The data was derived from statistical records of language spoken in the United States. For a complete breakdown of speakers of Sinhalese, see the Appendix.

### Leading Counties

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### Notes

- Of the 20 counties with the highest percentage of Sinhalese speakers, five are located in California and four in New York. New Jersey and the Washington, D.C. metropolitan area are home to three apiece.
- Richmond County, N.Y. (Staten Island) has more than twice the percentage of Sinhalese speakers of any other county in the United States.
- Los Angeles County, Calif. accounts for 17.2 percent of the Sinhalese speakers in the United States.
- Sinhalese is the 50th (tied) most common language spoken in Maryland and the 53rd (tied) most common language spoken in West Virginia.
- In the United States, 1 of every 18,889 people age five and older speaks Sinhalese at home. In Maryland, this figure is 1 in 5,123 people, while in California, 1 in 7,164 residents is a Sinhalese speaker.
- Within the counties, Richmond County, N.Y. has the greatest rate of Sinhalese speakers (1 in every 492 residents), followed by Montgomery County, Md. (1 in every 1,084 residents) and Centre County, Pa. (1 in every 2,153 residents).
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