



TOP 15 LANGUAGES SPOKEN BY STATE

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ALABAMA

1	Spanish or Spanish Creole	75,000
2	Korean	4,554
3	Chinese	5,405
4	Vietnamese	3,708
5	Arabic	1,440
6	German	1,411
7	French	1,278
8	Gujarati	888
9	Tagalog	856
10	Hindi	818
11	Laotian	681
12	Russian	586
13	Portuguese	516
14	Turkish	505
15	Japanese	484

ALASKA

1	Tagalog	7,021
2	Spanish	5,975
3	Korean	2,219
4	Hmong	1,944
5	Russian	1,392
6	Samoan	870
7	Chinese	1,008
8	Laotian	743
9	Japanese	737
10	Ilocano	535
11	Vietnamese	516
12	Ukrainian	505
13	Thai	474
14	German	247
15	Polish	223

ARIZONA

1	Spanish	457,022
2	Navajo	20,627
3	Chinese	14,028
4	Vietnamese	12,996
5	Arabic	7,166
6	Tagalog	6,109
7	Korean	4,759
8	French	2,978
9	German	2,896
10	Russian	2,353
11	Japanese	2,308
12	Persian	2,262
13	Syriac	2,110
14	Serbo-Croatian	2,000
15	Thai	1,779

ARKANSAS

1	Spanish	68,847
2	Vietnamese	3,088
3	Marshallese	2,615
4	Chinese	2,358
5	Laotian	1,701
6	Tagalog	1,074
7	Arabic	986
8	German	799
9	French	670
10	Hmong	574
11	Korean	550
12	Portuguese	442
13	Japanese	432
14	Hindi	376
15	Gujarati	324

CALIFORNIA

1	Spanish	4,490,408
2	Chinese	610,934
3	Vietnamese	316,886
4	Tagalog	260,443
5	Korean	218,938
6	Armenian	94,516
7	Persian	74,437
8	Russian	73,133
9	Japanese	63,441
10	Arabic	62,500
11	Panjabi	53,335
12	Mon-Khmer, Cambodian	41,476
13	Hmong	34,953
14	Hindi	31,256
15	Thai	27,573

COLORADO

1	Spanish	226,453
2	Vietnamese	12,078
3	Chinese	10,489
4	Korean	8,475
5	Russian	6,405
6	Amharic	4,200
7	Arabic	4,093
8	German	2,856
9	French	2,528
10	Nepali	2,095
11	Tagalog	2,055
12	Japanese	1,635
13	Cushite	1,610
14	Persian	1,280
15	Kru, Ibo, Yoruba	1,220

CONNECTICUT

1	Spanish	156,861
2	Portuguese	16,008
3	Polish	15,109
4	Chinese	13,409
5	Italian	10,037
6	French	7,501
7	French Creole	5,567
8	Russian	4,916
9	Vietnamese	4,681
10	Arabic	3,805
11	Korean	3,535
12	Albanian	3,295
13	Hindi	2,930
14	Tagalog	2,639
15	Greek	2,242

DELAWARE

1	Spanish	25,069
2	Chinese	3,265
3	French Creole	1,281
4	Gujarati	1,104
5	French	729
6	Korean	709
7	Italian	614
8	Vietnamese	532
9	German	491
10	Tagalog	418
11	Hindi	406
12	Urdu	362
13	Arabic	348
14	Telugu	315
15	Dutch	290

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

1	Spanish	17,465
2	Amharic	2,475
3	Chinese	2,070
4	French	1,824
5	Tagalog	627
6	Russian	552
7	Portuguese	475
8	Italian	432
9	Vietnamese	389
10	Kru, Ibo, and Yoruba	360
11	Bengali	305
12	Japanese	281
13	Korean	240
14	Thai	230
15	German	217

FLORIDA

1	Spanish	1,640,329
2	French Creole	172,555
3	Vietnamese	35,602
4	Portuguese	33,193
5	Chinese	33,151
6	French	29,811
7	Tagalog	17,755
8	Russian	16,572
9	Arabic	15,490
10	Italian	13,210
11	German	11,442
12	Korean	9,686
13	Polish	9,020
14	Gujarati	5,850
15	Thai	5,259

GEORGIA

1	Spanish	342,161
2	Vietnamese	26,867
3	Korean	25,239
4	Chinese	23,196
5	Gujarati	6,945
6	French	6,923
7	Amharic	5,585
8	Hindi	5,381
9	French Creole	5,169
10	Russian	5,146
11	Arabic	4,485
12	Portuguese	3,623
13	Persian	3,618
14	German	3,394
15	Japanese	3,114

HAWAII

1	Ilocano	33,085
2	Tagalog	31,449
3	Japanese	21,288
4	Chinese	19,649
5	Korean	11,595
6	Spanish	6,974
7	Vietnamese	6,349
8	Samoan	4,400
9	Marshallese	3,840
10	Trukese	3,410
11	Hawaiian	3,010
12	Micronesia□	2,210
13	Bisayan	1,640
14	Tongan	1,515
15	Laotian	1,362

IDAHO

1	Spanish	47,041
2	Chinese	1,798
3	Serbo-Croatian	815
4	Korean	767
5	Vietnamese	630
6	Arabic	628
7	German	588
8	Tagalog	562
9	Russian	481
10	French	449
11	Japanese	395
12	Romanian	315
13	Sudan	305
14	Persian	296
15	Ukrainian	245

ILLINOIS

1	Spanish	694,457
2	Polish	90,066
3	Chinese	52,736
4	Korean	25,762
5	Tagalog	23,742
6	Arabic	19,749
7	Russian	19,419
8	Gujarati	17,728
9	Urdu	12,001
10	Vietnamese	11,973
11	Italian	10,319
12	Hindi	9,862
13	French	8,435
14	Greek	8392
15	German	7481

INDIANA

1	Spanish	121,383
2	Chinese	14,737
3	German	7,565
4	Pennsylvanian Dutch	4,600
5	Burmese	4,320
6	Arabic	3,783
7	Korean	3,729
8	Vietnamese	3,434
9	French	2,835
10	Japanese	2,679
11	Dutch	2,595
12	Tagalog	1,887
13	Russian	1,759
14	Panjabi	1,755
15	Hindi	1,712

IOWA

1	Spanish	49,357
2	Chinese	6,025
3	Vietnamese	4,552
4	Serbo-Croatian	3,795
5	German	2,624
6	Arabic	2,213
7	Laotian	1,997
8	Korean	1,950
9	Hindi	1,078
10	French	937
11	Pennsylvanian Dutch	875
12	Thai	872
13	Tagalog	789
14	Karen	780
15	Russian	614

KANSAS

1	Spanish	83,374
2	Vietnamese	7,435
3	Chinese	5,876
4	German	2,202
5	Korean	2,022
6	Laotian	1,998
7	Arabic	1,647
8	Tagalog	1,223
9	Burmese	830
10	French	786
11	Japanese	777
12	Russian	748
13	Hmong	590
14	Persian	549
15	Swahili	525

KENTUCKY

1	Spanish	48,275
2	Chinese	4,565
3	German	3,138
4	Vietnamese	3,076
5	Arabic	3,004
6	Serbo-Croatian	2,545
7	Japanese	2,320
8	French	1,914
9	Korean	1,739
10	Pennsylvanian Dutch	1,255
11	Nepali	1,185
12	Cushite	1,060
13	Russian	875
14	Tagalog	589
15	Bantu	580

LOUISIANA

1	Spanish	69,262
2	French	17,467
3	Vietnamese	15,024
4	Chinese	5,462
5	Arabic	2,460
6	Tagalog	1,567
7	Korean	1,271
8	Portuguese	1,048
9	Laotian	836
10	Japanese	719
11	Urdu	604
12	German	562
13	Persian	475
14	Russian	470
15	Thai	411

MAINE

1	French	8,381
2	Spanish	2,583
3	Chinese	1,490
4	Cushite	1,285
5	Vietnamese	1,191
6	Arabic	880
7	Mon-Khmer, Cambodian	567
8	Russian	489
9	Tagalog	486
10	German	385
11	Thai	307
12	Nilotic	290
13	Korean	221
14	Polish	200
15	Japanese	162

MARYLAND

1	Spanish	174,142
2	Chinese	29,766
3	Korean	21,344
4	Vietnamese	12,905
5	French	12,695
6	Tagalog	10,644
7	Russian	8,713
8	Amharic	7,435
9	Kru, Ibo, and Yoruba	5,605
10	Urdu	5,456
11	Persian	4,756
12	French Creole	3,854
13	Portuguese	3,496
14	Arabic	3,363
15	Gujarati	3,270

MASSACHUSETTS

1	Spanish	219,004
2	Portuguese	81,920
3	Chinese	59,573
4	French Creole	30,607
5	Vietnamese	24,785
6	Russian	15,633
7	Arabic	13,726
8	Mon-Khmer, Cambodian	12,262
9	French	11,221
10	Italian	10,022
11	Korean	7,725
12	Greek	6,453
13	Polish	6,240
14	Hindi	3,552
15	Gujarati	3,543

MICHIGAN

1	Spanish	93,487
2	Arabic	50,019
3	Chinese	20,265
4	Syriac	11,725
5	Vietnamese	9,173
6	Albanian	8,895
7	Korean	8,479
8	Bengali	7,110
9	Polish	6,508
10	German	6,385
11	Italian	5,720
12	Japanese	5,543
13	Russian	5,107
14	Serbo-Croatian	4,470
15	Tagalog	4,453

MINNESOTA

1	Spanish	83,799
2	Hmong	24,584
3	Cushite	18,500
4	Vietnamese	13,241
5	Chinese	9,922
6	Russian	6,463
7	Laotian	5,053
8	Amharic	4,395
9	Karen	4,045
10	German	4,032
11	Mon-Khmer, Cambodian	3,691
12	Arabic	3,251
13	French	3,187
14	Korean	2,146
15	Tagalog	1,800

MISSISSIPPI

1	Spanish	28,414
2	Vietnamese	3,687
3	Chinese	2,298
4	French	969
5	Arabic	908
6	Choctaw	800
7	Tagalog	699
8	German	696
9	Korean	662
10	Gujarati	419
11	Japanese	273
12	Russian	224
13	Panjabi	190
14	Italian	186
15	Hindi	148

MISSOURI

1	Spanish	54,023
2	Chinese	10,426
3	Vietnamese	7,399
4	Serbo-Croatian	6,045
5	German	5,476
6	Arabic	4,383
7	Korean	4,183
8	Russian	3,831
9	French	2,596
10	Tagalog	2,067
11	Pennsylvanian Dutch	1,685
12	Persian	1,094
13	Cushite	1,000
14	Portuguese	938
15	Amharic	915

MONTANA

1	Spanish	3,129
2	German	1,030
3	Chinese	709
4	Japanese	433
5	Tagalog	312
6	French	306
7	Russian	266
8	Korean	256
9	Arabic	171
10	Thai	132
11	Norwegian	115
12	Vietnamese	106
13	Ukrainian	95
14	Pennsylvanian Dutch	80
15	Italian	56

NEBRASKA

1	Spanish	57,612
2	Vietnamese	4,973
3	Chinese	2,504
4	Arabic	2,161
5	Karen	1,465
6	French	1,244
7	Cushite	1,110
8	German	759
9	Korean	728
10	Nepali	715
11	Russian	651
12	Laotian	474
13	Kurdish	410
14	Persian	392
15	Japanese	388

NEVADA

1	Spanish	229,155
2	Tagalog	21,723
3	Chinese	16,103
4	Korean	6,342
5	Vietnamese	5,068
6	Amharic	3,915
7	Thai	3,348
8	Japanese	2,445
9	Arabic	1,945
10	Russian	1,757
11	French	1,734
12	Persian	1,344
13	Samoan	1,315
14	German	1,156
15	Ilocano	795

NEW HAMPSHIRE

1	Spanish	9,708
2	French	4,372
3	Chinese	2,621
4	Nepali	1,550
5	Vietnamese	1,338
6	Portuguese	998
7	Greek	713
8	Arabic	664
9	Serbo-Croatian	655
10	Indonesian	565
11	Korean	534
12	Russian	500
13	French Creole	353
14	Bantu	345
15	Polish	344

NEW JERSEY

1	Spanish	598,155
2	Chinese	52,343
3	Korean	41,424
4	Portuguese	36,578
5	Gujarati	29,495
6	Polish	29,060
7	Italian	23,336
8	Arabic	22,488
9	Tagalog	21,205
10	Russian	18,816
11	French Creole	18,642
12	Hindi	14,913
13	Vietnamese	12,659
14	French	9,881
15	Urdu	8,280

NEW MEXICO

1	Spanish	152,981
2	Navajo	10,292
3	Vietnamese	2,727
4	German	1,488
5	Chinese	2,205
6	Arabic	766
7	Korean	717
8	Tagalog	697
9	Japanese	563
10	French	548
11	Italian	390
12	Russian	319
13	Hindi	275
14	Persian	271
15	Thai	238

NEW YORK

1	Spanish	1,240,490
2	Chinese	350,976
3	Russian	130,296
4	French Creole	68,509
5	Korean	61,833
6	Italian	58,200
7	Yiddish	53,052
8	Bengali	48,980
9	Polish	40,883
10	Arabic	36,053
11	French	32,900
12	Urdu	29,109
13	Tagalog	22,095
14	Greek	19,521
15	Albanian	17,010

NORTH CAROLINA

1	Spanish	329,155
2	Chinese	14,502
3	Vietnamese	14,257
4	Korean	7,473
5	French	6,338
6	Arabic	5,494
7	Hmong	3,804
8	Russian	3,420
9	Tagalog	3,339
10	Gujarati	3,338
11	Mon-Khmer, Cambodian	2,607
12	German	2,578
13	Hindi	2,428
14	Laotian	2,346
15	Japanese	2,335

NORTH DAKOTA

1	Spanish	1,984
2	German	1,452
3	Chinese	807
4	Cushite	685
5	Vietnamese	497
6	Bantu	410
7	Arabic	331
8	Swahili	245
9	Russian	243
10	Japanese	210
11	Nepali	190
12	French	184
13	Korean	181
14	Tagalog	173
15	Norwegian	170

OHIO

1	Spanish	88,196
2	Chinese	20,651
3	German	13,583
4	Arabic	12,864
5	Pennsylvania Dutch	10,900
6	Russian	8,141
7	French	6,525
8	Vietnamese	6,438
9	Cushite	5,820
10	Korean	5,516
11	Italian	4,766
12	Japanese	4,709
13	Dutch	4,255
14	Ukrainian	3,735
15	Romanian	3,055

OKLAHOMA

1	Spanish	104,866
2	Vietnamese	9,131
3	Chinese	4,498
4	Korean	2,267
5	German	1,477
6	Arabic	1,403
7	Burmese	1110
8	Hmong	1,084
9	Tagalog	1,003
10	French	906
11	Laotian	881
12	Thai	739
13	Urdu	698
14	Cherokee	695
15	Persian	694

OREGON

1	Spanish	140,093
2	Vietnamese	15,643
3	Chinese	13,886
4	Russian	9,547
5	Korean	5,322
6	Ukrainian	3,065
7	Japanese	3,036
8	Arabic	2,610
9	Romanian	2,350
10	Mon-Khmer, Cambodian	1,666
11	Cushite	1,580
12	German	1,459
13	Persian	1,342
14	French	1,241
15	Thai	1,208

PENNSYLVANIA

1	Spanish	215,529
2	Chinese	43,089
3	Vietnamese	23,912
4	Russian	17,418
5	Pennsylvanian Dutch	16,510
6	Korean	14,783
7	Italian	12,079
8	Arabic	11,150
9	French	9,751
10	German	9,444
11	Gujarati	7,231
12	Polish	7,030
13	French Creole	6,849
14	Mon-Khmer, Cambodian	6,820
15	Portuguese	5,087

RHODE ISLAND

1	Spanish	48,872
2	Portuguese	12,291
3	Chinese	3,616
4	French Creole	2,610
5	Mon-Khmer, Cambodian	2,397
6	French	1,922
7	Italian	1,739
8	Laotian	1,387
9	Arabic	1,259
10	Russian	930
11	Vietnamese	808
12	Kru, Ibo, and Yoruba	795
13	Polish	766
14	Korean	652
15	Tagalog	620

SOUTH CAROLINA

1	Spanish	91,878
2	Chinese	5,355
3	Vietnamese	3,766
4	Korean	2,446
5	French	2,187
6	Tagalog	2,108
7	Russian	1,945
8	German	1,712
9	Gujarati	1,575
10	Arabic	1,531
11	Portuguese	1,248
12	Japanese	1,134
13	Ukrainian	940
14	Hindi	647
15	Mon-Khmer, Cambodian	596

SOUTH DAKOTA

1	Spanish	6,600
2	German	972
3	Chinese	820
4	Karen	750
5	Vietnamese	455
6	Nepali	370
7	Serbo-Croatian	325
8	Amharic	315
9	Sudanic ^o	315
10	Tagalog	277
11	Korean	252
12	Russian	250
13	Cushite	240
14	Ukrainian	235
15	French	205

TENNESSEE

1	Spanish	111,267
2	Arabic	7,880
3	Chinese	6,462
4	Vietnamese	6,361
5	Korean	3,969
6	French	2,544
7	Laotian	2,418
8	Amharic	1995
9	German	1,895
10	Gujarati	1,825
11	Japanese	1,814
12	Tagalog	1,635
13	Hindi	1346
14	Russian	1319
15	Persian	1224

TEXAS

1	Spanish	2,966,475
2	Vietnamese	115,640
3	Chinese	71,139
4	Korean	30,852
5	Arabic	22,002
6	Urdu	18,041
7	Tagalog	17,982
8	French	12,673
9	Hindi	12,656
10	Persian	11,610
11	German	10,664
12	Gujarati	9,864
13	Russian	7,004
14	Japanese	6,620
15	Laotian	5,709

UTAH

1	Spanish	99,208
2	Chinese	5,825
3	Vietnamese	4,190
4	Korean	1,835
5	Navajo	1,450
6	Nepali	1,405
7	Tongan	1,330
8	Serbo-Croatian	1,330
9	Tagalog	1,319
10	German	1,289
11	Russian	1,287
12	Arabic	1,225
13	Mon-Khmer, Cambodian	1,152
14	French	1,132
15	Japanese	1,127

VERMONT

1	French	1,583
2	Spanish	1,501
3	Chinese	777
4	Vietnamese	672
5	Nepali	570
6	Serbo-Croatian	455
7	German	309
8	Cushite	275
9	Italian	146
10	Arabic	144
11	Russian	141
12	Tagalog	136
13	Portuguese	128
14	Japanese	117
15	Thai	115

VIRGINIA

1	Spanish	217,843
2	Korean	30,193
3	Vietnamese	25,813
4	Chinese	23,706
5	Arabic	13,844
6	Tagalog	12,976
7	Persian	9,316
8	Amharic	8,550
9	Urdu	8,094
10	French	6,755
11	Russian	5,332
12	Hindi	4,552
13	German	4,056
14	Bengali	4,000
15	Kru, Ibo, Yoruba	3,805

WASHINGTON

1	Spanish	232,748
2	Chinese	42,812
3	Vietnamese	38,432
4	Korean	27,088
5	Russian	25,421
6	Tagalog	19,128
7	Ukrainian	12,555
8	Mon-Khmer, Cambodian	9,046
9	Japanese	9,016
10	Amharic	7,590
11	Cushite	6,965
12	Arabic	6,417
13	Panjabi	6,145
14	German	3,863
15	Laotian	3,712

WEST VIRGINIA

1	Spanish	6,677
2	Chinese	1,534
3	French	711
4	German	668
5	Arabic	654
6	Vietnamese	592
7	Korean	369
8	Japanese	346
9	Tagalog	336
10	Italian	193
11	Thai	185
12	Nepali	165
13	Persian	149
14	Russian	94
15	Urdu	85

WISCONSIN

1	Spanish	103,190
2	Hmong	17,202
3	Chinese	8,142
4	German	6,583
5	Arabic	2,816
6	Russian	2,482
7	Korean	2,398
8	Vietnamese	2,151
9	Pennsylvanian Dutch	1,970
10	Laotian	1,767
11	French	1,678
12	Polish	1,666
13	Hindi	1,472
14	Albanian	1,460
15	Tagalog	1,336

WYOMING

1	Spanish	7,924
2	Chinese	525
3	German	233
4	Tagalog	229
5	French	134
6	Korean	126
7	Vietnamese	98
8	Italian	71
9	Russian	63
10	Indonesian	55
11	Japanese	55
12	Nepali	55
13	Persian	52
14	Gujarati	40
15	Navajo	39



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