

## Alaska

### S1601. Language Spoken at Home

Data Set: **2006 American Community Survey**

Survey: **2006 American Community Survey**

NOTE: For information on confidentiality protection, sampling error, nonsampling error, and definitions, see [Survey Methodology](#).

Subject	Total	Margin of Error	Percent of specified language speakers			
			Speak English "very well"	Margin of Error	Speak English less than "very well"	Margin of Error
<b>Population 5 years and over</b>	<b>622,572</b>	<b>+/-1,070</b>	<b>94.1%</b>	<b>+/-0.6</b>	<b>5.9%</b>	<b>+/-0.6</b>
Speak only English	84.6%	+/-0.9	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)
Speak a language other than English	15.4%	+/-0.9	61.4%	+/-3.1	38.6%	+/-3.1
<b>Spanish or Spanish Creole</b>	<b>3.6%</b>	<b>+/-0.5</b>	<b>59.8%</b>	<b>+/-6.2</b>	<b>40.2%</b>	<b>+/-6.2</b>
Other Indo-European languages	2.3%	+/-0.4	74.7%	+/-9.3	25.3%	+/-9.3
Asian and Pacific Island languages	4.4%	+/-0.3	46.7%	+/-5.7	53.3%	+/-5.7
Other languages	5.0%	+/-0.4	69.4%	+/-4.6	30.6%	+/-4.6
<b>SPEAK A LANGUAGE OTHER THAN ENGLISH</b>						
Spanish or Spanish Creole	22,649	+/-2,978	59.8%	+/-6.2	40.2%	+/-6.2
5-17 years	4,179	+/-1,125	80.4%	+/-10.2	19.6%	+/-10.2
18-64 years	17,981	+/-2,311	54.1%	+/-6.9	45.9%	+/-6.9
65 years and over	489	+/-232	93.5%	+/-11.3	6.5%	+/-11.3
Other Indo-European languages	14,233	+/-2,243	74.7%	+/-9.3	25.3%	+/-9.3
5-17 years	2,566	+/-753	80.3%	+/-12.8	19.7%	+/-12.8
18-64 years	10,789	+/-1,852	72.3%	+/-10.8	27.7%	+/-10.8
65 years and over	878	+/-339	88.6%	+/-12.8	11.4%	+/-12.8
Asian and Pacific Island languages	27,661	+/-2,147	46.7%	+/-5.7	53.3%	+/-5.7
5-17 years	4,417	+/-1,125	71.2%	+/-12.3	28.8%	+/-12.3
18-64 years	20,831	+/-1,663	44.6%	+/-7.1	55.4%	+/-7.1
65 years and over	2,413	+/-589	20.1%	+/-11.7	79.9%	+/-11.7
Other languages	31,200	+/-2,599	69.4%	+/-4.6	30.6%	+/-4.6
5-17 years	6,292	+/-1,032	71.9%	+/-7.2	28.1%	+/-7.2
18-64 years	21,563	+/-2,206	73.9%	+/-6.0	26.1%	+/-6.0
65 years and over	3,345	+/-454	36.2%	+/-7.9	63.8%	+/-7.9
<b>PERCENT IMPUTED</b>						
Language status	1.2%	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)
Language status (speak a language other than English)	1.2%	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)
Ability to speak English	2.0%	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2006 American Community Survey

Data are based on a sample and are subject to sampling variability. The degree of uncertainty for an estimate arising from sampling variability is represented through the use of a margin of error. The value shown here is the 90 percent margin of error. The margin of error can be interpreted roughly as providing a 90 percent probability that the interval defined by the estimate minus the margin of error and the estimate plus the margin of error (the lower and upper confidence bounds) contains the true value. In addition to sampling variability, the ACS estimates are subject to nonsampling error (for a discussion of nonsampling variability, see [Accuracy of the Data](#)). The effect of nonsampling error is not represented in these tables.

#### Notes:

-While the 2006 American Community Survey (ACS) data generally reflect the December 2005 Office of Management and Budget (OMB) definitions of metropolitan and micropolitan statistical areas, in certain instances the names, codes, and boundaries of the principal cities shown in ACS tables may differ from the OMB definitions due to differences in the effective dates of the geographic entities.

#### Explanation of Symbols:

1. An '\*\*\*' entry in the margin of error column indicates that either no sample observations or too few sample observations were available to compute a standard error and thus the margin of error. A statistical test is not appropriate.
2. An '-' entry in the estimate column indicates that either no sample observations or too few sample observations were available to compute an estimate, or a ratio of medians cannot be calculated because one or both of the median estimates falls in the lowest interval or upper interval of an open-ended distribution.
3. An '-' following a median estimate means the median falls in the lowest interval of an open-ended distribution.
4. An '+' following a median estimate means the median falls in the upper interval of an open-ended distribution.
5. An '\*\*\*\*' entry in the margin of error column indicates that the median falls in the lowest interval or upper interval of an open-ended distribution. A statistical test is not appropriate.
6. An '\*\*\*\*\*' entry in the margin of error column indicates that the estimate is controlled. A statistical test for sampling variability is not appropriate.
7. An 'N' entry in the estimate and margin of error columns indicates that data for this geographic area cannot be displayed because the number of sample cases is too small.
8. An '(X)' means that the estimate is not applicable or not available.