



Maryland Physicians Care Statewide Language Profile

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Source Data:

US Census, American Community Survey, table B16001- Language Spoken at Home by Ability to Speak English.

Filtered to Maryland and 2022 1-year estimates detail

[B16001 - Census Bureau Tables](#)

Methodology

MPC used the US Census, ACS table B16001 - Language Spoken at Home by Ability to Speak English with the filters for Maryland and 2022 1-year estimates detail. The tables below show the results broken out by the number and percentage of Marylanders who speak languages other than English broken down into overall, threshold languages- which are those languages spoken by 5% of the population or 1,000 individuals, whichever is less, and languages spoken- which are those languages spoken by 1% of the population or 200 individuals, whichever is less up to a maximum of 15 languages.

RESULTS: ASSESSING LANGUAGES SPOKEN IN MARYLAND

Marylanders Who Speak English

The total population of Maryland is 5,815,467. Marylanders who speak only English population is 4,611,882 which is 79.30% of the population. There are 42 other languages or groupings of languages spoken in Maryland. They are outlined in the table below.

Marylanders Who Speak Languages Other Than English

Language	Population/Individuals	Percentage of Population
Spanish:	519,045	8.93%
Chinese (incl. Mandarin, Cantonese):	76,605	1.32%
Yoruba, Twi, Igbo, or other languages of Western Africa:	71,087	1.22%
Amharic, Somali, or other Afro-Asiatic languages:	55,189	0.95%
French (incl. Cajun):	52,848	0.91%



Tagalog (incl. Filipino):	37,003	0.64%
Korean:	34,399	0.59%
Russian:	25,402	0.44%
Swahili or other languages of Central, Eastern, and Southern Africa:	20,922	0.36%
Nepali, Marathi, or other Indic languages:	20,630	0.35%
Vietnamese:	19,398	0.33%
Hindi:	19,122	0.33%
Urdu:	18,324	0.32%
Arabic:	18,277	0.31%
Persian (incl. Farsi, Dari):	17,969	0.31%
Portuguese:	16,623	0.29%
Other and unspecified languages:	14,722	0.25%
German:	14,496	0.25%
Haitian:	14,226	0.24%
Telugu:	12,473	0.21%
Bengali:	11,111	0.19%
Other languages of Asia:	11,097	0.19%
Other Indo-European languages:	10,819	0.19%
Ukrainian or other Slavic languages:	9,323	0.16%
Yiddish, Pennsylvania Dutch or other West Germanic languages:	8,363	0.14%
Italian:	7,866	0.14%
Japanese:	7,859	0.14%
Tamil:	7,538	0.13%
Malayalam, Kannada, or other Dravidian languages:	7,044	0.12%
Gujarati:	6,956	0.12%
Greek:	6,212	0.11%
Thai, Lao, or other Tai-Kadai languages:	5,910	0.10%
Ilocano, Samoan, Hawaiian, or other Austronesian languages:	5,235	0.09%



Punjabi:	5,012	0.09%
Hebrew:	4,848	0.08%
Polish:	4,618	0.08%
Serbo-Croatian:	1,799	0.03%
Armenian:	1,317	0.02%
Khmer:	1,034	0.02%
Other Native languages of North America:	864	0.01%
Hmong:	0	0.00%
Navajo:	0	0.00%

RESULTS: THRESHOLD LANGUAGES IN MARYLAND

Threshold languages are defined as those languages other than English that are spoken by 5% of the population or by 1,000 individuals, whichever is less. There are 39 languages spoken in Maryland that meet this definition. They are outlined in the table below showing both the number and percentage.

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RESULTS: DETERMINING LANGUAGES SPOKEN

Languages spoken by 1% of the population or 200 individuals, whichever is less, up to a maximum of 15 languages, in Maryland as of 2022 are listed in the table below.



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English:	4,611,882	79.30%
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