



LANGUAGE BACKGROUND OTHER THAN ENGLISH, 2004

This bulletin reports the results of the census of students of language background other than English in New South Wales government schools undertaken by the NSW Department of Education and Training on Friday, 5 March 2004. A student of language background other than English is defined as one in whose home a language other than English is spoken.

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INTRODUCTION

In Term 1 2004, 200,622 students enrolled at government schools were identified as being of Language Background Other Than English (LBOTE). This represented 26.4 percent of all government school enrolments compared to 25.8 percent in 2003.

TABLES 1 AND 2 ENROLMENTS OF STUDENTS OF LANGUAGE BACKGROUND OTHER THAN ENGLISH BY SEA AND LEVEL/YEAR OF SCHOOLING, TERM 1 2004

LBOTE student enrolments represented 26.6 percent of all primary enrolments and 26.3 percent of all secondary enrolments in government schools.

From 1998 to 2003 enrolments were reported by District. In 2004 the reporting unit was changed to School Education Area (SEA). SEAs varied widely in the number and percentage of LBOTE students. Fairfield SEA had the highest enrolment with 23,543 LBOTE students, representing 78.5 percent of the SEA enrolment. Granville SEA enrolled 19,188 LBOTE students, 84.7 percent of SEA enrolment. In Bankstown, Bondi, Fairfield, Granville, Liverpool, Parramatta, Port Jackson and St George SEAs, LBOTE students represented more than half of all enrolments.

The largest increases in the number and percentage of LBOTE enrolments occurred in Blacktown, Parramatta, and Hornsby SEAs:

- In Blacktown SEA the LBOTE enrolment grew from 5,961 students (35.7% of SEA enrolment) in 2003 to 6,539 students (37.0%) in 2004.
- In Parramatta SEA the LBOTE enrolment grew from 13,772 students (54.2% of SEA enrolment) in 2003 to 14,176 students (56.1%) in 2004.
- In Hornsby SEA, the LBOTE grew from 10,398 students (37.4% of district enrolment) in 2003 to 10,787 (39.0%) in 2004.

Year 11 (29.2%) and Year 12 (31.7%) had the greatest proportions of LBOTE enrolments. Of the 2,748 LBOTE

students in secondary support classes, 63.1 percent were enrolled at Intensive English Centres.

Year 12 was the year of schooling with the greatest increase in the proportion of LBOTE enrolments, from 30.6 percent in 2003 to 31.7 percent in 2004.

TABLE 3 ENROLMENTS OF STUDENTS OF LANGUAGE BACKGROUND OTHER THAN ENGLISH BY LANGUAGE AND LEVEL OF SCHOOLING, TERM 1 2004

Chinese, with 36,168 students in 2004, has been the most common language background other than English in government schools since 1997. This year information on Cantonese and Mandarin language backgrounds has been reported in addition to those students whose Chinese language background is not further resolved. Students from the Chinese language group background represented 18 percent of all LBOTE students in 2004 compared with 17.9 percent in 2003.

Arabic, with 25,092 students in 2004, was the most common language background from 1988 to 1996. The proportion of LBOTE students of Arabic background decreased from 12.8 percent in 2003 to 12.5 percent in 2004.

The number of students of Japanese language background increased from 1,775 in 2003 to 1,870 in 2004, an increase of 5.4 percent, the largest percentage increase. The number of students of Samoan language background increased from 5,719 in 2003 to 5,994 in 2004, an increase of 4.8 percent.

The number of students of Polish language background decreased from 1,514 in 2003 to 1,405 in 2004, a decrease of 7.2 percent.

The number of students of Hindi language background decreased from 7,231 in 2003 to 6,980 in 2004, a decrease of 3.5 percent.

TABLE 4
ENROLMENTS OF STUDENTS OF LANGUAGE
BACKGROUND OTHER THAN ENGLISH BY SEA AND
LANGUAGE, TERM 1 2004

There were high numbers of students from particular language backgrounds in the following SEAs.

- Bankstown SEA: Arabic (4,431) and Vietnamese (1,367).
- Campbelltown SEA: Samoan (1,035)
- Fairfield SEA: Arabic (2,713), Cantonese (1,694), Chinese (not specified) (1,600), Khmer (1,328), Spanish (1,099) and Vietnamese (5,182).
- Granville SEA: Arabic (5,900), Cantonese (1,921), Mandarin (1,285), and Turkish (1,099).
- Hornsby SEA: Cantonese (2,140) and Mandarin (1,053).
- Liverpool SEA: Arabic (2,728), Hindi (1,577), Samoan (1,002), Serbian (1,172) and Vietnamese (1,757).
- Mt Druitt SEA: Samoan (1,253), Tagalog (1,415).
- Parramatta SEA: Arabic (1,167) and Cantonese (1,864).
- Ryde SEA: Cantonese (1,928), Korean (1,081) and Mandarin (1,487).
- St George SEA: Arabic (3,268), Cantonese (2,735), Greek (2,735), Macedonian (1,132) and Mandarin (1,619).

Khmer was the language with the highest concentration in one district, with 60.8 percent of students of Khmer language background in schools in Fairfield district.

TABLE 5
ENROLMENTS OF PRESCHOOL STUDENTS OF
LANGUAGE BACKGROUND OTHER THAN ENGLISH
BY LANGUAGE, TERM 1 2004

Government preschools enrolled the equivalent of 877.5 full-time students of Language Background Other Than English in 2004, representing 38.8 percent of all government preschool enrolments, compared with 41.3 percent in 2003. Vietnamese, Arabic and Cantonese were the most common language backgrounds, representing 17.0 percent, 15.4 percent and 7.7 percent respectively, of all Language Background Other Than English preschool students.

The following graphs can be found after the tables:

FIGURE 1
PERCENTAGE OF STUDENTS OF LANGUAGE
BACKGROUND OTHER THAN ENGLISH BY SEA,
TERM 1 2004

FIGURE 2
STUDENTS OF LANGUAGE BACKGROUND OTHER
THAN ENGLISH, 1988-2004: SELECTED LANGUAGE
BACKGROUNDS

Notes:

From 1996, information on LBOTE students has been collected in Term 1 with comparative enrolment information extracted from the School Entitlement System. In prior years, LBOTE 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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**Table 1. Enrolments of Students of Language Background Other Than English
by SEA and Level of Schooling, Term 1 2004**

SEA	Primary		Secondary		SSP		Total	
	Students	As % of Enrolment	Students	As % of Enrolment	Students	As % of Enrolment	Students	As % of Enrolment
Albury	158	2.5%	129	2.7%	2	2.5%	289	2.6%
Armidale	113	2.2%	102	2.4%	0	-	215	2.3%
Bankstown	6,936	69.5%	4,304	63.7%	98	66.2%	11,338	67.1%
Batemans Bay	325	3.8%	246	3.7%	0	-	571	3.7%
Bathurst	199	3.2%	168	3.4%	0	-	367	3.3%
Blacktown	4,281	36.9%	2,235	37.5%	23	18.0%	6,539	37.0%
Bondi	4,709	49.4%	4,056	58.8%	29	20.4%	8,794	53.1%
Bourke	58	3.5%	24	2.1%	0	-	82	2.9%
Broken Hill	119	4.2%	26	1.3%	0	-	145	2.9%
Campbelltown	4,368	23.3%	2,221	20.0%	39	17.2%	6,628	22.0%
Central Coast	1,670	7.0%	1,481	8.7%	39	-	3,190	7.7%
Clarence/Coffs Harbour	388	3.9%	372	4.3%	0	-	760	4.1%
Deniliquin	60	2.1%	53	2.6%	0	-	113	2.3%
Dubbo	96	1.5%	82	1.6%	0	-	178	1.5%
Fairfield	12,787	81.0%	10,633	76.0%	123	56.2%	23,543	78.5%
Granville	12,644	85.9%	6,457	83.0%	87	53.0%	19,188	84.7%
Griffith	576	12.5%	420	11.4%	10	18.9%	1,006	12.1%
Hornsby	5,600	36.8%	5,143	41.9%	44	36.4%	10,787	39.0%
Lake Macquarie	484	4.2%	301	3.7%	2	-	787	4.0%
Lismore	184	2.9%	168	3.4%	1	2.5%	353	3.1%
Liverpool	10,764	59.6%	7,108	56.4%	134	-	18,006	58.0%
Maitland	361	2.8%	246	3.0%	3	-	610	2.9%
Moree	25	0.9%	25	1.3%	0	-	50	1.1%
Mount Druitt	5,564	35.8%	3,385	35.3%	45	24.1%	8,994	35.5%
Muswellbrook	98	1.5%	70	1.6%	0	-	168	1.5%
Newcastle	995	9.3%	886	9.0%	6	3.0%	1,887	9.1%
Northern Beaches	4,135	24.5%	2,614	27.8%	12	4.6%	6,761	25.5%
Orange	133	1.8%	96	1.8%	2	2.7%	231	1.8%
Parramatta	7,306	54.8%	6,798	58.3%	72	27.3%	14,176	56.1%
Penrith	1,505	11.2%	1,123	12.5%	35	-	2,663	11.8%
Port Jackson	5,030	48.0%	3,682	54.7%	15	-	8,727	50.4%
Port Macquarie	231	2.9%	159	2.4%	0	-	390	2.6%
Queanbeyan	710	9.4%	310	6.8%	0	-	1,020	8.4%
Ryde	6,170	39.7%	4,705	50.3%	29	-	10,904	43.6%
Shellharbour	1,097	7.7%	774	7.7%	8	5.1%	1,879	7.7%
St George	10,616	71.5%	7,404	70.4%	107	48.4%	18,127	70.8%
Sutherland	2,452	18.3%	2,049	17.4%	30	-	4,531	17.9%
Tamworth	72	1.3%	79	1.8%	0	-	151	1.5%
Taree	154	2.4%	102	2.0%	0	-	256	2.2%
Tweed Heads/Ballina	436	4.8%	334	4.7%	0	-	770	4.7%
Wagga Wagga	179	2.5%	107	2.1%	0	-	286	2.4%
Windsor	682	11.3%	239	6.9%	0	-	921	9.7%
Wollongong	2,425	19.3%	1,794	19.5%	22	-	4,241	19.3%
State	116,895	26.6%	82,710	26.3%	1,017	22.7%	200,622	26.4%

**Table 2. Enrolments of Students of Language Background Other Than English
by SEA and Year of Schooling, Term 1 2004**

SEA	Primary								SSP	
	Kinder	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6	Support	Total	Total
Albury	28	22	16	17	20	26	28	1	158	2
Armidale	21	20	10	11	20	16	12	3	113	
Bankstown	958	971	1,027	928	1,003	1,003	949	97	6,936	98
Batemans Bay	51	42	48	49	36	52	47		325	
Bathurst	24	30	32	28	25	22	36	2	199	
Blacktown	662	610	624	614	554	575	586	56	4,281	23
Bondi	701	701	688	637	649	633	656	44	4,709	29
Bourke	9	6	8	12	9	9	4	1	58	
Broken Hill	25	19	12	19	14	16	13	1	119	
Campbelltown	647	633	617	574	630	582	594	91	4,368	39
Central Coast	236	214	233	253	236	231	242	25	1,670	39
Clarence/Coffs Harbour	54	61	51	42	55	60	62	3	388	
Deniliquin	7	7	8	13	5	8	11	1	60	
Dubbo	16	14	10	17	20	12	7		96	
Fairfield	1,737	1,766	1,837	1,809	1,826	1,831	1,812	169	12,787	123
Granville	1,829	1,914	1,852	1,763	1,708	1,655	1,727	196	12,644	87
Griffith	80	83	80	67	80	92	89	5	576	10
Hornsby	683	768	793	825	793	842	865	31	5,600	44
Lake Macquarie	82	54	62	67	81	70	66	2	484	2
Lismore	22	32	27	27	23	29	21	3	184	1
Liverpool	1,481	1,464	1,563	1,545	1,563	1,485	1,505	158	10,764	134
Maitland	47	44	44	57	47	58	59	5	361	3
Moree	4	3	1	4	5	6	2		25	
Mount Druitt	710	818	816	791	800	789	779	61	5,564	45
Muswellbrook	15	17	15	13	12	17	6	3	98	
Newcastle	149	129	137	139	144	144	145	8	995	6
Northern Beaches	659	641	621	587	566	529	508	24	4,135	12
Orange	26	18	16	17	15	14	26	1	133	2
Parramatta	1,035	1,106	1,121	1,005	1,021	981	964	73	7,306	72
Penrith	201	219	219	173	235	207	228	23	1,505	35
Port Jackson	718	737	722	682	703	734	716	18	5,030	15
Port Macquarie	31	35	35	29	39	28	33	1	231	
Queanbeyan	88	104	104	96	91	95	126	6	710	
Ryde	869	837	909	917	921	831	851	35	6,170	29
Shellharbour	146	133	186	140	177	141	169	5	1,097	8
St George	1,562	1,595	1,563	1,488	1,465	1,383	1,454	106	10,616	107
Sutherland	327	378	341	364	342	330	355	15	2,452	30
Tamworth	13	13	8	9	6	11	12		72	
Taree	28	15	20	23	19	21	28		154	
Tweed Heads/Ballina	63	68	64	56	57	66	60	2	436	
Wagga Wagga	35	34	20	22	15	27	24	2	179	
Windsor	85	96	99	99	106	94	92	11	682	
Wollongong	349	361	340	335	330	350	332	28	2,425	22
State	16,513	16,832	16,999	16,363	16,466	16,105	16,301	1,316	116,895	1,017
As % of Enrolment	26.7%	27.2%	27.6%	26.7%	26.3%	26.0%	26.0%	20.3%	26.6%	22.7%

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**Table 2. Enrolments of Students of Language Background Other Than English
by SEA and Year of Schooling, Term 1 2004 (continued)**

SEA	Secondary								SEA	As % of
	Year 7	Year 8	Year 9	Year 10	Year 11	Year 12	Support	Total	Total	SEA
Albury	15	31	31	15	24	13		129	289	2.6%
Armidale	16	18	22	8	25	12	1	102	215	2.3%
Bankstown	697	643	674	736	665	582	307	4,304	11,338	67.1%
Batemans Bay	40	43	41	40	43	38	1	246	571	3.7%
Bathurst	27	34	28	34	24	21		168	367	3.3%
Blacktown	365	407	361	332	306	251	213	2,235	6,539	37.0%
Bondi	587	611	658	693	718	755	34	4,056	8,794	53.1%
Bourke	5	1	5	3	7	3		24	82	2.9%
Broken Hill	4	7	1	3	6	4	1	26	145	2.9%
Campbelltown	394	390	366	380	354	282	55	2,221	6,628	22.0%
Central Coast	267	259	263	254	241	179	18	1,481	3,190	7.7%
Clarence/Coffs Harbour	50	54	66	74	64	62	2	372	760	4.1%
Deniliquin	8	9	11	10	7	8		53	113	2.3%
Dubbo	16	14	10	16	11	14	1	82	178	1.5%
Fairfield	1,591	1,611	1,770	1,845	1,682	1,487	647	10,633	23,543	78.5%
Granville	926	1,053	1,058	1,135	1,142	981	162	6,457	19,188	84.7%
Griffith	87	68	81	74	66	39	5	420	1,006	12.1%
Hornsby	748	778	828	919	918	944	8	5,143	10,787	39.0%
Lake Macquarie	46	61	57	51	41	41	4	301	787	4.0%
Lismore	27	19	26	33	32	31		168	353	3.1%
Liverpool	1,202	1,197	1,201	1,208	1,116	905	279	7,108	18,006	58.0%
Maitland	48	42	45	30	50	29	2	246	610	2.9%
Moree	4	5	3	4	6	3		25	50	1.1%
Mount Druitt	503	508	522	553	677	580	42	3,385	8,994	35.5%
Muswellbrook	13	18	10	14	8	7		70	168	1.5%
Newcastle	152	153	137	139	152	152	1	886	1,887	9.1%
Northern Beaches	361	430	397	420	533	461	12	2,614	6,761	25.5%
Orange	12	18	17	18	13	17	1	96	231	1.8%
Parramatta	1,036	1,147	1,074	1,147	1,210	1,114	70	6,798	14,176	56.1%
Penrith	160	210	211	210	162	152	18	1,123	2,663	11.8%
Port Jackson	522	535	549	577	630	570	299	3,682	8,727	50.4%
Port Macquarie	29	32	30	19	29	16	4	159	390	2.6%
Queanbeyan	61	59	49	63	41	31	6	310	1,020	8.4%
Ryde	706	728	772	737	788	752	222	4,705	10,904	43.6%
Shellharbour	127	131	158	130	132	81	15	774	1,879	7.7%
St George	1,077	1,221	1,234	1,281	1,280	1,143	168	7,404	18,127	70.8%
Sutherland	337	356	320	369	352	304	11	2,049	4,531	17.9%
Tamworth	14	12	13	11	7	22		79	151	1.5%
Taree	24	23	12	11	14	15	3	102	256	2.2%
Tweed Heads/Ballina	60	47	62	64	53	45	3	334	770	4.7%
Wagga Wagga	17	21	18	16	19	16		107	286	2.4%
Windsor	42	52	40	32	33	31	9	239	921	9.7%
Wollongong	289	265	325	278	293	220	124	1,794	4,241	19.3%
State	12,712	13,321	13,556	13,986	13,974	12,413	2,748	82,710	200,622	26.4%
As % of Enrolment	23.3%	23.9%	24.5%	26.4%	29.2%	31.7%	32.2%	26.3%	26.4%	

**Table 3. Enrolments of Students of Language Background Other Than English
by Language and Level of Schooling, Term 1 2004**

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	14,261	12.2%	10,555	12.8%	276	27.1%	25,092	12.5%
Cantonese	10,056	8.6%	7,292	8.8%	55	5.4%	17,403	8.7%
Chinese	3,922	3.4%	4,411	5.3%	20	2.0%	8,353	4.2%
Croatian	1,350	1.2%	876	1.1%	16	1.6%	2,242	1.1%
Dutch	998	0.9%	666	0.8%	1	0.1%	1,665	0.8%
Farsi	1,801	1.5%	1,957	2.4%	14	1.4%	3,772	1.9%
Fijian	814	0.7%	527	0.6%	12	1.2%	1,353	0.7%
French	1,735	1.5%	1,016	1.2%	8	0.8%	2,759	1.4%
German	2,110	1.8%	1,466	1.8%	8	0.8%	3,584	1.8%
Greek	6,325	5.4%	2,830	3.4%	49	4.8%	9,204	4.6%
Hindi	4,353	3.7%	2,604	3.1%	23	2.3%	6,980	3.5%
Indonesian	1,630	1.4%	1,140	1.4%	13	1.3%	2,783	1.4%
Italian	5,111	4.4%	2,725	3.3%	31	3.0%	7,867	3.9%
Japanese	1,250	1.1%	617	0.7%	3	0.3%	1,870	0.9%
Khmer	1,158	1.0%	1,020	1.2%	7	0.7%	2,185	1.1%
Korean	2,771	2.4%	2,723	3.3%	16	1.6%	5,510	2.7%
Lao	659	0.6%	474	0.6%	3	0.3%	1,136	0.6%
Macedonian	2,682	2.3%	1,851	2.2%	17	1.7%	4,550	2.3%
Malay	305	0.3%	256	0.3%	2	0.2%	563	0.3%
Maltese	1,270	1.1%	762	0.9%	13	1.3%	2,045	1.0%
Mandarin	6,128	5.2%	4,253	5.1%	31	3.0%	10,412	5.2%
Polish	703	0.6%	697	0.8%	5	0.5%	1,405	0.7%
Portuguese	880	0.8%	570	0.7%	11	1.1%	1,461	0.7%
Punjabi	983	0.8%	650	0.8%	5	0.5%	1,638	0.8%
Russian	913	0.8%	781	0.9%	3	0.3%	1,697	0.8%
Samoan	3,773	3.2%	2,188	2.6%	33	3.2%	5,994	3.0%
Serbian	2,296	2.0%	1,947	2.4%	4	0.4%	4,247	2.1%
Sinhalese	704	0.6%	513	0.6%	0	0.0%	1,217	0.6%
Slovenian	150	0.1%	87	0.1%	1	0.1%	238	0.1%
Spanish	3,954	3.4%	2,562	3.1%	40	3.9%	6,556	3.3%
Tagalog	4,002	3.4%	3,368	4.1%	53	5.2%	7,423	3.7%
Tamil	1,539	1.3%	1,177	1.4%	13	1.3%	2,729	1.4%
Tongan	2,270	1.9%	1,428	1.7%	37	3.6%	3,735	1.9%
Turkish	2,644	2.3%	1,852	2.2%	23	2.3%	4,519	2.3%
Urdu	1,155	1.0%	721	0.9%	7	0.7%	1,883	0.9%
Vietnamese	7,105	6.1%	4,633	5.6%	81	8.0%	11,819	5.9%
Others	13,135	11.2%	9,515	11.5%	83	8.2%	22,733	11.3%
Total NESB	116,895	100.0%	82,710	100.0%	1,017	100.0%	200,622	100.0%

**Table 4. Enrolments of Students of Language Background Other Than English
by SEA and Language, Term 1 2004**

SEA	Arabic	Cantonese	Chinese	Croatian	Dutch	Farsi	Fijian	French	German	Greek	Hindi	Indonesian	Italian
Albury	18	6	8	13	12	4	3	12	29	24	5	3	12
Armidale	6	10	14	1	5	1	5	12	25	6	5	11	9
Bankstown	4,431	747	379	53	18	64	77	63	43	684	213	114	190
Batemans Bay	10	9	9	15	32	4	4	36	90	42	5	5	66
Bathurst	17	5	13	19	25	5	11	7	32	21	2	9	20
Blacktown	595	258	119	99	48	329	54	43	55	182	609	72	193
Bondi	226	875	641	49	49	85	40	224	172	574	162	415	192
Bourke			4		2			1	8	1		3	3
Broken Hill	2	2	4	1	2		3	1	1	4			40
Campbelltown	793	167	55	127	34	83	94	101	125	190	316	53	282
Central Coast	130	85	43	65	188	19	55	147	221	174	47	72	241
Clarence/Coffs Harbour	22	17	4	7	36		5	36	102	9	6	14	36
Deniliquin	6	3	5	3	6		3		11	6		1	20
Dubbo	19	6	6	5	10		4	5	9	6	13	4	4
Fairfield	2,713	1,694	1,600	372	25	359	120	43	73	263	343	81	773
Granville	5,900	1,921	592	46	7	283	161	35	21	409	422	225	350
Griffith	5	6	7		2	27	53	4	13	12	19		344
Hornsby	345	2,140	648	89	116	496	14	166	229	215	504	162	414
Lake Macquarie	28	14	21	22	29		13	31	63	47	16	16	61
Lismore	10	8	3	2	31	1	2	17	69	3	3	5	38
Liverpool	2,728	627	332	202	32	129	73	136	76	485	1,577	122	797
Maitland	23	19	17	9	14	1	2	21	59	23	17	7	31
Moree		4	4	1	2		5		3	2	3		
Mount Druitt	669	110	46	156	43	208	89	52	62	188	750	87	205
Muswellbrook	5	9	9	3	5		1	7	11	7		9	14
Newcastle	34	61	63	34	32	8	7	59	86	164	14	70	134
Northern Beaches	154	540	413	110	162	109	33	398	377	189	123	127	503
Orange	18	2	4	4	3	5	4	9	18	13	3	4	14
Parramatta	1,167	1,864	889	95	39	879	91	86	101	320	763	155	266
Penrith	173	68	56	53	63	70	24	77	120	132	123	21	162
Port Jackson	444	897	656	47	51	26	73	164	135	581	147	245	572
Port Macquarie	9	7	14	6	33		3	31	45	3	16	12	24
Queanbeyan	37	9	7	30	39	9	4	16	70	34	16	19	114
Ryde	247	1,928	664	58	114	436	27	254	250	297	318	166	313
Shellharbour	48	36	29	45	54	10	8	58	124	122	6	9	206
St George	3,268	2,735	693	136	27	52	132	94	75	2,735	288	290	443
Sutherland	372	355	156	87	85	13	28	130	210	748	63	84	315
Tamworth	5	9	9	5	6	1	2	12	13	3	4	5	1
Taree	7	15	6	6	19		2	24	38	11	4	6	22
Tweed Heads/Ballina	12	9	12	11	38	11	1	69	95	21	9	41	42
Wagga Wagga	56	9	15	2	16	5	4	12	12	15	5	1	6
Windsor	46	25	11	30	53	5	6	17	52	23	10	4	99
Wollongong	294	92	73	124	58	35	13	49	161	216	31	34	296
State Totals	25,092	17,403	8,353	2,242	1,665	3,772	1,353	2,759	3,584	9,204	6,980	2,783	7,867
As % of Total NESB	12.5%	8.7%	4.2%	1.1%	0.8%	1.9%	0.7%	1.4%	1.8%	4.6%	3.5%	1.4%	3.9%

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SEA	Japanese	Khmer	Korean	Lao	Macedonian	Malay	Maltese	Mandarin	Polish	Portuguese	Punjabi	Russian	Samoan
Albury	3			22	1				3	3		3	
Armidale	7				1	3		6		2		3	2
Bankstown	27	33	130	14	361	11	34	345	21	35	41	17	356
Batemans Bay	5	5		2	9		11	2	9	7		1	1
Bathurst	4		2		3		6		1	2		10	3
Blacktown	12	8	133	8	27	26	222	177	37	22	303	42	211
Bondi	176	12	214	6	27	63	35	710	84	108	26	466	46
Bourke									1		3	1	
Broken Hill	1	4							1				1
Campbelltown	17	124	7	208	80	15	109	46	68	62	43	44	1,035
Central Coast	36	3	17	7	15	18	102	41	55	29	7	58	29
Clarence/Coffs Harbour	11		2	2	1	6	10	6	8	7	152	8	2
Deniliquin	1						2					3	5
Dubbo	1		3			3	2	2	3			2	
Fairfield	10	1,328	61	330	315	19	180	622	80	64	19	90	610
Granville	62	25	912	20	93	21	39	1,285	31	50	104	56	485
Griffith	3				2		2	2		4	77	1	105
Hornsby	123	14	994	9	17	83	21	1,053	133	26	86	118	6
Lake Macquarie	4	8	3		35	7	4	13	12	5		8	68
Lismore	3		1			4	1		6	3	9	6	5
Liverpool	17	471	28	417	395	22	143	429	137	131	89	63	1,002
Maitland	23		2		4	2	9	8	21	8		3	44
Moree							1			1	1	1	
Mount Druitt	9	38	34	6	31	13	293	47	76	57	155	36	1,253
Muswellbrook	7			1		1	7	3	2	3	2		
Newcastle	20	4	17	6	284	4	4	34	34	10	6	14	77
Northern Beaches	457	13	245	5	37	24	13	402	69	83	27	73	50
Orange	4		1		2		3	2	2	4		16	
Parramatta	38	16	834	10	33	43	150	978	109	34	170	81	191
Penrith	24	6	24		13	13	78	33	45	21	101	24	97
Port Jackson	140	19	355	4	110	19	15	799	67	194	8	85	61
Port Macquarie	10	1			5	4	13	2	3	8	2	2	2
Queanbeyan	9		5		197	6	10	13	16	9	6	8	17
Ryde	373	6	1,081	15	42	52	14	1,487	104	44	73	146	16
Shellharbour	6	6	6	6	253	2	53	2	23	75		10	12
St George	92	26	315	9	1,132	42	44	1,619	40	165	48	110	159
Sutherland	62	6	41	3	196	23	49	175	41	43	16	59	19
Tamworth			1	11			2	7			3	3	1
Taree	2	1	1	1			9			4		3	
Tweed Heads/Ballina	33		3	8	3	2	7	4	4	8	55	4	3
Wagga Wagga		1				1	2	4	1	1		2	4
Windsor	5	2	3		45	5	278	5	11	4	2	2	4
Wollongong	33	5	35	6	781	6	68	49	47	125	4	15	12
State Totals	1,870	2,185	5,510	1,136	4,550	563	2,045	10,412	1,405	1,461	1,638	1,697	5,994
As % of Total NESB	0.9%	1.1%	2.7%	0.6%	2.3%	0.3%	1.0%	5.2%	0.7%	0.7%	0.8%	0.8%	3.0%

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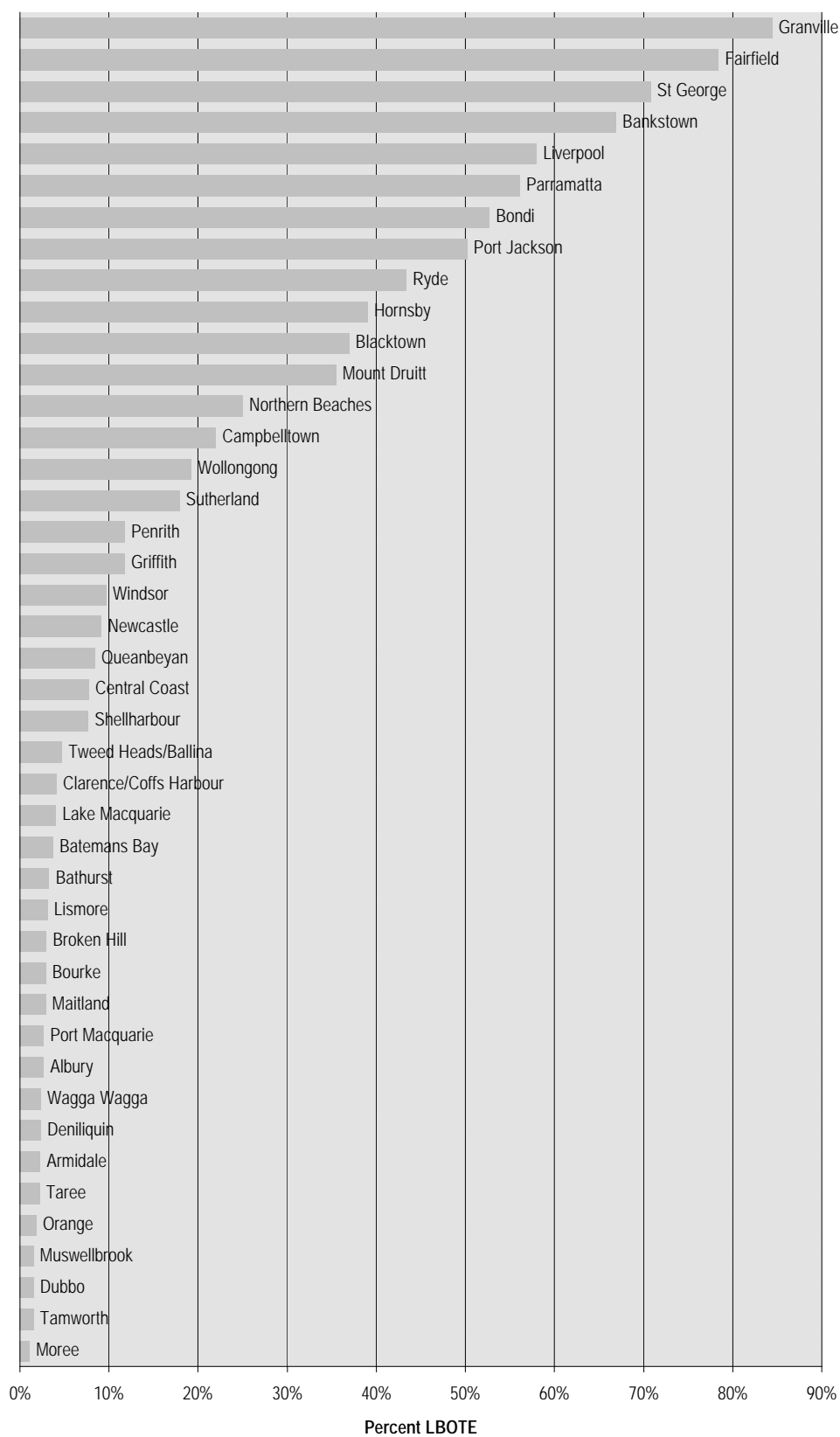
**Table 4. Enrolments of Students of Language Background Other Than English
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SEA	Serbian	Sinhalese	Slovenian	Spanish	Tagalog	Tamil	Tongan	Turkish	Urdu	Vietnamese	Others	Total
Albury	4		5	3	23				3	1	66	289
Armidale				5	13	4		1	1	1	56	215
Bankstown	55	7	1	128	143	22	133	88	131	1,367	762	11,338
Batemans Bay	5		3	38	41	4	6	2		10	83	571
Bathurst	8	7		23	34	3	3	4	6	1	61	367
Blacktown	153	108	2	148	580	92	126	232	177	34	1,003	6,539
Bondi	145	60	7	391	240	94	181	320	49	242	1,388	8,794
Bourke	5		2	1	17			2	2		26	82
Broken Hill					18	1	31	4		1	23	145
Campbelltown	100	39	18	435	352	28	250	50	74	116	888	6,628
Central Coast	37	5	12	203	265	10	96	20	23	21	594	3,190
Clarence/Coffs Harbour	4	1	4	42	57	2	5	4		5	127	760
Deniliquin		1		3	10	8	1				15	113
Dubbo	2	2	1	2	11	5		6	5		37	178
Fairfield	774	14	14	1,099	368	34	346	516	37	5,182	2,972	23,543
Granville	50	22	2	167	312	671	639	1,099	319	942	1,410	19,188
Griffith	1	4		46	19	3	81	50	10	2	102	1,006
Hornsby	68	295	19	220	197	302	48	103	112	123	1,079	10,787
Lake Macquarie	29	3	3	22	52	4	15	4		12	115	787
Lismore		2	2	14	20	3				2	80	353
Liverpool	1,172	55	20	867	563	130	226	245	209	1,757	2,102	18,006
Maitland	7		2	24	87		11	6		8	98	610
Moree		1			4	1	4				12	50
Mount Druitt	82	66	10	325	1,415	88	504	282	247	104	1,158	8,994
Muswellbrook	2			6	20		1	2	2		29	168
Newcastle	65	11	6	53	110	21	30	9	9	34	259	1,887
Northern Beaches	278	12	14	229	254	13	192	38	14	51	930	6,761
Orange	1	3	1	7	22	1	10	10	2	1	38	231
Parramatta	143	247	12	259	497	748	186	594	168	262	1,658	14,176
Penrith	67	51	6	117	217	36	26	41	24	38	419	2,663
Port Jackson	121	22	5	283	213	86	226	184	24	710	939	8,727
Port Macquarie	3	2		12	38	1	1	4	2		72	390
Queanbeyan	40	5	1	35	66		9	7	3	8	146	1,020
Ryde	98	107	16	243	252	218	38	53	62	108	1,184	10,904
Shellharbour	82	3	5	217	72	2	13	75	7	8	186	1,879
St George	228	30	23	359	345	53	183	160	109	498	1,370	18,127
Sutherland	72	5	7	211	144	18	62	54	20	54	505	4,531
Tamworth				3	18	2			8	1	16	151
Taree	1		1	8	23		7	1			34	256
Tweed Heads/Ballina	1		1	38	70	1	1	3		16	134	770
Wagga Wagga	7	7		12	21	3	7	7	2	1	45	286
Windsor	7	1	1	36	27	2		4	7	2	87	921
Wollongong	330	19	12	222	173	15	37	235	15	96	425	4,241
State Totals	4,247	1,217	238	6,556	7,423	2,729	3,735	4,519	1,883	11,819	22,733	200,622
As % of Total NESB	2.1%	0.6%	0.1%	3.3%	3.7%	1.4%	1.9%	2.3%	0.9%	5.9%	11.3%	100.0%

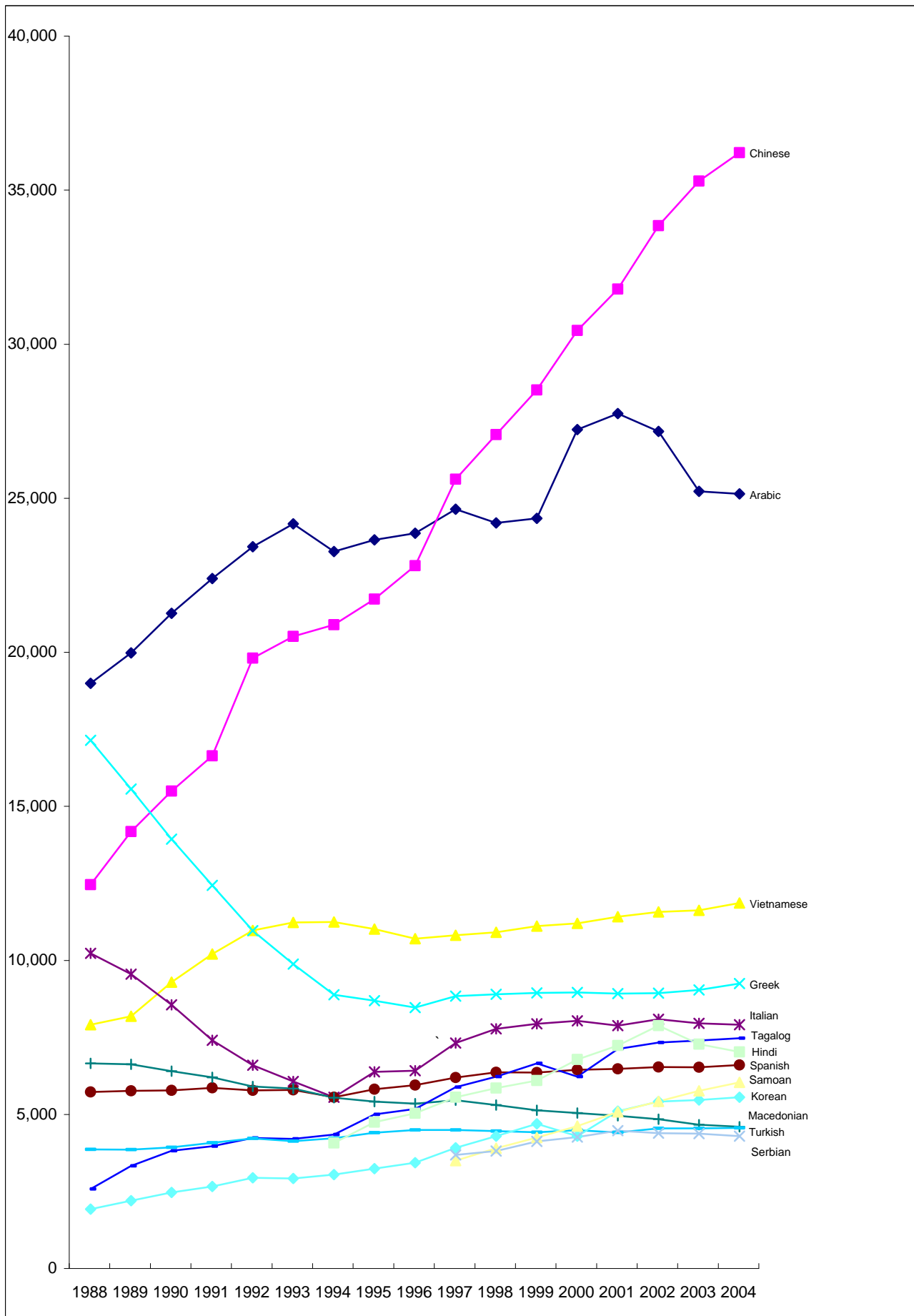
Table 5. Enrolments of Preschool Students of Language Background Other Than English by Language, Term 1 2004

Language	Preschool Students		As % of Total NESB
	Students	FTE	
Arabic	255	135.0	15.4%
Cantonese	130	67.9	7.7%
Chinese	64	32.9	3.7%
Croatian	13	7.1	0.8%
Dutch	4	2.6	0.3%
Farsi	14	6.8	0.8%
Fijian	5	3.3	0.4%
French	5	4.0	0.5%
German	6	2.7	0.3%
Greek	38	26.6	3.0%
Hindi	68	39.6	4.5%
Indonesian	16	12.2	1.4%
Italian	61	39.1	4.5%
Japanese	7	5.2	0.6%
Khmer	28	13.9	1.6%
Korean	13	6.9	0.8%
Lao	7	3.2	0.4%
Macedonian	32	15.9	1.8%
Malay	4	2.5	0.3%
Maltese	19	9.5	1.1%
Mandarin	53	32.1	3.7%
Polish	4	2.5	0.3%
Portuguese	9	5.0	0.6%
Punjabi	25	14.8	1.7%
Russian	2	1.0	0.1%
Samoan	46	27.2	3.1%
Serbian	14	9.5	1.1%
Sign	2	1.5	0.2%
Singhalese	10	5.4	0.6%
Slovenian	1	0.6	0.1%
Spanish	36	19.3	2.2%
Tagalog	97	50.3	5.7%
Tamil	23	12.0	1.4%
Tongan	29	16.7	1.9%
Turkish	17	11.8	1.3%
Urdu	16	8.8	1.0%
Vietnamese	290	148.9	17.0%
Others	116	73.2	8.3%
Total NESB	1,579	877.5	100.0%
NESB as % of Enrolment		38.8%	

Figure 1. Percentage of Students of Language Background Other Than English by SEA, Term 1 2004



**Figure 2. Students of Language Background Other Than English, 1988-2003:
Selected Language Backgrounds**



Notes: Hindi was first reported as separate language in 1994. Farsi was included with Arabic until 1993; it has been reported as a separate language since 1994. Chinese includes all languages of that group including Mandarin and Cantonese.