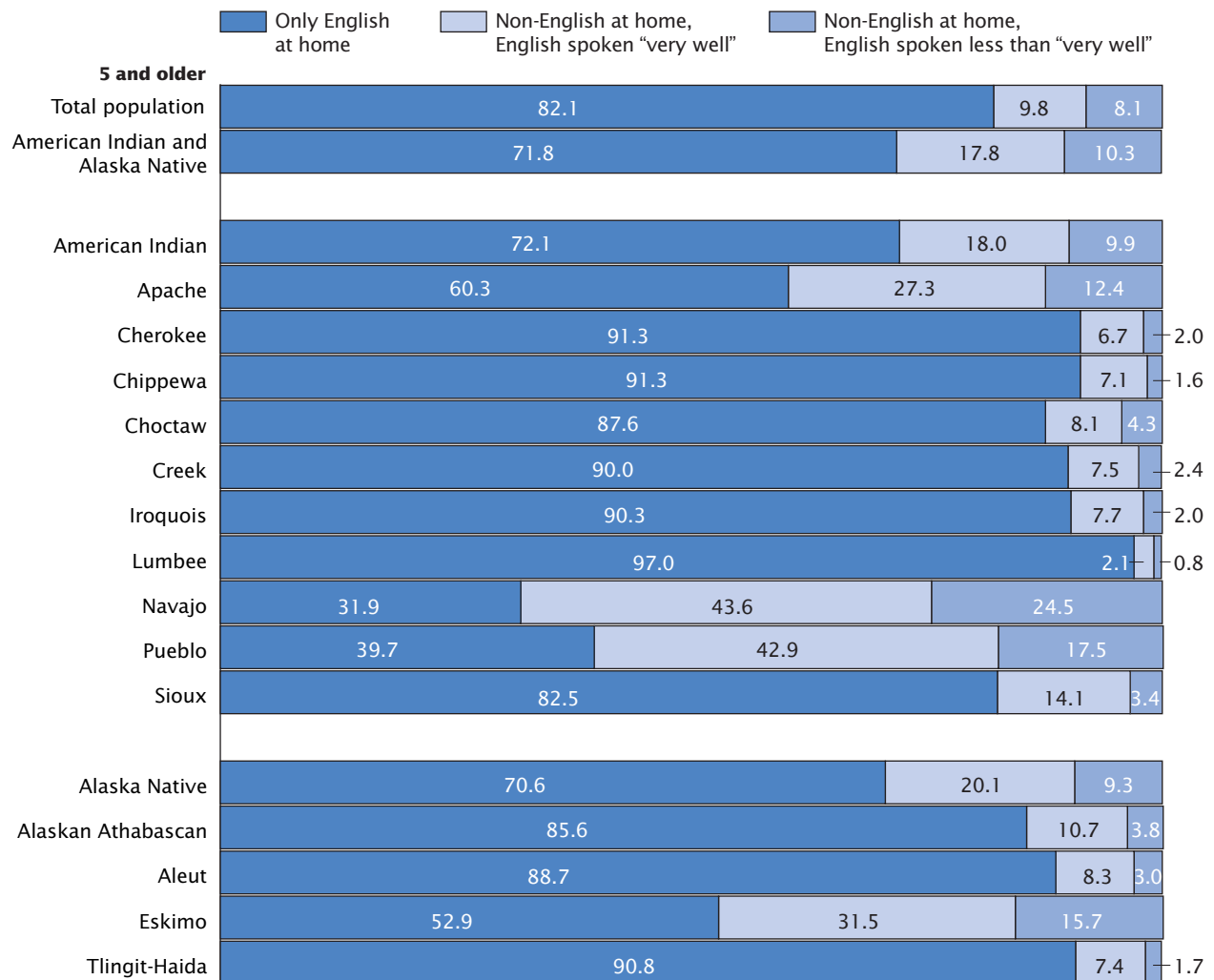


Most American Indians and Alaska Natives spoke only English at home.

- Seventy-two percent of individuals 5 years and older who reported their race as American Indian and Alaska Native spoke only English at home; 18 percent spoke a language other than English at home, yet spoke English “very well”; 10 percent spoke a language other than English at home and reported they spoke English less than “very well.”
- Ninety percent or more of Cherokee, Chippewa, Creek, Iroquois, Lumbee, and Tlingit-Haida spoke only English at home.
- Navajo had the highest percentage who spoke a language other than English at home and reported they spoke English less than “very well” (25 percent).
- Ninety-one percent of Tlingit-Haida spoke only English at home, compared with 53 percent of Eskimo.

Figure 3.
Language Spoken at Home and English-Speaking Ability: 2000

(Percent distribution of population 5 and older. Data based on sample. For information on confidentiality protection, sampling error, nonsampling error, and definitions, see www.census.gov/prod/cen2000/doc/sf4.pdf)



Note: Some percentages do not sum to 100.0 due to rounding.
Source: U.S. Census Bureau, Census 2000 special tabulation.