

# CHOCTAW

Number of Speakers: 11,390

Spoken in

**76**  
Counties

Spoken in

**28**  
States

Among the 10  
most common  
languages in

**49**  
Counties

Among the 10  
most common  
languages in

**2**  
States

**89**  
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	Neshoba County, Miss.	2,675	10.158%	1	Neshoba County, Miss.	2,675	10.158%
2	Leake County, Miss.	585	3.020%	2	McCurtain County, Okla.	810	2.556%
3	McCurtain County, Okla.	810	2.556%	3	Leake County, Miss.	585	3.020%
4	Newton County, Miss.	500	2.470%	4	Newton County, Miss.	500	2.470%
5	Pushmataha County, Okla.	170	1.562%	5	Carter County, Okla.	240	0.567%
6	Kemper County, Miss.	135	1.392%	6	Oklahoma County, Okla.	205	0.033%
7	Choctaw County, Okla.	180	1.258%	7	Pittsburg County, Okla.	190	0.459%
8	Johnston County, Okla.	115	1.172%	8	Le Flore County, Okla.	185	0.414%
9	Coal County, Okla.	65	1.161%	9	Choctaw County, Okla.	180	1.258%
10	Latimer County, Okla.	85	0.858%	10	Pushmataha County, Okla.	170	1.562%
11	Atoka County, Okla.	85	0.652%	t-11	Scott County, Miss.	155	0.591%
12	Scott County, Miss.	155	0.591%	t-11	Jackson County, Miss.	155	0.127%
13	Winston County, Miss.	110	0.587%	13	Kemper County, Miss.	135	1.392%
14	Carter County, Okla.	240	0.567%	14	Pontotoc County, Okla.	130	0.396%
15	Murray County, Okla.	55	0.470%	15	Hinds County, Miss.	120	0.052%
16	Pittsburg County, Okla.	190	0.459%	t-16	Johnston County, Okla.	115	1.172%
17	Le Flore County, Okla.	185	0.414%	t-16	Bryan County, Okla.	115	0.337%
18	Pontotoc County, Okla.	130	0.396%	t-16	Jones County, Miss.	115	0.191%
19	Haskell County, Okla.	40	0.365%	t-16	St. Joseph County, Ind.	115	0.047%
20	Bryan County, Okla.	115	0.337%	t-16	Dallas County, Texas	115	0.006%

## 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	4
3rd most common	0	16
4th most common	0	5
5th most common	1	8
6th most common	0	2
7th most common	0	3
8th most common	0	3
9th most common	0	3
10th most common	1	5
Total, 1st-5th	1	33
Total, 1st-10th	2	49
Total, any rank	28	76

## Notes

- Of the 20 counties with the highest percentage of Choctaw speakers, all are located in Mississippi and Oklahoma. Mississippi lays claim to six counties, including four of the top six. The remaining 14 are found in Oklahoma.
- Neshoba County, Miss. has more than three times the percentage and more than three times the number of Choctaw speakers of any other county in the United States.
- Choctaw is the fifth most common language spoken in Mississippi and the 10th most common language spoken in Oklahoma.
- Choctaw is the second most common language spoken at home in Kemper County, Miss., Leake County, Miss., Neshoba County, Miss. and Newton County, Miss.
- In the United States, 1 of every 23,035 people age five and older speaks Choctaw at home. In Mississippi, this figure is 1 in 487 people, while in Oklahoma, 1 in 952 residents is a Choctaw speaker.
- Within the counties, Neshoba County, Miss. has the greatest rate of Choctaw speakers (1 in every 9.8 residents), followed by Leake County, Miss. (1 in every 33 residents) and McCurtain County, Okla. (1 in every 39 residents).

For information on how the data was derived, see Disclaimer  
For complete breakdown of speakers of Choctaw, see Appendix

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Nationwide Rank: 89th

## Leading States

By Percentage				By Number of Speakers			
Rank	State	Speakers	Pct.	Rank	State	Speakers	Pct.
1	Mississippi	5,420	0.205%	1	Mississippi	5,420	0.205%
2	Oklahoma	3,375	0.105%	2	Oklahoma	3,375	0.105%
3	Arkansas	210	0.008%	3	Texas	475	0.002%
4	Indiana	155	0.003%	4	California	385	0.001%
5	Alaska	15	0.003%	5	Arkansas	210	0.008%
6	Missouri	130	0.002%	6	Indiana	155	0.003%
7	Texas	475	0.002%	t-7	Michigan	130	0.001%
8	New Mexico	40	0.002%	t-7	Missouri	130	0.002%
9	Louisiana	95	0.002%	t-9	Maryland	110	0.002%
10	Maryland	110	0.002%	t-9	Tennessee	110	0.002%
11	South Dakota	15	0.002%	11	Louisiana	95	0.002%
12	Tennessee	110	0.002%	12	Virginia	80	0.001%
13	Arizona	75	0.002%	13	Arizona	75	0.002%
14	Alabama	65	0.002%	14	Alabama	65	0.002%
15	Oregon	50	0.002%	t-15	Colorado	50	0.001%
16	Michigan	130	0.001%	t-15	Oregon	50	0.002%
17	Colorado	50	0.001%	t-17	New York	45	0.000%
18	California	385	0.001%	t-17	North Carolina	45	0.001%
19	Virginia	80	0.001%	t-19	Illinois	40	0.000%
20	Iowa	30	0.001%	t-19	Massachusetts	40	0.001%
21	Kansas	20	0.001%	t-19	New Mexico	40	0.002%
22	Kentucky	30	0.001%	t-22	Iowa	30	0.001%
23	Massachusetts	40	0.001%	t-22	Kentucky	30	0.001%
24	North Carolina	45	0.001%	t-22	Ohio	30	0.000%
25	Illinois	40	0.000%	25	Kansas	20	0.001%
26	Ohio	30	0.000%	t-26	Alaska	15	0.003%
27	New York	45	0.000%	t-26	South Dakota	15	0.002%
28	Pennsylvania	10	0.000%	28	Pennsylvania	10	0.000%