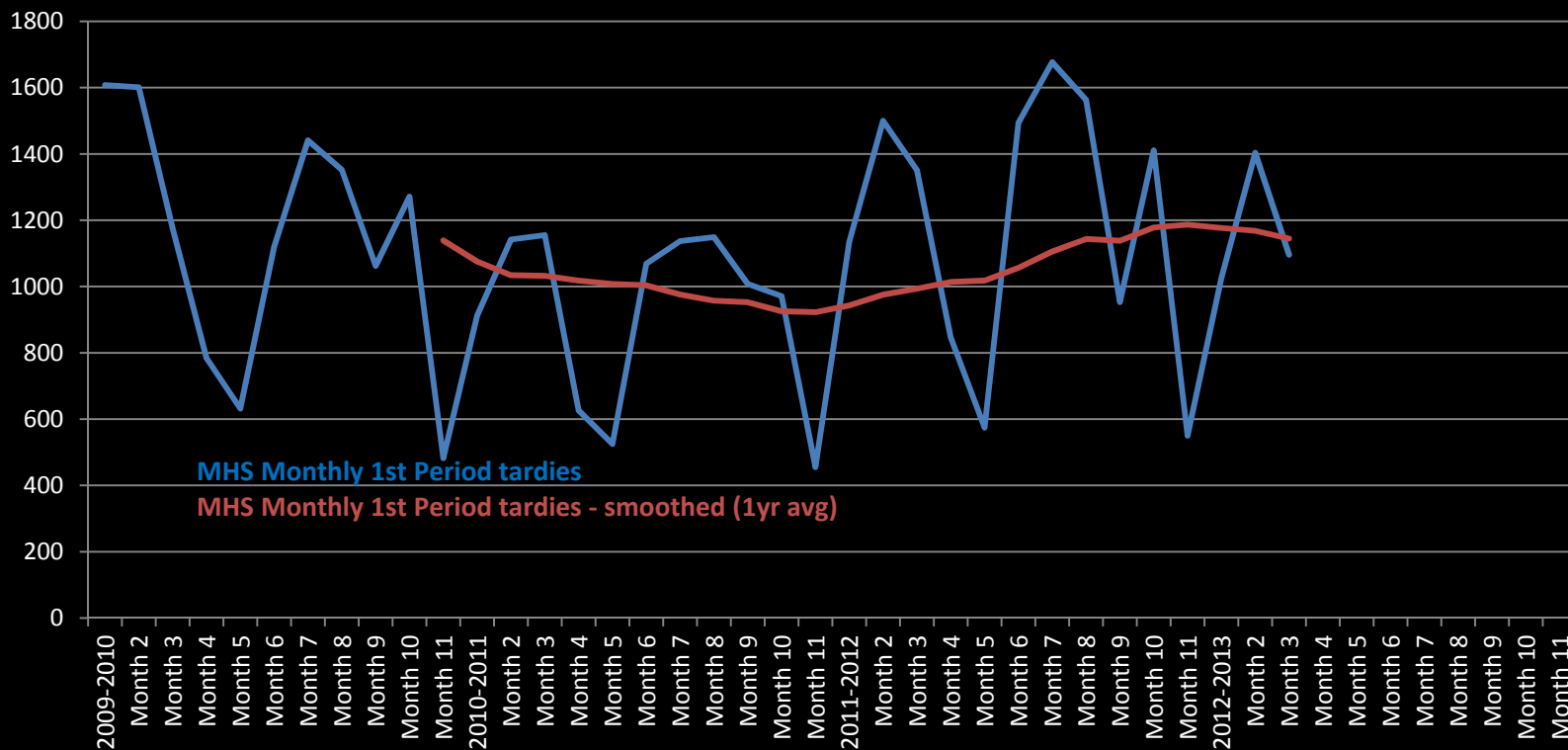
1st Period Tardies for Days 1-65 –

Site	2009-2010	2010-2011	2011-2012	2012-2013
MHS	4552	3308	4189	3724
AHS	522	553	692	1479
LHS	1256	1653	1445	1565
BCHS	2600	2508	2266	1903
YHS	769	856	1164	905
GVHS	2299	2162	1740	1675
SHS	959	644	458	733

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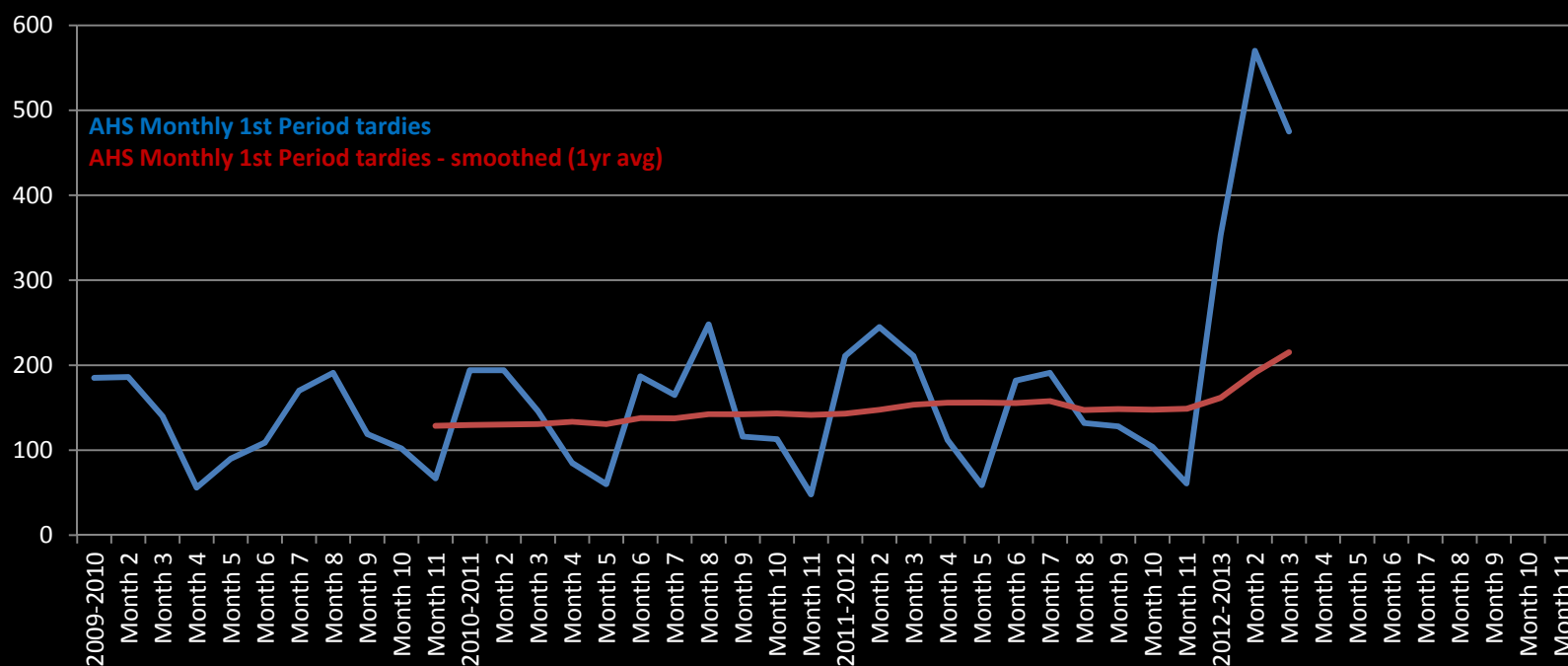
Monthly 1st Period Tardies (MHS) longitudinally –



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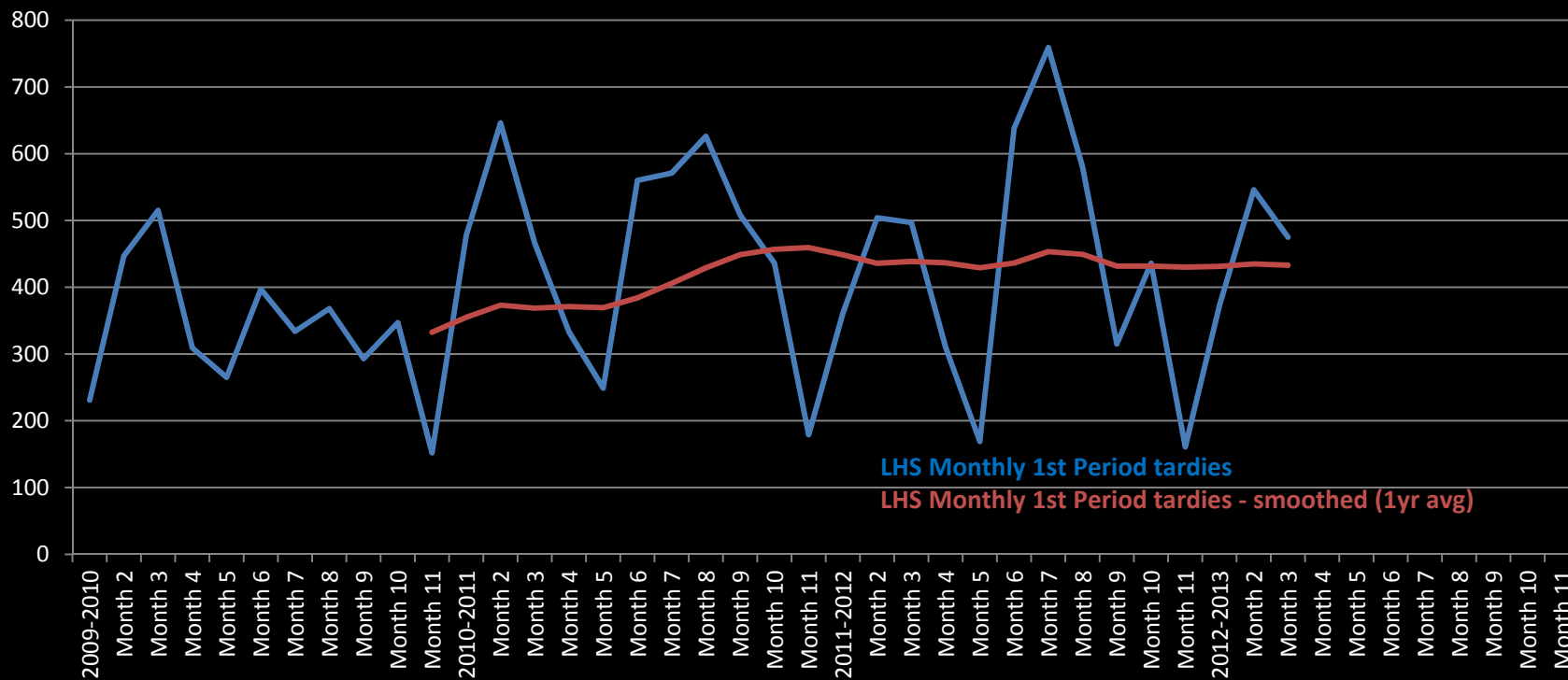
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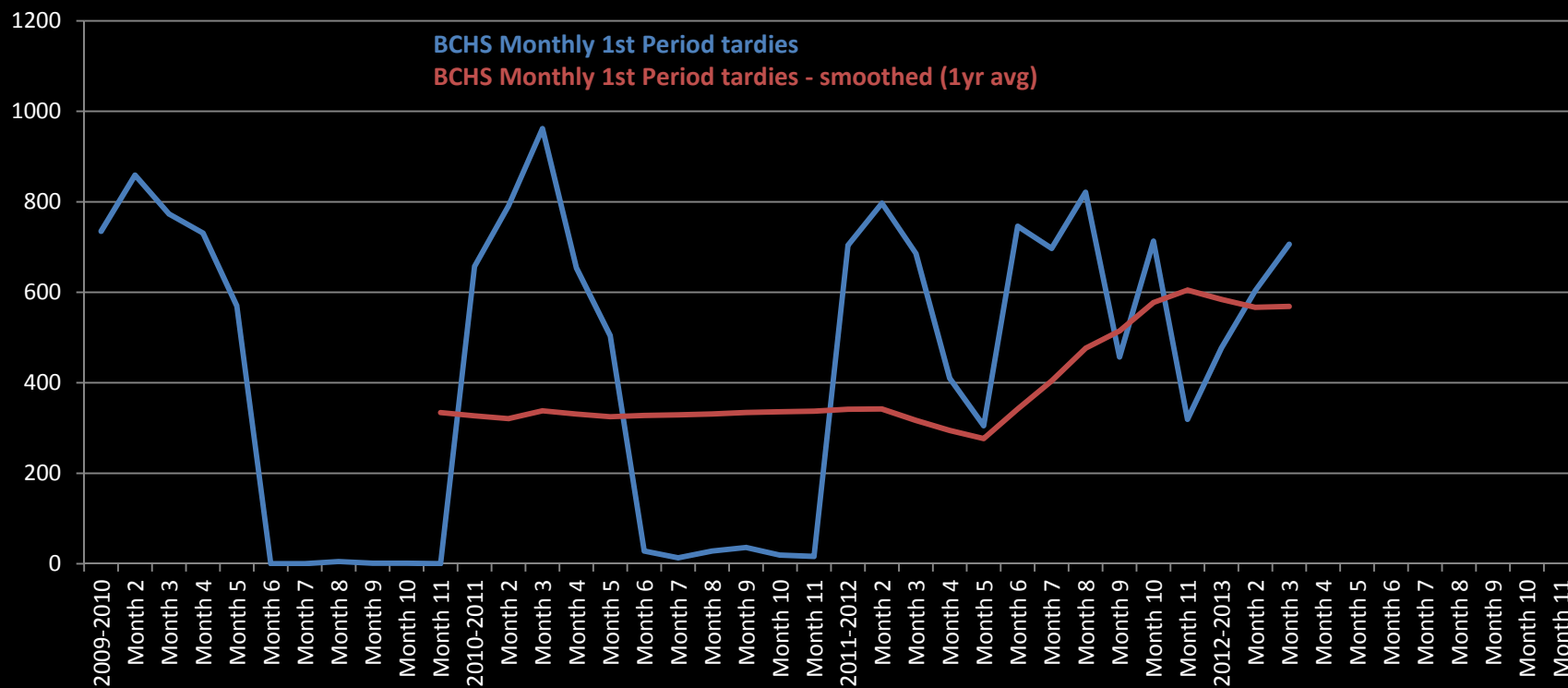
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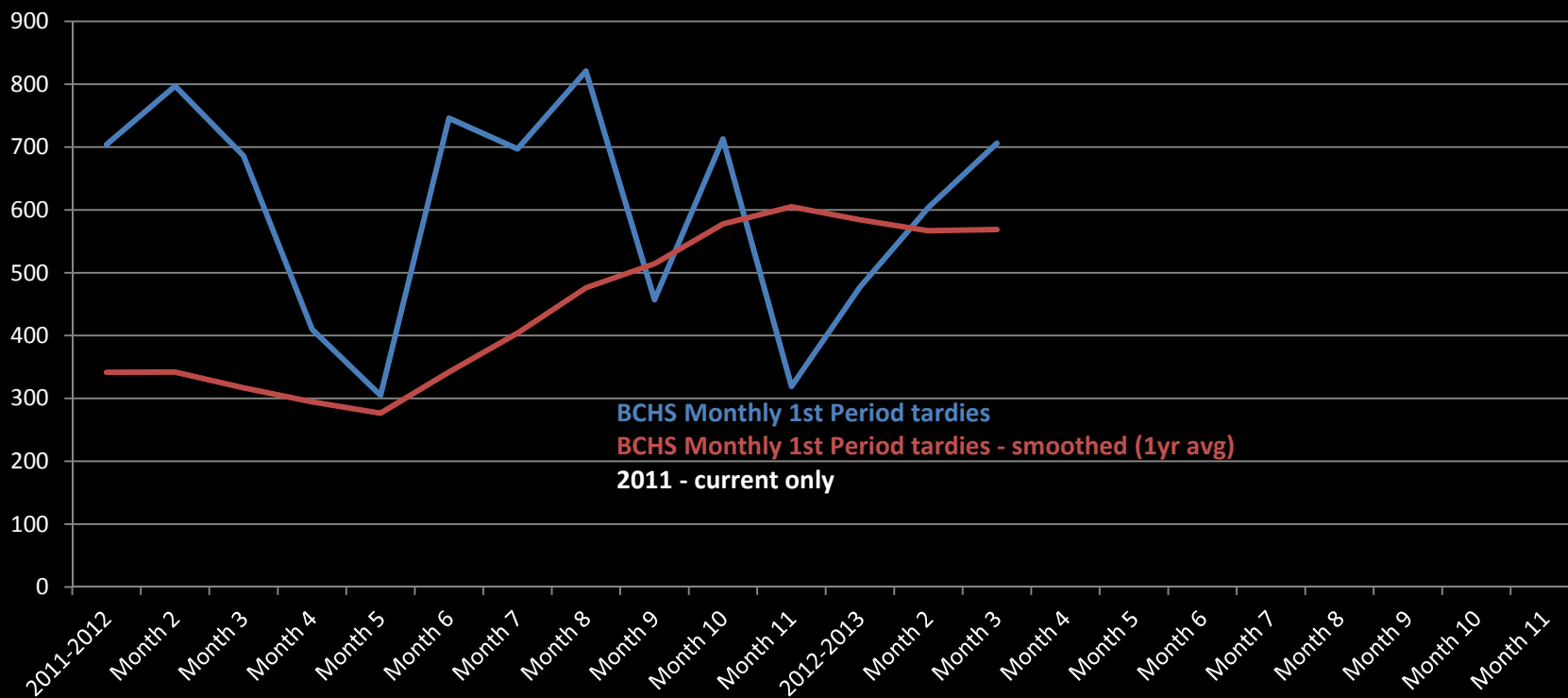
Monthly 1st Period Tardies (BCHS) longitudinally (SKEWED)–



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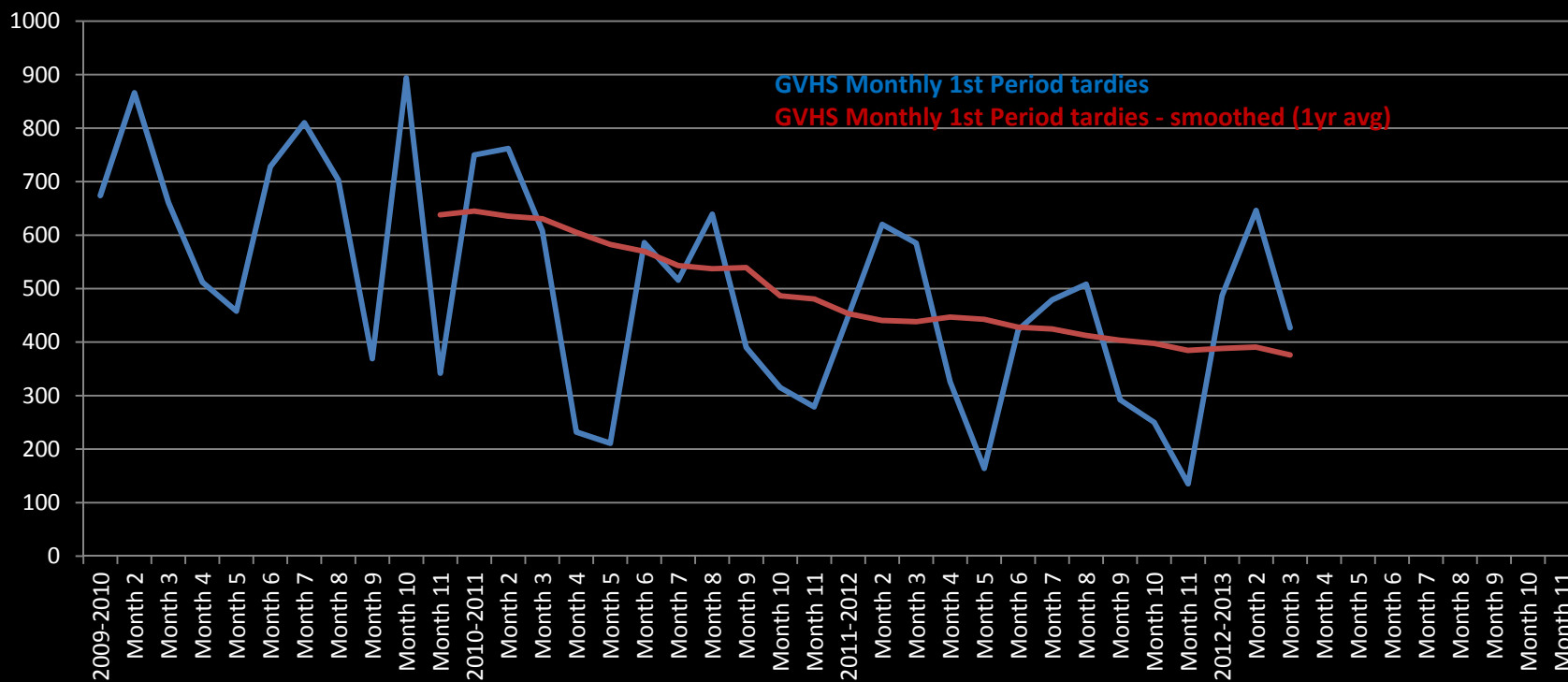
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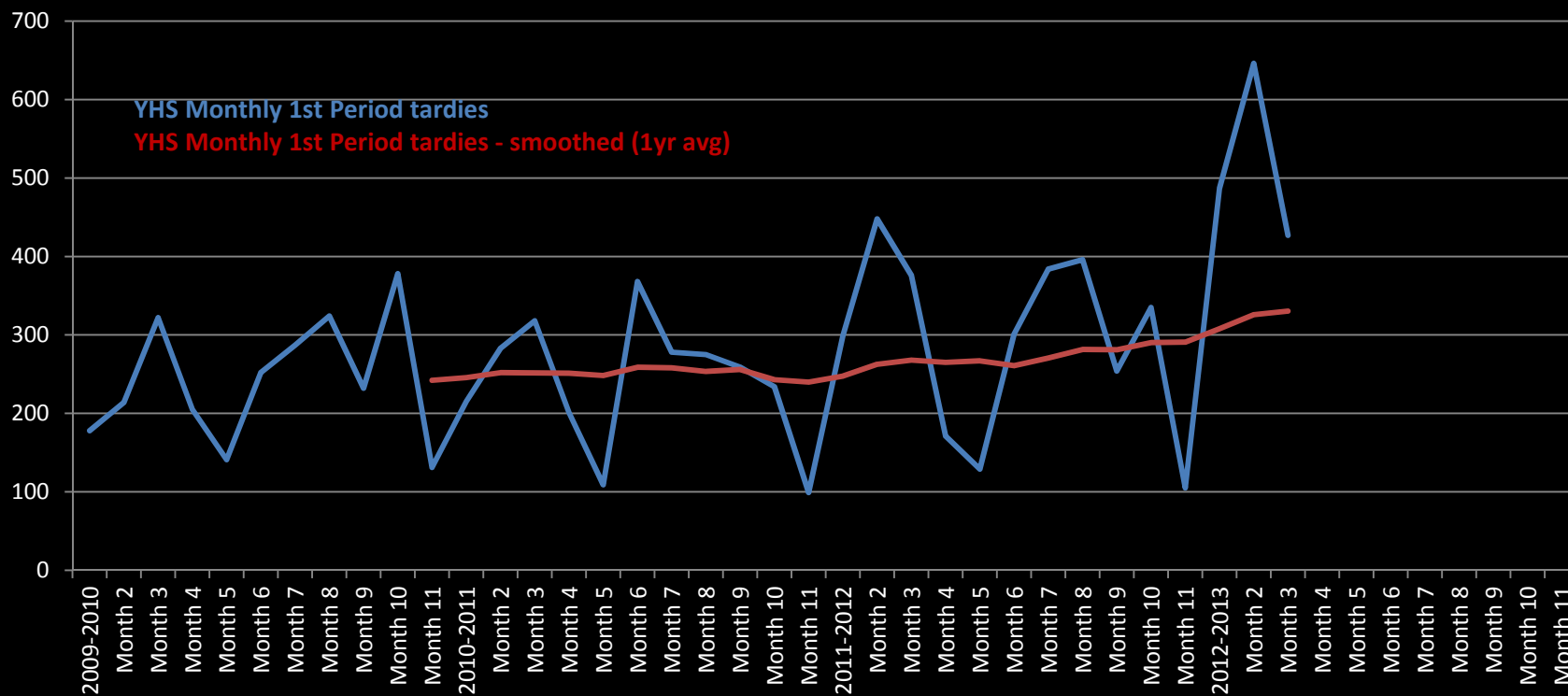
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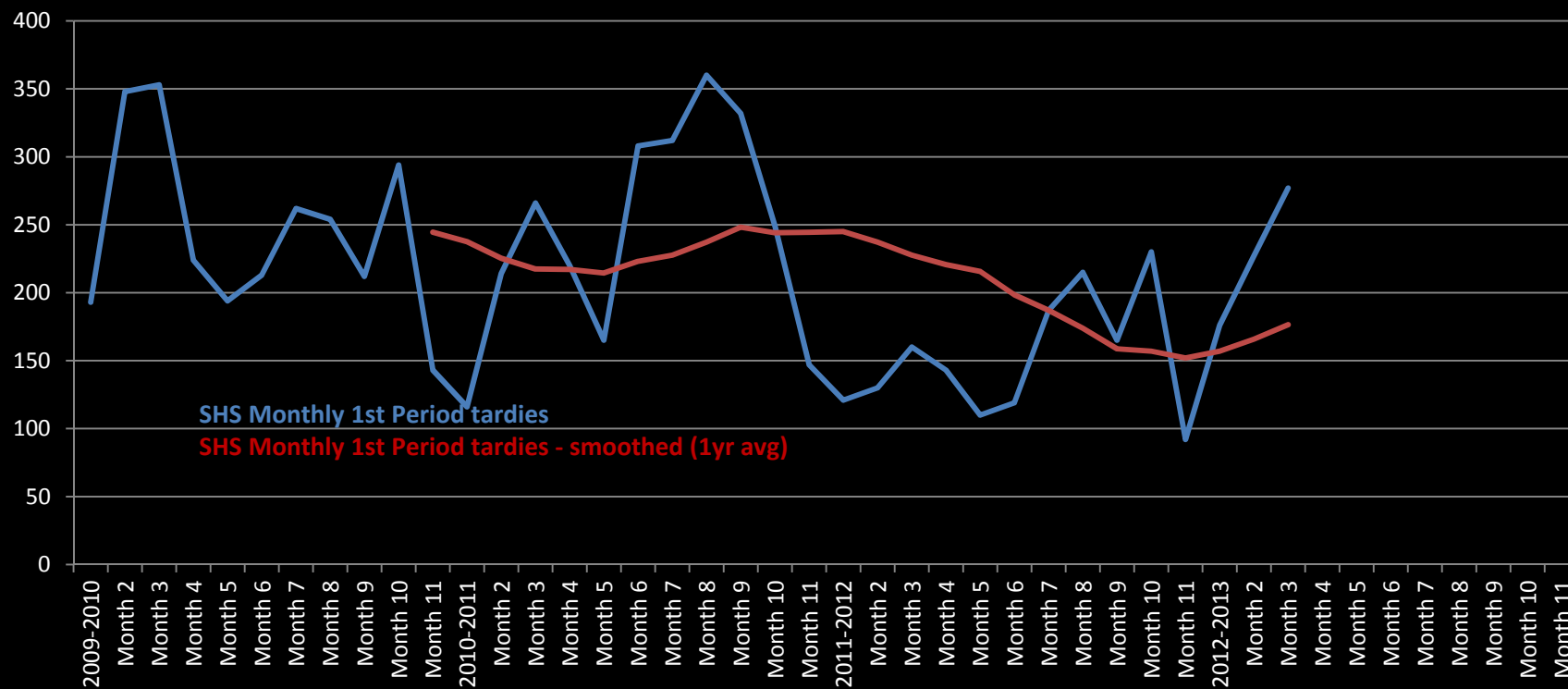
Monthly 1st Period Tardies (YHS) longitudinally –



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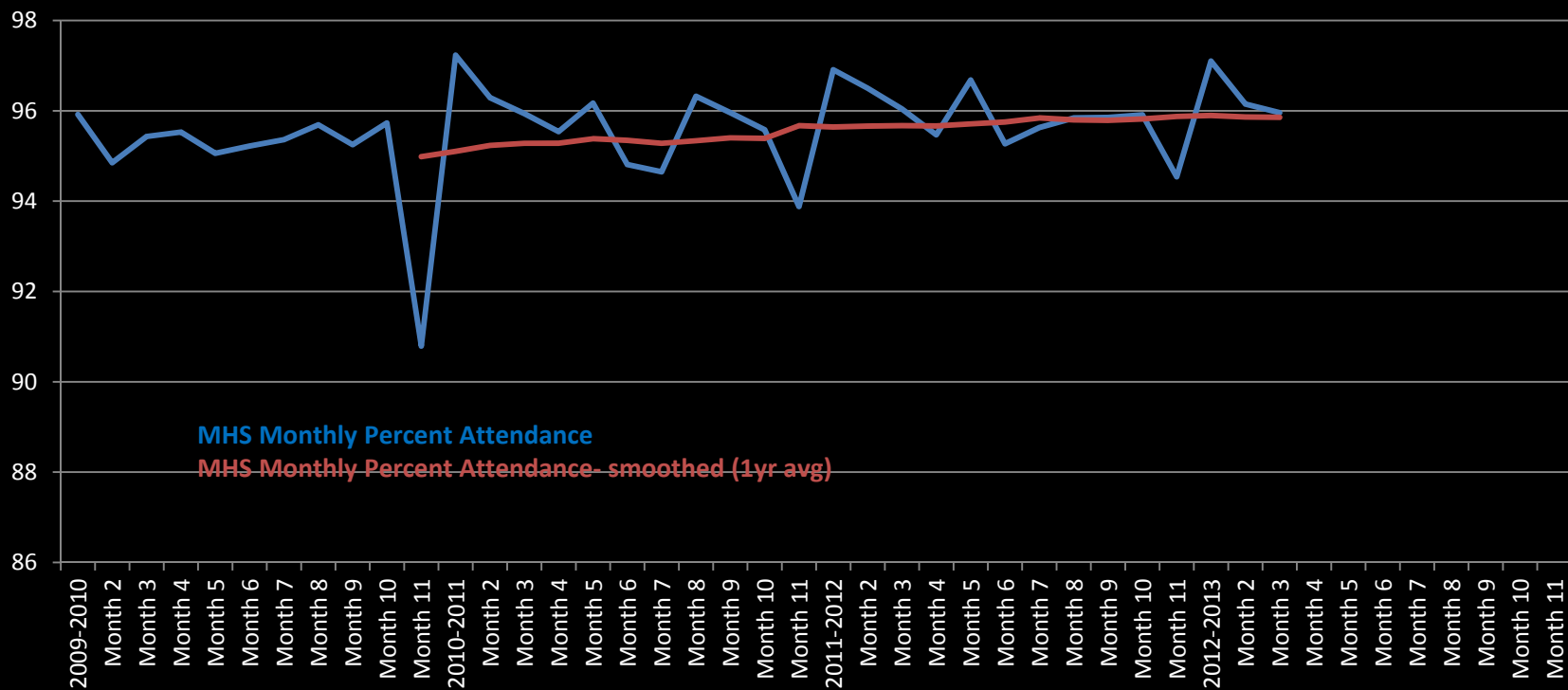
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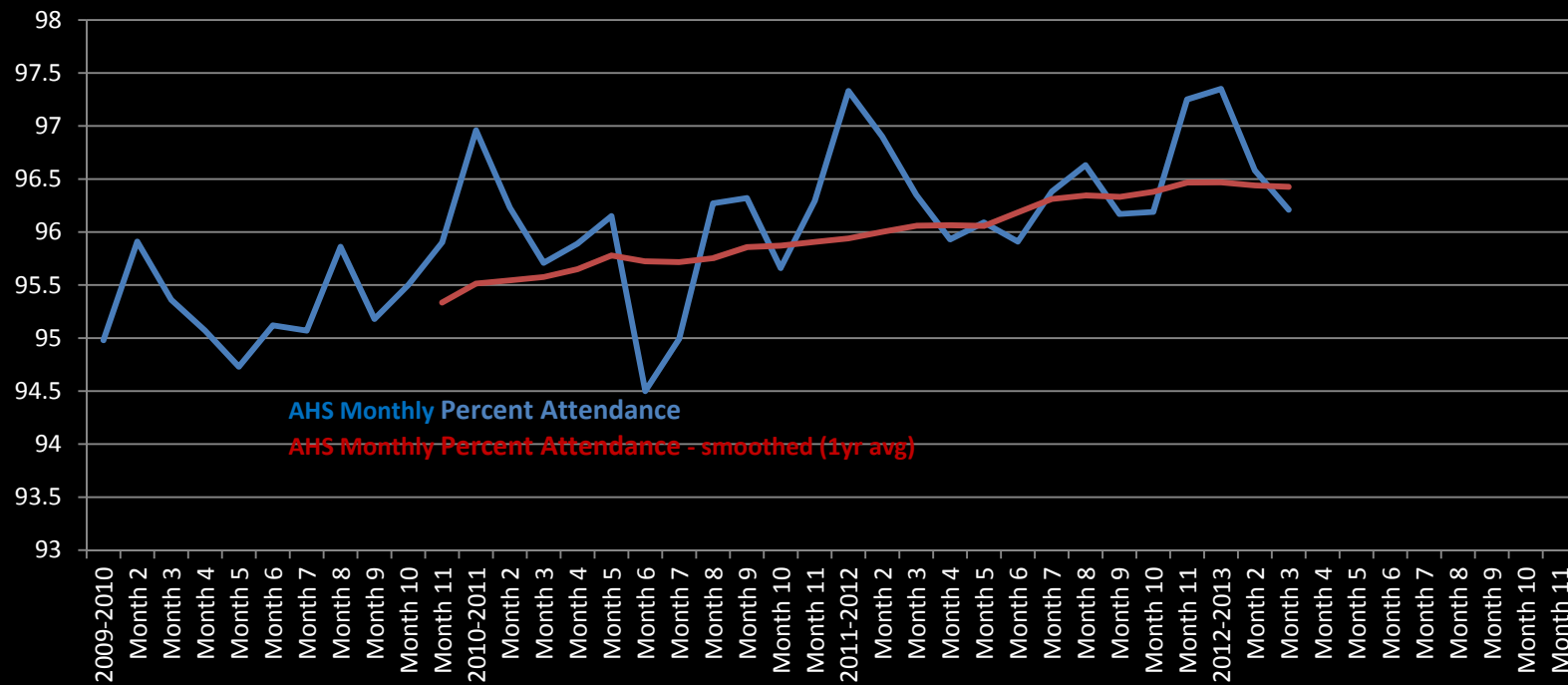
Percent Attendance

Monthly Percent Attendance (MHS) longitudinally –



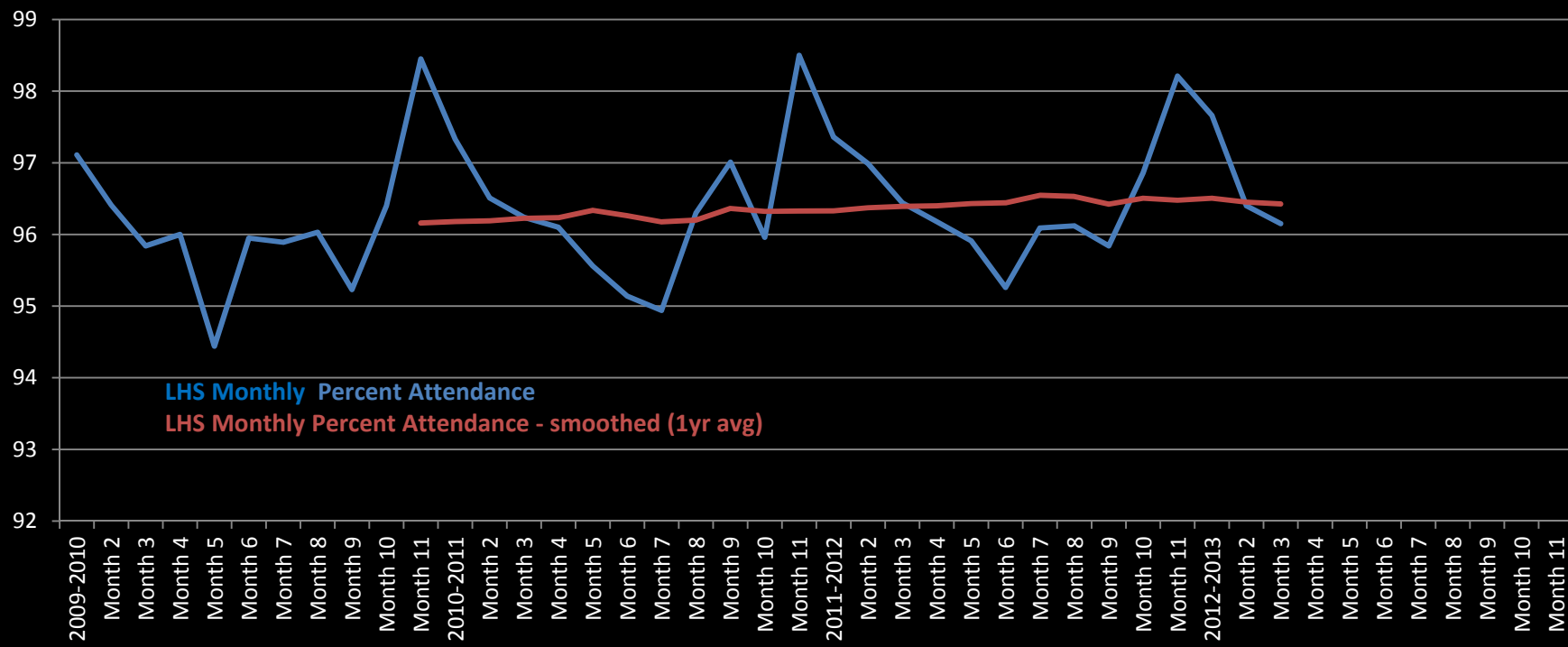
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Monthly Percent Attendance (AHS) longitudinally –



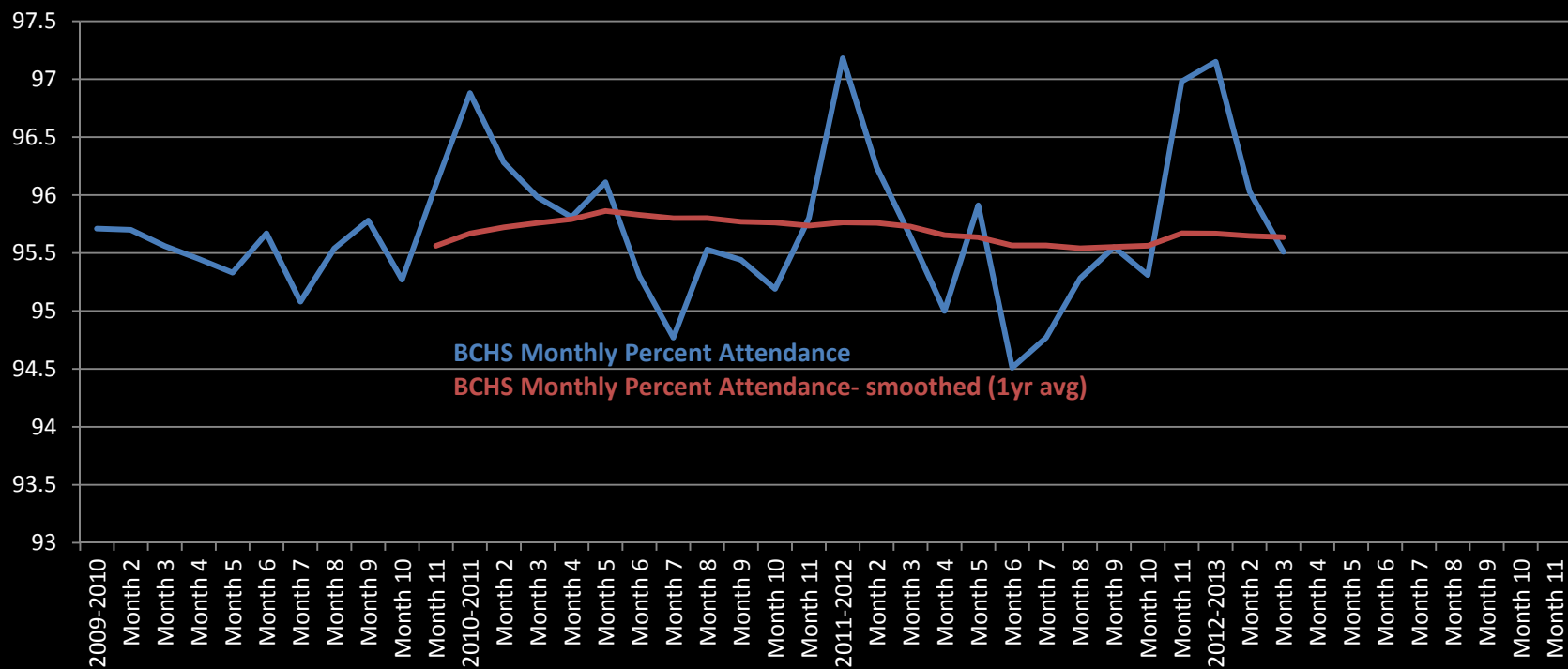
Percent Attendance

Monthly Percent Attendance (LHS) longitudinally –



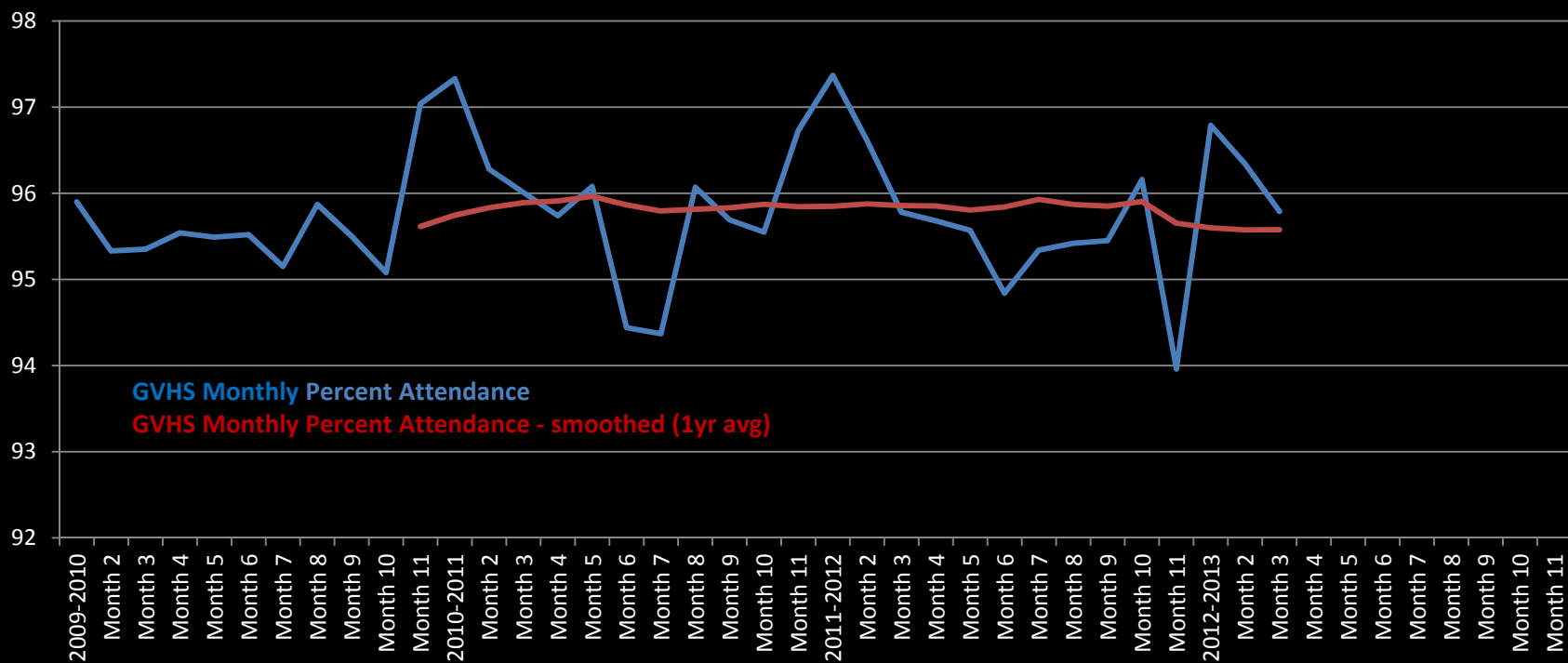
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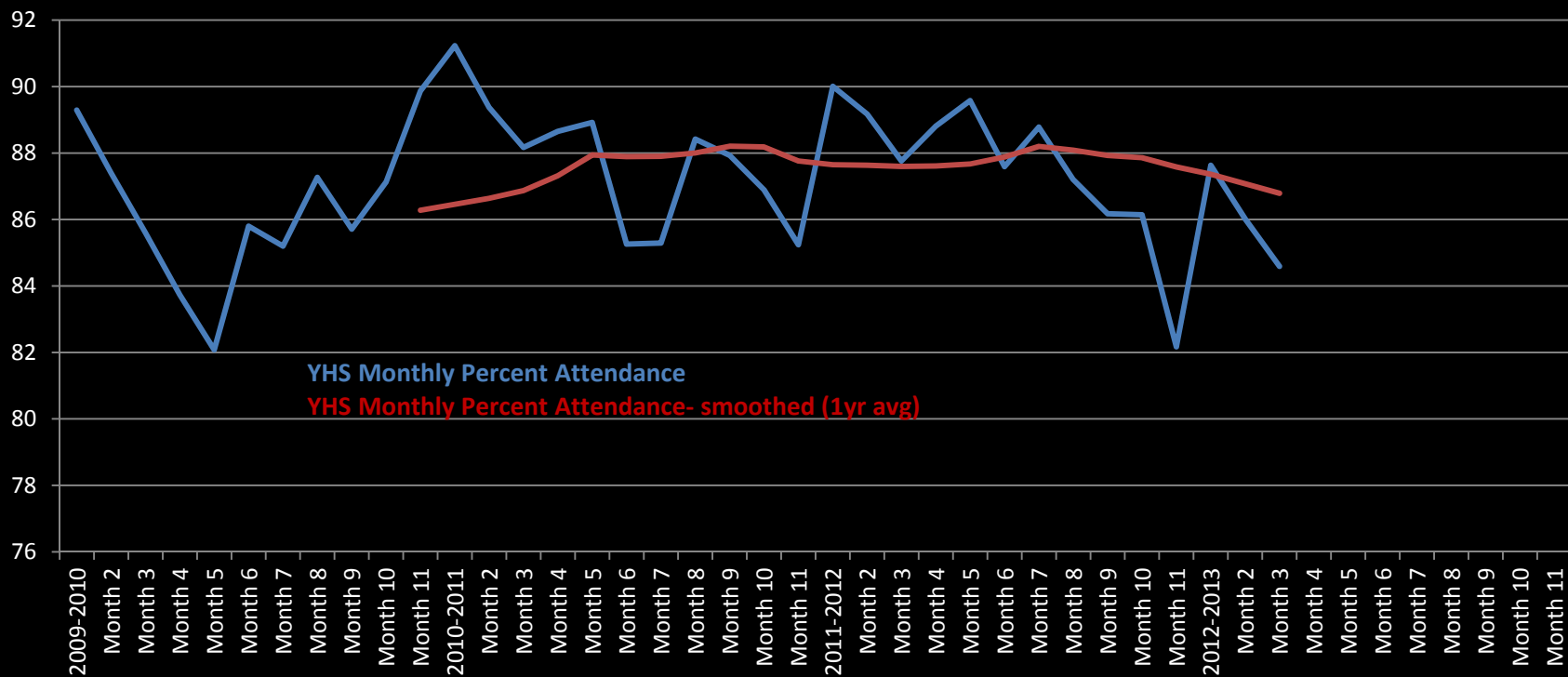
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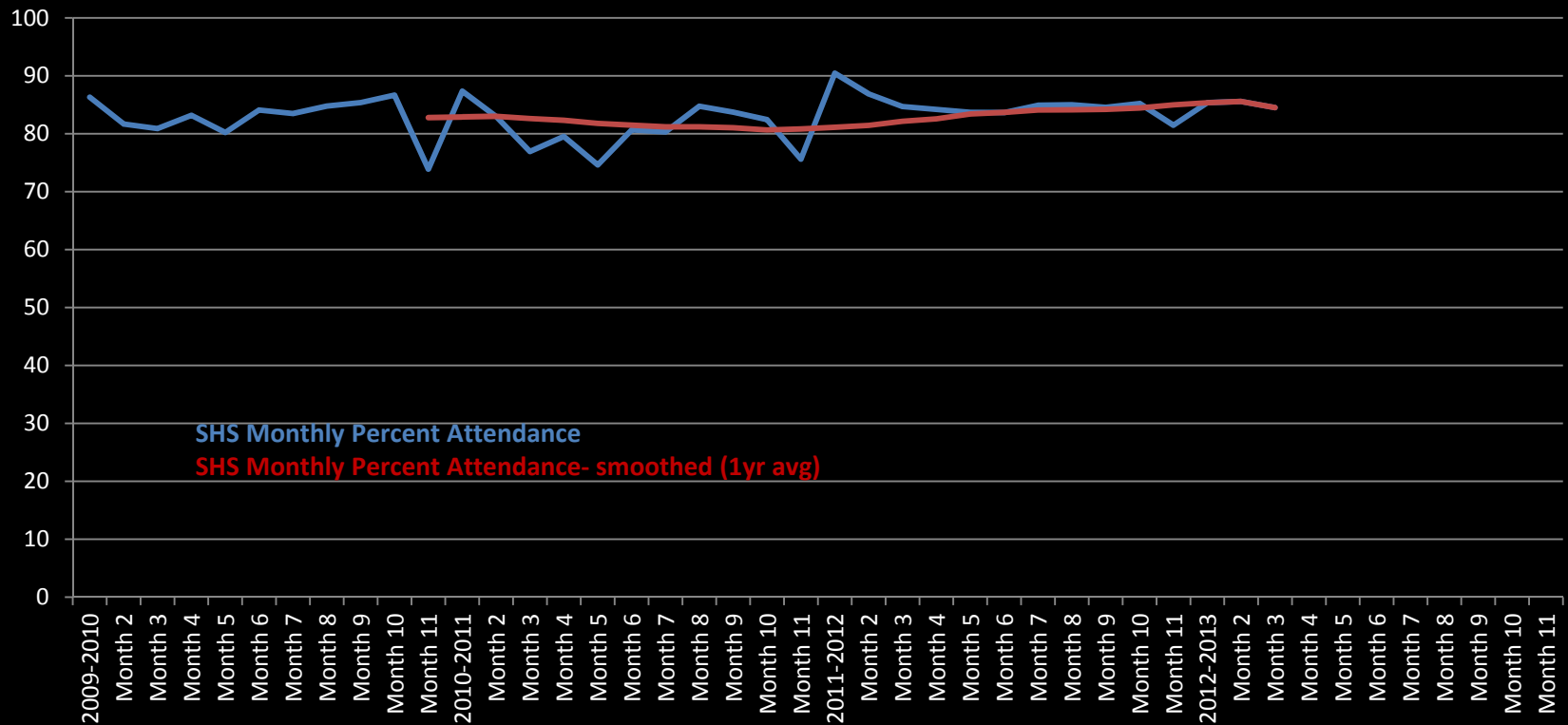
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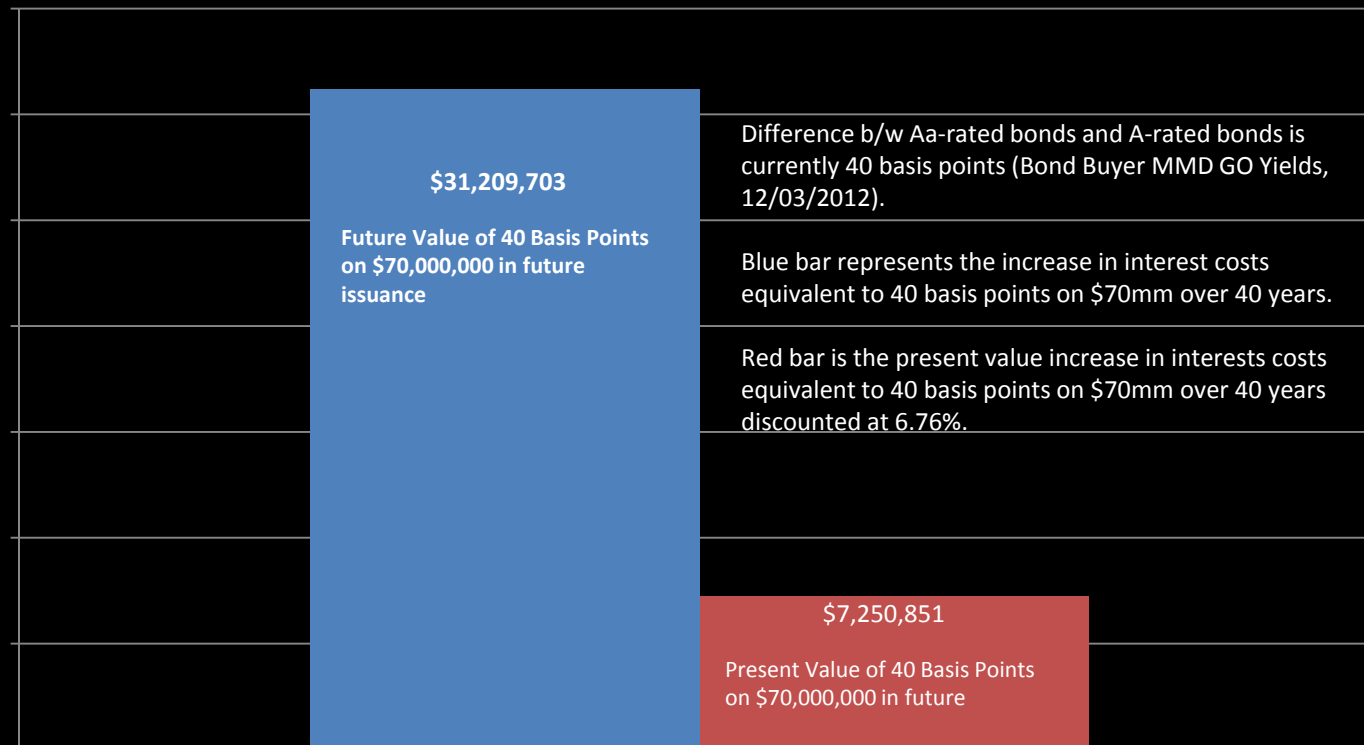


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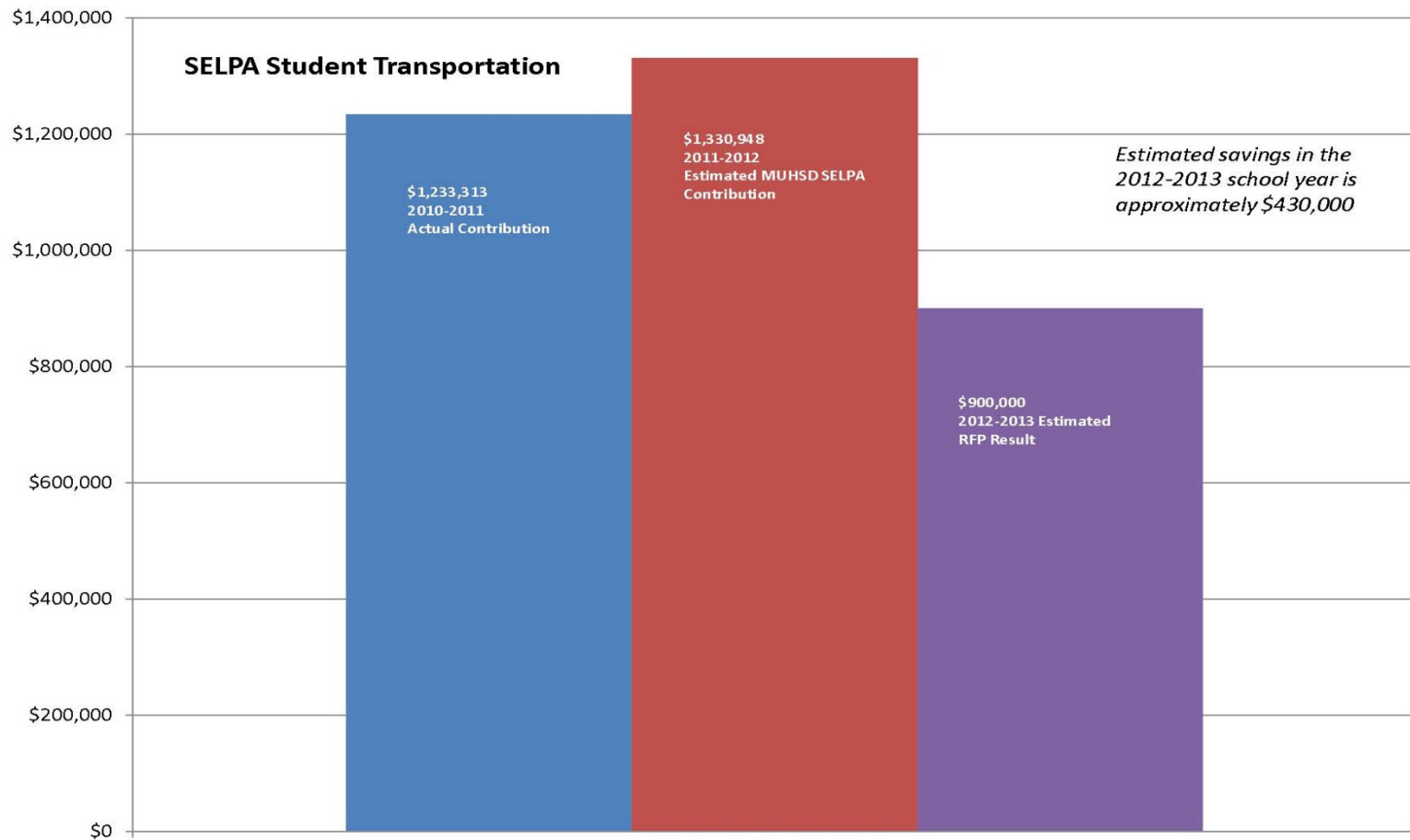
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Impact to Taxpayers caused by Reducing Ending Balances



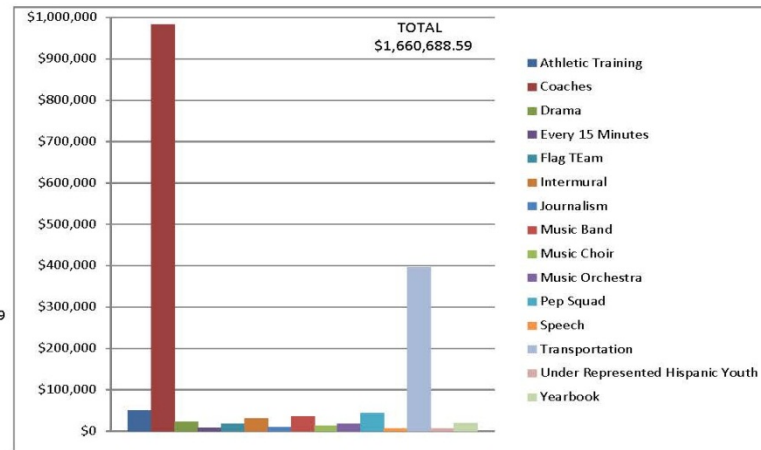
SELPA Student Transportation



2010-2012 data from Merced SELPA Fiscal Report, 11/07/2011.

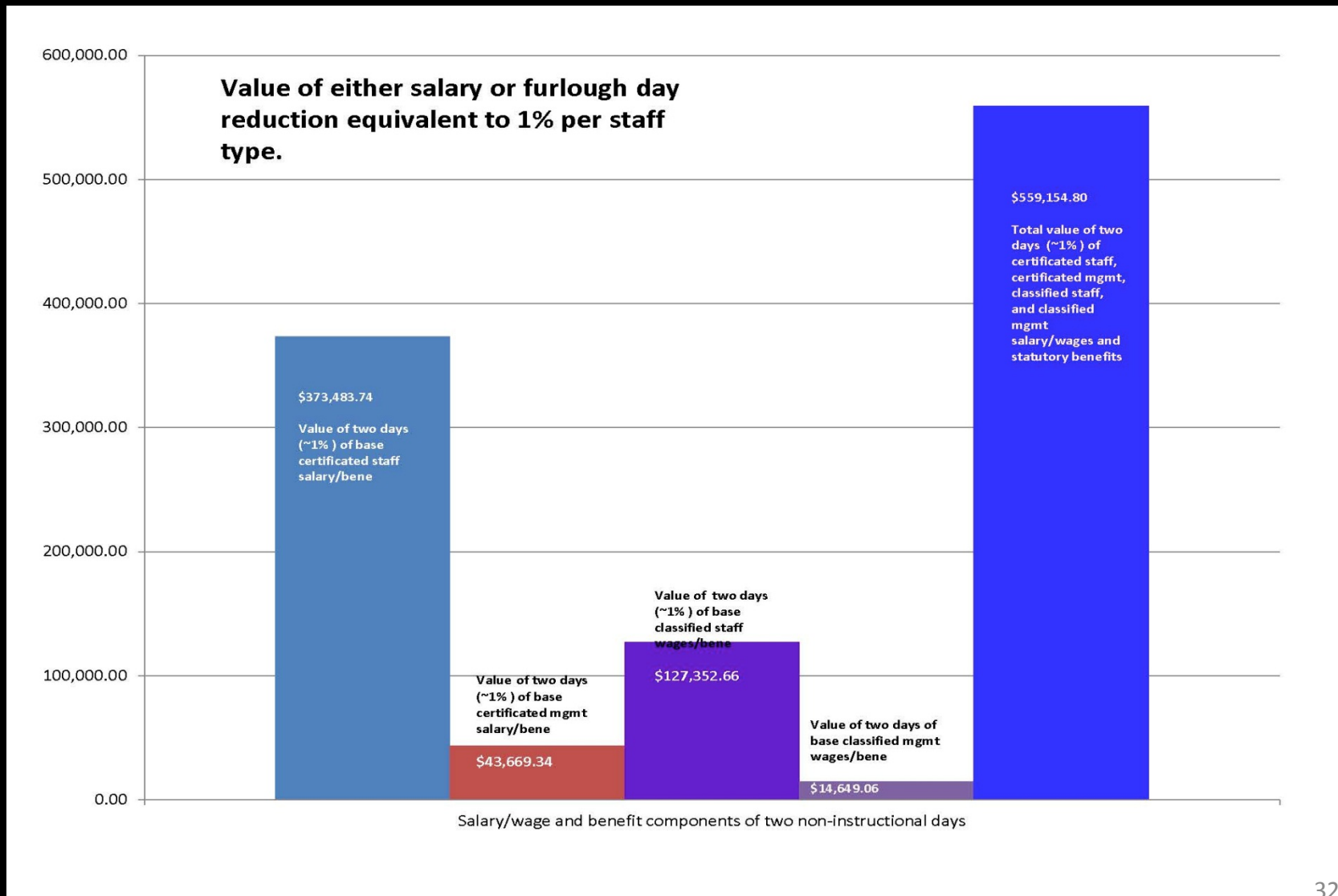
Value of Extracurricular Programs

Summary		
0 Transportation	175,636.55	
0 Coaches	26,610.70	
35 Athletic Training	50,589.15	
80 Coaches	955,697.45	982,308.15
140 Drama	22,938.89	
166 Every 15 Minutes	7,998.50	
182 Flag Team	17,994.46	
233 Intermural	30,967.05	
235 Journalism	10,427.15	
290 Music Band	34,713.44	
291 Music Choir	13,066.12	
292 Music Orchestra	17,032.89	
325 Pep Squad	43,607.91	
420 Speech	6,258.66	
535 Transportation	221,193.53	396,830.08
541 Under Represented Hispanic Youth	6,504.69	
560 Yearbook	19,451.45	
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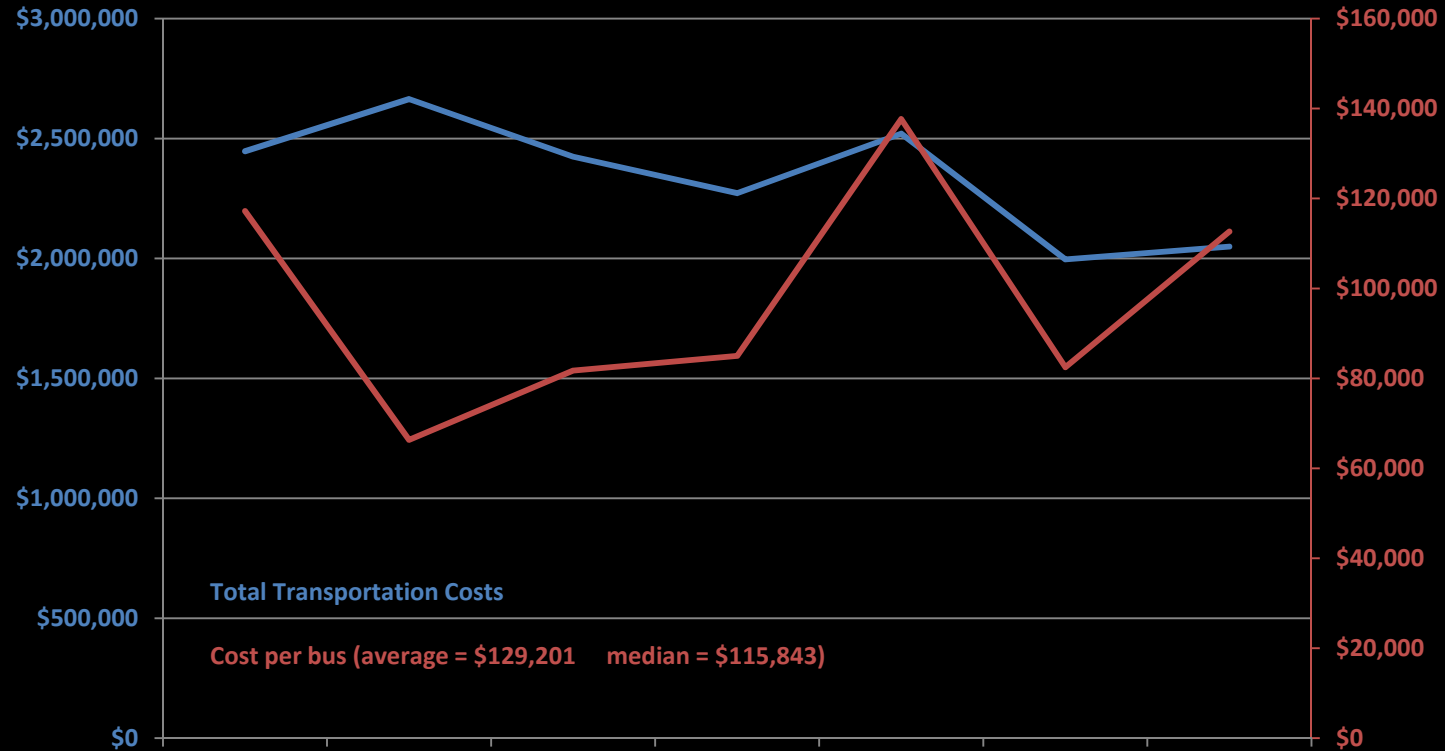


Value of athletics, arts, and club activities.

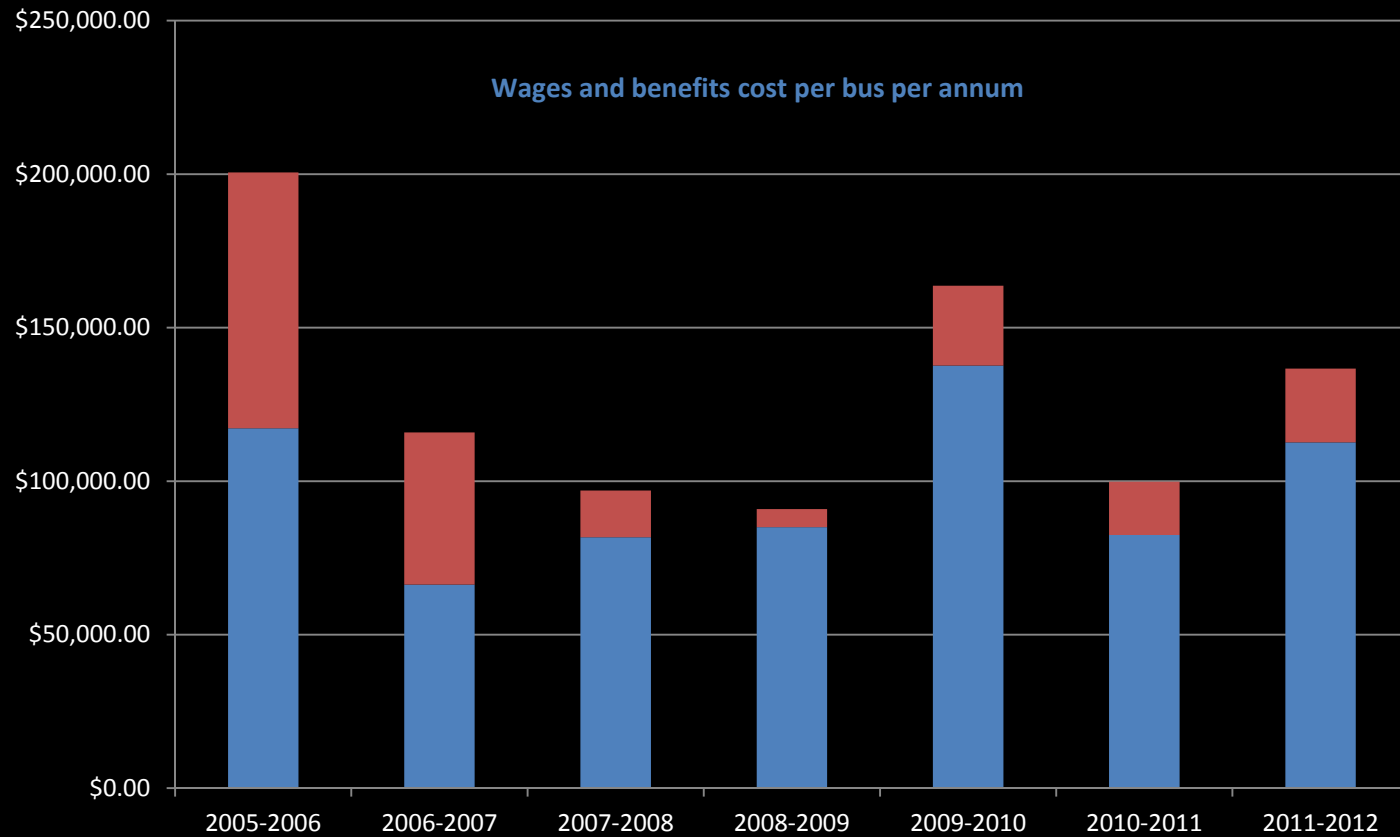
Salary/Wage and Benefit Components of Two Non-Instructional Days



Transportation Data



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(options)

- Create a single bus for an area and design route such that the bus will re-run the route (laps) several times in the morning and several times in the afternoon
- Provide service only on one side of the school day (e.g. morning “to school” service only or afternoon “to home” service only)
- Restore Transportation routes to 2011-2012 profile

Transportation Data

Area	Laps per am or pm	Time/lap (est)	Total Time (pm)	Daily Mileage
Winton	am – 3; pm -3	30 mins	4h 40m	63mi
Beachwood	am – 3; pm -3	36 mins	3h 40m	63mi
S of 99	am – 3; pm -3	30 mins	3h 40m	37mi
S/7 th , Willowbrook	am – 2; pm -3	29 mins	2h 55m	26mi
Mallard/Bedford	optional	tba	tba	