

Table 1.44-- TOP 20 DETAILED LANGUAGES OTHER THAN ENGLISH SPOKEN AT HOME AND ABILITY TO SPEAK ENGLISH: 2018-2022

[Persons 5 years old and over. DBEDT estimations using the Public Use Microdata Sample (PUMS) from the U.S. Census Bureau 2018-2022 5-year American Community Survey. Figures displayed describes the average characteristics of people living in Hawaii between the years 2018 and 2022. 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	356,845	100.0	153,940	100.0
1	Ilocano	60,628	17.0	34,872	22.7
2	Tagalog	58,143	16.3	27,093	17.6
3	Japanese	38,661	10.8	17,220	11.2
4	Chinese 1/	34,962	9.8	21,557	14.0
5	Spanish	30,325	8.5	6,605	4.3
6	Hawaiian	27,338	7.7	2,410	1.6
7	Korean	16,345	4.6	10,135	6.6
8	Other English-based Creole languages 2/	12,991	3.6	2,785	1.8
9	Samoan	10,205	2.9	2,973	1.9
10	Vietnamese	10,156	2.8	6,541	4.2
11	Chuukese	8,255	2.3	5,367	3.5
12	Marshallese	7,352	2.1	3,032	2.0
13	Other Eastern Malayo-Polynesian languages	6,109	1.7	2,648	1.7
14	Cebuano and other Philippine languages	4,628	1.3	2,419	1.6
15	French	4,148	1.2	637	0.4
16	Tongan	4,124	1.2	1,177	0.8
17	German	3,649	1.0	746	0.5
18	Thai	2,487	0.7	1,497	1.0
19	Portuguese	1,786	0.5	(3/)	(3/)
20	Lao	1,492	0.4	787	0.5

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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 12, 2024.