

Table 2b. Alabama -- Ability to Speak English by Language Spoken at Home for the Population 18 Years and Over: 2000
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Language spoken at home	Total	Speak English "very well"		Speak English "well"		Speak English "not well"		Speak English "not at all"	
	Number	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Population 18 years and over	3,324,490	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)
Speak only English	3,193,165	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)
Speak language other than English	131,325	79,595	60.6	24,195	18.4	20,810	15.9	6,725	5.1
Spanish or Spanish Creole	69,345	37,855	54.6	11,180	16.1	14,335	20.7	5,970	8.6
Other Indo-European languages	37,405	28,145	75.2	6,085	16.3	3,005	8.0	170	0.4
French (incl. Patois, Cajun)	11,105	8,115	73.1	1,785	16.1	1,195	10.8	4	0.0
French Creole	200	125	62.5	60	30.0	15	7.5	0	0.0
Italian	1,885	1,410	75.0	285	15.2	170	9.0	15	0.8
Portuguese or Portuguese Creole	625	480	76.8	115	18.4	30	4.8	0	0.0
German	13,080	10,295	78.7	1,930	14.8	810	6.2	45	0.3
Yiddish	175	160	91.4	15	8.6	0	0.0	0	0.0
Other West Germanic languages	745	630	84.6	105	14.1	10	1.3	0	0.0
Scandinavian languages	425	345	81.2	80	18.8	0	0.0	0	0.0
Greek	1,145	960	83.5	135	11.7	55	4.8	0	0.0
Russian	980	555	56.6	245	25.0	170	17.4	10	1.0
Polish	615	500	81.4	50	8.1	60	9.8	4	0.7
Serbo-Croatian	235	150	62.5	55	22.9	25	10.4	10	4.2
Other Slavic languages	685	435	63.5	145	21.2	105	15.3	0	0.0
Armenian	105	80	80.0	20	20.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
Persian	810	460	56.8	195	24.1	130	16.1	25	3.1
Gujarathi	925	635	68.3	195	21.0	85	9.1	15	1.6
Hindi	1,375	1,045	76.0	240	17.5	75	5.5	15	1.1
Urdu	560	475	85.0	50	8.9	30	5.4	4	0.7
Other Indic languages	1,100	795	72.6	265	24.2	35	3.2	0	0.0
Other Indo-European languages	635	490	77.8	115	18.3	10	1.6	15	2.4
Asian and Pacific Island languages	18,695	9,380	50.2	5,780	30.9	3,120	16.7	415	2.2
Chinese	4,570	1,985	43.4	1,780	38.9	660	14.4	150	3.3
Japanese	1,860	1,090	58.6	510	27.4	260	14.0	4	0.0
Korean	3,465	1,615	46.6	1,045	30.2	760	21.9	45	1.3
Mon-Khmer, Cambodian	310	75	24.2	120	38.7	95	30.7	20	6.5
Miao, Hmong	10	10	100.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
Thai	755	300	40.0	330	44.0	120	16.0	0	0.0
Laotian	490	200	40.5	125	25.3	165	33.4	4	0.8
Vietnamese	3,520	1,340	38.0	1,100	31.2	895	25.4	190	5.4
Other Asian languages	1,550	1,165	75.4	335	21.7	45	2.9	0	0.0
Tagalog	1,585	1,170	73.6	340	21.4	70	4.4	10	0.6
Other Pacific Island languages	590	440	74.6	100	17.0	50	8.5	0	0.0
Other languages	5,880	4,210	71.7	1,150	19.6	350	5.9	165	2.8
Navajo	35	35	100.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
Other Native North American languages	615	510	82.9	70	11.4	36	5.7	0	0.0
Hungarian	175	115	63.9	45	25.0	9	5.6	8	5.6
Arabic	2,255	1,530	67.9	515	22.9	204	9.1	6	0.2
Hebrew	285	245	86.3	35	12.3	4	1.4	0	0.0
African languages	2,085	1,595	76.5	420	20.1	55	2.6	15	0.7
Other and unspecified languages	425	180	42.9	65	15.5	41	9.5	137	32.1

(X) Not Applicable.