



Education and Migration

Background research synthesis

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Origins and Rationale

- Key features:
 - Secretary General priority, CPF Funding
 - Focus on scientific basis of what is often a politicised debate
 - Looking for evidence base, gaps
 - First steps: literature review/research synthesis, experts meetings

Research Synthesis

- Q: What policies and practices have been demonstrated to support educational achievement and social integration of first and second generation migrants?
- Keywords in English, Spanish, German, and French
- International databases
- Articles in peer-reviewed journals (last 10 yrs)

Research Synthesis: Content

- Sharp distinction between child and adult populations.
 - Adults: economic stability is proxy for integration
 - Children: language proficiency is proxy
- According to migration scholars, neither of these two factors, taken in isolation, are good indicators.

Research Synthesis: Methods

Capture: 4,077 articles



Relevant: 579



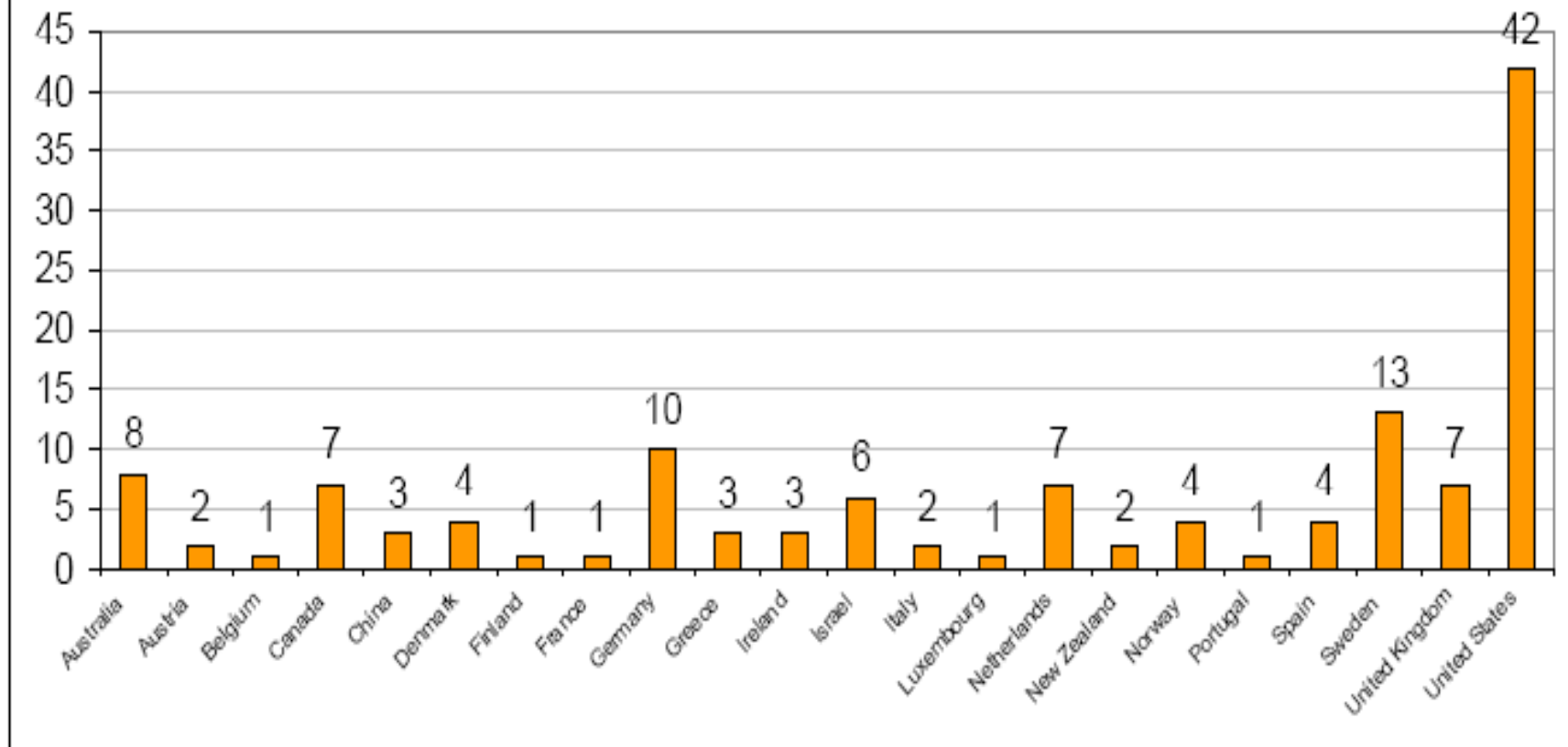
Minimum standard: 92



Final inclusion: 20

Research Synthesis N=92

Countries Represented



Research synthesis

- The 20 studies:
 - Language training programmes (9)
 - Adult language training, k-12 ESL programs, language policies
 - Early childhood and parental outreach (5)
 - Special reception, re-training (1 ea)
 - Social policies (3)
 - Teacher education for diversity (1)

Conclusions

- Lack of empirical research
- Importance of intervention at early age
- Support for bilingual education (?)
- Promising outreach and after school interventions

Next steps: qualitative evidence