

Table 39a. Oregon - Ability to Speak English by Language Spoken at Home for the Population 5 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	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Population 5 years and over	3,199,321		(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)
Speak only English	2,810,655		(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)
Speak language other than English	388,670	199,710	51.4	84,410	21.7	74,275	19.1	30,275	7.8	
Spanish or Spanish Creole	217,615	101,555	46.4	43,220	19.9	48,965	22.5	24,370	11.2	
Other Indo-European languages	62,830	54,330	86.5	15,520	24.7	10,035	16.1	2,540	4.0	
French (incl. Patois, Cajun)	11,635	9,960	85.7	1,255	10.8	1,155	9.9	40	0.3	
French Creole	285	90	31.6	45	15.8	50	17.5	100	35.1	
Italian	3,105	2,510	80.8	360	11.6	225	7.3	10	0.3	
Portuguese or Portuguese Creole	1,145	910	79.6	165	14.4	65	5.7	4	0.4	
German	18,400	15,550	84.5	2,190	11.9	1,090	5.9	70	0.4	
Yiddish	150	90	60.0	45	30.0	15	10.0	0	0.0	
Other West Germanic languages	2,955	2,470	83.7	425	14.4	155	5.2	0	0.0	
Scandinavian languages	3,275	2,720	83.1	375	11.5	165	5.0	15	0.5	
Greek	1,205	880	73.1	230	19.1	90	7.5	4	0.3	
Russian	16,345	6,240	38.2	4,870	29.8	3,825	23.4	1,410	8.6	
Polish	1,240	835	67.4	305	24.6	95	7.7	4	0.3	
Serbo-Croatian	1,470	690	46.9	365	24.8	375	25.5	40	2.7	
Other Slavic languages	5,630	2,990	53.1	1,750	31.1	1,300	23.1	500	8.9	
Armenian	335	195	58.2	110	32.8	30	9.0	0	0.0	
Persian	2,730	1,790	65.7	525	19.3	335	12.3	75	2.8	
Gujarathi	965	675	70.0	140	14.5	135	14.0	15	1.6	
Hindi	2,745	2,220	80.9	395	14.4	120	4.4	10	0.4	
Urdu	740	610	81.8	90	12.1	45	6.0	0	0.0	
Other Indic languages	2,320	1,740	75.0	450	19.4	110	4.7	20	0.9	
Other Indo-European languages	5,945	3,180	53.5	1,750	29.1	750	12.6	225	3.8	
Asian and Pacific Island languages	75,280	35,305	46.9	22,760	30.2	14,165	18.8	3,045	4.0	
Chinese	15,505	6,790	43.8	4,565	29.4	2,975	19.2	1,175	7.6	
Japanese	9,375	5,445	58.1	2,310	24.6	1,505	16.1	115	1.2	
Korean	9,185	3,710	40.4	2,805	30.5	2,245	24.4	425	4.6	
Mon-Khmer, Cambodian	2,830	1,255	44.4	860	30.4	575	20.3	140	5.0	
Miao, Hmong	1,275	695	54.5	565	44.3	260	16.5	55	3.5	
Thai	1,515	750	49.5	565	37.3	190	12.5	10	0.7	
Laotian	2,865	1,285	44.9	990	34.2	535	18.7	85	3.0	
Vietnamese	17,605	5,900	33.5	6,425	36.1	4,665	26.5	895	5.0	
Other Asian languages	4,110	2,705	65.8	960	23.4	395	9.6	50	1.2	
Tagalog	6,190	4,155	67.1	1,460	23.6	910	14.7	55	0.9	
Other Pacific Island languages	4,330	2,620	60.5	1,255	29.0	410	9.5	45	1.0	
Other languages	12,950	9,015	69.7	2,515	19.4	1,105	8.5	315	2.4	
Navajo	230	145	63.0	50	21.7	30	13.0	0	0.0	
Other Native North American languages	1,960	1,545	78.8	215	11.0	85	4.4	10	0.5	
Hungarian	910	690	75.8	205	22.5	15	1.7	0	0.0	
Arabic	3,725	2,610	70.1	795	21.4	250	6.7	65	1.8	
Hebrew	605	725	84.8	95	11.1	25	2.9	10	1.2	
African languages	2,885	1,690	58.6	800	27.7	340	11.8	55	1.9	
Other and unspecified languages	2,385	1,510	63.3	350	14.6	360	15.1	170	7.1	

(X) Not applicable.