

Table 36a. North Dakota – Ability to Speak English by Language Spoken at Home for the Population 5 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
Population 5 years and over	603,105	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)
Speak only English	565,130	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)
Speak language other than English	37,975	26,975	71.0	7,455	19.6	3,260	8.6	290	0.8
Spanish or Spanish Creole	8,265	5,500	66.6	1,565	18.9	1,095	13.3	105	1.3
Other Indo-European languages	24,190	17,520	72.4	4,860	20.1	1,640	6.8	170	0.7
French (incl. Patois, Cajun)	1,595	1,260	78.8	180	11.3	155	9.7	4	0.3
French Creole	20	10	41.7	4	16.7	10	41.7	0	0.0
Italian	180	140	78.2	35	19.6	4	2.2	0	0.0
Portuguese or Portuguese Creole	160	110	68.8	40	25.0	10	6.3	0	0.0
German	14,930	10,690	71.6	3,305	22.1	885	5.9	50	0.3
Yiddish	5	4	100.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
Other West Germanic languages	145	130	87.3	15	10.1	4	2.7	0	0.0
Scandinavian languages	3,195	2,705	84.7	375	11.7	110	3.4	4	0.1
Greek	120	95	76.0	10	8.0	20	16.0	0	0.0
Russian	330	205	62.3	75	22.8	45	13.7	4	1.2
Polish	450	310	68.3	125	27.5	15	3.3	4	0.9
Serbo-Croatian	825	270	32.7	220	26.7	240	29.1	95	11.5
Other Slavic languages	1,350	1,010	74.6	295	21.8	45	3.3	4	0.3
Armenian	10	10	100.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
Persian	95	40	42.1	45	47.4	10	10.5	0	0.0
Gujarathi	50	50	100.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
Hindi	220	200	90.9	20	9.1	0	0.0	0	0.0
Urdu	60	30	54.6	25	45.5	0	0.0	0	0.0
Other Indic languages	230	155	68.9	25	11.1	45	20.0	0	0.0
Other Indo-European languages	215	100	46.5	65	30.2	40	18.6	10	4.7
Asian and Pacific Island languages	1,935	1,235	64.2	535	27.7	155	7.9	5	0.2
Chinese	435	230	52.4	170	38.7	35	8.0	4	0.9
Japanese	150	120	80.0	20	13.3	10	6.7	0	0.0
Korean	220	135	61.4	70	31.8	15	6.8	0	0.0
Mon-Khmer, Cambodian	25	4	17.4	15	65.2	4	17.4	0	0.0
Miao, Hmong	0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
Thai	35	50	55.6	40	44.4	0	0.0	0	0.0
Laotian	290	35	100.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
Vietnamese	305	125	43.1	100	34.5	65	22.4	0	0.0
Other Asian languages	330	280	92.1	20	6.6	4	1.3	0	0.0
Tagalog	50	230	68.7	90	26.9	15	4.5	0	0.0
Other Pacific Island languages	45	30	68.2	10	22.7	4	9.1	0	0.0
Other languages	3,585	2,715	75.8	490	13.6	375	10.4	10	0.2
Navajo	45	45	84.9	4	7.6	4	7.6	0	0.0
Other Native North American languages	2,535	2,115	83.3	295	11.6	125	4.9	4	0.2
Hungarian	35	30	88.2	4	11.8	0	0.0	0	0.0
Arabic	260	155	59.6	60	23.1	45	17.3	0	0.0
Hebrew	20	15	79.0	0	0.0	4	21.1	0	0.0
African languages	460	165	36.3	100	22.0	185	40.8	4	0.9
Other and unspecified languages	230	195	84.8	25	10.9	10	4.4	0	0.0

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