

CLAS County Data

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PHS Act section 2719 requires non-grandfathered group health plans and health insurance issuers offering non-grandfathered health insurance coverage to provide relevant notices in a culturally and linguistically appropriate manner. The regulations implementing section 2719 require these plans and issuers to make certain accommodations for notices sent to an address in a county meeting a threshold percentage of people who are literate only in the same non-English language. This threshold percentage is set at 10 percent or more of the population residing in the claimant’s county, as determined based on American Community Survey (ACS) data published by the United States Census Bureau. 26 C.F.R. § 54.9815-2719T, 29 C.F.R. § 2590.715-2719, and 45 C.F.R. § 147.136.

Section 2715 of the PHS Act requires group health plans and health insurance issuers offering group and individual coverage to provide the summary of benefits and coverage (SBC) and uniform glossary in a culturally and linguistically appropriate manner. The regulations implementing section 2715 adopt the ten percent threshold set forth in the section 2719 implementing regulations. 26 C.F.R. § 54.9815-2715, 29 C.F.R. § 2590.715-2715, and 45 C.F.R. § 147.200. The list below includes all counties which meet or exceed the 10 percent threshold (rounded to the nearest percent) for the 2009-2013 ACS data and is applicable until the next edition.¹ This list will be updated annually following the release of the applicable ACS data.²

Note: Sullivan County in Missouri has been added as a county that meets the 10 percent threshold with respect to Spanish. In the last update, no counties in Missouri had met the threshold.

State	County	Spanish Percentage	Chinese Percentage	Tagalog Percentage	Navajo Percentage
AK	Aleutians East Borough	12%	-	25%	-
AK	Aleutians West Census Area	-	-	12%	-
AZ	Apache County	-	-	-	11%
AZ	Santa Cruz County	32%	-	-	-
AZ	Yuma County	22%	-	-	-
AR	Sevier County	16%	-	-	-
CA	Colusa County	21%	-	-	-
CA	Fresno County	15%	-	-	-
CA	Glenn County	15%	-	-	-
CA	Imperial County	31%	-	-	-

¹ The relevant ACS data set is U.S. Census, 2009-2013 American Community Survey 5-Year Estimates, Table B16001, Language Spoken at Home by Ability to Speak English for the Population 5 Years and Over.

² The 2009-2013 data was released on December 4, 2014. Assuming the general timing of the release of the data does not change in future years, CMS anticipates releasing this list in December or the following January of each year.

State	County	Spanish Percentage	Chinese Percentage	Tagalog Percentage	Navajo Percentage
CA	Kern County	16%	-	-	-
CA	Kings County	17%	-	-	-
CA	Los Angeles County	18%	-	-	-
CA	Madera County	17%	-	-	-
CA	Merced County	19%	-	-	-
CA	Monterey County	26%	-	-	-
CA	Napa County	14%	-	-	-
CA	Orange County	12%	-	-	-
CA	Riverside County	13%	-	-	-
CA	San Benito County	18%	-	-	-
CA	San Bernardino County	14%	-	-	-
CA	San Diego County	11%	-	-	-
CA	San Francisco County	-	12%	-	-
CA	San Joaquin County	12%	-	-	-
CA	San Mateo County	10%	-	-	-
CA	Santa Barbara County	16%	-	-	-
CA	Santa Cruz County	12%	-	-	-
CA	Stanislaus County	13%	-	-	-
CA	Sutter County	11%	-	-	-
CA	Tulare County	21%	-	-	-
CA	Ventura County	14%	-	-	-
CA	Yolo County	10%	-	-	-
CO	Adams County	11%	-	-	-
CO	Costilla County	13%	-	-	-
CO	Eagle County	14%	-	-	-
CO	Garfield County	11%	-	-	-
CO	Lake County	11%	-	-	-
CO	Phillips County	12%	-	-	-
CO	Saguache County	10%	-	-	-
FL	Collier County	12%	-	-	-
FL	DeSoto County	18%	-	-	-

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FL	Hardee County	21%	-	-	-
FL	Hendry County	25%	-	-	-
FL	Miami-Dade County	31%	-	-	-
FL	Okeechobee County	13%	-	-	-
FL	Osceola County	17%	-	-	-
GA	Atkinson County	10%	-	-	-
GA	Echols County	14%	-	-	-
GA	Hall County	12%	-	-	-
GA	Stewart County	12%	-	-	-
GA	Whitfield County	15%	-	-	-
ID	Clark County	31%	-	-	-
ID	Gooding County	11%	-	-	-
ID	Jerome County	13%	-	-	-
ID	Lincoln County	13%	-	-	-
ID	Minidoka County	12%	-	-	-
ID	Power County	13%	-	-	-
IL	Kane County	14%	-	-	-
IA	Buena Vista County	14%	-	-	-
IA	Crawford County	11%	-	-	-
KS	Edwards County	10%	-	-	-
KS	Finney County	16%	-	-	-
KS	Ford County	19%	-	-	-
KS	Grant County	14%	-	-	-
KS	Hamilton County	12%	-	-	-
KS	Kearny County	10%	-	-	-
KS	Scott County	10%	-	-	-
KS	Sevier County	16%	-	-	-
KS	Seward County	28%	-	-	-
KS	Stanton County	19%	-	-	-
KS	Stevens County	14%	-	-	-
KS	Wyandotte County	11%	-	-	-
MO	Sullivan County	10%	-	-	-
NE	Colfax County	24%	-	-	-

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NE	Dakota County	15%	-	-	-
NE	Dawson County	15%	-	-	-
NE	Hall County	10%	-	-	-
NV	Clark County	10%	-	-	-
NJ	Cumberland County	11%	-	-	-
NJ	Hudson County	18%	-	-	-
NJ	Passaic County	17%	-	-	-
NJ	Union County	14%	-	-	-
NM	Chaves County	12%	-	-	-
NM	Doña Ana County	15%	-	-	-
NM	Lea County	13%	-	-	-
NM	Luna County	18%	-	-	-
NM	Mora County	14%	-	-	-
NM	San Miguel County	11%	-	-	-
NM	Santa Fe County	11%	-	-	-
NY	Bronx County	21%	-	-	-
NY	New York County	10%	-	-	-
NY	Queens County	12%	-	-	-
NC	Duplin County	12%	-	-	-
NC	Lee County	10%	-	-	-
OK	Harper County	10%	-	-	-
OK	Texas County	19%	-	-	-
OR	Hood River County	15%	-	-	-
OR	Malheur County	10%	-	-	-
OR	Morrow County	15%	-	-	-
TX	Andrews County	15%	-	-	-
TX	Atascosa County	14%	-	-	-
TX	Bailey County	20%	-	-	-
TX	Bastrop County	10%	-	-	-
TX	Bexar County	11%	-	-	-
TX	Brooks County	16%	-	-	-
TX	Calhoun County	10%	-	-	-

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TX	Cameron County	29%	-	-	-
TX	Camp County	12%	-	-	-
TX	Castro County	21%	-	-	-
TX	Cochran County	19%	-	-	-
TX	Concho County	24%	-	-	-
TX	Crane County	18%	-	-	-
TX	Crockett County	13%	-	-	-
TX	Crosby County	12%	-	-	-
TX	Culberson County	12%	-	-	-
TX	Dallam County	12%	-	-	-
TX	Dallas County	17%	-	-	-
TX	Dawson County	13%	-	-	-
TX	Deaf Smith County	19%	-	-	-
TX	Dimmit County	24%	-	-	-
TX	Duval County	16%	-	-	-
TX	Ector County	14%	-	-	-
TX	Edwards County	11%	-	-	-
TX	El Paso County	30%	-	-	-
TX	Frio County	16%	-	-	-
TX	Gaines County	10%	-	-	-
TX	Garza County	40%	-	-	-
TX	Glasscock County	12%	-	-	-
TX	Gonzales County	12%	-	-	-
TX	Hale County	10%	-	-	-
TX	Hansford County	15%	-	-	-
TX	Harris County	17%	-	-	-
TX	Haskell County	11%	-	-	-
TX	Hemphill County	10%	-	-	-
TX	Hidalgo County	32%	-	-	-
TX	Howard County	10%	-	-	-
TX	Hudspeth County	34%	-	-	-
TX	Jeff Davis County	11%	-	-	-

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TX	Jim Hogg County	23%	-	-	-
TX	Jim Wells County	12%	-	-	-
TX	Karnes County	10%	-	-	-
TX	Kenedy County	23%	-	-	-
TX	King County	13%	-	-	-
TX	Kinney County	12%	-	-	-
TX	Kleberg County	13%	-	-	-
TX	Knox County	10%	-	-	-
TX	La Salle County	23%	-	-	-
TX	Lamb County	12%	-	-	-
TX	Limestone County	12%	-	-	-
TX	Lipscomb County	11%	-	-	-
TX	Martin County	10%	-	-	-
TX	Matagorda County	11%	-	-	-
TX	Maverick County	47%	-	-	-
TX	McMullen County	14%	-	-	-
TX	Midland County	10%	-	-	-
TX	Moore County	18%	-	-	-
TX	Navarro County	11%	-	-	-
TX	Nueces County	11%	-	-	-
TX	Ochiltree County	21%	-	-	-
TX	Parmer County	22%	-	-	-
TX	Pecos County	16%	-	-	-
TX	Potter County	10%	-	-	-
TX	Presidio County	37%	-	-	-
TX	Reagan County	20%	-	-	-
TX	Reeves County	24%	-	-	-
TX	Sherman County	14%	-	-	-
TX	Starr County	50%	-	-	-
TX	Sterling County	15%	-	-	-
TX	Sutton County	14%	-	-	-
TX	Tarrant County	10%	-	-	-
TX	Terry County	11%	-	-	-

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TX	Titus County	20%	-	-	-
TX	Travis County	11%	-	-	-
TX	Upton County	14%	-	-	-
TX	Uvalde County	12%	-	-	-
TX	Val Verde County	24%	-	-	-
TX	Ward County	13%	-	-	-
TX	Webb County	47%	-	-	-
TX	Willacy County	19%	-	-	-
TX	Winkler County	17%	-	-	-
TX	Yoakum County	25%	-	-	-
TX	Zapata County	39%	-	-	-
TX	Zavala County	32%	-	-	-
VA	Manassas city	15%	-	-	-
VA	Manassas Park city	17%	-	-	-
WA	Adams County	28%	-	-	-
WA	Douglas County	13%	-	-	-
WA	Franklin County	26%	-	-	-
WA	Grant County	16%	-	-	-
WA	Yakima County	18%	-	-	-
PR	Adjuntas Municipio	87%	-	-	-
PR	Aguada Municipio	81%	-	-	-
PR	Aguadilla Municipio	76%	-	-	-
PR	Aguas Buenas Municipio	88%	-	-	-
PR	Aibonito Municipio	84%	-	-	-
PR	Añasco Municipio	88%	-	-	-
PR	Arecibo Municipio	82%	-	-	-
PR	Arroyo Municipio	82%	-	-	-
PR	Barceloneta Municipio	75%	-	-	-
PR	Barranquitas Municipio	88%	-	-	-
PR	Bayamón Municipio	77%	-	-	-

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PR	Cabo Rojo Municipio	86%	-	-	-
PR	Caguas Municipio	77%	-	-	-
PR	Camuy Municipio	86%	-	-	-
PR	Canóvanas Municipio	83%	-	-	-
PR	Carolina Municipio	75%	-	-	-
PR	Cataño Municipio	87%	-	-	-
PR	Cayey Municipio	87%	-	-	-
PR	Ceiba Municipio	74%	-	-	-
PR	Ciales Municipio	88%	-	-	-
PR	Cidra Municipio	88%	-	-	-
PR	Coamo Municipio	78%	-	-	-
PR	Comerío Municipio	90%	-	-	-
PR	Corozal Municipio	86%	-	-	-
PR	Culebra Municipio	78%	-	-	-
PR	Dorado Municipio	74%	-	-	-
PR	Fajardo Municipio	76%	-	-	-
PR	Florida Municipio	83%	-	-	-
PR	Guánica Municipio	84%	-	-	-
PR	Guayama Municipio	82%	-	-	-
PR	Guayanilla Municipio	86%	-	-	-
PR	Guaynabo Municipio	72%	-	-	-
PR	Gurabo Municipio	78%	-	-	-
PR	Hatillo Municipio	87%	-	-	-

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PR	Hormigueros Municipio	73%	-	-	-
PR	Humacao Municipio	78%	-	-	-
PR	Isabela Municipio	81%	-	-	-
PR	Jayuya Municipio	89%	-	-	-
PR	Juana Díaz Municipio	85%	-	-	-
PR	Juncos Municipio	84%	-	-	-
PR	Lajas Municipio	90%	-	-	-
PR	Lares Municipio	89%	-	-	-
PR	Las Marías Municipio	91%	-	-	-
PR	Las Piedras Municipio	85%	-	-	-
PR	Loíza Municipio	89%	-	-	-
PR	Luquillo Municipio	79%	-	-	-
PR	Manatí Municipio	80%	-	-	-
PR	Maricao Municipio	92%	-	-	-
PR	Maunabo Municipio	87%	-	-	-
PR	Mayagüez Municipio	75%	-	-	-
PR	Moca Municipio	83%	-	-	-
PR	Morovis Municipio	87%	-	-	-
PR	Naguabo Municipio	82%	-	-	-
PR	Naranjito Municipio	88%	-	-	-
PR	Orocovis Municipio	90%	-	-	-
PR	Patillas Municipio	86%	-	-	-
PR	Peñuelas Municipio	86%	-	-	-

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PR	Ponce Municipio	80%	-	-	-
PR	Quebradillas Municipio	83%	-	-	-
PR	Rincón Municipio	74%	-	-	-
PR	Río Grande Municipio	82%	-	-	-
PR	Sabana Grande Municipio	84%	-	-	-
PR	Salinas Municipio	82%	-	-	-
PR	San Germán Municipio	84%	-	-	-
PR	San Juan Municipio	71%	-	-	-
PR	San Lorenzo Municipio	87%	-	-	-
PR	San Sebastián Municipio	85%	-	-	-
PR	Santa Isabel Municipio	75%	-	-	-
PR	Toa Alta Municipio	81%	-	-	-
PR	Toa Baja Municipio	80%	-	-	-
PR	Trujillo Alto Municipio	77%	-	-	-
PR	Utua Municipio	86%	-	-	-
PR	Vega Alta Municipio	79%	-	-	-
PR	Vega Baja Municipio	72%	-	-	-
PR	Vieques Municipio	85%	-	-	-
PR	Villalba Municipio	87%	-	-	-
PR	Yabucoa Municipio	87%	-	-	-
PR	Yauco Municipio	82%	-	-	-