

English Language Proficiency of Spanish-Speaking Population

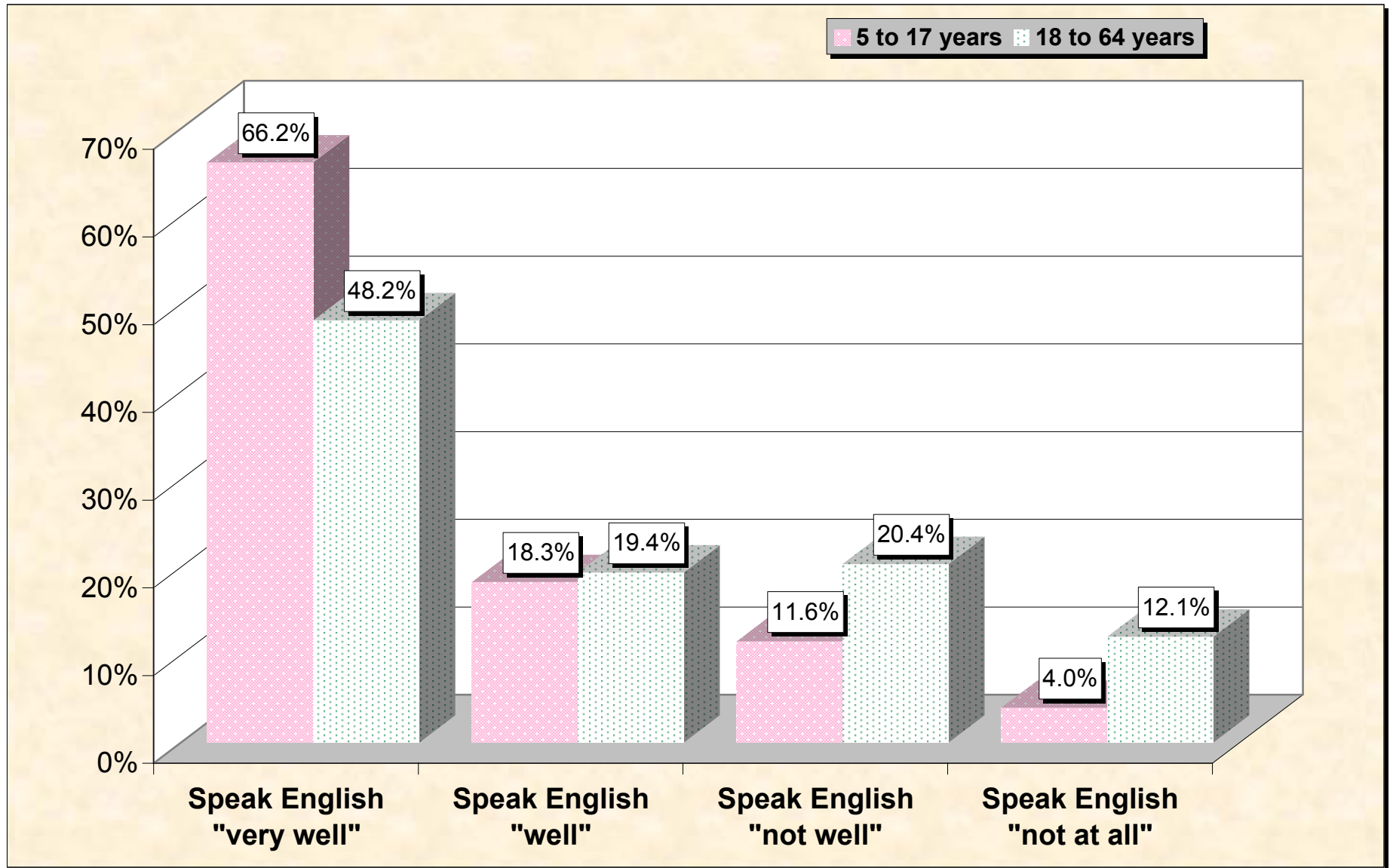
Polk County, Florida

Data Set: Census 2000 Summary File 3 (SF 3) - Sample Data

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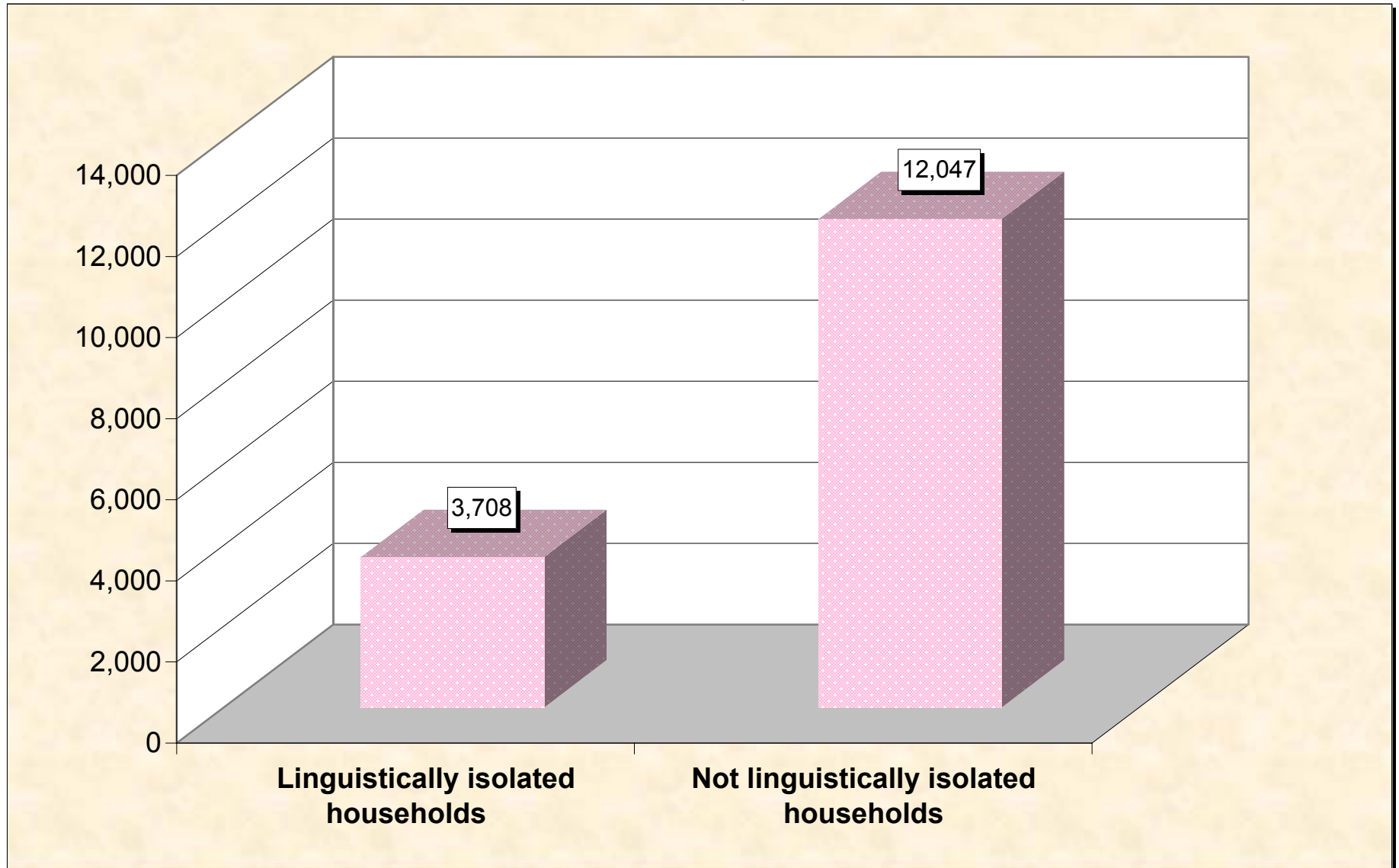
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**Chart 1 -- English Proficiency by Age for Persons who Speak Spanish at Home
Polk County, Florida**



Source: Data Set: Census 2000 Summary File 3 (SF 3) - Sample Data - P19. AGE BY LANGUAGE SPOKEN AT HOME BY ABILITY TO SPEAK ENGLISH FOR THE POPULATION 5 YEARS AND OVER [67] - Universe: Population 5 years and over

**Chart 2 -- Linguistic Isolation of Spanish Language Households
Polk County, Florida**



Note: A **linguistically isolated Spanish language household** is one in which **no member** 14 years old and over (1) speaks only English or (2) speaks Spanish and speaks English "very well." In other words, all members 14 years old and over have at least some difficulty with English.

AGE BY LANGUAGE SPOKEN AT HOME BY ABILITY TO SPEAK ENGLISH FOR THE POPULATION 5 YEARS AND OVER

source data for Chart 1

	Polk County, Florida		
	5 to 17 years:	18 to 64 years:	65 years and over:
Total:			
453,180			
	86,813	277,791	88,576
Speak only English	74,216	240,462	83,654
Speak Spanish:	10,186	27,880	2,112
Speak English "very well"	6,739	13,425	946
Speak English "well"	1,865	5,408	432
Speak English "not well"	1,177	5,677	410
Speak English "not at all"	405	3,370	324
Speak other Indo-European languages:	1,600	6,173	2,395
Speak English "very well"	1,085	4,012	1,592
Speak English "well"	361	1,200	544
Speak English "not well"	150	895	228
Speak English "not at all"	4	66	31
Speak Asian and Pacific Island languages:	661	2,741	323
Speak English "very well"	458	1,378	98
Speak English "well"	159	899	152
Speak English "not well"	34	417	39
Speak English "not at all"	10	47	34
Speak other languages:	150	535	92
Speak English "very well"	127	383	57
Speak English "well"	11	52	35
Speak English "not well"	12	82	0
Speak English "not at all"	0	18	0

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HOUSEHOLD LANGUAGE BY LINGUISTIC ISOLATION

source data for Chart 2

	Polk County, Florida
Total:	187,162
English	163,123
Spanish:	15,755
Linguistically isolated	3,708
Not linguistically isolated	12,047
Other Indo-European languages:	6,158
Linguistically isolated	780
Not linguistically isolated	5,378
Asian and Pacific Island languages:	1,702
Linguistically isolated	384
Not linguistically isolated	1,318
Other languages:	424
Linguistically isolated	76
Not linguistically isolated	348

Note: A **linguistically isolated household** is one in which **no member** 14 years old and over (1) speaks only English or (2) speaks a non-English language and speaks English "very well." In other words, all members 14 years old and over have at least some difficulty with English.

Source: Data Set: Census 2000 Summary File 3 (SF 3) - Sample Data - P20. HOUSEHOLD LANGUAGE BY LINGUISTIC ISOLATION [14] - Universe: Households