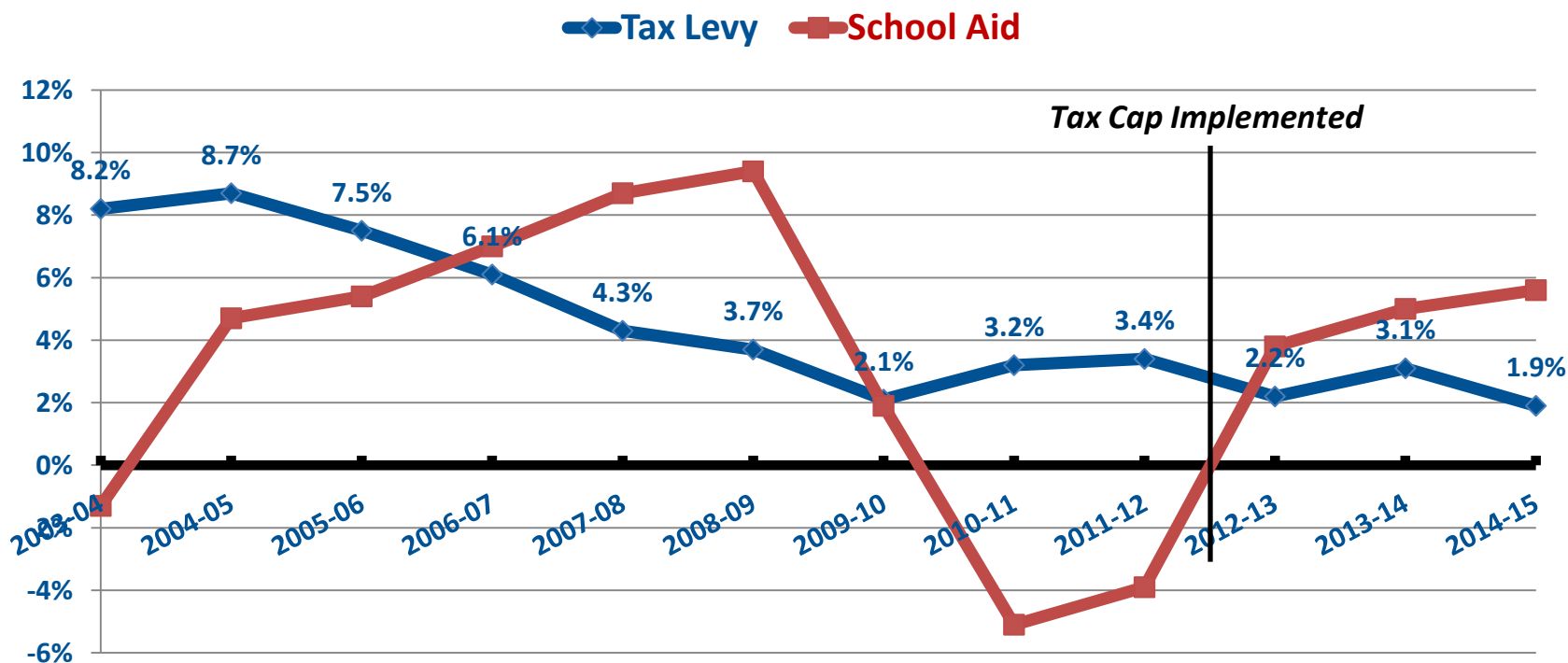


# School districts were holding down tax increases *before the tax cap took effect, despite cuts and freezes in state aid*

Average increase, 3 years before tax cap: 2.9%  
Average increase, 3 years with tax cap: 2.4%



**SOURCE:** Council analysis of NYSED School district property tax report card and state aid data (Big 5 cities omitted). Federal Education Jobs Fund allocations not included in 2010-11 state aid.