

Emergent Bilingual Students in Texas

Texas Quick Facts:

- **88.9%** of emergent bilingual students are Spanish-speakers
- There are over **70** different home languages spoken by Texas emergent bilingual students.
- The percentage of emergent bilingual students has grown by **31.8%** over the last 10 years.

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HB 2256 (Guerra) / SB 1101 (Creighton)

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HB 1744 (Guerra)

Reduces programmatic barriers for educators and pre-service teachers to **access** bilingual education certification programs and support robust dual language immersion program implementation across the state.

HB 4421 (Meza) / SB 2125 (Blanco)

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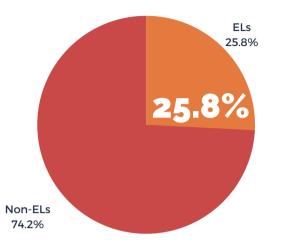


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Senate District 7

In Sen. Paul Bettencourt's district:

- **25.8%** of students are emergent bilingual students
- That is **168,353** total emergent bilingual students in Senate District 7.
- This is about **6% higher** than the state average of 20% emergent bilingual students.

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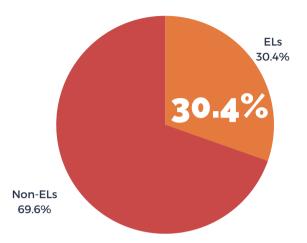
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Senate District 2

In Sen. Bob Hall's district:

- **30.4%** of students are emergent bilingual students
- That is **166,001** total emergent bilingual students in Senate District 2.
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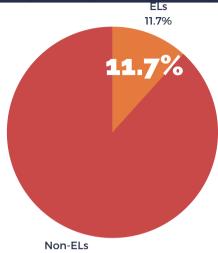
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In Sen. Bryan Hughes' district:

- 11.7% of students are emergent bilingual students
- That is 21,943 total emergent bilingual students in Senate District 1

88.3%

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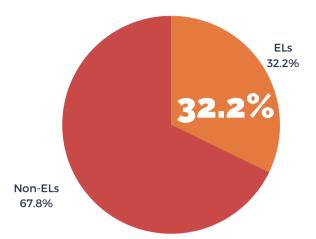


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Senate District 27

In Sen. Eddie Lucio Jr. district:

- **32.2%** of students are emergent bilingual students
- That is **111,442** total emergent bilingual students in Senate District 27.
- This is about **12% higher** than the state average of 20% emergent bilingual students.

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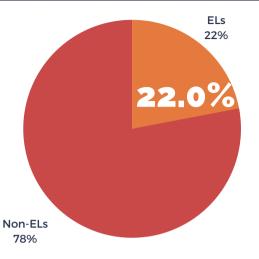
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Senate District 26

In Sen. José Menéndez's district:

- **22.0%** of students are emergent bilingual students
- That is **117,235** total emergent bilingual students in Senate District 26.
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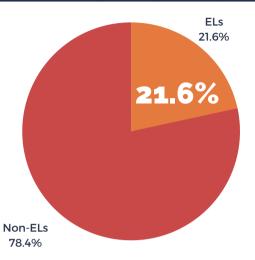
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Senate District 8

In Sen. Angela Paxton's district:

- **21.6%** of students are emergent bilingual students
- That is **96,635** total emergent bilingual students in Senate District 8
- This is about **2% higher** than the state average of 20% emergent bilingual students

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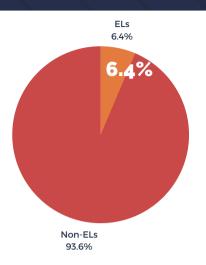
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Senate District 28

In Sen. Charles Perry's district:

- **6.4%** of students are emergent bilingual students
- That is **11,817** total emergent bilingual students in Senate District 28.

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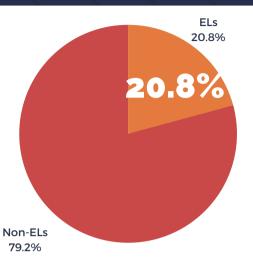
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Senate District 10

In Sen. Beverly Powell's district:

- 20.8% of students are emergent bilingual students
- That is **97,064** total emergent bilingual students in Senate District 10.

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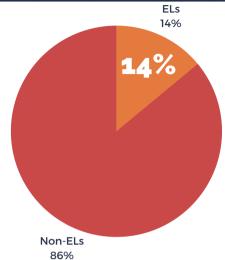
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Senate District 5

In Sen. Charles Schwertner's district:

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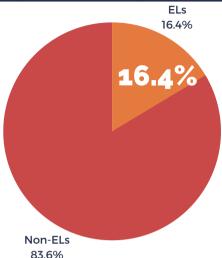
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Senate District 11

In Sen. Larry Taylor's district:

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- That is **40,230** total emergent bilingual students in Senate District 11

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