

Table 1.44-- TOP 20 DETAILED LANGUAGES OTHER THAN ENGLISH SPOKEN AT HOME AND ABILITY TO SPEAK ENGLISH: 2017-2021

[Persons 5 years old and over. Based on calculations using the Public Use Microdata Sample (PUMS) from the U.S. Census Bureau 2021 5-year American Community Survey. Figures displayed describes the average characteristics of people living in Hawaii between the years 2017 and 2021. Based on a sample and subject to sampling variability]

Rank	Language other than English spoken at home	Number of speakers	Percent who speak a non-English language at home	Speak English less than "very well"	Percent who speak English less than "very well"
	Total	356,079	100.0	154,715	100.0
1	Ilocano	61,324	17.2	34,757	22.5
2	Tagalog (including Filipino)	58,223	16.4	26,146	16.9
3	Japanese	38,665	10.9	17,474	11.3
4	Chinese 1/	34,146	9.6	21,129	13.7
5	Spanish	31,116	8.7	6,987	4.5
6	Hawaiian	25,800	7.2	2,563	1.7
7	Korean	17,936	5.0	10,938	7.1
8	Other English-based Creole languages 2/	11,727	3.3	2,528	1.6
9	Vietnamese	11,222	3.2	7,646	4.9
10	Samoan	9,769	2.7	2,642	1.7
11	Chuukese	7,844	2.2	4,805	3.1
12	Marshallese	7,233	2.0	3,306	2.1
13	Other Eastern Malayo-Polynesian languages	5,642	1.6	2,928	1.9
14	Cebuano and other Philippine languages	4,816	1.4	2,295	1.5
15	Tongan	4,743	1.3	1,311	0.8
16	French	4,084	1.1	549	0.4
17	German	3,451	1.0	767	0.5
18	Thai	2,783	0.8	1,517	1.0
19	Portuguese	1,759	0.5	530	0.3
20	Russian	1,357	0.4	(3/)	(3/)

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1/ Chinese includes Mandarin, Cantonese and other Chinese languages.

2/ Other English-based Creole languages includes, but not limited to, Hawaii Creole English (Hawaiian Pidgin).

3/ Less than 500 and 0.3 percent.

Source: Hawaii State Department of Business, Economic Development & Tourism, "Top languages other than English spoken at home" *Language Use Dashboard* <<https://dbedt.hawaii.gov/economic/language-use-dashboard/>> accessed February 15, 2023.