

LAOTIAN

Number of Speakers: 149,305

Spoken in
330
Counties

Spoken in
48
States

Among the 10
most common
languages in
125
Counties

Among the 10
most common
languages in
5
States

31
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	Buena Vista County, Iowa	625	3.261%	1	San Diego County, Calif.	7,205	0.275%
2	Nobles County, Minn.	425	2.210%	2	Fresno County, Calif.	5,200	0.711%
3	Johnson County, Neb.	85	2.005%	3	Hennepin County, Minn.	4,040	0.387%
4	Habersham County, Ga.	570	1.704%	4	Sacramento County, Calif.	3,945	0.348%
5	Pacific County, Wash.	300	1.502%	5	King County, Wash.	3,685	0.226%
6	Cottonwood County, Minn.	170	1.489%	6	Los Angeles County, Calif.	3,645	0.041%
7	Iberia Parish, La.	1,000	1.484%	7	Tarrant County, Texas	3,575	0.268%
8	Roseau County, Minn.	200	1.332%	8	Providence County, R.I.	3,015	0.517%
9	Dakota County, Neb.	240	1.302%	9	Orange County, Calif.	2,935	0.112%
10	Jackson County, Minn.	120	1.130%	10	San Joaquin County, Calif.	2,680	0.517%
11	Hamilton County, Iowa	170	1.109%	11	Dallas County, Texas	2,335	0.115%
12	Potter County, Texas	1,145	1.103%	12	Contra Costa County, Calif.	2,255	0.255%
13	Cowley County, Kan.	340	1.011%	13	Honolulu County, Hawaii	1,895	0.231%
14	Sebastian County, Ark.	1,040	0.978%	14	Pinellas County, Fla.	1,810	0.207%
15	Rutherford County, Tenn.	1,620	0.965%	15	Multnomah County, Ore.	1,785	0.289%
16	Denali Borough, Alaska	15	0.855%	t-16	Salt Lake County, Utah	1,770	0.217%
17	Henry County, Iowa	160	0.841%	t-16	Middlesex County, Mass.	1,770	0.129%
18	Franklin County, Wash.	360	0.813%	18	Milwaukee County, Wis.	1,650	0.189%
19	Pipestone County, Minn.	75	0.808%	19	Rutherford County, Tenn.	1,620	0.965%
20	Aleutians East Borough, Alaska	20	0.795%	20	Riverside County, Calif.	1,595	0.112%

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	1
3rd most common	0	25
4th most common	0	14
5th most common	0	28
6th most common	1	21
7th most common	0	10
8th most common	3	14
9th most common	1	6
10th most common	0	6
Total, 1st-5th	0	68
Total, 1st-10th	5	125
Total, any rank	48	330

Notes

- Of the 20 counties with the greatest percentage of Laotian speakers, five are located in Minnesota and three are located in Iowa.
- Laotian is the sixth most common language spoken in Arkansas and the eighth most common language spoken in Iowa, Kansas and Rhode Island.
- Laotian is the second most common language spoken at home in Roseau County, Minn. and the third most common language in 25 counties spread across 12 states
- In the United States, 1 of every 1,757 people age five and older speaks Laotian at home. In Rhode Island, this figure is 1 in 308 people, while in Alaska, 1 in 510 residents is a Laotian speaker.
- Within the counties, Buena Vista County, Iowa has the greatest rate of Laotian speakers (1 in every 31 residents), followed by Nobles County, Minn. (1 in every 45 residents) and Johnson County, Neb. (1 in every 50 residents).

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Nationwide Rank: 31st

Leading States

By Percentage				By Number of Speakers			
Rank	State	Speakers	Pct.	Rank	State	Speakers	Pct.
1	Rhode Island	3,195	0.324%	1	California	41,315	0.132%
2	Alaska	1,135	0.196%	2	Texas	10,380	0.054%
3	Minnesota	7,985	0.174%	3	Minnesota	7,985	0.174%
4	Hawaii	1,920	0.169%	4	Washington	6,545	0.119%
5	Iowa	3,940	0.144%	5	Georgia	5,180	0.068%
6	California	41,315	0.132%	6	Illinois	4,835	0.042%
7	Kansas	3,145	0.126%	7	North Carolina	4,600	0.061%
8	Washington	6,545	0.119%	8	Tennessee	4,495	0.085%
9	Utah	2,220	0.110%	9	Florida	4,090	0.027%
10	Arkansas	2,500	0.100%	10	Iowa	3,940	0.144%
11	Connecticut	3,040	0.095%	11	Massachusetts	3,465	0.058%
12	Oregon	2,865	0.090%	12	Ohio	3,400	0.032%
13	Tennessee	4,495	0.085%	13	New York	3,355	0.019%
14	Nevada	1,395	0.075%	14	Wisconsin	3,315	0.066%
15	Georgia	5,180	0.068%	15	Rhode Island	3,195	0.324%
16	Wisconsin	3,315	0.066%	16	Kansas	3,145	0.126%
17	North Carolina	4,600	0.061%	17	Connecticut	3,040	0.095%
18	Massachusetts	3,465	0.058%	18	Virginia	2,880	0.044%
19	Idaho	680	0.057%	19	Oregon	2,865	0.090%
20	Nebraska	900	0.056%	20	Arkansas	2,500	0.100%
21	Texas	10,380	0.054%	21	Michigan	2,340	0.025%
22	Colorado	1,850	0.046%	22	Pennsylvania	2,250	0.019%
23	Virginia	2,880	0.044%	23	Utah	2,220	0.110%
24	Illinois	4,835	0.042%	24	Hawaii	1,920	0.169%
25	New Hampshire	395	0.034%	25	Colorado	1,850	0.046%
26	Louisiana	1,385	0.033%	26	Nevada	1,395	0.075%
27	South Dakota	230	0.033%	27	Louisiana	1,385	0.033%
28	Oklahoma	1,045	0.033%	28	Alaska	1,135	0.196%
29	Ohio	3,400	0.032%	29	Oklahoma	1,045	0.033%
30	South Carolina	1,030	0.027%	30	South Carolina	1,030	0.027%
31	Florida	4,090	0.027%	31	Indiana	995	0.018%
32	Michigan	2,340	0.025%	32	Arizona	920	0.019%
33	New Mexico	365	0.022%	33	Nebraska	900	0.056%
34	Pennsylvania	2,250	0.019%	34	Missouri	890	0.017%
35	Arizona	920	0.019%	35	Maryland	870	0.018%
36	New York	3,355	0.019%	36	Idaho	680	0.057%
37	Maryland	870	0.018%	37	Alabama	635	0.015%
38	Indiana	995	0.018%	38	New Jersey	480	0.006%
39	Missouri	890	0.017%	39	New Hampshire	395	0.034%
40	Alabama	635	0.015%	40	New Mexico	365	0.022%
41	Delaware	110	0.015%	41	Kentucky	315	0.008%
42	Vermont	80	0.014%	42	South Dakota	230	0.033%
43	District of Columbia	65	0.012%	43	Maine	135	0.011%
44	Maine	135	0.011%	44	Delaware	110	0.015%
45	Kentucky	315	0.008%	45	Vermont	80	0.014%
46	New Jersey	480	0.006%	46	District of Columbia	65	0.012%
47	Montana	30	0.004%	47	Mississippi	55	0.002%
48	Mississippi	55	0.002%	48	Montana	30	0.004%