

IRISH GAELIC

Number of Speakers: 25,870

Spoken in
237
Counties

Spoken in
50
States

Among the 10
most common
languages in
12
Counties

Among the 10
most common
languages in
0
States

66
Rank among
the 322
languages
spoken in the
United States

Leading Counties

By Percentage				By Number of Speakers			
Rank	County	Speakers	Pct.	Rank	County	Speakers	Pct.
1	Dukes County, Mass.	40	0.285%	1	Cook County, Ill.	1,520	0.030%
2	Mineral County, Mont.	10	0.273%	2	Queens County, N.Y.	1,290	0.062%
3	Norfolk County, Mass.	1,000	0.164%	3	Norfolk County, Mass.	1,000	0.164%
4	Amador County, Calif.	45	0.134%	4	Suffolk County, Mass.	800	0.123%
5	Suffolk County, Mass.	800	0.123%	5	Los Angeles County, Calif.	645	0.007%
6	Manistee County, Mich.	25	0.108%	6	New York County, N.Y.	590	0.040%
7	Ritchie County, W. Va.	10	0.103%	7	San Francisco County, Calif.	560	0.075%
8	Clallam County, Wash.	55	0.090%	8	Middlesex County, Mass.	555	0.040%
9	San Francisco County, Calif.	560	0.075%	9	Westchester County, N.Y.	480	0.056%
10	Thomas County, Ga.	25	0.063%	10	Bronx County, N.Y.	455	0.037%
11	Queens County, N.Y.	1,290	0.062%	11	Nassau County, N.Y.	390	0.031%
12	Roane County, Tenn.	30	0.062%	12	Kings County, N.Y.	305	0.013%
13	Westchester County, N.Y.	480	0.056%	t-13	Suffolk County, N.Y.	275	0.021%
14	Hardin County, Ohio	15	0.050%	t-13	Philadelphia County, Pa.	275	0.019%
15	Perry County, Pa.	20	0.049%	t-15	Bergen County, N.J.	245	0.030%
16	Hampshire County, Mass.	70	0.048%	t-15	Orange County, Calif.	245	0.009%
17	Rensselaer County, N.Y.	65	0.046%	17	Allegheny County, Pa.	235	0.019%
18	Greenup County, Ky.	15	0.043%	t-18	Fairfield County, Conn.	210	0.026%
19	Albany County, N.Y.	120	0.043%	t-18	Santa Clara County, Calif.	210	0.013%
20	Rockland County, N.Y.	110	0.042%	t-18	King County, Wash.	210	0.013%

Rankings

Indicates the number of divisions where this language was recorded, as well as the number of divisions where the language ranked as one of the most common languages in a given state/county.

	States	Counties
Most common	0	0
2nd most common	0	0
3rd most common	0	0
4th most common	0	0
5th most common	0	3
6th most common	0	1
7th most common	0	1
8th most common	0	3
9th most common	0	3
10th most common	0	1
Total, 1st-5th	0	3
Total, 1st-10th	0	12
Total, any rank	50	237

Notes

- Of the 20 counties with the greatest percentage of speakers of Irish Gaelic, five are located in New York and four in Massachusetts, including three of the top five.
- Irish Gaelic is the 27th most common language spoken in Maine and the 29th most common language spoken in Massachusetts.
- Irish Gaelic is the fifth most common language spoken at home in Mineral County, Mont., Ritchie County, W.Va., and Big Horn County, Wyo.
- In the United States, 1 of every 10,142 people age five and older speaks Irish Gaelic at home. In Massachusetts, this figure is 1 in 1,815 people, while in New York, 1 in 3,713 residents is a Irish Gaelic speaker.
- Within the counties, Dukes County, Mass. has the greatest rate of Irish Gaelic speakers (1 in every 350 residents), followed by Mineral County, Mont. (1 in every 366 residents) and Norfolk County, Mass. (1 in every 608 residents).

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Nationwide Rank: 66th

Leading States

By Percentage				By Number of Speakers			
Rank	State	Speakers	Pct.	Rank	State	Speakers	Pct.
1	Massachusetts	3,280	0.055%	1	New York	4,780	0.027%
2	New York	4,780	0.027%	2	Massachusetts	3,280	0.055%
3	Connecticut	615	0.019%	3	California	3,125	0.010%
4	New Jersey	1,475	0.019%	4	Illinois	1,850	0.016%
5	Rhode Island	165	0.017%	5	New Jersey	1,475	0.019%
6	Illinois	1,850	0.016%	6	Pennsylvania	1,350	0.012%
7	Maine	165	0.014%	7	Florida	1,310	0.009%
8	Alaska	70	0.012%	8	Texas	665	0.003%
9	District of Columbia	65	0.012%	9	Ohio	640	0.006%
10	Pennsylvania	1,350	0.012%	10	Connecticut	615	0.019%
11	Wyoming	50	0.011%	11	Michigan	560	0.006%
12	Maryland	495	0.010%	12	Washington	515	0.009%
13	California	3,125	0.010%	13	Maryland	495	0.010%
14	Washington	515	0.009%	14	Georgia	415	0.005%
15	Kansas	220	0.009%	15	Virginia	400	0.006%
16	Florida	1,310	0.009%	16	North Carolina	305	0.004%
17	Vermont	45	0.008%	17	Minnesota	300	0.007%
18	Nevada	145	0.008%	18	Colorado	295	0.007%
19	Colorado	295	0.007%	19	Arizona	250	0.005%
20	Montana	60	0.007%	t-20	Kentucky	225	0.006%
21	Oregon	225	0.007%	t-20	Oregon	225	0.007%
22	Minnesota	300	0.007%	22	Kansas	220	0.009%
23	Delaware	45	0.006%	23	Wisconsin	200	0.004%
24	Virginia	400	0.006%	24	Missouri	195	0.004%
25	Michigan	560	0.006%	25	Tennessee	185	0.003%
26	Ohio	640	0.006%	26	Indiana	175	0.003%
27	Kentucky	225	0.006%	27	Oklahoma	170	0.005%
28	New Mexico	95	0.006%	t-28	Maine	165	0.014%
29	Georgia	415	0.005%	t-28	Rhode Island	165	0.017%
30	Oklahoma	170	0.005%	30	Nevada	145	0.008%
31	Arizona	250	0.005%	31	New Mexico	95	0.006%
32	West Virginia	75	0.004%	t-32	Arkansas	90	0.004%
33	New Hampshire	50	0.004%	t-32	South Carolina	90	0.002%
34	South Dakota	30	0.004%	34	Louisiana	80	0.002%
35	North Carolina	305	0.004%	35	West Virginia	75	0.004%
36	Wisconsin	200	0.004%	36	Alaska	70	0.012%
37	Missouri	195	0.004%	t-37	Alabama	65	0.002%
38	Arkansas	90	0.004%	t-37	District of Columbia	65	0.012%
39	Tennessee	185	0.003%	t-39	Montana	60	0.007%
40	Texas	665	0.003%	t-39	Utah	60	0.003%
41	Indiana	175	0.003%	41	Iowa	55	0.002%
42	Hawaii	35	0.003%	t-42	New Hampshire	50	0.004%
43	Utah	60	0.003%	t-42	Wyoming	50	0.011%
44	Idaho	35	0.003%	t-44	Delaware	45	0.006%
45	South Carolina	90	0.002%	t-44	Mississippi	45	0.002%
46	Iowa	55	0.002%	t-44	Vermont	45	0.008%
47	Louisiana	80	0.002%	t-47	Hawaii	35	0.003%
48	Nebraska	30	0.002%	t-47	Idaho	35	0.003%
49	Mississippi	45	0.002%	t-49	Nebraska	30	0.002%
50	Alabama	65	0.002%	t-49	South Dakota	30	0.004%