



# **Immersion in the US**

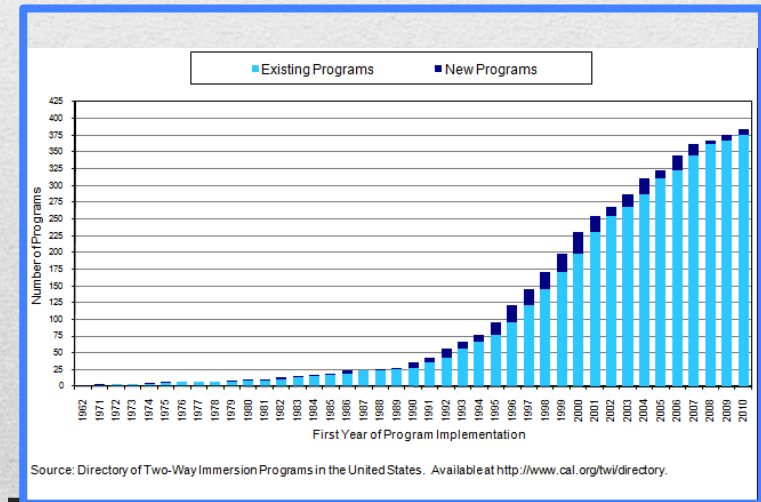
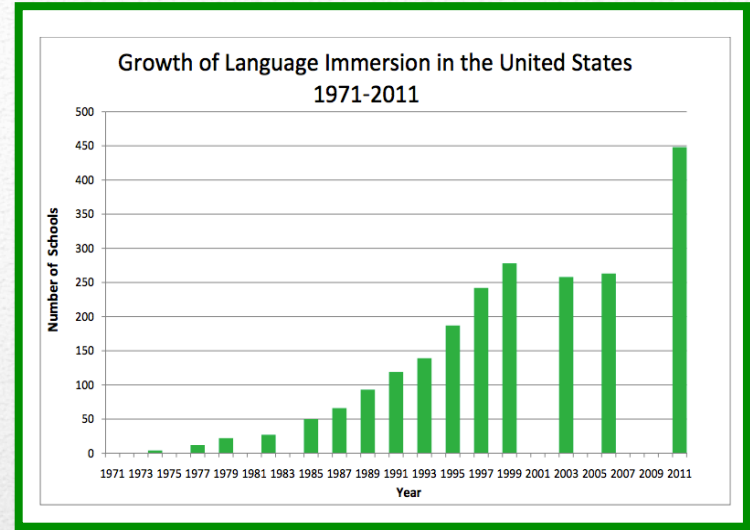
**A brief overview**

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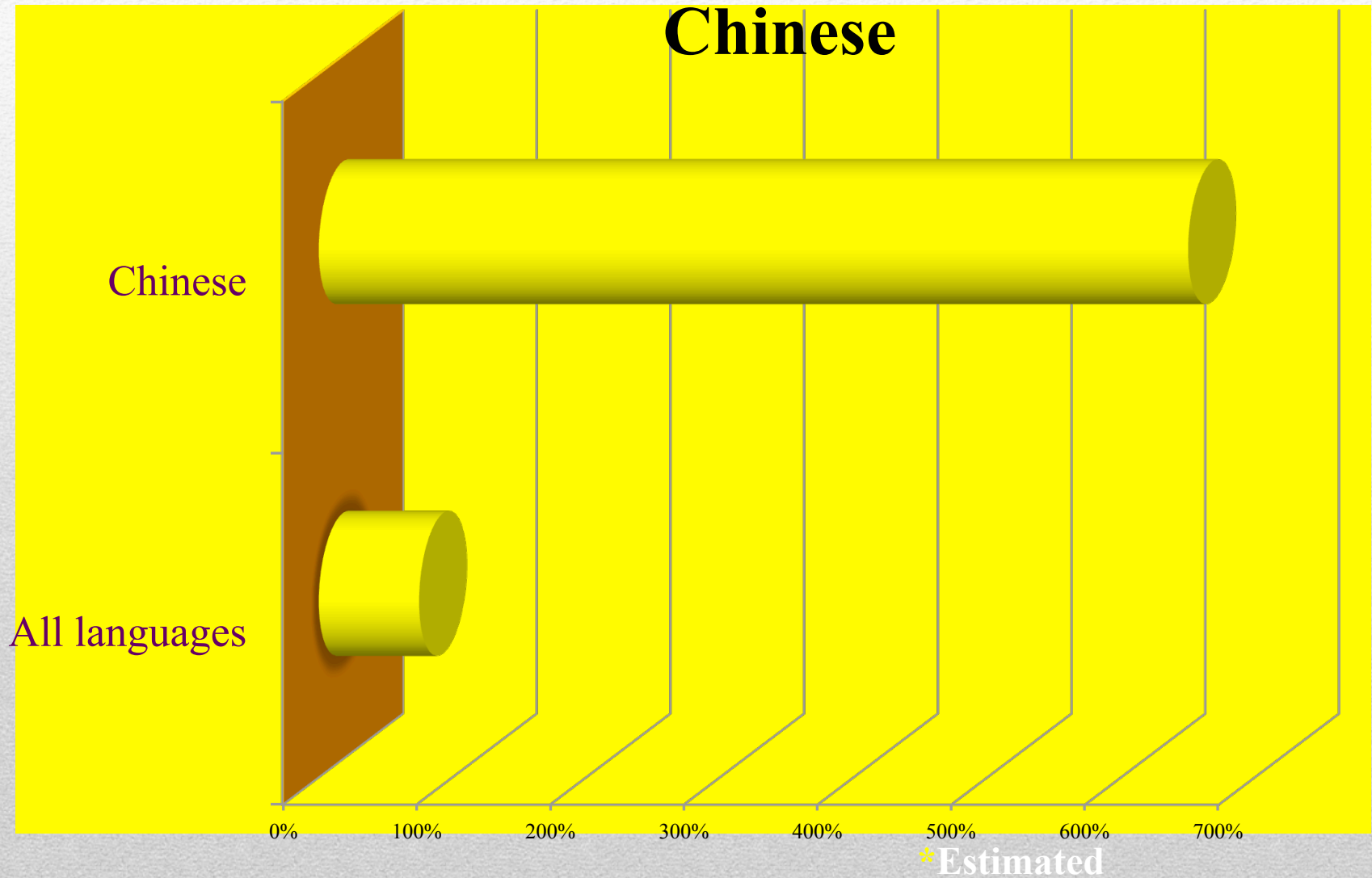
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- **Global workforce**
- **Academic outcomes**
- **“Close the gap”**
- **Unique opportunities**
- **Lower cost than other options**



# Program growth

# Immersion Program Growth In the US 2000-2012



- **Populations**
- **Time**
- **Languages**
- **Content allocation**
- **Type of school**

# **Program Model Diversity**

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- **Increased attention to target language outcomes, including standardized assessments of proficiency**
- **Research within the US context**

# **Recent trends**

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- **Ensuring high quality instruction**
  - **Recruiting and retaining immersion teachers**
  - **Pre-service teacher preparation**
  - **Ongoing professional development**
- **Ensuring high quality immersion continuation options**
- **Ensuring program expansion and program fidelity**

# **Challenges**

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