

**Table 27b. Missouri -- Ability to Speak English by Language Spoken at Home for the Population 18 Years and Over: 2000**  
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[Data based on a sample. For information on confidentiality protection, sampling error, nonsampling error, and definitions, see <http://www.census.gov/prod/cen2000/doc/sf3.pdf>]

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
<b>Population 18 years and over</b>	4,169,110	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)
Speak only English	3,958,405	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)
Speak language other than English	210,705	127,295	60.4	43,660	20.7	31,555	15.0	8,200	3.9
<b>Spanish or Spanish Creole</b>	83,960	48,700	58.0	14,535	17.3	15,270	18.2	5,455	6.5
<b>Other Indo-European languages</b>	79,870	54,260	67.9	15,415	19.3	8,940	11.2	1,250	1.6
French (incl. Patois, Cajun)	14,840	11,005	74.2	2,220	15.0	1,585	10.7	25	0.2
French Creole	480	270	56.3	125	26.0	75	15.6	10	2.1
Italian	6,190	4,185	67.6	1,230	19.9	730	11.8	45	0.7
Portuguese or Portuguese Creole	1,090	830	76.2	190	17.4	60	5.5	10	0.9
German	25,695	19,890	77.4	4,240	16.5	1,505	5.9	60	0.2
Yiddish	845	670	79.4	75	8.9	95	11.3	4	0.5
Other West Germanic languages	3,450	2,380	69.0	980	28.4	75	2.2	15	0.4
Scandinavian languages	900	800	88.4	60	6.6	45	5.0	0	0.0
Greek	1,800	1,255	69.6	310	17.2	235	13.0	4	0.2
Russian	4,430	1,995	45.0	1,260	28.4	1,000	22.6	175	4.0
Polish	2,035	1,425	70.0	340	16.7	260	12.8	10	0.5
Serbo-Croatian	6,395	1,805	28.2	1,800	28.2	2,165	33.9	625	9.8
Other Slavic languages	1,900	1,100	57.7	455	23.9	305	16.0	45	2.4
Armenian	170	100	57.1	55	31.4	20	11.4	0	0.0
Persian	1,375	870	63.3	305	22.2	130	9.5	70	5.1
Gujarathi	1,065	705	66.5	280	26.4	60	5.7	15	1.4
Hindi	1,870	1,530	81.8	225	12.0	95	5.1	20	1.1
Urdu	1,550	1,065	68.9	335	21.7	130	8.4	15	1.0
Other Indic languages	2,010	1,440	71.5	435	21.6	105	5.2	35	1.7
Other Indo-European languages	1,780	945	53.1	500	28.1	270	15.2	65	3.7
<b>Asian and Pacific Island languages</b>	35,560	16,700	47.0	11,175	31.4	6,425	18.1	1,260	3.5
Chinese	10,035	4,420	44.1	3,710	37.0	1,490	14.9	415	4.1
Japanese	2,550	1,275	50.0	900	35.3	350	13.7	25	1.0
Korean	4,135	1,845	44.6	1,420	34.3	755	18.3	115	2.8
Mon-Khmer, Cambodian	660	175	26.5	125	18.9	330	50.0	30	4.6
Miao, Hmong	55	35	58.3	25	41.7	0	0.0	0	0.0
Thai	1,175	515	43.6	465	39.4	155	13.1	45	3.8
Laotian	720	200	27.8	245	34.0	245	34.0	30	4.2
Vietnamese	7,445	1,985	26.7	2,190	29.4	2,685	36.1	585	7.9
Other Asian languages	2,835	2,215	78.1	480	16.9	140	4.9	0	0.0
Tagalog	4,255	2,990	70.4	1,065	25.1	185	4.4	10	0.2
Other Pacific Island languages	1,695	1,045	61.7	555	32.8	90	5.3	4	0.2
<b>Other languages</b>	11,315	7,635	67.5	2,560	22.4	915	8.1	235	2.1
Navajo	120	100	84.0	15	12.6	4	3.4	0	0.0
Other Native North American languages	1,135	890	78.4	190	16.7	55	4.9	0	0.0
Hungarian	665	475	72.0	165	25.0	20	3.0	0	0.0
Arabic	4,195	2,760	65.9	990	23.6	350	8.4	90	2.2
Hebrew	740	595	80.5	105	14.2	35	4.7	4	0.5
African languages	4,130	2,620	63.4	1,010	24.5	390	9.4	110	2.7
Other and unspecified languages	330	190	56.7	55	16.4	60	17.9	30	9.0

(X) Not Applicable.