

Determination of Covered Areas
For Voting Rights Bilingual Election Materials

For State, County, County Subdivision, and American Indian Area/Alaska Native Area/Hawaiian Home Land (AIA/ANA/HHL):

Total Population

Total Population for Minority Groups:

- Spanish/Hispanic/Latino
- AIAN (American Indian/Alaskan Native)
- AIAN tribal group (examples include Cherokee, Iroquois, Sioux)
- Asian
- Asian group (examples include Chinese, Filipino, Japanese)

Minority group data comes from Questions #5 and #6 on the 2000 Census Long Form Questionnaire.



For each Minority Group:

Total Voting Age Population

Total Voting Age Citizens

Data on voting age comes from Question # 4 on the 2000 Census Long Form Questionnaire. Data on citizenship comes from Question #13.



For each Minority Group:

Total Voting Age Citizens who are Limited-English Proficient

Data on voting age comes from Question # 4 on the 2000 Census Long Form Questionnaire. Data on citizenship comes from Question #13. Data on limited-English proficiency comes from Question #11c.



For each Minority Group:

Total Voting Age Citizens who have Less Than a 5th Grade Education

Total Voting Age Citizens who are Limited-English Proficient and have Less Than a 5th Grade Education

Data on voting age comes from Question # 4 on the 2000 Census Long Form Questionnaire. Data on citizenship comes from Question #13. Data on limited-English proficiency comes from Question #11c. Data on educational attainment comes from Question #9.



Determinations are then computed based on the following:

If more than 5% of voting age citizens are limited-English proficient,

OR

If more than 10,000 voting age citizens are limited-English proficient,

AND

The rate of total voting age citizens that are limited-English proficient and have less than a 5th grade education is higher than the national rate of 1.35,

THEN:

The state, county, or county subdivision under consideration is covered for that specific minority group of Section 203 of the Voting Rights Act.

Note: If it is determined that an AIA/ANA/HHL meets the above criteria, than any political subdivision that contains that AIA/ANA/HHL is covered.