

WEST VIRGINIA

Population: 1,808,344

Number of Counties: 55

67

Languages
spoken

2

Counties with
20 or more
languages
spoken

13

Counties with
10 or more
languages
spoken

35

Counties with
5 or more
languages
spoken

8

Languages
with 1,000
or more
speakers

Most Common Languages Spoken

Rank	Language	Speakers
1	English	1,661,035
2	Spanish	17,650
3	French	5,690
4	German	5,040
5	Italian	2,815
6	Arabic	1,565
7	Chinese	1,495
8	Japanese	1,135
9	Tagalog	970
10	Greek	910
11	Polish	765
12	Korean	580
13	Vietnamese	470
14	Hindi	430
15	Russian	370
16	Urdu	350
t-17	Hungarian	320
t-17	Persian	320
19	Telugu	280
20	Tamil	250
21	Portuguese	235
22	Panjabi	220
23	Hebrew	200
t-24	Bengali	180
t-24	India, n.e.c.	180
26	Slovak	175
t-27	Gujarathi	165
t-27	Thai	165
t-29	Czech	135
t-29	Kannada	135
t-29	Kru, Ibo, Yoruba	135
32	Dutch	130
t-33	Marathi	120
t-33	Pennsylvania Dutch	120
t-35	Norwegian	110
t-35	Serbian	110
37	Serbocroatian	95
38	Shawnee	90
t-39	Amharic	80
t-39	Formosan	80
41	Irish Gaelic	75
t-42	Bulgarian	70
t-42	Indonesian	70
t-42	Ukrainian	70
t-42	Yiddish	70
t-46	Croatian	65
t-46	Turkish	65
t-48	Chamorro	60
t-48	Swedish	60
t-50	Navaho	55
t-50	Romanian	55

Counties With the Most Languages Spoken

Rank	County	Languages
1	Monongalia County	27
2	Kanawha County	25
t-3	Cabell County	16
t-3	Wood County	16
t-5	Harrison County	14
t-5	Ohio County	14
t-5	Raleigh County	14
t-8	Fayette County	13
t-8	Hancock County	13
t-10	Berkeley County	10
t-10	Jefferson County	10
t-10	Marion County	10
t-10	Putnam County	10
t-14	Brooke County	9
t-14	Mercer County	9
16	Marshall County	8
t-17	Greenbrier County	7
t-17	Logan County	7
t-19	Clay County	6
t-19	McDowell County	6
t-19	Mineral County	6
t-19	Mingo County	6
t-19	Monroe County	6
t-19	Tucker County	6
t-25	Boone County	5
t-25	Braxton County	5
t-25	Hampshire County	5
t-25	Mason County	5
t-25	Nicholas County	5
t-25	Preston County	5
t-25	Randolph County	5
t-25	Ritchie County	5
t-25	Taylor County	5
t-25	Upshur County	5
t-25	Wayne County	5

Languages in West Virginia

- Monongalia County's 27 languages tied for the 350th highest number recorded in any county in the United States. Other West Virginia counties that were highly ranked included: Kanawha County (t-388), Cabell County (t-650) and Wood County (t-650).
- West Virginia has the highest percentage of speakers of English in the United States. The Mountain State also ranks fourth in the percentage of Romany speakers and 13th in the percentage of Slovak speakers.

*For information on how the data was derived, see Disclaimer
For data on all languages and counties in West Virginia, see Appendix*

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Number of Languages Spoken By County

