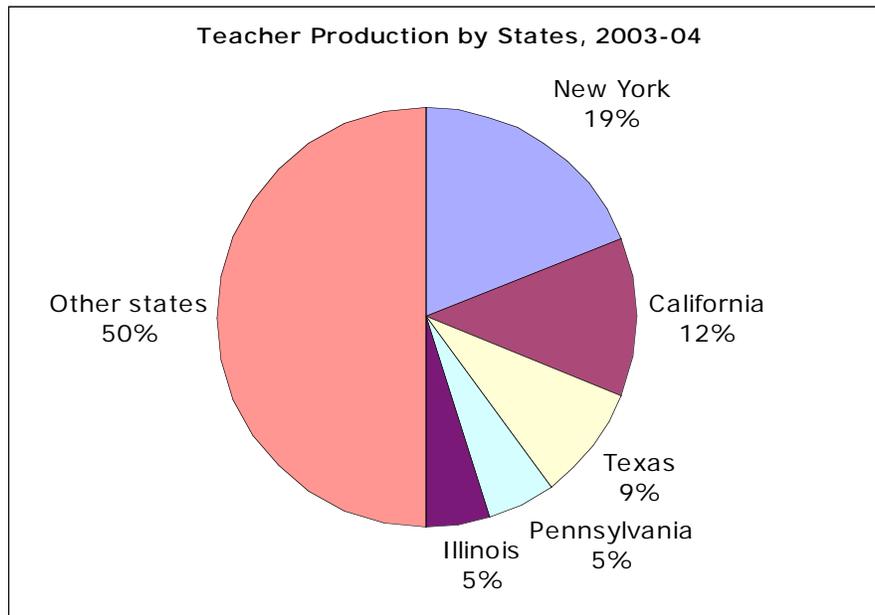




California ranks 2nd nationally in teacher production

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According to the most recent Secretary's annual report on Teacher Quality, in 2003-04 220,777 new teachers completed their teacher preparation programs across the nation. Five states – New York, California, Texas, Pennsylvania, and Illinois together contributed nearly half the teachers produced in 2003-04. The rest of the states accounted for the remaining 50 percent of the total teachers produced. California ranked second, after New York, with 12 percent of the total teachers produced.



Source: *The Secretary's Report on Teacher Quality, 2006*

In 2005-06, there were approximately 50 million students enrolled in public schools at the national level. California led the states in the highest K-12 enrollment with more than 6 million students enrolled, which accounted for 13 percent. Texas and New York followed with the next two highest enrollments (9.2 percent and 5.7 percent, respectively).

During the same school year, there were more than 3 million teachers in the nation's teacher workforce. The proportion of teacher workforce had similar pattern to K-12 enrollment: California led the states with the highest number of teachers: 309,128 or 9.9 percent; Texas with 302,425 or 9.6 percent, followed by New York at 218,989 or 7 percent of the total teacher workforce. Florida and Illinois ranked fourth and fifth, respectively in K-12 enrollment and teacher workforce. These five states together contributed to more than one-third of the total K-12 enrollment (37.7 percent) and teacher workforce (35.9 percent).

For more information on teacher quality at the national level, please refer to www.title2.ed.gov. For other national level data refer to www.nces.ed.gov