

**Table 51a. Wisconsin -- 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
<b>Population 5 years and over</b>	5,022,075	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)
Speak only English	4,653,360	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)
Speak language other than English	368,710	219,800	59.6	77,740	21.1	55,100	14.9	16,070	4.4
<b>Spanish or Spanish Creole</b>	168,780	92,080	54.6	32,370	19.2	32,085	19.0	12,245	7.3
<b>Other Indo-European languages</b>	124,720	87,985	70.6	23,775	19.1	11,670	9.4	1,290	1.0
French (incl. Patois, Cajun)	14,970	10,985	73.4	2,030	13.6	1,885	12.6	70	0.5
French Creole	150	105	70.0	20	13.3	25	16.7	0	0.0
Italian	6,775	4,765	70.3	1,185	17.5	760	11.2	65	1.0
Portuguese or Portuguese Creole	905	615	68.3	155	17.2	105	11.7	25	2.8
German	48,410	35,360	73.0	8,910	18.4	3,920	8.1	220	0.5
Yiddish	485	405	83.5	65	13.4	15	3.1	0	0.0
Other West Germanic languages	5,870	3,500	59.6	1,945	33.1	345	5.9	80	1.4
Scandinavian languages	5,650	4,680	82.8	680	12.0	275	4.9	15	0.3
Greek	2,565	1,995	77.9	410	16.0	135	5.3	20	0.8
Russian	5,360	2,575	48.0	1,395	26.0	1,095	20.4	295	5.5
Polish	12,095	8,645	71.5	2,450	20.3	930	7.7	75	0.6
Serbo-Croatian	4,990	2,745	55.1	1,355	27.2	750	15.1	135	2.7
Other Slavic languages	3,620	2,640	72.9	650	18.0	285	7.9	45	1.2
Armenian	475	420	88.4	35	7.4	20	4.2	0	0.0
Persian	1,100	840	76.4	155	14.1	70	6.4	35	3.2
Gujarathi	815	470	57.7	235	28.8	95	11.7	15	1.8
Hindi	2,295	1,810	79.1	415	18.1	60	2.6	4	0.2
Urdu	1,715	1,185	69.1	375	21.9	150	8.8	4	0.2
Other Indic languages	2,735	1,860	67.9	580	21.2	225	8.2	75	2.7
Other Indo-European languages	3,740	2,385	63.8	730	19.5	520	13.9	105	2.8
<b>Asian and Pacific Island languages</b>	61,445	29,505	48.0	19,115	31.1	10,370	16.9	2,460	4.0
Chinese	7,950	3,865	48.6	2,725	34.3	1,080	13.6	280	3.5
Japanese	3,185	1,855	58.2	665	20.9	640	20.1	25	0.8
Korean	4,075	1,920	47.1	1,340	32.9	725	17.8	90	2.2
Mon-Khmer, Cambodian	555	215	38.5	175	31.3	165	29.5	4	0.7
Miao, Hmong	30,570	12,830	42.0	10,035	32.8	5,960	19.5	1,745	5.7
Thai	905	370	40.9	425	47.0	105	11.6	4	0.4
Laotian	3,315	1,460	44.0	940	28.4	725	21.9	190	5.7
Vietnamese	3,210	1,345	41.9	1,165	36.3	600	18.7	100	3.1
Other Asian languages	3,095	2,415	78.0	490	15.8	175	5.7	15	0.5
Tagalog	3,145	2,445	77.6	575	18.3	125	4.0	4	0.1
Other Pacific Island languages	1,445	790	54.7	585	40.5	70	4.8	0	0.0
<b>Other languages</b>	13,770	10,235	74.4	2,475	18.0	980	7.1	80	0.6
Navajo	20	20	100.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
Other Native North American languages	4,210	3,390	80.5	510	12.1	305	7.3	4	0.1
Hungarian	980	650	66.3	255	26.0	75	7.7	0	0.0
Arabic	4,090	2,925	71.5	850	20.8	285	7.0	30	0.7
Hebrew	1,045	855	82.3	110	10.6	70	6.7	4	0.4
African languages	1,880	1,240	66.0	515	27.4	120	6.4	4	0.2
Other and unspecified languages	1,550	1,155	74.8	235	15.2	120	7.8	35	2.3

(X) Not applicable.