

UNDERSTANDING THE RAPID GROWTH OF LEP/ELLs IN LONG ISLAND
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The rapid growth of LEP/ELLs in the Long Island area is without precedent. To illustrate please note that the Brentwood LEP/ELLs population is significantly higher than any of the Big Four school districts in New York State. Long Island has 122 districts with 28,062 LEP/ELL students. In addition, Long Island holds 43% of the Rest of State LEP/ELLs, not including NYC.

Number of LEP/ELLs in Rest of State and Long Island

NYS LEP/ELLs Served (Public Schools):	215,527
NYC LEP/ELLs Served (Public Schools):	149,202
ROS LEP/ELLs Served (Public Schools):	66,325
Long Island LEP/ELLs Served (Public Schools):	28,062

Percent of Rest Of State Compared To Long Island

	Nassau	Suffolk	Long Island Total
LEP Enrollment	12,202	15,860	28,062
Percent of Long Island LEP/ELLs to Rest of State Numbers	18.4%	23.9%	43.1%
Percent of all NYS LEP/ELLs	5.6%	7.4%	13.0 %

**LEP/ELL count of the Big Four School Districts
in comparison to one Long island School District (Brentwood)**

DISTRICT_BEDS_CODE	DISTRICT_NAME	Count of Public LEP students	Count of nonpublic students K-6_LEP	Count of nonpublic students 7-12_LEP	Total Public and Non Public
421800010000	SYRACUSE	2045	34	1	2080
140600010000	BUFFALO	3299	8	9	3316
662300010000	YONKERS	3433	119	20	3572
261600010000	ROCHESTER	3518	54	58	3630
580512030000	BRENTWOOD	4748	15	7	4770

**DEMOGRAPHIC PROFILE OF SUFFOLK COUNTY DISTRICTS IN THE
SUFFOLK BETAC REGION:
(2008-2009 data)**

Number of school districts in Suffolk County:	69
Number of school districts with Programs for LEP/ELLs:	63
Number of school districts reporting no LEP/ELLs:	6
Number of Transitional Bilingual Education Programs:	9
Number of Two-Way Bilingual Education Programs:	5
Number of Freestanding ESL Programs:	63

Coordinators for LEP/ELLs in Suffolk County

Title of Coordinator	Number
Superintendent	9
Assistant Superintendent	14
Directors of Bilingual Ed. and/or ESL	30
Directors of ESL/Bilingual Ed. and PPS	12
Other Professional Staff	4
TOTAL	69

**DEMOGRAPHIC PROFILE OF NASSAU COUNTY DISTRICTS IN THE
NASSAU BETAC REGION:
(as of 2008-2009)**

Number of school districts in Nassau County:	56
Number of school districts with Programs for LEP/ELLs:	56
Number of school districts reporting no LEP/ELLs:	0
Number of Transitional Bilingual Education Programs:	6
Number of Two-Way Bilingual Education Programs:	3
Number of Freestanding ESL Programs:	56

Coordinators for LEP/ELLs in Nassau County

Title of Coordinator	Number
Superintendent	0
Assistant Superintendent	12
Directors of Bilingual Ed. and/or ESL	27
Directors of ESL/Bilingual Ed. and PPS	10
Other Professional Staff	7
TOTAL	56