

Table 25b. Minnesota -- 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	3,632,940	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)
Speak only English	3,336,425	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)
Speak language other than English	296,515	166,710	56.2	63,555	21.4	50,210	16.9	16,040	5.4
Spanish or Spanish Creole	97,040	48,525	50.0	17,565	18.1	21,655	22.3	9,295	9.6
Other Indo-European languages	93,705	68,145	72.7	15,950	17.0	8,345	8.9	1,265	1.3
French (incl. Patois, Cajun)	12,395	9,630	77.7	1,430	11.5	1,240	10.0	90	0.7
French Creole	320	255	79.7	30	9.4	35	10.9	0	0.0
Italian	2,835	2,340	82.4	375	13.2	110	3.9	15	0.5
Portuguese or Portuguese Creole	1,105	885	79.8	130	11.7	90	8.1	4	0.4
German	29,485	23,075	78.3	4,140	14.0	2,165	7.3	100	0.3
Yiddish	455	380	84.4	50	11.1	20	4.4	0	0.0
Other West Germanic languages	1,865	1,490	80.1	295	15.9	60	3.2	15	0.8
Scandinavian languages	11,670	9,625	82.5	1,520	13.0	505	4.3	20	0.2
Greek	1,300	960	73.6	210	16.1	115	8.8	20	1.5
Russian	7,705	2,780	36.1	2,580	33.5	1,790	23.2	555	7.2
Polish	3,900	2,870	73.5	715	18.3	315	8.1	4	0.1
Serbo-Croatian	2,915	1,395	47.9	840	28.8	535	18.4	145	5.0
Other Slavic languages	5,655	3,685	65.2	1,330	23.5	530	9.4	105	1.9
Armenian	45	45	84.9	4	7.6	4	7.6	0	0.0
Persian	1,665	1,050	63.1	345	20.7	215	12.9	55	3.3
Gujarathi	800	605	75.6	100	12.5	80	10.0	15	1.9
Hindi	2,410	1,955	81.1	355	14.7	80	3.3	20	0.8
Urdu	1,990	1,480	74.2	395	19.8	105	5.3	15	0.8
Other Indic languages	2,640	2,085	79.0	440	16.7	105	4.0	10	0.4
Other Indo-European languages	2,545	1,545	60.8	665	26.2	245	9.7	85	3.4
Asian and Pacific Island languages	71,080	28,720	40.4	21,620	30.4	16,160	22.7	4,580	6.4
Chinese	10,600	4,875	46.0	3,620	34.2	1,625	15.3	480	4.5
Japanese	3,265	1,835	56.2	910	27.9	520	15.9	0	0.0
Korean	3,605	1,535	42.6	1,220	33.9	665	18.5	180	5.0
Mon-Khmer, Cambodian	3,710	1,130	30.5	1,125	30.3	1,215	32.8	240	6.5
Miao, Hmong	21,155	7,020	33.2	6,015	28.4	5,460	25.8	2,660	12.6
Thai	895	435	48.4	265	29.5	195	21.7	4	0.4
Laotian	5,775	2,150	37.2	1,715	29.7	1,620	28.1	290	5.0
Vietnamese	13,190	3,560	27.0	4,595	34.8	4,360	33.0	680	5.2
Other Asian languages	4,495	3,210	71.4	950	21.1	305	6.8	30	0.7
Tagalog	3,220	2,255	70.0	830	25.8	135	4.2	0	0.0
Other Pacific Island languages	1,170	715	61.1	375	32.1	60	5.1	20	1.7
Other languages	34,695	21,320	61.5	8,420	24.3	4,055	11.7	900	2.6
Navajo	25	20	71.4	4	14.3	4	14.3	0	0.0
Other Native North American languages	4,480	3,715	82.9	545	12.2	205	4.6	15	0.3
Hungarian	580	500	86.2	40	6.9	40	6.9	0	0.0
Arabic	4,340	2,610	60.1	1,035	23.9	595	13.7	100	2.3
Hebrew	955	820	85.9	75	7.9	60	6.3	0	0.0
African languages	18,965	9,600	50.6	5,690	30.0	2,900	15.3	775	4.1
Other and unspecified languages	5,345	4,055	75.9	1,030	19.3	250	4.7	10	0.2

(X) Not Applicable.