

# STUDENTS OF NON-ENGLISH SPEAKING BACKGROUND, 2000

This bulletin reports the results of the census of students of non-English speaking background in New South Wales government schools undertaken by the NSW Department of Education and Training on Friday, 10 March 2000. A student of non-English speaking background is defined as one in whose home a language other than English is spoken.

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## Introduction

In Term 1 2000, government schools enrolled 182,884 students of non-English speaking background (NESB). This represented 23.7 percent of all government school enrolments compared to 22.8 percent in 1999.

## Tables 1 and 2

### ENROLMENTS OF STUDENTS OF NON-ENGLISH SPEAKING BACKGROUND BY DISTRICT AND LEVEL/YEAR OF SCHOOLING, TERM 1 2000

Districts varied widely in the number and percentage of NESB students. Fairfield district had the highest enrolment with 23,427 NESB students, representing 74.5 percent of district enrolment. Granville district enrolled 18,057 NESB students, 81.1 percent of district enrolment. In Bankstown, Port Jackson, Liverpool, Bondi and St George districts, NESB students represented more than half of all enrolments.

NESB student enrolments represented 23.3 percent of all primary enrolments and 24.2 percent of all secondary enrolments in government schools.

The largest increases in the number and percentage of NESB enrolments occurred in Liverpool and Parramatta districts:

- In Liverpool district the NESB enrolment grew from 14,281 students (48.0% of district enrolment) in 1999 to 15,662 students (51.3%) in 2000.
- In Parramatta district the NESB enrolment grew from 11,020 students (43.1% of district enrolment) in 1998 to 12,075 students (46.4%) in 2000.

Year 11 (27.4%) and Year 12 (28.6%) had the greatest proportion of NESB enrolments.

Of the 2,700 NESB students in secondary support classes, 65.6 percent were enrolled at intensive English centres.

Year 12 was the year of schooling with the greatest increase in the proportion of NESB enrolments, from 26.4 percent in 1999 to 28.6 percent in 2000.

## Table 3

### ENROLMENTS OF STUDENTS OF NON-ENGLISH SPEAKING BACKGROUND BY LANGUAGE AND LEVEL OF SCHOOLING, TERM 1 2000

Chinese, with 30,394 students in 2000, has been the most common language background other than English in government schools since 1997, representing 16.6 percent of all NESB students, compared with 16.1 percent in 1999.

Arabic, with 27,183 students in 2000, was the most common language background from 1988 to 1996. The proportion of NESB students of Arabic background increased from 13.8 percent in 1999 to 14.9 percent in 2000.

The number of students of Indonesian language background increased from 2,276 in 1999 to 2,504 in 2000, an increase of 10.0 percent, the largest percentage increase. The number of students of Fijian language background increased from 1080 in 1999 to 1204 in 2000, an increase of 11.5 percent.

## Table 4

### ENROLMENTS OF STUDENTS OF NON-ENGLISH SPEAKING BACKGROUND BY DISTRICT AND LANGUAGE, TERM 1 2000

In districts with more than 10,000 NESB students, the most common language backgrounds were Arabic in Bankstown, Granville and Liverpool districts; Chinese in Fairfield, Parramatta and St George districts, and Vietnamese in Fairfield district. In 1999 the most common language in St George had been Chinese.

Students of Chinese language background were most commonly enrolled in schools in Bankstown, Bondi, Fairfield, Granville, Hornsby, Parramatta, Port Jackson, Ryde and St George districts.

Khmer was the language with the highest concentration in one district, with 66.8 percent of students of Khmer language background in schools in Fairfield district.

**Table 5**  
**ENROLMENTS OF PRESCHOOL STUDENTS OF NON-ENGLISH SPEAKING BACKGROUND BY LANGUAGE, TERM 1 2000**

Government preschools enrolled 871.2 full-time equivalent students of non-English speaking background in 2000, representing 39.4 percent of all government preschool enrolments, compared with 40.1 percent in 1991. Arabic, Chinese and Vietnamese were the most common language backgrounds, representing 18.2 percent, 16.1 percent and 15.3 percent, respectively, of all NESB preschool students.

The following graphs can be found after the tables:

**Figure 1**  
**PERCENTAGE OF STUDENTS OF NON-ENGLISH SPEAKING BACKGROUND BY DISTRICT, TERM 1 2000**

**Figure 2**  
**STUDENTS OF NON-ENGLISH SPEAKING BACKGROUND, 1988-2000: SELECTED LANGUAGE BACKGROUNDS**

*Notes:*

From 1996, information on NESB students has been collected in Term 1 with comparative enrolment information extracted from the School Entitlement System. In previous years, NESB information was collected in the midyear census, with comparative enrolment information collected at the same time.

For information on languages, refer to *Australian Standard Classification of Languages*, Australian Bureau of Statistics (catalogue 1267.0).

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Additional information about schools and students in New South Wales will be available

**Table 1. Enrolments of Students of Non-English Speaking Background  
by District and Level of Schooling, Term 1 2000**

District	Primary		Secondary		SSP		Total	
	Students	As % of Enrolment	Students	As % of Enrolment	Students	As % of Enrolment	Students	As % of Enrolment
Albury	139	2.2%	115	2.3%	7	9.9%	261	2.3%
Armidale	119	2.2%	131	2.9%	0	-	250	2.5%
Bankstown	6,911	57.0%	4,605	56.0%	87	71.9%	11,603	56.7%
Batemans Bay	240	2.7%	178	2.8%	1	11.1%	419	2.8%
Bathurst	167	2.5%	155	3.1%	1	-	323	2.7%
Blacktown	2,667	19.0%	1,716	22.1%	4	4.7%	4,387	20.0%
Bondi	4,716	48.1%	4,068	54.1%	23	31.5%	8,807	50.6%
Broken Hill	46	1.4%	43	1.7%	0	-	89	1.5%
Campbelltown	3,863	19.7%	2,223	18.6%	56	22.1%	6,142	19.3%
Central Coast	1,353	6.9%	1,126	8.5%	32	13.7%	2,511	7.6%
Clarence/Coffs Harbour	363	3.5%	273	3.3%	0	-	636	3.4%
Deniliquin	84	2.7%	52	2.4%	0	-	136	2.5%
Dubbo	149	2.0%	63	1.1%	0	-	212	1.6%
Fairfield	12,749	76.5%	10,573	72.5%	105	50.0%	23,427	74.5%
Granville	11,581	81.1%	6,395	81.3%	81	63.3%	18,057	81.1%
Griffith	473	9.8%	311	8.9%	11	17.7%	795	9.5%
Hornsby	4,690	29.3%	4,221	34.8%	51	30.5%	8,962	31.7%
Lake Macquarie	584	3.3%	365	3.4%	3	5.4%	952	3.3%
Lismore	161	2.4%	174	3.4%	0	-	335	2.8%
Liverpool	9,424	52.4%	6,074	50.1%	164	38.5%	15,662	51.3%
Maitland	209	1.9%	168	2.3%	0	-	377	2.0%
Moree	59	1.4%	49	1.8%	0	-	108	1.5%
Mount Druitt	5,780	32.7%	3,337	31.8%	48	23.2%	9,165	32.3%
Newcastle	1,027	8.1%	869	8.1%	6	3.6%	1,902	8.1%
Northern Beaches	3,360	20.3%	2,494	27.9%	10	10.8%	5,864	22.9%
Orange	135	1.8%	127	2.5%	2	3.6%	264	2.1%
Parramatta	6,466	44.8%	5,534	48.7%	75	30.4%	12,075	46.4%
Penrith	1,511	10.1%	1,028	10.5%	29	17.7%	2,568	10.3%
Port Jackson	5,312	48.4%	3,562	56.3%	13	20.0%	8,887	51.2%
Port Macquarie	161	1.9%	142	2.1%	0	-	303	2.0%
Queanbeyan	682	9.0%	306	6.5%	0	-	988	8.0%
Ryde	5,541	35.9%	3,983	43.1%	18	18.2%	9,542	38.5%
Shellharbour	1,099	7.3%	732	7.2%	4	2.9%	1,835	7.2%
St George	8,320	68.2%	6,966	72.9%	87	48.6%	15,373	70.1%
Sutherland	2,244	15.4%	1,775	15.4%	20	16.4%	4,039	15.4%
Tamworth	84	1.0%	112	1.8%	0	0.0%	196	1.3%
Taree	256	2.3%	116	1.5%	0	-	372	2.0%
Tweed Heads/Ballina	312	3.3%	256	3.4%	0	-	568	3.4%
Wagga Wagga	140	1.9%	109	2.1%	0	-	249	1.9%
Wollongong	2,458	18.6%	1,767	19.1%	18	12.3%	4,243	18.8%
<b>State</b>	<b>105,635</b>	<b>23.3%</b>	<b>76,293</b>	<b>24.2%</b>	<b>956</b>	<b>24.2%</b>	<b>182,884</b>	<b>23.7%</b>

**Table 2. Enrolments of Students of Non-English Speaking Background  
by District and Year of Schooling, Term 1 2000**

District	Primary									SSP
	Kinder	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6	Support	Total	Total
Albury	18	27	20	15	17	22	20	0	139	7
Armidale	21	23	15	14	20	12	14	0	119	0
Bankstown	1,098	1,051	994	949	895	919	886	119	6,911	87
Batemans Bay	27	37	44	29	35	39	28	1	240	1
Bathurst	24	19	33	26	23	21	20	1	167	1
Blacktown	388	374	382	372	361	399	354	37	2,667	4
Bondi	624	717	677	659	643	659	676	61	4,716	23
Broken Hill	13	8	6	5	6	5	3	0	46	0
Campbelltown	574	545	539	562	559	526	512	46	3,863	56
Central Coast	182	195	175	192	211	201	191	6	1,353	32
Clarence/Coffs Harbour	51	58	53	40	58	51	51	1	363	0
Deniliquin	14	15	18	12	11	6	8	0	84	0
Dubbo	19	20	27	24	23	18	17	1	149	0
Fairfield	1,904	1,866	1,832	1,821	1,704	1,670	1,792	160	12,749	105
Granville	1,759	1,724	1,752	1,596	1,549	1,492	1,573	136	11,581	81
Griffith	77	86	70	66	61	61	46	6	473	11
Hornsby	632	648	698	654	673	678	686	21	4,690	51
Lake Macquarie	97	95	62	88	70	92	76	4	584	3
Lismore	26	24	29	22	20	22	18	0	161	0
Liverpool	1,464	1,370	1,375	1,341	1,307	1,255	1,204	108	9,424	164
Maitland	23	38	34	17	30	40	25	2	209	0
Moree	8	12	5	8	2	14	10	0	59	0
Mount Druitt	822	814	837	778	849	810	808	62	5,780	48
Newcastle	159	156	163	149	136	136	121	7	1,027	6
Northern Beaches	528	516	483	465	473	463	417	15	3,360	10
Orange	19	15	21	21	20	23	16	0	135	2
Parramatta	981	925	945	908	966	837	849	55	6,466	75
Penrith	244	217	235	193	213	185	203	21	1,511	29
Port Jackson	791	824	794	700	733	703	728	39	5,312	13
Port Macquarie	22	32	19	19	29	17	22	1	161	0
Queanbeyan	88	108	118	97	92	94	75	10	682	0
Ryde	826	798	817	834	755	735	735	41	5,541	18
Shellharbour	183	165	153	162	146	155	127	8	1,099	4
St George	1,308	1,243	1,205	1,117	1,142	1,119	1,096	90	8,320	87
Sutherland	320	306	318	342	312	313	313	20	2,244	20
Tamworth	9	11	16	10	10	13	14	1	84	0
Taree	35	41	41	45	34	32	26	2	256	0
Tweed Heads/Ballina	43	47	51	49	40	29	49	4	312	0
Wagga Wagga	18	24	23	20	18	17	19	1	140	0
Wollongong	359	410	342	343	336	350	301	17	2,458	18
<b>State</b>	<b>15,798</b>	<b>15,604</b>	<b>15,421</b>	<b>14,764</b>	<b>14,582</b>	<b>14,233</b>	<b>14,129</b>	<b>1,104</b>	<b>105,635</b>	<b>956</b>
As % of Enrolment	24.4%	23.9%	23.7%	23.0%	22.7%	22.6%	22.9%	19.4%	23.3%	24.2%

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**Table 2. Enrolments of Students of Non-English Speaking Background  
by District and Year of Schooling, Term 1 2000 (continued)**

District	Secondary								District	As % of
	Year 7	Year 8	Year 9	Year 10	Year 11	Year 12	Support	Total	Total	District
Albury	15	14	17	25	23	21	0	115	261	2.3%
Armidale	22	16	34	18	25	15	1	131	250	2.5%
Bankstown	640	628	718	846	787	631	355	4,605	11,603	56.7%
Batemans Bay	24	35	39	29	34	17	0	178	419	2.8%
Bathurst	21	26	29	33	28	18	0	155	323	2.7%
Blacktown	301	300	309	312	262	212	20	1,716	4,387	20.0%
Bondi	577	634	670	779	696	677	35	4,068	8,807	50.6%
Broken Hill	7	10	8	9	3	4	2	43	89	1.5%
Campbelltown	325	360	394	412	375	318	39	2,223	6,142	19.3%
Central Coast	163	202	190	186	209	160	16	1,126	2,511	7.6%
Clarence/Coffs Harbour	46	46	43	28	55	54	1	273	636	3.4%
Deniliquin	9	9	7	13	6	8	0	52	136	2.5%
Dubbo	14	12	10	11	7	9	0	63	212	1.6%
Fairfield	1,445	1,565	1,675	1,836	1,898	1,636	518	10,573	23,427	74.5%
Granville	1,002	965	1,116	1,135	1,130	907	140	6,395	18,057	81.1%
Griffith	55	56	54	57	51	38	0	311	795	9.5%
Hornsby	633	751	702	733	732	670	0	4,221	8,962	31.7%
Lake Macquarie	59	58	69	62	69	43	5	365	952	3.3%
Lismore	23	26	33	26	35	31	0	174	335	2.8%
Liverpool	1,011	985	1,054	1,022	997	699	306	6,074	15,662	51.3%
Maitland	29	28	26	28	35	21	1	168	377	2.0%
Moree	10	5	8	10	9	7	0	49	108	1.5%
Mount Druitt	503	529	544	573	577	426	185	3,337	9,165	32.3%
Newcastle	129	165	141	137	136	158	3	869	1,902	8.1%
Northern Beaches	351	410	407	428	448	433	17	2,494	5,864	22.9%
Orange	12	26	27	19	29	13	1	127	264	2.1%
Parramatta	958	969	934	973	876	764	60	5,534	12,075	46.4%
Penrith	176	202	188	180	167	103	12	1,028	2,568	10.3%
Port Jackson	420	487	528	583	627	526	391	3,562	8,887	51.2%
Port Macquarie	28	18	30	29	13	21	3	142	303	2.0%
Queanbeyan	58	46	60	47	54	38	3	306	988	8.0%
Ryde	546	600	588	658	656	633	302	3,983	9,542	38.5%
Shellharbour	133	110	136	141	127	80	5	732	1,835	7.2%
St George	1,058	1,126	1,107	1,205	1,225	1,053	192	6,966	15,373	70.1%
Sutherland	305	291	281	318	323	248	9	1,775	4,039	15.4%
Tamworth	14	14	26	15	21	21	1	112	196	1.3%
Taree	20	25	17	17	22	10	5	116	372	2.0%
Tweed Heads/Ballina	46	57	45	30	45	33	0	256	568	3.4%
Wagga Wagga	19	17	15	22	17	18	1	109	249	1.9%
Wollongong	282	279	266	273	346	250	71	1,767	4,243	18.8%
<b>State</b>	<b>11,489</b>	<b>12,102</b>	<b>12,545</b>	<b>13,258</b>	<b>13,175</b>	<b>11,024</b>	<b>2,700</b>	<b>76,293</b>	<b>182,884</b>	<b>23.7%</b>
As % of Enrolment	21.2%	22.0%	22.6%	23.8%	27.4%	28.6%	32.2%	24.2%	23.7%	

**Table 3. Enrolments of Students of Non-English Speaking Background  
by Language and Level of Schooling, Term 1 2000**

Language	Primary		Secondary		SSP		Total	
	Students	As % of Total NESB	Students	As % of Total NESB	Students	As % of Total NESB	Students	As % of Total NESB
Arabic	15,248	14.4%	11,662	15.3%	273	28.6%	27,183	14.9%
Chinese	16,469	15.6%	13,848	18.2%	77	8.1%	30,394	16.6%
Croatian	1,498	1.4%	1,094	1.4%	22	2.3%	2,614	1.4%
Dutch	1,034	1.0%	685	0.9%	2	0.2%	1,721	0.9%
Farsi	1,501	1.4%	1,399	1.8%	11	1.2%	2,911	1.6%
Fijian	748	0.7%	439	0.6%	17	1.8%	1,204	0.7%
French	1,625	1.5%	1,004	1.3%	5	0.5%	2,634	1.4%
German	2,090	2.0%	1,552	2.0%	6	0.6%	3,648	2.0%
Greek	5,715	5.4%	3,149	4.1%	49	5.1%	8,913	4.9%
Hindi	4,064	3.8%	2,649	3.5%	24	2.5%	6,737	3.7%
Indonesian	1,404	1.3%	1,090	1.4%	10	1.0%	2,504	1.4%
Italian	5,170	4.9%	2,771	3.6%	52	5.4%	7,993	4.4%
Japanese	919	0.9%	514	0.7%	4	0.4%	1,437	0.8%
Khmer	1,110	1.1%	1,267	1.7%	5	0.5%	2,382	1.3%
Korean	2,663	2.5%	2,134	2.8%	6	0.6%	4,803	2.6%
Lao	705	0.7%	471	0.6%	7	0.7%	1,183	0.6%
Macedonian	2,802	2.7%	2,181	2.9%	18	1.9%	5,001	2.7%
Malay	253	0.2%	180	0.2%	2	0.2%	435	0.2%
Maltese	1,311	1.2%	896	1.2%	19	2.0%	2,226	1.2%
Polish	857	0.8%	899	1.2%	7	0.7%	1,763	1.0%
Portuguese	916	0.9%	648	0.8%	15	1.6%	1,579	0.9%
Punjabi	730	0.7%	454	0.6%	5	0.5%	1,189	0.7%
Russian	908	0.9%	820	1.1%	7	0.7%	1,735	0.9%
Samoan	3,093	2.9%	1,453	1.9%	29	3.0%	4,575	2.5%
Serbian	2,350	2.2%	1,861	2.4%	4	0.4%	4,215	2.3%
Sinhalese	553	0.5%	387	0.5%	6	0.6%	946	0.5%
Slovenian	158	0.1%	111	0.1%	2	0.2%	271	0.1%
Spanish	3,731	3.5%	2,634	3.5%	38	4.0%	6,403	3.5%
Tagalog	3,974	3.8%	2,894	3.8%	45	4.7%	6,913	3.8%
Tamil	1,207	1.1%	866	1.1%	13	1.4%	2,086	1.1%
Tongan	2,015	1.9%	998	1.3%	33	3.5%	3,046	1.7%
Turkish	2,610	2.5%	1,803	2.4%	27	2.8%	4,440	2.4%
Urdu	839	0.8%	536	0.7%	3	0.3%	1,378	0.8%
Vietnamese	6,182	5.9%	4,909	6.4%	62	6.5%	11,153	6.1%
Others	9,183	8.7%	6,035	7.9%	51	5.3%	15,269	8.3%
<b>Total NESB</b>	<b>105,635</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>76,293</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>956</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>182,884</b>	<b>100.0%</b>

**Table 4. Enrolments of Students of Non-English Speaking Background  
by District and Language, Term 1 2000**

District	Arabic	Chinese	Croatian	Dutch	Farsi	Fijian	French	German	Greek	Hindi	Indonesian	Italian
Albury	47	15	5	13	2	5	3	16	23	7	2	9
Armidale	10	32		9	2	2	16	18	5	5	12	6
Bankstown	4,441	1,513	78	18	42	71	82	61	863	220	110	317
Batemans Bay	22	27	11	23		3	23	66	22	3	9	55
Bathurst	24	24	7	18	3	3	10	33	18		6	21
Blacktown	382	321	97	58	106	26	70	95	149	362	45	178
Bondi	400	1,875	54	49	102	53	206	161	636	189	443	176
Broken Hill	5	2	1	1			3	3	1	2		25
Campbelltown	898	245	143	94	72	89	120	160	149	305	64	329
Central Coast	101	136	48	172	14	36	150	239	114	39	53	188
Clarence/Coffs Harbour	7	26	5	40		4	37	88	8	9	8	31
Deniliquin	7	12	2	1	1	2	2	9	5	1		34
Dubbo	36	16	1	4	2		11	11	7	11		2
Fairfield	4,054	4,077	529	33	195	69	71	89	344	388	72	894
Granville	5,575	3,406	56	13	191	162	42	37	425	568	170	366
Griffith	9	9	1	2	4	42	1	12	3	22		303
Hornsby	360	3,244	76	117	418	15	171	230	163	414	140	404
Lake Macquarie	50	51	33	29		13	23	53	51	17	20	64
Lismore	10	15	3	18	1	1	19	88	7	7	10	28
Liverpool	2,875	1,245	249	51	89	84	145	106	415	1,241	78	851
Maitland	19	45	6	6		1	6	45	11	10	3	25
Moree	4	15	4		2		4	7	3	1		1
Mount Druitt	873	247	236	67	218	96	70	98	249	757	73	229
Newcastle	32	154	49	28	8	9	66	102	194	19	29	144
Northern Beaches	187	1,036	118	182	117	22	317	316	189	99	127	481
Orange	19	14	4	5	5	6	6	23	12	7	1	16
Parramatta	1,555	2,632	153	64	694	73	101	122	325	784	136	284
Penrith	204	177	47	90	29	20	62	132	133	120	23	182
Port Jackson	651	1,966	46	46	27	93	134	129	574	217	290	588
Port Macquarie	8	19	4	13		3	19	43	7	15	8	17
Queanbeyan	32	30	35	36	3	5	12	82	33	13	19	105
Ryde	355	3,046	72	118	478	25	266	262	309	329	158	334
Shellharbour	83	62	70	50	4	3	42	158	133	16	7	201
St George	3,015	3,796	148	24	31	138	72	63	2,420	386	235	385
Sutherland	430	594	71	102	10	8	130	174	655	93	79	282
Tamworth	24	22	7	8	3	3	8	21	4	2	5	6
Taree	12	30	14	22		2	28	41	13	5	4	36
Tweed Heads/Ballina	19	23	8	23	3	1	43	95	15	15	24	43
Wagga Wagga	65	17	2	18	2	5	10	10	10	6	2	4
Wollongong	283	178	121	56	33	11	33	150	216	33	39	349
<b>State Totals</b>	<b>27,183</b>	<b>30,394</b>	<b>2,614</b>	<b>1,721</b>	<b>2,911</b>	<b>1,204</b>	<b>2,634</b>	<b>3,648</b>	<b>8,913</b>	<b>6,737</b>	<b>2,504</b>	<b>7,993</b>
As % of Total NESB	14.9%	16.6%	1.4%	0.9%	1.6%	0.7%	1.4%	2.0%	4.9%	3.7%	1.4%	4.4%

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**Table 4. Enrolments of Students of Non-English Speaking Background  
by District and Language, Term 1 2000 (continued)**

District	Japanese	Khmer	Korean	Lao	Macedonian	Malay	Maltese	Polish	Portuguese	Punjabi	Russian	Samoan
Albury	4			27			3	8	3		3	
Armidale	12	3				2	2	3	2	1	4	
Bankstown	36	51	188	9	514	6	40	49	38	27	32	282
Batemans Bay	4			2	1		6	12	7			
Bathurst	3		1		2		7	2	1		7	5
Blacktown	14	4	80	5	65	13	367	61	11	132	27	115
Bondi	136	11	244	8	24	47	44	103	119	17	565	42
Broken Hill												
Campbelltown	16	127	9	237	67	10	114	76	51	23	42	704
Central Coast	36		18	6	14	19	89	39	22	2	43	26
Clarence/Coffs Harbour	10		1		2	1	2	7	2	164	1	1
Deniliquin							4		2	2	2	
Dubbo	1								1			
Fairfield	7	1,591	63	409	379	21	264	113	78	8	110	382
Granville	25	22	815	27	144	22	28	32	54	100	70	530
Griffith	2				1			1	1	67	1	60
Hornsby	85	6	697	4	21	58	34	147	38	70	116	11
Lake Macquarie	14	5	6	1	32	4	28	16	6	1	10	61
Lismore	1		1	1			4	9	3	8	2	1
Liverpool	6	404	27	356	339	19	167	211	128	72	69	749
Maitland	3				2	5	3	29	4	1	3	13
Moree							1			2	1	
Mount Druitt	5	39	54	7	43	7	384	93	69	111	31	1,064
Newcastle	22	1	13	7	324	3	3	45	6	5	18	74
Northern Beaches	347	6	260	1	48	13	7	92	46	22	59	38
Orange	7		5							1	16	
Parramatta	31	34	710	11	32	29	161	143	25	118	84	116
Penrith	23	9	13	2	12	18	129	58	27	73	31	53
Port Jackson	82	28	289	5	173	22	24	101	296	12	70	58
Port Macquarie	4			1	5	5	6	6	5	2	2	5
Queanbeyan	6	1	7		235		25	21	12	2	10	19
Ryde	331	9	909	23	26	35	23	131	43	53	121	13
Shellharbour	11		1	5	255		56	19	68		9	1
St George	58	21	314	8	1,128	29	58	35	182	28	80	120
Sutherland	40	10	49	1	176	29	66	43	49	8	69	13
Tamworth	8		1	6			3	1	1	3	8	1
Taree	2		1	3	9	2	8		12			11
Tweed Heads/Ballina	23			3	1	2	4	4	3	54	2	
Wagga Wagga	1					3	3	2			1	
Wollongong	21		27	8	927	11	59	51	164		16	7
<b>State</b>	<b>1,437</b>	<b>2,382</b>	<b>4,803</b>	<b>1,183</b>	<b>5,001</b>	<b>435</b>	<b>2,226</b>	<b>1,763</b>	<b>1,579</b>	<b>1,189</b>	<b>1,735</b>	<b>4,575</b>
As % of Total NESB	0.8%	1.3%	2.6%	0.6%	2.7%	0.2%	1.2%	1.0%	0.9%	0.7%	0.9%	2.5%

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**Table 4. Enrolments of Students of Non-English Speaking Background  
by District and Language, Term 1 2000 (continued)**

District	Serbian	Sinhalese	Slovenian	Spanish	Tagalog	Tamil	Tongan	Turkish	Urdu	Vietnamese	Others	Total
Albury	5	1		5	20	1	2	2		2	28	261
Armidale		2		9	15	1			1	5	71	250
Bankstown	66	12	8	163	185	16	78	95	76	1,249	567	11,603
Batemans Bay	1			15	29	3	5	1		1	68	419
Bathurst	6	3	1	17	27	3	2	3	10	2	54	323
Blacktown	115	51	6	125	368	52	83	179	86	23	516	4,387
Bondi	171	82	19	445	289	93	173	321	54	219	1,237	8,807
Broken Hill		3			9	9	8	2		1	14	89
Campbelltown	89	18	11	386	352	24	272	66	45	122	613	6,142
Central Coast	45	2	6	141	229	7	47	21	7	18	384	2,511
Clarence/Coffs Harbour	1	1	2	36	42		5	4		5	86	636
Deniliquin		7	1		7	3	19			3	10	136
Dubbo	1	1	1	12	13	4	2	7	1	2	65	212
Fairfield	941	16	30	1,230	377	32	220	549	33	4,926	833	23,427
Granville	113	39	12	185	352	638	559	1,101	249	982	947	18,057
Griffith		4		28	22		107	49	4	1	39	795
Hornsby	47	204	16	194	197	191	38	72	62	92	810	8,962
Lake Macquarie	22	7	3	45	60	3	33	6	17	6	162	952
Lismore			2	17	15	1					63	335
Liverpool	972	40	20	833	541	84	144	224	161	1,462	1,205	15,662
Maitland	7		2	8	38		7		3	4	68	377
Moree	9			7	9		2	1	1		34	108
Mount Druitt	100	67	15	353	1,447	91	433	379	172	121	867	9,165
Newcastle	74	9	9	50	116	7	27	19	7	33	196	1,902
Northern Beaches	264	1	13	194	228	15	186	24	6	41	762	5,864
Orange	4	5	3	6	24	3	13		3	1	55	264
Parramatta	164	156	14	324	467	446	91	512	148	213	1,123	12,075
Penrith	64	33	4	143	205	32	20	38	30	28	304	2,568
Port Jackson	141	15	5	261	270	85	204	208	37	889	851	8,887
Port Macquarie				16	29		3	3		1	54	303
Queanbeyan	48	9	4	32	23	1	8	1	2	4	113	988
Ryde	112	99	21	216	215	172	44	53	50	87	1,004	9,542
Shellharbour	62	7	8	211	71		9	49	4	11	149	1,835
St George	200	19	16	279	273	46	119	162	73	450	962	15,373
Sutherland	65	8	6	170	100	10	42	48	18	45	346	4,039
Tamworth	2	3		3	11					2	30	196
Taree		2		18	36	1	2		2	1	55	372
Tweed Heads/Ballina	3	1		16	40		3	2	1	4	90	568
Wagga Wagga	6	1	1	9	10	4		6	2	5	44	249
Wollongong	295	18	12	201	152	8	36	233	13	92	390	4,243
<b>State</b>	<b>4,215</b>	<b>946</b>	<b>271</b>	<b>6,403</b>	<b>6,913</b>	<b>2,086</b>	<b>3,046</b>	<b>4,440</b>	<b>1,378</b>	<b>11,153</b>	<b>15,269</b>	<b>182,884</b>
As % of Total NESB	2.3%	0.5%	0.1%	3.5%	3.8%	1.1%	1.7%	2.4%	0.8%	6.1%	8.3%	100.0%

**Table 5. Enrolments of Preschool Students of Non-English Speaking Background by Language, Term 1 2000**

Language	Preschool Students		As % of
	Students	FTE	Total NESB
Arabic	303	158.8	18.2%
Chinese	255	140.1	16.1%
Croatian	17	9.6	1.1%
Dutch	3	2.0	0.2%
Farsi	6	3.1	0.4%
Fijian	4	3.4	0.4%
French	6	4.5	0.5%
German	15	10.1	1.2%
Greek	39	27.4	3.1%
Hindi	50	26.8	3.1%
Indonesian	24	15.4	1.8%
Italian	63	40.1	4.6%
Japanese	2	2.0	0.2%
Khmer	21	10.0	1.1%
Korean	8	4.1	0.5%
Lao	6	3.1	0.4%
Macedonian	25	12.4	1.4%
Malay	9	6.4	0.7%
Maltese	12	5.4	0.6%
Polish	7	3.3	0.4%
Portuguese	12	6.8	0.8%
Punjabi	28	14.8	1.7%
Russian	2	1.0	0.1%
Samoan	62	38.1	4.4%
Serbian	16	8.9	1.0%
Sinhalese	8	4.0	0.5%
Slovenian	0	0.0	0.0%
Spanish	43	26.0	3.0%
Tagalog	83	41.7	4.8%
Tamil	16	8.0	0.9%
Tongan	21	13.0	1.5%
Turkish	28	15.8	1.8%
Urdu	12	5.9	0.7%
Vietnamese	254	133.1	15.3%
Others	112	66.1	7.6%
<b>Total NESB</b>	<b>1,572</b>	<b>871.2</b>	<b>100.0%</b>
NESB as % of Enrolment		39.4%	

Figure 1. Percentage of Students of Non-English Speaking Background by District, Term 1 2000

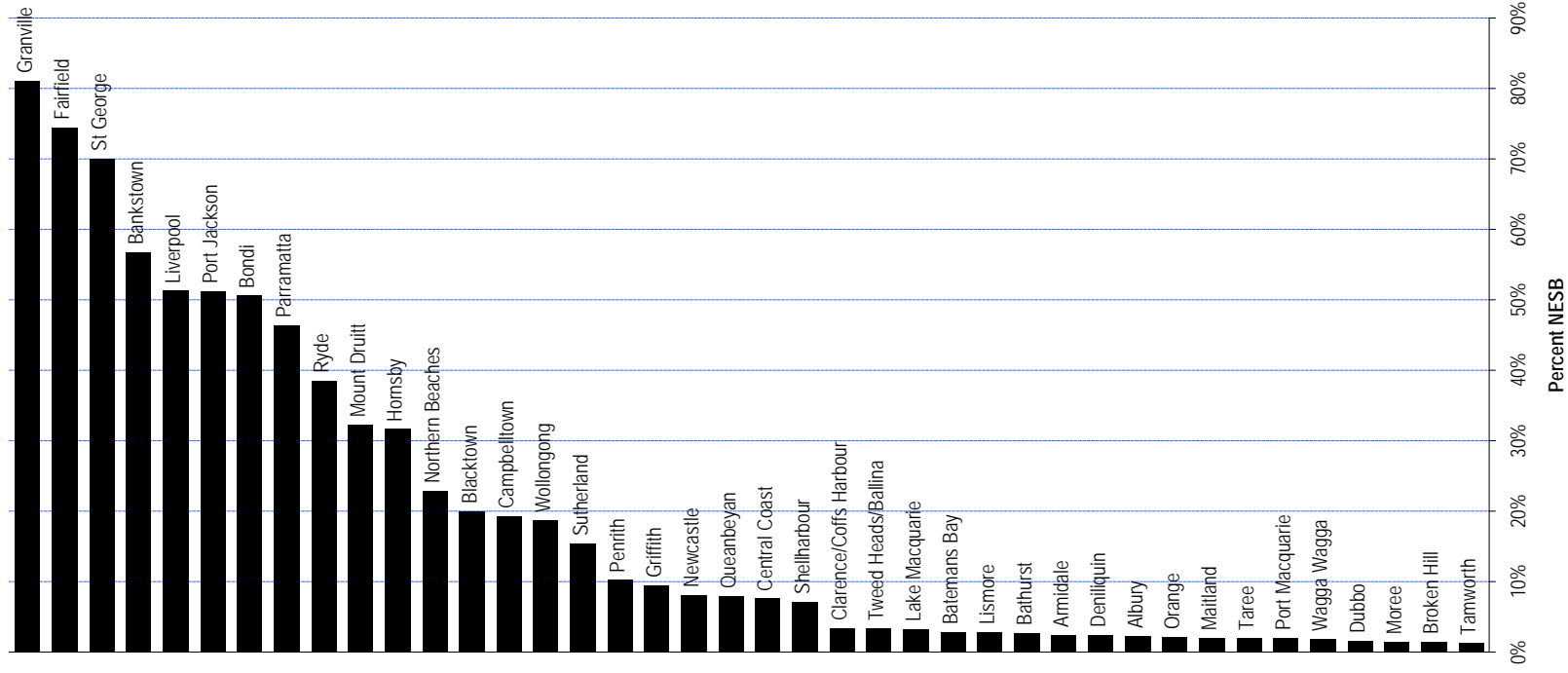
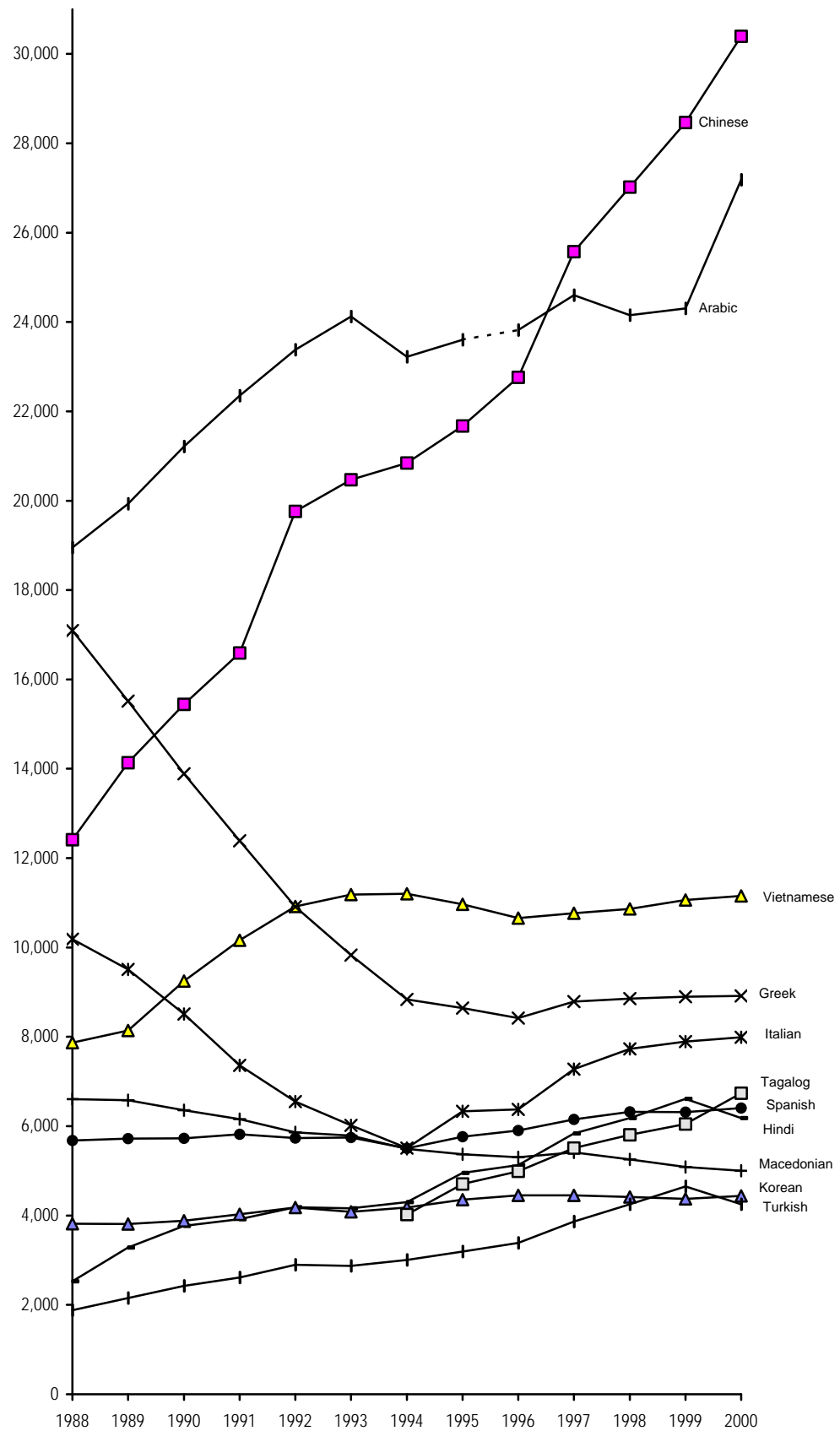


Figure 2. Students of Non-English Speaking Background, 1988-2000:  
Selected Language Backgrounds



Notes: Hindi was first reported as a separate language in 1994.

Farsi was included with Arabic until 1993; it has been reported as a separate language since 1994.