

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

Universe: Population 5 years and over

2014 American Community Survey 1-Year Estimates

New York City and Boroughs

	New York City		Bronx		Brooklyn		Manhattan		Queens		Staten Island	
	Estimate	Margin of Error	Estimate	Margin of Error	Estimate	Margin of Error	Estimate	Margin of Error	Estimate	Margin of Error	Estimate	Margin of Error
Total:	7,923,937	+/-622	1,329,462	+/-5	2,422,681	+/-400	1,551,242	+/-5	2,174,946	+/-395		
Speak only English	4,040,760	+/-26,310	541,254	+/-10,827	1,304,128	+/-15,659	937,602	+/-14,790	946,378	+/-14,340		
Spanish or Spanish Creole:	1,941,341	+/-13,450	630,743	+/-6,944	395,494	+/-7,462	349,221	+/-6,723	519,541	+/-7,258		
Speak English "very well"	1,040,786	+/-17,418	343,656	+/-8,478	220,294	+/-7,438	193,267	+/-8,239	254,162	+/-8,530		
Speak English less than "very well"	900,555	+/-15,966	287,087	+/-8,121	175,200	+/-7,710	155,954	+/-7,955	265,379	+/-7,348		
French (incl. Patois, Cajun):	84,143	+/-6,865	17,033	+/-2,978	22,098	+/-3,441	31,010	+/-4,915	13,394	+/-2,756		
Speak English "very well"	62,122	+/-5,275	11,098	+/-2,268	15,826	+/-2,591	25,058	+/-4,181	9,771	+/-2,121		
Speak English less than "very well"	22,021	+/-3,351	5,935	+/-1,680	6,272	+/-1,971	5,952	+/-1,896	3,623	+/-993		
French Creole:	105,306	+/-7,933	4,526	+/-1,516	69,604	+/-6,582	3,004	+/-1,932	27,815	+/-4,030		
Speak English "very well"	56,430	+/-5,242	3,714	+/-1,400	32,567	+/-3,912	1,975	+/-1,130	17,895	+/-3,196		
Speak English less than "very well"	48,876	+/-4,627	812	+/-442	37,037	+/-4,365	1,029	+/-972	9,920	+/-1,975		
Italian:	77,549	+/-6,172	9,178	+/-1,741	22,813	+/-2,826	11,103	+/-2,755	22,494	+/-3,705		
Speak English "very well"	49,368	+/-4,587	5,630	+/-1,421	12,970	+/-1,905	9,397	+/-2,342	13,925	+/-2,857		
Speak English less than "very well"	28,181	+/-2,921	3,548	+/-898	9,843	+/-1,541	1,706	+/-1,430	8,569	+/-1,564		
Portuguese or Portuguese Creole:	17,896	+/-3,261	931	+/-591	1,914	+/-787	7,930	+/-2,079	6,884	+/-1,912		
Speak English "very well"	12,445	+/-2,479	618	+/-486	1,229	+/-522	6,425	+/-1,852	4,112	+/-1,402		
Speak English less than "very well"	5,451	+/-1,552	313	+/-246	685	+/-378	1,505	+/-837	2,772	+/-1,095		
German:	22,468	+/-3,099	415	+/-231	5,093	+/-1,411	10,218	+/-2,282	6,172	+/-1,300		
Speak English "very well"	20,419	+/-2,947	415	+/-231	4,599	+/-1,383	9,651	+/-2,169	5,371	+/-1,246		
Speak English less than "very well"	2,049	+/-642	0	+/-189	494	+/-402	567	+/-407	801	+/-333		
Yiddish:	85,056	+/-7,899	363	+/-318	81,633	+/-7,728	1,080	+/-689	1,875	+/-1,063		
Speak English "very well"	49,339	+/-5,434	280	+/-267	46,704	+/-5,290	959	+/-664	1,291	+/-581		
Speak English less than "very well"	35,717	+/-5,174	83	+/-97	34,929	+/-5,117	121	+/-200	584	+/-567		
Other West Germanic languages:	5,186	+/-1,727	358	+/-410	1,248	+/-659	2,654	+/-1,209	881	+/-685		
Speak English "very well"	4,657	+/-1,559	317	+/-402	1,116	+/-626	2,447	+/-1,167	732	+/-489		
Speak English less than "very well"	529	+/-384	41	+/-71	132	+/-208	207	+/-212	149	+/-244		
Scandinavian languages:	4,379	+/-1,280	0	+/-189	1,570	+/-710	1,661	+/-603	1,055	+/-681		
Speak English "very well"	3,661	+/-961	0	+/-189	1,255	+/-484	1,483	+/-588	851	+/-467		
Speak English less than "very well"	718	+/-539	0	+/-189	315	+/-348	178	+/-217	204	+/-338		
Greek:	41,204	+/-5,777	2,709	+/-1,667	7,241	+/-1,875	4,776	+/-1,783	25,133	+/-3,896		
Speak English "very well"	29,910	+/-4,731	2,101	+/-1,435	4,935	+/-1,522	4,356	+/-1,698	17,384	+/-2,995		
Speak English less than "very well"	11,294	+/-2,281	608	+/-570	2,306	+/-809	420	+/-358	7,749	+/-1,842		
Russian:	186,797	+/-8,023	2,302	+/-889	123,720	+/-6,724	12,221	+/-2,791	34,078	+/-4,860		
Speak English "very well"	73,589	+/-5,483	732	+/-462	41,231	+/-3,933	8,039	+/-1,777	14,136	+/-2,646		
Speak English less than "very well"	113,208	+/-5,011	1,570	+/-648	82,489	+/-4,854	4,182	+/-1,676	19,942	+/-3,104		
Polish:	50,962	+/-4,994	585	+/-381	17,945	+/-3,171	3,512	+/-1,407	24,663	+/-3,970		
Speak English "very well"	28,115	+/-3,369	546	+/-376	9,011	+/-1,956	2,626	+/-1,205	13,392	+/-2,811		
Speak English less than "very well"	22,847	+/-2,788	39	+/-71	8,934	+/-1,885	886	+/-457	11,271	+/-2,046		
Serbo-Croatian:	14,976	+/-3,274	1,046	+/-738	1,961	+/-793	3,536	+/-2,298	7,250	+/-2,323		
Speak English "very well"	9,163	+/-2,550	428	+/-333	1,423	+/-647	2,433	+/-1,624	4,097	+/-1,833		
Speak English less than "very well"	5,813	+/-1,254	618	+/-493	538	+/-311	1,103	+/-806	3,153	+/-841		
Other Slavic languages:	23,167	+/-3,613	816	+/-515	10,361	+/-2,191	3,545	+/-1,978	6,974	+/-1,599		
Speak English "very well"	11,192	+/-2,201	509	+/-373	3,120	+/-998	2,046	+/-1,165	4,829	+/-1,355		
Speak English less than "very well"	11,975	+/-2,721	307	+/-262	7,241	+/-1,817	1,499	+/-1,426	2,145	+/-671		
Armenian:	4,490	+/-1,609	137	+/-150	1,152	+/-774	747	+/-830	2,454	+/-882		
Speak English "very well"	2,570	+/-1,220	137	+/-150	196	+/-122	747	+/-830	1,490	+/-828		
Speak English less than "very well"	1,920	+/-1,040	0	+/-189	956	+/-758	0	+/-189	964	+/-722		
Persian:	10,933	+/-2,435	779	+/-820	2,696	+/-1,408	1,643	+/-809	5,538	+/-1,713		
Speak English "very well"	6,844	+/-1,910	572	+/-599	1,513	+/-865	1,400	+/-678	3,137	+/-1,278		
Speak English less than "very well"	4,089	+/-1,116	207	+/-238	1,183	+/-671	243	+/-398	2,401	+/-865		
Gujarati:	8,141	+/-2,074	367	+/-586	815	+/-635	2,420	+/-1,186	4,247	+/-1,482		
Speak English "very well"	5,488	+/-1,550	177	+/-279	628	+/-536	2,352	+/-1,185	2,190	+/-892		
Speak English less than "very well"	2,653	+/-983	190	+/-312	187	+/-156	68	+/-89	2,057	+/-919		
Hindi:	29,880	+/-4,457	2,215	+/-1,320	2,506	+/-1,001	6,388	+/-2,032	17,105	+/-3,784		
Speak English "very well"	19,773	+/-3,132	1,061	+/-751	1,646	+/-644	6,003	+/-1,960	9,718	+/-2,244		
Speak English less than "very well"	10,107	+/-2,401	1,154	+/-856	860	+/-711	385	+/-327	7,387	+/-2,175		
Urdu:	52,171	+/-5,951	2,481	+/-1,595	22,539	+/-4,335	1,069	+/-753	23,848	+/-4,257		
Speak English "very well"	28,806	+/-3,838	1,968	+/-1,225	10,248	+/-2,477	859	+/-640	13,890	+/-3,094		
Speak English less than "very well"	23,365	+/-3,693	513	+/-423	12,291	+/-3,236	210	+/-237	9,958	+/-1,847		
Other Indic languages:	152,868	+/-10,779	16,563	+/-3,466	24,249	+/-4,652	4,031	+/-1,762	103,586	+/-8,745		
Speak English "very well"	72,853	+/-6,245	7,499	+/-1,868	11,241	+/-2,873	2,573	+/-1,123	48,584	+/-5,240		
Speak English less than "very well"	80,015	+/-6,959	9,064	+/-2,089	13,008	+/-2,668	1,458	+/-941	55,002	+/-5,698		

Subcategory sample too small: data available in Abbreviated Table

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Other Indo-European languages:	56,600	+/-8,061	11,313	+/-2,961	12,691	+/-3,116	5,919	+/-4,611	20,509	+/-3,977		
Speak English "very well"	33,764	+/-5,468	7,382	+/-2,168	6,385	+/-1,978	4,078	+/-3,271	12,001	+/-2,813		
Speak English less than "very well"	22,836	+/-3,745	3,931	+/-1,405	6,306	+/-1,970	1,841	+/-1,466	8,508	+/-1,966		
Chinese:	478,932	+/-11,238	6,069	+/-1,644	175,969	+/-6,941	83,691	+/-5,783	200,945	+/-9,486		
Speak English "very well"	141,841	+/-7,256	2,325	+/-794	47,957	+/-4,006	32,751	+/-4,021	54,434	+/-4,388		
Speak English less than "very well"	337,091	+/-11,657	3,744	+/-1,193	128,012	+/-6,218	50,940	+/-4,740	146,511	+/-8,976		
Japanese:	22,622	+/-2,913	586	+/-416	5,106	+/-1,590	10,916	+/-2,167	5,835	+/-1,648		
Speak English "very well"	11,527	+/-1,961	256	+/-208	3,721	+/-1,340	5,189	+/-1,506	2,227	+/-660		
Speak English less than "very well"	11,095	+/-1,977	330	+/-279	1,385	+/-542	5,727	+/-1,445	3,608	+/-1,323		
Korean:	66,177	+/-6,678	1,722	+/-803	7,408	+/-2,011	11,321	+/-2,701	42,649	+/-5,886		
Speak English "very well"	21,143	+/-2,959	554	+/-373	3,306	+/-843	6,528	+/-1,827	9,664	+/-2,141		
Speak English less than "very well"	45,034	+/-5,480	1,168	+/-595	4,102	+/-1,530	4,793	+/-1,549	32,985	+/-5,163		
Mon-Khmer, Cambodian:	2,894	+/-2,326	2,099	+/-2,315	676	+/-725	46	+/-76	73	+/-86		
Speak English "very well"	1,634	+/-1,712	1,343	+/-1,716	203	+/-229	46	+/-76	42	+/-68		
Speak English less than "very well"	1,260	+/-716	756	+/-666	473	+/-515	0	+/-189	31	+/-53		
Hmong:	0	+/-189	0	+/-189	0	+/-189	0	+/-189	0	+/-189		
Speak English "very well"	0	+/-189	0	+/-189	0	+/-189	0	+/-189	0	+/-189		
Speak English less than "very well"	0	+/-189	0	+/-189	0	+/-189	0	+/-189	0	+/-189		
Thai:	4,684	+/-1,561	750	+/-656	454	+/-408	796	+/-703	2,615	+/-1,247		
Speak English "very well"	1,889	+/-787	401	+/-442	55	+/-91	478	+/-459	955	+/-606		
Speak English less than "very well"	2,795	+/-1,145	349	+/-287	399	+/-356	318	+/-540	1,660	+/-843		
Laotian:	205	+/-189	0	+/-189	43	+/-71	0	+/-189	68	+/-115		
Speak English "very well"	88	+/-75	0	+/-189	43	+/-71	0	+/-189	45	+/-76		
Speak English less than "very well"	117	+/-162	0	+/-189	0	+/-189	0	+/-189	23	+/-39		
Vietnamese:	9,160	+/-2,401	3,382	+/-1,624	3,344	+/-1,220	1,144	+/-813	1,240	+/-712		
Speak English "very well"	3,929	+/-1,266	1,034	+/-710	1,424	+/-615	971	+/-788	450	+/-265		
Speak English less than "very well"	5,231	+/-1,570	2,348	+/-1,087	1,920	+/-798	173	+/-204	790	+/-531		
Other Asian languages:	42,757	+/-4,621	1,754	+/-960	11,516	+/-2,776	5,389	+/-1,559	20,975	+/-3,194		
Speak English "very well"	21,151	+/-2,876	1,227	+/-792	4,372	+/-1,589	4,761	+/-1,506	9,138	+/-1,746		
Speak English less than "very well"	21,606	+/-3,116	527	+/-614	7,144	+/-1,980	628	+/-424	11,837	+/-2,507		
Tagalog:	52,264	+/-5,522	5,221	+/-1,758	4,816	+/-1,414	5,070	+/-1,663	33,206	+/-4,672		
Speak English "very well"	37,438	+/-4,429	4,094	+/-1,613	3,447	+/-1,011	4,293	+/-1,465	22,633	+/-3,567		
Speak English less than "very well"	14,826	+/-2,262	1,127	+/-597	1,369	+/-617	777	+/-590	10,573	+/-2,043		
Other Pacific Island languages:	5,781	+/-1,854	73	+/-93	828	+/-541	322	+/-266	4,517	+/-1,638		
Speak English "very well"	2,840	+/-1,203	47	+/-83	400	+/-222	199	+/-176	2,153	+/-1,084		
Speak English less than "very well"	2,941	+/-1,176	26	+/-44	428	+/-471	123	+/-198	2,364	+/-990		
Navajo:	0	+/-189	0	+/-189	0	+/-189	0	+/-189	0	+/-189		
Speak English "very well"	0	+/-189	0	+/-189	0	+/-189	0	+/-189	0	+/-189		
Speak English less than "very well"	0	+/-189	0	+/-189	0	+/-189	0	+/-189	0	+/-189		
Other Native North American languages:	1,159	+/-682	109	+/-141	149	+/-168	85	+/-141	816	+/-620		
Speak English "very well"	888	+/-614	28	+/-46	105	+/-137	85	+/-141	670	+/-597		
Speak English less than "very well"	271	+/-339	81	+/-134	44	+/-64	0	+/-189	146	+/-243		
Hungarian:	7,456	+/-1,619	410	+/-282	2,229	+/-870	1,970	+/-974	2,717	+/-980		
Speak English "very well"	4,412	+/-1,247	253	+/-211	871	+/-430	1,532	+/-799	1,706	+/-860		
Speak English less than "very well"	3,044	+/-968	157	+/-149	1,358	+/-661	438	+/-571	1,011	+/-394		
Arabic:	68,687	+/-7,207	7,786	+/-2,570	30,756	+/-5,152	6,585	+/-2,324	15,139	+/-3,583		
Speak English "very well"	37,125	+/-4,536	3,356	+/-1,286	16,085	+/-3,226	4,439	+/-1,615	8,055	+/-2,391		
Speak English less than "very well"	31,562	+/-4,581	4,430	+/-2,113	14,671	+/-2,984	2,146	+/-1,252	7,084	+/-2,288		
Hebrew:	49,018	+/-5,826	596	+/-424	28,559	+/-4,195	7,926	+/-1,984	9,973	+/-2,855		
Speak English "very well"	37,796	+/-4,691	529	+/-356	20,331	+/-3,264	7,151	+/-1,891	7,821	+/-2,330		
Speak English less than "very well"	11,222	+/-2,369	67	+/-85	8,228	+/-1,818	775	+/-393	2,152	+/-1,066		
African languages:	89,663	+/-9,860	51,164	+/-7,422	13,890	+/-3,927	10,104	+/-3,385	11,780	+/-3,988		
Speak English "very well"	62,951	+/-7,044	34,462	+/-5,088	10,142	+/-3,131	6,827	+/-2,184	8,967	+/-2,794		
Speak English less than "very well"	26,712	+/-4,544	16,702	+/-3,554	3,748	+/-1,396	3,277	+/-2,010	2,813	+/-1,596		
Other and unspecified languages:	6,205	+/-2,209	1,627	+/-1,217	3,467	+/-1,363	587	+/-512	524	+/-493		
Speak English "very well"	2,484	+/-1,175	276	+/-354	1,547	+/-752	476	+/-493	185	+/-305		
Speak English less than "very well"	3,721	+/-1,554	1,351	+/-1,164	1,920	+/-890	111	+/-134	339	+/-282		

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Spanish or Spanish Creole	1,941,341	+/-13,450	630,743	+/-6,944	395,494	+/-7,462	349,221	+/-6,723	519,541	+/-7,258	46,342	+/-3,447
French (including Patois, Creole, Cajun)	189,449	+/-8,500	21,559	+/-3,281	91,702	+/-7,148	34,014	+/-5,016	41,209	+/-5,028	965	+/-451
German or other West Germanic languages	112,710	+/-8,608	1,136	+/-488	87,974	+/-7,558	13,952	+/-2,718	8,928	+/-1,632	720	+/-385
Slavic languages	275,902	+/-9,289	4,749	+/-1,282	153,987	+/-7,530	22,814	+/-3,789	72,965	+/-6,335	21,387	+/-3,704
Other Indo-European languages	456,111	+/-15,051	46,673	+/-5,511	100,186	+/-7,669	47,687	+/-7,045	232,853	+/-10,253	28,712	+/-3,675
Korean	66,177	+/-6,678	1,722	+/-803	7,408	+/-2,011	11,321	+/-2,701	42,649	+/-5,886	3,077	+/-1,560
Chinese	478,932	+/-11,238	6,069	+/-1,644	175,969	+/-6,941	83,691	+/-5,783	200,945	+/-9,486	12,258	+/-2,419
Vietnamese	9,160	+/-2,401	3,382	+/-1,624	3,344	+/-1,220	1,144	+/-813	1,240	+/-712	50	+/-83
Tagalog	52,264	+/-5,522	5,221	+/-1,758	4,816	+/-1,414	5,070	+/-1,663	33,206	+/-4,672	3,951	+/-1,180
Other Asian and Pacific Island languages	78,943	+/-5,876	5,262	+/-2,451	18,623	+/-3,339	17,469	+/-2,604	34,083	+/-3,995	3,506	+/-1,609
Other and unspecified languages	222,188	+/-14,050	61,692	+/-8,058	79,050	+/-7,564	27,257	+/-4,803	40,949	+/-6,476	13,240	+/-3,831

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REFERENCE NOTES:

Although the American Community Survey (ACS) produces population, demographic and housing unit estimates, it is the Census Bureau's Population Estimates Program that produces and disseminates the official estimates of the population for the nation, states, counties, cities and towns and estimates of housing units for states and counties.

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.

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2014 American Community Survey 1-Year Estimates

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.
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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.

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.

Due to methodological changes to data collection that began in data year 2013, comparisons of language estimates from that point to estimates from 2013 forward should be made with caution. For more information, see: Language User Note.

While the 2014 American Community Survey (ACS) data generally reflect the February 2013 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 2010 data. As a result, data for urban and rural areas from the ACS do not necessarily reflect the results of ongoing urbanization.