

Oregon's Racial/Ethnic Demographics, 2001

U.S. Census, 2001 Supplementary Survey Profile

2001 Total State Population: 3,395,357

Race/Ethnicity	Number of Persons	Percent of Population	1990 Census
White	2,983,172	88.0 %	92.8 %
White persons, not of Hispanic/Latino origin	2,834,921	83.5 %	90.8%
Persons of Hispanic or Latino origin*	283,882	8.4 %	4.0 %
• Mexican	223,409	79 %**	
• Puerto Rican	7,646	3 % **	
• Cuban	3,107	1 % **	
• Other Hispanic or Latino	49,720	18 % **	
Foreign-born, region of birth reported	275,783	8.1 %	4.9 %
• Latin America	122,306	44 %***	
• Asia	82,337	30 % ***	
• Europe	46,803	17 % ***	
Persons Years 5 and Over Speaking Language Other than English at Home	370,960	11.7 %	7.3 %
Total Ancestries Reported (Top 5)			
• German	774,398	23 %	German: 40 %
• English	489,984	14 %	English: 20 %
• Irish	450,816	13 %	Irish: 17 %
• United States or American	227,462	7 %	French (except Basque): 6 %
• French (except Basque)	143,730	4 %	Swedish: 4 %
Asian	104,555	3.1 %	2.4 % (includes Pacific Islander)
• Asian Indian	7,193	6 %****	
• Chinese (except Taiwanese)	23,847	23 % ****	
• Filipino	9,923	10 % ****	
• Japanese	11,125	11 % ****	
• Korean	13,803	13 % ****	
• Vietnamese	19,626	19 % ****	
• Other Asian	19,038	18 % ****	
Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander	7,080	0.2 %	(See Asian)
African American	54,988	1.6 %	1.6 %
American Indian and Alaska Native	27,257	0.8 %	1.4%
Other Races	99,393	2.9 %	1.8 %
Two or More Races	118,912	3.5 %	Not tracked

*Includes all races; 2000 census added Latino to category name.

** Percentage of persons among Hispanic or Latino population

*** Percentage of persons among foreign-born population

**** Percentage of persons among Asian population

Language Spoken at Home Population 5 Years and Over (3,166,354)	Number of Persons	Percentage of Population	1990 Census
English only	2,795,394	88 %	93 %
Language other than English Speak English less than "very well"	370,960 179,757	12 % 6 %	7 % 3 %
Spanish Speak English less than "very well"	207,112 107,258	7 % ¹ 3 % ²	3 % ³ 1 % ⁴
Other Indo-European languages Speak English less than "very well"	73,023 26,653	2 % ⁵ 1 % ⁶	Not tracked
Asian and Pacific Islander languages Speak English less than "very well"	80,625 43,205	3 % ⁷ 1 % ⁸	2 % ⁹ 1 % ¹⁰
Other languages Speak English less than "very well"	10,200 2,641	0.3 % 0.1 %	Not tracked

¹Fifty-six percent (56 %) of Oregonians who speak languages other than English speak Spanish.

²Fifty-two percent (52 %) of Spanish speakers in Oregon speak English less than "very well."

³Forty-three percent (53 %) of Oregonians who spoke languages other than English spoke Spanish.

⁴Forty-four percent (44 %) of Spanish speakers in Oregon spoke English less than "very well."

⁵Twenty percent (20 %) of Oregonians who speak languages other than English speak Indo-European languages.

⁶Fifty-four percent (54 %) of Oregonians who speak Indo-European languages speak English less than "very well."

⁷Twenty-two percent (22 %) of Oregonians who speak languages other than English speak Asian or Pacific Islander languages.

⁸Fifty-four percent (54 %) of Oregonians who speak Asian or Pacific Islander languages speak English less than "very well."

⁹Twenty-two percent (22 %) of Oregonians who spoke languages other than English spoke Asian or Pacific Islander languages.

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