



## Bilingual Teachers Prepared in California by Language: 2009-10 to 2012-13

Bilingual Authorizations allow a credentialed teacher to provide primary language development, and content instruction delivered in the primary language to English Learner (EL) students in addition to English Language Development (ELD) and Specially Designed Academic Instruction Delivered in English (SDAIE). The history and context for bilingual teacher education in California is provided in the Handbook for Teacher Educators and Program Reviewers, Section II: Conceptual Framework for Preparing California's Bilingual Teachers, available at <http://www.ctc.ca.gov/educator-prep/standards/Bilingual-Authorization-Handbook.pdf>.

In 2009-10 more than 1,200 teachers earned a bilingual authorization. In 2012-13, the number of bilingual authorized teachers certified dropped to less than 900, a decline of 35 percent between 2009-10 and 2012-13. As is true of teacher certification in California, there has been a gradual decline of bilingual authorized teachers certified in the past four years.

In 2012-13, more than 800 new bilingual authorizations were issued in fifteen different languages. More than four-fifths (88 percent) of the total bilingual authorizations were issued in Spanish. Bilingual authorizations in Mandarin accounted for about 4.2 percent followed by Hmong (1.7 percent), Korean (1.2 percent), American Sign Language (1 percent) and Cantonese (1 percent). The following languages – Armenian, German, Japanese, French, Filipino, Vietnamese, Chinese, Portuguese, and Arabic - each accounted for less than a percent of the total bilingual authorizations issued in 2012-13.

Language	2009-10	2010-11	2011-12	2012-13	% of Bilingual authorizations issued in 2012-2013
Arabic	0	0	0	1	0.1%
Armenian	1	3	5	5	0.6%
American Sign Language	4	6	3	8	1.0%
Cantonese	18	14	16	8	1.0%
Chinese*	0	1	0	1	0.1%
Filipino	4	3	2	3	0.4%
French	1	1	0	4	0.5%
German	1	0	0	5	0.6%
Hmong	14	10	5	14	1.7%
Japanese	5	12	6	5	0.6%
Khmer	0	1	0	0	0.0%
Korean	27	14	15	10	1.2%
Mandarin	35	43	49	35	4.2%
Portuguese	0	1	0	1	0.1%
Punjabi	0	1	0	0	0.0%
Russian	1	1	0	0	0.0%
Spanish	1,151	964	833	732	87.8%
Vietnamese	11	2	3	2	0.2%
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>1,273</b>	<b>1,077</b>	<b>937</b>	<b>834</b>	<b>100.0%</b>

Data is derived from the total of issued BCLAD certificates, Single Subject, Multiple Subject and Education Specialist credentials with an initially issued or subsequently issued bilingual authorization, Educator Authorization documents with a bilingual authorization subsequently added for holders of Life teaching credentials.

Data represents bilingual authorizations issued based on completion of a Commission-approved program or passage of Commission-approved examinations for a bilingual authorization.

\*Chinese is no longer initially issued as a bilingual authorization. Candidates have the options of Cantonese and/or Mandarin.

Additional information on the requirements and options for attaining a Bilingual Authorization is available through the following link: <http://www.ctc.ca.gov/credentials/leaflets/cl628b.pdf>.