

English Language Proficiency of Spanish-Speaking Population

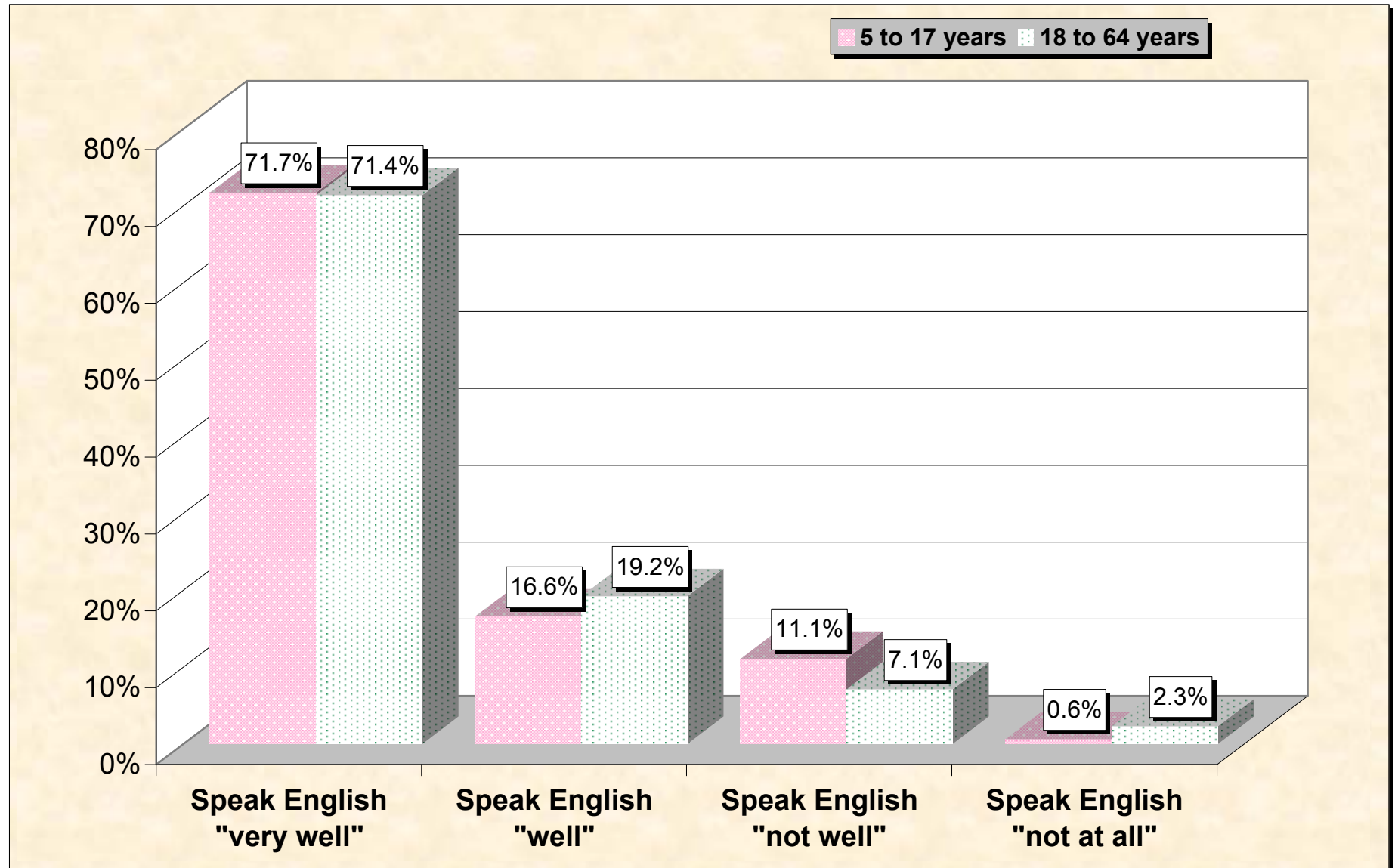
Nueces County, Texas

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

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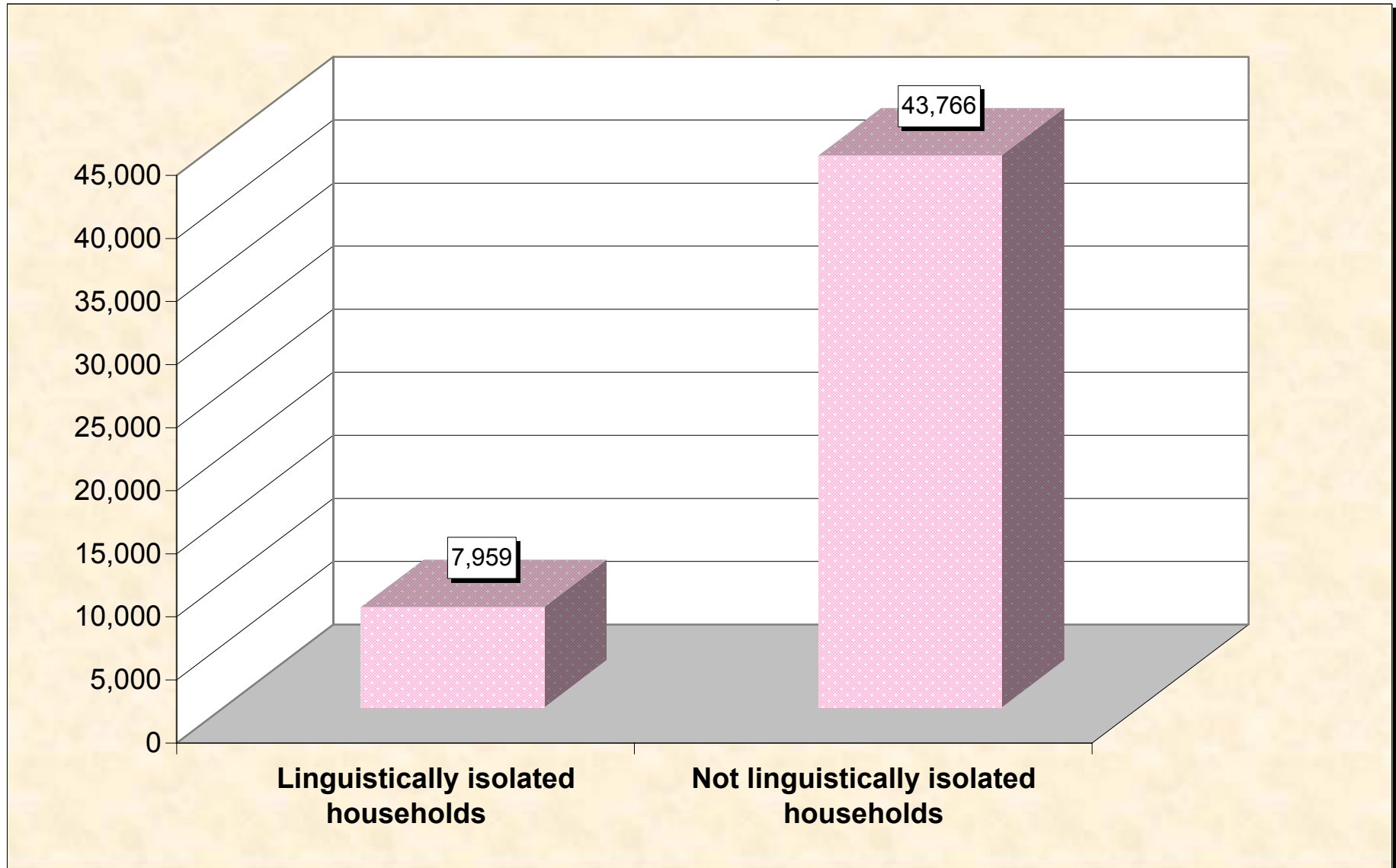
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**Chart 1 -- English Proficiency by Age for Persons who Speak Spanish at Home
Nueces County, Texas**



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
Nueces County, Texas**



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

| | Nueces County, Texas | | |
|-------------------------------------------|----------------------|-----------------|--------------------|
| | 5 to 17 years: | 18 to 64 years: | 65 years and over: |
| Total: | | | |
| 289,673 | | | |
| | 64,911 | 189,746 | 35,016 |
| Speak only English | 45,244 | 99,541 | 20,494 |
| Speak Spanish: | 19,080 | 86,007 | 13,656 |
| Speak English "very well" | 13,684 | 61,393 | 5,720 |
| Speak English "well" | 3,164 | 16,527 | 4,111 |
| Speak English "not well" | 2,112 | 6,116 | 2,794 |
| Speak English "not at all" | 120 | 1,971 | 1,031 |
| Speak other Indo-European languages: | 249 | 2,136 | 618 |
| Speak English "very well" | 192 | 1,713 | 475 |
| Speak English "well" | 36 | 290 | 89 |
| Speak English "not well" | 13 | 130 | 36 |
| Speak English "not at all" | 8 | 3 | 18 |
| Speak Asian and Pacific Island languages: | 289 | 1,826 | 227 |
| Speak English "very well" | 174 | 1,197 | 133 |
| Speak English "well" | 79 | 494 | 44 |
| Speak English "not well" | 36 | 121 | 30 |
| Speak English "not at all" | 0 | 14 | 20 |
| Speak other languages: | 49 | 236 | 21 |
| Speak English "very well" | 36 | 194 | 21 |
| Speak English "well" | 13 | 29 | 0 |
| Speak English "not well" | 0 | 13 | 0 |
| Speak English "not at all" | 0 | 0 | 0 |

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HOUSEHOLD LANGUAGE BY LINGUISTIC ISOLATION

source data for Chart 2

| | Nueces County, Texas |
|-------------------------------------|----------------------|
| Total: | 110,316 |
| English | 55,421 |
| Spanish: | 51,725 |
| Linguistically isolated | 7,959 |
| Not linguistically isolated | 43,766 |
| Other Indo-European languages: | 1,852 |
| Linguistically isolated | 148 |
| Not linguistically isolated | 1,704 |
| Asian and Pacific Island languages: | 1,158 |
| Linguistically isolated | 117 |
| Not linguistically isolated | 1,041 |
| Other languages: | 160 |
| Linguistically isolated | 19 |
| Not linguistically isolated | 141 |

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