

FRENCH CREOLE

Number of Speakers: 453,370

Spoken in
283
Counties

Spoken in
46
States

Among the 10
most common
languages in
77
Counties

Among the 10
most common
languages in
6
States

15
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	Miami-Dade County, Fla.	86,975	4.126%	1	Miami-Dade County, Fla.	86,975	4.126%
2	Broward County, Fla.	53,345	3.509%	2	Kings County, N.Y.	61,215	2.679%
3	Rockland County, N.Y.	8,345	3.156%	3	Broward County, Fla.	53,345	3.509%
4	Suffolk County, Mass.	19,850	3.048%	4	Palm Beach County, Fla.	30,080	2.814%
5	Palm Beach County, Fla.	30,080	2.814%	5	Queens County, N.Y.	21,680	1.038%
6	Kings County, N.Y.	61,215	2.679%	6	Suffolk County, Mass.	19,850	3.048%
7	Collier County, Fla.	5,460	2.299%	7	Orange County, Fla.	14,525	1.740%
8	Essex County, N.J.	13,930	1.893%	8	Essex County, N.J.	13,930	1.893%
9	Orange County, Fla.	14,525	1.740%	9	Middlesex County, Mass.	10,435	0.760%
10	St. Lucie County, Fla.	2,915	1.605%	10	Nassau County, N.Y.	9,595	0.769%
11	St. Martin Parish, La.	695	1.550%	11	Rockland County, N.Y.	8,345	3.156%
12	Plymouth County, Mass.	6,525	1.485%	12	Plymouth County, Mass.	6,525	1.485%
13	Union County, N.J.	6,355	1.308%	13	Union County, N.J.	6,355	1.308%
14	Queens County, N.Y.	21,680	1.038%	14	Fairfield County, Conn.	6,095	0.744%
15	Evangeline Parish, La.	290	0.892%	15	Collier County, Fla.	5,460	2.299%
16	Nassau County, N.Y.	9,595	0.769%	16	Providence County, R.I.	4,225	0.725%
17	Middlesex County, Mass.	10,435	0.760%	17	New York County, N.Y.	3,535	0.242%
18	Fairfield County, Conn.	6,095	0.744%	t-18	Suffolk County, N.Y.	3,495	0.265%
19	Providence County, R.I.	4,225	0.725%	t-18	Cook County, Ill.	3,495	0.070%
20	St. Landry Parish, La.	520	0.644%	20	Norfolk County, Mass.	3,280	0.539%

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	0
3rd most common	1	10
4th most common	0	10
5th most common	0	13
6th most common	0	14
7th most common	3	9
8th most common	0	10
9th most common	1	5
10th most common	1	6
Total, 1st-5th	1	33
Total, 1st-10th	6	77
Total, any rank	46	283

Notes

- Of the 20 counties with the greatest percentage of French Creole speakers, six are found in Florida, including the top two. Four more are located in New York, with three each in Louisiana and Massachusetts.
- French Creole is the third most common language spoken in Florida and the seventh most common language spoken in Massachusetts, Rhode Island and New York.
- French Creole is the third most common language spoken at home in 10 counties in four states: Florida (seven counties), Kentucky, Louisiana, and Massachusetts (one county each).
- In the United States, 1 of every 579 people age five and older speaks French Creole at home. In Florida, this figure is 1 in 72 people, while in Massachusetts, 1 in 137 residents is a French Creole speaker.
- Within the counties, Miami-Dade County, Fla. has the greatest rate of French Creole speakers (1 in every 24 residents), followed by Broward County, Fla. (1 in every 29 residents) and Rockland County, N.Y. (1 in every 32 residents).

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Nationwide Rank: 15th

Leading States

By Percentage				By Number of Speakers			
Rank	State	Speakers	Pct.	Rank	State	Speakers	Pct.
1	Florida	208,485	1.386%	1	Florida	208,485	1.386%
2	Massachusetts	43,520	0.731%	2	New York	114,745	0.647%
3	New York	114,745	0.647%	3	Massachusetts	43,520	0.731%
4	Rhode Island	4,335	0.440%	4	New Jersey	28,785	0.366%
5	New Jersey	28,785	0.366%	5	Connecticut	7,855	0.247%
6	Connecticut	7,855	0.247%	6	Maryland	6,720	0.136%
7	Delaware	1,200	0.164%	7	Georgia	4,965	0.065%
8	Maryland	6,720	0.136%	8	Pennsylvania	4,780	0.041%
9	District of Columbia	600	0.111%	9	Louisiana	4,470	0.108%
10	Louisiana	4,470	0.108%	10	Rhode Island	4,335	0.440%
11	Georgia	4,965	0.065%	11	California	4,105	0.013%
12	New Hampshire	500	0.043%	12	Illinois	4,035	0.035%
13	Pennsylvania	4,780	0.041%	13	Texas	3,505	0.018%
14	Virginia	2,665	0.040%	14	Virginia	2,665	0.040%
15	Illinois	4,035	0.035%	15	North Carolina	1,440	0.019%
16	North Carolina	1,440	0.019%	16	Delaware	1,200	0.164%
17	Texas	3,505	0.018%	17	Michigan	745	0.008%
18	Nevada	300	0.016%	18	Missouri	655	0.013%
19	California	4,105	0.013%	19	District of Columbia	600	0.111%
20	Missouri	655	0.013%	20	Tennessee	510	0.010%
21	Alaska	70	0.012%	21	New Hampshire	500	0.043%
22	Hawaii	130	0.011%	22	Ohio	420	0.004%
23	Utah	195	0.010%	23	Minnesota	340	0.007%
24	Tennessee	510	0.010%	24	Washington	315	0.006%
25	Oregon	285	0.009%	25	Nevada	300	0.016%
26	Michigan	745	0.008%	26	Indiana	295	0.005%
27	Kentucky	280	0.007%	27	Oregon	285	0.009%
28	Minnesota	340	0.007%	28	Kentucky	280	0.007%
29	Colorado	270	0.007%	29	Colorado	270	0.007%
30	South Carolina	250	0.007%	30	South Carolina	250	0.007%
31	Arkansas	155	0.006%	31	Alabama	240	0.006%
32	Alabama	240	0.006%	32	Arizona	205	0.004%
33	Washington	315	0.006%	33	Utah	195	0.010%
34	Oklahoma	180	0.006%	34	Oklahoma	180	0.006%
35	Nebraska	85	0.005%	35	Arkansas	155	0.006%
36	Mississippi	140	0.005%	36	Wisconsin	150	0.003%
37	Indiana	295	0.005%	37	Mississippi	140	0.005%
38	Kansas	120	0.005%	38	Hawaii	130	0.011%
39	Maine	55	0.005%	39	Kansas	120	0.005%
40	Arizona	205	0.004%	40	Nebraska	85	0.005%
41	Ohio	420	0.004%	41	Iowa	80	0.003%
42	Idaho	40	0.003%	42	Alaska	70	0.012%
43	Wisconsin	150	0.003%	43	Maine	55	0.005%
44	Iowa	80	0.003%	t-44	Idaho	40	0.003%
45	West Virginia	40	0.002%	t-44	West Virginia	40	0.002%
46	Montana	10	0.001%	46	Montana	10	0.001%