## English Learners Who Are Black

English learners (ELs) are a diverse student population. 223,893, or 4.2\%, of K-12 ELs in school year 2017-2018 identified as Black.


Percentage of English Learners Who Are Black 3.1\%

of Black male students are ELs

of Black female students are ELs
2.9\%

of all Black students are ELs

Top 10 Places of Birth and Languages of Black Youth Who Are Non-Native English Speakers*

| Country | Pct | Number | - |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Haiti | 17.0\% | 21,350 |  |  |  |
| Ethiopia | 8.2\% | 10,352 |  |  |  |
| Nigeria | 7.3\% | 9,218 | 促 | Pct | Number |
| Kenya | 6.7\% | 8,439 | Languag |  |  |
| Dominican Republic | 6.2\% | 7,778 | Spanish |  | 00 |
| Democratic Republic of Congo | 5.2\% | 6.468 | Haitian | 13.1\% | 28,449 |
| Somalia |  |  | French | 11.1\% | 24,028 |
| Somalia | 4.0\% | 5,073 | Swahili | 8.0\% | 17,474 |
| Sudan | 3.6\% | 4,525 | Somali | 5.8\% | 12,632 |
| Cameroon | 3.5\% | 4,416 | Amharic | 4.2\% | 9,085 |
| Tanzania | 3.1\% | 3,946 | Arabic | 2.8\% | 6,037 |
| Total foreign-born | 125,592 |  | Other languages of Africa | 2.8\% | 6,037 |
| *The American Community Survey reports on children who speak a language other than English at home and how well these children speak English. The students who are the subject of these graphs indicated that they speak another language at home and they do not speak English "very well." |  |  |  | 2.6\% | 5,564 |
|  |  |  | Yoruba | 2.1\% | 4,660 |
|  |  |  | Other Bantu languages | 2.1\% | 4,512 |
|  |  |  | Total home languages |  | 217,104 |

SOURCES: U.S. Department of Education, Office for Civil Rights, Civil Rights Data Collection, 2017-18. Released in September 2020. Retrieved from: https://www2.ed.gov/about/offices/list/ocr/data.html
U.S. Census Bureau, American Community Survey, (2019). Nativity by Language Spoken at Home by Ability to Speak English for the Population Five Years and Over. Retrieved 2/2/2021.

## Reading and Math Achievement of English Learners Who Are Black Compared With Other English Learners and Non-English Learners



> Among English learners, NAEP achievement level scores are similar across students who are Black and those who are not Black.

## Black students who are not English learners are more likely to be proficient than Black English learners.



## Ten Local Educational Agencies With the Highest Percentage of English Learners Who Are Black

The percentage of ELs who are Black range from $12.2 \%$ to almost $75 \%$ for the 10 local educational agencies (LEAs) with the highest share of ELs who are Black. Minnesota has three of the top 10 LEAs that report the highest percentage of ELs who are Black. Colorado and Massachusetts each have two.


St. Cloud Public School District
$\mathbf{5 2 . 2} \%$ of all Black students are English learners.
1,794 Total enrollment of English learners who are Black. 3,435 Total Black student enrollment. Minneapolis Public School District 34.7\% of all Black students are English learners.

4,504 Total enrollment of English learners who are Black.
12,994 Total Black student enrollment.
St. Paul Public School District
18.9\% of all Black students are English learners.

1,924 Total enrollment of English learners who are Black.
10,202 Total Black student enrollment.


Seattle Public Schools
$\mathbf{2 3 . 1} \%$ of all Black students are English learners.
1,938 Total enrollment of English learners who are Black.
8,394 Total Black student enrollment.


Brockton Public Schools
28.6\% of all Black students are English learners.

2,776 Total enrollment of English learners who are Black.
9,700 Total Black student enrollment.
Boston Public Schools
16.4\% of all Black students are English learners.

3,048 Total enrollment of English learners who are Black.
18,570 Total Black student enrollment.


Fairfax County Public Schools
12.2\% of all Black students are English learners.

2,298 Total enrollment of English learners who are Black.
18,869 Total Black student enrollment.

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Aurora Public Schools
20.1 \% of all Black students are English learners.

1,528 Total enrollment of English learners who are Black.
7,620 Total Black student enrollment.
Denver Public Schools
20.1\% of all Black students are English learners.

1,810 Total enrollment of English learners who are Black.
11,910 Total Black student enrollment.


## Lewiston Public Schools

73.9\% of all Black students are English learners.

1,420 Total enrollment of English learners who are Black.
1,921 Total Black student enrollment.

