

MAINE

Population: 1,274,923

Number of Counties: 16

74

Languages
spoken

4

Counties with
20 or more
languages
spoken

13

Counties with
10 or more
languages
spoken

16

Counties with
5 or more
languages
spoken

7

Languages
with 1,000
or more
speakers

Most Common Languages Spoken

Rank	Language	Speakers
1	English	1,110,200
2	French	63,610
3	Spanish	9,610
4	German	4,005
5	Italian	1,475
6	Chinese	1,090
7	Mon-Khmer, Cambodian	1,085
8	Vietnamese	910
9	Russian	895
10	Passamaquoddy	885
11	Tagalog	770
t-12	Greek	765
t-12	Polish	765
14	Japanese	605
15	Portuguese	515
16	Korean	405
17	Swedish	390
18	Serbocroatian	360
19	Persian	340
20	Arabic	335
21	Dutch	325
22	Finnish	285
23	Cushite	280
24	Norwegian	255
25	Albanian	205
26	Lithuanian	170
27	Irish Gaelic	165
28	Bulgarian	140
29	Laotian	135
t-30	Hindi	130
t-30	Ukrainian	130
t-32	Danish	120
t-32	Hebrew	120
34	Yiddish	115
t-35	Hungarian	110
t-35	Serbian	110
t-35	Thai	110
t-35	Urdu	110
39	American Indian	100
t-40	Bengali	90
t-40	Cantonese	90
t-40	Romanian	90
t-43	Armenian	85
t-43	Micmac	85
45	Penobscot	70
t-46	Gujarathi	65
t-46	Malayalam	65
t-46	Telugu	65
t-46	Turkish	65
t-50	Czech	60
t-50	Slovak	60

Counties With the Most Languages Spoken

Rank	County	Languages
1	Cumberland County	45
2	Penobscot County	27
3	York County	23
4	Kennebec County	22
5	Androscoggin County	19
t-6	Hancock County	18
t-6	Washington County	18
8	Waldo County	15
t-9	Aroostook County	14
t-9	Lincoln County	14
11	Knox County	13
t-12	Oxford County	12
t-12	Somerset County	12
14	Sagadahoc County	9
15	Franklin County	7
16	Piscataquis County	5

Languages in Maine

- Cumberland County's 45 languages tied for the 189th highest number recorded in any county in the United States. Other Maine counties that were highly ranked included: Penobscot County (t-350) and York County (t-427).
- Maine has the highest percentage of speakers of French and Micmac in the United States. The Pine Tree State also ranks third in the percentage of Romany and Scottish Gaelic speakers and fourth in the percentage of American Indian speakers.
- Aroostook County has the fourth highest percentage of French speakers of any county in the nation. Other counties that rank highly in a given language include: Washington County (eighth, American Indian), Androscoggin County (11th, French) and Kennebec County (20th, French).

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Number of Languages Spoken By County

