

Table 26b. Mississippi -- 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	2,070,255	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)
Speak only English	1,993,380	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)
Speak language other than English	76,875	47,985	62.4	14,210	18.5	11,285	14.7	3,395	4.4
Spanish or Spanish Creole	39,870	23,185	58.2	6,420	16.1	7,295	18.3	2,965	7.4
Other Indo-European languages	20,335	15,515	76.3	3,055	15.0	1,705	8.4	60	0.3
French (incl. Patois, Cajun)	8,920	6,645	74.5	1,325	14.9	930	10.4	25	0.3
French Creole	130	110	85.3	15	11.6	4	3.1	0	0.0
Italian	1,230	1,015	82.5	120	9.8	95	7.7	0	0.0
Portuguese or Portuguese Creole	350	270	77.1	50	14.3	30	8.6	0	0.0
German	4,915	3,900	79.4	715	14.6	300	6.1	0	0.0
Yiddish	20	20	100.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
Other West Germanic languages	505	435	86.1	50	9.9	20	4.0	0	0.0
Scandinavian languages	220	190	86.4	30	13.6	0	0.0	0	0.0
Greek	380	280	73.7	65	17.1	35	9.2	0	0.0
Russian	460	275	59.9	135	29.4	45	9.8	4	0.9
Polish	230	195	84.8	25	10.9	10	4.4	0	0.0
Serbo-Croatian	125	75	60.5	45	36.3	4	3.2	0	0.0
Other Slavic languages	140	65	48.2	40	29.6	30	22.2	0	0.0
Armenian	10	10	100.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
Persian	330	140	42.4	145	43.9	45	13.6	0	0.0
Gujarathi	455	330	72.5	70	15.4	45	9.9	10	2.2
Hindi	740	675	91.8	15	2.0	45	6.1	0	0.0
Urdu	270	220	81.5	20	7.4	30	11.1	0	0.0
Other Indic languages	645	470	72.3	130	20.0	35	5.4	15	2.3
Other Indo-European languages	270	205	74.8	65	23.7	0	0.0	4	1.5
Asian and Pacific Island languages	11,035	5,680	51.4	3,180	28.7	1,900	17.3	280	2.5
Chinese	2,205	1,045	47.4	770	34.9	340	15.4	50	2.3
Japanese	845	600	71.5	160	19.1	75	8.9	4	0.5
Korean	1,315	590	44.9	485	36.9	215	16.4	25	1.9
Mon-Khmer, Cambodian	90	15	15.8	55	57.9	25	26.3	0	0.0
Miao, Hmong	15	15	100.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
Thai	360	205	56.9	85	23.6	60	16.7	10	2.8
Laotian	55	25	45.5	15	27.3	15	27.3	0	0.0
Vietnamese	3,450	1,180	34.2	1,050	30.4	1,035	30.0	185	5.4
Other Asian languages	625	505	80.2	75	11.9	50	7.9	0	0.0
Tagalog	1,845	1,355	73.5	425	23.1	60	3.3	4	0.2
Other Pacific Island languages	235	145	61.7	60	25.5	30	12.8	0	0.0
Other languages	5,635	3,605	64.0	1,550	27.5	385	6.9	90	1.6
Navajo	15	10	71.4	4	28.6	0	0.0	0	0.0
Other Native North American languages	3,815	2,240	58.7	1,240	32.5	285	7.5	50	1.3
Hungarian	85	80	88.9	0	0.0	10	11.1	0	0.0
Arabic	940	615	65.4	195	20.7	90	9.6	40	4.3
Hebrew	215	155	72.1	60	27.9	0	0.0	0	0.0
African languages	515	465	90.5	45	8.8	4	0.8	0	0.0
Other and unspecified languages	50	45	91.8	4	8.2	0	0.0	0	0.0

(X) Not Applicable.