Immigrant	Home Language Use and Bilingualism	Percentage of Immigrant
Generation Cohort	Characteristic	Population
1.5 Generation	• Foreign-born	23% of students classified as
	• Arrived in U.S. as preadolescents	English Language Learners
	• 94% speak a non-English	(ELL) are foreign born.
	language in the home	15% of ELL in K-5 and 38%
	• 51% balanced bilingual	in 6-12 are foreign born.
2.0 Generation	• U.S. born	77% of students classified as
	• Both parents foreign-born	ELL are U.S born.
	• 87% speak a non-English	85% in grades K-5 and 62% of
	language in the home	ELL in grades 6-12 are U.S.
	• 44% balanced bilingual	born.
2.5 Generation	• U.S. born	77% of ELL have one parent
	• One parent foreign-born	who is foreign born.
	• 58% speak a non-English	
	language in the home	
	• 89% preference for English	
	• 24% balanced bilingual	
Third Generation	Both parents U.S. born	18% of ELL in grades K-5 and
	• One or more grandparents foreign-	29% in grades 6-12 are third
	born	generation immigrants.
	• 22% speak a non-English in the	
	home	
	• 9% balanced bilingual	
Fourth Generation	No foreign-born grandparents	No statistics available
and later	• 10% speak a non-English	
	language in the home	
	• 4% balanced bilingual	

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Statistics extrapolated from the Migration Policy Institute, Batalova & Zong (2016) and Portes & Rumbaut (2014).