



ENGLISH LEARNERS IN TEXAS

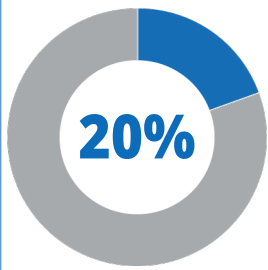
FACT SHEET #1

An English Learner is a student who is in the process of acquiring English and has another language as the primary language. The terms English language learner and English learner are used interchangeably and are synonymous with limited English Proficient (LEP) student, as used in Texas Education Code 29, Subchapter B.

English Language Learner (ELL) =

English Learner (EL)

Fast Facts:



of the student population in Texas public schools are English Learners.

Over 5 million students are enrolled in Texas public schools



Texas serves just under **1 in 5** of the nation's English Learners.

8%

of English Learners are also receiving Special Education services.

Languages in Texas:

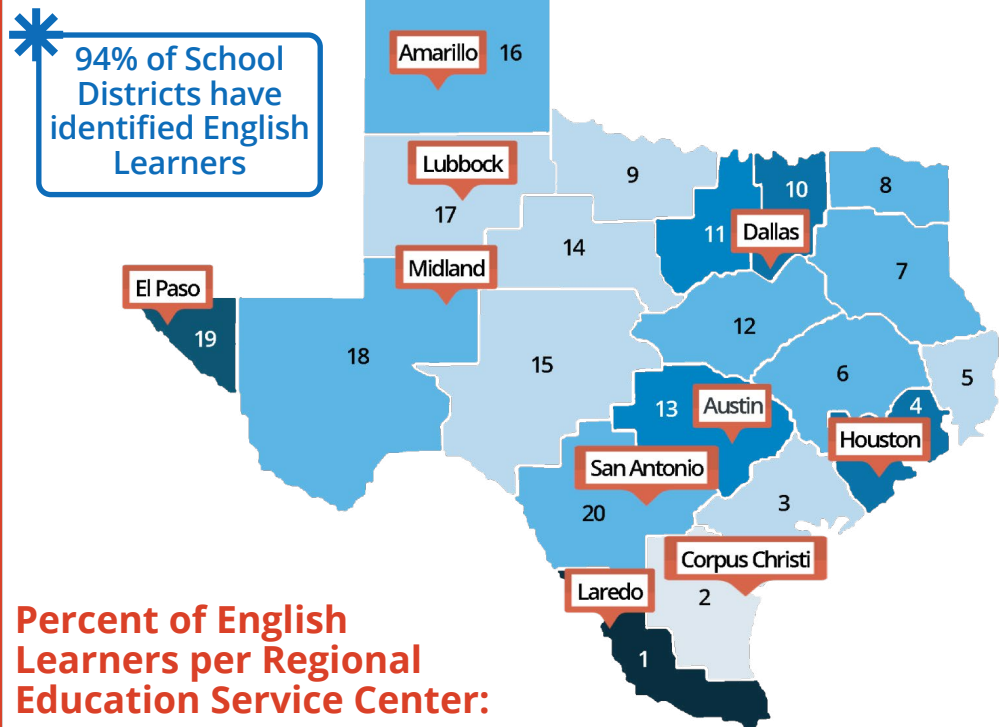
90% Spanish

7.2% Other languages

Vietnamese **1.6%** Arabic **1.2%**

120+ languages spoken in Texas public schools.

Distribution of English Learners Across Texas:



Percent of English Learners per Regional Education Service Center:

0-5% 6-9% 10-15% 16-19% 20-25% 26-29% 30-40%

Source: PEIMS Data 2018-2019

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