# Using Surveys to Determine Language Needs

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# Non-English Language Materials for Pesticide Safety Education



- Language Trends and Literacy Issues
- Bilingual English & Spanish Word Bank
- Pesticide Safety Resources
- Funding and Translation Services

# Language Trends and Literacy Issues

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USDA Photo by: Bob Nichols. Mike Gonzalez (right), NRCS and Petronilo Castorena discuss the health of this years heather crop. Castorena is a Salinas, California area grower.

# Focus of Language Needs Survey

 Languages spoken or read by people who handle pesticides or work in areas where pesticides have been applied



USDA Photo by: Ken Hammond. On a tobacco farm in the Danville, VA area migrant Mexican worker Miguel Diaz carries picked tobacco from a field.

#### **Survey Question #1**



USDA Photo by: Ken Hammond. Sharon Del shows off the long hair of the Churro Sheep to her granddaughter Dekota Smith, on the Ganado Navajo Reservation Arizona.

What is the name of the state, community, or island that your responses represent?

#### **Survey Question #2**

• What languages are spoken and read by people who handle pesticides or work in areas where pesticides have been applied?



USDA Photo by: Ken Hammond. A migrant worker from Jamaica picks McIntosh apples at an orchard in the Oxford, Maine area.

#### **Question #3a**



USDA Photo by: Bob Nichols. Chu Yang, NRCS, Soil
Conservationist and Tou Xiong, Fresno State University
graduate student and chairman of 1.5 acres donated by Fresno
State University, Fresno, Calif, to a group of Hmong farmers.

Do you see a need for the development of pesticide safety education materials in any of the languages that you have listed above?

#### **Survey Question #3b**

If so, which languages are needed?



USDA Photo by: Bob Nichols. Surjit Singh Toor, NRCS, Soil Conservationist, Yuba City, CA. field office.

#### **Survey Method**

- AAPSE listserve
- Internet searches
- Phone interviews
- Informal conversations
- Existing resources



### Non-English Language Pesticide Safety Education Materials

#### **Results from a Needs Assessment**

American Association of Pesticide Safety Educators

Language Trends and Literacy Issues
Subcommittee

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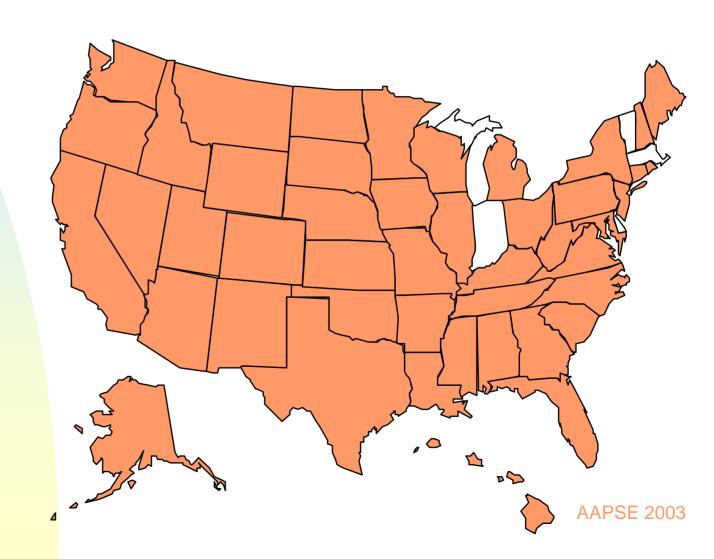
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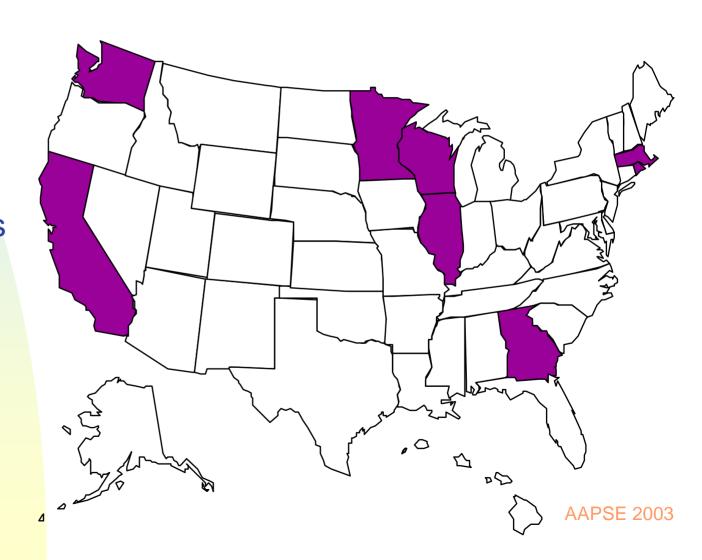
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### **Spanish**



#### **Hmong**

California Georgia Illinois Massachusetts Minnesota Rhode Island Washington Wisconsin



#### Vietnamese

Colorado

Hawaii

Louisiana

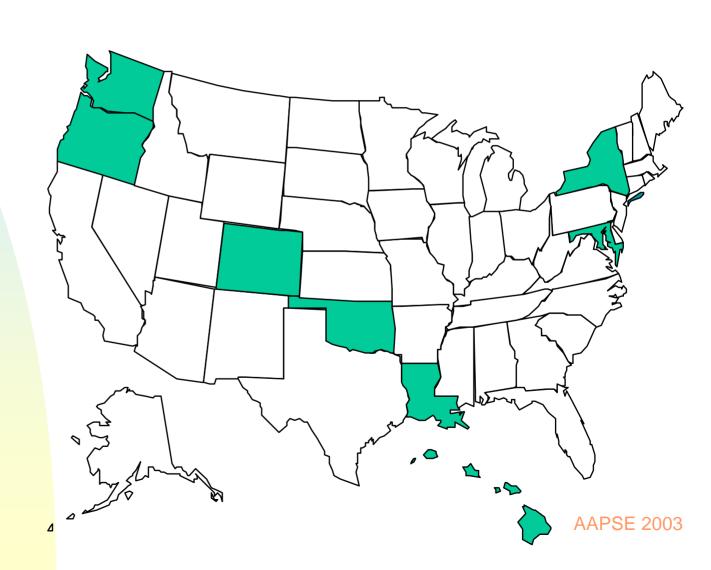
Maryland

**New York** 

Oklahoma

Oregon

Washington



#### Chinese

Hawaii

Illinois

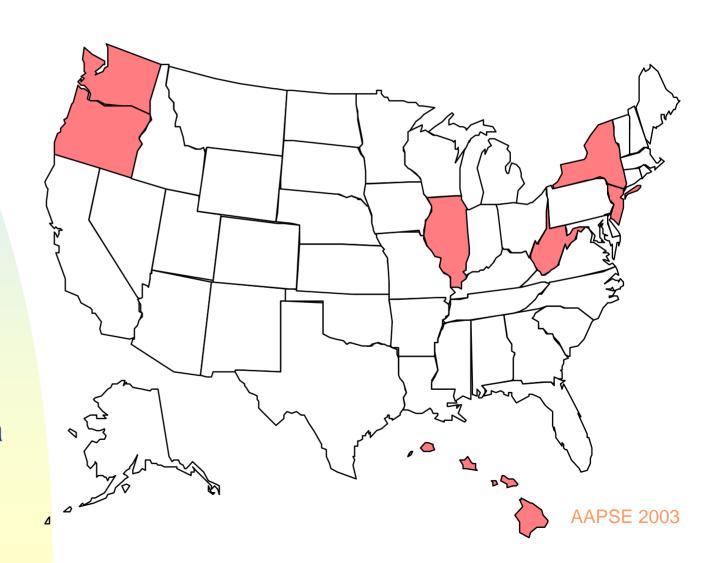
**New Jersey** 

**New York** 

Oregon

Washington

West Virginia



#### Cambodian

California

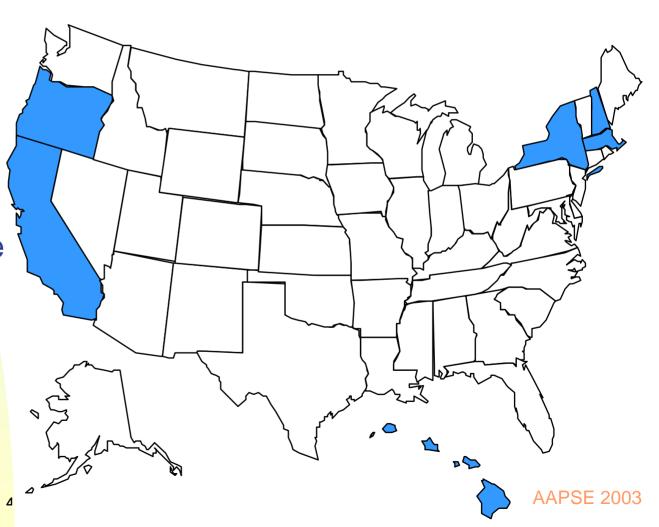
Hawaii

Massachusetts

**New Hampshire** 

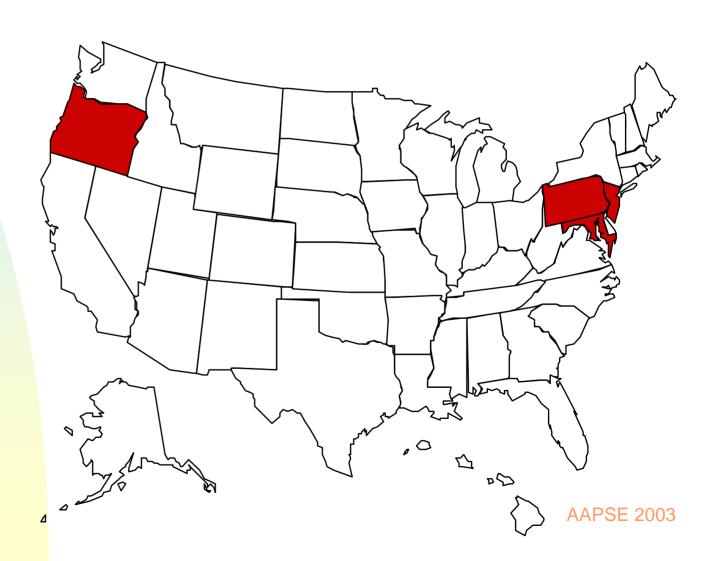
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Oregon



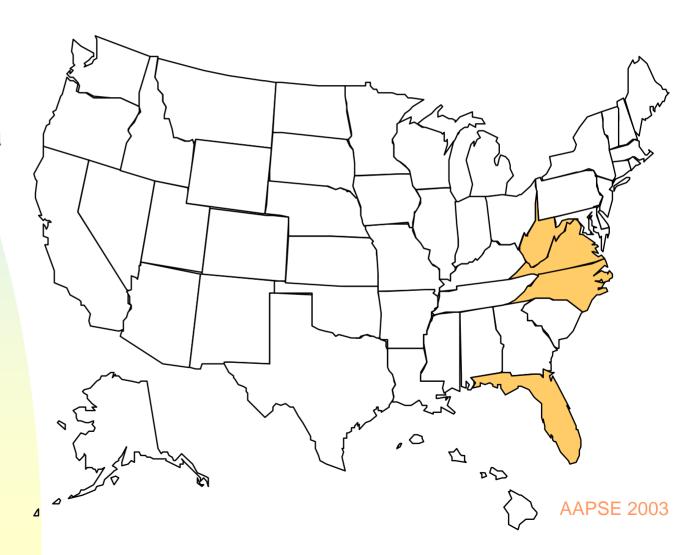
#### Russian

Maryland
New Jersey
Oregon
Pennsylvania



#### **Haitian-Creole**

Florida
North Carolina
Virginia
West Virginia



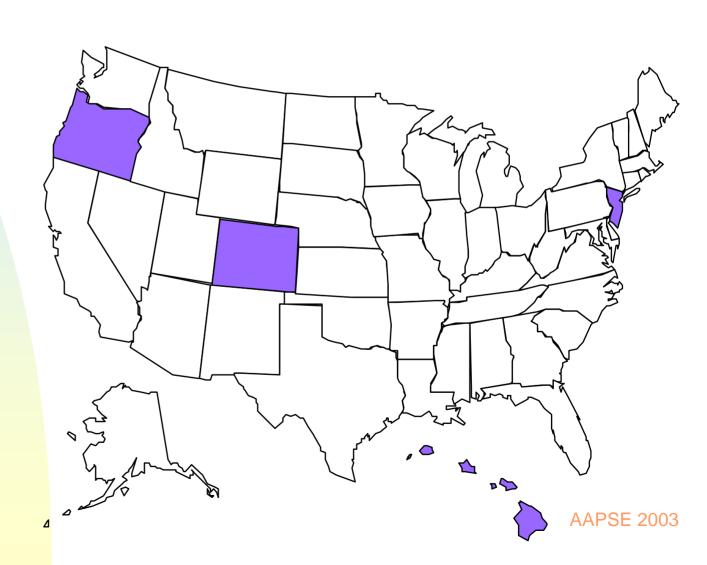
#### Korean

Colorado

Hawaii

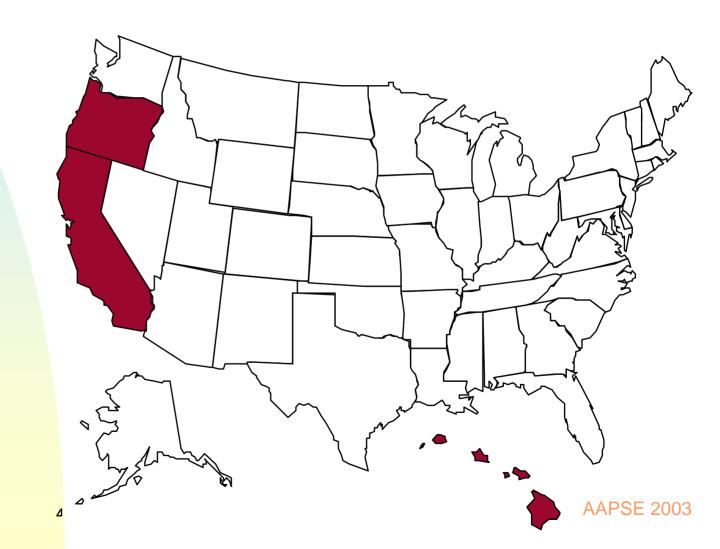
**New Jersey** 

Oregon



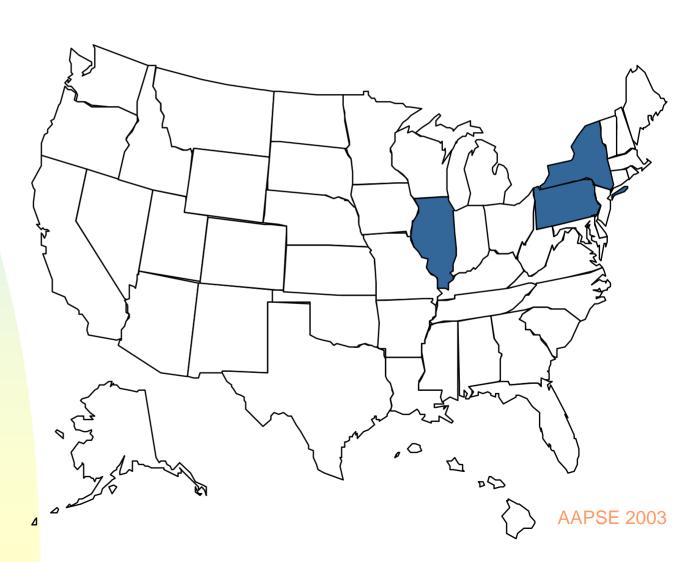
#### Laotian

California
Hawaii
Oregon



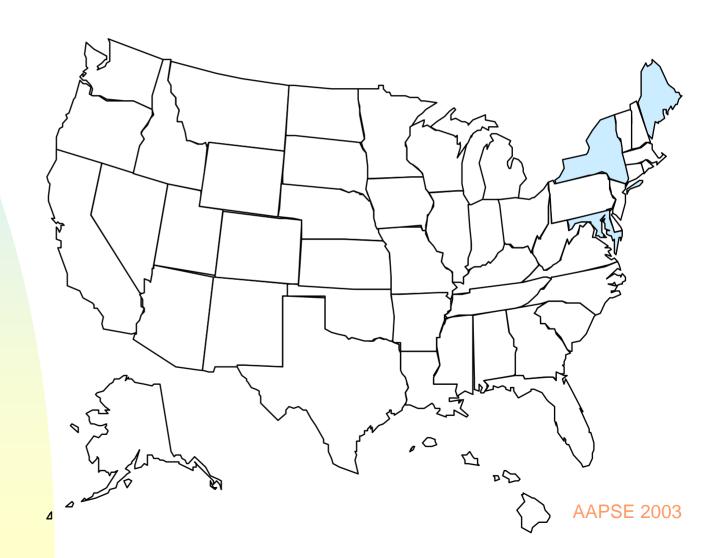
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Illinois
New York
Pennsylvania



#### **French**

Maine
Maryland
New York

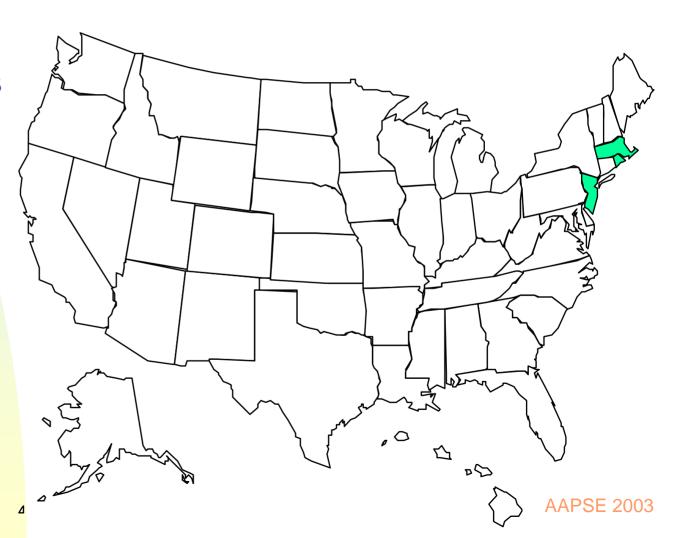


#### Portuguese

Massachusetts

**New Jersey** 

Rhode Island



## Tribal Communities in Oklahoma

**Apache** 

**Arapaho** 

Cherokee

Cheyenne

**Choctaw** 

**Chickasaw** 

Creek

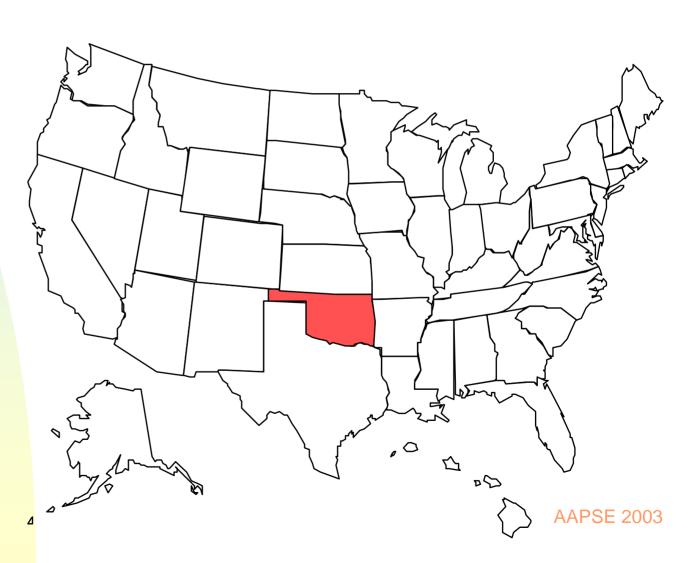
**Delaware** 

**lowa** 

Oto

**Ponca** 

**Seminole** 



#### **Florida**

Spanish Speakers

from:

Dominican Republic

**Puerto Rico** 

**Mexico** 

Caribbean islands

**South America** 



#### Maine

Spanish

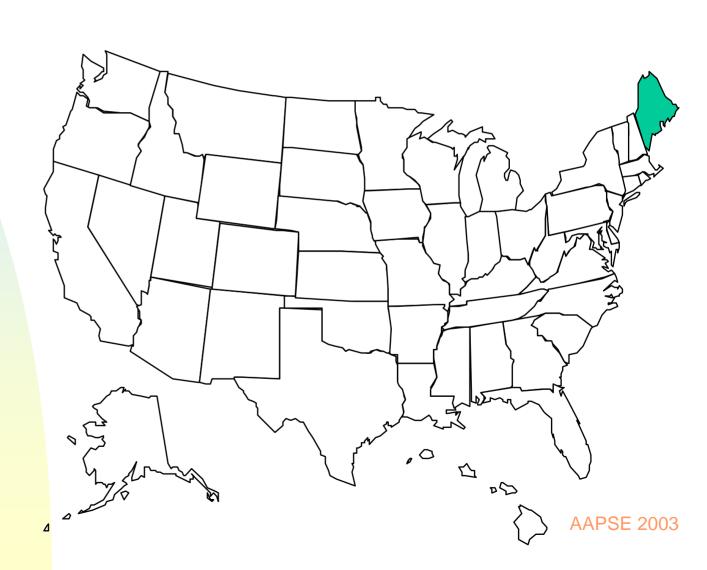
French

Filipino

Swedish

Somalian

Norwegian



#### Hawaii

Cambodian

Chinese

Ilokano

Korean

Laotian

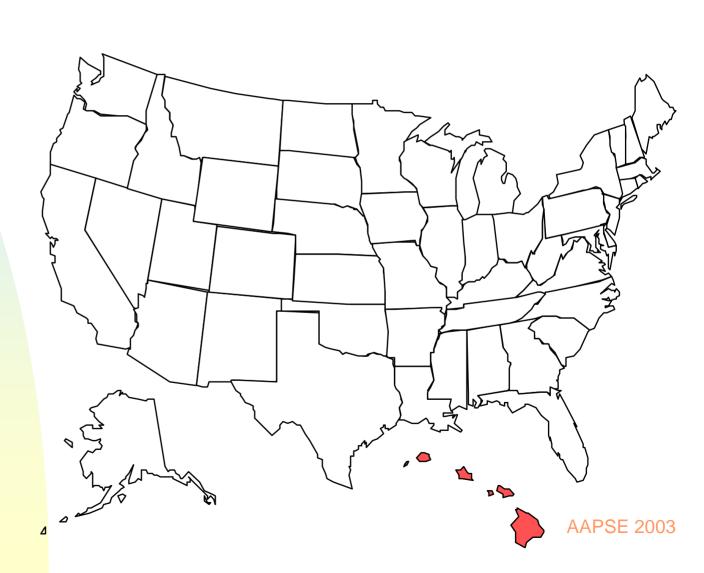
Spanish

**Tagalog** 

Thai

Tongan

Vietnamese



## Number of states with specific non-English language needs

