

**Table 1.46-- RANKING OF SELECTED DETAILED LANGUAGE SPOKEN AT HOME: 2014-2018**

[Persons 5 years old and over. Based on a sample and subject to sampling variability. Figures describe the average characteristics of people living in Hawaii between the years 2014 and 2018]

| Language spoken at home 1/                         | Total     | Ability to speak English |                       |                               |
|--|-----------|--------------------------|-----------------------|-------------------------------|
|  |           | "Very well"              | Less than "very well" | Percent less than "very well" |
| Total  | 1,331,641 | (X)                      | (X)                   | (X)                           |
| Spoke only English at home                         | 983,502   | (X)                      | (X)                   | (X)                           |
| Spoke a language other than English at home        | 348,139   | 187,084                  | 161,055               | 46.3                          |
| Ilocano, Samoan, Hawaiian, or other Austronesian   | 126,637   | 66,571                   | 60,066                | 47.4                          |
| Tagalog (incl. Filipino)                           | 58,832    | 30,222                   | 28,610                | 48.6                          |
| Japanese   | 43,031    | 23,784                   | 19,247                | 44.7                          |
| Chinese (incl. Mandarin, Cantonese)                | 33,741    | 13,112                   | 20,629                | 61.1                          |
| Spanish  | 29,100    | 21,692                   | 7,408                 | 25.5                          |
| Korean   | 19,328    | 7,213                    | 12,115                | 62.7                          |
| Vietnamese   | 9,415     | 3,075                    | 6,340                 | 67.3                          |
| Other and unspecified                              | 6,080     | 5,366                    | 714                   | 11.7                          |
| Thai, Lao, or other Tai-Kadai                      | 3,552     | 1,633                    | 1,919                 | 54.0                          |
| French (incl. Cajun)                               | 3,285     | 2,952                    | 333                   | 10.1                          |
| German   | 3,053     | 2,439                    | 614                   | 20.1                          |
| Portuguese   | 1,504     | 1,202                    | 302                   | 20.1                          |
| Russian  | 1,251     | 837                      | 414                   | 33.1                          |
| Italian  | 1,026     | 811                      | 215                   | 21.0                          |
| Hindi  | 832       | 624                      | 208                   | 25.0                          |
| Other Indo-European                                | 830       | 667                      | 163                   | 19.6                          |
| Arabic   | 812       | 648                      | 164                   | 20.2                          |
| Hebrew   | 558       | 510                      | 48                    | 8.6                           |
| Ukrainian or other Slavic                          | 539       | 322                      | 217                   | 40.3                          |
| Persian (incl. Farsi, Dari)                        | 524       | 340                      | 184                   | 35.1                          |
| Nepali, Marathi, or other Indic                    | 524       | 303                      | 221                   | 42.2                          |
| Other languages of Asia                            | 478       | 248                      | 230                   | 48.1                          |
| Polish   | 452       | 412                      | 40                    | 8.8                           |
| Khmer  | 384       | 261                      | 123                   | 32.0                          |
| Yiddish, Pennsylvania Dutch or other West Germanic | 304       | 268                      | 36                    | 11.8                          |
| Serbo-Croatian                                     | 275       | 209                      | 66                    | 24.0                          |
| Greek  | 228       | 219                      | 9                     | 3.9                           |
| Amharic, Somali, or other Afro-Asiatic             | 223       | 110                      | 113                   | 50.7                          |

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| Haitian   | 210   | 195                      | 15                    | 7.1                           |
| Tamil   | 184   | 184                      | -                     | 0.0                           |
| Telugu  | 160   | 59                       | 101                   | 63.1                          |
| Swahili or other lang. of Central, Eastern, & Southern Africa | 139   | 91                       | 48                    | 34.5                          |
| Yoruba, Twi, Igbo, or other languages of Western Africa       | 132   | 132                      | -                     | 0.0                           |
| Other Native languages of North America                       | 111   | 66                       | 45                    | 40.5                          |
| Armenian  | 90    | 79                       | 11                    | 12.2                          |
| Malayalam, Kannada, or other Dravidian                        | 83    | 50                       | 33                    | 39.8                          |
| Navajo  | 65    | 48                       | 17                    | 26.2                          |
| Gujarati  | 42    | 37                       | 5                     | 11.9                          |
| Bengali   | 35    | 35                       | -                     | 0.0                           |
| Urdu  | 34    | 25                       | 9                     | 26.5                          |
| Punjabi   | 29    | 11                       | 18                    | 62.1                          |
| Hmong   | 27    | 22                       | 5                     | 18.5                          |

X Not applicable.

1/ Beginning with the 2016 data releases, languages coded in accordance with the International Organization for Standardization's ISO-639-3 standard.

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2014-2018 American Community Survey 5-Year Estimates, Table B16001 <<https://data.census.gov>> accessed December 24, 2019; and calculations by the Hawaii State Department of Business, Economic Development & Tourism.