



Public Schools of North Carolina  
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# Headcount of Limited English Proficient Students to Fiscal Research

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**Headcount of Limited English Proficient Students  
in North Carolina Public Schools as of  
October 1, 2003**

In accordance with SL 2002-284, Section 7.15(b), the Department of Public Instruction is required to prepare a headcount of all limited English proficient students and report it by December 1 of each year.

The current enrollment of those students identified and assessed as limited English proficient in accordance with the policies of the State Board of Education (SBE) as of October 1, 2003, is 70,937. These students were identified using the IDEA Proficiency Test and the state cut scores as approved by the SBE on August 25, 2003. The accompanying table lists the numbers of students by LEA and charter school. Superintendents and directors of charter schools reported the data electronically as part of the annual survey of limited English proficient students.

The numbers of students reported this year represents a significant increase of 10,788. Increases of over 3,000 limited English proficient students were reported in both Charlotte-Mecklenburg and Wake County. Other increases were scattered across the state and usually in counties near large cities.

<b>Headcount for Limited English Proficient Students in North Carolina as of October 1, 2003</b>	
<b>Charters</b>	<b>279</b>
<b>LEAs</b>	<b>70,658</b>
<b>TOTAL LEPs</b>	<b>70,937</b>
<b>Charters</b>	<b>LEP #s</b>
A Child's Garden School	1
Arapahoe Charter School	13
Arts Based Elementary	10
ArtSpace Charter School	1
Baker Charter High	6
C. G. Woodson Sch of Challenge	42
Casa Esperanza	6
Crossnore Academy	1
Crossroads Charter High	4
East Wake Academy	6
Highland Charter	2
Kennedy Charter	1
Kestrel Heights Sch	8
Lake Norman Charter	1
Maureen Joy Charter	2
NE Raleigh Charter Academy	1
Orange County Charter	1
Quality Education Academy	2
Sallie B. Howard School	147
Sterling Montessori Academy	1
The New Dimensions School	5
Washington Montessori	16
Woods Charter	2
<b>Charters Total</b>	<b>279</b>
<b>LEAs</b>	
Alamance-Burlington	2108
Alexander	402
Alleghany	96
Anson	57
Ashe	86
Asheboro City	807
Asheville City	78
Avery	65
Beaufort	274
Bertie	10
Bladen	260
Brunswick	325
Buncombe	961
Burke	1223
Cabarrus	1116

Caldwell	389
Camden	2
Carteret	93
Caswell	51
Catawba	1414
Chapel Hill-Carrboro	822
Charlotte/Mecklenburg	10490
Chatham	844
Cherokee	2
Clay	0
Cleveland	146
Clinton City	141
Columbus	166
Craven	250
Cumberland	770
Currituck	15
Dare	106
Davidson	107
Davie	236
Duplin	1584
Durham	2248
Edenton/Chowan	30
Edgecombe	296
Elizabeth City/Pasquotank	37
Elkin City	131
Franklin	275
Gaston	1360
Gates	16
Graham	0
Granville	385
Greene	313
Guilford	3877
Halifax	31
Harnett	820
Haywood	117
Henderson	981
Hertford	15
Hickory City	687
Hoke	281
Hyde	25
Iredell-Statesville	831
Jackson	64
Johnston	1756
Jones	11
Kannapolis City	731
King's Mountain	34
Lee	1097
Lenoir	229
Lexington City	416
Lincoln	700
Macon	115
Madison	40

Martin	17
McDowell	360
Mitchell	103
Montgomery	877
Moore	450
Mooreville City	63
Mount Airy City	156
Nash-Rocky Mount	750
New Hanover	560
Newton-Conover	319
Northhampton	29
Onslow	351
Orange	190
Pamlico	18
Pender	372
Perquimans	0
Person	95
Pitt	603
Polk	99
Randolph	854
Richmond	195
Roanoke Rapids	25
Robeson	1058
Rockingham	724
Rowan-Salisbury	1364
Rutherford	174
Sampson	889
Scotland	55
Shelby City	30
Stanly	526
Stokes	75
Surry	690
Swain	18
Thomasville City	250
Transylvania	56
Tyrrell	52
Union	852
Vance	312
Wake	7645
Warren	38
Washington	21
Watauga	53
Wayne	1043
Weldon City	0
Whiteville City	40
Wilkes	537
Wilson	587
Winston-Salem/Forsyth	3149
Yadkin	379
Yancey	110
<b>LEAs Total</b>	<b>70,658</b>