

English Language Proficiency of Spanish-Speaking Population

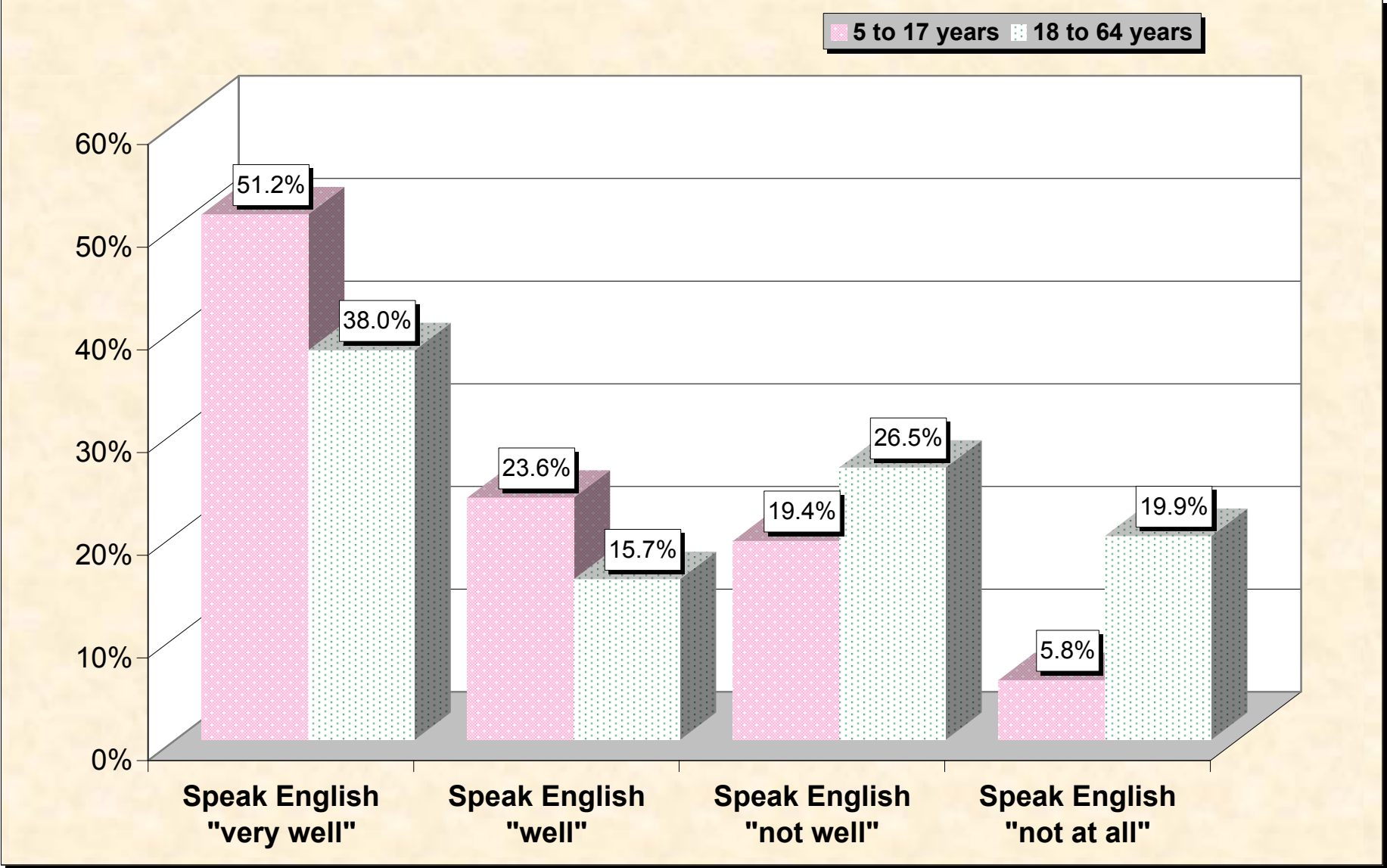
Gaston County, North Carolina

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

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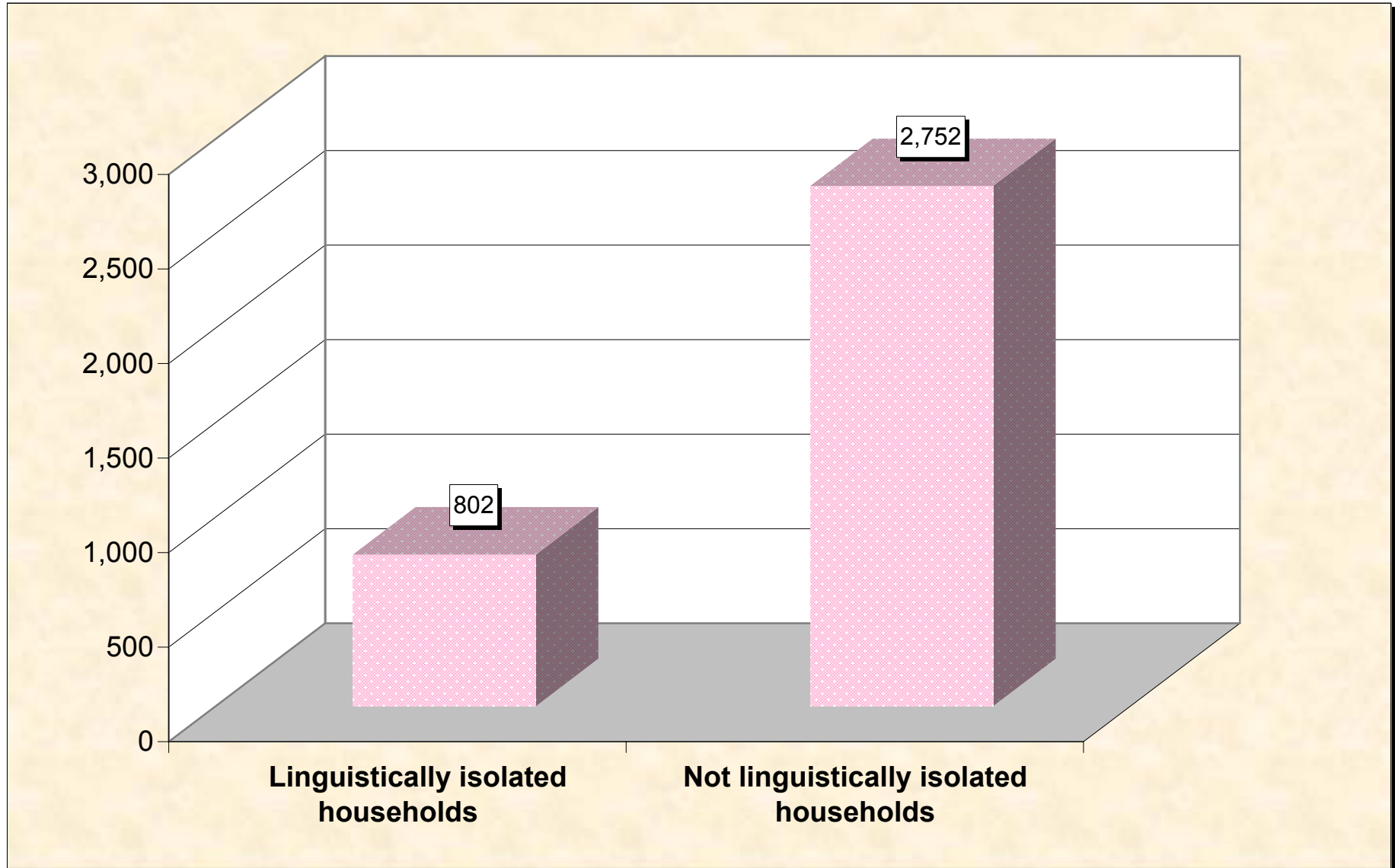
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Chart 1 -- English Proficiency by Age for Persons who Speak Spanish at Home Gaston County, North Carolina



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 Gaston County, North Carolina



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

Gaston County, North Carolina

	5 to 17 years:	18 to 64 years:	65 years and over:
Total:			
177,684			
	34,126	119,446	24,112
Speak only English	32,238	111,667	23,615
Speak Spanish:	1,305	5,191	207
Speak English "very well"	668	1,970	174
Speak English "well"	308	813	26
Speak English "not well"	253	1,377	7
Speak English "not at all"	76	1,031	0
Speak other Indo-European languages:	348	1,477	197
Speak English "very well"	270	1,118	137
Speak English "well"	67	215	32
Speak English "not well"	11	114	6
Speak English "not at all"	0	30	22
Speak Asian and Pacific Island languages:	205	911	45
Speak English "very well"	151	307	14
Speak English "well"	47	279	8
Speak English "not well"	7	298	12
Speak English "not at all"	0	27	11
Speak other languages:	30	200	48
Speak English "very well"	9	155	26
Speak English "well"	7	24	13
Speak English "not well"	0	14	0
Speak English "not at all"	14	7	9

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HOUSEHOLD LANGUAGE BY LINGUISTIC ISOLATION

source data for Chart 2

Gaston County, North Carolina	
Total:	73,836
English	68,289
Spanish:	3,554
Linguistically isolated	802
Not linguistically isolated	2,752
Other Indo-European languages:	1,331
Linguistically isolated	117
Not linguistically isolated	1,214
Asian and Pacific Island languages:	510
Linguistically isolated	174
Not linguistically isolated	336
Other languages:	152
Linguistically isolated	16
Not linguistically isolated	136

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