



# STUDENTS OF NON-ENGLISH SPEAKING BACKGROUND, 2002

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, 8 March 2002. 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 2002, 191,818 students enrolled at government schools were identified as being of Non-English Speaking Background (NESB). This represented 25.0 percent of all government school enrolments compared to 24.4 percent in 2001.

### TABLES 1 AND 2 ENROLMENTS OF STUDENTS OF NON-ENGLISH SPEAKING BACKGROUND BY DISTRICT AND LEVEL/ YEAR OF SCHOOLING, TERM 1 2002

NESB student enrolments represented 25.0 percent of all primary enrolments and 25.2 percent of all secondary enrolments in government schools.

Districts varied widely in the number and percentage of NESB students. Fairfield district had the highest enrolment with 23,507 NESB students, representing 76.7 percent of district enrolment. Granville district enrolled 18,614 NESB students, 83.0 percent of district enrolment. In Granville, Fairfield, Bankstown, Port Jackson, Liverpool, Bondi, Parramatta and St George districts, NESB students represented more than half of all enrolments.

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 16,590 students (53.4% of district enrolment) in 2001 to 17,242 students (54.7%) in 2002.
- In Parramatta district the NESB enrolment grew from 12,816 students (48.5% of district enrolment) in 2001 to 13,687 students (51.0%) in 2002.

Year 11 (27.6%) and Year 12 (29.8%) had the greatest proportions of NESB enrolments. Of the 2,345

NESB students in secondary support classes, 60.1 percent were enrolled at Intensive English Centres.

Year 8 was the year of schooling with the greatest increase in the proportion of NESB enrolments, from 22.9 percent in 2001 to 24.1 percent in 2002.

### TABLE 3 ENROLMENTS OF STUDENTS OF NON-ENGLISH SPEAKING BACKGROUND BY LANGUAGE AND LEVEL OF SCHOOLING, TERM 1 2002

Chinese, with 33,800 students in 2002, has been the most common language background other than English in government schools since 1997. Chinese students represented 17.6 percent of all NESB students in 2002 compared with 16.9 percent in 2001.

Arabic, with 27,122 students in 2002, was the most common language background from 1988 to 1996. The proportion of NESB students of Arabic background decreased from 14.8 percent in 2001 to 14.1 percent in 2002.

The number of students of Farsi language background increased from 2,976 in 2001 to 3,428 in 2002, an increase of 15.2 percent, the largest percentage increase. The number of students of Punjabi language background increased from 1,310 in 2001 to 1,502 in 2002, an increase of 14.7 percent.

### TABLE 4 ENROLMENTS OF STUDENTS OF NON-ENGLISH SPEAKING BACKGROUND BY DISTRICT AND LANGUAGE, TERM 1 2002

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

- Bankstown District: Arabic (4,494), Chinese (1,655) and Vietnamese (1,277).

- Bondi District: Chinese (2,060).
- Fairfield District: Arabic (4,302), Chinese (4,031), Khmer (1,442), Spanish (1,191) and Vietnamese (5,044).
- Granville District: Arabic (5,741), Chinese (3,610), Turkish (1,125) and Vietnamese (1,010).
- Hornsby District: Chinese (3,492).
- Liverpool District: Arabic (3,073), Chinese (1,371), Hindi (1,674), Serbian (1,130) and Vietnamese (1,608).
- Northern Beaches District: Chinese (1,159).
- Parramatta District: Arabic (1,299) and Chinese (3,452).
- Port Jackson District: Chinese (2,080).
- Ryde District: Chinese (3,617) and Korean (1,054).
- St George District: Arabic (3,150), Chinese (4,529), Greek (2,528) and Macedonian (1,102).

Khmer was the language with the highest concentration in one district, with 64.1 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 2002**

Government preschools enrolled 836.2 full-time equivalent students of non-English speaking background in 2002, representing 38.4 percent of all government preschool enrolments, compared with 33.6 percent in 2001. Arabic, Chinese and Vietnamese were the most common language backgrounds, representing 17.5 percent, 17.2 percent and 14.9 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 2002**

**FIGURE 2**  
**STUDENTS OF NON-ENGLISH SPEAKING BACKGROUND, 1988-2002: 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 prior 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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**Table 1. Enrolments of Students of Non-English Speaking Background  
by District and Level of Schooling, Term 1 2002**

District	Primary		Secondary		SSP		Total	
	Students	As % of Enrolment	Students	As % of Enrolment	Students	As % of Enrolment	Students	As % of Enrolment
Albury	151	2.3%	120	2.4%	5	5.7%	276	2.4%
Armidale	111	2.1%	107	2.5%	0	-	218	2.2%
Bankstown	7,486	61.1%	4,193	61.4%	81	57.0%	11,760	61.2%
Batemans Bay	285	3.3%	208	3.2%	0	0.0%	493	3.3%
Bathurst	190	2.9%	175	3.5%	0	-	365	3.2%
Blacktown	3,176	22.3%	1,714	22.0%	1	1.7%	4,891	22.1%
Bondi	4,690	48.7%	4,081	57.3%	35	22.9%	8,806	52.1%
Broken Hill	67	2.2%	37	1.6%	0	-	104	1.9%
Campbelltown	4,184	21.7%	2,166	19.0%	41	17.7%	6,391	20.6%
Central Coast	1,385	7.2%	1,141	8.3%	30	13.3%	2,556	7.7%
Clarence/Coffs Harbour	339	3.4%	281	3.2%	0	-	620	3.3%
Deniliquin	85	2.8%	66	3.2%	0	-	151	2.9%
Dubbo	103	1.4%	59	1.1%	0	-	162	1.3%
Fairfield	12,854	78.7%	10,546	74.8%	107	47.6%	23,507	76.7%
Granville	12,113	83.6%	6,424	82.4%	77	49.7%	18,614	83.0%
Griffith	597	12.4%	346	9.5%	11	18.0%	954	11.2%
Hornsby	5,110	32.7%	4,716	38.6%	50	31.3%	9,876	35.3%
Lake Macquarie	639	3.6%	392	3.6%	2	2.8%	1,033	3.6%
Lismore	202	3.1%	160	3.2%	0	-	362	3.1%
Liverpool	10,416	56.2%	6,670	53.0%	156	36.0%	17,242	54.7%
Maitland	225	2.0%	153	2.1%	3	-	381	2.0%
Moree	55	1.4%	53	1.9%	0	-	108	1.6%
Mount Druitt	5,923	34.1%	3,453	34.4%	50	24.9%	9,426	34.1%
Newcastle	1,025	8.2%	917	8.3%	8	4.1%	1,950	8.2%
Northern Beaches	3,708	22.2%	2,369	26.8%	19	7.3%	6,096	23.6%
Orange	125	1.7%	101	2.0%	3	4.9%	229	1.8%
Parramatta	7,258	49.0%	6,348	54.1%	81	26.2%	13,687	51.0%
Penrith	1,516	10.5%	1,103	12.0%	29	20.3%	2,648	11.2%
Port Jackson	5,070	48.2%	3,466	54.8%	10	14.7%	8,546	50.5%
Port Macquarie	203	2.4%	131	1.9%	0	-	334	2.2%
Queanbeyan	613	8.2%	296	6.3%	0	-	909	7.4%
Ryde	5,950	38.3%	4,326	48.2%	24	21.2%	10,300	41.9%
Shellharbour	1,197	8.1%	757	7.5%	5	3.2%	1,959	7.8%
St George	9,118	72.2%	7,502	69.1%	104	49.5%	16,724	70.6%
Sutherland	2,355	16.8%	1,985	16.9%	29	18.1%	4,369	16.9%
Tamworth	115	1.4%	87	1.5%	0	0.0%	202	1.4%
Taree	293	2.7%	125	1.6%	0	-	418	2.3%
Tweed Heads/Ballina	385	4.2%	307	4.2%	0	-	692	4.2%
Wagga Wagga	139	1.9%	100	1.9%	0	-	239	1.9%
Wollongong	2,456	19.0%	1,740	19.0%	24	16.2%	4,220	19.0%
<b>State</b>	<b>111,912</b>	<b>25.0%</b>	<b>78,921</b>	<b>25.2%</b>	<b>985</b>	<b>22.1%</b>	<b>191,818</b>	<b>25.0%</b>

**Table 2. Enrolments of Students of Non-English Speaking Background  
by District and Year of Schooling, Term 1 2002**

District	Primary								SSP	
	Kinder	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6	Support	Total	Total
Albury	16	18	18	27	27	17	27	1	151	5
Armidale	12	22	18	15	13	10	21	0	111	0
Bankstown	1,153	1,066	1,145	1,088	1,016	998	905	115	7,486	81
Batemans Bay	37	43	37	39	49	39	40	1	285	0
Bathurst	30	29	24	23	31	27	25	1	190	0
Blacktown	477	454	444	430	433	431	438	69	3,176	1
Bondi	725	680	630	666	687	652	606	44	4,690	35
Broken Hill	10	7	13	15	7	9	6	0	67	0
Campbelltown	585	568	632	574	560	577	612	76	4,184	41
Central Coast	196	191	199	186	198	188	215	12	1,385	30
Clarence/Coffs Harbour	52	38	49	59	48	40	51	2	339	0
Deniliquin	11	18	7	12	14	12	10	1	85	0
Dubbo	13	12	24	11	12	19	10	2	103	0
Fairfield	1,893	1,869	1,866	1,836	1,787	1,770	1,674	159	12,854	107
Granville	1,884	1,755	1,700	1,682	1,733	1,586	1,587	186	12,113	77
Griffith	78	71	88	95	92	89	79	5	597	11
Hornsby	705	748	705	722	763	701	740	26	5,110	50
Lake Macquarie	89	101	94	97	84	92	78	4	639	2
Lismore	21	26	32	33	26	31	30	3	202	0
Liverpool	1,534	1,507	1,510	1,464	1,455	1,405	1,407	134	10,416	156
Maitland	35	32	28	39	30	24	33	4	225	3
Moree	7	13	9	12	4	4	6	0	55	0
Mount Druitt	825	878	851	820	857	774	854	64	5,923	50
Newcastle	140	136	145	155	166	140	139	4	1,025	8
Northern Beaches	583	568	563	497	479	501	482	35	3,708	19
Orange	19	17	14	15	25	17	17	1	125	3
Parramatta	1,124	1,029	1,034	1,036	998	957	1,025	55	7,258	81
Penrith	218	190	241	206	227	193	220	21	1,516	29
Port Jackson	750	732	728	729	726	683	692	30	5,070	10
Port Macquarie	33	22	34	25	26	29	34	0	203	0
Queanbeyan	77	91	96	95	89	77	81	7	613	0
Ryde	871	887	879	838	864	815	749	47	5,950	24
Shellharbour	198	154	186	160	163	174	150	12	1,197	5
St George	1,390	1,364	1,341	1,203	1,293	1,210	1,220	97	9,118	104
Sutherland	321	315	351	315	341	356	339	17	2,355	29
Tamworth	8	24	12	12	24	17	17	1	115	0
Taree	35	40	36	44	45	50	41	2	293	0
Tweed Heads/Ballina	64	58	51	52	58	56	44	2	385	0
Wagga Wagga	16	20	16	22	22	20	23	0	139	0
Wollongong	344	353	346	368	350	343	330	22	2,456	24
<b>State</b>	<b>16,579</b>	<b>16,146</b>	<b>16,196</b>	<b>15,717</b>	<b>15,822</b>	<b>15,133</b>	<b>15,057</b>	<b>1,262</b>	<b>111,912</b>	<b>985</b>
As % of Enrolment	26.5%	25.8%	25.3%	24.8%	24.9%	24.1%	23.8%	19.8%	25.0%	22.1%

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**Table 2. Enrolments of Students of Non-English Speaking Background  
by District and Year of Schooling, Term 1 2002 (continued)**

District	Secondary							District Total	As % of District
	Year 7	Year 8	Year 9	Year 10	Year 11	Year 12	Support		
Albury	22	15	29	19	15	20	0	120	2.4%
Armidale	18	9	21	12	30	16	1	107	2.2%
Bankstown	619	600	623	775	666	627	283	4,193	61.2%
Batemans Bay	35	38	32	40	36	27	0	208	3.3%
Bathurst	27	32	22	35	25	33	1	175	3.2%
Blacktown	312	289	308	303	250	230	22	1,714	22.1%
Bondi	610	653	619	692	758	715	34	4,081	52.1%
Broken Hill	6	6	4	6	8	5	2	37	1.9%
Campbelltown	332	357	376	368	371	316	46	2,166	20.6%
Central Coast	169	209	221	186	188	151	17	1,141	7.7%
Clarence/Coffs Harbour	54	56	42	44	48	36	1	281	3.3%
Deniliquin	16	10	12	9	9	10	0	66	2.9%
Dubbo	12	12	9	6	11	8	1	59	1.3%
Fairfield	1,549	1,731	1,647	1,777	1,761	1,547	534	10,546	76.7%
Granville	917	1,092	1,070	1,109	1,128	957	151	6,424	83.0%
Griffith	79	62	60	51	56	35	3	346	11.2%
Hornsby	664	819	807	859	792	769	6	4,716	35.3%
Lake Macquarie	87	68	70	63	55	46	3	392	3.6%
Lismore	18	29	26	30	33	24	0	160	3.1%
Liverpool	1,080	1,139	1,134	1,095	1,093	843	286	6,670	54.7%
Maitland	32	23	30	26	23	18	1	153	2.0%
Moree	13	9	8	6	9	8	0	53	1.6%
Mount Druitt	484	555	526	561	658	497	172	3,453	34.1%
Newcastle	146	134	169	191	141	132	4	917	8.2%
Northern Beaches	343	381	398	409	455	369	14	2,369	23.6%
Orange	15	18	10	17	26	14	1	101	1.8%
Parramatta	1,060	1,056	1,084	1,059	1,049	968	72	6,348	51.0%
Penrith	186	209	187	204	167	136	14	1,103	11.2%
Port Jackson	525	503	509	560	675	551	143	3,466	50.5%
Port Macquarie	25	14	29	17	26	18	2	131	2.2%
Queanbeyan	48	63	57	57	43	26	2	296	7.4%
Ryde	680	681	613	670	741	688	253	4,326	41.9%
Shellharbour	148	137	139	120	110	95	8	757	7.8%
St George	1,245	1,276	1,218	1,265	1,229	1,076	193	7,502	70.6%
Sutherland	317	367	347	339	301	306	8	1,985	16.9%
Tamworth	15	18	7	20	14	12	1	87	1.4%
Taree	30	13	18	27	21	15	1	125	2.3%
Tweed Heads/Ballina	69	53	53	57	45	28	2	307	4.2%
Wagga Wagga	16	14	22	14	15	18	1	100	1.9%
Wollongong	328	275	300	310	256	209	62	1,740	19.0%
<b>State</b>	<b>12,351</b>	<b>13,025</b>	<b>12,856</b>	<b>13,408</b>	<b>13,337</b>	<b>11,599</b>	<b>2,345</b>	<b>78,921</b>	<b>25.0%</b>
As % of Enrolment	22.3%	24.1%	23.6%	24.7%	27.6%	29.8%	29.4%	25.2%	25.0%

**Table 3. Enrolments of Students of Non-English Speaking Background  
by Language and Level of Schooling, Term 1 2002**

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	15,167	13.6%	11,672	14.8%	283	28.7%	27,122	14.1%
Chinese	18,515	16.5%	15,194	19.3%	91	9.2%	33,800	17.6%
Croatian	1,456	1.3%	965	1.2%	17	1.7%	2,438	1.3%
Dutch	1,106	1.0%	648	0.8%	2	0.2%	1,756	0.9%
Farsi	1,648	1.5%	1,767	2.2%	13	1.3%	3,428	1.8%
Fijian	785	0.7%	463	0.6%	15	1.5%	1,263	0.7%
French	1,682	1.5%	960	1.2%	5	0.5%	2,647	1.4%
German	2,177	1.9%	1,454	1.8%	11	1.1%	3,642	1.9%
Greek	5,962	5.3%	2,880	3.6%	46	4.7%	8,888	4.6%
Hindi	4,834	4.3%	2,969	3.8%	30	3.0%	7,833	4.1%
Indonesian	1,554	1.4%	1,122	1.4%	6	0.6%	2,682	1.4%
Italian	5,298	4.7%	2,696	3.4%	50	5.1%	8,044	4.2%
Japanese	1,078	1.0%	556	0.7%	2	0.2%	1,636	0.9%
Khmer	1,145	1.0%	1,096	1.4%	8	0.8%	2,249	1.2%
Korean	2,841	2.5%	2,515	3.2%	11	1.1%	5,367	2.8%
Lao	681	0.6%	438	0.6%	7	0.7%	1,126	0.6%
Macedonian	2,784	2.5%	1,997	2.5%	18	1.8%	4,799	2.5%
Malay	279	0.2%	221	0.3%	2	0.2%	502	0.3%
Maltese	1,254	1.1%	785	1.0%	12	1.2%	2,051	1.1%
Polish	798	0.7%	761	1.0%	6	0.6%	1,565	0.8%
Portuguese	885	0.8%	582	0.7%	14	1.4%	1,481	0.8%
Punjabi	900	0.8%	596	0.8%	6	0.6%	1,502	0.8%
Russian	903	0.8%	812	1.0%	6	0.6%	1,721	0.9%
Samoan	3,438	3.1%	1,903	2.4%	33	3.4%	5,374	2.8%
Serbian	2,412	2.2%	1,928	2.4%	4	0.4%	4,344	2.3%
Sinhalese	646	0.6%	494	0.6%	2	0.2%	1,142	0.6%
Slovenian	167	0.1%	92	0.1%	1	0.1%	260	0.1%
Spanish	3,896	3.5%	2,560	3.2%	37	3.8%	6,493	3.4%
Tagalog	4,013	3.6%	3,223	4.1%	47	4.8%	7,283	3.8%
Tamil	1,378	1.2%	1,086	1.4%	11	1.1%	2,475	1.3%
Tongan	2,251	2.0%	1,245	1.6%	31	3.1%	3,527	1.8%
Turkish	2,638	2.4%	1,845	2.3%	21	2.1%	4,504	2.3%
Urdu	1,051	0.9%	666	0.8%	6	0.6%	1,723	0.9%
Vietnamese	6,795	6.1%	4,664	5.9%	67	6.8%	11,526	6.0%
Others	9,495	8.5%	6,066	7.7%	64	6.5%	15,625	8.1%
<b>Total NESB</b>	<b>111,912</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>78,921</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>985</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>191,818</b>	<b>100.0%</b>

**Table 4. Enrolments of Students of Non-English Speaking Background  
by District and Language, Term 1 2002**

District	Arabic	Chinese	Croatian	Dutch	Farsi	Fijian	French	German	Greek	Hindi	Indonesian	Italian
Albury	27	12	7	11	3	4	11	21	23	10	2	15
Armidale	5	30	3	9		2	16	20	7	5	20	6
Bankstown	4,494	1,655	70	12	63	73	69	57	787	276	120	278
Batemans Bay	25	25	13	28		6	31	82	38	7	8	51
Bathurst	16	24	14	21	7	7	10	33	25	6	12	23
Blacktown	352	367	108	89	162	44	55	94	157	428	36	214
Bondi	316	2,060	51	59	98	44	217	174	560	212	436	183
Broken Hill	1	6	1	1			2	4	7	1	1	14
Campbelltown	843	259	158	67	86	77	104	157	167	344	59	320
Central Coast	96	143	51	172	25	40	139	227	125	44	56	200
Clarence/Coffs Harbour	9	27	10	29		3	32	84	5	9	9	34
Deniliquin	5	10	2	8		5		11	5	2	1	42
Dubbo	10	13	4	5	3	2	4	11	5	13		4
Fairfield	4,302	4,031	443	30	274	99	51	100	284	395	76	881
Granville	5,741	3,610	52	7	248	158	34	30	405	566	190	340
Griffith	4	10	1	2	3	57	3	11	10	23		361
Hornsby	350	3,492	89	124	489	12	164	232	190	536	160	438
Lake Macquarie	60	52	23	30	2	10	28	63	65	24	32	81
Lismore	12	11	1	20	2	2	15	84	14	3	12	43
Liverpool	3,073	1,371	217	45	103	81	132	79	483	1,674	102	823
Maitland	18	51	9	16	2	3	6	31	9	12	5	19
Moree	6	7	8	2	2	3	3	11		1		1
Mount Druitt	818	244	211	61	244	83	55	76	211	894	81	207
Newcastle	29	178	43	37	7	9	72	105	171	35	58	148
Northern Beaches	161	1,159	88	178	103	31	371	344	174	105	125	455
Orange	16	13	8	5	4	2	6	19	11	4	2	8
Parramatta	1,299	3,452	146	45	841	99	86	107	309	917	140	301
Penrith	204	175	46	72	50	27	76	136	126	129	21	168
Port Jackson	536	2,080	48	44	28	86	151	132	549	223	256	582
Port Macquarie	12	14	4	25		4	27	41	6	24	7	19
Queanbeyan	34	24	33	30	3	5	19	55	28	20	29	93
Ryde	268	3,617	47	125	466	19	235	233	310	388	183	328
Shellharbour	38	71	71	63	10	6	54	161	116	15	6	212
St George	3,150	4,529	130	21	38	128	78	76	2,528	338	271	422
Sutherland	419	661	81	94	9	10	128	207	711	95	83	287
Tamworth	10	24	6	7	1	2	9	16	7	6	7	12
Taree	14	31	12	22		3	32	48	9	6	6	43
Tweed Heads/Ballina	15	25	10	37	12	1	77	99	15	6	31	56
Wagga Wagga	50	17	1	25	6	2	8	10	16	4	3	7
Wollongong	284	220	118	78	34	14	37	161	220	33	36	325
<b>State Totals</b>	<b>27,122</b>	<b>33,800</b>	<b>2,438</b>	<b>1,756</b>	<b>3,428</b>	<b>1,263</b>	<b>2,647</b>	<b>3,642</b>	<b>8,888</b>	<b>7,833</b>	<b>2,682</b>	<b>8,044</b>
As % of Total NESB	14.1%	17.6%	1.3%	0.9%	1.8%	0.7%	1.4%	1.9%	4.6%	4.1%	1.4%	4.2%

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**Table 4. Enrolments of Students of Non-English Speaking Background  
by District and Language, Term 1 2002 (continued)**

District	Japanese	Khmer	Korean	Lao	Macedonian	Malay	Maltese	Polish	Portuguese	Punjabi	Russian	Samoan
Albury	3			21			1	7	1		4	
Armidale	7				1	3	1				3	
Bankstown	34	42	155	8	461	6	37	35	37	42	22	312
Batemans Bay	5	3	3	3	3		10	10	7		1	1
Bathurst	6		2		2		6	2	4		9	2
Blacktown	11	8	104	2	71	19	380	50	15	198	30	130
Bondi	167	11	226	7	27	57	40	106	117	20	501	38
Broken Hill	2										1	1
Campbelltown	10	117	13	202	68	16	114	83	46	26	47	877
Central Coast	26	1	11	3	13	12	78	42	24	6	52	24
Clarence/Coffs Harbour	5		1		2	4	5	4	3	155	3	
Deniliquin							4				3	
Dubbo	1							3				
Fairfield	6	1,442	76	342	349	16	232	105	70	16	107	486
Granville	43	29	877	22	125	21	32	31	52	102	58	496
Griffith	4				3				2	76	2	89
Hornsby	107	8	883	5	17	65	30	142	30	85	123	4
Lake Macquarie	5	7	4		45	7	24	13	12		9	60
Lismore	3		2			2	2	7	3	8	2	
Liverpool	15	459	29	412	386	34	154	165	143	75	80	955
Maitland	3				1		6	21	3	2	4	22
Moree								1	1	3	1	1
Mount Druitt	10	32	53	5	29	15	297	80	67	187	39	1,244
Newcastle	26	3	14	4	298	4	10	40	5	2	25	75
Northern Beaches	396	7	261	4	46	17	6	73	65	26	61	34
Orange	2		2				2	2	3		14	
Parramatta	41	13	828	13	35	38	148	133	32	168	103	156
Penrith	24	11	26	1	15	15	119	52	21	87	27	67
Port Jackson	96	22	320	4	145	21	23	66	220	12	67	65
Port Macquarie	5				8	6	6	5	3	5	4	6
Queanbeyan	3		3	1	220	1	18	17	5		8	20
Ryde	361	3	1,054	24	34	44	22	113	43	75	127	9
Shellharbour	12	3	6	10	265	3	61	23	80		9	8
St George	80	20	339	5	1,102	43	41	35	171	45	89	148
Sutherland	51	5	45	2	199	21	56	46	46	15	64	14
Tamworth	6			12			4		2	3	2	2
Taree	10		1	2	5	3	5		6		2	20
Tweed Heads/Ballina	24			4	1	3	2	5	5	63	1	3
Wagga Wagga	4						3	1			1	1
Wollongong	22	3	29	8	823	6	72	47	137		16	4
<b>State</b>	<b>1,636</b>	<b>2,249</b>	<b>5,367</b>	<b>1,126</b>	<b>4,799</b>	<b>502</b>	<b>2,051</b>	<b>1,565</b>	<b>1,481</b>	<b>1,502</b>	<b>1,721</b>	<b>5,374</b>
As % of Total NESB	0.9%	1.2%	2.8%	0.6%	2.5%	0.3%	1.1%	0.8%	0.8%	0.8%	0.9%	2.8%

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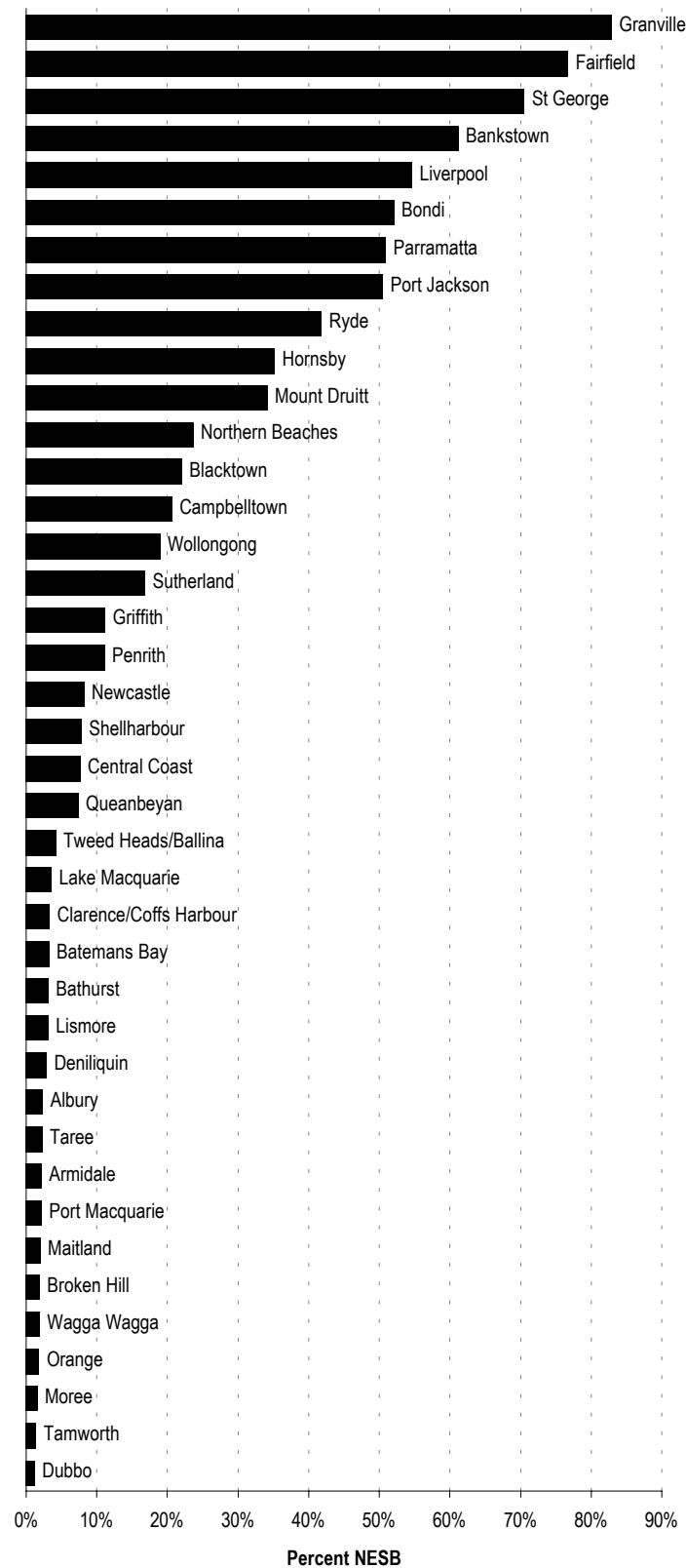
**Table 4. Enrolments of Students of Non-English Speaking Background  
by District and Language, Term 1 2002 (continued)**

District	Serbian	Sinhalese	Slovenian	Spanish	Tagalog	Tamil	Tongan	Turkish	Urdu	Vietnamese	Others	Total
Albury	10	1	3	3	23					1	52	276
Armidale		1		8	13					1	57	218
Bankstown	60	14	6	154	176	33	117	107	121	1,277	550	11,760
Batemans Bay	7		3	23	35	4	7	2		7	45	493
Bathurst	2	6		21	28	4	2	5	8	2	56	365
Blacktown	108	67	8	117	413	61	115	191	113	24	550	4,891
Bondi	167	65	10	415	288	104	176	315	52	247	1,240	8,806
Broken Hill					16	6	18	3	3		16	104
Campbelltown	110	31	13	439	365	35	249	60	52	110	667	6,391
Central Coast	47	5	10	168	252	2	38	14	2	13	395	2,556
Clarence/Coffs Harbour	1	1	6	40	51	1	3	4		4	76	620
Deniliquin		7		1	8	6	16				15	151
Dubbo	4		1	5	7	3		7	1		56	162
Fairfield	868	18	24	1,191	409	36	300	521	31	5,044	852	23,507
Granville	78	35	1	161	319	659	604	1,125	300	1,010	1,053	18,614
Griffith		7	2	38	20	1	99	61	5	1	59	954
Hornsby	56	272	20	180	181	246	59	106	113	112	756	9,876
Lake Macquarie	23	6	3	54	81	7	40	14	18	8	123	1,033
Lismore	2	2	2	13	18	1	3			6	67	362
Liverpool	1,130	45	24	837	514	97	177	229	197	1,608	1,294	17,242
Maitland	6		3	8	49	1	11	4	5	8	43	381
Moree	7		1	7	15		4	2			21	108
Mount Druitt	91	71	11	331	1,485	93	536	331	217	106	911	9,426
Newcastle	72	11	6	54	148	13	23	14	12	34	165	1,950
Northern Beaches	287	7	13	204	240	16	182	27	18	43	769	6,096
Orange	4	1	2	7	24	7	11	4	3	4	39	229
Parramatta	171	213	10	305	523	625	142	564	171	254	1,259	13,687
Penrith	76	42	9	134	229	37	32	37	33	37	287	2,648
Port Jackson	135	17	8	264	215	73	235	185	28	805	805	8,546
Port Macquarie	1			12	38			3	2	1	46	334
Queanbeyan	49	7	2	32	29		10	2	6	5	98	909
Ryde	122	113	15	236	246	224	35	52	64	100	965	10,300
Shellharbour	77	11	6	221	80	3	18	62	6	10	162	1,959
St George	198	31	16	348	296	53	173	152	104	488	1,038	16,724
Sutherland	68	5	4	200	118	10	36	62	18	50	449	4,369
Tamworth	1	3		7	18			2		1	32	202
Taree	1	1		21	47		10	1		3	54	418
Tweed Heads/Ballina	2	1	2	20	66		2	2		5	97	692
Wagga Wagga	3	7	1	6	17	4	2	6	2	2	30	239
Wollongong	300	18	15	208	183	10	42	228	18	95	376	4,220
<b>State</b>	<b>4,344</b>	<b>1,142</b>	<b>260</b>	<b>6,493</b>	<b>7,283</b>	<b>2,475</b>	<b>3,527</b>	<b>4,504</b>	<b>1,723</b>	<b>11,526</b>	<b>15,625</b>	<b>191,818</b>
As % of Total NESB	2.3%	0.6%	0.1%	3.4%	3.8%	1.3%	1.8%	2.3%	0.9%	6.0%	8.1%	100.0%

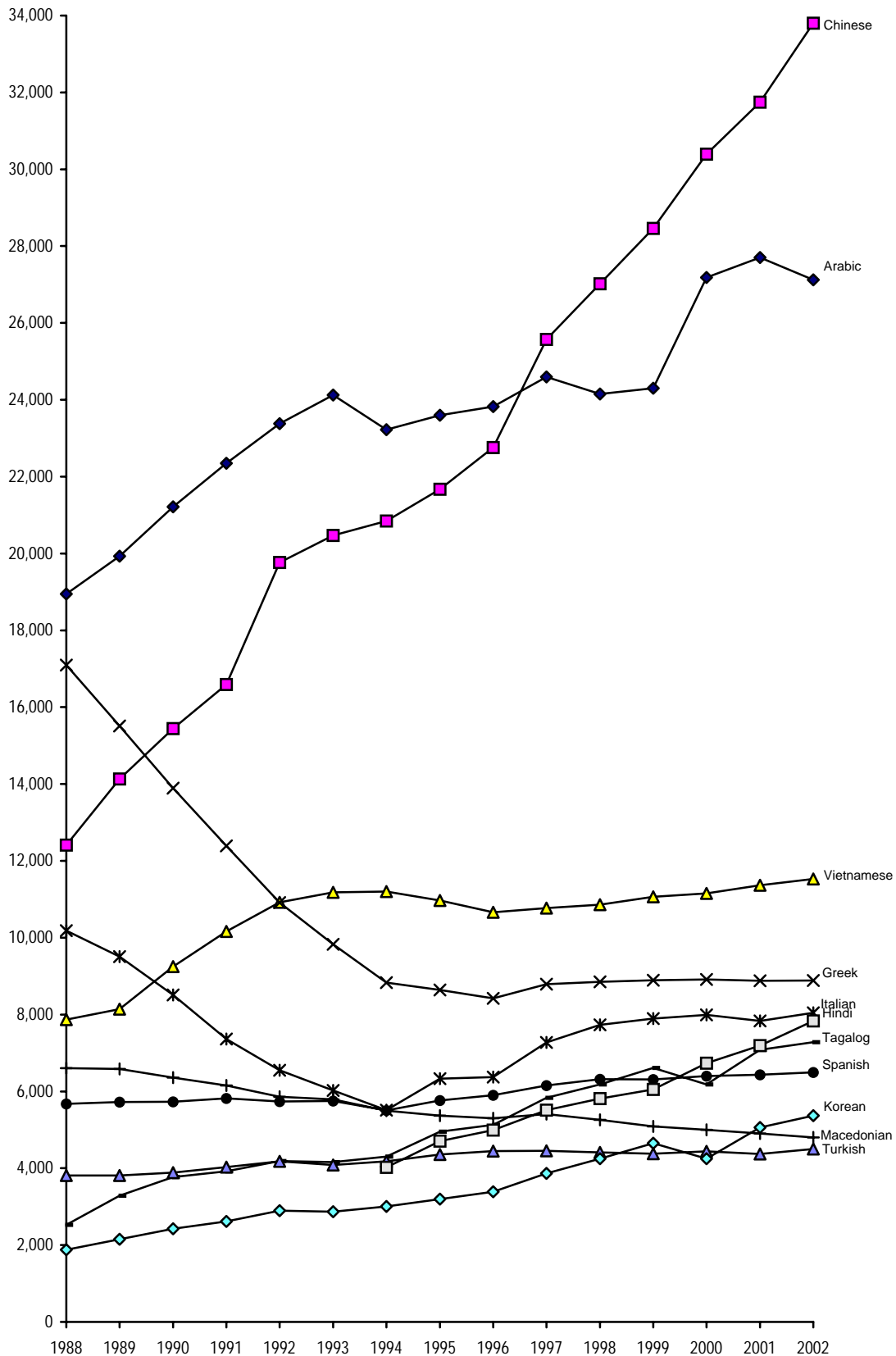
**Table 5. Enrolments of Preschool Students of Non-English Speaking Background by Language, Term 1 2002**

Language	Preschool Students		As % of
	Students	FTE	Total NESB
Arabic	282	146.6	17.5%
Chinese	263	143.8	17.2%
Croatian	27	13.5	1.6%
Dutch	4	2.5	0.3%
Farsi	8	4.2	0.5%
Fijian	6	4.0	0.5%
French	7	5.4	0.6%
German	11	7.3	0.9%
Greek	30	18.9	2.3%
Hindi	64	33.9	4.1%
Indonesian	26	18.5	2.2%
Italian	44	28.4	3.4%
Japanese	6	4.6	0.6%
Khmer	14	7.0	0.8%
Korean	8	5.6	0.7%
Lao	5	2.7	0.3%
Macedonian	29	14.2	1.7%
Malay	3	1.5	0.2%
Maltese	16	6.7	0.8%
Polish	2	0.9	0.1%
Portuguese	9	5.1	0.6%
Punjabi	21	11.5	1.4%
Russian	3	1.6	0.2%
Samoan	73	43.5	5.2%
Serbian	19	11.2	1.3%
Sinhalese	13	6.4	0.8%
Slovenian	0	0.0	0.0%
Spanish	41	23.0	2.8%
Tagalog	87	47.7	5.7%
Tamil	18	9.5	1.1%
Tongan	17	9.9	1.2%
Turkish	27	15.8	1.9%
Urdu	15	8.0	1.0%
Vietnamese	246	125.0	14.9%
<b>Total NESB</b>	<b>1,522</b>	<b>836.2</b>	<b>100.0%</b>
NESB as % of Enrolment		38.4%	

**Figure 1. Percentage of Students of Non-English Speaking Background by District, Term 1 2002**



**Figure 2. Students of Non English Speaking Background, 1988-2002:  
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.