

Speaking Spanish

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The Spanish language is special to me because I love my culture. Not only that but my whole family speaks Spanish. I have to translate everything to them if we go somewhere. I also just love the language itself and it is fun to speak.

Facts about Spanish speakers in the U.S.

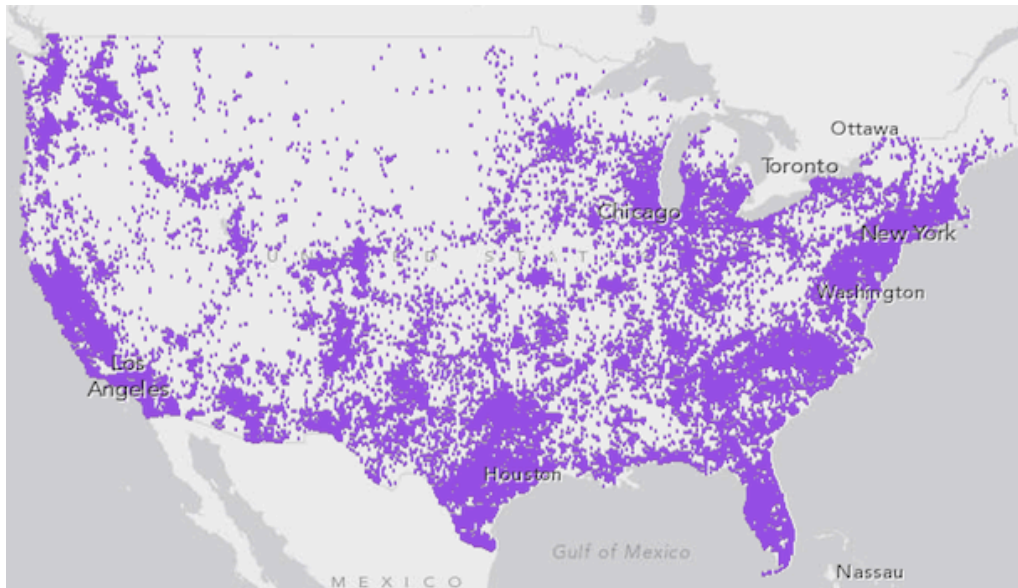
Did you know that six U.S. states' names have Spanish origins?

- Arizona comes from the Spanish word "Arizonac." This means having a little spring.
- Nevada in Spanish means snowfall.
- California is actually a fictional paradise in a novel called "Las Sergas de Esplandian."
- Colorado is a false friend in Spanish.
- Florida was discovered by Ponce de Leon and he named it after the beautiful plant life! In Spanish Florida means flowery.
- Montana has a lot of mountains and in Spanish mountains is montana.

Another fun fact is that California's first constitution was actually in both Spanish and English!

Last but not least the U.S was found by a man named Juan Ponce De León. He brought Spanish as the first language to the United States. They even made their first settlement in the U.S. in St. Augustine FL.

By 2050, the U.S will be the largest Spanish-speaking nation on Earth! With 2015 having 41 million Spanish speakers and 11.6 million bilingual Spanish speakers, the numbers just growing keep growing. We are the only country with a larger Spanish speaking percentage than Mexico.



Spanish speaking communities.

Why You Should Learn Spanish.

Speaking Spanish can help you in life in many ways.

One reason it can help is, for some people, English is not easy for them to learn. So English speakers need to know how to teach English, and to be able to do so, they need to know Spanish too.

Another reason you should learn Spanish is because of respect. Having respect for another culture is vital, especially with how crazy this world has become.

My last reason why is, WHAT IF YOU GO TO A DIFFERENT COUNTRY? You want to learn the culture, be a part of the culture and the only way to get the full experience is to learn the language.

In conclusion, you should learn Spanish because it will help you in life; it is special to many people and Spanish is on the rise as a dominant language, anyways. I hope this encourages you to speak Spanish more if you already can speak it, and learn it if you don't. Thank you for reading!

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