

Table 22b. Maryland -- 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	3,943,065	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)
Speak only English	3,434,080	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)
Speak language other than English	508,990	297,020	58.4	114,315	22.5	75,995	14.9	21,660	4.3
Spanish or Spanish Creole	177,475	87,645	49.4	38,685	21.8	36,530	20.6	14,620	8.2
Other Indo-European languages	168,400	116,670	69.3	32,645	19.4	16,315	9.7	2,765	1.6
French (incl. Patois, Cajun)	34,715	25,065	72.2	5,670	16.3	3,810	11.0	170	0.5
French Creole	5,445	3,585	65.8	1,160	21.3	545	10.0	155	2.9
Italian	12,760	8,870	69.5	2,720	21.3	1,110	8.7	60	0.5
Portuguese or Portuguese Creole	6,190	3,630	58.7	1,490	24.1	815	13.2	250	4.0
German	21,105	17,220	81.6	2,780	13.2	1,045	5.0	60	0.3
Yiddish	2,025	1,600	79.0	285	14.1	125	6.2	15	0.7
Other West Germanic languages	2,505	2,135	85.2	325	13.0	45	1.8	0	0.0
Scandinavian languages	2,000	1,690	84.5	245	12.3	55	2.8	10	0.5
Greek	9,415	6,950	73.8	1,570	16.7	860	9.1	40	0.4
Russian	14,895	6,050	40.6	4,605	30.9	3,325	22.3	915	6.1
Polish	5,310	3,805	71.7	1,035	19.5	445	8.4	20	0.4
Serbo-Croatian	1,095	735	67.1	245	22.4	95	8.7	20	1.8
Other Slavic languages	3,805	2,660	69.9	840	22.1	265	7.0	40	1.1
Armenian	1,280	825	64.5	305	23.8	110	8.6	40	3.1
Persian	9,795	6,060	61.9	2,220	22.7	1,250	12.8	265	2.7
Gujarathi	5,020	3,290	65.5	1,105	22.0	490	9.8	135	2.7
Hindi	9,950	7,840	78.8	1,540	15.5	485	4.9	85	0.9
Urdu	6,345	4,305	67.9	1,420	22.4	440	6.9	175	2.8
Other Indic languages	9,620	6,750	70.1	1,975	20.5	655	6.8	245	2.6
Other Indo-European languages	5,120	3,605	70.5	1,110	21.7	340	6.7	60	1.2
Asian and Pacific Island languages	114,840	55,395	48.2	34,935	30.3	20,960	18.3	3,750	3.3
Chinese	35,000	15,265	43.6	11,540	33.0	6,345	18.1	1,850	5.3
Japanese	5,600	3,115	55.6	1,585	28.3	875	15.6	25	0.5
Korean	27,240	9,440	34.7	8,740	32.1	8,060	29.6	1,000	3.7
Mon-Khmer, Cambodian	1,370	525	38.2	440	32.0	315	22.9	95	6.9
Miao, Hmong	20	10	50.0	10	50.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
Thai	2,525	1,160	45.9	985	39.0	305	12.1	75	3.0
Laotian	690	300	43.5	225	32.6	150	21.7	15	2.2
Vietnamese	12,185	4,225	34.7	4,010	32.9	3,455	28.4	495	4.1
Other Asian languages	11,045	8,225	74.5	2,050	18.6	660	6.0	110	1.0
Tagalog	16,530	11,425	69.1	4,460	27.0	580	3.5	65	0.4
Other Pacific Island languages	2,635	1,700	64.5	700	26.6	215	8.2	20	0.8
Other languages	48,275	37,310	77.3	8,250	17.1	2,185	4.5	525	1.1
Navajo	60	45	70.3	4	6.3	15	23.4	0	0.0
Other Native North American languages	440	390	87.6	40	9.0	15	3.4	0	0.0
Hungarian	1,260	900	71.4	240	19.1	120	9.5	0	0.0
Arabic	8,695	6,275	72.2	1,770	20.4	535	6.2	115	1.3
Hebrew	5,010	4,270	85.2	575	11.5	165	3.3	0	0.0
African languages	31,855	24,790	77.8	5,420	17.0	1,255	3.9	390	1.2
Other and unspecified languages	955	650	68.1	205	21.5	80	8.4	20	2.1

(X) Not Applicable.