

**Table 2. Language Use, English Ability, and Linguistic Isolation for the Population 5 to 17 Years by State: 2000**

[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>]

| State                | Population 5 to 17 years | Speak only English | Speak non-English language at home |                       |                  |                  |                  |                | Population in households |                         |                                |
|----------------------|--------------------------|--------------------|------------------------------------|-----------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|----------------|--------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------------|
|                      |                          |                    | Total                              | Percent of population | Speak English    |                  |                  |                | Speak Spanish            | Linguistically isolated | All speak non-English language |
|                      |                          |                    |                                    |                       | "Very well"      | "Well"           | "Not well"       | "Not at all"   |                          |                         |                                |
| <b>United States</b> | <b>53,096,003</b>        | <b>43,316,237</b>  | <b>9,779,766</b>                   | <b>18.4</b>           | <b>6,286,648</b> | <b>2,171,142</b> | <b>1,090,925</b> | <b>231,051</b> | <b>6,830,100</b>         | <b>2,687,603</b>        | <b>7,473,988</b>               |
| Alabama              | 827,790                  | 796,631            | 31,159                             | 3.8                   | 18,972           | 6,799            | 4,753            | 635            | 20,386                   | 5,414                   | 12,974                         |
| Alaska               | 143,315                  | 124,774            | 18,541                             | 12.9                  | 12,415           | 4,130            | 1,823            | 173            | 3,764                    | 3,465                   | 11,171                         |
| Arizona              | 984,793                  | 700,732            | 284,061                            | 28.8                  | 175,323          | 66,207           | 32,346           | 10,185         | 232,395                  | 83,656                  | 223,848                        |
| Arkansas             | 498,863                  | 471,957            | 26,906                             | 5.4                   | 15,246           | 6,162            | 4,539            | 959            | 20,260                   | 7,796                   | 15,707                         |
| California           | 6,766,444                | 3,886,749          | 2,879,695                          | 42.6                  | 1,768,308        | 721,341          | 314,642          | 75,404         | 2,188,434                | 906,231                 | 2,382,769                      |
| Colorado             | 801,814                  | 685,822            | 115,992                            | 14.5                  | 70,126           | 24,771           | 16,361           | 4,734          | 88,898                   | 36,417                  | 83,397                         |
| Connecticut          | 618,523                  | 510,161            | 108,362                            | 17.5                  | 76,657           | 20,106           | 10,311           | 1,288          | 68,174                   | 23,920                  | 81,484                         |
| Delaware             | 142,740                  | 129,422            | 13,318                             | 9.3                   | 8,441            | 2,690            | 1,837            | 350            | 8,646                    | 3,048                   | 8,392                          |
| District of Columbia | 81,931                   | 69,708             | 12,223                             | 14.9                  | 7,714            | 2,576            | 1,518            | 415            | 8,680                    | 3,783                   | 8,709                          |
| Florida              | 2,695,797                | 2,058,387          | 637,410                            | 23.6                  | 458,301          | 110,131          | 55,041           | 13,937         | 490,254                  | 154,607                 | 520,740                        |
| Georgia              | 1,573,797                | 1,425,097          | 148,700                            | 9.4                   | 86,411           | 33,687           | 22,541           | 6,061          | 93,174                   | 45,526                  | 96,369                         |
| Hawaii               | 217,139                  | 177,581            | 39,558                             | 18.2                  | 25,973           | 9,839            | 3,528            | 218            | 2,423                    | 10,735                  | 24,352                         |
| Idaho                | 270,971                  | 244,389            | 26,582                             | 9.8                   | 17,770           | 5,194            | 3,005            | 613            | 21,553                   | 7,147                   | 18,472                         |
| Illinois             | 2,367,441                | 1,906,780          | 460,661                            | 19.5                  | 295,108          | 100,058          | 51,839           | 13,656         | 321,898                  | 130,941                 | 363,471                        |
| Indiana              | 1,150,139                | 1,077,318          | 72,821                             | 6.3                   | 46,259           | 15,537           | 9,600            | 1,425          | 41,210                   | 13,474                  | 38,490                         |
| Iowa                 | 544,509                  | 508,869            | 35,640                             | 6.5                   | 22,008           | 7,724            | 5,165            | 743            | 21,228                   | 8,354                   | 18,621                         |
| Kansas               | 523,162                  | 473,609            | 49,553                             | 9.5                   | 31,561           | 10,486           | 6,566            | 940            | 35,874                   | 12,927                  | 32,458                         |
| Kentucky             | 728,302                  | 699,470            | 28,832                             | 4.0                   | 17,936           | 5,981            | 4,484            | 431            | 15,113                   | 4,895                   | 12,384                         |
| Louisiana            | 902,844                  | 851,735            | 51,109                             | 5.7                   | 35,844           | 9,330            | 5,598            | 337            | 20,689                   | 7,363                   | 23,200                         |
| Maine                | 230,219                  | 220,589            | 9,630                              | 4.2                   | 7,127            | 1,313            | 1,088            | 102            | 2,171                    | 1,026                   | 3,623                          |
| Maryland             | 1,001,976                | 888,250            | 113,726                            | 11.4                  | 79,408           | 20,714           | 12,148           | 1,456          | 53,352                   | 24,139                  | 76,161                         |
| Massachusetts        | 1,101,119                | 893,964            | 207,155                            | 18.8                  | 146,524          | 40,988           | 16,811           | 2,832          | 99,552                   | 53,995                  | 161,613                        |
| Michigan             | 1,922,933                | 1,772,115          | 150,818                            | 7.8                   | 102,276          | 28,871           | 17,607           | 2,064          | 60,589                   | 29,783                  | 90,778                         |
| Minnesota            | 958,551                  | 865,079            | 93,472                             | 9.8                   | 55,769           | 22,965           | 13,109           | 1,629          | 35,026                   | 23,936                  | 57,787                         |
| Mississippi          | 571,199                  | 552,552            | 18,647                             | 3.3                   | 11,479           | 4,401            | 2,437            | 330            | 10,647                   | 2,786                   | 7,138                          |
| Missouri             | 1,056,913                | 1,003,337          | 53,576                             | 5.1                   | 33,969           | 10,890           | 7,840            | 877            | 26,794                   | 10,373                  | 25,305                         |
| Montana              | 175,111                  | 166,692            | 8,419                              | 4.8                   | 5,746            | 1,692            | 934              | 47             | 2,776                    | 1,090                   | 2,855                          |
| Nebraska             | 333,052                  | 304,915            | 28,137                             | 8.4                   | 17,124           | 6,398            | 3,835            | 780            | 20,537                   | 7,970                   | 17,190                         |
| Nevada               | 365,194                  | 271,557            | 93,637                             | 25.6                  | 59,300           | 21,405           | 10,223           | 2,709          | 78,029                   | 30,529                  | 73,474                         |
| New Hampshire        | 233,455                  | 220,933            | 12,522                             | 5.4                   | 9,079            | 1,879            | 1,452            | 112            | 4,422                    | 2,449                   | 6,162                          |
| New Jersey           | 1,523,392                | 1,156,705          | 366,687                            | 24.1                  | 266,694          | 63,257           | 31,346           | 5,390          | 211,243                  | 89,602                  | 298,725                        |
| New Mexico           | 378,433                  | 260,215            | 118,218                            | 31.2                  | 79,782           | 24,601           | 11,888           | 1,947          | 91,941                   | 25,143                  | 91,482                         |
| New York             | 3,446,844                | 2,518,326          | 928,518                            | 26.9                  | 625,306          | 196,408          | 91,300           | 15,504         | 540,247                  | 252,249                 | 737,105                        |
| North Carolina       | 1,425,169                | 1,307,706          | 117,463                            | 8.2                   | 66,666           | 24,889           | 20,706           | 5,202          | 81,672                   | 35,502                  | 74,292                         |
| North Dakota         | 121,805                  | 116,759            | 5,046                              | 4.1                   | 3,534            | 855              | 626              | 31             | 2,076                    | 652                     | 1,762                          |
| Ohio                 | 2,131,969                | 2,012,258          | 119,711                            | 5.6                   | 76,036           | 26,322           | 15,730           | 1,623          | 49,364                   | 21,338                  | 58,446                         |
| Oklahoma             | 655,329                  | 604,832            | 50,497                             | 7.7                   | 32,430           | 10,247           | 6,762            | 1,058          | 35,801                   | 11,973                  | 31,368                         |
| Oregon               | 622,194                  | 534,558            | 87,636                             | 14.1                  | 52,982           | 19,752           | 12,251           | 2,651          | 56,075                   | 28,697                  | 62,496                         |
| Pennsylvania         | 2,193,472                | 2,003,587          | 189,885                            | 8.7                   | 126,247          | 39,807           | 21,254           | 2,577          | 92,893                   | 39,204                  | 117,367                        |
| Rhode Island         | 184,374                  | 145,648            | 38,726                             | 21.0                  | 26,556           | 7,798            | 3,887            | 485            | 23,615                   | 11,484                  | 31,082                         |
| South Carolina       | 745,750                  | 709,025            | 36,725                             | 4.9                   | 21,810           | 8,109            | 5,971            | 835            | 24,034                   | 7,097                   | 15,637                         |
| South Dakota         | 151,702                  | 142,636            | 9,066                              | 6.0                   | 5,476            | 2,206            | 1,240            | 144            | 2,774                    | 1,856                   | 3,676                          |
| Tennessee            | 1,023,873                | 977,200            | 46,673                             | 4.6                   | 28,604           | 9,538            | 7,309            | 1,222          | 26,789                   | 10,229                  | 23,986                         |
| Texas                | 4,263,628                | 2,882,740          | 1,380,888                          | 32.4                  | 864,069          | 315,699          | 163,042          | 38,078         | 1,254,273                | 379,725                 | 1,129,453                      |
| Utah                 | 507,537                  | 454,950            | 52,587                             | 10.4                  | 34,416           | 10,573           | 6,314            | 1,284          | 34,657                   | 13,492                  | 35,395                         |
| Vermont              | 113,594                  | 108,499            | 5,095                              | 4.5                   | 3,660            | 889              | 533              | 13             | 1,430                    | 518                     | 1,890                          |
| Virginia             | 1,276,575                | 1,142,269          | 134,306                            | 10.5                  | 90,929           | 26,525           | 14,820           | 2,032          | 68,178                   | 31,116                  | 90,750                         |
| Washington           | 1,117,057                | 955,306            | 161,751                            | 14.5                  | 102,074          | 37,153           | 18,683           | 3,841          | 83,975                   | 50,392                  | 119,376                        |
| West Virginia        | 300,362                  | 293,106            | 7,256                              | 2.4                   | 4,761            | 1,233            | 1,205            | 57             | 3,852                    | 578                     | 1,589                          |
| Wisconsin            | 1,025,784                | 938,879            | 86,905                             | 8.5                   | 52,620           | 20,258           | 12,498           | 1,529          | 44,720                   | 18,323                  | 46,937                         |
| Wyoming              | 97,124                   | 91,859             | 5,265                              | 5.4                   | 3,822            | 758              | 579              | 106            | 3,543                    | 658                     | 2,080                          |

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