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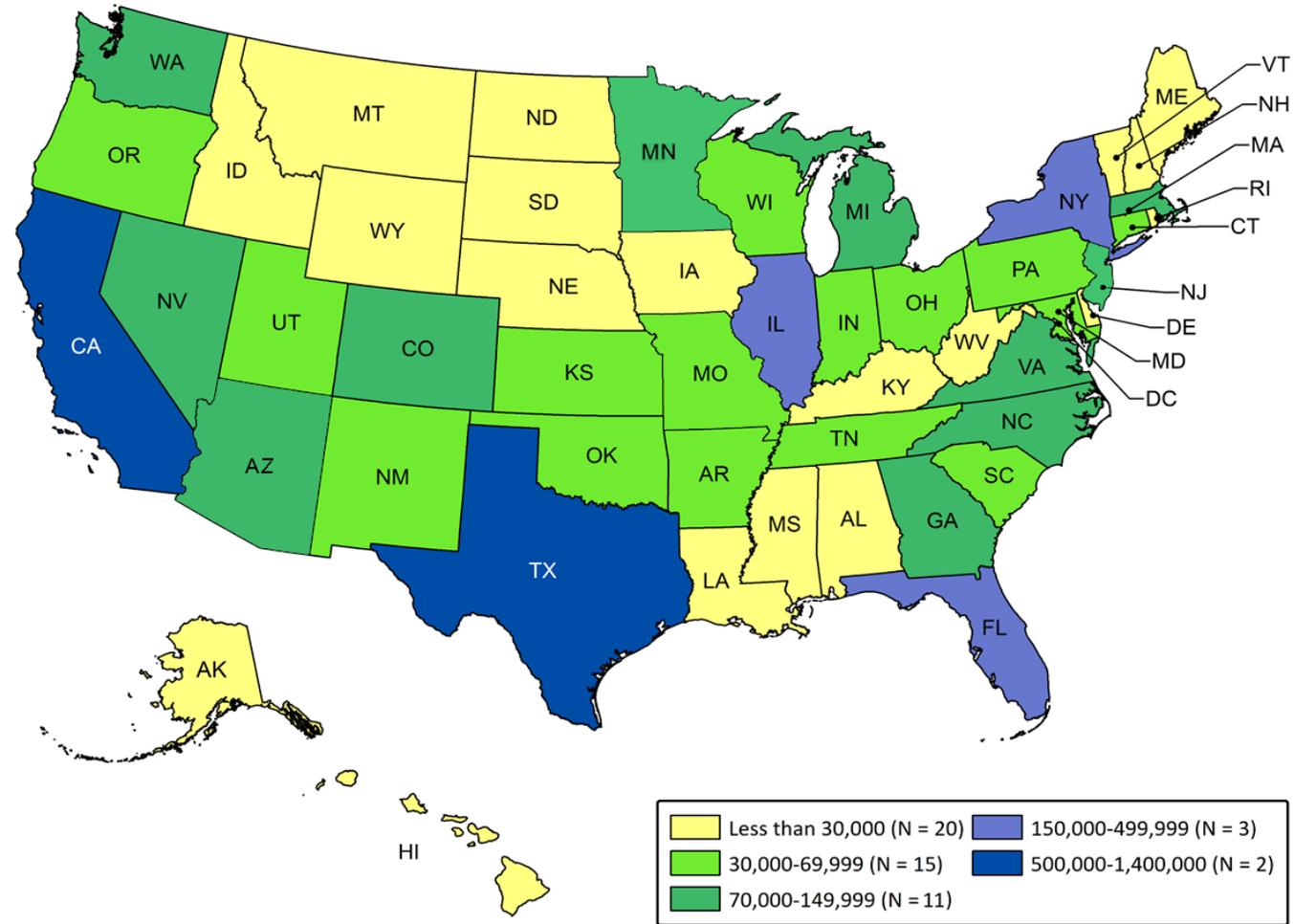
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EL DEMOGRAPHICS ACROSS THE UNITED STATES



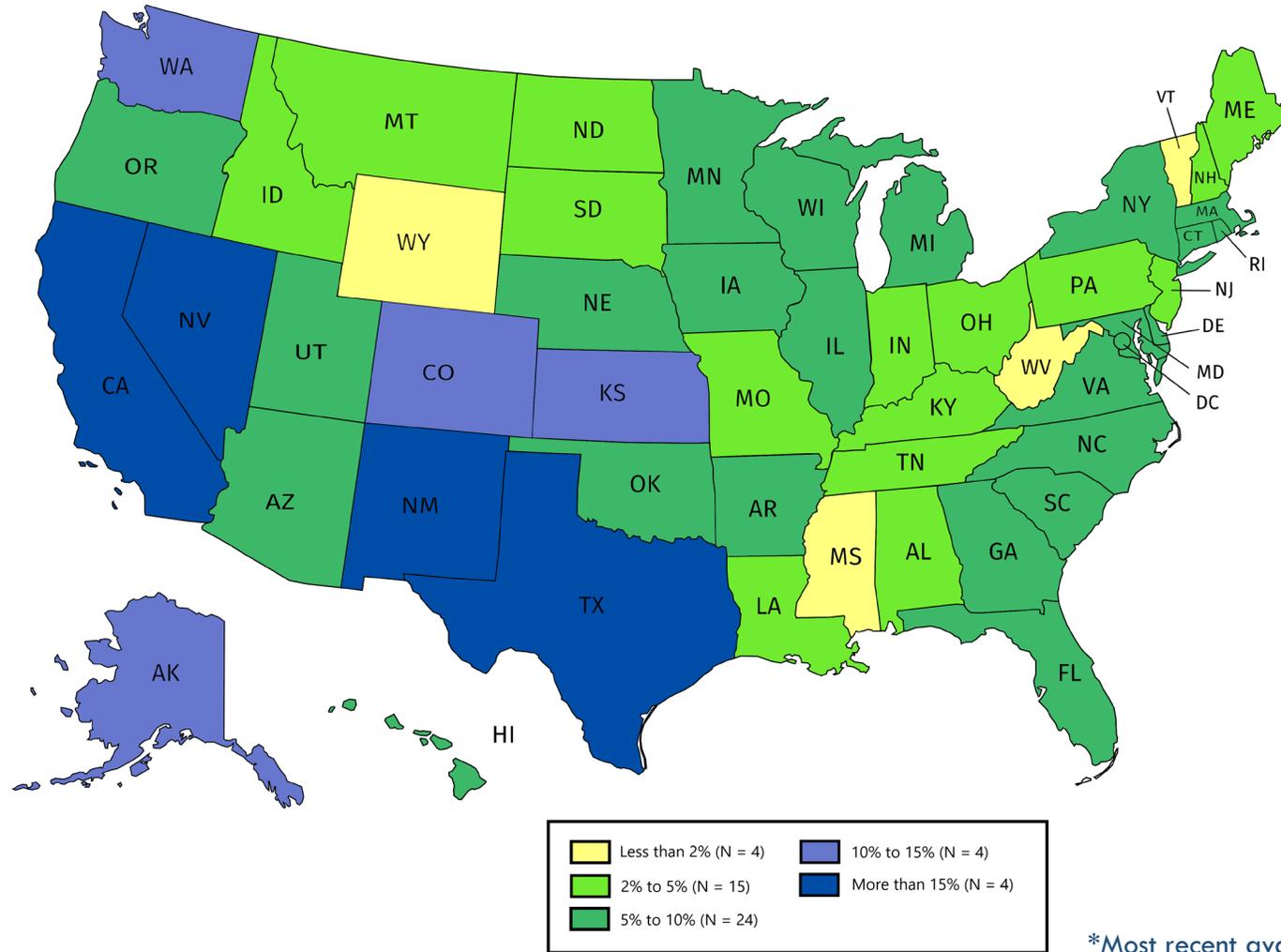
NUMBER OF ELs, BY STATE, INCLUDING D.C.: SY 2016-17



Source: EDFacts/Consolidated State Performance Report, 2016–17
<http://www2.ed.gov/admins/lead/account/consolidated/index.html> and
 U.S. Department of Education, ED Data Express, 2016-2017. “Total Number of English Learners.” Accessed 29 April, 2019.



PERCENTAGE OF TOTAL STUDENT POPULATION THAT ARE ELS, BY STATE: SY 2015-16*



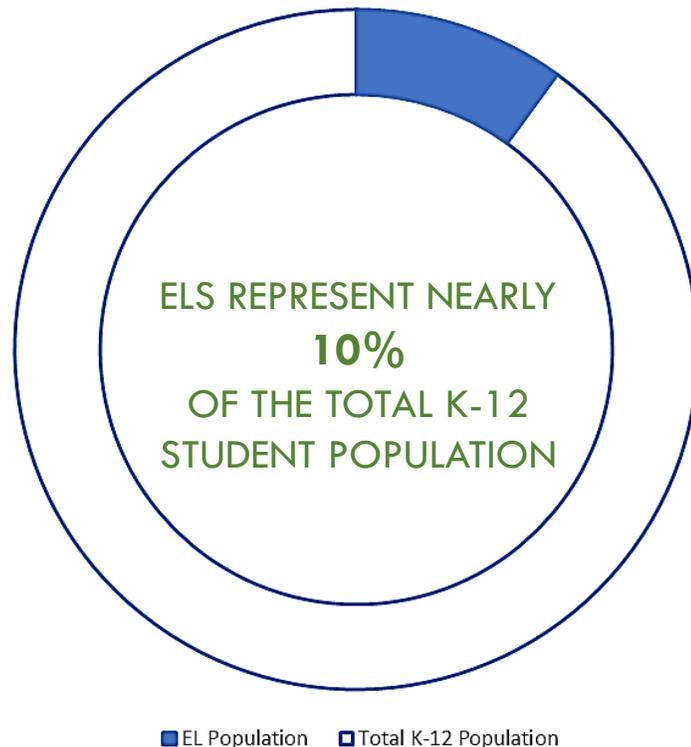
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PERCENTAGE OF STUDENTS WHO ARE ENGLISH LEARNERS: SY 2016-17

Nearly **4,900,000** ELs were enrolled in schools in 2016-17



Number and concentration of ELs in top 10 EL population districts

District Name	State	# of ELs	% ELs
1. Los Angeles Unified School District	CA	132,096	20.8%
2. Miami-Dade County Schools	FL	73,561	20.6%
3. Dallas Independent School District	TX	63,835	40.4%
4. Houston Independent School District	TX	61,671	28.5%
5. Chicago Public Schools	IL	60,255	15.9%
6. Clark County School District	NV	59,337	18.1%
7. Fairfax County Public Schools	VA	35,232	18.8%
8. Broward County Public Schools	FL	33,834	12.4%
9. Orange County Public Schools	FL	29,063	14.5%
10. Denver County School District 1	CO	26,791	29.4%

Source: U.S. Department of Education, National Center for Education Statistics, Common Core of Data (CCD), "Local Education Agency (School District) Universe Survey", 2016-17 v.1a.



MOST COMMON LANGUAGES SPOKEN BY ELs IN THE UNITED STATES



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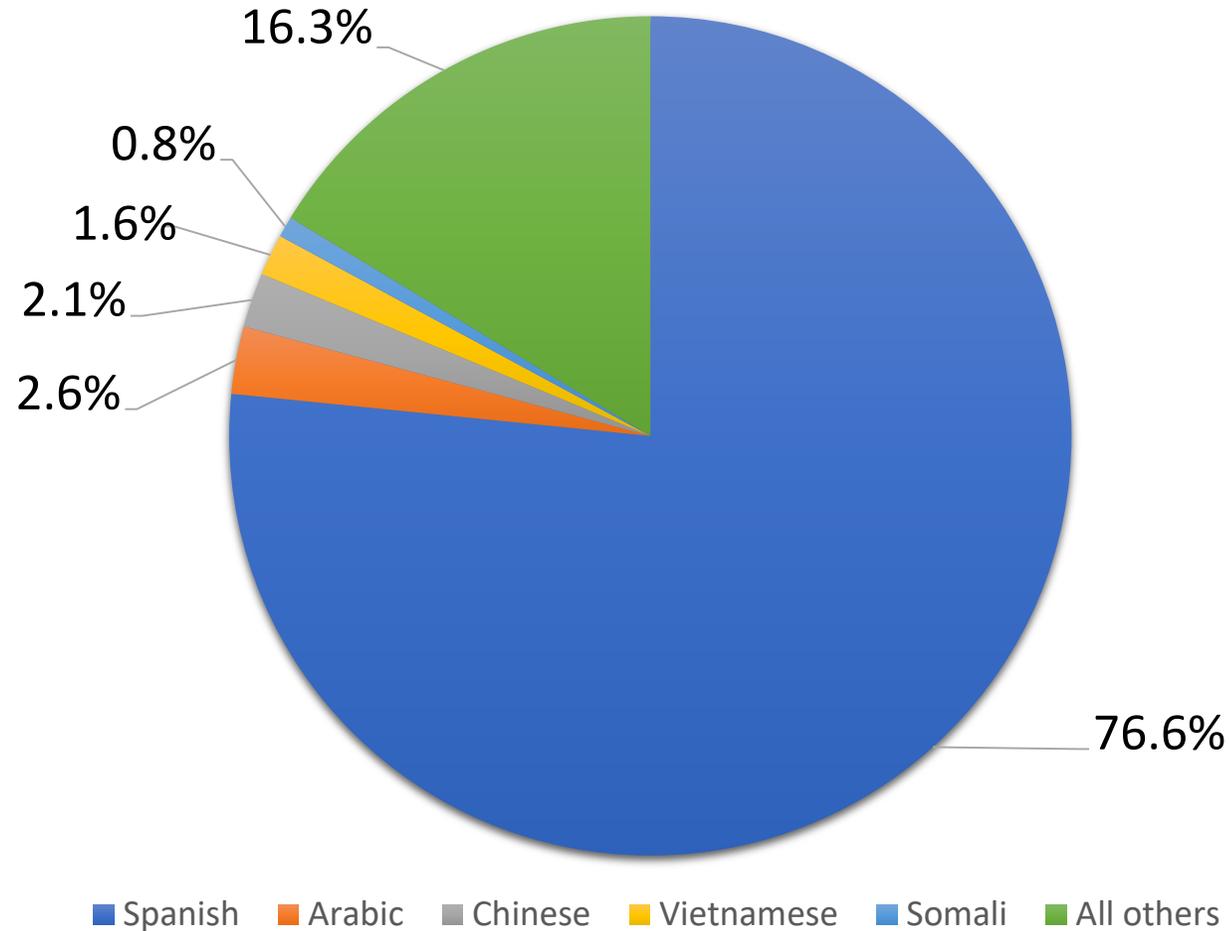


Language	SY 2015-16	SY 2016-17
Spanish	3,741,066	3,790,949
Arabic	114,371	129,386
Chinese	101,347	104,147
Vietnamese	81,157	78,732
Somali	36,028	38,440

Source: U.S. Department of Education, National Center for Education Statistics, EDFACTS file 141, Data Group 678, extracted October 18, 2018 from the EDFACTS Data Warehouse (internal U.S. Department of Education source), Table 204.27, "English language learner (ELL) students enrolled in public elementary and secondary schools, by home language, grade, and selected student characteristics: Selected years, 2008-09 through fall 2016."
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TOP 5 MOST COMMON LANGUAGES AS PORTION OF ALL ELS: SY 2016-17



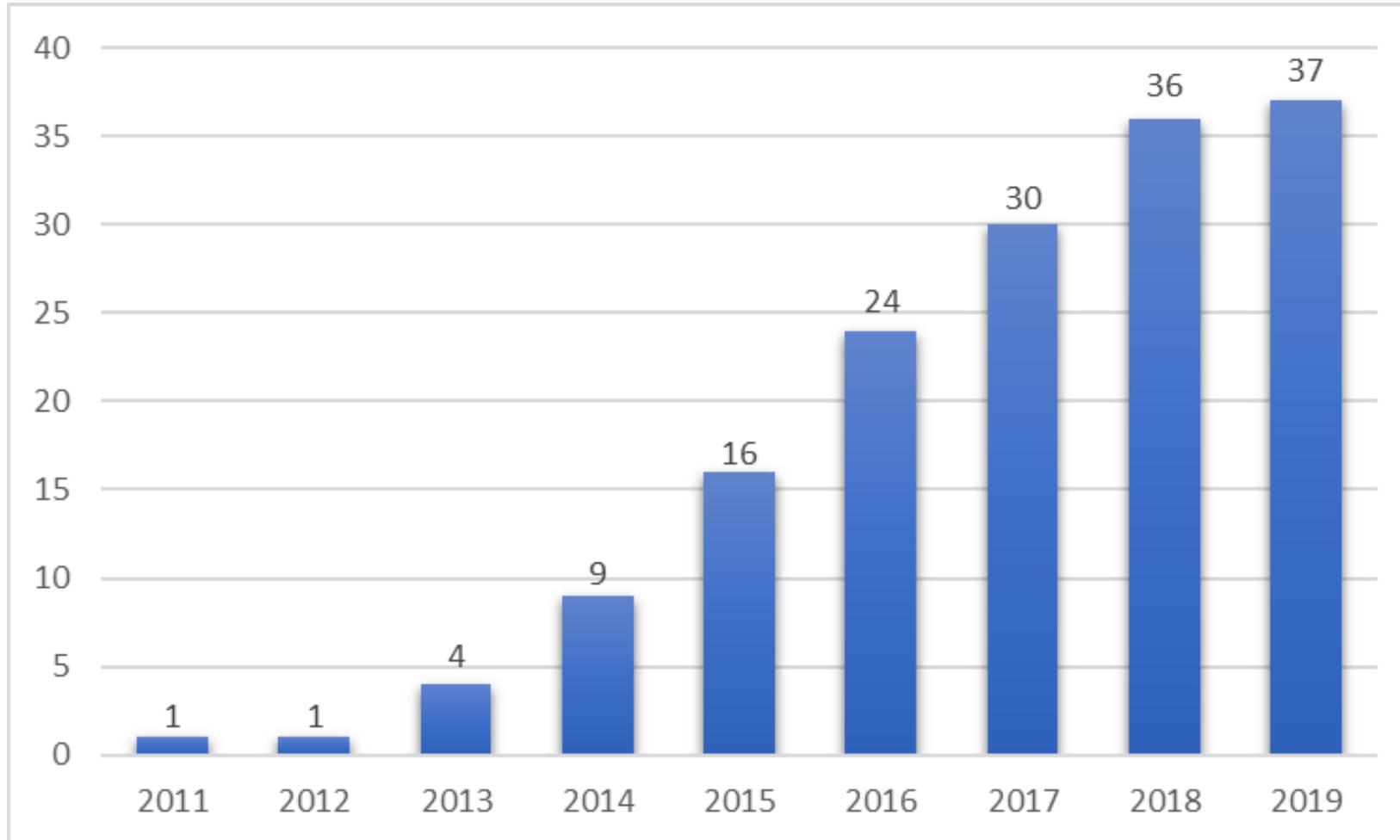
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SEAL OF BILITERACY



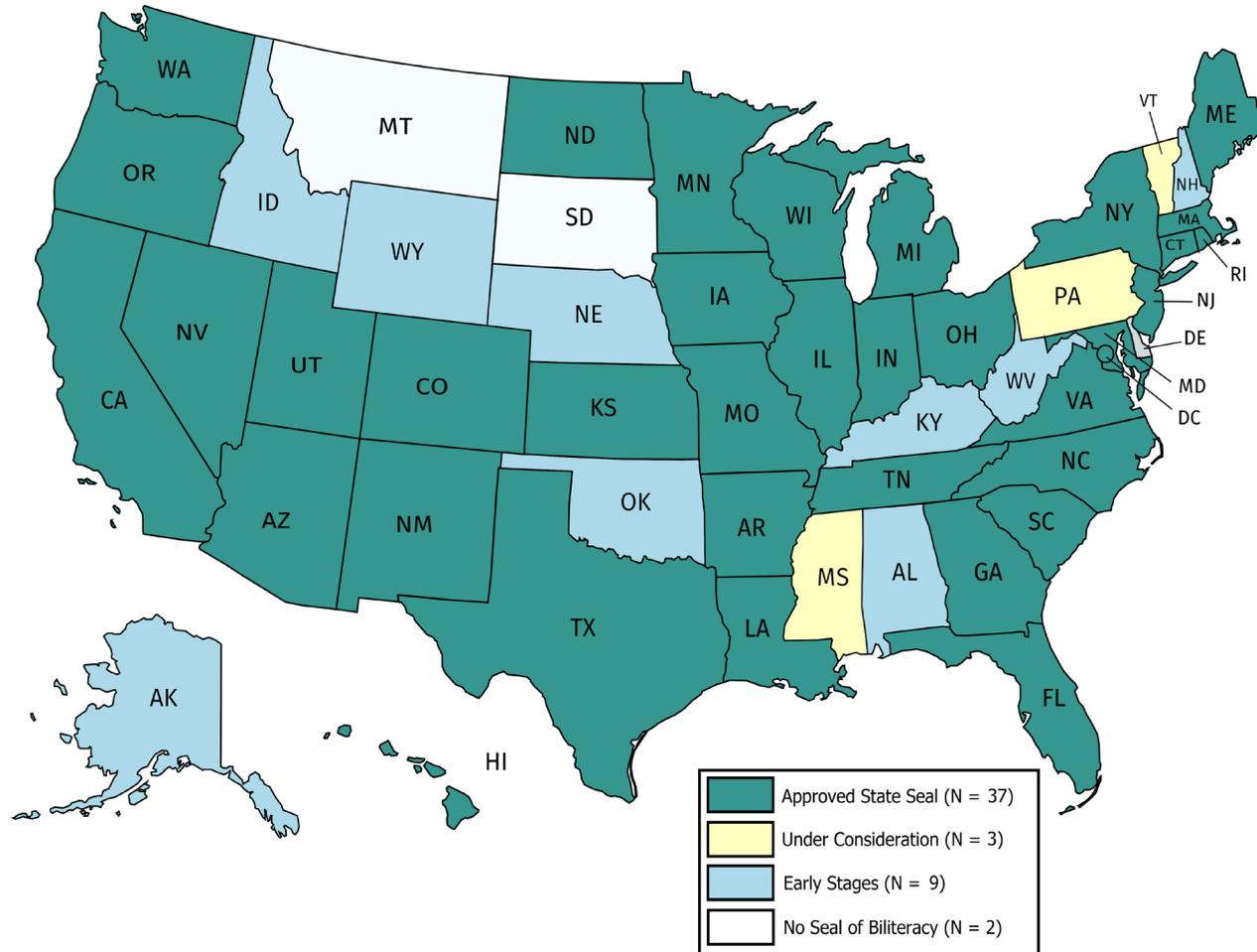
NUMBER OF STATES, INCLUDING D.C., WITH APPROVED SEAL OF BILITERACY: 2011-2019



Source: Seal of Biliteracy <http://sealofbiliteracy.org/>



STATES WITH SEAL OF BILITERACY, INCLUDING D.C.: 2011-2019



- **37 states**, including D.C., have approved/enacted the Seal of Biliteracy
- Legislators in VT are still considering to vote on Seal of Biliteracy bills
- **12 states** (ID, WY, NE, OK, AL, KY, WV, MS, PA, AK, VT and NH) have initiated the Seal of Biliteracy
- **2 states** (MT and ND) have not yet initiated the Seal of Biliteracy

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