

**Table 1.44-- TOP 20 DETAILED LANGUAGES OTHER THAN ENGLISH SPOKEN AT HOME AND ABILITY TO SPEAK ENGLISH: 2019-2023**

[Persons 5 years old and over. DBEDT estimations using the Public Use Microdata Sample (PUMS) from the U.S. Census Bureau 2019-2023 5-year American Community Survey. Figures displayed describes the average characteristics of people living in Hawaii between the years 2019 and 2023. 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	350,862	100.0	151,929	100.0
1	Tagalog, Filipino	59,395	16.9	27,582	18.2
2	Ilocano	58,297	16.6	34,269	22.6
3	Japanese	39,249	11.2	17,683	11.6
4	Chinese 1/	35,176	10.0	21,856	14.4
5	Hawaiian	27,611	7.9	2,470	1.6
6	Spanish	27,497	7.8	6,471	4.3
7	Korean	15,024	4.3	9,223	6.1
8	Other English-based Creole languages 2/	12,374	3.5	2,720	1.8
9	Samoan	10,564	3.0	3,002	2.0
10	Vietnamese	10,021	2.9	6,265	4.1
11	Chuukese	9,005	2.6	5,279	3.5
12	Marshallese	6,417	1.8	2,192	1.4
13	Other Eastern Malayo-Polynesian languages	5,678	1.6	2,512	1.7
14	Cebuano and other Philippine languages	3,905	1.1	1,988	1.3
15	French	3,802	1.1	774	0.5
16	German	3,576	1.0	662	0.4
17	Tongan	3,230	0.9	955	0.6
18	Thai	2,296	0.7	1,347	0.9
19	Russian	1,899	0.5	672	0.4
20	Portuguese	1,712	0.5	(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 April 7, 2025.