Kazakhstan

**Very Low Proficiency**
EF EPI score: 420
#99 out of 111 countries/regions

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**Compared to Region**
- Almaty: -1
- Nur-Sultan: +6
- Aktobe: +5
- Shymkent: -5
- Aktau: +1
- Karaganda: -23

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**EF EPI Score**

300 400 500 600 700

**Proficiency Bands**
- Very High
- High
- Moderate
- Low
- Very Low
Regional Profile

This brief regional profile provides facts and figures that illustrate local conditions and challenges for English language education. Education spending refers to the percentage of total government expenditure dedicated to education. Internet penetration is the percentage of people in the region with access to the Internet.

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<td>Education Spending</td>
<td>14.11%</td>
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<td>Population</td>
<td>19,398,331</td>
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<td>Internet Penetration</td>
<td>85.9%</td>
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<td>Languages</td>
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Sources: World Bank, CIA World Factbook, ETS, and IELTS

English and Prosperity

The EF EPI has consistently found correlations between English ability and productivity, quality of life, innovation, and a range of other social and economic indicators. This correlation graph shows the positive relationship between English proficiency and the development of human capital.

![Graph showing the positive relationship between EF EPI Score and Human Capital Index, R=0.65]

Human Capital Index

Source: World Bank, 2020

Gender Gap

![Graph showing gender gap in EF EPI scores]

EF EPI Score

Female:
- Very High: 442
- High: 495
- Moderate: 515
- Low: 422

Male:
- Very High: 442
- High: 495
- Moderate: 515
- Low: 422

Generation Gap

![Graph showing generation gap in EF EPI scores]

EF EPI Score

Age Groups:
- 18-20:
  - Very High: 412
  - High: 461
  - Moderate: 421
  - Low: 422
- 21-25:
  - Very High: 412
  - High: 461
  - Moderate: 421
  - Low: 422
- 26-30:
  - Very High: 412
  - High: 461
  - Moderate: 421
  - Low: 422
- 31-40:
  - Very High: 412
  - High: 461
  - Moderate: 421
  - Low: 422
- 41+:
  - Very High: 412
  - High: 461
  - Moderate: 421
  - Low: 422

Proiciency Bands:
- Very High
- High
- Moderate
- Low
- Very Low
- World

About the EF EPI

The EF English Proficiency Index (EF EPI) is a ranking of countries and regions by their English skills. This regional fact sheet is a companion to the EF EPI 2022 edition report. To read the full EF EPI report, with the ranking, regional analyses, and demographic trends, visit www.ef.com/epi. The EF EPI is published by Signum International AG.