

WASHINGTON

Population: 5,894,121

Number of Counties: 39

163

Languages spoken

16

Counties with 20 or more languages spoken

28

Counties with 10 or more languages spoken

34

Counties with 5 or more languages spoken

51

Languages with 1,000 or more speakers

Most Common Languages Spoken

Rank	Language	Speakers
1	English	4,730,510
2	Spanish	321,425
3	Tagalog	41,675
4	Vietnamese	39,830
5	German	39,660
6	Korean	39,520
7	Chinese	34,945
8	Russian	31,340
9	Japanese	24,055
10	French	22,335
11	Mon-Khmer, Cambodian	14,560
12	Ukrainian	12,135
13	Cantonese	6,565
14	Laotian	6,545
15	Arabic	6,490
16	Italian	6,185
17	Panjabi	6,010
18	Amharic	5,655
19	Norwegian	5,460
20	Persian	5,315
21	Hindi	5,190
22	Romanian	4,855
23	Samoan	4,780
24	Mandarin	4,495
25	Polish	4,285
26	Dutch	4,155
27	Thai	4,065
28	Serbocroatian	3,335
29	Swedish	3,105
30	Cushite	3,090
31	Ilocano	2,835
32	Greek	2,800
33	Portuguese	2,675
34	Formosan	2,335
35	Chamorro	2,245
36	Urdu	1,875
37	Finnish	1,845
38	Danish	1,755
39	Indonesian	1,735
40	Hungarian	1,590
41	Miao, Hmong	1,565
42	Hebrew	1,560
43	Tamil	1,435
44	Czech	1,430
45	Bulgarian	1,340
46	Croatian	1,325
47	Miao-Yao, Mien	1,290
t-48	India, n.e.c.	1,025
t-48	Turkish	1,025
50	Gujarathi	1,015

Counties With the Most Languages Spoken

Rank	County	Languages
1	King County	118
2	Pierce County	77
3	Snohomish County	75
4	Clark County	54
5	Spokane County	53
6	Kitsap County	47
7	Thurston County	37
8	Whatcom County	33
9	Benton County	29
10	Yakima County	25
11	Clallam County	23
t-12	Island County	22
t-12	Whitman County	22
t-14	Grays Harbor County	20
t-14	Mason County	20
t-14	Skagit County	20
17	Cowlitz County	19
t-18	Okanogan County	18
t-18	Stevens County	18
20	Lewis County	17
t-21	Grant County	14
t-21	Pacific County	14
23	Kittitas County	13
24	Franklin County	12
t-25	Chelan County	11
t-25	Jefferson County	11
t-25	Klickitat County	11
t-25	Walla Walla County	11

Languages in Washington

- King County's 118 languages represented the second highest number recorded in any county in the United States. Other Washington counties that were highly ranked included: Pierce County (t-41), Snohomish County (t-47), Clark County (t-133), and Spokane County (t-138).
- Washington has the highest percentage of speakers of Sahaptian and Ukrainian in the United States. The Evergreen State also ranks second in the percentage of Chamorro, Cushite, Danish, Frisian, Icelandic, Russian and Salish speakers and third in the percentage of Fijian, Indonesian, Japanese, Mon-Khmer/Cambodian, Oto-Manguen, Palau, Panjabi, Trukese and Vietnamese speakers.
- Grant County has the third highest percentage of Ukrainian speakers of any county in the nation. Other counties that rank highly in a given language include: Clark County (fifth, Russian).

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Number of Languages Spoken By County

