

Teaching ELL Students

TEACHING ENGLISH-LANGUAGE LEARNERS									
State has teacher standards for ELL instruction (2008-09)	State requires all prospective teachers to demonstrate competence in ELL instruction (2008-09)	Number of certified teachers in Title III language-instruction programs (2006-07)	Additional certified teachers needed for Title III in next five years as percent of current teachers (2006-07)	Number of ELL students per certified Title III teacher (2006-07)	State offers incentives to earn ESL license and/or endorsement (2008-09)	Types of language programs provided under Title III (2006-07)		State bans or restricts native-language instruction (2008-09)	
						Instruction in English and other language	Instruction in English only		
ALABAMA		197	10.2%	86			✓		
ALASKA		952	3.5	20		✓	✓		
ARIZONA	✓	✓	10,500	14.3	16	✓	✓	✓	
ARKANSAS	✓		1,052	66.5	19	✓	✓	✓	
CALIFORNIA	✓		—	—	—	—	—	✓	
COLORADO	✓		5,161	48.4	17	✓	✓		
CONNECTICUT			838	1.4	34	✓	✓	✓	
DELAWARE			89	168.5	76	✓	✓		
DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA			123	0.0	38	✓	✓		
FLORIDA	✓	✓	48,327	5.1	3	✓	✓		
GEORGIA	✓		1,827	50.1	31		✓		
HAWAII			—	—	—		✓		
IDAHO	✓		1,219	9.8	14	✓	✓		
ILLINOIS	✓		5,593	53.9	31	✓	✓		
INDIANA	✓		1,613	62.0	26	✓	✓		
IOWA	✓		190	131.6	87	✓	✓		
KANSAS	✓		1,188	25.3	19	✓	✓		
KENTUCKY			3,973	6.3	3		✓		
LOUISIANA			150	121.3	54	✓	✓		
MAINE			89	65.2	33	✓	✓		
MARYLAND	✓		943	62.5	36	✓	✓		
MASSACHUSETTS	✓		—	—	—	✓	✓	✓	
MICHIGAN	✓		579	17.3	119	—	—		
MINNESOTA	✓		1,253	44.8	49	✓	✓		
MISSISSIPPI			332	25.6	10	✓	✓		
MISSOURI			50	6,570.0	372	✓	✓		
MONTANA	✓		24	41.7	147	✓	✓		
NEBRASKA	✓		403	34.7	43	✓	✓		
NEVADA			990	27.4	128	✓	✓		
NEW HAMPSHIRE	✓		114	26.3	24		✓	✓ ¹	
NEW JERSEY	✓		3,751	5.3	15	✓	✓		
NEW MEXICO	✓		8,846	11.3	7	✓	✓		
NEW YORK	✓	✓	2,009	24.9	53	✓	✓		
NORTH CAROLINA	✓		4,459	25.2	20	✓	✓		
NORTH DAKOTA	✓		40	112.5	114	✓	✓		
OHIO			1,203	34.0	23	✓	✓		
OKLAHOMA			711	49.8	46	✓	✓		
OREGON	✓		113	—	466	✓			
PENNSYLVANIA	✓		—	—	—	✓	✓		
RHODE ISLAND	✓		369	0.0	24	✓	✓		
SOUTH CAROLINA			460	60.9	55		✓		
SOUTH DAKOTA			25	12.0	146	✓	✓		
TENNESSEE	✓		844	150.0	27		✓		
TEXAS	✓		24,000	58.3	31	✓	✓		
UTAH			1,795	199.8	28	✓	✓		
VERMONT	✓		57	61.4	20		✓		
VIRGINIA	✓		1,697	64.8	49	—	—		
WASHINGTON			1,229	712.0	66	✓	✓		
WEST VIRGINIA	✓		94	53.2	14	✓	✓		
WISCONSIN	✓		2,640	125.0	13	✓	✓	✓	
WYOMING	✓		37	—	56		✓		
U.S.²	33	3	142,148	38.4%	19	11	36	46	7

NOTE:

— Indicates data not available.

¹ State law indicates that instruction should be exclusively in English, but permits bilingual education programs with the approval of the state board of education and the local school district.

² Values in the U.S. row represent totals for the nation as a whole, based on all states with available data.

SOURCE: See Sources and Notes page 53.