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Abstract. This report provides information on enrollment in the Texas public school system from the 2008-09 through 2018-19 school years, based on data collected through the Texas Student Data System. Enrollment data are provided by grade, race/ethnicity, gender, and economically disadvantaged status, and for special populations and instructional programs. Data also are reported by education service center region and for open-enrollment charter schools.

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## Overview

This report provides enrollment data for students attending Texas public schools in the 2018-19 school year and updates 10 -year trends in state enrollment. Enrollment data are provided by the following student characteristics: race/ethnicity, economic status, gender, and grade level. Data are also provided by student participation in the following special instructional programs: bilingual or English as a second language (ESL), career and technical education, gifted and talented, Section 504, special education, and Title I. In addition, data are provided for the following special populations: students identified as at risk of dropping out of school, as having dyslexia, as English learners, as in foster care, as homeless, as immigrants, as migrants, and as military-connected. Data are also provided for students identified as English learners by special language program instructional model as well as for students identified as twice-exceptional; that is, students who are identified as gifted and talented as defined under Texas Education Code $\S 29.121$ and who are also identified as having a disability based on federal or state eligibility criteria (Texas Education Agency, n.d.).

Enrollment data for the 20 regional education service centers (ESCs) throughout the state are presented, as are data for open-enrollment charter schools. In addition, national enrollment trends are examined, and enrollment data for the four most populous states in the United States (California, Florida, New York, and Texas) are compared.

## Highlights

- In the 2008-09 school year, 4,749,571 students were enrolled in Texas public schools. By 2018-19, enrollment had risen to $5,431,910$ students. Over the 10 -year period, total enrollment increased by 682,339 students, or by 14.4 percent.
- In 2018-19, statewide enrollment increased from the previous year by 0.6 percent.
- Across the five largest racial/ethnic groups in 2018-19, enrollment increased from the previous year for African American, Asian, Hispanic, and multiracial students and decreased slightly for White students.
- Across the same groups, Hispanic students accounted for the largest percentage of total enrollment in Texas public schools in 2018-19 (52.6\%), followed by White (27.4\%), African American (12.6\%), Asian (4.5\%), and multiracial (2.4\%) students.
- The percentage of students identified as economically disadvantaged in 2018-19 (60.6\%) was higher than the percentage identified in 2008-09 (56.6\%).
- Between 2008-09 and 2018-19, the percentage increase in the number of students identified as economically disadvantaged $(22.5 \%)$ was greater than the percentage increase in the student population overall (14.4\%).
- In 2018-19, Grade 9 had the highest enrollment, at 436,686 students, followed by Grade 6, at 417,719 students.
- The percentage of students identified as English learners grew from 16.9 percent in 2008-09 to 19.4 percent in 2018-19.
- Between 2017-18 and 2018-19, the number of students identified as homeless decreased by 35.0 percent, or by 39,149 students. In 2017-18, the number of homeless students rose substantially, as over 46,000 of the students identified as homeless were affected by hurricanes that year. In 2018-19, 1.3 percent of students were identified as homeless, the same percentage reported in 2016-17.
- The number of students in Grades 9-12 participating in career and technical education programs increased by 87.3 percent between 2008-09 and 2018-19.
- The percentage of students served in special education programs increased from 9.2 percent in 2017-18 to 9.8 percent in 2018-19.
- Across regional education service centers in 2008-09, Region 4 (Houston) served the largest student population, accounting for 22.1 percent of total state public school enrollment. In 2018-19, Region 4 continued to serve the largest proportion of total enrollment (22.1\%).
- In the 2018-19 school year, there were 179 open-enrollment charter schools and 752 open-enrollment charter school campuses that served 316,869 students. Students enrolled in open-enrollment charter schools accounted for 5.8 percent of the total Texas public school population.
- Across the five largest racial/ethnic groups in 2018-19, Hispanic students accounted for the largest percentage of total enrollment in open-enrollment charter schools (61.5\%) followed by African American (18.0\%), White ( $13.7 \%$ ), Asian ( $4.5 \%$ ), and multiracial ( $1.9 \%$ ) students.
- In the 2018-19 school year, 69.9 percent of Texas open-enrollment charter school students were identified as economically disadvantaged.
- According to national figures, public school enrollment in Texas increased by 17.1 percent between 2005 and 2015, more than six times the increase in the United States ( $2.7 \%$ ) over the same time period. This was the second-highest percentage increase in statewide public school enrollment in the nation, behind Utah (27.4\%).
- According to national figures, from 2006 to 2016, the proportion of public school enrollment accounted for by Hispanic students increased from 46.3 percent to 52.4 percent in Texas and from 20.5 percent to 26.4 percent nationwide. During the same period, the proportion of enrollment accounted for by White students decreased from 35.7 percent to 28.1 percent in Texas and from 56.5 percent to 48.2 percent nationwide.
- National figures indicate the majority of students in Texas (58.9\%) were eligible for free or reduced-price meals in the 2015-16 school year, 6.8 percentage points higher than the national average ( $52.1 \%$ ). Between 2005-06 and 2015-16, the percentage of eligible students increased by 10.7 percentage points in Texas and by 10.5 percentage points nationwide.


## Enrollment in Texas

## Reporting of Enrollment Data

Enrollment is typically defined as the number of students registered in a school at a designated time in the school year. In this report, enrollment refers to the number of students enrolled in early education through Grade 12 in the Texas public school system as of the last Friday in October. This designated day is called the "snapshot date" in the Public Education Information Management System (PEIMS). Enrollment counts are available for all campuses, school districts, charter schools, counties, education service center regions, and the state.

Enrollment data in Texas include student demographic information, such as race/ethnicity, gender, and economically disadvantaged status, and information on student participation in special programs. Data on student characteristics and program participation are essential for monitoring educational progress and planning educational programs at all levels of the education system.

Financial planners and civic leaders use enrollment data to monitor the educational needs of a community. For example, a growing community will consider current enrollment data when making decisions to add teachers or adjust school programs in the short term. For long-term planning purposes, districts use enrollment trend data to predict and respond to changing needs in areas such as school facilities.

Texas public school enrollment data are used at the regional and state levels for education policy planning, administration, and research. Because enrollment trends reflect changes in society as a whole, the Texas Education Agency (TEA), state legislature, and research organizations use enrollment data to prepare for the future educational needs of Texas. Enrollment data allow the computation of many vital statistics about the Texas public education system, such as student/teacher ratios.

Since 1994, accountability ratings for Texas public schools and districts have been based on legislatively mandated indicators that draw from enrollment data collected by TEA. Texas law provides that "Performance on the achievement indicators adopted ... must be based on information that is disaggregated by race, ethnicity, and socioeconomic status ..." (Texas Education Code [TEC] §39.053, 2018). As a result, performance is reported by total student population and by student group categories, such as race/ethnicity and economically disadvantaged status.

Enrollment data also are required by federal education legislation. For example, the Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA, 2015) obliges states to submit data for all students by the following categories: economically disadvantaged students; students from major racial and ethnic groups; students with disabilities; and students identified as English learners. Likewise, ESSA requires state report cards to be submitted annually with information on student achievement disaggregated by race, ethnicity, gender, disability status, migrant status, English language proficiency, status as economically disadvantaged, homeless status, foster care status, and status as a student with a parent who is a member of the U.S. armed forces on active duty.

In the 2018-19 school year, a broad range of information, such as student characteristics and program participation, was collected through the Texas Student Data System (TSDS) on more than 1,200 school districts and open-enrollment charters; more than 9,000 schools; more than 358,500 teachers; and over 5.4 million students. Texas public school students are served in markedly diverse school settings. Districts ranged in size from less than one square mile to nearly five thousand square miles. The district with the smallest enrollment in the state, San Vicente Independent School District (ISD), had a total enrollment of 13 students. In contrast, more than 209,000 students received instruction at 283 school sites in Houston ISD.

Data for state-administered school districts are not included in this report. State-administered districts are created by legislative act and funded and administered by state government agencies, such as the Texas Juvenile Justice Department and the Texas Department of Aging and Disability Services.

This report provides an overview of Texas enrollment trends, including diversity of the student population by grade, by education service center region, and within open-enrollment charter schools (Table 1 on page 4). Historical data on Texas public school enrollment are included with discussion of changes over time.

## Reporting of Race/Ethnicity

Data submissions prior to 2009-10. School districts submit PEIMS student demographic information to TEA through TSDS. Prior to the 2009-10 school year, TEA required that districts submit one of five racial/ethnic categories for each student: American Indian or Alaska Native; Asian or Pacific Islander; Black or African American (not of Hispanic origin); Hispanic/Latino; or White (not of Hispanic origin).

Data submissions beginning in 2009-10. In 2009-10, TEA began collecting data on race and ethnicity in compliance with a new federal standard (TEA, 2009). For that year only, as a transitional measure, the data also were collected using the old standard. The current standard requires that race and ethnicity be collected separately using a specific two-part question, presented in a specific order, and that both parts of the question be answered (TEA, 2018).

Part 1. Ethnicity: Is the person Hispanic/Latino? Choose only one.

- Hispanic/Latino
- Not Hispanic/Latino

Part 2. Race: What is the person's race? Choose one or more, regardless of ethnicity.

- American Indian or Alaska Native
- Asian
- Black or African American
- Native Hawaiian/Other Pacific Islander
- White

The racial/ethnic categories are defined as follows. Hispanic/Latino includes students of Cuban, Mexican, Puerto Rican, South or Central American, or other Spanish culture or origin, regardless of race. American Indian or Alaska Native includes students having origins in any of the original peoples of North and South America (including Central America), and who maintain a tribal affiliation or community attachment. Asian includes students having origins in any of the original peoples of the Far East, Southeast Asia, or the Indian subcontinent. Black or African American includes students having origins in any of the black racial groups of Africa. Native Hawaiian/Other Pacific Islander includes students having origins in any of the original peoples of Hawaii, Guam, Samoa, or other Pacific Islands. White includes students having origins in any of the original peoples of Europe, the Middle East, or North Africa.

Adoption of the current standard results in several important changes: (a) the combined racial category Asian/Pacific Islander is now separated into two categories; (b) students once identified exclusively as "Hispanic/Latino" must now report their race; (c) students may report more than one race; and (d) the definition for one of the racial categories-American Indian or Alaska Native-differs from that used in years past. Prior to 2009-10, American Indian or Alaska Native included students having origins in any of the original peoples of North America only.

Throughout the rest of this report, students classified in PEIMS as Hispanic/Latino are referred to as Hispanic; students classified as American Indian or Alaska Native are referred to as American Indian; students classified as Black or African American are referred to as African American; students classified as Native Hawaiian/Other Pacific Islander are referred to as Pacific Islander; and students classified as having two or more races are referred to as multiracial.

For purposes of reporting Texas public school enrollment data, TEA combines the answers to the two-part question to create seven mutually exclusive racial/ethnic categories. A student identified as Hispanic is included only in the count for Hispanics. A student not identified as Hispanic is included in the count for only one of the following six racial categories: African American, American Indian, Asian, Pacific Islander, White, or multiracial. A student identified as having two or more races is included only in the count for multiracial students, not in the count for any single racial category.

In this report, national and Texas public school enrollment data for 2009-10 and later years are based on the current racial/ethnic categories. National and Texas public school enrollment data for 2008-09 and earlier years are based on the old racial/ethnic categories. When reporting data by race/ethnicity for school years prior to 2009-10, TEA used the term Native American in place of the term American Indian. In this report, the term American Indian is used to present both current and historical data.

Because rates for smaller groups can be less stable over time, comparisons of rates across racial/ ethnic groups can be misleading when one group is small compared to other groups. The non-Hispanic American Indian and Pacific Islander student populations are small in number, compared to other racial/ ethnic populations. Similarly, within the overall Hispanic student population, the Asian and Pacific Islander populations are small in number, compared to other racial populations. Therefore, discussions of results in this report, including comparisons across racial/ethnic groups, do not include these populations.

## Reporting of Enrollment in Instructional Programs

Calculations used in preparing this report account for students enrolled in early education through Grade 12, with one exception: participation in instructional programs. Data for special education, gifted and talented, and Title I exclude students in early education. Data for career and technical education (CTE) include students in Grades 9-12 programs only. Students taking CTE courses in Grades 6-8 or as electives are excluded.

## Reporting of Enrollment in Open-Enrollment Charter Schools

Throughout this report, enrollment data for Texas public schools overall include students attending open-enrollment charter schools. Enrollment data for Texas open-enrollment charter schools only are presented in the section of the report titled Enrollment in Open-Enrollment Charter Schools.

Table 1
Enrollment Summary, Texas Public Schools, 2017-18 and 2018-19

| Group | Enrollment |  | Group | Enrollment |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 2017-18 | 2018-19 |  | 2017-18 | 2018-19 |
| All students | 5,399,682 | 5,431,910 | Instructional program or special population ${ }^{\text {a }}$ |  |  |
|  |  |  | At-risk | 2,739,303 | 2,716,665 |
| Race/Ethnicity |  |  | Bilingual or English as a second language | 1,015,972 | 1,066,640 |
| African American | 680,777 | 685,775 | Career and technicalb | 778,385 | 804,684 |
| American Indian | 20,586 | 20,414 | Dyslexia | 169,043 | 194,214 |
| Asian | 235,491 | 242,657 | English learner | 1,015,372 | 1,055,172 |
| Hispanic | 2,827,847 | 2,854,590 | Foster care | 16,233 | 16,867 |
| Pacific Islander | 8,026 | 8,271 | Gifted and talented | 427,021 | 436,442 |
| White | 1,504,515 | 1,490,299 | Homeless | 111,931 | 72,782 |
| Multiracial | 122,440 | 129,904 | Immigrant | 108,055 | 107,133 |
|  |  |  | Migrant | 20,577 | 19,162 |
| Economic status |  |  | Military-connected | 87,776 | 89,736 |
| Economically disadvantaged | 3,168,294 | 3,289,468 | Section 504 | $\mathrm{n} / \mathrm{a}^{\text {c }}$ | 354,667 |
|  |  |  | Special education | 498,320 | 531,991 |
| Gender |  |  | Title I | 3,507,107 | 3,524,974 |
| Female | 2,630,684 | 2,647,524 |  |  |  |
| Male | 2,768,998 | 2,784,386 | Education service center |  |  |
|  |  |  | Region 1 - Edinburg | 433,171 | 436,115 |
| Grade |  |  | Region 2 - Corpus Christi | 103,940 | 103,152 |
| Early education | 23,998 | 24,764 | Region 3 - Victoria | 53,676 | 53,344 |
| Prekindergarten | 232,177 | 239,646 | Region 4 - Houston | 1,212,397 | 1,201,680 |
| Kindergarten | 371,618 | 374,020 | Region 5 - Beaumont | 83,754 | 84,066 |
| Grade 1 | 388,637 | 386,900 | Region 6 - Huntsville | 198,781 | 201,228 |
| Grade 2 | 394,362 | 387,763 | Region 7 - Kilgore | 169,729 | 173,796 |
| Grade 3 | 409,974 | 395,889 | Region 8 - Mt. Pleasant | 56,159 | 56,113 |
| Grade 4 | 413,819 | 412,016 | Region 9 - Wichita Falls | 37,569 | 37,533 |
| Grade 5 | 414,386 | 417,537 | Region 10 - Richardson | 867,294 | 874,990 |
| Grade 6 | 402,596 | 417,719 | Region 11 - Fort Worth | 591,086 | 593,516 |
| Grade 7 | 402,472 | 406,834 | Region 12 - Waco | 174,566 | 176,229 |
| Grade 8 | 398,598 | 405,048 | Region 13 - Austin | 393,317 | 412,974 |
| Grade 9 | 432,951 | 436,686 | Region 14 - Abilene | 58,843 | 57,720 |
| Grade 10 | 397,209 | 400,836 | Region 15 - San Angelo | 50,407 | 50,175 |
| Grade 11 | 371,871 | 373,213 | Region 16 - Amarillo | 85,462 | 85,018 |
| Grade 12 | 345,014 | 353,039 | Region 17 - Lubbock | 84,362 | 84,503 |
|  |  |  | Region 18 - Midland | 91,057 | 93,459 |
|  |  |  | Region 19 - El Paso | 178,185 | 176,994 |
|  |  |  | Region 20 - San Antonio | 475,927 | 479,305 |
|  |  |  | Charter school attendance |  |  |
|  |  |  | Open-enrollment charter school students | 296,323 | 316,869 |

aStudents may be counted in more than one category. bData reflect the numbers of students in Grades 9-12 only who are participating in career and technical education programs. Students taking career and technical education courses in Grades 6-8 or as electives are excluded. ©Not available.

## Statewide Enrollment

Public school enrollment has increased in recent years, particularly in the southern and western United States, and more growth is expected in the future. In 2013, nationwide public school enrollment reached 50 million for the first time (National Center for Education Statistics [NCES], 2019b). For the 12-year period from 2015 to 2027, NCES projects an increase of 3.2 percent nationwide in public elementary and secondary school enrollment. The method used by NCES to project school enrollments "... assumes that future trends in factors affecting enrollments will be consistent with past patterns. It implicitly includes the net effect of factors such as dropouts, deaths, nonpromotion, transfers to and from public schools, and state level migration" (NCES, 2019e; p. 3). Nationwide, Texas experienced the second-largest increase (after Utah) in public school enrollment between 2005 to 2015, at 17.1 percent, and is expected to experience the fifth-largest increase (after the District of Columbia, North Dakota, Florida, and Washington) from 2015 to 2027, at 14.7 percent (NCES, 2019b).

Between 1987-88 and 2018-19, year-to-year change in statewide enrollment ranged from a low of 0.6 percent to a high of 3.7 percent (Table 2 on page 6 ). The most common year-to-year change was 1.7 percent. In 2018-19, statewide enrollment increased from the previous year by 0.6 percent. Total enrollment in Texas public schools surpassed 5 million for the first time in 2012-13 and surpassed 5.4 million in 2018-19.

Between 1987-88 and 2018-19, the racial/ethnic composition of the student population served by Texas public schools changed. In the 2001-02 school year, the number of Hispanic students surpassed the number of White students for the first time (Texas Education Agency [TEA], 2003). Between 2001-02 and 2018-19, the number of Hispanic students continued to rise, and the number of White students declined (Figure 1 on page 7 and Table 4 on page 8) (see also TEA, 2005). In addition, the percentages of total enrollment represented by Asian and multiracial students steadily increased by 0.1 to 0.2 percentage points each year between the 2009-10 and 2018-19 school years (Table 4 on page 8).

Each year between 2008-09 and 2018-19, the majority of students met the state criteria for economic disadvantage (Figure 2 and Table 7 on page 10). In the 2018-19 school year, 60.6 percent of students were identified as economically disadvantaged. Under TEA guidelines, students were identified as economically disadvantaged if they were eligible for free or reduced-price meals under the National School Lunch and Child Nutrition Program (TEA, 2018).

- In the 2008-09 school year, 4,749,571 students were enrolled in Texas public schools (Table 2). By 2018-19, enrollment had risen to $5,431,910$ students. Over the 10 -year period, total enrollment increased by 682,339 students, or by 14.4 percent (Table 3).
- In the 1987-88 school year, 3,224,916 students were enrolled in Texas public schools (Table 2). Over the 31-year period between 1987-88 and 2018-19, total enrollment increased by 2,206,994 students, or 68.4 percent (Table 3).

Table 2
Statewide Enrollment, Texas Public Schools, 1987-88 Through 2018-19

| Year | Number | Annual change $(\%)$ |
| :--- | ---: | ---: |
| $1987-88$ | $3,224,916$ | - |
| $1988-89$ | $3,271,509$ | 1.4 |
| $1989-90$ | $3,316,785$ | 1.4 |
| $1990-91$ | $3,378,318$ | 1.9 |
| $1991-92$ | $3,460,378$ | 2.4 |
| $1992-93$ | $3,541,771$ | 2.4 |
| $1993-94$ | $3,672,198$ | 3.7 |
| $1994-95$ | $3,730,544$ | 1.6 |
| $1995-96$ | $3,799,032$ | 1.8 |
| $1996-97$ | $3,837,096$ | 1.0 |
| $1997-98$ | $3,900,488$ | 1.7 |
| $1998-99$ | $3,954,434$ | 1.4 |
| $1999-00$ | $4,002,227$ | 1.2 |
| $2000-01$ | $4,071,433$ | 1.7 |
| $2001-02$ | $4,160,968$ | 2.2 |
| $2002-03$ | $4,255,821$ | 2.3 |
| $2003-04$ | $4,328,028$ | 1.7 |
| $2004-05$ | $4,400,644$ | 1.7 |
| $2005-06$ | $4,521,043$ | 2.7 |
| $2006-07$ | $4,594,942$ | 1.6 |
| $2007-08$ | $4,671,493$ | 1.7 |
| $2008-09$ | $4,749,571$ | 1.7 |
| $2009-10$ | $4,847,844$ | 2.1 |
| $2010-11$ | $4,933,617$ | 1.8 |
| $2011-12$ | $4,998,579$ | 1.3 |
| $2012-13$ | $5,075,840$ | 1.5 |
| $2013-14$ | $5,151,925$ | 1.5 |
| $2014-15$ | $5,232,065$ | 1.6 |
| $2015-16$ | $5,299,728$ | 1.3 |
| $2016-17$ | $5,359,127$ | 1.1 |
| $2017-18$ | $5,399,682$ | 0.8 |
| $2018-19$ | $5,431,910$ | 0.6 |
|  |  |  |

Table 3
Change in Statewide Enrollment, Texas
Public Schools

| Period | Number | Percent |
| :--- | ---: | ---: |
| 10-year change, |  |  |
| 2008-09 to 2018-19 | 682,339 | 14.4 |
| 31-year change, |  |  |
| 1987-88 to 2018-19 | $2,206,994$ | 68.4 |

## Enrollment <br> by Race/Ethnicity

- Because rates for smaller groups can be less stable over time, discussions of results in this section are restricted to the five largest racial/ethnic groups: African American, Asian, Hispanic, White, and multiracial. See the section "Reporting of Race/Ethnicity" on page 2 for additional information.
- African American, Asian, Hispanic, and multiracial enrollment increased between the 2017-18 and 2018-19 school years, whereas White enrollment decreased slightly (Figure 1 on this page and Table 4 on page 8).
- The percentages of Texas public school enrollment accounted for by Asian, Hispanic, and multiracial students increased between 2017-18 and 2018-19 (Table 4 on page 8). During the same period, the percentage of enrollment accounted for by White students decreased, and the percentage accounted for by African American students remained the same.
- In 2018-19, Hispanic students accounted for the largest percentage of total enrollment (52.6\%), followed by White ( $27.4 \%$ ), African American (12.6\%), Asian (4.5\%), and multiracial (2.4\%) students.
- Between 2008-09 and 2018-19, Hispanic enrollment increased by 579,492 students ( $25.5 \%$ ). White students, whose enrollment fell by 125,816 students, or 7.8 percent, over the same period, had the only decrease in enrollment among the five largest racial/ethnic groups.

Figure 1
Enrollment by Race/Ethnicity, Texas Public Schools, 2008-09 Through 2018-19


Note. Data for Asian enrollment prior to the 2009-10 school year are not available.

Table 4
Enrollment by Race/Ethnicity, Texas Public Schools, 2008-09 Through 2018-19

| Year | African American |  | American Indian |  | Asian |  | Hispanic |  | Pacific Islander |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Number | Percent | Number | Percent | Number | Percent | Number | Percent | Number | Percent |
| 2008-09 | 671,871 | 14.1 | 16,713 | 0.4 | $\mathrm{n} / \mathrm{a}^{\text {a }}$ | n/a | 2,275,098 | 47.9 | n/a | n/a |
| 2009-10 | 632,401 | 13.0 | 26,467 | 0.5 | 162,032 | 3.3 | 2,398,684 | 49.5 | 6,201 | 0.1 |
| 2010-11 | 637,722 | 12.9 | 23,602 | 0.5 | 169,338 | 3.4 | 2,480,000 | 50.3 | 6,127 | 0.1 |
| 2011-12 | 640,171 | 12.8 | 22,383 | 0.4 | 177,185 | 3.5 | 2,541,223 | 50.8 | 6,257 | 0.1 |
| 2012-13 | 646,182 | 12.7 | 21,795 | 0.4 | 183,789 | 3.6 | 2,606,126 | 51.3 | 6,644 | 0.1 |
| 2013-14 | 652,719 | 12.7 | 20,225 | 0.4 | 189,906 | 3.7 | 2,668,315 | 51.8 | 6,801 | 0.1 |
| 2014-15 | 660,952 | 12.6 | 21,480 | 0.4 | 202,229 | 3.9 | 2,722,272 | 52.0 | 7,112 | 0.1 |
| 2015-16 | 668,338 | 12.6 | 20,917 | 0.4 | 213,394 | 4.0 | 2,767,747 | 52.2 | 7,406 | 0.1 |
| 2016-17 | 674,718 | 12.6 | 20,767 | 0.4 | 225,294 | 4.2 | 2,809,386 | 52.4 | 7,700 | 0.1 |
| 2017-18 | 680,777 | 12.6 | 20,586 | 0.4 | 235,491 | 4.4 | 2,827,847 | 52.4 | 8,026 | 0.1 |
| 2018-19 | 685,775 | 12.6 | 20,414 | 0.4 | 242,657 | 4.5 | 2,854,590 | 52.6 | 8,271 | 0.2 |
| 10-year change | 13,904 | 2.1 | 3,701 | 22.1 | n/a | n/a | 579,492 | 25.5 | n/a | n/a |


|  | White |  |  | Multiracial |  |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Year | Number | Percent |  | Number | Percent |
| $2008-09$ | $1,616,115$ | 34.0 |  | $\mathrm{n} / \mathrm{a}$ | $\mathrm{n} / \mathrm{a}$ |
| $2009-10$ | $1,547,693$ | 31.9 |  | 74,366 | 1.5 |
| $2010-11$ | $1,538,409$ | 31.2 |  | 78,419 | 1.6 |
| $2011-12$ | $1,527,203$ | 30.6 |  | 84,157 | 1.7 |
| $2012-13$ | $1,521,551$ | 30.0 |  | 89,753 | 1.8 |
| $2013-14$ | $1,517,293$ | 29.5 |  | 96,666 | 1.9 |
| $2014-15$ | $1,515,553$ | 29.0 |  | 102,467 | 2.0 |
| $2015-16$ | $1,513,027$ | 28.5 |  | 108,899 | 2.1 |
| $2016-17$ | $1,505,355$ | 28.1 |  | 115,907 | 2.2 |
| $2017-18$ | $1,504,515$ | 27.9 |  | 122,440 | 2.3 |
| $2018-19$ | $1,490,299$ | 27.4 |  | 129,904 | 2.4 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 10-year |  |  |  |  |  |
| change | $-125,816$ | -7.8 |  | n/a | $\mathrm{n} / \mathrm{a}$ |

Note. Parts may not add to 100 percent because of rounding. aNot available.

Table 5
Hispanic Students by Race, Texas Public Schools, 2017-18 and 2018-19

|  | 2017-18 |  |  | 2018-19 |  |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Group | Number | Percent |  | Number | Percent |
| African American | 62,729 | 2.2 | 67,589 | 2.4 |  |
| American Indian | 475,735 | 16.8 | 443,507 | 15.5 |  |
| Asian | 12,123 | 0.4 | 12,885 | 0.5 |  |
| Pacific Islander | 8,774 | 0.3 | 9,263 | 0.3 |  |
| White | $2,201,150$ | 77.8 | $2,252,428$ | 78.9 |  |
| Multiracial | 67,336 | 2.4 | 68,918 | 2.4 |  |
| All Hispanic |  |  |  |  |  |

Note. Parts may not add to 100 percent because of rounding.

Table 6
Non-Hispanic Multiracial Students by Most Common Racial
Combinations, Texas Public Schools, 2017-18 and 2018-19

|  | 2017-18 |  |  | 2018-19 |  |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Group | Number | Percent |  | Number | Percent |
| White and African American | 59,356 | 48.5 |  | 63,094 | 48.6 |
| White and Asian | 28,315 | 23.1 |  | 30,141 | 23.2 |
| White and American Indian | 13,264 | 10.8 |  | 13,439 | 10.3 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| All multiracial | 122,440 | 100 |  | 129,904 | 100 |

Note. Numbers for race do not sum to the "All multiracial" total because all possible racial combinations are not presented.

## Enrollment <br> by Economically Disadvantaged Status

- The percentage of students identified as economically disadvantaged in 2018-19 (60.6\%) was higher than the percentage identified in 2008-09 (56.6\%) (Figure 2 and Table 7).
- Between 2008-09 and 2018-19, the percentage increase in the number of students identified as economically disadvantaged was greater than the percentage increase in the student population overall. The number of students identified as economically disadvantaged rose by 603,209 , or 22.5 percent, whereas the total public school population rose by 682,339 , or 14.4 percent (Table 7 on this page and Table 3 on page 6).

Figure 2
Enrollment of Economically Disadvantaged Students, Texas Public Schools, 2008-09
Through 2018-19


Table 7
Enrollment of Economically Disadvantaged Students, Texas Public Schools, 2008-09
Through 2018-19

| Year | Number | Percent | Year | Number | Percent |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | :--- | ---: | ---: |
| $2008-09$ | $2,686,259$ | 56.6 | $2015-16$ | $3,122,903$ | 58.9 |
| $2009-10$ | $2,853,177$ | 58.9 | $2016-17$ | $3,159,327$ | 59.0 |
| $2010-11$ | $2,914,916$ | 59.1 | $2017-18$ | $3,168,294$ | 58.7 |
| $2011-12$ | $3,013,442$ | 60.3 | $2018-19$ | $3,289,468$ | 60.6 |
| $2012-13$ | $3,058,894$ | 60.3 |  |  |  |
| $2013-14$ | $3,096,050$ | 60.1 | $10-y e a r ~ c h a n g e$ | 603,209 | 22.5 |
| $2014-15$ | $3,073,300$ | 58.7 |  |  |  |

## Enrollment

## by Economically Disadvantaged Status and Race/Ethnicity

- Because rates for smaller groups can be less stable over time, discussions of results in this section are restricted to the five largest racial/ethnic groups: African American, Asian, Hispanic, White, and multiracial. See the section "Reporting of Race/Ethnicity" on page 2 for additional information.
- In 2018-19, the percentages of students identified as economically disadvantaged increased from the previous year for all racial/ethnic groups (Figure 3 on this page and Table 8 on page 12).
- The percentages of individual group enrollment accounted for by students identified as economically disadvantaged were larger for Hispanic ( $76.3 \%$ ) and African American (74.0\%) students than for multiracial ( $45.5 \%$ ), White ( $30.7 \%$ ), and Asian ( $29.3 \%$ ) students in 2018-19 (Table 8 on page 12).
- In 2018-19, Hispanic students accounted for the largest percentage of all students in Texas public schools and of all students identified as economically disadvantaged (Table 8 on page 12 and Table 4 on page 8). Between 2008-09 and 2018-19, the percentage increase in enrollment of Hispanic students identified as economically disadvantaged ( $23.3 \%$ ) was lower than the percentage increase in enrollment of Hispanic students overall ( $25.5 \%$ ).

Figure 3
Enrollment of Economically Disadvantaged Students Within Racial/Ethnic Groups, Texas Public Schools, 2008-09 Through 2018-19


Note. Data for Asian enrollment prior to the 2009-10 school year are not available.

Table 8
Enrollment of Economically Disadvantaged Students Within Racial/Ethnic Groups, Texas Public Schools, 2008-09 Through 2018-19

| Year | African American |  | American Indian |  | Asian |  | Hispanic |  | Pacific Islander |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Number | Percent | Number | Percent | Number | Percent | Number | Percent | Number | Percent |
| 2008-09 | 460,703 | 68.6 | 7,297 | 43.7 | $\mathrm{n} / \mathrm{a}^{\text {a }}$ | n/a | 1,765,647 | 77.6 | n/a | n/a |
| 2009-10 | 447,368 | 70.7 | 14,866 | 56.2 | 51,123 | 31.6 | 1,876,684 | 78.2 | 3,315 | 53.5 |
| 2010-11 | 456,452 | 71.6 | 12,999 | 55.1 | 53,233 | 31.4 | 1,920,422 | 77.4 | 3,304 | 53.9 |
| 2011-12 | 465,820 | 72.8 | 12,658 | 56.6 | 56,945 | 32.1 | 1,996,760 | 78.6 | 3,488 | 55.7 |
| 2012-13 | 473,675 | 73.3 | 12,376 | 56.8 | 58,268 | 31.7 | 2,034,063 | 78.0 | 3,753 | 56.5 |
| 2013-14 | 477,414 | 73.1 | 11,459 | 56.7 | 57,678 | 30.4 | 2,073,605 | 77.7 | 3,828 | 56.3 |
| 2014-15 | 472,327 | 71.5 | 12,145 | 56.5 | 59,135 | 29.2 | 2,062,173 | 75.8 | 4,013 | 56.4 |
| 2015-16 | 477,285 | 71.4 | 12,049 | 57.6 | 60,833 | 28.5 | 2,099,075 | 75.8 | 4,207 | 56.8 |
| 2016-17 | 481,352 | 71.3 | 11,962 | 57.6 | 62,632 | 27.8 | 2,124,915 | 75.6 | 4,371 | 56.8 |
| 2017-18 | 488,173 | 71.7 | 11,713 | 56.9 | 63,261 | 26.9 | 2,110,156 | 74.6 | 4,587 | 57.2 |
| 2018-19 | 507,377 | 74.0 | 12,179 | 59.7 | 71,000 | 29.3 | 2,177,088 | 76.3 | 4,926 | 59.6 |
| 10-year change | 46,674 | 10.1 | 4,882 | 66.9 | n/a | n/a | 411,441 | 23.3 | n/a | n/a |


|  | White |  |  | Multiracial |  |
| :--- | :--- | ---: | :--- | ---: | ---: |
| Year | Number | Percent |  | Number | Percent |
| $2008-09$ | 402,057 | 24.9 |  | $\mathrm{n} / \mathrm{a}$ | $\mathrm{n} / \mathrm{a}$ |
| $2009-10$ | 429,010 | 27.7 |  | 30,811 | 41.4 |
| $2010-11$ | 435,238 | 28.3 |  | 33,268 | 42.4 |
| $2011-12$ | 441,002 | 28.9 |  | 36,769 | 43.7 |
| $2012-13$ | 437,598 | 28.8 |  | 39,161 | 43.6 |
| $2013-14$ | 429,647 | 28.3 |  | 42,419 | 43.9 |
| $2014-15$ | 419,497 | 27.7 |  | 44,010 | 43.0 |
| $2015-16$ | 422,620 | 27.9 |  | 46,834 | 43.0 |
| $2016-17$ | 424,417 | 28.2 |  | 49,678 | 42.9 |
| $2017-18$ | 437,376 | 29.1 |  | 53,028 | 43.3 |
| $2018-19$ | 457,747 | 30.7 |  | 59,151 | 45.5 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 10-year |  |  |  |  |  |
| change | 55,690 | 13.9 |  | n/a | $\mathrm{n} / \mathrm{a}$ |

aNot available.

## Enrollment by Gender

- In the 2018-19 school year, 51.3 percent of all students were male, and 48.7 percent of students were female (Table 9). Although male and female enrollment increased over the 10-year period (by $14.2 \%$ and $14.5 \%$, respectively), the proportions of males and females in Texas public schools remained stable between 2008-09 and 2018-19.

Table 9
Enrollment by Gender, Texas Public Schools, 2008-09 Through 2018-19

|  | Female |  |  | Male |  |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | :---: |
| Year | Number | Percent |  | Number |  |
| Percent |  |  |  |  |  |
| $2008-09$ | $2,311,378$ | 48.7 | $2,438,193$ | 51.3 |  |
| $2009-10$ | $2,358,516$ | 48.7 | $2,489,328$ | 51.3 |  |
| $2010-11$ | $2,400,043$ | 48.6 | $2,533,574$ | 51.4 |  |
| $2011-12$ | $2,432,216$ | 48.7 | $2,566,363$ | 51.3 |  |
| $2012-13$ | $2,469,727$ | 48.7 | $2,606,113$ | 51.3 |  |
| $2013-14$ | $2,507,338$ | 48.7 | $2,644,587$ | 51.3 |  |
| $2014-15$ | $2,547,902$ | 48.7 | $2,684,163$ | 51.3 |  |
| $2015-16$ | $2,580,992$ | 48.7 | $2,718,736$ | 51.3 |  |
| $2016-17$ | $2,610,531$ | 48.7 | $2,748,596$ | 51.3 |  |
| $2017-18$ | $2,630,684$ | 48.7 | $2,768,998$ | 51.3 |  |
| $2018-19$ | $2,647,524$ | 48.7 | $2,784,386$ | 51.3 |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 10-year change | 336,146 | 14.5 | 346,193 | 14.2 |  |

## Enrollment by Grade

In Texas, children are required to attend school beginning at age six (Texas Education Code [TEC] $\S 25.085,2018$ ). A child younger than six years of age must attend school if he or she has previously been enrolled in first grade. All children who are five years old on or before September 1 are eligible, but not required, to attend kindergarten (TEC $\S 29.151,2018$ ). With a few exceptions, such as receiving a high school diploma or high school equivalency certificate, children must attend school until they reach the age of 19 (TEC $\S \S 25.085$ and $25.086,2018$ ). Students through age 25 may be admitted by school districts to complete the requirements for a high school diploma (TEC §25.001, 2018). In 2014, the commissioner of education authorized a charter school to administer a pilot program that allows students between the ages of 19 and 50 to complete: (a) a high school program that can lead to a diploma and (b) career and technology education courses that can lead to industry certification (TEC $\S 29.259,2018$ ).

Student learning during the early education and prekindergarten years is linked to future academic accomplishments, particularly for children identified as English learners, disabled, or economically disadvantaged (National Research Council, 2001). In early education and prekindergarten programs, children develop skills necessary for success in the regular public school curriculum in the areas of language, mathematics, and social skills. Early education in Texas is a diverse set of programs designed for children who meet certain eligibility criteria. For example, Early Childhood Intervention is a coordinated system of services for children from birth to age three with disabilities, developmental delays, or certain medical diagnoses (Texas Health and Human Services, n.d.). A child is eligible for free half-day prekindergarten if the child is at least three years of age and is unable to speak and comprehend English, is educationally disadvantaged, is homeless, or has ever been in the conservatorship of the Department of Family and Protective Services (TEC $\S 29.153,2018$ ). A child of an active duty member of the U.S. armed forces, a child of a member of the U.S. armed forces who was injured or killed while serving on active duty, or a child of a person eligible for the Star of Texas Award is also eligible for free prekindergarten.

A variety of factors affect enrollment trends at all grade levels, including grade-level retention, migration into the state, and decisions about private and home schooling. Funding for early childhood and kindergarten programs affects enrollment trends in the elementary grades, whereas student decisions to graduate early, transfer into high school equivalency programs, or drop out of school affect enrollment trends in the secondary grades.

- In 2018-19, Grade 9 had the highest enrollment, at 436,686 students, followed by Grade 6, at 417,719 students (Figure 4 and Table 10).
- Across Grades K-12, Grade 6 had the greatest increase in enrollment between 2017-18 and 2018-19, at 3.8 percent, followed by Grade 12, at 2.3 percent.
- Across Grades K-12 in 2018-19, the percentages of total enrollment accounted for by grade ranged from a low of 6.5 percent in Grade 12 to a high of 8.0 percent in Grade 9 .
- Between 2017-18 and 2018-19, four grades-Grade 1, Grade 2, Grade 3, and Grade 4 -had decreases in enrollment. Grade 3 had the largest decrease (3.4\%), followed by Grade 2 (1.7\%).

Figure 4
Enrollment by Grade, Texas Public Schools, 2017-18 and 2018-19


Note. EE=Early education. PK=Prekindergarten.

Table 10
Enrollment by Grade, Texas Public Schools, 2017-18 and 2018-19

| Grade | 2017-18 |  | 2018-19 |  | Grade | 2017-18 |  | 2018-19 |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Number | Percent | Number | Percent |  | Number | Percent | Number | Percent |
| Early education | 23,998 | 0.4 | 24,764 | 0.5 | 6 | 402,596 | 7.5 | 417,719 | 7.7 |
| Prekindergarten | 232,177 | 4.3 | 239,646 | 4.4 | 7 | 402,472 | 7.5 | 406,834 | 7.5 |
| Kindergarten | 371,618 | 6.9 | 374,020 | 6.9 | 8 | 398,598 | 7.4 | 405,048 | 7.5 |
| 1 | 388,637 | 7.2 | 386,900 | 7.1 | 9 | 432,951 | 8.0 | 436,686 | 8.0 |
| 2 | 394,362 | 7.3 | 387,763 | 7.1 | 10 | 397,209 | 7.4 | 400,836 | 7.4 |
| 3 | 409,974 | 7.6 | 395,889 | 7.3 | 11 | 371,871 | 6.9 | 373,213 | 6.9 |
| 4 | 413,819 | 7.7 | 412,016 | 7.6 | 12 | 345,014 | 6.4 | 353,039 | 6.5 |
| 5 | 414,386 | 7.7 | 417,537 | 7.7 |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  | All grades | 5,399,682 | 100 | 5,431,910 | 100 |

Note. Parts may not add to 100 percent because of rounding.

## Enrollment

by Grade and Age

- In 2018-19, the majority of students in Grades 9-12 were within the expected age ranges for their grades (Figure 5 and Table 11).
- A total of 522 students in Grades 9-12 were between 22 and 25 years old. Of these, 55.2 percent were in Grade 12.

Figure 5
Enrollment of Students in Grades 9-12 by Age, Texas Public Schools, 2018-19


Table 11
Enrollment of Students in Grades $9-12$ by Age, Texas Public
Schools, 2018-19

| Age in Years | Grade 9 | Grade 10 | Grade 11 | Grade 12 |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| 12 to 13 | 6,800 | 66 | 5 | 1 |
| 14 | $325,611^{\text {a }}$ | 7,102 | 97 | 23 |
| 15 | 82,629 | 302,106 | 7,432 | 179 |
| 16 | 16,492 | 73,966 | $\mathbf{2 8 6}, 817$ | 8,080 |
| 17 | 4,034 | 13,985 | 66,721 | $\mathbf{2 7 4 , 2 2 9}$ |
| 18 | 724 | 2,795 | 9,846 | 58,093 |
| 19 to 21 | 275 | 661 | 2,148 | 12,060 |
| 22 to 25 | 65 | 64 | 105 | 288 |

Note. Some students enrolled in Grades 9-12 were outside the age ranges shown. As a result, grade-level enrollment totals are slightly lower than those in Table 10 on page 15.
aEnrollment counts for students within the expected age range for each grade are shown in bold.

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## by Grade and Race/Ethnicity

- Because rates for smaller groups can be less stable over time, discussions of results in this section are restricted to the five largest racial/ethnic groups: African American, Asian, Hispanic, White, and multiracial. See the section "Reporting of Race/Ethnicity" on page 2 for additional information.
- In each of Grades K-12, Hispanic students accounted for the largest proportion of enrollment, followed by White, African American, Asian, and multiracial students (Figure 6 on this page and Table 12 on page 18).
- As outlined on page 14 , prekindergarten classes are designed to serve children three years of age and older who have specified educational disadvantages, including being unable to speak and comprehend English. Hispanic students, who made up 52.6 percent of total enrollment in the 2018-19 school year, made up 64.2 percent of prekindergarten students (Table 4 on page 8, Figure 6 on this page, and Table 12 on page 18). In contrast, White students, who made up 27.4 percent of total enrollment, made up 14.7 percent of prekindergarten students.

Figure 6
Enrollment by Grade and Race/Ethnicity, Texas Public Schools, 2018-19


Note. EE=Early education. PK=Prekindergarten.

Table 12
Enrollment by Grade and Race/Ethnicity, Texas Public Schools, 2017-18 and 2018-19

| Grade | African American |  | American Indian |  | Asian |  | Hispanic |  | Pacific Islander |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Number | Percent | Number | Percent | Number | Percent | Number | Percent | Number | Percent |
| 2017-18 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Early education | 2,665 | 11.1 | 96 | 0.4 | 1,212 | 5.1 | 10,936 | 45.6 | 31 | 0.1 |
| Prekindergarten | 34,424 | 14.8 | 707 | 0.3 | 8,411 | 3.6 | 149,311 | 64.3 | 291 | 0.1 |
| Kindergarten | 44,565 | 12.0 | 1,374 | 0.4 | 17,262 | 4.6 | 189,909 | 51.1 | 650 | 0.2 |
| 1 | 48,178 | 12.4 | 1,381 | 0.4 | 17,517 | 4.5 | 201,536 | 51.9 | 610 | 0.2 |
| 2 | 49,195 | 12.5 | 2,076 | 0.5 | 17,718 | 4.5 | 204,247 | 51.8 | 626 | 0.2 |
| 3 | 51,536 | 12.6 | 1,782 | 0.4 | 17,736 | 4.3 | 215,655 | 52.6 | 575 | 0.1 |
| 4 | 51,654 | 12.5 | 1,550 | 0.4 | 18,286 | 4.4 | 217,723 | 52.6 | 583 | 0.1 |
| 5 | 52,294 | 12.6 | 1,536 | 0.4 | 17,568 | 4.2 | 217,963 | 52.6 | 604 | 0.1 |
| 6 | 50,861 | 12.6 | 1,480 | 0.4 | 17,233 | 4.3 | 210,399 | 52.3 | 608 | 0.2 |
| 7 | 50,438 | 12.5 | 1,443 | 0.4 | 17,380 | 4.3 | 210,547 | 52.3 | 564 | 0.1 |
| 8 | 49,769 | 12.5 | 1,355 | 0.3 | 17,449 | 4.4 | 207,525 | 52.1 | 530 | 0.1 |
| 9 | 55,975 | 12.9 | 1,646 | 0.4 | 17,923 | 4.1 | 227,319 | 52.5 | 656 | 0.2 |
| 10 | 50,148 | 12.6 | 1,460 | 0.4 | 17,163 | 4.3 | 204,935 | 51.6 | 608 | 0.2 |
| 11 | 46,329 | 12.5 | 1,444 | 0.4 | 16,791 | 4.5 | 188,795 | 50.8 | 571 | 0.2 |
| 12 | 42,746 | 12.4 | 1,256 | 0.4 | 15,842 | 4.6 | 171,047 | 49.6 | 519 | 0.2 |
| All grades | 680,777 | 12.6 | 20,586 | 0.4 | 235,491 | 4.4 | 2,827,847 | 52.4 | 8,026 | 0.1 |
| 2018-19 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Early education | 2,778 | 11.2 | 109 | 0.4 | 1,260 | 5.1 | 11,240 | 45.4 | 29 | 0.1 |
| Prekindergarten | 36,092 | 15.1 | 880 | 0.4 | 8,314 | 3.5 | 153,762 | 64.2 | 258 | 0.1 |
| Kindergarten | 45,006 | 12.0 | 1,323 | 0.4 | 17,414 | 4.7 | 192,257 | 51.4 | 623 | 0.2 |
| 1 | 47,532 | 12.3 | 1,404 | 0.4 | 18,314 | 4.7 | 199,639 | 51.6 | 686 | 0.2 |
| 2 | 48,547 | 12.5 | 1,385 | 0.4 | 18,045 | 4.7 | 201,291 | 51.9 | 617 | 0.2 |
| 3 | 49,723 | 12.6 | 2,001 | 0.5 | 18,148 | 4.6 | 205,195 | 51.8 | 640 | 0.2 |
| 4 | 51,956 | 12.6 | 1,741 | 0.4 | 18,203 | 4.4 | 216,949 | 52.7 | 606 | 0.1 |
| 5 | 52,299 | 12.5 | 1,556 | 0.4 | 18,788 | 4.5 | 220,006 | 52.7 | 609 | 0.1 |
| 6 | 52,982 | 12.7 | 1,518 | 0.4 | 18,020 | 4.3 | 220,146 | 52.7 | 640 | 0.2 |
| 7 | 51,676 | 12.7 | 1,496 | 0.4 | 17,671 | 4.3 | 213,520 | 52.5 | 614 | 0.2 |
| 8 | 50,849 | 12.6 | 1,401 | 0.3 | 17,883 | 4.4 | 212,381 | 52.4 | 598 | 0.1 |
| 9 | 56,163 | 12.9 | 1,513 | 0.3 | 18,550 | 4.2 | 231,346 | 53.0 | 608 | 0.1 |
| 10 | 50,152 | 12.5 | 1,489 | 0.4 | 18,003 | 4.5 | 207,791 | 51.8 | 604 | 0.2 |
| 11 | 46,658 | 12.5 | 1,286 | 0.3 | 17,215 | 4.6 | 190,435 | 51.0 | 610 | 0.2 |
| 12 | 43,362 | 12.3 | 1,312 | 0.4 | 16,829 | 4.8 | 178,632 | 50.6 | 529 | 0.1 |
| All grades | 685,775 | 12.6 | 20,414 | 0.4 | 242,657 | 4.5 | 2,854,590 | 52.6 | 8,271 | 0.2 |

Note. Parts may not add to 100 percent because of rounding.

Table 12 (continued)
Enrollment by Grade and Race/Ethnicity, Texas
Public Schools, 2017-18 and 2018-19

| Grade | White |  | Multiracial |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Number | Percent | Number | Percent |
| 2017-18 |  |  |  |  |
| Early education | 8,377 | 34.9 | 681 | 2.8 |
| Prekindergarten | 34,424 | 14.8 | 4,609 | 2.0 |
| Kindergarten | 107,695 | 29.0 | 10,163 | 2.7 |
| 1 | 108,995 | 28.0 | 10,420 | 2.7 |
| 2 | 110,331 | 28.0 | 10,169 | 2.6 |
| 3 | 112,510 | 27.4 | 10,180 | 2.5 |
| 4 | 113,924 | 27.5 | 10,099 | 2.4 |
| 5 | 114,736 | 27.7 | 9,685 | 2.3 |
| 6 | 112,907 | 28.0 | 9,108 | 2.3 |
| 7 | 113,405 | 28.2 | 8,695 | 2.2 |
| 8 | 113,430 | 28.5 | 8,540 | 2.1 |
| 9 | 120,753 | 27.9 | 8,679 | 2.0 |
| 10 | 115,234 | 29.0 | 7,661 | 1.9 |
| 11 | 110,795 | 29.8 | 7,146 | 1.9 |
| 12 | 106,999 | 31.0 | 6,605 | 1.9 |
| All grades | 1,504,515 | 27.9 | 122,440 | 2.3 |
| 2018-19 |  |  |  |  |
| Early education | 8,549 | 34.5 | 799 | 3.2 |
| Prekindergarten | 35,169 | 14.7 | 5,171 | 2.2 |
| Kindergarten | 106,476 | 28.5 | 10,921 | 2.9 |
| 1 | 108,633 | 28.1 | 10,692 | 2.8 |
| 2 | 107,276 | 27.7 | 10,602 | 2.7 |
| 3 | 109,770 | 27.7 | 10,412 | 2.6 |
| 4 | 112,100 | 27.2 | 10,461 | 2.5 |
| 5 | 113,884 | 27.3 | 10,395 | 2.5 |
| 6 | 114,379 | 27.4 | 10,034 | 2.4 |
| 7 | 112,530 | 27.7 | 9,327 | 2.3 |
| 8 | 112,903 | 27.9 | 9,033 | 2.2 |
| 9 | 119,103 | 27.3 | 9,403 | 2.2 |
| 10 | 114,433 | 28.5 | 8,364 | 2.1 |
| 11 | 109,590 | 29.4 | 7,419 | 2.0 |
| 12 | 105,504 | 29.9 | 6,871 | 1.9 |
| All grades | 1,490,299 | 27.4 | 129,904 | 2.4 |

Note. Parts may not add to 100 percent because of rounding.

Enrollment
by Grade and Economically Disadvantaged Status

- In the 2018-19 school year, the percentages of students identified as economically disadvantaged in Grades K-12 ranged from 50.3 percent of students in Grade 12 to 62.7 percent of students in Grade 1 (Figure 7 and Table 13).

Figure 7
Enrollment of Economically Disadvantaged Students Within Grades, Texas Public Schools, 2018-19


Note. EE=Early education. PK=Prekindergarten.

Table 13
Enrollment of Economically Disadvantaged Students Within Grades, Texas Public Schools, 2017-18 and 2018-19

|  | 2017-18 |  |  | 2018-19 |  |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | :---: |
| Grade | Number | Percent |  | Number |  |
| Early education | 9,117 | 38.0 |  | Percent |  |
| Prekindergarten | 198,817 | 85.6 |  | 50.2 |  |
| Kindergarten | 222,917 | 60.0 |  | 211,822 |  |
| 1 | 236,811 | 60.9 | 233,703 | 68.4 |  |
| 2 | 240,776 | 61.1 | 242,640 | 62.5 |  |
| 3 | 252,253 | 61.5 | 241,427 | 62.3 |  |
| 4 | 253,018 | 61.1 |  | 246,346 |  |

## Enrollment for Instructional Programs and Special Populations


#### Abstract

Texas public schools offer instructional programs designed to meet students' needs. Not all students are enrolled in one of these programs, and some students are enrolled in more than one. Gifted and talented programs offer eligible students a continuum of learning experiences that leads to advanced accomplishments. Special education offers instructional and related services for eligible students with cognitive, physical, and/or emotional disabilities who meet the criteria under the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA) (Title 20 of the United States Code [U.S.C.] §1400, 2019; Title 34 of the Code of Federal Regulations [C.F.R.], Part 300, 2019). Students with disabilities who do not meet the IDEA criteria, may qualify to receive educational accommodations or services under Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended (29 U.S.C. §794, 2019; 34 C.F.R. Part 104, 2019). Students identified as English learners (ELs), who do not speak English as their primary language and have a limited ability to read, speak, write, or understand English, may participate in bilingual or English as a second language (ESL) programs. There are four state-approved bilingual instructional program models and two state-approved ESL instructional program models that districts can implement (Title 19 of the Texas Administrative Code [TAC] §89.1210, 2019, amended to be effective July 15, 2018).


Students in Grades 6-12 can participate in career and technical education (CTE) courses. In addition, students in Grades 9-12 can participate in CTE programs or courses of study that include coherent sequences of CTE courses. These courses offer training and instruction designed to help students gain employment in high-skill, high-wage jobs and advance to postsecondary education. In 2013, the Texas Legislature established the Foundation High School Program (FHSP) as the new high school graduation program for all students who entered Grade 9 in the 2014-15 school year or later (Texas Education Code [TEC] §28.025, 2013). The FHSP allows students to earn special recognition, known as an endorsement, in one or more fields of study, such as business and industry or arts and humanities (TAC §74.13, 2019, amended to be effective August 27, 2018; TEC $\S 28.025,2018$ ). Of the five endorsements available, three have requirements that include taking a coherent sequence of CTE courses.

Title I is the largest federal aid program for elementary and secondary schools. The goal of Title I is to improve teaching and learning for students attending schools with high percentages of economically disadvantaged students, particularly those students most at risk of not meeting the state's academic achievement standards. Students counted as participating in Title I programs may be participating in Title I-funded programs, or they may be enrolled in campuses that receive school-wide Title I assistance.

Students identified as at risk of dropping out of school are under age 26 and meet one or more specified criteria, including not advancing from one grade level to the next for one or more school years, being pregnant or a parent, or being a student of limited English proficiency. Students with dyslexia are identified as having dyslexia or a related disorder under TEC $\S 38.003$. Students identified as in foster care are currently under the conservatorship of the Texas Department of Family and Protective Services. Students identified as homeless are those who lack a fixed, regular, and adequate nighttime residence. Students identified as immigrants are between 3 and 21 years old, have not been attending school in the United States for more than three full academic years, and were not born in any state in the United States, Puerto Rico, or the District of Columbia. U.S. citizenship is not a factor when identifying students as immigrants for the purpose of public school enrollment data collection. A student identified as a migrant is one who: (a) is aged 3 through 21; (b) is (or whose parent, spouse, or guardian is) a migratory agricultural worker; and (c) in the preceding 36 months, to obtain temporary employment in agriculture or fishing, or to accompany a parent, spouse, or guardian to obtain such employment: (1) has moved from one school district to another; or (2) resides in a school district of more than 15,000 square miles and migrates a distance of 20 miles or more to a temporary residence to engage in a fishing activity. A student identified as military-
connected is a dependent of a member of the U.S. military service in the Army, Navy, Air Force, Marine Corps, or Coast Guard on active duty; the Texas National Guard; or a reserve force in the U.S. military.

Students identified as twice-exceptional students, or students with multiple exceptionalities, are those who are identified as gifted and talented as defined under TEC $\S 29.121$ and who are also identified as having a disability based on federal or state eligibility criteria (TEA, n.d.). In this report, twice-exceptional data are presented for students who meet this definition as well as for gifted and talented students who are also counted in other student groups.

- In 2018-19, 50.0 percent of students were identified as at risk of dropping out of school (Table 14).
- The number of students in Grades 9-12 participating in CTE programs increased by 87.3 percent between 2008-09 and 2018-19. Between 2014-15, when the FHSP was implemented, and 2018-19, the percentage of students participating in CTE increased from 37.0 percent to 51.5 percent.
- The number of students identified as ELs increased by 254,618 , or 31.8 percent, between 2008-09 and 2018-19. In the 2018-19 school year, 19.4 percent of students were identified as ELs, compared to 16.9 percent in 2008-09.
- Between 2017-18 and 2018-19, the number of students identified as homeless decreased by 35.0 percent, or by 39,149 students. In 2017-18, the number of homeless students rose substantially, as over 46,000 of the students identified as homeless were affected by hurricanes that year. In 2018-19, 1.3 percent of students were identified as homeless, the same percentage reported in 2016-17.
- The percentage of students served in special education programs increased from 9.2 percent in 2017-18 to 9.8 percent in 2018-19 (Figure 8 and Table 14).
- In 2018-19, ESL/pull-out (32.9\%) and transitional bilingual/early exit (17.7\%) were the most common special language program instructional models among EL students receiving bilingual or ESL services (Table 15 on page 27).

Figure 8
Enrollment in Instructional Programs, Texas Public Schools, 2008-09 Through 2018-19


Note. Students may be counted in more than one category. Career and technical data reflect the percentages of students in Grades 9-12 only who are participating in career and technical education programs. Students taking career and technical education courses in Grades 6-8 or as electives are excluded. ESL=English as a second language

Table 14
Enrollment for Instructional Programs and Special Populations, Texas Public Schools, 2008-09 Through 2018-19

| Year | At-risk |  | Bilingual/ESLa |  | Career and technical ${ }^{\text {b }}$ |  | Dyslexia |  | EL ${ }^{\text {c }}$ |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Number | Percent | Number | Percent | Number | Percent | Number | Percent | Number | Percent |
| 2008-09 | 2,292,574 | 48.3 | 757,824 | 16.0 | 429,709 | 33.0 | $\mathrm{n} / \mathrm{a}^{\text {d }}$ | n/a | 800,554 | 16.9 |
| 2009-10 | 2,283,490 | 47.1 | 779,771 | 16.1 | 444,402 | 33.5 | n/a | n/a | 817,074 | 16.9 |
| 2010-11 | 2,281,864 | 46.3 | 797,683 | 16.2 | 469,086 | 34.8 | n/a | n/a | 831,812 | 16.9 |
| 2011-12 | 2,267,995 | 45.4 | 809,854 | 16.2 | 483,122 | 35.5 | n/a | n/a | 838,418 | 16.8 |
| 2012-13 | 2,264,815 | 44.6 | 840,724 | 16.6 | 488,253 | 35.2 | n/a | n/a | 864,682 | 17.0 |
| 2013-14 | 2,566,623 | 49.8 | 879,226 | 17.1 | 498,132 | 35.3 | 108,948 | 2.1 | 900,476 | 17.5 |
| 2014-15 | 2,673,039 | 51.1 | 931,376 | 17.8 | 536,551 | 37.0 | 125,741 | 2.4 | 949,074 | 18.1 |
| 2015-16 | 2,649,069 | 50.0 | 969,135 | 18.3 | 629,689 | 42.2 | 141,033 | 2.7 | 980,487 | 18.5 |
| 2016-17 | 2,689,018 | 50.2 | 1,005,765 | 18.8 | 705,628 | 46.3 | 154,399 | 2.9 | 1,010,756 | 18.9 |
| 2017-18 | 2,739,303 | 50.7 | 1,015,972 | 18.8 | 778,385 | 50.3 | 169,043 | 3.1 | 1,015,372 | 18.8 |
| 2018-19 | 2,716,665 | 50.0 | 1,066,640 | 19.6 | 804,684 | 51.5 | 194,214 | 3.6 | 1,055,172 | 19.4 |
| 10-year |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| change | 424,091 | 18.5 | 308,816 | 40.8 | 374,975 | 87.3 | n/a | n/a | 254,618 | 31.8 |


| Year | Foster care |  | Gifted and talented |  | Homeless |  | Immigrant |  | Migrant |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Number | Percent | Number | Percent | Number | Percent | Number | Percent | Number | Percent |
| 2008-09 | n/a | n/a | 355,847 | 7.5 | n/a | n/a | 86,864 | 1.8 | 37,251 | 0.8 |
| 2009-10 | n/a | n/a | 367,924 | 7.6 | n/a | n/a | 80,432 | 1.7 | 37,871 | 0.8 |
| 2010-11 | n/a | n/a | 379,831 | 7.7 | n/a | n/a | 79,536 | 1.6 | 37,746 | 0.8 |
| 2011-12 | n/a | n/a | 381,744 | 7.6 | n/a | n/a | 71,754 | 1.4 | 35,866 | 0.7 |
| 2012-13 | n/a | n/a | 387,623 | 7.6 | 58,074 | 1.1 | 70,320 | 1.4 | 35,106 | 0.7 |
| 2013-14 | 11,494 | 0.2 | 391,982 | 7.6 | 62,814 | 1.2 | 72,085 | 1.4 | 33,313 | 0.6 |
| 2014-15 | 13,695 | 0.3 | 397,209 | 7.6 | 66,318 | 1.3 | 85,108 | 1.6 | 31,250 | 0.6 |
| 2015-16 | 14,319 | 0.3 | 404,646 | 7.6 | 68,757 | 1.3 | 92,700 | 1.7 | 28,632 | 0.5 |
| 2016-17 | 14,685 | 0.3 | 415,699 | 7.8 | 69,213 | 1.3 | 106,714 | 2.0 | 22,407 | 0.4 |
| 2017-18 | 16,233 | 0.3 | 427,021 | 7.9 | 111,931 | 2.1 | 108,055 | 2.0 | 20,577 | 0.4 |
| 2018-19 | 16,867 | 0.3 | 436,442 | 8.0 | 72,782 | 1.3 | 107,133 | 2.0 | 19,162 | 0.4 |
| 10-year |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| change | $\mathrm{n} / \mathrm{a}$ | n/a | 80,595 | 22.6 | n/a | n/a | 20,269 | 23.3 | -18,089 | -48.6 |

Note. Students may be counted in more than one category.
${ }^{a}$ English as a second language. ${ }^{6}$ Data reflect the numbers and percentages of students in Grades 9-12 only who are participating in career and technical education programs. Students taking career and technical education courses in Grades 6-8 or as electives are excluded. ${ }^{\circ}$ English learner. dNot available.
continues

Table 14 (continued)
Enrollment for Instructional Programs and Special Populations, Texas Public Schools, 2008-09
Through 2018-19

| Year | Militaryconnected |  | Section 504 |  | Special education |  | Title I |  | State |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Number | Percent | Number | Percent | Number | Percent | Number | Percent | Number | Percent |
| 2008-09 | $\mathrm{n} / \mathrm{a}^{\text {d }}$ | n/a | n/a | n/a | 454,517 | 9.6 | 2,908,465 | 61.2 | 4,749,571 | 100 |
| 2009-10 | n/a | n/a | n/a | n/a | 445,327 | 9.2 | 3,126,319 | 64.5 | 4,847,844 | 100 |
| 2010-11 | n/a | n/a | n/a | n/a | 442,971 | 9.0 | 3,268,054 | 66.2 | 4,933,617 | 100 |
| 2011-12 | n/a | n/a | n/a | n/a | 440,744 | 8.8 | 3,298,934 | 66.0 | 4,998,579 | 100 |
| 2012-13 | n/a | n/a | n/a | n/a | 440,570 | 8.7 | 3,311,160 | 65.2 | 5,075,840 | 100 |
| 2013-14 | 72,607 | 1.4 | n/a | n/a | 443,834 | 8.6 | 3,326,678 | 64.6 | 5,151,925 | 100 |
| 2014-15 | 83,284 | 1.6 | n/a | n/a | 451,606 | 8.6 | 3,402,309 | 65.0 | 5,232,065 | 100 |
| 2015-16 | 87,034 | 1.6 | n/a | n/a | 463,185 | 8.7 | 3,435,157 | 64.8 | 5,299,728 | 100 |
| 2016-17 | 89,060 | 1.7 | n/a | n/a | 477,281 | 8.9 | 3,483,124 | 65.0 | 5,359,127 | 100 |
| 2017-18 | 87,776 | 1.6 | n/a | n/a | 498,320 | 9.2 | 3,507,107 | 65.0 | 5,399,682 | 100 |
| 2018-19 | 89,736 | 1.7 | 354,667 | 6.5 | 531,991 | 9.8 | 3,524,974 | 64.9 | 5,431,910 | 100 |
| 10-year |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| change | n/a | n/a | n/a | n/a | 77,474 | 17.0 | 616,509 | 21.2 | 682,339 | 14.4 |

Note. Students may be counted in more than one category.
 tion programs. Students taking career and technical education courses in Grades 6-8 or as electives are excluded. ©English learner. ${ }^{\circ}$ Not available.

Table 15
Enrollment of English Learners, by Special Language Program Instructional Model, Texas Public Schools, 2008-09 Through 2018-19

| Year | Services received by English learners |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Bilingual education programs |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | Transitional bilingual/ early exit |  | Transitional bilingual/ late exit |  | Dual immersion/ two-way |  | Dual immersion/ one-way |  |
|  | Number | Percent | Number | Percent | Number | Percent | Number | Percent |
| 2008-09 | 182,531 | 22.8 | 113,705 | 14.2 | 21,452 | 2.7 | 122,852 | 15.3 |
| 2009-10 | 179,153 | 21.9 | 108,671 | 13.3 | 23,713 | 2.9 | 144,514 | 17.7 |
| 2010-11 | 185,157 | 22.3 | 98,079 | 11.8 | 28,386 | 3.4 | 158,101 | 19.0 |
| 2011-12 | 182,622 | 21.8 | 88,176 | 10.5 | 33,518 | 4.0 | 172,981 | 20.6 |
| 2012-13 | 196,590 | 22.7 | 73,414 | 8.5 | 38,732 | 4.5 | 179,160 | 20.7 |
| 2013-14 | 196,077 | 21.8 | 69,344 | 7.7 | 42,874 | 4.8 | 186,667 | 20.7 |
| 2014-15 | 201,739 | 21.3 | 64,512 | 6.8 | 47,968 | 5.1 | 189,847 | 20.0 |
| 2015-16 | 188,115 | 19.2 | 60,824 | 6.2 | 52,193 | 5.3 | 199,401 | 20.3 |
| 2016-17 | 190,455 | 18.8 | 58,062 | 5.7 | 56,865 | 5.6 | 191,423 | 18.9 |
| 2017-18 | 198,812 | 19.6 | 56,841 | 5.6 | 60,359 | 5.9 | 164,890 | 16.2 |
| 2018-19 | 186,607 | 17.7 | 48,141 | 4.6 | 64,869 | 6.1 | 165,271 | 15.7 |
| 10-year change | 4,076 | 2.2 | -65,564 | -57.7 | 43,417 | 202.4 | 42,419 | 34.5 |


| Year | Services received by English learners |  |  |  | No services |  | English learners |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | English as a second language (ESL) programs |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | ESL/content-based |  | ESL/pull-out |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | Number | Percent | Number | Percent | Number | Percent | Number | Percent |
| 2008-09 | 187,694 | 23.4 | 120,016 | 15.0 | 52,304 | 6.5 | 800,554 | 100 |
| 2009-10 | 193,432 | 23.7 | 117,293 | 14.4 | 50,298 | 6.2 | 817,074 | 100 |
| 2010-11 | 189,011 | 22.7 | 123,305 | 14.8 | 49,773 | 6.0 | 831,812 | 100 |
| 2011-12 | 194,123 | 23.2 | 119,492 | 14.3 | 47,506 | 5.7 | 838,418 | 100 |
| 2012-13 | 199,032 | 23.0 | 129,760 | 15.0 | 47,994 | 5.6 | 864,682 | 100 |
| 2013-14 | 209,060 | 23.2 | 148,203 | 16.5 | 48,251 | 5.4 | 900,476 | 100 |
| 2014-15 | 221,601 | 23.3 | 175,740 | 18.5 | 47,667 | 5.0 | 949,074 | 100 |
| 2015-16 | 243,172 | 24.8 | 190,013 | 19.4 | 46,769 | 4.8 | 980,487 | 100 |
| 2016-17 | 260,916 | 25.8 | 207,272 | 20.5 | 45,763 | 4.5 | 1,010,756 | 100 |
| 2017-18 | 264,301 | 26.0 | 225,643 | 22.2 | 44,526 | 4.4 | 1,015,372 | 100 |
| 2018-19 | 198,671 | 18.8 | 346,926 | 32.9 | 44,687 | 4.2 | 1,055,172 | 100 |
| 10-year change | 10,977 | 5.8 | 226,910 | 189.1 | -7,617 | -14.6 | 254,618 | 31.8 |

Table 16
Enrollment of Twice-Exceptional Students, Texas Public Schools, 2008-09 Through 2018-19

| Year | Gifted and talented |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | At-risk |  | Bilingual/ESLa |  | Dyslexia |  | Economically disadvantaged |  |
|  | Number | Percent | Number | Percent | Number | Percent | Number | Percent |
| 2008-09 | 50,921 | 1.1 | 18,439 | 0.4 | $n / \mathrm{a}^{\text {b }}$ | n/a | 121,744 | 2.6 |
| 2009-10 | 52,092 | 1.1 | 21,865 | 0.5 | n/a | n/a | 133,073 | 2.7 |
| 2010-11 | 53,647 | 1.1 | 25,062 | 0.5 | n/a | n/a | 140,414 | 2.8 |
| 2011-12 | 51,766 | 1.0 | 27,034 | 0.5 | n/a | n/a | 144,337 | 2.9 |
| 2012-13 | 54,499 | 1.1 | 28,441 | 0.6 | n/a | n/a | 147,670 | 2.9 |
| 2013-14 | 61,517 | 1.2 | 29,902 | 0.6 | 1,851 | $<0.1$ | 149,373 | 2.9 |
| 2014-15 | 67,248 | 1.3 | 32,582 | 0.6 | 2,182 | <0.1 | 148,008 | 2.8 |
| 2015-16 | 63,817 | 1.2 | 34,138 | 0.6 | 2,539 | <0.1 | 150,747 | 2.8 |
| 2016-17 | 67,555 | 1.3 | 36,011 | 0.7 | 2,894 | 0.1 | 153,784 | 2.9 |
| 2017-18 | 75,516 | 1.4 | 37,226 | 0.7 | 3,286 | 0.1 | 159,728 | 3.0 |
| 2018-19 | 70,489 | 1.3 | 41,782 | 0.8 | 3,979 | 0.1 | 166,421 | 3.1 |
| 10-year |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| change | 19,568 | 38.4 | 23,343 | 126.6 | n/a | n/a | 44,677 | 36.7 |


| Year | Gifted and talented |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | English learner |  | Homeless |  | Migrant |  | Special education |  |
|  | Number | Percent | Number | Percent | Number | Percent | Number | Percent |
| 2008-09 | 19,062 | 0.4 | n/a | n/a | 1,235 | $<0.1$ | 3,971 | 0.1 |
| 2009-10 | 21,806 | 0.4 | n/a | n/a | 1,248 | <0.1 | 3,837 | 0.1 |
| 2010-11 | 24,769 | 0.5 | n/a | n/a | 1,254 | $<0.1$ | 3,930 | 0.1 |
| 2011-12 | 26,029 | 0.5 | n/a | n/a | 1,295 | <0.1 | 3,947 | 0.1 |
| 2012-13 | 26,694 | 0.5 | 1,319 | <0.1 | 1,366 | $<0.1$ | 3,966 | 0.1 |
| 2013-14 | 27,365 | 0.5 | 1,367 | $<0.1$ | 1,234 | <0.1 | 4,062 | 0.1 |
| 2014-15 | 29,603 | 0.6 | 1,336 | <0.1 | 1,129 | <0.1 | 4,201 | 0.1 |
| 2015-16 | 29,640 | 0.6 | 1,429 | $<0.1$ | 1,059 | $<0.1$ | 4,519 | 0.1 |
| 2016-17 | 30,661 | 0.6 | 1,669 | $<0.1$ | 845 | <0.1 | 4,910 | 0.1 |
| 2017-18 | 30,998 | 0.6 | 4,257 | 0.1 | 828 | <0.1 | 5,557 | 0.1 |
| 2018-19 | 34,626 | 0.6 | 2,007 | <0.1 | 736 | <0.1 | 6,479 | 0.1 |
| 10-year |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| change | 15,564 | 81.6 | n/a | n/a | -499 | -40.4 | 2,508 | 63.2 |

Note. Students may be counted in more than one category.
${ }^{a}$ English as a second language. ${ }^{\text {b }}$ Not available.

## Enrollment

for Instructional Programs and Special Populations by Race/Ethnicity

- Because rates for smaller groups can be less stable over time, discussions of results in this section are restricted to the five largest racial/ethnic groups: African American, Asian, Hispanic, White, and multiracial. See the section "Reporting of Race/Ethnicity" on page 2 for additional information.
- Analysis of program participation reveals that the racial/ethnic compositions of some instructional programs tend to differ from that of the student population as a whole (Figure 9 on this page and Table 17 on page 30 ).
- In 2018-19, Hispanic students accounted for 52.6 percent of the total student population but 65.5 percent of students identified as at-risk (Table 17 on page 30).
- In 2018-19, White students accounted for a larger proportion of students with dyslexia than of the overall student population ( $40.3 \%$ vs. $27.4 \%$ ).
- African American and Hispanic representation was smaller in gifted and talented programs ( $6.4 \%$ and $42.1 \%$, respectively) and larger in Title I programs ( $13.5 \%$ and $62.9 \%$, respectively) than in the overall student population ( $12.6 \%$ and $52.6 \%$, respectively) in 2018-19. Conversely, Asian, White, and multiracial representation was larger in gifted and talented programs ( $10.8 \%, 37.4 \%$, and $2.9 \%$, respectively) and smaller in Title I programs ( $2.1 \%, 19.1 \%$, and $1.8 \%$, respectively) than in the overall student population $(4.5 \%, 27.4 \%$, and $2.4 \%$, respectively).

Figure 9
Enrollment for Instructional Programs by Race/Ethnicity, Texas Public Schools, 2018-19


Note. Students may be counted in more than one category. Career and technical data reflect the percentages of students in Grades 9-12 only who are participating in career and technical education programs. Students taking career and technical education courses in Grades $6-8$ or as electives are excluded. ESL=English as a second language.

Table 17
Enrollment for Instructional Programs and Special Populations by Race/Ethnicity, Texas Public Schools, 2017-18 and 2018-19

| Race/Ethnicity | At-risk |  | Bilingual/ESLa |  | $\begin{gathered} \text { Career } \\ \text { and technical } \end{gathered}$ |  | Dyslexia |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Number | Percent | Number | Percent | Number | Percent | Number | Percent |
| 2017-18 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| African American | 350,396 | 12.8 | 21,148 | 2.1 | 91,829 | 11.8 | 18,673 | 11.0 |
| American Indian | 11,172 | 0.4 | 4,842 | 0.5 | 2,774 | 0.4 | 716 | 0.4 |
| Asian | 85,356 | 3.1 | 58,265 | 5.7 | 25,462 | 3.3 | 978 | 0.6 |
| Hispanic | 1,780,313 | 65.0 | 890,255 | 87.6 | 412,131 | 52.9 | 76,251 | 45.1 |
| Pacific Islander | 3,621 | 0.1 | 1,071 | 0.1 | 1,049 | 0.1 | 124 | 0.1 |
| White | 466,161 | 17.0 | 37,353 | 3.7 | 231,593 | 29.8 | 68,449 | 40.5 |
| Multiracial | 42,284 | 1.5 | 3,038 | 0.3 | 13,547 | 1.7 | 3,852 | 2.3 |
| 2018-19 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| African American | 347,411 | 12.8 | 25,691 | 2.4 | 92,960 | 11.6 | 21,408 | 11.0 |
| American Indian | 10,837 | 0.4 | 4,852 | 0.5 | 2,763 | 0.3 | 789 | 0.4 |
| Asian | 85,144 | 3.1 | 60,955 | 5.7 | 28,775 | 3.6 | 1,192 | 0.6 |
| Hispanic | 1,780,290 | 65.5 | 930,355 | 87.2 | 428,976 | 53.3 | 87,702 | 45.2 |
| Pacific Islander | 3,652 | 0.1 | 1,125 | 0.1 | 1,125 | 0.1 | 154 | 0.1 |
| White | 446,014 | 16.4 | 39,920 | 3.7 | 235,224 | 29.2 | 78,234 | 40.3 |
| Multiracial | 43,317 | 1.6 | 3,742 | 0.4 | 14,861 | 1.8 | 4,735 | 2.4 |


| Race/Ethnicity | EL ${ }^{\text {c }}$ |  | Foster care |  | Gifted and talented |  | Homeless |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Number | Percent | Number | Percent | Number | Percent | Number | Percent |
| 2017-18 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| African American | 17,788 | 1.8 | 3,419 | 21.1 | 27,433 | 6.4 | 24,084 | 21.5 |
| American Indian | 4,892 | 0.5 | 79 | 0.5 | 1,187 | 0.3 | 512 | 0.5 |
| Asian | 59,843 | 5.9 | 106 | 0.7 | 45,440 | 10.6 | 2,233 | 2.0 |
| Hispanic | 899,046 | 88.5 | 6,774 | 41.7 | 177,779 | 41.6 | 53,295 | 47.6 |
| Pacific Islander | 1,074 | 0.1 | 19 | 0.1 | 470 | 0.1 | 164 | 0.1 |
| White | 30,414 | 3.0 | 5,328 | 32.8 | 162,710 | 38.1 | 28,652 | 25.6 |
| Multiracial | 2,315 | 0.2 | 508 | 3.1 | 12,002 | 2.8 | 2,991 | 2.7 |
| 2018-19 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| African American | 19,202 | 1.8 | 3,797 | 22.5 | 28,040 | 6.4 | 17,373 | 23.9 |
| American Indian | 4,858 | 0.5 | 80 | 0.5 | 1,244 | 0.3 | 295 | 0.4 |
| Asian | 62,319 | 5.9 | 85 | 0.5 | 47,278 | 10.8 | 539 | 0.7 |
| Hispanic | 933,807 | 88.5 | 6,738 | 39.9 | 183,554 | 42.1 | 37,867 | 52.0 |
| Pacific Islander | 1,119 | 0.1 | 24 | 0.1 | 474 | 0.1 | 137 | 0.2 |
| White | 31,292 | 3.0 | 5,559 | 33.0 | 163,097 | 37.4 | 14,490 | 19.9 |
| Multiracial | 2,575 | 0.2 | 584 | 3.5 | 12,755 | 2.9 | 2,081 | 2.9 |

Note. Parts may not add to 100 percent because of rounding. Students may be counted in more than one category.
 tion programs. Students taking career and technical education courses in Grades $6-8$ or as electives are excluded. ©English learner. ${ }^{\circ}$ Not available.
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Table 17 (continued)
Enrollment for Instructional Programs and Special Populations by Race/Ethnicity, Texas Public Schools, 2017-18 and 2018-19

| Race/Ethnicity | Immigrant |  | Migrant |  | Militaryconnected |  | Section 504 |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Number | Percent | Number | Percent | Number | Percent | Number | Percent |
| 2017-18 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| African American | 9,902 | 9.2 | 40 | 0.2 | 14,821 | 16.9 | $\mathrm{n} / \mathrm{a}^{\mathrm{d}}$ | n/a |
| American Indian | 561 | 0.5 | 13 | 0.1 | 453 | 0.5 | n/a | n/a |
| Asian | 21,635 | 20.0 | 75 | 0.4 | 2,026 | 2.3 | n/a | n/a |
| Hispanic | 63,440 | 58.7 | 20,126 | 97.8 | 30,827 | 35.1 | n/a | n/a |
| Pacific Islander | 278 | 0.3 | 1 | $<0.1$ | 926 | 1.1 | n/a | n/a |
| White | 11,365 | 10.5 | 306 | 1.5 | 32,706 | 37.3 | n/a | n/a |
| Multiracial | 874 | 0.8 | 16 | 0.1 | 6,017 | 6.9 | n/a | n/a |
| 2018-19 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| African American | 9,415 | 8.8 | 51 | 0.3 | 15,030 | 16.7 | 41,095 | 11.6 |
| American Indian | 542 | 0.5 | 17 | 0.1 | 450 | 0.5 | 1,307 | 0.4 |
| Asian | 21,068 | 19.7 | 63 | 0.3 | 1,993 | 2.2 | 3,997 | 1.1 |
| Hispanic | 63,795 | 59.5 | 18,733 | 97.8 | 31,550 | 35.2 | 149,111 | 42.0 |
| Pacific Islander | 303 | 0.3 | 2 | <0.1 | 893 | 1.0 | 309 | 0.1 |
| White | 11,023 | 10.3 | 276 | 1.4 | 33,444 | 37.3 | 149,083 | 42.0 |
| Multiracial | 987 | 0.9 | 20 | 0.1 | 6,376 | 7.1 | 9,765 | 2.8 |


| Race/Ethnicity | Special education |  | Title I |  | State |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Number | Percent | Number | Percent | Number | Percent |
| 2017-18 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| African American | 76,314 | 15.3 | 475,049 | 13.5 | 680,777 | 12.6 |
| American Indian | 2,097 | 0.4 | 13,133 | 0.4 | 20,586 | 0.4 |
| Asian | 11,294 | 2.3 | 77,174 | 2.2 | 235,491 | 4.4 |
| Hispanic | 254,444 | 51.1 | 2,196,919 | 62.6 | 2,827,847 | 52.4 |
| Pacific Islander | 601 | 0.1 | 4,506 | 0.1 | 8,026 | 0.1 |
| White | 142,269 | 28.5 | 679,035 | 19.4 | 1,504,515 | 27.9 |
| Multiracial | 11,301 | 2.3 | 61,291 | 1.7 | 122,440 | 2.3 |
| 2018-19 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| African American | 80,855 | 15.2 | 476,764 | 13.5 | 685,775 | 12.6 |
| American Indian | 2,179 | 0.4 | 12,808 | 0.4 | 20,414 | 0.4 |
| Asian | 12,430 | 2.3 | 75,681 | 2.1 | 242,657 | 4.5 |
| Hispanic | 273,072 | 51.3 | 2,216,368 | 62.9 | 2,854,590 | 52.6 |
| Pacific Islander | 675 | 0.1 | 4,734 | 0.1 | 8,271 | 0.2 |
| White | 149,814 | 28.2 | 673,604 | 19.1 | 1,490,299 | 27.4 |
| Multiracial | 12,966 | 2.4 | 65,015 | 1.8 | 129,904 | 2.4 |

Note. Parts may not add to 100 percent because of rounding. Students may be counted in more than one category.
 ing in career and technical education programs. Students taking career and technical education courses in Grades 6-8 or as electives are excluded. ${ }^{\circ}$ English learner. ${ }^{~}$ Not available.

## Enrollment

## for Instructional Programs and Special Populations by Economically Disadvantaged Status

- The percentage of students identified as economically disadvantaged in 2018-19 was higher than the percentage identified in 2008-09 for every instructional program and special population for which data were available, except bilingual/ESL, students identified as ELs, and students identified as immigrants (Table 18).
- In 2018-19, representation of students identified as economically disadvantaged was lowest among students identified as gifted and talented ( $38.1 \%$ ) and highest among students identified as migrants (98.3\%).
- Whereas economically disadvantaged students made up 60.6 percent of students overall in 2018-19, they made up 98.3 percent of students identified as migrants, 97.0 percent of students identified as homeless, 89.5 percent of students identified as in foster care, 85.6 percent of students identified as ELs, 84.3 percent of students participating in bilingual/ESL programs, 75.9 percent of students identified as at-risk, 74.9 percent of students participating in Title I programs, 67.1 percent of students identified as immigrants, and 67.0 percent of students served in special education programs (Figure 10 and Table 18).

Figure 10
Enrollment of Economically Disadvantaged Students Within Instructional Programs, Texas Public Schools, 2018-19


[^1]Table 18
Enrollment of Economically Disadvantaged Students Within Instructional Programs and Special Populations, Texas Public Schools, 2008-09 and 2018-19

| Year | At-risk |  | Bilingual/ESLa |  | Career and technical ${ }^{b}$ |  | Dyslexia |  | EL ${ }^{\text {c }}$ |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Number | Percent | Number | Percent | Number | Percent | Number | Percent | Number | Percent |
| 2008-09 | 1,670,835 | 72.9 | 661,873 | 87.3 | 202,088 | 47.0 | $\mathrm{n} / \mathrm{a}^{\text {d }}$ | n/a | 698,604 | 87.3 |
| 2018-19 | 2,063,179 | 75.9 | 899,243 | 84.3 | 448,297 | 55.7 | 109,934 | 56.6 | 903,016 | 85.6 |
| 10-year |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| change | 392,344 | 23.5 | 237,370 | 35.9 | 246,209 | 121.8 | n/a | n/a | 204,412 | 29.3 |


| Year | Foster care |  | Gifted and talented |  | Homeless |  | Immigrant |  | Migrant |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Number | Percent | Number | Percent | Number | Percent | Number | Percent | Number | Percent |
| 2008-09 | n/a | n/a | 121,744 | 34.2 | n/a | n/a | 64,702 | 74.5 | 35,778 | 96.0 |
| 2018-19 | 15,092 | 89.5 | 166,421 | 38.1 | 70,572 | 97.0 | 71,905 | 67.1 | 18,832 | 98.3 |
| 10-year change | n/a | n/a | 44,677 | 36.7 | n/a | n/a | 7,203 | 11.1 | -16,946 | -47.4 |


| Year | Militaryconnected |  | Section 504 |  | Special education |  | Title I |  | State |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Number | Percent | Number | Percent | Number | Percent | Number | Percent | Number | Percent |
| 2008-09 | n/a | n/a | n/a | n/a | 282,772 | 62.2 | 2,126,703 | 73.1 | 2,686,259 | 100 |
| 2018-19 | 34,269 | 38.2 | 185,866 | 52.4 | 356,484 | 67.0 | 2,638,543 | 74.9 | 3,289,468 | 100 |
| 10-year change | n/a | n/a | n/a | n/a | 73,712 | 26.1 | 511,840 | 24.1 | 603,209 | 22.5 |

Note. Students may be counted in more than one category.
${ }^{a}$ English as a second language. ${ }^{6}$ Data reflect the numbers and percentages of students in Grades 9-12 only who are participating in career and technical education programs. Students taking career and technical education courses in Grades 6-8 or as electives are excluded. ©English learner. dNot available.

## Enrollment

for Instructional Programs and Special Populations by Gender

- Within each instructional program and among each special population for which data were available, the percentages of enrollment accounted for by female and male students were similar in 2008-09 and 2018-19, with the exception of gifted and talented (Table 19).
- Males and females, who made up 51.3 percent and 48.7 percent, respectively, of total public school enrollment in 2018-19, accounted for similar proportions of each special population except students with dyslexia, and of each instructional program except Section 504 and special education.
- In 2018-19, males made up 57.3 percent of students with dyslexia, whereas females made up 42.7 percent.
- In special education programs in 2018-19, males made up 66.7 percent of enrollment, whereas females made up 33.3 percent (Figure 11). Similarly, males made up 59.1 percent of students receiving Section 504 services, whereas females made up 40.9 percent.

Figure 11
Enrollment for Instructional Programs by Gender, Texas Public Schools, 2018-19


Note. Students may be counted in more than one category. Career and technical data reflect the percentages of students in Grades $9-12$ only who are participating in career and technical education programs. Students taking career and technical education courses in Grades 6-8 or as electives are excluded. ESL=English as a second language.

Table 19
Enrollment for Instructional Programs and Special Populations by Gender, Texas Public Schools, 2008-09 and 2018-19

| Gender | At-risk |  | Bilingual/ESLa |  | Career and technical ${ }^{\text {b }}$ |  | Dyslexia |  | EL ${ }^{\text {c }}$ |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Number | Percent | Number | Percent | Number | Percent | Number | Percent | Number | Percent |
| 2008-09 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Female | 1,071,739 | 46.7 | 362,080 | 47.8 | 210,862 | 49.1 | $\mathrm{n} / \mathrm{a}^{\text {d }}$ | n/a | 380,185 | 47.5 |
| Male | 1,220,835 | 53.3 | 395,744 | 52.2 | 218,847 | 50.9 | n/a | n/a | 420,369 | 52.5 |
| 2018-19 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Female | 1,252,636 | 46.1 | 507,946 | 47.6 | 390,479 | 48.5 | 83,022 | 42.7 | 497,300 | 47.1 |
| Male | 1,464,029 | 53.9 | 558,694 | 52.4 | 414,205 | 51.5 | 111,192 | 57.3 | 557,872 | 52.9 |
| 10-year change |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Female | 180,897 | 16.9 | 145,866 | 40.3 | 179,617 | 85.2 | n/a | n/a | 117,115 | 30.8 |
| Male | 243,194 | 19.9 | 162,950 | 41.2 | 195,358 | 89.3 | n/a | n/a | 137,503 | 32.7 |


| Gender | Foster care |  | Gifted and talented |  | Homeless |  | Immigrant |  | Migrant |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Number | Percent | Number | Percent | Number | Percent | Number | Percent | Number | Percent |
| 2008-09 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Female | n/a | n/a | 181,697 | 51.1 | n/a | n/a | 41,977 | 48.3 | 17,989 | 48.3 |
| Male | n/a | n/a | 174,150 | 48.9 | n/a | n/a | 44,887 | 51.7 | 19,262 | 51.7 |
| 2008-19 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Female | 8,284 | 49.1 | 216,037 | 49.5 | 35,980 | 49.4 | 51,676 | 48.2 | 9,268 | 48.4 |
| Male | 8,583 | 50.9 | 220,405 | 50.5 | 36,802 | 50.6 | 55,457 | 51.8 | 9,894 | 51.6 |
| 10-year change |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Female | n/a | n/a | 34,340 | 18.9 | n/a | n/a | 9,699 | 23.1 | -8,721 | -48.5 |
| Male | n/a | n/a | 46,255 | 26.6 | n/a | n/a | 10,570 | 23.5 | -9,368 | -48.6 |


| Gender | Militaryconnected |  | Section 504 |  | Special Education |  | Title I |  | State |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Number | Percent | Number | Percent | Number | Percent | Number | Percent | Number | Percent |
| 2008-09 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Female | n/a | n/a | n/a | n/a | 149,055 | 32.8 | 1,415,556 | 48.7 | 2,311,378 | 48.7 |
| Male | n/a | n/a | n/a | n/a | 305,462 | 67.2 | 1,492,909 | 51.3 | 2,438,193 | 51.3 |
| 2018-19 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Female | 44,070 | 49.1 | 144,959 | 40.9 | 176,993 | 33.3 | 1,717,691 | 48.7 | 2,647,524 | 48.7 |
| Male | 45,666 | 50.9 | 209,708 | 59.1 | 354,998 | 66.7 | 1,807,283 | 51.3 | 2,784,386 | 51.3 |
| 10-year change |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Female | n/a | n/a | n/a | n/a | 27,938 | 18.7 | 302,135 | 21.3 | 336,146 | 14.5 |
| Male | n/a | n/a | n/a | n/a | 49,536 | 16.2 | 314,374 | 21.1 | 346,193 | 14.2 |

Note. Students may be counted in more than one category.
${ }^{a}$ English as a second language. ${ }^{6}$ Data reflect the numbers and percentages of students in Grades 9-12 only who are participating in career and technical educa-


## Enrollment by Education Service Center

Regional education service centers (ESCs) are nonregulatory, public institutions created and authorized by the Texas Legislature. Their associations with school districts are collaborative and supportive. Texas is divided into 20 service center regions, and each region has its own ESC. An ESC serves districts within the geographic boundaries of its service center region. A district may choose to work with an ESC outside of its service center region. This report presents regional results based on the districts served by each ESC, including any districts the ESC serves that are located outside its geographic boundaries.

Some of the primary goals of ESCs are to work with the Texas Education Agency and districts to improve student achievement, to help districts become more cost-effective and efficient, and to assist in the implementation of laws passed by the Texas Legislature and regulations adopted by the commissioner of education and State Board of Education.

Seventeen of the twenty ESC regions in Texas had gains in enrollment between the 2008-09 and 2018-19 school years, and three had losses (Figure 12 on page 37 and Table 20 on page 38). Of the four regions experiencing increases of 20 percent or more, two-Region 10 (Richardson) and Region 20 (San Antonio) -include a major urban district. Region 18 (Midland), located in the western part of the state, experienced an increase in enrollment of 21.4 percent. Region 6 (Huntsville), which includes some of the rapidly expanding districts north of Houston, grew by 22.5 percent during the same period. Of the three ESC regions that had decreases in enrollment, Region 2 (Corpus Christi) is along the Gulf Coast, Region 8 (Mount Pleasant) is in Northeast Texas, and Region 9 (Wichita Falls) is in North Texas.


- Across ESCs in 2008-09, Region 4 (Houston) served the largest student population, with 22.1 percent of the total state public school enrollment (Table 20 on page 38). In 2018-19, Region 4 continued to serve the largest proportion of total state enrollment (22.1\%).
- Region 9 (Wichita Falls), with 0.7 percent of total state enrollment, served the smallest student population in 2018-19, as it did in each of the preceding 10 years.
- Region 20 (San Antonio) had the greatest percentage gain in enrollment between 2008-09 and 2018-19, increasing by 23.8 percent (Figure 12 on this page and Table 20 on page 38). Region 9 (Wichita Falls) had the greatest percentage loss, decreasing by 3.1 percent during the same period.
- Across ESCs between 2017-18 and 2018-19, Region 14 (Abilene) had the largest percentage decrease in enrollment, at 1.9 percent ( 1,123 students), and Region 13 (Austin) had the largest percentage increase in enrollment, at 5.0 percent $(19,657)$ (Table 20 on page 38).

Figure 12
Change in Enrollment Within Education Service Centers, Texas Public Schools, 2008-09 to 2018-19


Table 20
Enrollment by Education Service Center, Texas Public Schools, 2008-09 Through 2018-19

| Year | 1 - Edinburg |  | 2 - Corpus Christi |  | 3 - Victoria |  | 4 - Houston |  | 5-Beaumont |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Number | Percent | Number | Percent | Number | Percent | Number | Percent | Number | Percent |
| 2008-09 | 390,701 | 8.2 | 104,457 | 2.2 | 52,743 | 1.1 | 1,050,722 | 22.1 | 80,269 | 1.7 |
| 2009-10 | 399,837 | 8.2 | 104,284 | 2.2 | 52,598 | 1.1 | 1,076,115 | 22.2 | 80,625 | 1.7 |
| 2010-11 | 409,469 | 8.3 | 104,863 | 2.1 | 52,765 | 1.1 | 1,092,548 | 22.1 | 80,438 | 1.6 |
| 2011-12 | 412,862 | 8.3 | 105,357 | 2.1 | 53,305 | 1.1 | 1,105,601 | 22.1 | 80,331 | 1.6 |
| 2012-13 | 417,490 | 8.2 | 105,796 | 2.1 | 53,528 | 1.1 | 1,123,557 | 22.1 | 81,986 | 1.6 |
| 2013-14 | 422,509 | 8.2 | 106,080 | 2.1 | 53,971 | 1.0 | 1,147,038 | 22.3 | 81,726 | 1.6 |
| 2014-15 | 423,921 | 8.1 | 105,597 | 2.0 | 54,371 | 1.0 | 1,174,942 | 22.5 | 81,806 | 1.6 |
| 2015-16 | 427,671 | 8.1 | 101,758 | 1.9 | 54,489 | 1.0 | 1,194,099 | 22.5 | 82,025 | 1.5 |
| 2016-17 | 431,028 | 8.0 | 101,291 | 1.9 | 54,111 | 1.0 | 1,207,773 | 22.5 | 82,466 | 1.5 |
| 2017-18 | 433,171 | 8.0 | 103,940 | 1.9 | 53,676 | 1.0 | 1,212,397 | 22.5 | 83,754 | 1.6 |
| 2018-19 | 436,115 | 8.0 | 103,152 | 1.9 | 53,344 | 1.0 | 1,201,680 | 22.1 | 84,066 | 1.5 |
| 10-year |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| change | 45,414 | 11.6 | -1,305 | -1.2 | 601 | 1.1 | 150,958 | 14.4 | 3,797 | 4.7 |


| Year | 6 - Huntsville |  | 7 - Kilgore |  | 8 -Mt. Pleasant |  | 9 - Wichita Falls |  | 10-Richardson |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Number | Percent | Number | Percent | Number | Percent | Number | Percent | Number | Percent |
| 2008-09 | 164,218 | 3.5 | 165,199 | 3.5 | 56,604 | 1.2 | 38,728 | 0.8 | 723,432 | 15.2 |
| 2009-10 | 168,725 | 3.5 | 166,948 | 3.4 | 56,966 | 1.2 | 38,813 | 0.8 | 737,043 | 15.2 |
| 2010-11 | 171,733 | 3.5 | 169,455 | 3.4 | 56,866 | 1.2 | 38,485 | 0.8 | 749,836 | 15.2 |
| 2011-12 | 174,707 | 3.5 | 170,146 | 3.4 | 56,803 | 1.1 | 38,272 | 0.8 | 763,593 | 15.3 |
| 2012-13 | 177,412 | 3.5 | 170,293 | 3.4 | 56,824 | 1.1 | 38,498 | 0.8 | 776,920 | 15.3 |
| 2013-14 | 181,083 | 3.5 | 170,969 | 3.3 | 56,681 | 1.1 | 38,420 | 0.7 | 796,020 | 15.5 |
| 2014-15 | 185,402 | 3.5 | 171,512 | 3.3 | 56,442 | 1.1 | 37,910 | 0.7 | 812,655 | 15.5 |
| 2015-16 | 190,157 | 3.6 | 172,644 | 3.3 | 61,357 | 1.2 | 37,662 | 0.7 | 823,914 | 15.5 |
| 2016-17 | 193,699 | 3.6 | 169,882 | 3.2 | 61,585 | 1.1 | 37,791 | 0.7 | 844,896 | 15.8 |
| 2017-18 | 198,781 | 3.7 | 169,729 | 3.1 | 56,159 | 1.0 | 37,569 | 0.7 | 867,294 | 16.1 |
| 2018-19 | 201,228 | 3.7 | 173,796 | 3.2 | 56,113 | 1.0 | 37,533 | 0.7 | 874,990 | 16.1 |
| 10-year |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| change | 37,010 | 22.5 | 8,597 | 5.2 | -491 | -0.9 | -1,195 | -3.1 | 151,558 | 20.9 |

[^2]continues

Table 20 (continued)
Enrollment by Education Service Center, Texas Public Schools, 2008-09 Through 2018-19

| Year | 11 - Fort Worth |  | 12 - Waco |  | 13-Austin |  | 14 - Abilene |  | 15 - San Angelo |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Number | Percent | Number | Percent | Number | Percent | Number | Percent | Number | Percent |
| 2008-09 | 521,135 | 11.0 | 149,721 | 3.2 | 355,700 | 7.5 | 48,223 | 1.0 | 47,592 | 1.0 |
| 2009-10 | 531,304 | 11.0 | 152,497 | 3.1 | 367,273 | 7.6 | 50,103 | 1.0 | 47,846 | 1.0 |
| 2010-11 | 541,969 | 11.0 | 156,571 | 3.2 | 377,724 | 7.7 | 52,376 | 1.1 | 48,163 | 1.0 |
| 2011-12 | 553,205 | 11.1 | 158,500 | 3.2 | 372,861 | 7.5 | 52,288 | 1.0 | 47,810 | 1.0 |
| 2012-13 | 562,831 | 11.1 | 161,025 | 3.2 | 380,872 | 7.5 | 55,738 | 1.1 | 48,145 | 0.9 |
| 2013-14 | 568,506 | 11.0 | 162,033 | 3.1 | 388,461 | 7.5 | 58,075 | 1.1 | 48,919 | 0.9 |
| 2014-15 | 571,114 | 10.9 | 170,011 | 3.2 | 396,228 | 7.6 | 59,997 | 1.1 | 49,969 | 1.0 |
| 2015-16 | 578,910 | 10.9 | 171,136 | 3.2 | 403,846 | 7.6 | 58,704 | 1.1 | 50,315 | 0.9 |
| 2016-17 | 587,488 | 11.0 | 173,029 | 3.2 | 387,891 | 7.2 | 60,206 | 1.1 | 50,296 | 0.9 |
| 2017-18 | 591,086 | 10.9 | 174,566 | 3.2 | 393,317 | 7.3 | 58,843 | 1.1 | 50,407 | 0.9 |
| 2018-19 | 593,516 | 10.9 | 176,229 | 3.2 | 412,974 | 7.6 | 57,720 | 1.1 | 50,175 | 0.9 |
| 10-year |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| change | 72,381 | 13.9 | 26,508 | 17.7 | 57,274 | 16.1 | 9,497 | 19.7 | 2,583 | 5.4 |


| Year | 16 - Amarillo |  | 17 -Lubbock |  | 18 - Midland |  | 19 - El Paso |  | $20-$ San Antonio |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Number | Percent | Number | Percent | Number | Percent | Number | Percent | Number | Percent |
| 2008-09 | 81,365 | 1.7 | 79,530 | 1.7 | 76,998 | 1.6 | 175,116 | 3.7 | 387,118 | 8.2 |
| 2009-10 | 83,157 | 1.7 | 80,257 | 1.7 | 76,925 | 1.6 | 179,384 | 3.7 | 397,144 | 8.2 |
| 2010-11 | 84,670 | 1.7 | 81,354 | 1.6 | 78,038 | 1.6 | 182,133 | 3.7 | 404,161 | 8.2 |
| 2011-12 | 85,832 | 1.7 | 81,848 | 1.6 | 80,177 | 1.6 | 183,430 | 3.7 | 421,651 | 8.4 |
| 2012-13 | 86,440 | 1.7 | 83,330 | 1.6 | 83,305 | 1.6 | 182,814 | 3.6 | 429,036 | 8.5 |
| 2013-14 | 86,600 | 1.7 | 84,136 | 1.6 | 85,515 | 1.7 | 180,305 | 3.5 | 434,878 | 8.4 |
| 2014-15 | 86,346 | 1.7 | 84,299 | 1.6 | 87,906 | 1.7 | 179,755 | 3.4 | 441,882 | 8.4 |
| 2015-16 | 86,481 | 1.6 | 85,004 | 1.6 | 88,319 | 1.7 | 179,451 | 3.4 | 451,786 | 8.5 |
| 2016-17 | 86,393 | 1.6 | 84,706 | 1.6 | 88,400 | 1.6 | 179,010 | 3.3 | 477,186 | 8.9 |
| 2017-18 | 85,462 | 1.6 | 84,362 | 1.6 | 91,057 | 1.7 | 178,185 | 3.3 | 475,927 | 8.8 |
| 2018-19 | 85,018 | 1.6 | 84,503 | 1.6 | 93,459 | 1.7 | 176,994 | 3.3 | 479,305 | 8.8 |
| 10-year <br> change | 3,653 | 4.5 | 4,973 | 6.3 | 16,461 | 21.4 | 1,878 | 1.1 | 92,187 | 23.8 |

Note. Parts may not add to 100 percent because of rounding.

## Enrollment

## by Education Service Center and Race/Ethnicity

- Because rates for smaller groups can be less stable over time, discussions of results in this section are restricted to the five largest racial/ethnic groups: African American, Asian, Hispanic, White, and multiracial. See the section "Reporting of Race/Ethnicity" on page 2 for additional information.
- In the 2018-19 school year, Hispanic students accounted for more than 65 percent of enrollment in five ESC regions: Region 1 (Edinburg), Region 2 (Corpus Christi), Region 18 (Midland), Region 19 (El Paso), and Region 20 (San Antonio) (Figure 13 and Table 21).
- From 2017-18 to 2018-19, White enrollment, as a percentage of regional enrollment, decreased in 16 ESC regions (Table 21).
- In the 2018-19 school year, African American student enrollment ranged from 0.5 percent of overall enrollment in Region 1 (Edinburg) to 25.2 percent in Region 5 (Beaumont).

Figure 13
Enrollment by Education Service Center and Race/Ethnicity, Texas Public Schools, 2018-19


Table 21
Enrollment by Education Service Center and Race/Ethnicity, Texas Public Schools, 2017-18 and 2018-19

| Year | 1 - Edinburg |  | 2 - Corpus Christi |  | 3 - Victoria |  | 4 - Houston |  | 5-Beaumont |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Number | Percent | Number | Percent | Number | Percent | Number | Percent | Number | Percent |
| African American |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 2017-18 | 1,938 | 0.4 | 2,500 | 2.4 | 4,417 | 8.2 | 225,293 | 18.6 | 21,147 | 25.2 |
| 2018-19 | 2,379 | 0.5 | 2,390 | 2.3 | 4,249 | 8.0 | 220,710 | 18.4 | 21,156 | 25.2 |
| American Indian |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 2017-18 | 197 | <0.1 | 178 | 0.2 | 78 | 0.1 | 5,488 | 0.5 | 501 | 0.6 |
| 2018-19 | 185 | <0.1 | 175 | 0.2 | 90 | 0.2 | 5,252 | 0.4 | 518 | 0.6 |
| Asian |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 2017-18 | 1,859 | 0.4 | 1,277 | 1.2 | 623 | 1.2 | 85,315 | 7.0 | 1,909 | 2.3 |
| 2018-19 | 1,875 | 0.4 | 1,249 | 1.2 | 619 | 1.2 | 86,257 | 7.2 | 1,845 | 2.2 |
| Hispanic |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 2017-18 | 421,181 | 97.2 | 78,127 | 75.2 | 30,771 | 57.3 | 613,926 | 50.6 | 18,241 | 21.8 |
| 2018-19 | 423,464 | 97.1 | 77,853 | 75.5 | 30,742 | 57.6 | 610,273 | 50.8 | 18,818 | 22.4 |
| Pacific Islander |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 2017-18 | 67 | <0.1 | 74 | 0.1 | 23 | <0.1 | 1,496 | 0.1 | 44 | 0.1 |
| 2018-19 | 76 | <0.1 | 85 | 0.1 | 20 | <0.1 | 1,524 | 0.1 | 52 | 0.1 |
| White |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 2017-18 | 7,398 | 1.7 | 20,649 | 19.9 | 16,931 | 31.5 | 257,190 | 21.2 | 39,968 | 47.7 |
| 2018-19 | 7,508 | 1.7 | 20,222 | 19.6 | 16,783 | 31.5 | 252,717 | 21.0 | 39,597 | 47.1 |
| Multiracial |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 2017-18 | 531 | 0.1 | 1,135 | 1.1 | 833 | 1.6 | 23,689 | 2.0 | 1,944 | 2.3 |
| 2018-19 | 628 | 0.1 | 1,178 | 1.1 | 841 | 1.6 | 24,947 | 2.1 | 2,080 | 2.5 |
| All students |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 2017-18 | 433,171 | 100 | 103,940 | 100 | 53,676 | 100 | 1,212,397 | 100 | 83,754 | 100 |
| 2018-19 | 436,115 | 100 | 103,152 | 100 | 53,344 | 100 | 1,201,680 | 100 | 84,066 | 100 |

[^3]Table 21 (continued)
Enrollment by Education Service Center and Race/Ethnicity, Texas Public Schools, 2017-18 and 2018-19

| Year | 6 - Huntsville |  | 7 - Kilgore |  | 8 - Mt. Pleasant |  | 9-Wichita Falls |  | 10-Richardson |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Number | Percent | Number | Percent | Number | Percent | Number | Percent | Number | Percent |
| African American |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 2017-18 | 21,075 | 10.6 | 28,478 | 16.8 | 11,048 | 19.7 | 2,694 | 7.2 | 160,577 | 18.5 |
| 2018-19 | 21,442 | 10.7 | 28,557 | 16.4 | 10,988 | 19.6 | 2,626 | 7.0 | 161,212 | 18.4 |
| American Indian |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 2017-18 | 874 | 0.4 | 641 | 0.4 | 318 | 0.6 | 243 | 0.6 | 5,252 | 0.6 |
| 2018-19 | 837 | 0.4 | 621 | 0.4 | 308 | 0.5 | 222 | 0.6 | 5,353 | 0.6 |
| Asian |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 2017-18 | 4,947 | 2.5 | 1,592 | 0.9 | 431 | 0.8 | 556 | 1.5 | 65,921 | 7.6 |
| 2018-19 | 5,101 | 2.5 | 1,632 | 0.9 | 436 | 0.8 | 571 | 1.5 | 69,498 | 7.9 |
| Hispanic |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 2017-18 | 71,602 | 36.0 | 47,884 | 28.2 | 11,881 | 21.2 | 10,451 | 27.8 | 373,425 | 43.1 |
| 2018-19 | 73,839 | 36.7 | 50,307 | 28.9 | 12,132 | 21.6 | 10,677 | 28.4 | 377,848 | 43.2 |
| Pacific Islander |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 2017-18 | 224 | 0.1 | 108 | 0.1 | 45 | 0.1 | 41 | 0.1 | 925 | 0.1 |
| 2018-19 | 254 | 0.1 | 107 | 0.1 | 42 | 0.1 | 35 | 0.1 | 924 | 0.1 |
| White |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 2017-18 | 94,965 | 47.8 | 85,507 | 50.4 | 30,061 | 53.5 | 21,911 | 58.3 | 239,023 | 27.6 |
| 2018-19 | 94,427 | 46.9 | 86,500 | 49.8 | 29,687 | 52.9 | 21,617 | 57.6 | 236,168 | 27.0 |
| Multiracial |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 2017-18 | 5,094 | 2.6 | 5,519 | 3.3 | 2,375 | 4.2 | 1,673 | 4.5 | 22,171 | 2.6 |
| 2018-19 | 5,328 | 2.6 | 6,072 | 3.5 | 2,520 | 4.5 | 1,785 | 4.8 | 23,987 | 2.7 |
| All students |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 2017-18 | 198,781 | 100 | 169,729 | 100 | 56,159 | 100 | 37,569 | 100 | 867,294 | 100 |
| 2018-19 | 201,228 | 100 | 173,796 | 100 | 56,113 | 100 | 37,533 | 100 | 874,990 | 100 |

Note. Parts may not add to 100 percent because of rounding.

Table 21 (continued)
Enrollment by Education Service Center and Race/Ethnicity, Texas Public Schools, 2017-18 and 2018-19

| Year | 11 - Fort Worth |  | 12 - Waco |  | 13 - Austin |  | 14 - Abilene |  | 15 - San Angelo |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Number | Percent | Number | Percent | Number | Percent | Number | Percent | Number | Percent |
| African American |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 2017-18 | 87,894 | 14.9 | 34,250 | 19.6 | 26,667 | 6.8 | 5,177 | 8.8 | 1,399 | 2.8 |
| 2018-19 | 89,249 | 15.0 | 34,721 | 19.7 | 33,078 | 8.0 | 4,940 | 8.6 | 1,331 | 2.7 |
| American Indian |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 2017-18 | 2,560 | 0.4 | 678 | 0.4 | 964 | 0.2 | 236 | 0.4 | 123 | 0.2 |
| 2018-19 | 2,480 | 0.4 | 701 | 0.4 | 1,023 | 0.2 | 227 | 0.4 | 121 | 0.2 |
| Asian |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 2017-18 | 29,469 | 5.0 | 3,495 | 2.0 | 20,953 | 5.3 | 1,217 | 2.1 | 381 | 0.8 |
| 2018-19 | 29,783 | 5.0 | 3,533 | 2.0 | 22,769 | 5.5 | 1,344 | 2.3 | 383 | 0.8 |
| Hispanic |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 2017-18 | 213,972 | 36.2 | 59,507 | 34.1 | 186,586 | 47.4 | 21,440 | 36.4 | 29,194 | 57.9 |
| 2018-19 | 216,105 | 36.4 | 61,395 | 34.8 | 197,927 | 47.9 | 20,837 | 36.1 | 29,073 | 57.9 |
| Pacific Islander |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 2017-18 | 1,743 | 0.3 | 1,417 | 0.8 | 422 | 0.1 | 60 | 0.1 | 23 | <0.1 |
| 2018-19 | 1,739 | 0.3 | 1,510 | 0.9 | 458 | 0.1 | 66 | 0.1 | 28 | 0.1 |
| White |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 2017-18 | 237,406 | 40.2 | 67,549 | 38.7 | 145,282 | 36.9 | 28,769 | 48.9 | 18,424 | 36.6 |
| 2018-19 | 235,163 | 39.6 | 66,196 | 37.6 | 144,449 | 35.0 | 28,367 | 49.1 | 18,319 | 36.5 |
| Multiracial |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 2017-18 | 18,042 | 3.1 | 7,670 | 4.4 | 12,443 | 3.2 | 1,944 | 3.3 | 863 | 1.7 |
| 2018-19 | 18,997 | 3.2 | 8,173 | 4.6 | 13,270 | 3.2 | 1,939 | 3.4 | 920 | 1.8 |
| All students |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 2017-18 | 591,086 | 100 | 174,566 | 100 | 393,317 | 100 | 58,843 | 100 | 50,407 | 100 |
| 2018-19 | 593,516 | 100 | 176,229 | 100 | 412,974 | 100 | 57,720 | 100 | 50,175 | 100 |

[^4]Table 21 (continued)
Enrollment by Education Service Center and Race/Ethnicity, Texas Public Schools, 2017-18 and 2018-19

| Year | 16 - Amarillo |  | 17 - Lubbock |  | 18 - Midland |  | 19 - El Paso |  | $20-$ San Antonio |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Number | Percent | Number | Percent | Number | Percent | Number | Percent | Number | Percent |
| African American |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 2017-18 | 4,560 | 5.3 | 5,532 | 6.6 | 3,877 | 4.3 | 3,924 | 2.2 | 28,330 | 6.0 |
| 2018-19 | 4,495 | 5.3 | 5,594 | 6.6 | 3,963 | 4.2 | 3,903 | 2.2 | 28,792 | 6.0 |
| American Indian |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 2017-18 | 400 | 0.5 | 216 | 0.3 | 250 | 0.3 | 336 | 0.2 | 1,053 | 0.2 |
| 2018-19 | 401 | 0.5 | 240 | 0.3 | 259 | 0.3 | 312 | 0.2 | 1,089 | 0.2 |
| Asian |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 2017-18 | 2,501 | 2.9 | 1,048 | 1.2 | 1,098 | 1.2 | 1,179 | 0.7 | 9,720 | 2.0 |
| 2018-19 | 2,400 | 2.8 | 1,049 | 1.2 | 1,143 | 1.2 | 1,160 | 0.7 | 10,010 | 2.1 |
| Hispanic |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 2017-18 | 40,283 | 47.1 | 49,196 | 58.3 | 62,416 | 68.5 | 160,347 | 90.0 | 327,417 | 68.8 |
| 2018-19 | 40,620 | 47.8 | 49,231 | 58.3 | 64,681 | 69.2 | 159,656 | 90.2 | 329,112 | 68.7 |
| Pacific Islander |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 2017-18 | 75 | 0.1 | 41 | <0.1 | 117 | 0.1 | 353 | 0.2 | 728 | 0.2 |
| 2018-19 | 75 | 0.1 | 46 | 0.1 | 127 | 0.1 | 379 | 0.2 | 724 | 0.2 |
| White |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 2017-18 | 35,778 | 41.9 | 26,917 | 31.9 | 22,154 | 24.3 | 10,423 | 5.8 | 98,210 | 20.6 |
| 2018-19 | 35,104 | 41.3 | 26,865 | 31.8 | 22,051 | 23.6 | 10,026 | 5.7 | 98,533 | 20.6 |
| Multiracial |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 2017-18 | 1,865 | 2.2 | 1,412 | 1.7 | 1,145 | 1.3 | 1,623 | 0.9 | 10,469 | 2.2 |
| 2018-19 | 1,923 | 2.3 | 1,478 | 1.7 | 1,235 | 1.3 | 1,558 | 0.9 | 11,045 | 2.3 |
| All students |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 2017-18 | 85,462 | 100 | 84,362 | 100 | 91,057 | 100 | 178,185 | 100 | 475,927 | 100 |
| 2018-19 | 85,018 | 100 | 84,503 | 100 | 93,459 | 100 | 176,994 | 100 | 479,305 | 100 |

Note. Parts may not add to 100 percent because of rounding.

## Enrollment <br> by Education Service Center and Economically Disadvantaged Status

- From 2008-09 to 2018-19, the percentages of students identified as economically disadvantaged increased in all ESC regions, except Region 20 (San Antonio) (Table 22 on page 46).
- In the 2018-19 school year, 19 regions served populations in which at least 50 percent of students were identified as economically disadvantaged. Region 13 (Austin) had fewer than 50 percent of students identified as economically disadvantaged.
- Across ESC regions in 2018-19, the percentages of students identified as economically disadvantaged ranged from 48.3 percent in Region 13 (Austin) to 85.5 percent in Region 1 (Edinburg).
- Every region had an increase in the number of students identified as economically disadvantaged between 2008-09 and 2018-19 (Figure 14 on this page and Table 22 on page 46).

Figure 14
Change in Enrollment of Economically Disadvantaged Students Within Education Service Centers, Texas Public Schools, 2008-09 to 2018-19


Table 22
Enrollment of Economically Disadvantaged Students Within Education Service Centers, Texas Public Schools, 2008-09 and 2018-19

| Year | 1 - Edinburg |  | 2 - Corpus Christi |  | 3 - Victoria |  | 4 - Houston |  | 5-Beaumont |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Number | Percent | Number | Percent | Number | Percent | Number | Percent | Number | Percent |
| 2008-09 | 331,303 | 84.8 | 64,651 | 61.9 | 29,905 | 56.7 | 594,500 | 56.6 | 45,417 | 56.6 |
| 2018-19 | 372,684 | 85.5 | 68,639 | 66.5 | 34,401 | 64.5 | 733,263 | 61.0 | 53,150 | 63.2 |
| 10-year |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| change | 41,381 | 12.5 | 3,988 | 6.2 | 4,496 | 15.0 | 138,763 | 23.3 | 7,733 | 17.0 |


| Year | 6 - Huntsville |  | 7 - Kilgore |  | 8 - Mt. Pleasant |  | 9 - Wichita Falls |  | 10-Richardson |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Number | Percent | Number | Percent | Number | Percent | Number | Percent | Number | Percent |
| 2008-09 | 77,382 | 47.1 | 92,405 | 55.9 | 32,598 | 57.6 | 19,330 | 49.9 | 381,928 | 52.8 |
| 2018-19 | 107,211 | 53.3 | 110,293 | 63.5 | 37,025 | 66.0 | 22,370 | 59.6 | 496,317 | 56.7 |
| 10-year |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| change | 29,829 | 38.5 | 17,888 | 19.4 | 4,427 | 13.6 | 3,040 | 15.7 | 114,389 | 30.0 |


| Year | 11 - Fort Worth |  | 12 -Waco |  | 13 - Austin |  | 14 - Abilene |  | 15 - San Angelo |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Number | Percent | Number | Percent | Number | Percent | Number | Percent | Number | Percent |
| 2008-09 | 222,394 | 42.7 | 80,881 | 54.0 | 159,595 | 44.9 | 25,924 | 53.8 | 26,922 | 56.6 |
| 2018-19 | 311,263 | 52.4 | 104,809 | 59.5 | 199,468 | 48.3 | 31,382 | 54.4 | 29,629 | 59.1 |
| 10-year |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Change | 88,869 | 40.0 | 23,928 | 29.6 | 39,873 | 25.0 | 5,458 | 21.1 | 2,707 | 10.1 |


| Year | 16 - Amarillo |  | 17-Lubbock |  | 18 - Midland |  | 19 - El Paso |  | 20 - San Antonio |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Number | Percent | Number | Percent | Number | Percent | Number | Percent | Number | Percent |
| 2008-09 | 44,226 | 54.4 | 46,634 | 58.6 | 38,435 | 49.9 | 132,012 | 75.4 | 239,817 | 61.9 |
| 2018-19 | 50,954 | 59.9 | 53,376 | 63.2 | 49,614 | 53.1 | 135,839 | 76.7 | 287,781 | 60.0 |
| 10-year change | 6,728 | 15.2 | 6,742 | 14.5 | 11,179 | 29.1 | 3,827 | 2.9 | 47,964 | 20.0 |

## Enrollment in Open-Enrollment Charter Schools

In 1995, the 74th Texas Legislature authorized establishment of open-enrollment charter schools in the state (Texas Education Code [TEC], Chapter 12, Subchapter D, 1996). Open-enrollment charter schools are intended to promote local initiative and capitalize on creative approaches to meeting the educational needs of students. Although considered public schools, they are exempt from many state regulations that apply to traditional public schools. Generally, open-enrollment charter schools are subject to laws and rules that ensure fiscal and academic accountability but do not unduly regulate instructional methods or pedagogical innovation (TEC §12.001, 2018). Some open-enrollment charter schools target students at risk of dropping out or those who have already dropped out and use the latitude afforded under statute to accommodate the needs of students who have had limited success in traditional public schools.

In 2013, the 83rd Texas Legislature amended statute to: (a) transfer authority to grant charters from the State Board of Education (SBOE) to the commissioner of education; (b) give the SBOE authority to veto charters the commissioner proposes to grant; and (c) provide for a graduated increase in the cap on the number of open-enrollment charters available for award, from 225 beginning September 1, 2014, to 305 beginning September 1, 2019 (TEC §12.101, 2013). Previously, the cap on the number of active, open-enrollment charters was 215, and that number was reached for the first time in November 2008. Charter holders may operate more than one campus under a charter, and the cap does not limit the number of open-enrollment charter school campuses that can be operated by a charter holder.

In the 2018-19 school year, there were 179 open-enrollment charter schools and 752 open-enrollment charter school campuses that served 316,869 students. Open-enrollment charter school enrollment increased every year between 1996-97 and 2018-19 (Table 23 on page 48). During that period, year-to-year change in statewide enrollment in open-enrollment charter campuses ranged from a low of 6.9 percent to a high of 217.0 percent. In 2018-19, statewide enrollment in open-enrollment charter campuses increased from the previous year by 6.9 percent.

Each year between 2008-09 and 2018-19, open-enrollment charter school enrollment increased for African American and Hispanic students (Figure 15 on page 49 and Table 24 on page 50). Enrollment for White students increased each year between 2008-09 and 2017-18 but decreased in 2018-19. Enrollment for multiracial students increased each year between 2009-10 and 2018-19 (Table 24 on page 50). During that same period, with the exception of 2012-13 to 2013-14, enrollment for Asian students also increased each year. Across the five largest racial/ethnic groups in 2018-19, Hispanic students accounted for the largest percentage of total enrollment in open-enrollment charter schools, followed by African American, White, Asian, and multiracial students.

Each year between 2008-09 and 2018-19, the majority of open-enrollment charter school students met the state criteria for economic disadvantage (Figure 16 and Table 25 on page 51). In the 2018-19 school year, 69.9 percent of students were identified as economically disadvantaged.

Across Grades K-12 in 2018-19, the percentages of total enrollment in open-enrollment charter schools accounted for by grade ranged from a low of 4.6 percent in Grade 12 to a high of 9.3 percent in Grade 6 (Table 26 on page 52). It is important to note that grade-level enrollment in open-enrollment charter schools is affected by the grade levels available to serve students in charter schools. Unlike traditional school districts, open-enrollment charter holders do not consistently serve traditional grade spans. For example, a charter holder may only have campuses that serve select elementary grades (e.g., Grades K-4), or a charter holder may open a new campus that initially serves only one grade and, over time, expand the number of grades that campus serves.

- In the 2008-09 school year, 102,903 students were enrolled in Texas open-enrollment charter schools (Table 23). By 2018-19, enrollment had risen to 316,869 students.
- In 2018-19, students enrolled in open-enrollment charter schools accounted for 5.8 percent of the total Texas public school population.

Table 23
Statewide Enrollment, Texas Open-Enrollment
Charter Schools, 1996-97 Through 2018-19

| Year | Number | Annual <br> change (\%) | Representation <br> in public school <br> enrollment (\%) |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| $1996-97$ | 2,426 | - | 0.1 |
| $1997-98$ | 3,861 | 59.2 | 0.1 |
| $1998-99$ | 12,240 | 217.0 | 0.3 |
| $1999-00$ | 25,708 | 110.0 | 0.6 |
| $2000-01$ | 38,044 | 48.0 | 0.9 |
| $2001-02$ | 47,050 | 23.7 | 1.1 |
| $2002-03$ | 53,988 | 14.7 | 1.3 |
| $2003-04$ | 60,833 | 12.7 | 1.4 |
| $2004-05$ | 66,160 | 8.8 | 1.5 |
| $2005-06$ | 70,904 | 7.2 | 1.6 |
| $2006-07$ | 81,107 | 14.4 | 1.8 |
| $2007-08$ | 90,485 | 11.6 | 1.9 |
| $2008-09$ | 102,903 | 13.7 | 2.2 |
| $2009-10$ | 119,642 | 16.3 | 2.5 |
| $2010-11$ | 134,076 | 12.1 | 2.7 |
| $2011-12$ | 154,584 | 15.3 | 3.1 |
| $2012-13$ | 179,120 | 15.9 | 3.5 |
| $2013-14$ | 203,290 | 13.5 | 3.9 |
| $2014-15$ | 228,153 | 12.2 | 4.4 |
| $2015-16$ | 247,389 | 8.4 | 4.7 |
| $2016-17$ | 272,835 | 10.3 | 5.1 |
| $2017-18$ | 296,323 | 8.6 | 5.5 |
| $2018-19$ | 316,869 | 6.9 | 5.8 |
|  |  |  |  |

## Enrollment in Open-Enrollment Charter Schools by Race/Ethnicity

- Because rates for smaller groups can be less stable over time, discussions of results in this section are restricted to the five largest racial/ethnic groups: African American, Asian, Hispanic, White, and multiracial. See the section "Reporting of Race/Ethnicity" on page 2 for additional information.
- Enrollment in open-enrollment charter schools increased for African American, Asian, Hispanic, and multiracial students and decreased for White students between the 2017-18 and 2018-19 school years (Figure 15 on this page and Table 24 on page 50).
- Between 2017-18 and 2018-19, the percentages of total enrollment in open-enrollment charter schools accounted for by Hispanic and African American students increased by 1.8 and 0.2 percentage points, respectively (Table 24 on page 50 ). During the same period, the percentage accounted for by White students decreased by 2.1 percentage points, while the percentages accounted for by Asian and multiracial students remained the same.
- In 2018-19, Hispanic students accounted for the largest percentage of total enrollment in openenrollment charter schools (61.5\%), followed by African American (18.0\%), White (13.7\%), Asian (4.5\%), and multiracial (1.9\%) students.

Figure 15
Enrollment by Race/Ethnicity, Texas Open-Enrollment Charter Schools, 2008-09 Through 2018-19


Note. Data for Asian enrollment prior to the 2009-10 school year are not available.

Table 24
Enrollment by Race/Ethnicity, Texas Open-Enrollment Charter Schools, 2008-09 Through 2018-19

| Year | African American |  | American Indian |  | Asian |  | Hispanic |  | Pacific Islander |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Number | Percent | Number | Percent | Number | Percent | Number | Percent | Number | Percent |
| 2008-09 | 28,488 | 27.7 | 300 | 0.3 | $n / a^{\text {a }}$ | n/a | 52,713 | 51.2 | n/a | n/a |
| 2009-10 | 29,058 | 24.3 | 895 | 0.7 | 4,539 | 3.8 | 61,229 | 51.2 | 656 | 0.5 |
| 2010-11 | 31,739 | 23.7 | 634 | 0.5 | 5,442 | 4.1 | 71,730 | 53.5 | 136 | 0.1 |
| 2011-12 | 35,304 | 22.8 | 690 | 0.4 | 6,981 | 4.5 | 84,261 | 54.5 | 122 | 0.1 |
| 2012-13 | 38,963 | 21.8 | 694 | 0.4 | 8,242 | 4.6 | 99,708 | 55.7 | 134 | 0.1 |
| 2013-14 | 42,545 | 20.9 | 582 | 0.3 | 7,034 | 3.5 | 115,497 | 56.8 | 140 | 0.1 |
| 2014-15 | 45,914 | 20.1 | 694 | 0.3 | 10,301 | 4.5 | 131,851 | 57.8 | 163 | 0.1 |
| 2015-16 | 47,977 | 19.4 | 668 | 0.3 | 11,269 | 4.6 | 145,760 | 58.9 | 192 | 0.1 |
| 2016-17 | 51,270 | 18.8 | 757 | 0.3 | 12,637 | 4.6 | 163,560 | 59.9 | 191 | 0.1 |
| 2017-18 | 52,674 | 17.8 | 926 | 0.3 | 13,249 | 4.5 | 176,905 | 59.7 | 206 | 0.1 |
| 2018-19 | 56,994 | 18.0 | 871 | 0.3 | 14,412 | 4.5 | 194,819 | 61.5 | 249 | 0.1 |
| 10-year |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| change | 28,506 | 100.1 | 571 | 190.3 | n/a | n/a | 142,106 | 269.6 | n/a | n/a |


|  | White |  |  | Multiracial |  |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Year | Number | Percent |  | Number | Percent |
| $2008-09$ | 17,970 | 17.5 |  | $\mathrm{n} / \mathrm{a}$ | $\mathrm{n} / \mathrm{a}$ |
| $2009-10$ | 22,200 | 18.6 |  | 1,065 | 0.9 |
| $2010-11$ | 22,923 | 17.1 |  | 1,472 | 1.1 |
| $2011-12$ | 25,246 | 16.3 |  | 1,980 | 1.3 |
| $2012-13$ | 28,907 | 16.1 |  | 2,472 | 1.4 |
| $2013-14$ | 34,493 | 17.0 |  | 2,999 | 1.5 |
| $2014-15$ | 35,635 | 15.6 |  | 3,595 | 1.6 |
| $2015-16$ | 37,505 | 15.2 |  | 4,018 | 1.6 |
| $2016-17$ | 39,726 | 14.6 |  | 4,694 | 1.7 |
| $2017-18$ | 46,726 | 15.8 |  | 5,637 | 1.9 |
| $2018-19$ | 43,404 | 13.7 |  | 6,120 | 1.9 |

10-year

| change | 25,434 | 141.5 | $n / a$ | $n / a$ |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |

Note. Parts may not add to 100 percent because of rounding. aNot available.

## Enrollment in Open-Enrollment Charter Schools by Economically Disadvantaged Status

- The number of students identified as economically disadvantaged in open-enrollment charter schools increased by 21,518 students, or 2.4 percentage points, to 69.9 percent between the 2017-18 and 2018-19 school years (Figure 16 and Table 25).

Figure 16
Enrollment of Economically Disadvantaged Students, Texas Open-Enrollment Charter Schools, 2008-09 Through 2018-19


Table 25
Enrollment of Economically Disadvantaged Students, Texas Open-Enrollment Charter Schools, 2008-09 Through 2018-19

| Year | Number | Percent | Year | Number | Percent |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | :--- | ---: | ---: |
| $2008-09$ | 71,479 | 69.5 | $2015-16$ | 170,855 | 69.1 |
| $2009-10$ | 84,311 | 70.5 | $2016-17$ | 187,086 | 68.6 |
| $2010-11$ | 94,723 | 70.6 | $2017-18$ | 200,016 | 67.5 |
| $2011-12$ | 110,259 | 71.3 | $2018-19$ | 221,534 | 69.9 |
| $2012-13$ | 125,384 | 70.0 |  |  |  |
| $2013-14$ | 142,680 | 70.2 | $10-$-year change | 150,055 | 209.9 |
| $2014-15$ | 157,642 | 69.1 |  |  |  |

## Enrollment in Open-Enrollment Charter Schools by Grade

- In 2018-19, Grade 6 had the highest enrollment in open-enrollment charter schools, at 29,336 students, followed by kindergarten, at 25,896 students (Figure 17 and Table 26).
- Across Grades K-12 in 2018-19, the percentages of total enrollment in open-enrollment charter schools accounted for by grade ranged from a low of 4.6 percent in Grade 12 to a high of 9.3 percent in Grade 6 (Table 26).
- Between 2017-18 and 2018-19, enrollment in open-enrollment charter schools increased at every grade level except early education.

Figure 17
Enrollment by Grade, Texas Open-Enrollment Charter Schools, 2017-18 and 2018-19


Note. EE=Early education. PK=Prekindergarten.

Table 26
Enrollment by Grade, Texas Open-Enrollment Charter Schools, 2017-18 and 2018-19

| Grade | 2017-18 |  | 2018-19 |  | Grade | 2017-18 |  | 2018-19 |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Number | Percent | Number | Percent |  | Number | Percent | Number | Percent |
| Early education | 10 | <0.1 | 9 | <0.1 | 6 | 26,496 | 8.9 | 29,336 | 9.3 |
| Prekindergarten | 15,848 | 5.3 | 18,605 | 5.9 | 7 | 24,723 | 8.3 | 25,800 | 8.1 |
| Kindergarten | 23,748 | 8.0 | 25,896 | 8.2 | 8 | 22,754 | 7.7 | 23,943 | 7.6 |
| 1 | 23,712 | 8.0 | 25,835 | 8.2 | 9 | 21,536 | 7.3 | 21,886 | 6.9 |
| 2 | 23,075 | 7.8 | 24,998 | 7.9 | 10 | 18,527 | 6.3 | 18,910 | 6.0 |
| 3 | 22,965 | 7.7 | 23,831 | 7.5 | 11 | 16,390 | 5.5 | 16,543 | 5.2 |
| 4 | 21,594 | 7.3 | 23,533 | 7.4 | 12 | 13,349 | 4.5 | 14,559 | 4.6 |
| 5 | 21,596 | 7.3 | 23,185 | 7.3 |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  | All grades | 296,323 | 100 | 316,869 | 100 |

Note. Parts may not add to 100 percent because of rounding.

## Enrollment in Open-Enrollment Charter Schools for Instructional Programs and Special Populations

- In the 2018-19 school year, 51.0 percent of students in open-enrollment charter schools were identified as at risk of dropping out of school, a decrease of 0.1 percentage points from the previous year (Table 27 on page 54).
- Between 2017-18 and 2018-19, the number of open-enrollment charter school students identified as homeless decreased by 26.0 percent, or by 1,054 students. In 2017-18, the number of homeless students rose substantially, as over 1,600 of the students identified as homeless were affected by hurricanes that year. In 2018-19, 0.9 percent of students were identified as homeless, a 0.1 percentagepoint difference from the proportion of homeless students reported in 2016-17.
- Between 2017-18 and 2018-19, the number of open-enrollment charter school students identified as English learners (ELs) increased by 11,365, or 15.4 percent. In the 2018-19 school year, 26.8 percent of students were identified as ELs, compared to 24.8 percent in 2017-18.
- The number of open-enrollment charter school students participating in Title I programs increased by 22,448 students, or 9.3 percent, between 2017-18 and 2018-19 (Figure 18 on this page and Table 27 on page 54 ).
- The percentage of students served in special education programs in open-enrollment charter schools increased from 6.9 percent in 2017-18 to 7.1 percent in 2018-19.

Figure 18
Enrollment in Instructional Programs, Texas Open-Enrollment Charter Schools, 2008-09 Through 2018-19


Note. Students may be counted in more than one category. Career and technical data reflect the percentages of students in Grades 9-12 only who are participating in career and technical education programs. Students taking career and technical education courses in Grades $6-8$ or as electives are excluded. ESL=English as a second language.

Table 27
Enrollment for Instructional Programs and Special Populations, Texas Open-Enrollment Charter Schools, 2008-09 Through 2018-19

| Year | At-risk |  | Bilingual/ESLa |  | Career and technical ${ }^{b}$ |  | Dyslexia |  | EL ${ }^{\text {c }}$ |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Number | Percent | Number | Percent | Number | Percent | Number | Percent | Number | Percent |
| 2008-09 | 54,120 | 52.6 | 14,557 | 14.1 | 1,681 | 5.6 | $n / \mathrm{a}^{\text {d }}$ | n/a | 15,054 | 14.6 |
| 2009-10 | 59,468 | 49.7 | 18,048 | 15.1 | 1,657 | 5.0 | n/a | n/a | 18,681 | 15.6 |
| 2010-11 | 68,708 | 51.2 | 21,018 | 15.7 | 1,528 | 4.3 | n/a | n/a | 21,884 | 16.3 |
| 2011-12 | 71,848 | 46.5 | 25,761 | 16.7 | 3,295 | 8.5 | n/a | n/a | 26,666 | 17.3 |
| 2012-13 | 80,209 | 44.8 | 32,268 | 18.0 | 4,619 | 10.7 | n/a | n/a | 33,365 | 18.6 |
| 2013-14 | 100,593 | 49.5 | 40,096 | 19.7 | 5,679 | 11.8 | 1,683 | 0.8 | 41,299 | 20.3 |
| 2014-15 | 115,823 | 50.8 | 48,197 | 21.1 | 7,189 | 13.5 | 2,273 | 1.0 | 49,388 | 21.6 |
| 2015-16 | 124,546 | 50.3 | 56,116 | 22.7 | 8,855 | 15.2 | 2,885 | 1.2 | 57,018 | 23.0 |
| 2016-17 | 142,904 | 52.4 | 65,155 | 23.9 | 14,387 | 22.3 | 3,188 | 1.2 | 66,152 | 24.2 |
| 2017-18 | 151,370 | 51.1 | 72,646 | 24.5 | 19,656 | 28.2 | 3,867 | 1.3 | 73,603 | 24.8 |
| 2018-19 | 161,550 | 51.0 | 91,927 | 29.0 | 19,998 | 27.8 | 5,363 | 1.7 | 84,968 | 26.8 |
| 10-year |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| change | 107,430 | 198.5 | 77,370 | 531.5 | 18,317 | 1089.6 | n/a | n/a | 69,914 | 464.4 |


| Year | Foster care |  | Gifted and talented |  | Homeless |  | Immigrant |  | Migrant |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Number | Percent | Number | Percent | Number | Percent | Number | Percent | Number | Percent |
| 2008-09 | n/a | n/a | 1,943 | 1.9 | n/a | n/a | 510 | 0.5 | 158 | 0.2 |
| 2009-10 | n/a | n/a | 2,198 | 1.8 | n/a | n/a | 782 | 0.7 | 150 | 0.1 |
| 2010-11 | n/a | n/a | 2,178 | 1.6 | n/a | n/a | 719 | 0.5 | 138 | 0.1 |
| 2011-12 | n/a | n/a | 2,399 | 1.6 | n/a | n/a | 677 | 0.4 | 134 | 0.1 |
| 2012-13 | n/a | n/a | 2,750 | 1.5 | n/a | n/a | 994 | 0.6 | 143 | 0.1 |
| 2013-14 | 903 | 0.4 | 3,335 | 1.6 | 1,276 | 0.6 | 1,152 | 0.6 | 171 | 0.1 |
| 2014-15 | 991 | 0.4 | 4,342 | 1.9 | 1,439 | 0.6 | 1,033 | 0.5 | 212 | 0.1 |
| 2015-16 | 1,139 | 0.5 | 4,931 | 2.0 | 1,633 | 0.7 | 1,140 | 0.5 | 171 | 0.1 |
| 2016-17 | 1,228 | 0.5 | 6,678 | 2.4 | 2,218 | 0.8 | 1,507 | 0.6 | 175 | 0.1 |
| 2017-18 | 1,391 | 0.5 | 7,522 | 2.5 | 4,060 | 1.4 | 2,070 | 0.7 | 177 | 0.1 |
| 2018-19 | 1,443 | 0.5 | 8,294 | 2.6 | 3,006 | 0.9 | 2,062 | 0.7 | 223 | 0.1 |
| 10-year |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| change | n/a | n/a | 6,351 | 326.9 | n/a | n/a | 1,552 | 304.3 | 65 | 41.1 |

Note. Students may be counted in more than one category.
 tion programs. Students taking career and technical education courses in Grades 6-8 or as electives are excluded. ${ }^{\circ}$ English learner. dNot available.
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Table 27 (continued)
Enrollment for Instructional Programs and Special Populations, Texas Open-Enrollment Charter Schools, 2008-09 Through 2018-19

| Year | Militaryconnected |  | Section 504 |  | Special education |  | Title I |  | State |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Number | Percent | Number | Percent | Number | Percent | Number | Percent | Number | Percent |
| 2008-09 | $\mathrm{n} / \mathrm{a}^{\text {d }}$ | n/a | n/a | n/a | 8,590 | 8.3 | 83,281 | 80.9 | 102,903 | 100 |
| 2009-10 | n/a | n/a | n/a | n/a | 9,270 | 7.7 | 96,876 | 81.0 | 119,642 | 100 |
| 2010-11 | n/a | n/a | n/a | n/a | 9,694 | 7.2 | 110,600 | 82.5 | 134,076 | 100 |
| 2011-12 | n/a | n/a | n/a | n/a | 10,718 | 6.9 | 129,551 | 83.8 | 154,584 | 100 |
| 2012-13 | n/a | n/a | n/a | n/a | 11,767 | 6.6 | 148,826 | 83.1 | 179,120 | 100 |
| 2013-14 | 945 | 0.5 | n/a | n/a | 13,671 | 6.7 | 168,112 | 82.7 | 203,290 | 100 |
| 2014-15 | 1,199 | 0.5 | n/a | n/a | 14,799 | 6.5 | 192,330 | 84.3 | 228,153 | 100 |
| 2015-16 | 1,373 | 0.6 | n/a | n/a | 16,179 | 6.5 | 199,458 | 80.6 | 247,389 | 100 |
| 2016-17 | 1,791 | 0.7 | n/a | n/a | 18,255 | 6.7 | 224,279 | 82.2 | 272,835 | 100 |
| 2017-18 | 2,065 | 0.7 | n/a | n/a | 20,304 | 6.9 | 241,826 | 81.6 | 296,323 | 100 |
| 2018-19 | 2,063 | 0.7 | 12,371 | 3.9 | 22,630 | 7.1 | 264,274 | 83.4 | 316,869 | 100 |
| 10-year change | n/a | n/a | n/a | n/a | 14,040 | 163.4 | 180,993 | 217.3 | 213,966 | 207.9 |

Note. Students may be counted in more than one category.
${ }^{a}$ English as a second language. ${ }^{6}$ Data reflect the numbers and percentages of students in Grades 9-12 only who are participating in career and technical education programs. Students taking career and technical education courses in Grades 6-8 or as electives are excluded. cEnglish learner. dNot available.

## National Enrollment Trends

## Reporting of National Enrollment Trends

Using enrollment data drawn from the Digest of Education Statistics, published by the National Center for Education Statistics (NCES), this section of the report compares population and enrollment numbers for Texas, other states, and the nation as a whole. Reporting the most current national data available, the section highlights population characteristics and program participation, as well as changes in these populations over many years.

The NCES has different data processing and reporting requirements than the Texas Education Agency (TEA). As a result, the data reported using NCES figures do not match TEA results in prior sections of this report. In addition, TEA releases some data sooner than NCES; consequently, school years reported in this section do not correspond to school years reported in prior sections. Finally, states may have different criteria for determining student eligibility for certain programs, which can influence enrollment numbers. These factors should be taken into consideration when making direct comparisons across states.

## Population Trends

According to national figures, Texas ranked second, behind California, in overall population as well as school-age population (children ages 5-17) in 2016 (NCES, 2019a). Between 2000 and 2016, the rate of growth in the overall population in Texas was more than twice the rate in the United States as a whole. Over the same period, the rate of growth in the school-age population in Texas was more than 20 times the rate in the United States. The estimated overall population rose to 27.9 million in Texas and to 323.1 million in the United States, increases of 33.0 percent and 14.5 percent, respectively. The estimated school-age population increased to 5.3 million in Texas and to 53.7 million in the United States, increases of 23.3 percent and 1.0 percent, respectively.

## Enrollment Trends

National figures indicate that Texas, with more than 5.3 million students, ranked second, behind California, with 6.3 million students, in public school enrollment in 2015 (NCES, 2019b). Of the four most populous states in the country, Texas had the largest percentage increase in public school enrollment between 2005 and 2015 (17.1\%), followed by Florida (4.4\%) (Table 28). Public school enrollment in New York and California decreased by 3.7 and 2.0 percent, respectively. Across all 50 states and the District of Columbia, Texas had the second-highest percentage increase in public school enrollment over the 10-year period, behind Utah ( $27.4 \%$ ) (NCES, 2019b). Nationwide, public school enrollment increased at a rate of 2.7 percent, less than one-sixth the rate in Texas.

## Enrollment by Race/Ethnicity

In fall of 2016, according to national figures, Texas public school enrollment was 12.6 percent African American, 52.4 percent Hispanic, and 28.1 percent White (Table 29 on page 58). By comparison, overall U.S. public school enrollment was 15.3 percent African American, 26.4 percent Hispanic, and 48.2 percent White.

Table 28
Public School Enrollment, Four Most Populous States and the United States, Fall 2005 and Fall 2015

| Year | California | Florida | New York | Texas | United <br> States |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Fall 2005 | $6,437,202$ | $2,675,024$ | $2,815,581$ | $4,525,394$ | $49,113,298$ |
| Fall 2015 | $6,305,347$ | $2,792,234$ | $2,711,626$ | $5,301,477$ | $50,438,043$ |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 10-year change: |  |  |  |  |  |
| $\quad$ Number | $-131,855$ | 117,210 | $-103,955$ | 776,083 | $1,324,745$ |
| $\quad$ Percent | -2.0 | 4.4 | -3.7 | 17.1 | 2.7 |

Source. National Center for Education Statistics (2019b).

Between 2006 and 2016, the percentage of public school enrollment accounted for by Hispanic students increased in every state in the United States and in the District of Columbia (NCES, 2009a, n.d.-a). In the four most populous states, the percentage-point increases in enrollment of Hispanic students were the largest for any racial/ethnic group (Table 29 on page 58). The proportion of public school enrollment accounted for by Hispanic students rose from 46.3 percent to 52.4 percent ( 6.1 percentage points) in Texas and from 20.5 percent to 26.4 percent ( 5.9 percentage points) nationwide. Across all 50 states and the District of Columbia, New Mexico had the highest proportion of Hispanic student enrollment (60.8\%) in 2016, followed by California ( $54.2 \%$ ) and Texas ( $52.4 \%$ ) (NCES, n.d.-a).

The percentage of public school enrollment accounted for by African American and White students decreased in each of the four most populous states, as well as in the United States as a whole, between 2006 and 2016 (Table 29 on page 58). The proportion of enrollment accounted for by African American students decreased from 14.4 percent to 12.6 percent ( 1.8 percentage points) in Texas and from 17.1 percent to 15.3 percent ( 1.8 percentage points) nationwide. The proportion of enrollment accounted for by White students decreased from 35.7 percent to 28.1 percent ( 7.6 percentage points) in Texas and from 56.5 percent to 48.2 percent ( 8.3 percentage points) nationwide.

## Enrollment of Students Identified as Economically Disadvantaged

Eligibility for the National School Lunch and Child Nutrition Program, which provides free and reduced-price meals to students from low-income families, is used as an indicator of student economic status. In 2005-06, across all 50 states and the District of Columbia, the percentages of students identified as eligible ranged from a low of 17.2 percent in New Hampshire to a high of 69.6 percent in Mississippi (NCES, 2010). National figures indicate that 48.2 percent of students in Texas were identified as eligible in 2005-06 (Table 30 on page 59).

In 2015-16, the percentages of students identified as eligible for free or reduced-price meals ranged from a low of 28.3 percent in New Hampshire to a high of 76.4 percent in the District of Columbia (NCES, 2019c). Three of the four most populous states-California, Florida, and Texas-had higher percentages of eligible students than the country as a whole (Table 30 on page 59). National figures indicate that 58.9 percent of students in Texas were eligible for the program, 6.8 percentage points higher than the national average of 52.1 percent. From 2005-06 to 2015-16, the percentages of students identified as eligible for free or reduced-price meals increased in California, Florida, New York, and Texas. Nationwide, only Alabama and Arizona had decreases in the percentages of eligible students between 2005-06 and 2015-16 (NCES, 2010, 2019c).

Table 29
Public School Enrollment (\%) by Race/Ethnicity, Four Most Populous States and the United States, Fall 2006 and Fall 2016

| Year | African <br> American | American <br> Indian | Hispanic | White |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| California |  |  |  |  |
| Fall 2006 | 7.8 | 0.8 | 49.5 | 30.2 |
| Fall 2016 | 5.6 | 0.5 | 54.2 | 23.6 |
| 10-year change |  |  |  |  |
| (percentage-point) | -2.2 | -0.3 | 4.7 | -6.6 |
| Florida |  |  |  |  |
| Fall 2006 | 23.9 | 0.3 | 25.0 | 48.4 |
| Fall 2016 | 22.3 | 0.3 | 32.4 | 38.7 |
| 10-year change |  |  |  |  |
| (percentage-point) | -1.6 | 0.0 | 7.4 | -9.7 |
| New York |  |  |  |  |
| Fall 2006 | 19.7 | 0.5 | 20.6 | 52.1 |
| Fall 2016 | 17.4 | 0.7 | 26.5 | 43.9 |
| 10-year change |  |  |  |  |
| (percentage-point) | -2.3 | 0.2 | 5.9 | -8.2 |
| Texas |  |  |  |  |
| Fall 2006 | 14.4 | 0.3 | 46.3 | 35.7 |
| Fall 2016 | 12.6 | 0.4 | 52.4 | 28.1 |
| 10-year change |  |  |  |  |
| (percentage-point) | -1.8 | 0.1 | 6.1 | -7.6 |
| United States |  |  |  |  |
| Fall 2006 | 17.1 | 1.2 | 20.5 | 56.5 |
| Fall 2016 | 15.3 | 1.0 | 26.4 | 48.2 |
| 10-year change |  |  |  |  |
| (percentage-point) | -1.8 | -0.2 | 5.9 | -8.3 |

Source. National Center for Education Statistics (2009a, n.d.-a).
Note. Parts do not add to 100 percent because of rounding and because all racial/ethnic groups are not presented.

Table 30
Public School Enrollment (\%) of Students Eligible for the National School Lunch and Child Nutrition Program, Four Most Populous States and the United States, 2005-06 and 2015-16

| Year | California | Florida | New York | Texas | United <br> States |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| 2005-06 | 48.5 | 45.8 | 44.8 | 48.2 | 42.0 |
| $2015-16$ | 58.9 | 58.8 | 49.5 | 58.9 | 52.1 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 10-year change <br> (percentage-point) | 10.4 | 13.0 | 4.7 | 10.7 | 10.1 |

Source. National Center for Education Statistics (NCES, 2010, 2019c).

## Enrollment of Students Participating in Special Education Programs

According to national figures, a higher percentage of public school students participated in special education programs in the United States as a whole (13.6\%) than in Texas (10.7\%) during the 2006-07 school year (Table 31). By 2015-16, participation in special education had decreased to 13.2 percent in the United States overall and to 8.7 percent in Texas. Of the four most populous states in the country, two, New York and California, had percentage-point increases in special education participation between 2006-07 and 2015-16 (2.3 and 1.0 percentage points, respectively). Nationwide in 2015-16, New York had the highest percentage of public school students participating in special education (18.4\%), followed by Maine and Pennsylvania ( $17.9 \%$ and $17.7 \%$, respectively), and Texas had the lowest percentage (8.7\%) (NCES, 2019d).

Table 31
Public School Enrollment (\%) of Students Participating in Special Education Programs, Four Most Populous States and the United States, 2006-07 and 2015-16

| Year | California | Florida | New York | Texas | United <br> States |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| $2006-07$ | 10.5 | 14.9 | 16.1 | 10.7 | 13.6 |
| $2015-16$ | 11.5 | 13.3 | 18.4 | 8.7 | 13.2 |
| 9-year change |  |  |  |  |  |
| (percentage-point) | 1.0 | -1.6 | 2.3 | -2.0 | -0.4 |

Source. National Center for Education Statistics (2009b, 2019d).

## Enrollment of Students Identified as English Learners

Students identified as English learners (ELs) are eligible to participate in bilingual or English as a second language programs. National figures indicate that the percentage of public school students who participated in programs for students identified as ELs in 2005 was higher in Texas (16.7\%) than in the United States overall ( $9.2 \%$ ) (Table 32 on page 60). In 2016, the percentage of students participating in

Table 32
Public School Enrollment (\%) of Students Participating in Programs for Students Identified as English Learners, Four Most Populous States and the United States Fall 2005 and Fall 2016

| Year | California | Florida | New York | Texas | United <br> States |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Fall 2005 | 25.2 | 8.7 | 6.7 | 16.7 | $9.2^{\text {a }}$ |
| Fall 2016 | 20.2 | 10.3 | 8.7 | 17.2 | 9.6 |

11-year change

| (percentage-point) | -5.0 | 1.6 | 2.0 | 0.5 | 0.4 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |

Source. National Center for Education Statistics (NCES, n.d.-b).
${ }^{\text {a }}$ Data were imputed by NCES for non-reporting states.
programs for students identified as ELs in Texas (17.2\%) remained higher than the national percentage ( $9.6 \%$ ). Across the four most populous states in the country, California had the highest percentages of public school students participating in programs for students identified as ELs in both 2005 (25.2\%) and 2016 (20.2\%), and New York had the smallest percentages in both 2005 (6.7\%) and 2016 (8.7\%). Nationwide in 2016, Texas had the second-highest rates of participation in EL programs (NCES, n.d.-b).

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