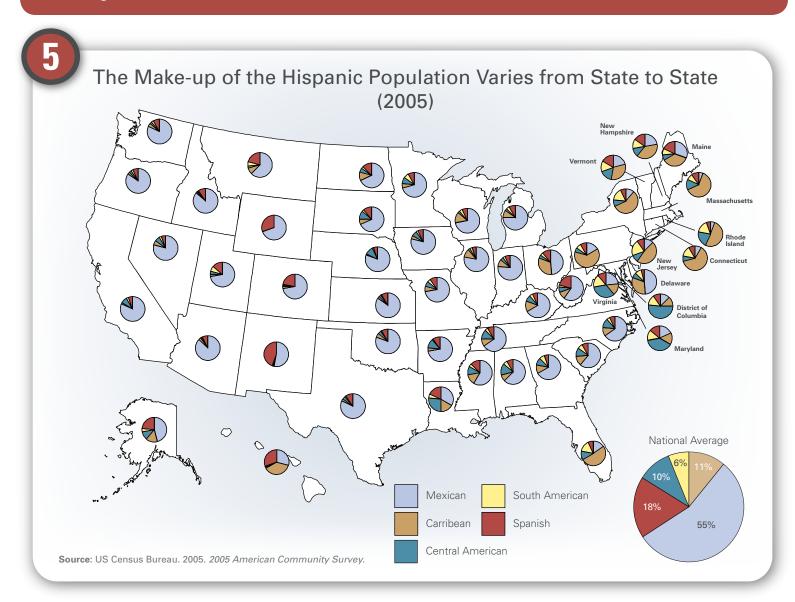
Most US Hispanics are of Mexican origin, though in certain regions of the US other groups dominate. Caribbeans are most prevalent in the Northeast and in Florida, while the Mid-Atlantic has a high concentration of Central Americans.



GETTING STARTED ON YOUR OWN MARKETING CAMPAIGN

- 1. Use population data to determine how important the Hispanic demographic is and will be in your region
 - Identify dominant country(ies) of origin
 - Determine generational profile, where possible
 - Pick a target audience, e.g. Homeowners
- 2. Decide whether Spanish only, English only or bilingual communications are most appropriate
- 3. Develop messaging and materials that reflect the dominant sense of identity in your region



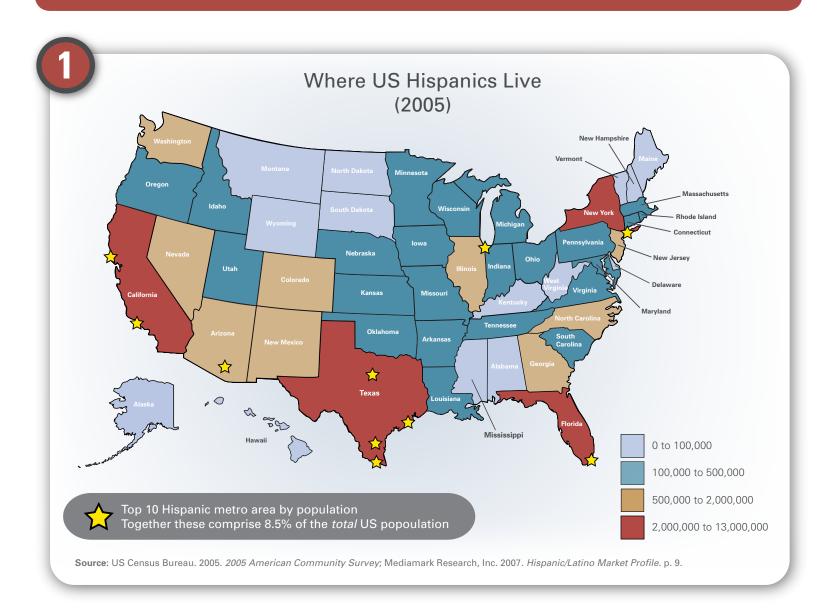
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REACHING HISPANICS: 5 THINGS TO KNOW

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U.S. Hispanics are an \$800 billion market¹ and growing. Retailers, manufacturers, and homebuilders are paying increasing attention to this expanding segment of the population.



THE US HISPANIC POPULATION IS:

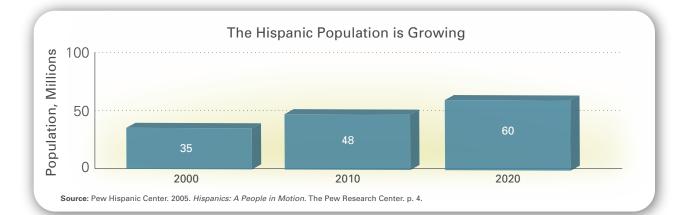
Large: 44 million people in 2006, 15% of the US population²

Rapidly Growing: 3.4% annually²

Spread Out Geographically: While 48% live in CA and TX, 13 other states have at least 500,000 Hispanic residents² (See map for more info)

¹ Mediamark Research, Inc. 2007. Hispanic/Latino Market Profile. p. 1.

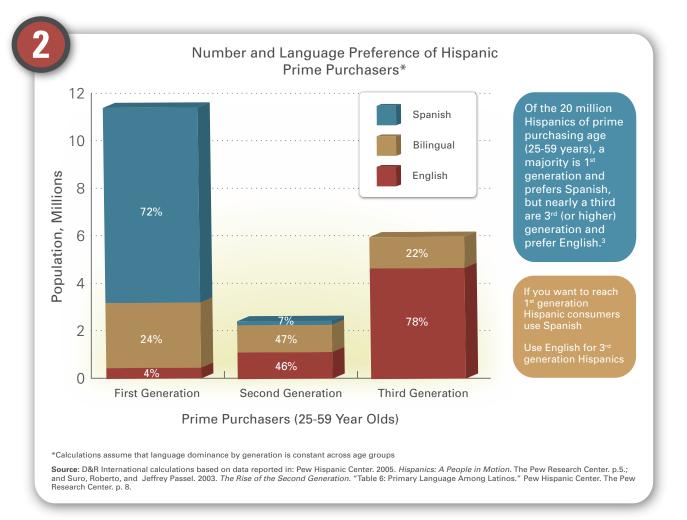
² US Census Bureau. 2007. "US Census Bureau Facts for Feature – Hispanic Heritage Month 2007." 6 Sept 2007.

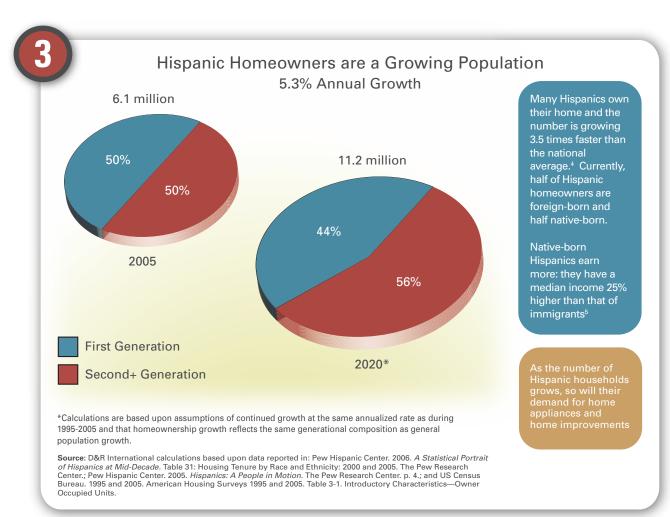


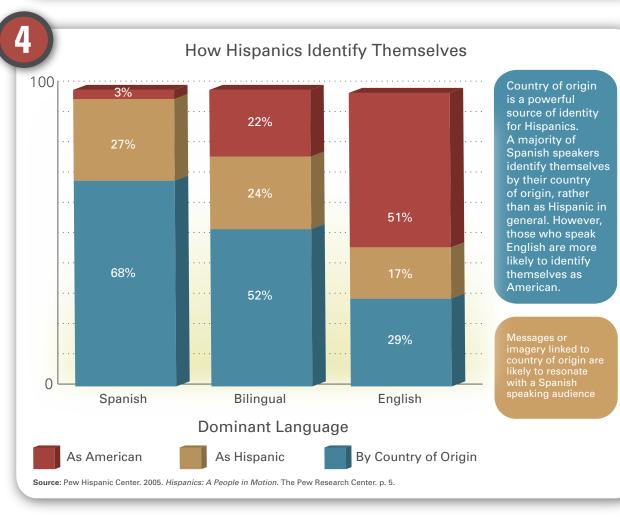
While Hispanics share a common linguistic heritage, they are a very diverse group. What resonates with certain people in one community won't necessarily work elsewhere.

The key factors to consider when developing a local marketing effort targeted at Hispanics are:

- Generation (1st, 2nd, 3rd)
- Language (Spanish only, English, or Bilingual) and
- Country of origin (Mexico, Guatemala, Cuba, etc.)







*US Census Bureau. 1995. American Housing Surveys 1995 and 2005. Table 3-1. Introductory Characteristics--Owner Occupied Units. and US Census Bureau. Fry, Richard, and Lindsay Lowell. 2002. Work or Study: Different Fortunes of U.S. Latino Generations. "Table B2: Median Weekly Earnings of Latinos, 1995 an 2000." Pew Hispanic Center. The Pew Research Center. p.28.