English Learners (ELs) Who Are American Indian and/or Alaska Native (AI/AN)

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<th>State</th>
<th>Percentage of AI/AN ELs in State</th>
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<tr>
<td>Montana</td>
<td>75.3%</td>
<td>3,304</td>
<td>2,488</td>
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<td>Alaska</td>
<td>50.0%</td>
<td>7,722</td>
<td>15,432</td>
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<td>North Dakota</td>
<td>30.3%</td>
<td>1,156</td>
<td>3,817</td>
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<td>New Mexico</td>
<td>16.9%</td>
<td>9,220</td>
<td>54,631</td>
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<td>South Dakota</td>
<td>15.8%</td>
<td>672</td>
<td>4,263</td>
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<td>Wyoming</td>
<td>9.8%</td>
<td>258</td>
<td>2,645</td>
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<td>Oklahoma</td>
<td>4.8%</td>
<td>2,171</td>
<td>44,792</td>
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<td>Arizona</td>
<td>3.1%</td>
<td>2,542</td>
<td>83,792</td>
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<td>Nebraska</td>
<td>2.7%</td>
<td>527</td>
<td>19,415</td>
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<td>Utah</td>
<td>2.4%</td>
<td>1,077</td>
<td>45,777</td>
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<td>Total in U.S.</td>
<td>1.0%</td>
<td>46,322</td>
<td>4,745,918</td>
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Source: U.S. Department of Education, Office for Civil Rights, Civil Rights Data Collection, SY 2011–12

**Fact**

In SY 2011–12, the total EL population in the U.S. included 1.0 percent AI/AN students.

Montana had the highest percentage of ELs who were AI/AN (71.8 percent), followed by Alaska, with 49 percent.

**Local Education Agencies With High Percentages of ELs Who Were AI/AN: SY 2011–12**

Source: U.S. Department of Education, Office for Civil Rights, Civil Rights Data Collection, SY 2011–12

**Fact**

In SY 2011–12, ELs who were AI/AN made up 100 percent of the EL population in 68 local education agencies.
Al/AN Languages Spoken by ELs as Reported by Seven States: SY 2013–14

- Navajo: 8,914
- Yupik: 6,629
- Inupiaq: 1,376
- Cherokee: 911
- Zuni: 497
- Siouan Languages: 368
- North American Indian: 91

Note: Alaska, Arizona, Montana, New Mexico, Oklahoma, South Dakota, and Utah reported Al/AN languages among the top five most commonly spoken languages for ELs, other than English. Montana reported “North American Indian” as one of the languages.

Source: EDFacts/Consolidated State Performance Report, SY 2013–14

National Assessment of Educational Progress* Proficiency Level Distributions for ELs Who Are Al/AN: 2011, 2013, and 2015

**Fourth-Grade Reading**
- 2011: Below Basic 87, At Basic 10, At Proficient 21, At Advanced 22
- 2013: Below Basic 82, At Basic 14, At Proficient 3, At Advanced 3
- 2015: Below Basic 75, At Basic 21, At Proficient 3, At Advanced 3

**Fourth-Grade Mathematics**
- 2011: Below Basic 67, At Basic 29, At Proficient 4
- 2013: Below Basic 67, At Basic 29, At Proficient 4
- 2015: Below Basic 54, At Basic 38, At Proficient 8

* Also known as the Nation’s Report Card, NAEP is the largest nationally representative assessment of what students know about mathematics, reading, science, writing, the arts, civics, economics, geography, U.S. history, and technology and engineering literacy.


Fact: In SY 2013–14, the seven Al/AN languages spoken by ELs, as reported by seven states, were Navajo, Yupik, Inupiaq, Cherokee, Zuni, Siouan languages, and North American Indian.

Fact: ELs who were Al/AN scored higher in fourth-grade reading and mathematics in 2015 than in 2011 on the NAEP assessments.