

English Language Proficiency of Spanish-Speaking Population

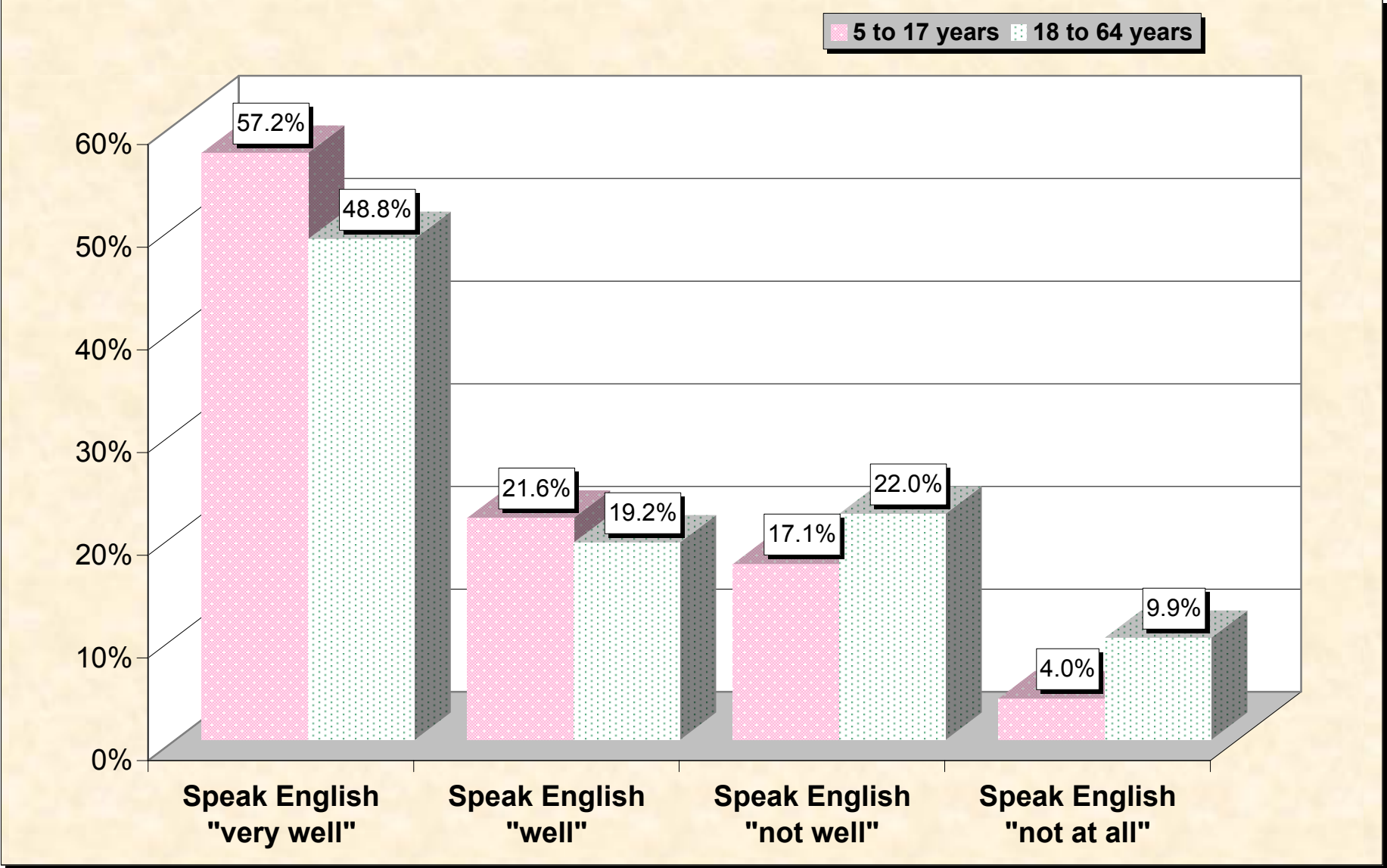
New Castle County, Delaware

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

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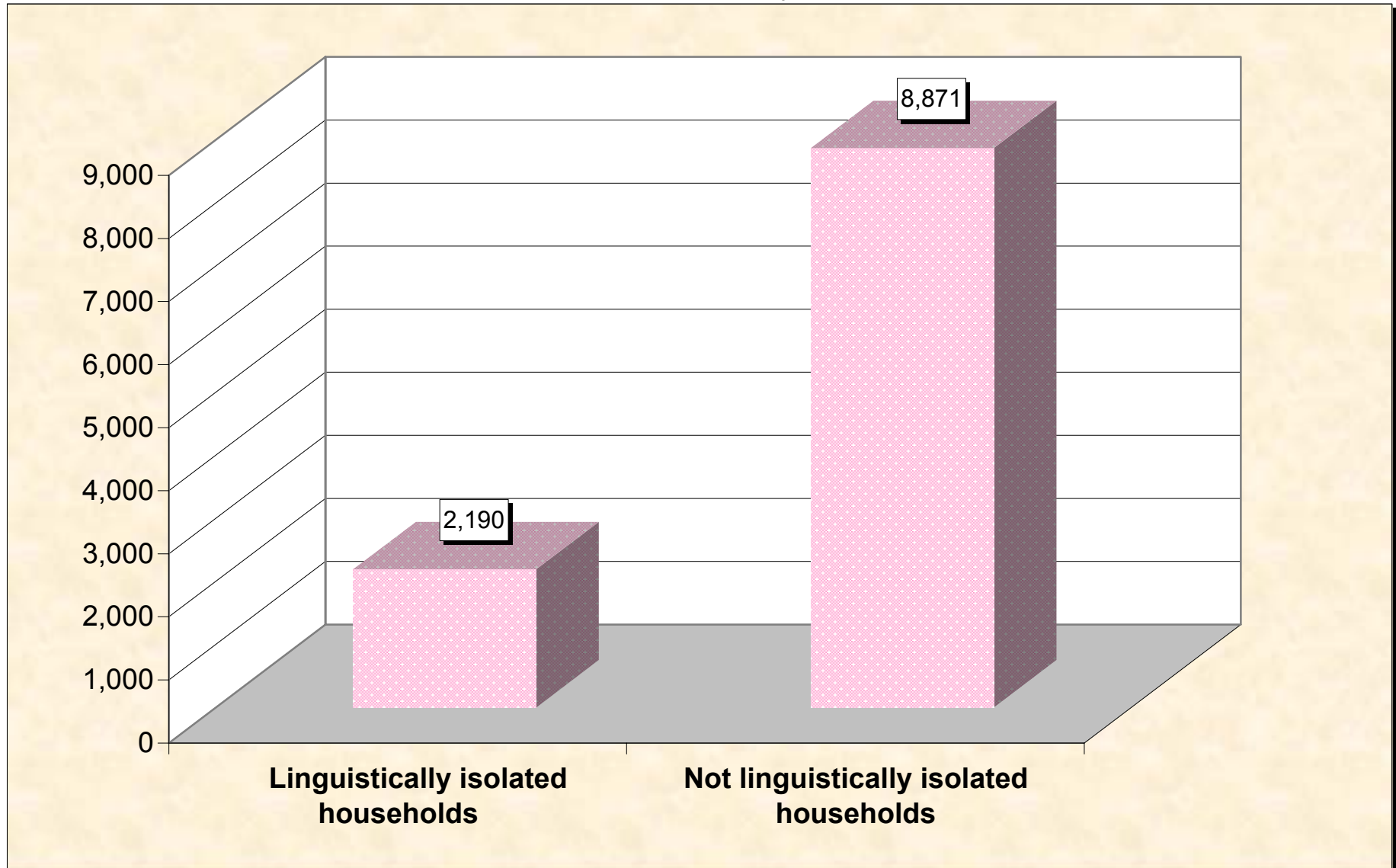
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Chart 1 -- English Proficiency by Age for Persons who Speak Spanish at Home New Castle County, Delaware



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 New Castle County, Delaware



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

New Castle County, Delaware

	5 to 17 years:	18 to 64 years:	65 years and over:
Total:			
467,203			
	91,182	318,057	57,964
Speak only English	81,915	282,006	53,504
Speak Spanish:	6,212	17,446	823
Speak English "very well"	3,552	8,512	360
Speak English "well"	1,344	3,356	179
Speak English "not well"	1,065	3,844	155
Speak English "not at all"	251	1,734	129
Speak other Indo-European languages:	1,778	10,614	3,045
Speak English "very well"	1,293	8,170	2,036
Speak English "well"	319	1,703	670
Speak English "not well"	143	665	285
Speak English "not at all"	23	76	54
Speak Asian and Pacific Island languages:	945	6,063	405
Speak English "very well"	717	3,322	155
Speak English "well"	171	1,864	148
Speak English "not well"	44	742	65
Speak English "not at all"	13	135	37
Speak other languages:	332	1,928	187
Speak English "very well"	241	1,503	122
Speak English "well"	85	332	26
Speak English "not well"	6	62	39
Speak English "not at all"	0	31	0

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HOUSEHOLD LANGUAGE BY LINGUISTIC ISOLATION

source data for Chart 2

New Castle County, Delaware	
Total:	188,974
English	163,832
Spanish:	11,061
Linguistically isolated	2,190
Not linguistically isolated	8,871
Other Indo-European languages:	9,452
Linguistically isolated	858
Not linguistically isolated	8,594
Asian and Pacific Island languages:	3,324
Linguistically isolated	774
Not linguistically isolated	2,550
Other languages:	1,305
Linguistically isolated	89
Not linguistically isolated	1,216

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