

English Language Proficiency of Spanish-Speaking Population

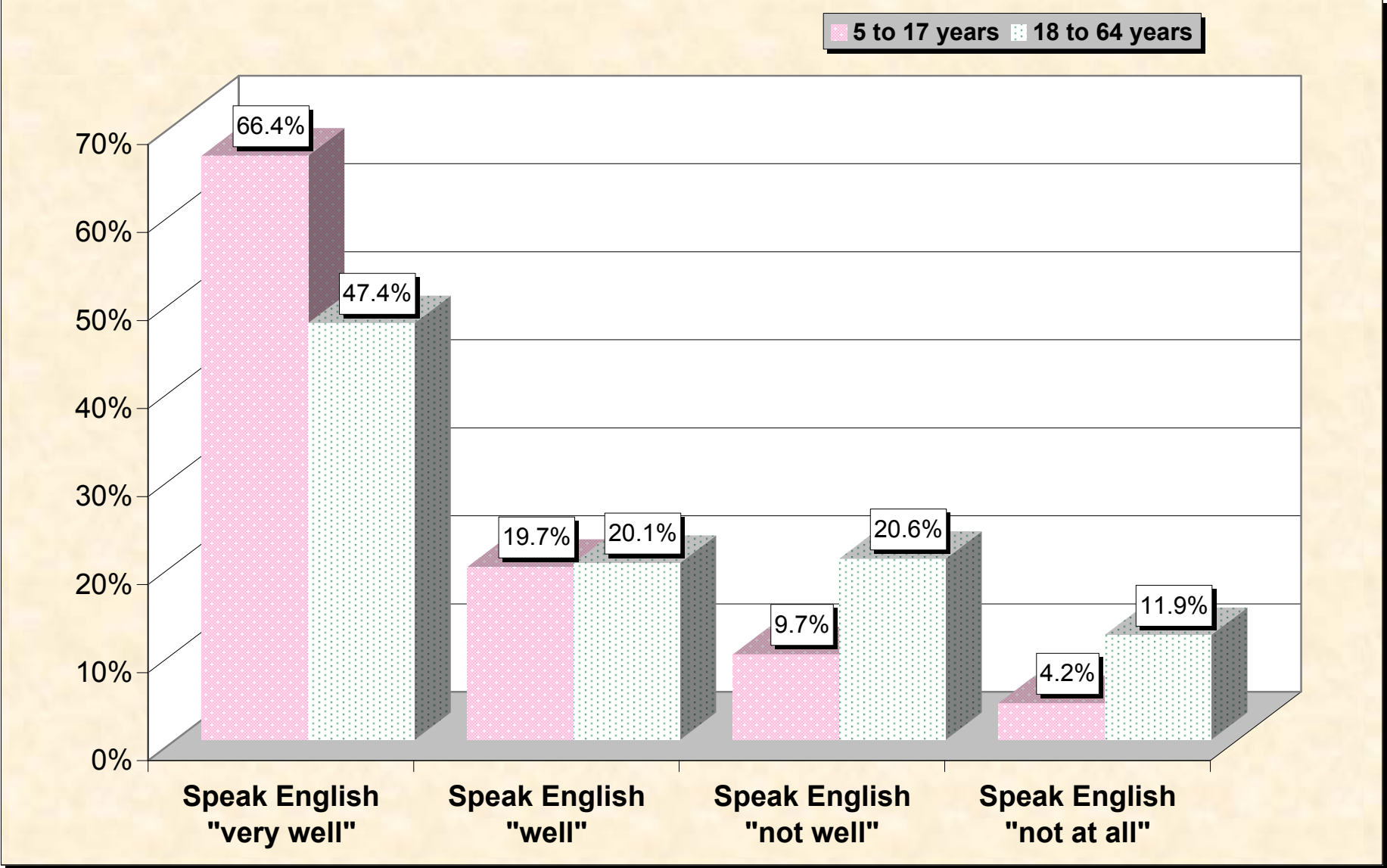
Middlesex County, New Jersey

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

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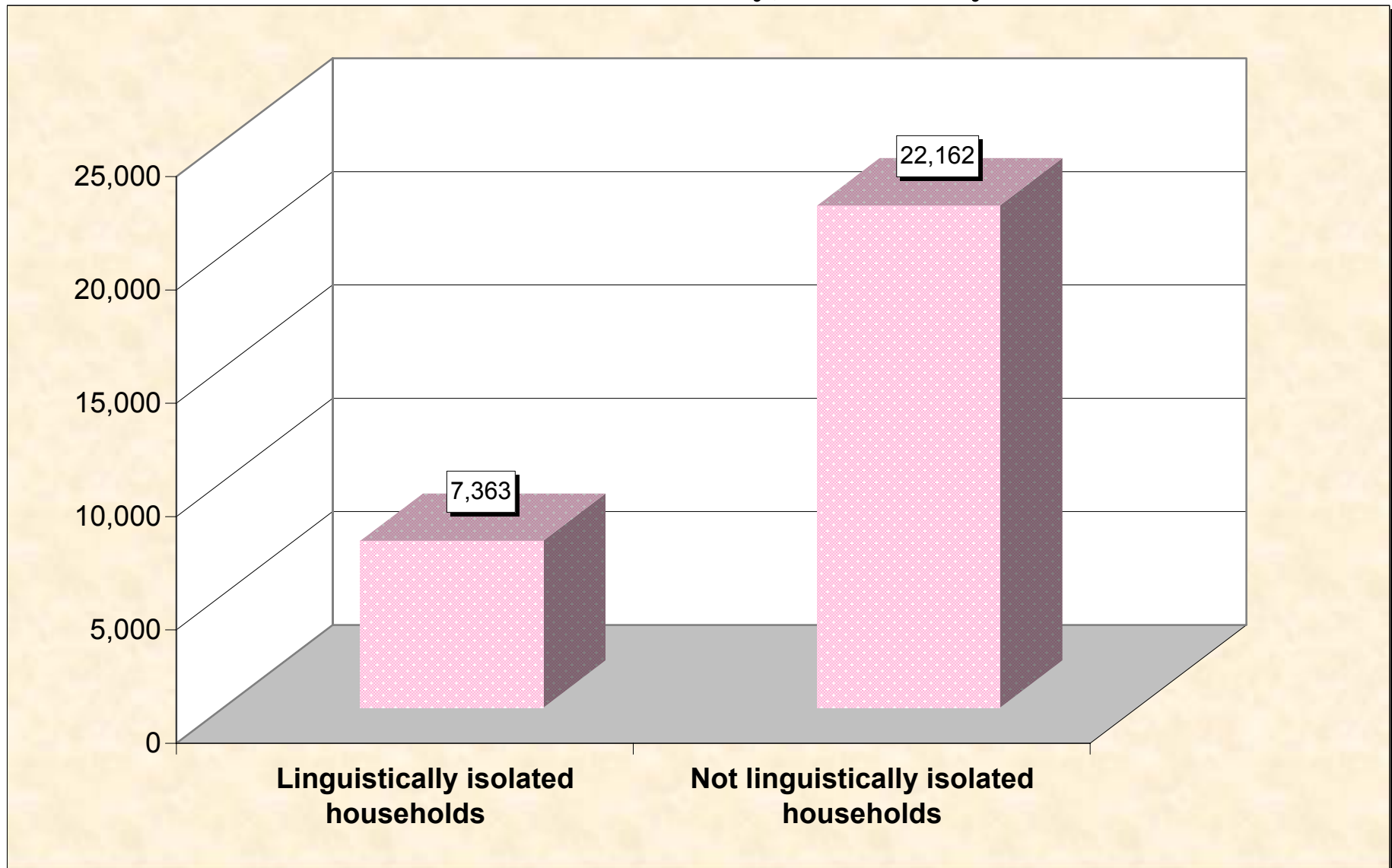
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Chart 1 -- English Proficiency by Age for Persons who Speak Spanish at Home Middlesex County, New Jersey



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 Middlesex County, New Jersey



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

Middlesex County, New Jersey

	5 to 17 years:	18 to 64 years:	65 years and over:
Total:			
701,409			
	128,210	480,793	92,406
Speak only English	87,833	307,725	71,912
Speak Spanish:	18,684	62,683	4,036
Speak English "very well"	12,405	29,692	1,050
Speak English "well"	3,675	12,612	836
Speak English "not well"	1,821	12,900	1,223
Speak English "not at all"	783	7,479	927
Speak other Indo-European languages:	12,045	61,355	11,650
Speak English "very well"	9,739	39,903	6,148
Speak English "well"	1,689	15,068	2,770
Speak English "not well"	602	5,561	1,823
Speak English "not at all"	15	823	909
Speak Asian and Pacific Island languages:	7,278	38,382	2,628
Speak English "very well"	5,604	23,771	729
Speak English "well"	1,178	10,539	610
Speak English "not well"	472	3,636	791
Speak English "not at all"	24	436	498
Speak other languages:	2,370	10,648	2,180
Speak English "very well"	1,806	7,532	1,372
Speak English "well"	405	2,475	455
Speak English "not well"	159	576	267
Speak English "not at all"	0	65	86

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HOUSEHOLD LANGUAGE BY LINGUISTIC ISOLATION

source data for Chart 2

Middlesex County, New Jersey	
Total:	265,898
English	174,271
Spanish:	29,525
Linguistically isolated	7,363
Not linguistically isolated	22,162
Other Indo-European languages:	36,980
Linguistically isolated	5,990
Not linguistically isolated	30,990
Asian and Pacific Island languages:	18,199
Linguistically isolated	3,748
Not linguistically isolated	14,451
Other languages:	6,923
Linguistically isolated	1,051
Not linguistically isolated	5,872

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