



ARIZON
NEW MEXICO

OKLAHOMA

ARKANSAS

TENNESSEE

NORTH CAROLINA

SOUTH CAROLINA

B16001 LANGUAGE SPOKEN AT HOME BY ABILITY TO SPEAK ENGLISH FOR THE POPULATION 5 YEARS AND OVER

Universe: Population 5 years and over
2010 American Community Survey 1-Year Estimates

Supporting documentation on code lists, subject definitions, data accuracy, and statistical testing can be found on the American Community Survey website in the Data and Documentation section.

Sample size and data quality measures (including coverage rates, allocation rates, and response rates) can be found on the American Community Survey website in the Methodology section.

Although the American Community Survey (ACS) produces population, demographic and housing unit estimates, for 2010, the 2010 Census provides the official counts of the population and housing units for the nation, states, counties, cities and towns.

	United States	
	Estimate	Margin of Error
Total:	289,215,746	+/-20,568
Speak only English	229,673,150	+/-131,558
Spanish or Spanish Creole:	36,995,602	+/-84,138
Speak English "very well"	20,471,884	+/-76,479
Speak English less than "very well"	16,523,718	+/-84,110
French (incl. Patois, Cajun):	1,322,650	+/-24,485
Speak English "very well"	1,052,129	+/-20,025
Speak English less than "very well"	270,521	+/-10,667
French Creole:	746,702	+/-28,575
Speak English "very well"	423,372	+/-19,599
Speak English less than "very well"	323,330	+/-16,087
Italian:	725,223	+/-17,702
Speak English "very well"	521,207	+/-14,387
Speak English less than "very well"	204,016	+/-7,699
Portuguese or Portuguese Creole:	688,326	+/-21,508
Speak English "very well"	411,363	+/-13,886
Speak English less than "very well"	276,963	+/-13,286
German:	1,067,651	+/-21,105
Speak English "very well"	892,742	+/-18,694
Speak English less than "very well"	174,909	+/-7,464
Yiddish:	154,763	+/-9,323
Speak English "very well"	102,549	+/-7,174

	United States	
	Estimate	Margin of Error
Speak English less than "very well"	52,214	+/-5,460
Other West Germanic languages:	299,028	+/-12,662
Speak English "very well"	228,299	+/-11,324
Speak English less than "very well"	70,729	+/-6,734
Scandinavian languages:	130,992	+/-7,672
Speak English "very well"	117,139	+/-7,363
Speak English less than "very well"	13,853	+/-2,016
Greek:	307,178	+/-13,938
Speak English "very well"	227,478	+/-11,247
Speak English less than "very well"	79,700	+/-5,390
Russian:	854,955	+/-24,491
Speak English "very well"	438,564	+/-16,864
Speak English less than "very well"	416,391	+/-13,522
Polish:	608,333	+/-17,890
Speak English "very well"	357,469	+/-10,481
Speak English less than "very well"	250,864	+/-11,620
Serbo-Croatian:	284,077	+/-16,544
Speak English "very well"	172,263	+/-10,580
Speak English less than "very well"	111,814	+/-8,862
Other Slavic languages:	323,431	+/-15,945
Speak English "very well"	199,884	+/-11,385
Speak English less than "very well"	123,547	+/-7,988
Armenian:	240,402	+/-14,076
Speak English "very well"	130,455	+/-10,452
Speak English less than "very well"	109,947	+/-7,258
Persian:	381,408	+/-13,940
Speak English "very well"	240,150	+/-11,126
Speak English less than "very well"	141,258	+/-7,320
Gujarati:	356,394	+/-17,399
Speak English "very well"	227,056	+/-12,651
Speak English less than "very well"	129,338	+/-8,606
Hindi:	609,395	+/-21,116
Speak English "very well"	487,071	+/-16,657
Speak English less than "very well"	122,324	+/-9,567
Urdu:	388,909	+/-18,116
Speak English "very well"	269,493	+/-13,349
Speak English less than "very well"	119,416	+/-9,095
Other Indic languages:	741,339	+/-20,577
Speak English "very well"	452,116	+/-16,257
Speak English less than "very well"	289,223	+/-12,230
Other Indo-European languages:	435,615	+/-15,435
Speak English "very well"	275,068	+/-11,184
Speak English less than "very well"	160,547	+/-8,567
Chinese:	2,808,692	+/-43,369

	United States	
	Estimate	Margin of Error
Speak English "very well"	1,260,214	+/-24,291
Speak English less than "very well"	1,548,478	+/-28,464
Japanese:	443,497	+/-15,275
Speak English "very well"	255,270	+/-11,372
Speak English less than "very well"	188,227	+/-8,443
Korean:	1,137,325	+/-26,680
Speak English "very well"	502,073	+/-17,232
Speak English less than "very well"	635,252	+/-16,939
Mon-Khmer, Cambodian:	220,900	+/-14,589
Speak English "very well"	110,295	+/-9,789
Speak English less than "very well"	110,605	+/-8,138
Hmong:	211,500	+/-14,694
Speak English "very well"	122,017	+/-10,610
Speak English less than "very well"	89,483	+/-7,823
Thai:	150,885	+/-8,190
Speak English "very well"	71,942	+/-5,727
Speak English less than "very well"	78,943	+/-5,541
Laotian:	158,847	+/-12,382
Speak English "very well"	78,890	+/-6,711
Speak English less than "very well"	79,957	+/-7,455
Vietnamese:	1,381,488	+/-30,657
Speak English "very well"	545,039	+/-17,111
Speak English less than "very well"	836,449	+/-23,228
Other Asian languages:	839,294	+/-22,176
Speak English "very well"	583,497	+/-15,433
Speak English less than "very well"	255,797	+/-11,251
Tagalog:	1,573,720	+/-27,492
Speak English "very well"	1,084,686	+/-22,014
Speak English less than "very well"	489,034	+/-15,741
Other Pacific Island languages:	414,435	+/-17,931
Speak English "very well"	255,164	+/-13,274
Speak English less than "very well"	159,271	+/-11,724
Navajo:	172,873	+/-7,084
Speak English "very well"	132,233	+/-6,586
Speak English less than "very well"	40,640	+/-3,227
Other Native North American languages:	197,480	+/-7,282
Speak English "very well"	166,115	+/-7,067
Speak English less than "very well"	31,365	+/-2,831
Hungarian:	90,453	+/-7,459
Speak English "very well"	62,483	+/-5,273
Speak English less than "very well"	27,970	+/-3,752
Arabic:	864,961	+/-24,387
Speak English "very well"	544,248	+/-16,714
Speak English less than "very well"	320,713	+/-14,949

	United States	
	Estimate	Margin of Error
Hebrew:	204,593	+/-11,929
Speak English "very well"	170,946	+/-10,858
Speak English less than "very well"	33,647	+/-4,139
African languages:	862,441	+/-27,445
Speak English "very well"	585,979	+/-22,906
Speak English less than "very well"	276,462	+/-12,594
Other and unspecified languages:	146,839	+/-9,689
Speak English "very well"	90,709	+/-7,256
Speak English less than "very well"	56,130	+/-5,556

Data are based on a sample and are subject to sampling variability. The degree of uncertainty for an estimate arising from sampling variability is represented through the use of a margin of error. The value shown here is the 90 percent margin of error. The margin of error can be interpreted roughly as providing a 90 percent probability that the interval defined by the estimate minus the margin of error and the estimate plus the margin of error (the lower and upper confidence bounds) contains the true value. In addition to sampling variability, the ACS estimates are subject to nonsampling error (for a discussion of nonsampling variability, see Accuracy of the Data). The effect of nonsampling error is not represented in these tables.

While the 2010 American Community Survey (ACS) data generally reflect the December 2009 Office of Management and Budget (OMB) definitions of metropolitan and micropolitan statistical areas; in certain instances the names, codes, and boundaries of the principal cities shown in ACS tables may differ from the OMB definitions due to differences in the effective dates of the geographic entities.

Estimates of urban and rural population, housing units, and characteristics reflect boundaries of urban areas defined based on Census 2000 data. Boundaries for urban areas have not been updated since Census 2000. As a result, data for urban and rural areas from the ACS do not necessarily reflect the results of ongoing urbanization.

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2010 American Community Survey

Explanation of Symbols:

1. An '***' entry in the margin of error column indicates that either no sample observations or too few sample observations were available to compute a standard error and thus the margin of error. A statistical test is not appropriate.
2. An '-' entry in the estimate column indicates that either no sample observations or too few sample observations were available to compute an estimate, or a ratio of medians cannot be calculated because one or both of the median estimates falls in the lowest interval or upper interval of an open-ended distribution.
3. An '-' following a median estimate means the median falls in the lowest interval of an open-ended distribution.
4. An '+' following a median estimate means the median falls in the upper interval of an open-ended distribution.
5. An '****' entry in the margin of error column indicates that the median falls in the lowest interval or upper interval of an open-ended distribution. A statistical test is not appropriate.
6. An '*****' entry in the margin of error column indicates that the estimate is controlled. A statistical test for sampling variability is not appropriate.
7. An 'N' entry in the estimate and margin of error columns indicates that data for this geographic area cannot be displayed because the number of sample cases is too small.
8. An '(X)' means that the estimate is not applicable or not available.