

# NORTH DAKOTA

Population: 642,200

Number of Counties: 53

66

Languages spoken

2

Counties with 20 or more languages spoken

5

Counties with 10 or more languages spoken

25

Counties with 5 or more languages spoken

6

Languages with 1,000 or more speakers

## Most Common Languages Spoken

Rank	Language	Speakers
1	English	565,130
2	German	14,925
3	Spanish	8,265
4	Norwegian	2,805
5	French	1,590
6	Dakota	1,265
7	Czech	845
8	Serbocroatian	725
9	Hidatsa	485
10	Ukrainian	455
11	Polish	450
t-12	Russian	330
t-12	Tagalog	330
14	Chinese	325
15	Vietnamese	290
16	Ojibwa	280
17	Arabic	260
18	Cushite	245
t-19	Hindi	220
t-19	Korean	220
21	Swedish	190
22	Italian	180
23	French Cree	170
t-24	Finnish	160
t-24	Portuguese	160
26	Japanese	150
27	Cree	145
28	Dutch	130
29	Icelandic	125
30	Greek	120
31	Telugu	115
t-32	Albanian	95
t-32	Bengali	95
t-32	Persian	95
t-32	Tamil	95
36	Thai	90
37	Danish	75
t-38	Arikara	60
t-38	Croatian	60
t-38	Sudanic	60
t-38	Urdu	60
t-42	Kru, Ibo, Yoruba	55
t-42	Romanian	55
t-44	Gujarathi	50
t-44	Marathi	50
t-44	Panjabi	50
t-44	Turkish	50
t-48	American Indian	45
t-48	Cantonese	45
t-48	Navaho	45
t-48	Serbian	45

## Counties With the Most Languages Spoken

Rank	County	Languages
1	Cass County	27
2	Grand Forks County	20
t-3	Burleigh County	14
t-3	Ward County	14
5	Rolette County	11
6	Morton County	9
t-7	McKenzie County	8
t-7	Pembina County	8
t-7	Richland County	8
t-7	Walsh County	8
t-11	Dunn County	7
t-11	McLean County	7
t-11	Mountrail County	7
t-11	Ramsey County	7
t-11	Stark County	7
t-11	Williams County	7
t-17	Benson County	6
t-17	McHenry County	6
t-17	Stutsman County	6
t-20	Barnes County	5
t-20	Bottineau County	5
t-20	Dickey County	5
t-20	Nelson County	5
t-20	Ransom County	5
t-20	Sioux County	5

## Languages in North Dakota

- Cass County's 27 languages tied for the 350th highest number recorded in any county in the United States. Other North Dakota counties that were highly ranked included: Grand Forks County (t-496), Burleigh County (t-730) and Ward County (t-730).
- North Dakota has the highest percentage of speakers of German, Icelandic and Norwegian in the United States. The Peace Garden State also ranks second in the percentage of Cree, Czech, Dakota and Ojibwa speakers and third in the percentage of Sudanic and Welsh speakers.
- McIntosh County has the highest percentage of German speakers of any county in the nation. Other counties that rank highly in a given language include: Logan County (third, German), Emmons County (seventh, German), and Cass County (eighth, Serbocroatian).

For information on how the data was derived, see Disclaimer  
For data on all languages and counties in North Dakota, see Appendix

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Number of Languages Spoken By County

