

Table 40a. Pennsylvania -- 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	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Population 5 years and over	11,555,540	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)
Speak only English	10,583,055	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)
Speak language other than English	972,485	604,225	62.1	209,840	21.6	127,145	13.1	31,270	3.2
Spanish or Spanish Creole	356,755	216,250	60.6	67,730	19.0	54,770	15.4	18,000	5.1
Other Indo-European languages	428,120	289,580	67.6	91,295	21.3	40,890	9.6	6,355	1.5
French (incl. Patois, Cajun)	47,735	35,515	74.4	7,170	15.0	4,880	10.2	170	0.4
French Creole	4,780	2,915	61.0	1,250	26.2	525	11.0	90	1.9
Italian	70,435	48,895	69.4	13,865	19.7	6,940	9.9	735	1.0
Portuguese or Portuguese Creole	8,345	5,130	61.5	1,655	19.8	1,215	14.6	345	4.1
German	68,670	50,990	74.3	12,580	18.3	4,805	7.0	295	0.4
Yiddish	5,445	4,175	76.7	875	16.1	345	6.3	50	0.9
Other West Germanic languages	51,075	31,885	62.4	16,635	32.6	2,165	4.2	395	0.8
Scandinavian languages	3,320	2,750	83.0	440	13.3	120	3.6	4	0.1
Greek	17,350	12,370	71.3	3,225	18.6	1,590	9.2	160	0.9
Russian	32,190	14,320	44.5	9,380	29.1	6,385	19.8	2,100	6.5
Polish	31,715	22,225	70.1	6,090	19.2	3,080	9.7	320	1.0
Serbo-Croatian	8,650	5,495	63.6	1,785	20.7	1,155	13.4	210	2.4
Other Slavic languages	24,425	16,335	66.9	4,885	20.0	2,915	11.9	290	1.2
Armenian	2,270	1,625	71.4	380	16.7	235	10.3	35	1.5
Persian	3,705	2,670	72.2	660	17.8	320	8.7	50	1.4
Gujarathi	8,955	5,825	65.1	1,970	22.0	885	9.9	275	3.1
Hindi	10,045	7,920	78.9	1,550	15.4	480	4.8	95	1.0
Urdu	5,065	3,665	72.4	945	18.7	355	7.0	100	2.0
Other Indic languages	12,295	7,655	62.3	3,045	24.8	1,190	9.7	405	3.3
Other Indo-European languages	11,655	7,225	62.0	2,900	24.9	1,305	11.2	230	2.0
Asian and Pacific Island languages	143,955	67,770	47.0	41,565	28.9	28,230	19.6	6,385	4.4
Chinese	42,790	19,495	45.6	12,320	28.8	8,030	18.8	2,945	6.9
Japanese	7,200	3,830	53.2	2,190	30.4	1,125	15.6	60	0.8
Korean	25,980	10,655	41.0	8,185	31.5	6,240	24.0	900	3.5
Mon-Khmer, Cambodian	8,710	3,275	37.6	2,730	31.3	2,160	24.8	545	6.3
Miao, Hmong	880	570	64.8	170	19.3	115	13.1	25	2.8
Thai	2,065	1,005	48.7	810	39.2	215	10.4	35	1.7
Laotian	2,250	1,070	47.5	610	27.1	510	22.6	65	2.9
Vietnamese	25,880	8,155	31.5	8,300	32.1	8,025	31.0	1,400	5.4
Other Asian languages	16,195	11,370	70.2	3,530	21.8	1,010	6.2	290	1.8
Tagalog	9,605	6,800	70.8	2,285	23.8	435	4.5	80	0.8
Other Pacific Island languages	2,400	1,550	64.7	435	18.2	370	15.5	40	1.7
Other languages	43,655	30,625	70.2	9,250	21.2	3,255	7.5	525	1.2
Navajo	40	30	66.7	15	33.3	0	0.0	0	0.0
Other Native North American languages	1,190	975	81.6	155	13.0	65	5.4	0	0.0
Hungarian	6,165	4,420	71.7	1,400	22.7	320	5.2	25	0.4
Arabic	19,555	12,690	64.9	4,470	22.9	2,045	10.5	350	1.8
Hebrew	5,920	4,955	83.7	755	12.8	205	3.5	4	0.1
African languages	9,675	6,845	70.8	2,190	22.7	495	5.1	140	1.5
Other and unspecified languages	1,110	710	64.3	260	23.6	130	11.8	4	0.4

(X) Not applicable.