

Catalan Educational System and Linguistic Situation



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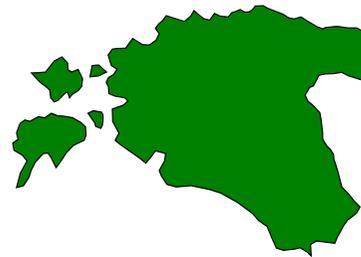
The area of Catalonia: 32.000 km²



DENMARK
43.000 km²



CATALONIA
32.000 km²



ESTONIA
45.000 km²



BELGIUM
31.000 km²



THE NETHERLANDS
41.000 km²

Catalan language in the European context

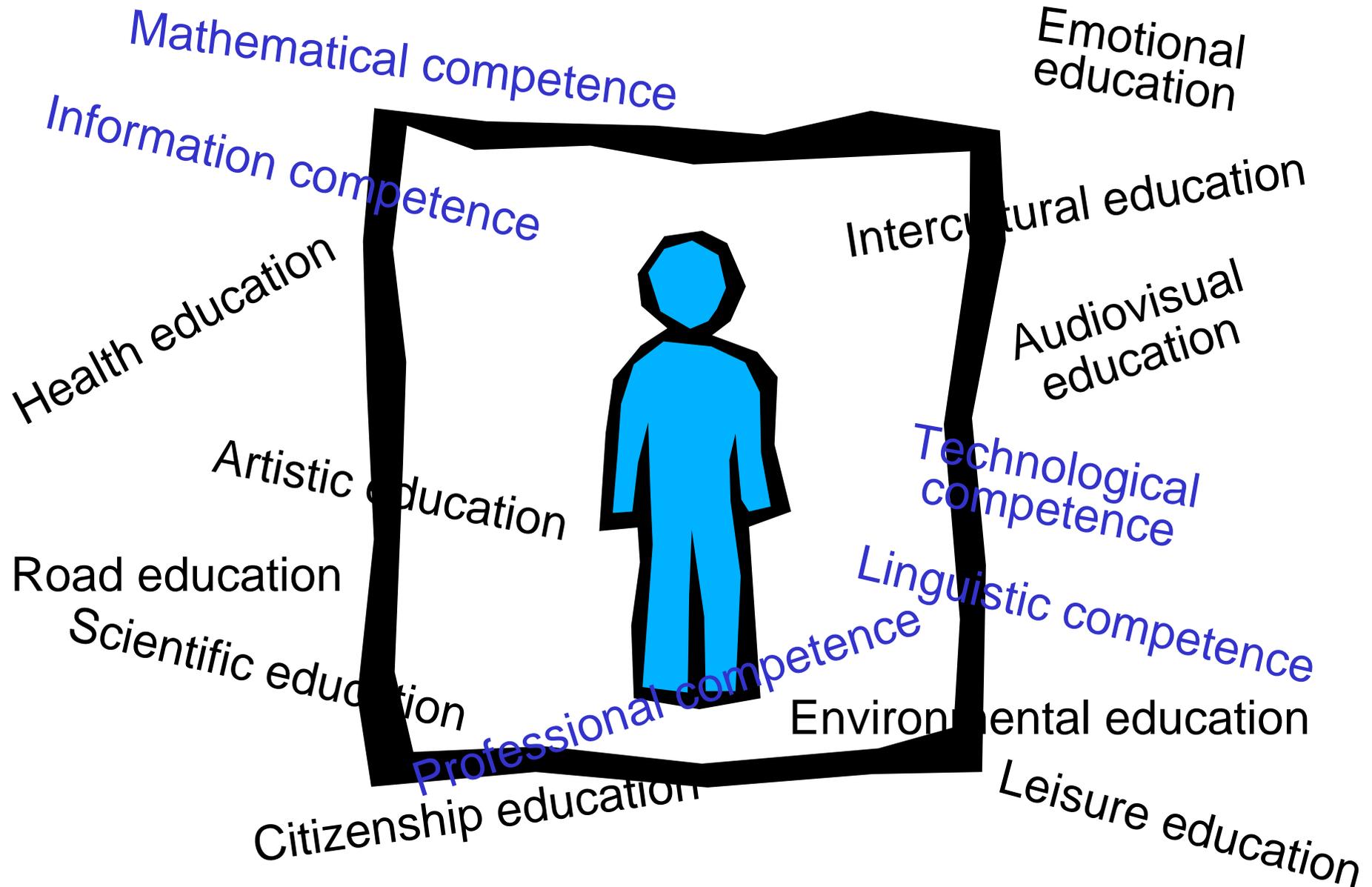
LANGUAGE	POPULATION	LANGUAGE	POPULATION
German	90.2 M		
French	62.7 M		
English	62.2 M		
Italian	57.4 M	Hungarian	10.5 M
Spanish	39.8 M	Czech	10.3 M
Polish	38.7 M	Bulgarian	8.3 M
Catalan	10.8 M	Slovakian	5.4 M
Greek	10.6 M	Lithuanian	3.7 M
Portuguese	9.8 M	Latvian	2.4 M
Swedish	9.3 M	Slovene	2.0 M
Danish	5.2 M	Estonian	1.4 M
Finnish	5.1 M	Maltese	0.4 M

Catalan language



- 10 milion speakers
- Identity vs. Globalization
- Bilingualism, Plurilingualism
- Intercultural dialogue

Language and Social Cohesion Plan



Language and Social Cohesion Plan

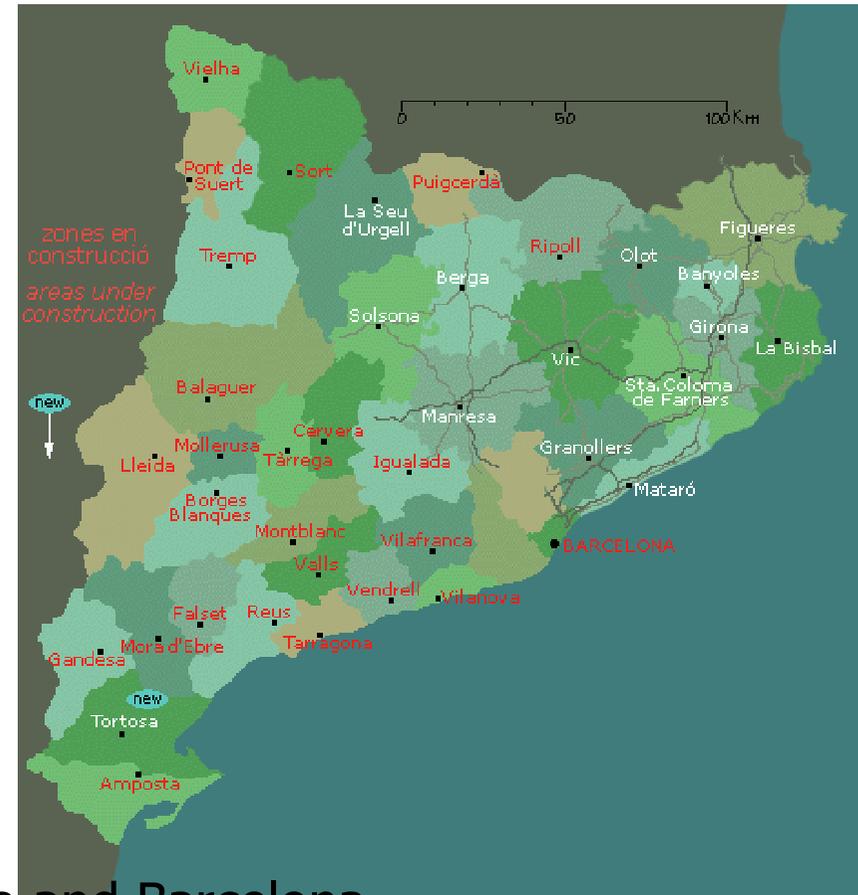
Types of schools:

- **State's schools (Public)**
- **Grant-aided private schools (Subvention)**
- **Independent private schools (Private)**

Administrative Framework

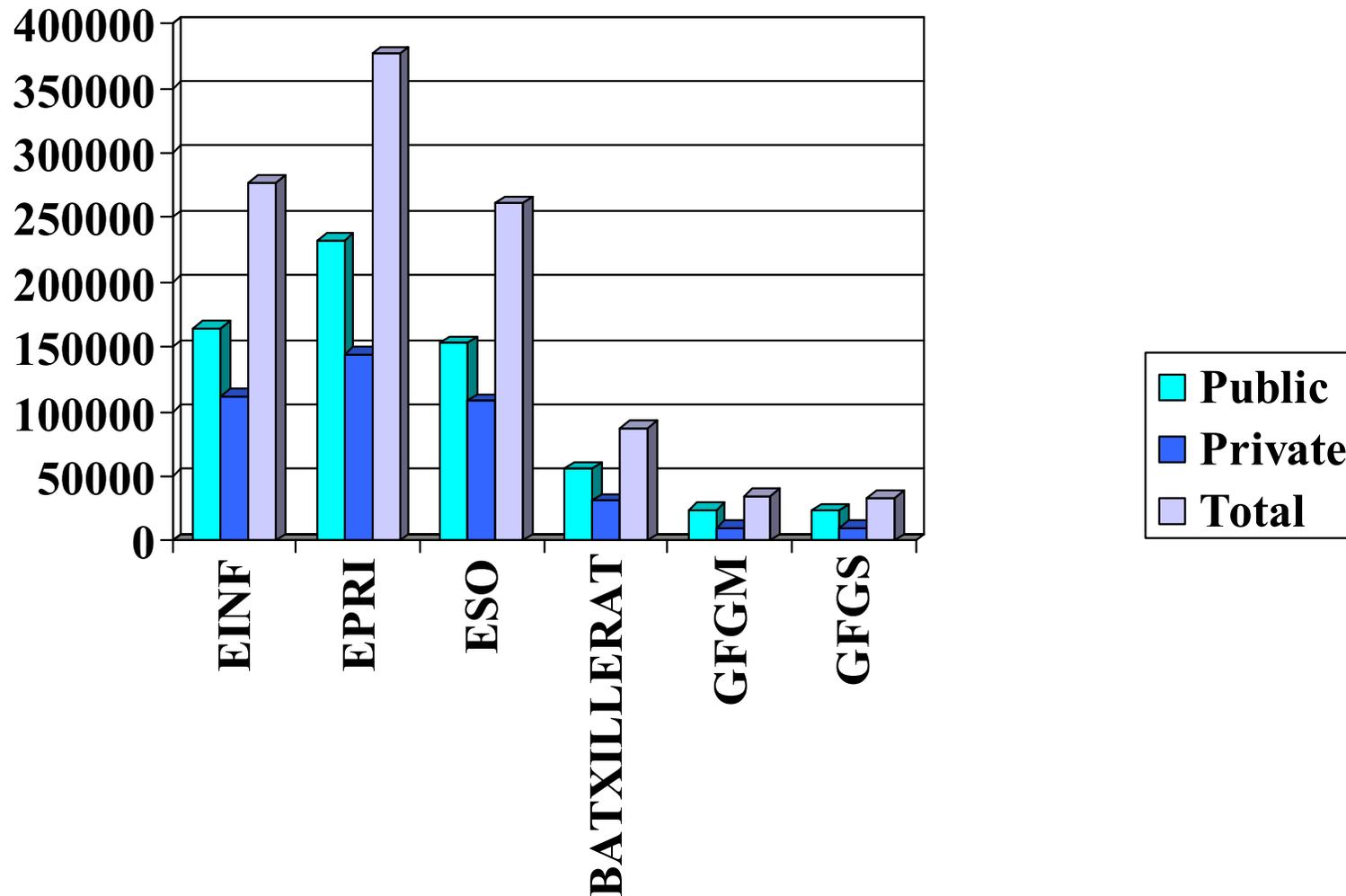


- **Population:**
7.134.206 inhabitants
- **15.96%** of the Spanish population
- **946** municipalities
- **41** *comarques* or regions
- **4 provinces:** Girona, Lleida, Tarragona and Barcelona



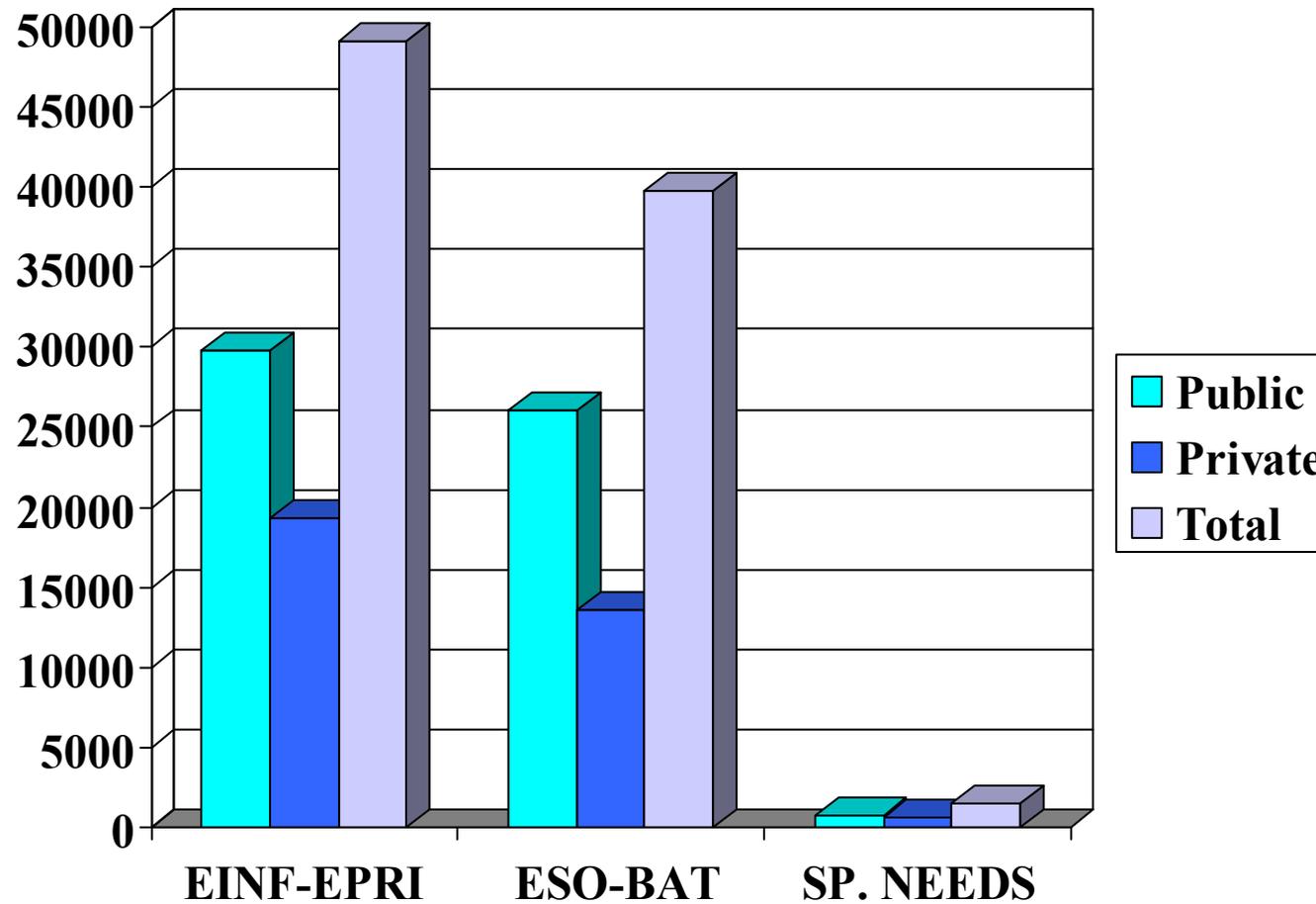
Number of pupils: 1.076.576

(2006)

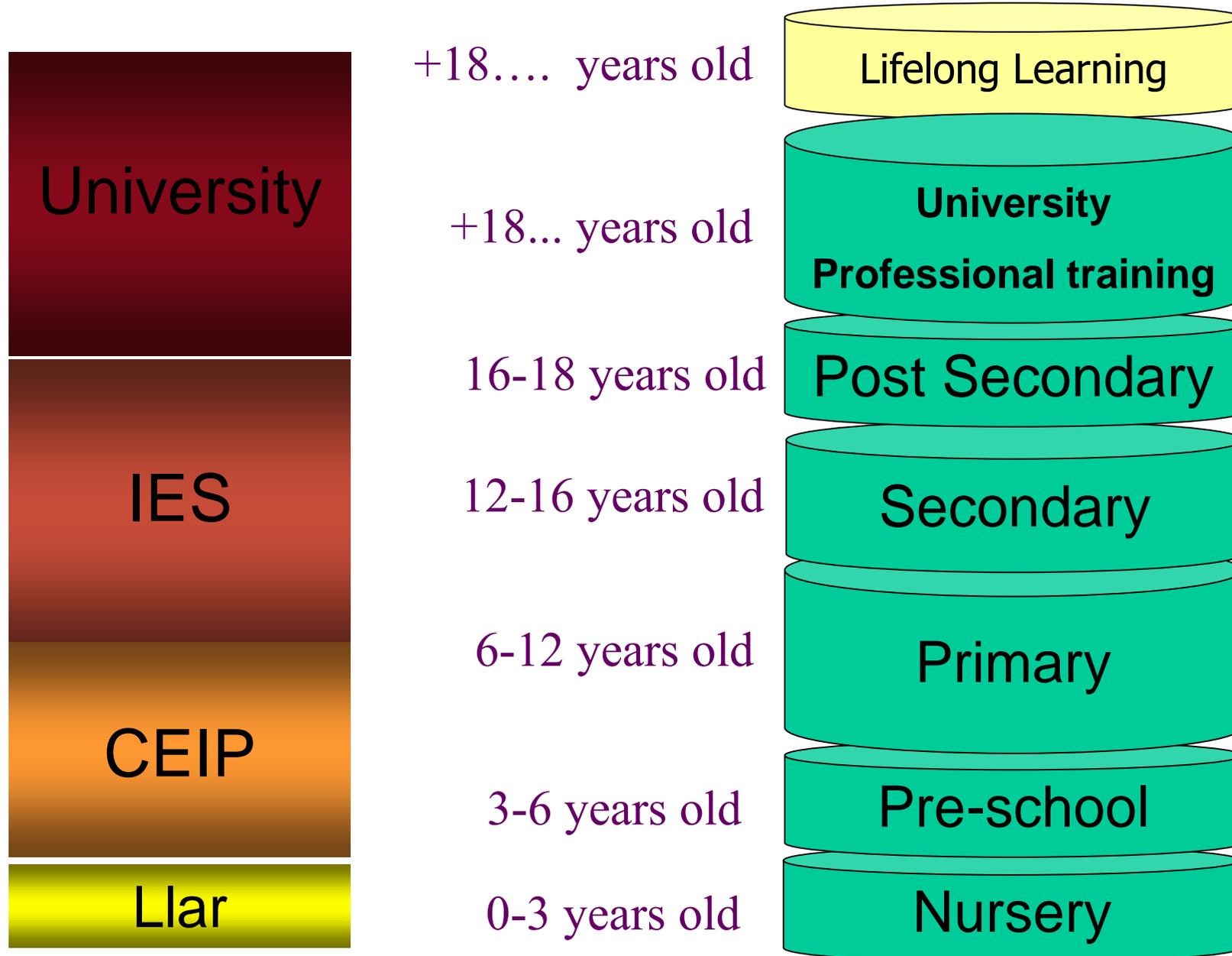


Number of Teachers: 90.373

(2006)



Educational Levels





emigration



immigration



The question of identity changes focus:
from *belonging* to *becoming*...



globalization

...open-minded, internationally oriented,
cosmopolitan, intercultural, creative and
innovative...

PAST: Immigration 1960's 1970's

Educational context: Postwar language policy at school Democracy

1983 & 1998
Lleis de Normalització
Lingüística
Llei de Política Lingüística

Bilingual
school



CATALAN

SPANISH

School subject
Latin Greek French

School subject
ENGLISH
FRENCH, GERM. ITAL.



SPANISH

CATALAN

Calo (Roman)

1979
Estatut
d'Autonomia

Bilingual society

1970's & 1980's: Debate on family language

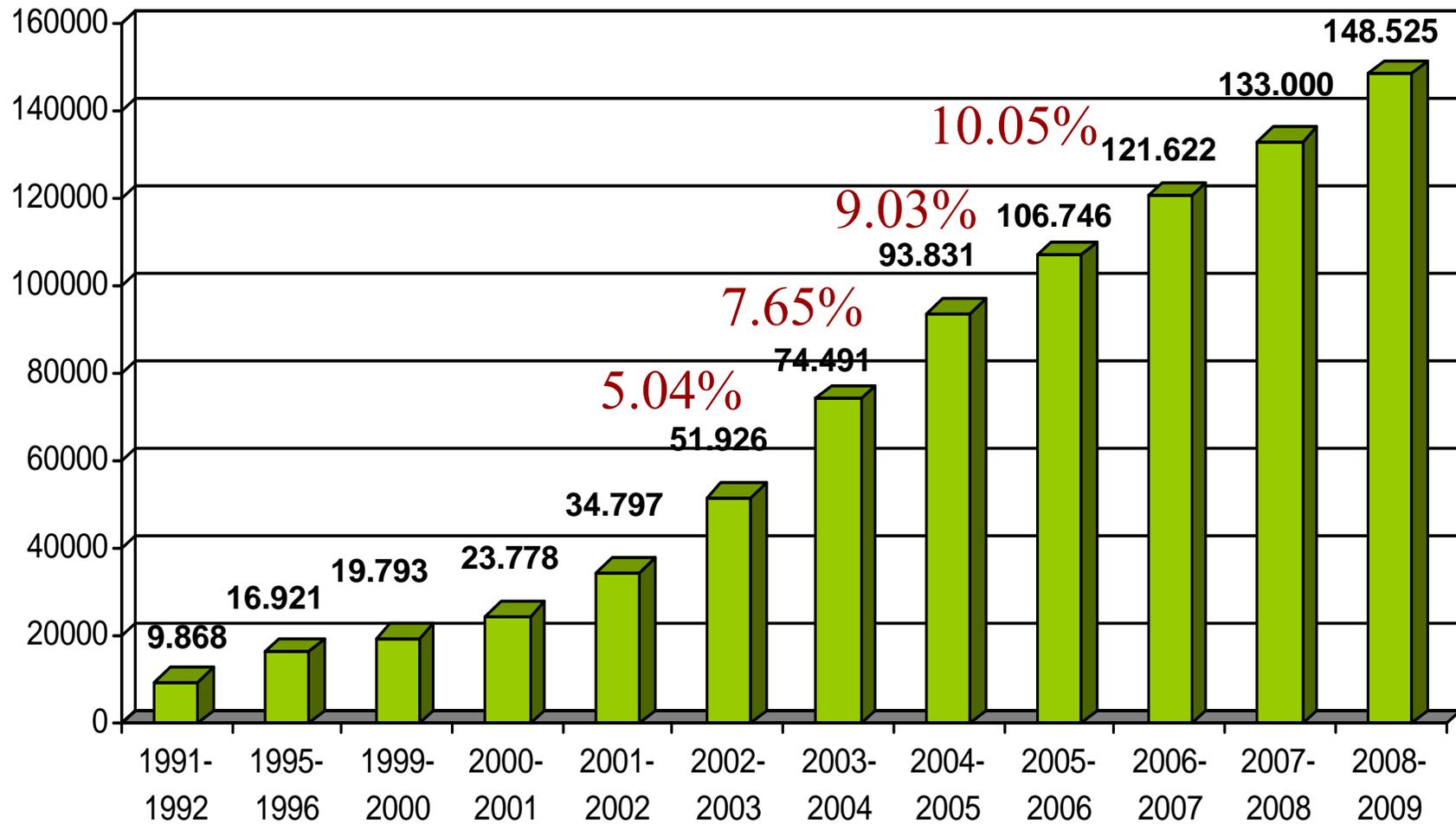
Looking for an educational system

Two societies ?

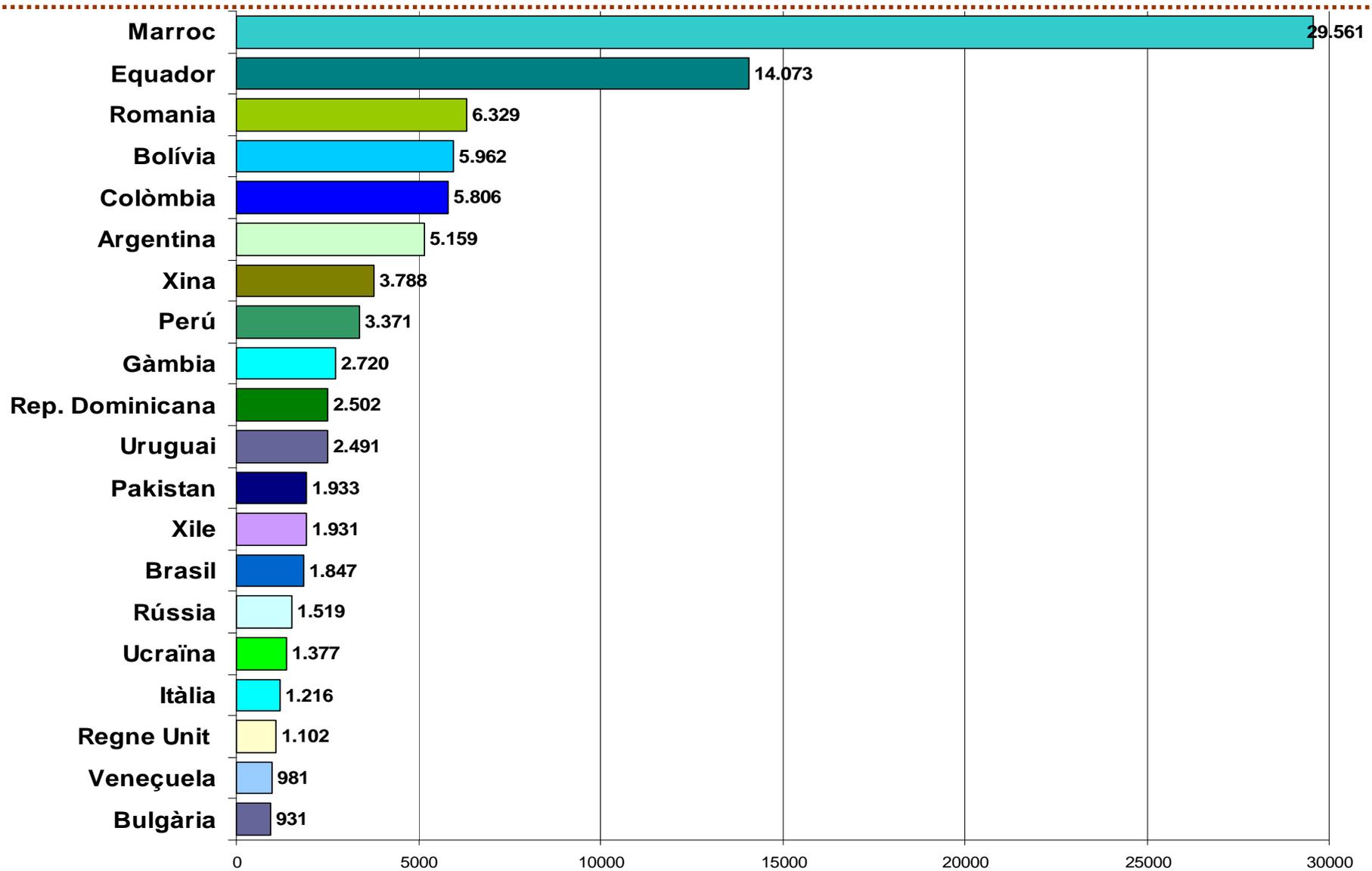
One society?



Immigrant students in Catalonia



Data of students newly arriving in Catalonia, ordered by originating country



Nowadays language policy at school

