

STATE FOCUS: ILLINOIS
SCHOOL YEAR 2009–2010

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This state is:

- High Incidence
- High Growth
- Rural

STATE STATISTICS

Year	Number of ELs	Proportion of ELs	Change since 99-00	Change since 04-05
1999-2000	122,365	6.0%	---	---
2004-2005	---	---	---	---
2009-2010	179,857	8.5%	+47.0%	---



DID YOU KNOW?

- Illinois serves 2,104,175 students in 1,076 school districts, about one-third of which are "rural."
- Illinois has the fifth highest number of ELs in the country.
- Districts in Illinois offer several bilingual and English-based programs for ELs.
- The state of Illinois participates in a Teacher Exchange Visitors Program with the Ministry of Education and Culture of Spain and the Office of the Secretary of Public Education of Mexico.
- Illinois participates in the Refugee Children School Impact Grant (RCSIG), which funds refugee social service agencies to help integrate refugee children into Illinois schools; these agencies offer services to schools, refugee children, and their parents.
- Regional Offices of Education (33) are participating in a small grant initiative program to provide professional development to their rural or other small local districts that are experiencing the enrollment of EL students either for the first time or are now experiencing a major influx of EL students.

All data are for preK-12 students; for more information go to http://www.ncele.gwu.edu/files/uploads/T3SIS_LEA/lea_overview.pdf

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