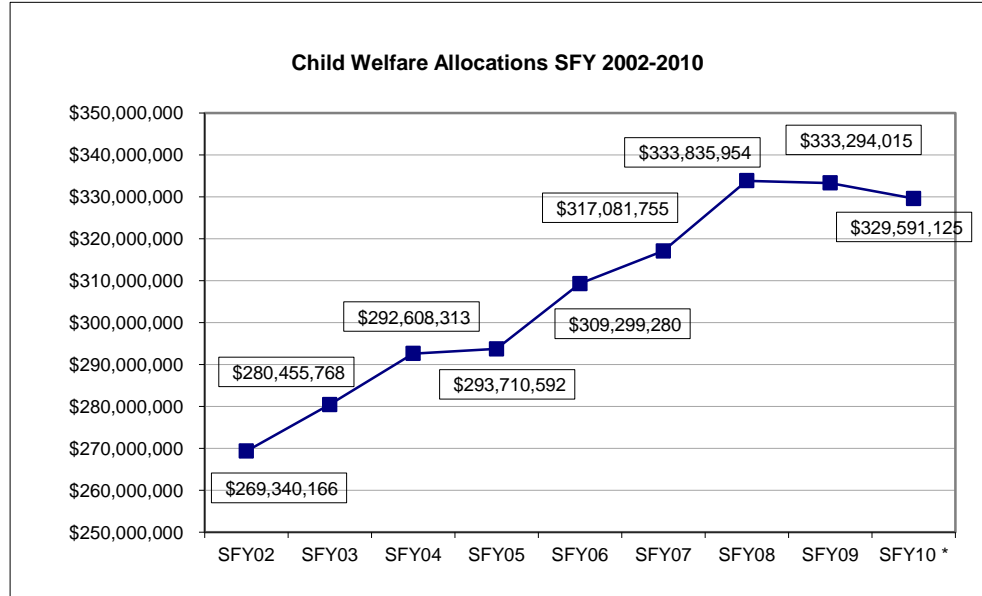


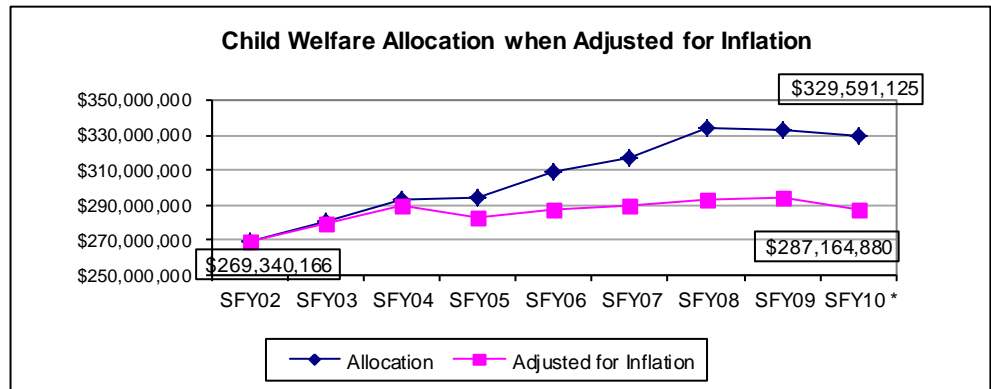
- Total child welfare allocations have grown by **\$60 million** between SFY 2002 and 2010.
- When adjusted for inflation, based on the Consumer Price Index, the child welfare allocations' purchasing power has only grown by **\$17.8 million**.
- When controlling for inflation, the child welfare allocations' purchasing power has increased by only **0.8%** per year.
- The amount allocated to counties for Child Welfare for State Fiscal Year 2010-11 **only increased by \$0.5 million**.

**HAVE FINANCIAL RESOURCES (ALLOCATIONS) KEPT STRIDE WITH CHILD WELFARE NEEDS?**

In State Fiscal Year (SFY) 2002, counties were allocated **\$269.4 million** for child welfare services. By SFY 2010, the allocations had increased to **\$329.6 million**, representing a **22.4%** gain or about a **\$60.3 million increase**.



The actual purchasing power of the funds allocated to counties was impacted by inflation. While the amount allocated to counties increased by **\$60 million**, the purchasing power of the allocations, adjusted for inflation, increased by only **\$17.8 million**, or an average of **0.8%** per year.



**Source:** CDHS fiscal year-end closeout documents; Agency Letters; USDOL Consumer Price Index statistics for Denver-Boulder-Greeley.