

Number
Regions of
1-10 Students Regions 11-20 Number of Studen

All Regions TSBVI Grand Total		8347 128 8475	128								
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r of Studen		738	301	617	111	178	137	148	133	366	572
Regions 11-20 Number of Studen		11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20
Students		979	202	115	1717	131	387	389	127	117	1235
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Student Population

## Teachers Certified in Visual Impairments who Provide Direct Service by Region in 2011

Below is a table which is arranged in four columns. The first column has the regional number. The next column has the total number of direct service providers. The third column has the number of full-time VI teachers. The last and fourth column has the number of part-time VI teachers. The part-time VI teachers also include 69 VI professionals who are dually certified in orientation and mobility.

For the purposes of clarity, the teachers at the Texas School for the Blind and Visually Impaired are listed separately from VI professionals in ESC 13. The information below only reflects those who provide direct services, not those who provide leadership and/or technical assistance at the ESC and/or TSBVI.

Region	Total	Full time	Part time
1	47	38	9
2	22	21	1
3	11	6	5
4	110	99	11
5	17	12	5
6	33	22	11
7	33	18	15
8	12	8	4
9	11	8	3
10	90	70	20
11	59	44	15
12	19	13	6
13	54	40	14
14	12	9	3
15	15	12	3
16	20	7	13
17	10	4	6
18	12	5	7
19	19	17	2
20	36	31	5
TSBVI	49	46	3
Total	691	530	161

Types of Disabilities	Number of Students
Multiply Impaired	5,839
VI Only	2,636
Total	8,475

Types of Disability	Number of students	Multiply Impaired	
Autism	237	5602	
Orthopedic	1,565	4,274	
Intellectual	2,097	3,742	
Overall	5,839		

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**BreakDown of Selected Disabilities** 

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Disability

#### List of Adaptive Devices and Assistive Technology

Abacus

Brailler

Braille ruler

Braille yard stick

Braille/Large print protractor

JAWS screen reader

MAGic magnification software

Window Eyes screen reader

ZoomText magnification software

Monocular

Binocular

Talking compass

Braille compass

Tactile maps and models

Talking GPS for the blind (Trekker Breeze)

Miniguide US (handheld electronic travel

device)

**Deafblind Communicator** 

Jot-a-Dot pocket brailler

Thermoform machine

Puff machine

Juliet and Romeo Embossers

Emprint SpotDot braille and color ink

embosser

PIAF (Picture in a Flash) raised line drawing

machine

TIE (Tactile Image Enhancer)

Tiger Embosser

MegaDots Braille Translation Software

**Duxbury Braille Translation Software** 

Kurzweil Reading Machine/Software

OpenBook Reading Software

APH Talking PC Maps Software

Scientific Notebook Braille Math

Translation Software

Talking scientific lab equipment

Orion Talking scientific calculator

Talking graphing calculator

Standard talking calculator

Raised line drawing kit

Graph board

Slate & stylus

Video Magnifiers (desktop and handheld)

Zoom-Twix long distance camera for

viewing board, etc.

Braille'n Speak

Braille Lite

**BrailleNote** 

BrailleConnect

**PAC Mate** 

Braille Sense Plus

Refreshabraille 18

Mountbatten Writer

Refreshable braille display (Seika,

Brailliant)

KNFB Reader Mobile

FS Reader

Voice Sense PDA

Braille + Mobile Manager PDA

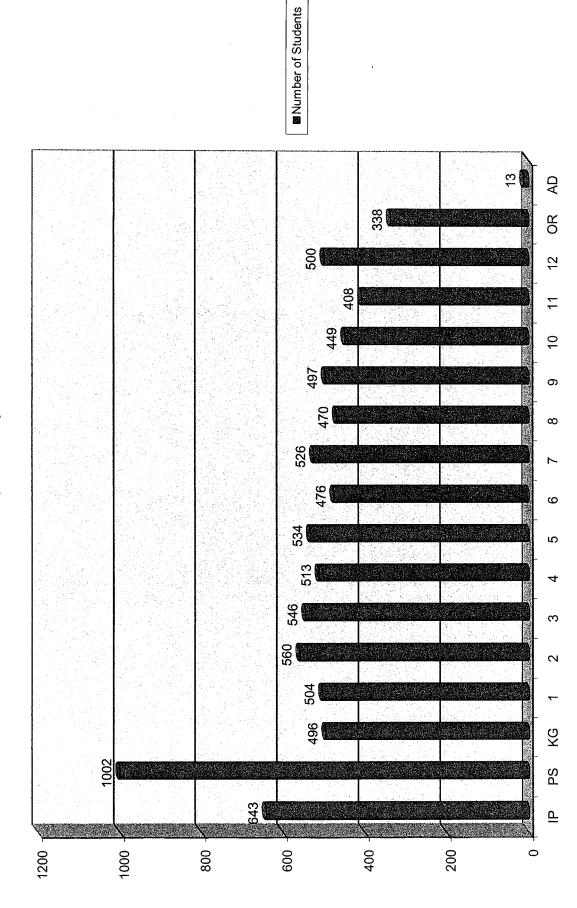
**Book Port Plus** 

RFB & D Audio play back devices (Victor

Stream)

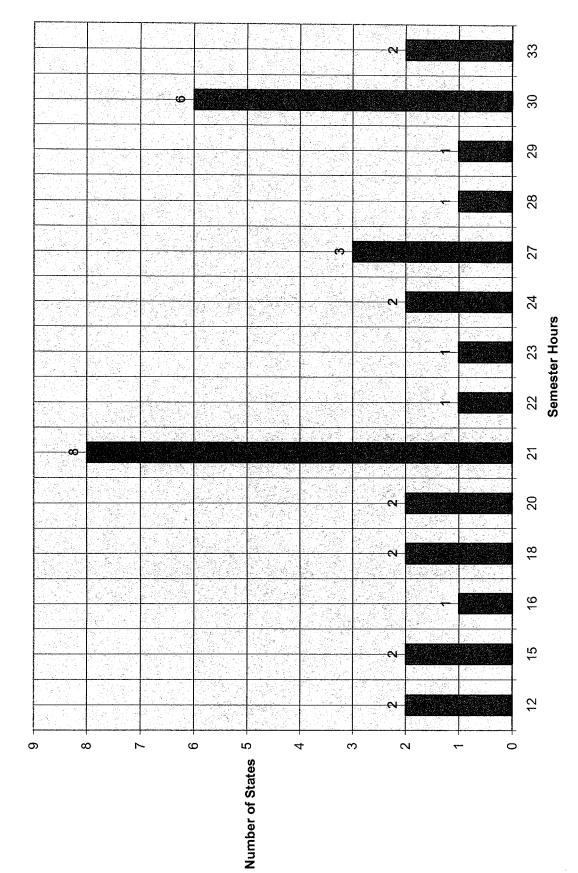
		Number
		of
GRADE		Students
IP		643
PS		1002
KG		496
	1	504
2	2	560
	3	546
4	4	513
:	5	534
(	5	476
,	7	526
8	3	470
9	)	497
10	)	449
10	1	408
12	2	500
OR		338
AD		13
Total		8475

Student Population by Grade Levels

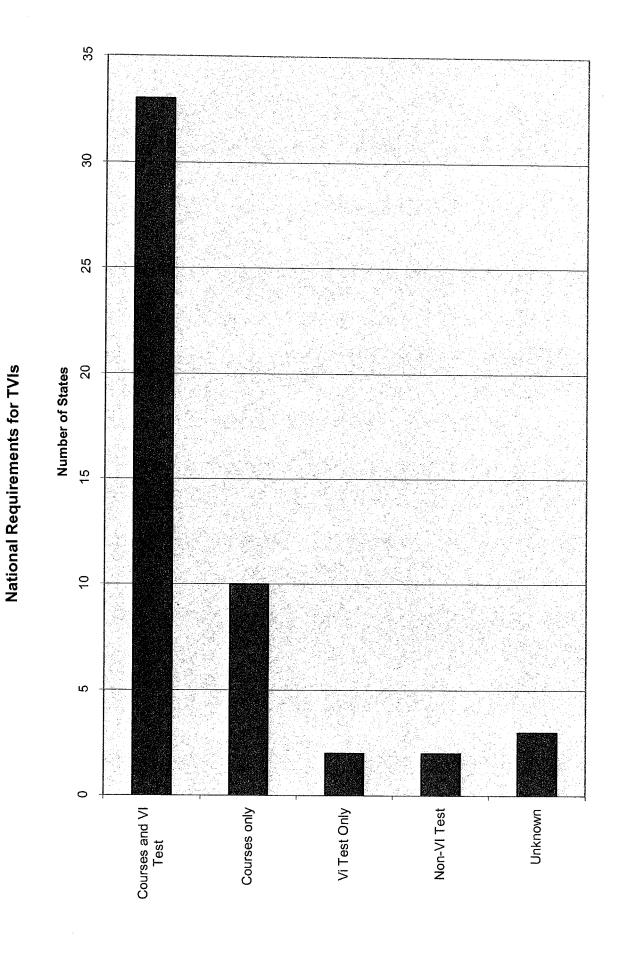


Semester Hours	Number of States
12	2
15	2
16	1
18	2
20	2 2 8
21	8
22	1
23	1
24	2
27	2 3
28	1
29	1
30	6
33	2
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National Coursework Requirements



Requirements	States	
Courses and VI Test	33	
Courses only	10	
Vi Test Only	2	
Non-VI Test	2	
Unknown	3	
Total	50	



# States' Categories for Requirements for Certification for Teachers of Students with Visual Impairments (as of 1/2011)

#### VI certification requiring coursework and test (33 states):

Arizona

Arkansas

California

Colorado

Delaware

Florida

Idaho

Iowa

Illinois

Indiana

Kansas

Kentucky

Louisiana

Maine

Maryland

Massachusetts

Michigan

Minnesota

Mississippi

Missouri

Nevada

New Hampshire

New York

North Carolina

North Dakota

Ohio

Oregon

Pennsylvania

Rhode Island

South Carolina

Tennessee

Vermont

Virginia

#### VI certification requiring coursework only (10 states):

Alabama

Connecticut

Georgia

Nebraska

New Jersey

New Mexico

South Dakota

Utah

Washington

Wisconsin

#### VI certification requiring VI test(s) only (2 states):

Oklahoma

Texas

#### VI certification requiring non-VI test only (2 states):

Alaska

Montana

### States unsure of requirements or no requirements or reciprocity from other states (3 states):

West Virginia

Wyoming

Hawaii

The following classes are required to complete the TVI PROGRAM (from SFASU website:

http://faculty.sfasu.edu/mercerdixie/program page2/tvi\_course\_requirements\_t
x.htm):

SPE 515 Foundations in Visual Impairment which provides a broad overview of various aspects of blindness (e. g. agencies which provide services to persons with visual impairments, psychological and sociological aspects of blindness, history of the field).

SPE 516 Structure and Function of the Visual System is designed to familiarize the student with the various parts of the visual system and their impact on the process of seeing. The Functional Vision/Learning Media Assessment process is also introduced.

SPE 517 Communication Skills for Persons with Visual Impairments requires the student to master Grades I and II braille, Nemeth Code, and rudimentary slate and stylus.

SPE 518 Orientation and Mobility Skills and Concepts Body imagery, concept development, spatial awareness and mobility is considered. Body imagery, concept development, spatial awareness and mobility are emphasized.

SPE 551 The Role of the Teacher of Persons with Visual Impairments Formal and informal assessment instruments appropriate for visually impaired students; sources and operation of special equipment, adaptation of curriculum for visually impaired learners.

SPE 552 Instructional Strategies for Individuals with Visual and Multiple Impairments Students are required to study a wide array of conditions that often accompany vision loss as well as educational programming considerations, assessment, and adaptation of environments for these students.

SPE 558 Practicum in Visual Impairment Students are required to do a Functional Vision Assessment and Learning Media assessment as well as attend an IEP Team meetings, write IEPs, and various other activities that certified TVIs perform.