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County Clerk/Registrar of Voters (CC/ROV) Memorandum #21204

TO: All County Clerks/Registrar of Voters

FROM: /s/ Reina Miller
Voter Accessibility Coordinator

RE: Language Requirements: Voting Rights Act, Section 203 Language
Minority Determinations

New determinations from the U.S. Census Bureau were published in the federal register as required under Section 203 of the Voting Rights Act ([52 USC § 10503](#)). These determinations, updated every 5 years, affect federal requirements for providing voting materials and other assistance during elections for certain language minority groups within California and across the United States.

The relevant publication of the determinations is attached, and can also be found at this URL:

- <https://www.federalregister.gov/documents/2021/12/08/2021-26547/voting-rights-act-amendments-of-2006-determinations-under-section-203>

In addition, attached is a guide from the U.S. Department of Justice explaining the requirements under Section 203 for local elections officials. This guide and additional information from the Civil Rights Division can be found at the following URLs:

- <https://www.justice.gov/crt/language-minority-citizens>
- <https://www.justice.gov/crt/about-language-minority-voting-rights>

The federal regulations (28 CFR § 55) related to Section 203 are attached as well and can be found here:

- <https://www.ecfr.gov/current/title-28/chapter-I/part-55>

The language minority groups as defined in Section 203 are those that speak Asian, American Indian, Alaska Native, and Spanish languages. While most of the current Section 203 determinations remain unchanged and in effect for California from the previous publication in December of 2016 (See [CCROV #16333](#)), there are some new changes in this release.

These changes include coverage for Hispanic language minority groups in Napa County and Sonoma County, Vietnamese language minority groups in Sacramento County, and Filipino language minority groups in San Mateo County. American Indian is no longer covered as a language minority group in Del Norte County and San Diego County.

Changes from the Section 203 determinations that apply to counties in California can be summarized as follows:

Newly Covered

Napa County*	Hispanic
Sacramento County	Vietnamese
San Mateo County	Filipino
Sonoma County*	Hispanic

No Longer Covered

Del Norte County	No longer covered for American Indian
San Diego County	No longer covered for American Indian

*Napa County and Sonoma County previously had no language minority groups covered under Section 203.

Please feel free to contact me directly with any questions by phone at (916) 695-1557 or by email at rmiller@sos.ca.gov.

Thank you.

December 2021 – Voting Rights Act, Section 203 Language Minority Determinations

County	2021 Determinations	2016 Determinations (Old)
Alameda County	Chinese (including Taiwanese) Filipino Hispanic Vietnamese	Chinese (including Taiwanese) Filipino Hispanic Vietnamese
Colusa County	Hispanic	Hispanic
Contra Costa County	Chinese (including Taiwanese) Hispanic	Chinese (including Taiwanese) Hispanic
Del Norte	(none)	American Indian (All other American Indian Tribes)
Fresno County	Hispanic	Hispanic
Glenn County	Hispanic	Hispanic
Imperial County	Hispanic	Hispanic
Kern County	Hispanic	Hispanic
Kings County	Hispanic	Hispanic
Los Angeles County	Cambodian Chinese (including Taiwanese) Filipino Hispanic Korean Vietnamese	Cambodian Chinese (including Taiwanese) Filipino Hispanic Korean Vietnamese
Madera County	Hispanic	Hispanic
Merced County	Hispanic	Hispanic
Monterey County	Hispanic	Hispanic
Napa County	Hispanic	(none)
Orange County	Chinese (including Taiwanese) Hispanic Korean Vietnamese	Chinese (including Taiwanese) Hispanic Korean Vietnamese
Riverside County	Hispanic	Hispanic
Sacramento County	Chinese (including Taiwanese) Hispanic Vietnamese	Chinese (including Taiwanese) Hispanic
San Benito County	Hispanic	Hispanic
San Bernardino County	Hispanic	Hispanic

San Diego County	Chinese (including Taiwanese) Filipino Hispanic Vietnamese	American Indian (All other American Indian Tribes) Chinese (including Taiwanese) Filipino Hispanic Vietnamese
San Francisco County	Chinese (including Taiwanese) Hispanic	Chinese (including Taiwanese) Hispanic
San Joaquin County	Hispanic	Hispanic
San Mateo County	Chinese (including Taiwanese) Filipino Hispanic	Chinese (including Taiwanese) Hispanic
Santa Barbara County	Hispanic	Hispanic
Santa Clara County	Chinese (including Taiwanese) Filipino Hispanic Vietnamese	Chinese (including Taiwanese) Filipino Hispanic Vietnamese
Sonoma County	Hispanic	(none)
Stanislaus County	Hispanic	Hispanic
Tulare County	Hispanic	Hispanic
Ventura County	Hispanic	Hispanic

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COMMISSION ON CIVIL RIGHTS

Agenda and Notice of Public Meeting of the South Dakota Advisory Committee

AGENCY: Commission on Civil Rights.

ACTION: Announcement of public meetings.

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given, pursuant to the provisions of the rules and regulations of the U.S. Commission on Civil Rights (Commission), and the Federal Advisory Committee Act (FACA), that the South Dakota State Advisory Committee to the Commission will convene meetings on the 2nd Mondays of the following months: December 13, 2021, at 3:30 p.m. (CT) and January 10 and February 14, 2022, at 3:30 p.m. (CT). The purpose of the meetings for project planning.

DATES: Mondays: December 13, 2021; January 10, 2022; February 14, 2022; all meetings are at 3:30 p.m. (CT).

ADDRESSES:

Public Web Conference Registration Link for All Meetings (Video and Audio): <https://bit.ly/3AnTnxv>; password, if needed: USCCR

If Joining by Phone Only, Dial: 1-800-360-9505; access code: 2762 840 3606#.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Mallory Trachtenberg at mtrachtenberg@usccr.gov or by phone at (202) 809-9618.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The meetings are available to the public through the web link above. If joining only via phone, callers can expect to incur charges for calls they initiate over wireless lines, and the Commission will not refund any incurred charges. Individuals who are deaf, deafblind and hard of hearing may also follow the proceedings by first calling the Federal Relay Service at 1-800-877-8339 and providing the Service with conference details found through registering at the web link above. To request other

accommodations, please email mtrachtenberg@usccr.gov at least 7 days prior to each meeting for which accommodations are requested.

Members of the public are entitled to make comments during the open period at the end of each meeting. Members of the public may also submit written comments; the comments must be received in the Regional Programs Unit within 30 days following the meetings. Written comments may be emailed to Mallory Trachtenberg at mtrachtenberg@usccr.gov. Persons who desire additional information may contact the Regional Programs Unit at (202) 809-9618. Records and documents discussed during the meeting will be available for public viewing as they become available at www.facadatabase.gov. Persons interested in the work of this advisory committee are advised to go to the Commission's website, www.usccr.gov, or to contact the Regional Programs Unit at the above phone number or email address.

Agenda: Mondays: December 13, 2021; January 10, 2022; February 14, 2022; at 3:30 p.m. (CT).

- I. Welcome and Roll Call
- II. Announcements and Updates
- III. Approval of Minutes
- IV. Discussion: Project Planning
- V. Public Comment
- VI. Next Steps
- VII. Adjournment

Dated: December 2, 2021.

David Mussatt,

Supervisory Chief, Regional Programs Unit.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Census Bureau

[Docket Number 211029-0221]

Voting Rights Act Amendments of 2006, Determinations Under Section 203

AGENCY: Census Bureau, Department of Commerce.

ACTION: Notice of determination.

SUMMARY: As required by Section 203 of the Voting Rights Act of 1965 (Act), as amended, this notice publishes the U.S. Census Bureau's Director's determinations as to which political

subdivisions are subject to the minority language assistance provisions of the Act. As of this date, those jurisdictions that are listed in this Notice as covered by Section 203 have a legal obligation to provide the minority language assistance prescribed by the Act.

DATES: This notice is applicable on December 8, 2021.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For information regarding this notice, please contact Mr. James Whitehorne, Chief, Census Redistricting and Voting Rights Data Office, Census Bureau, United States Department of Commerce, by telephone at 301-763-4039, by email at rdo@census.gov or james.whitehorne@census.gov, or visit the Redistricting & Voting Rights Data Office internet site at <https://www.census.gov/rdo/>.

For information regarding the applicable provisions of the Act, please contact T. Christian Herren, Jr., Chief, Voting Section, Civil Rights Division, United States Department of Justice, 4CON 8th Floor, 950 Pennsylvania Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20530, by telephone at (800) 253-3931 or visit the Voting Section internet site at <https://www.justice.gov/crt/voting-section>.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: In July 2006, Congress amended the Voting Rights Act of 1965, now codified at title 52, United States Code (U.S.C.), 10301 *et seq.* (See Pub. L. 109-246, 120 Stat. 577 (2006)). Among other changes, the sunset date for minority language assistance provisions set forth in section 203 of the Act was extended to August 5, 2032.

Section 203 mandates that a state or political subdivision must provide language assistance to voters if more than five (5) percent of voting-age citizens are members of a single-language minority group and do not "speak or understand English adequately enough to participate in the electoral process," and if the rate of those citizens who have not completed the fifth grade is higher than the national rate of voting-age citizens who have not completed the fifth grade. When a state is covered for a particular language minority group, an exception is made for any political subdivision in which less than five (5) percent of the voting-age citizens are members of the minority group and are limited in English proficiency, unless the political subdivision is covered independently. A political subdivision is also covered if

more than 10,000 of the voting-age citizens are members of a single-language minority group, do not “speak or understand English adequately enough to participate in the electoral process,” and the rate of those citizens who have not completed the fifth grade is higher than the national rate of voting-age citizens who have not completed the fifth grade.

Finally, if more than five (5) percent of the American Indian or Alaska Native voting-age citizens residing within an American Indian Area, as defined for the purposes of the decennial census, are members of a single language minority group, do not “speak or understand English adequately enough to participate in the electoral process,” and the rate of those citizens who have not completed the fifth grade is higher than the national rate of voting-age citizens who have not completed the fifth grade, any political subdivision, such as a county, which contains all or any part of that American Indian Area, is covered by the minority language assistance provision set forth in Section 203. For the 2020 Census, American Indian areas and Alaska Native Regional Corporations were identified by the

federally recognized tribal governments, Bureau of Indian Affairs, and state governments. The Census Bureau worked with American Indians and Alaska Natives to identify statistical areas, such as Oklahoma Tribal Statistical Areas (OTSA), Tribal Designated Statistical Areas (TDSA), State Designated Tribal Statistical Areas (SDTSA), and Alaska Native Village Statistical Areas (ANVSA).

Pursuant to Section 203, the Census Bureau Director has the responsibility to determine which states and political subdivisions are subject to the minority language assistance provisions of Section 203. The Section 203 determinations are generated using data from the American Community Survey, or comparable census data, as directed by the Act. To find more detailed information, please see the documentation on the 2021 tab of the Section 203 Language Determinations internet site at <https://www.census.gov/programs-surveys/decennial-census/about/voting-rights/voting-rights-determination-file.html>. The state and political subdivisions obligated to comply with the requirements are listed in this Notice.

Section 203 also provides that the “determinations of the Director of the Census under this subsection shall be effective upon publication in the **Federal Register** and shall not be subject to review in any court.” Therefore, as of this date, those jurisdictions that are listed as covered by Section 203 have a legal obligation to provide the minority language assistance prescribed in Section 203 of the Act. In the cases where a state is covered, those counties or county equivalents not displayed in the attachment are exempt from the obligation. Those jurisdictions subject to Section 203 of the Act previously, but not included on the list in this Notice, are no longer obligated to comply with Section 203.

Ron S. Jarmin, Acting Director, Census Bureau, approved the publication of this Notice in the **Federal Register**.

Dated: December 2, 2021.

Sheleen Dumas,

Department PRA Clearance Officer, Office of the Chief Information Officer, Commerce Department.

COVERED AREAS FOR VOTING RIGHTS BILINGUAL ELECTION MATERIALS—2020

State and political subdivision	Language minority group
Alaska:	
Aleutians East Borough	Yup'ik.
Aleutians West Census Area	Filipino.
Bethel Census Area	Yup'ik.
Bristol Bay Borough	Yup'ik.
Dillingham Census Area	Yup'ik.
Kenai Peninsula Borough	Yup'ik.
Kodiak Island Borough	Yup'ik.
Kodiak Island Borough	Filipino.
Kusilvak Census Area	Yup'ik.
Lake and Peninsula Borough	Aleut.
Lake and Peninsula Borough	Yup'ik.
Nome Census Area	Yup'ik.
North Slope Borough	Inupiat.
Northwest Arctic Borough	Inupiat.
Yukon-Koyukuk Census Area	Inupiat.
Arizona:	
Apache County	Navajo.
Apache County	Pueblo.
Coconino County	Hopi.
Coconino County	Navajo.
Coconino County	Paiute.
Gila County	Apache.
Graham County	Apache.
Maricopa County	Hispanic.
Mohave County	Paiute.
Navajo County	Hopi.
Navajo County	Navajo.
Pima County	Hispanic.
Pinal County	Apache.
Santa Cruz County	Hispanic.
Yuma County	Hispanic.
California:	
State Coverage	Hispanic.
Alameda County	Hispanic.
Alameda County	Chinese (including Taiwanese).
Alameda County	Filipino.

COVERED AREAS FOR VOTING RIGHTS BILINGUAL ELECTION MATERIALS—2020—Continued

State and political subdivision	Language minority group
Alameda County	Vietnamese.
Colusa County	Hispanic.
Contra Costa County	Hispanic.
Contra Costa County	Chinese (including Taiwanese).
Fresno County	Hispanic.
Glenn County	Hispanic.
Imperial County	Hispanic.
Kern County	Hispanic.
Kings County	Hispanic.
Los Angeles County	Hispanic.
Los Angeles County	Cambodian.
Los Angeles County	Chinese (including Taiwanese).
Los Angeles County	Filipino.
Los Angeles County	Korean.
Los Angeles County	Vietnamese.
Madera County	Hispanic.
Merced County	Hispanic.
Monterey County	Hispanic.
Napa County	Hispanic.
Orange County	Hispanic.
Orange County	Chinese (including Taiwanese).
Orange County	Korean.
Orange County	Vietnamese.
Riverside County	Hispanic.
Sacramento County	Hispanic.
Sacramento County	Chinese (including Taiwanese).
Sacramento County	Vietnamese.
San Benito County	Hispanic.
San Bernardino County	Hispanic.
San Diego County	Hispanic.
San Diego County	Chinese (including Taiwanese).
San Diego County	Filipino.
San Diego County	Vietnamese.
San Francisco County	Hispanic.
San Francisco County	Chinese (including Taiwanese).
San Joaquin County	Hispanic.
San Mateo County	Hispanic.
San Mateo County	Chinese (including Taiwanese).
San Mateo County	Filipino.
Santa Barbara County	Hispanic.
Santa Clara County	Hispanic.
Santa Clara County	Chinese (including Taiwanese).
Santa Clara County	Filipino.
Santa Clara County	Vietnamese.
Sonoma County	Hispanic.
Stanislaus County	Hispanic.
Tulare County	Hispanic.
Ventura County	Hispanic.
Colorado:	
Adams County	Hispanic.
Alamosa County	Hispanic.
Conejos County	Hispanic.
Costilla County	Hispanic.
Denver County	Hispanic.
La Plata County	Ute.
Montezuma County	Ute.
Saguache County	Hispanic.
Connecticut:	
Bridgeport town	Hispanic.
East Hartford town	Hispanic.
Hartford town	Hispanic.
Meriden town	Hispanic.
New Britain town	Hispanic.
New Haven town	Hispanic.
New London town	Hispanic.
Norwalk town	Hispanic.
Waterbury town	Hispanic.
Windham town	Hispanic.
Florida:	
State Coverage	Hispanic.
Broward County	Hispanic.
Collier County	Hispanic.

COVERED AREAS FOR VOTING RIGHTS BILINGUAL ELECTION MATERIALS—2020—Continued

State and political subdivision	Language minority group
DeSoto County	Hispanic.
Glades County	Seminole.
Hardee County	Hispanic.
Hendry County	Hispanic.
Hillsborough County	Hispanic.
Lee County	Hispanic.
Miami-Dade County	Hispanic.
Orange County	Hispanic.
Osceola County	Hispanic.
Palm Beach County	Hispanic.
Pinellas County	Hispanic.
Polk County	Hispanic.
Seminole County	Hispanic.
Georgia:	
Gwinnett County	Hispanic.
Hawaii:	
Honolulu County	Chinese (including Taiwanese).
Honolulu County	Filipino.
Maui County	Filipino.
Idaho:	
Clark County	Hispanic.
Clearwater County	All other American Indian tribes.
Idaho County	All other American Indian tribes.
Lewis County	All other American Indian tribes.
Nez Perce County	All other American Indian tribes.
Illinois:	
Cook County	Hispanic.
Cook County	Asian Indian (including Sikh).
Cook County	Chinese (including Taiwanese).
DuPage County	Hispanic.
Kane County	Hispanic.
Lake County	Hispanic.
Will County	Hispanic.
Kansas:	
Finney County	Hispanic.
Ford County	Hispanic.
Grant County	Hispanic.
Haskell County	Hispanic.
Seward County	Hispanic.
Stevens County	Hispanic.
Maryland:	
Montgomery County	Hispanic.
Prince George's County	Hispanic.
Massachusetts:	
Boston city	Hispanic.
Chelsea city	Hispanic.
Clinton town	Hispanic.
Everett city	Hispanic.
Fitchburg city	Hispanic.
Holyoke city	Hispanic.
Lawrence city	Hispanic.
Leominster city	Hispanic.
Lowell city	Hispanic.
Lowell city	Cambodian.
Lynn city	Hispanic.
Malden city	Chinese (including Taiwanese).
Methuen Town city	Hispanic.
Quincy city	Chinese (including Taiwanese).
Randolph Town city	Vietnamese.
Revere city	Hispanic.
Salem city	Hispanic.
Southbridge Town city	Hispanic.
Springfield city	Hispanic.
Worcester city	Hispanic.
Michigan:	
Clyde township	Hispanic.
Covert township	Hispanic.
Fennville city	Hispanic.
Hamtramck city	Bangladeshi.
Minnesota:	
Houston County	All other American Indian tribes.
Ramsey County	Hmong.

COVERED AREAS FOR VOTING RIGHTS BILINGUAL ELECTION MATERIALS—2020—Continued

State and political subdivision	Language minority group
Mississippi:	
Attala County	Choctaw.
Carroll County	Choctaw.
Jackson County	Choctaw.
Jones County	Choctaw.
Kemper County	Choctaw.
Leake County	Choctaw.
Neshoba County	Choctaw.
Newton County	Choctaw.
Noxubee County	Choctaw.
Scott County	Choctaw.
Winston County	Choctaw.
Nebraska:	
Colfax County	Hispanic.
Dakota County	Hispanic.
Dawson County	Hispanic.
Nevada:	
Clark County	Hispanic.
Clark County	Filipino.
Nye County	Shoshone.
New Jersey:	
Bergen County	Hispanic.
Bergen County	Korean.
Camden County	Hispanic.
Cumberland County	Hispanic.
Essex County	Hispanic.
Hudson County	Hispanic.
Middlesex County	Hispanic.
Middlesex County	Asian Indian (including Sikh).
Passaic County	Hispanic.
Union County	Hispanic.
New Mexico:	
Bernalillo County	Hispanic.
Bernalillo County	Navajo.
Catron County	Pueblo.
Chaves County	Hispanic.
Cibola County	Navajo.
Cibola County	Pueblo.
Doña Ana County	Hispanic.
Guadalupe County	Hispanic.
Hidalgo County	Hispanic.
Lea County	Hispanic.
Luna County	Hispanic.
McKinley County	Navajo.
McKinley County	Pueblo.
Mora County	Hispanic.
Rio Arriba County	Navajo.
Sandoval County	Navajo.
San Juan County	Navajo.
San Juan County	Ute.
San Miguel County	Hispanic.
Socorro County	Hispanic.
Socorro County	Navajo.
Taos County	Hispanic.
New York:	
Bronx County	Hispanic.
Kings County	Hispanic.
Kings County	Chinese (including Taiwanese).
Monroe County	Hispanic.
Nassau County	Hispanic.
New York County	Hispanic.
New York County	Chinese (including Taiwanese).
Queens County	Hispanic.
Queens County	Asian Indian (including Sikh).
Queens County	Bangladeshi.
Queens County	Chinese (including Taiwanese).
Queens County	Korean.
Suffolk County	Hispanic.
Westchester County	Hispanic.
Ohio:	
Cuyahoga County	Hispanic.
Oklahoma:	

COVERED AREAS FOR VOTING RIGHTS BILINGUAL ELECTION MATERIALS—2020—Continued

State and political subdivision	Language minority group
Texas County	Hispanic.
Pennsylvania:	
Berks County	Hispanic.
Lehigh County	Hispanic.
Philadelphia County	Hispanic.
Philadelphia County	Chinese (including Taiwanese).
Rhode Island:	
Central Falls city	Hispanic.
Pawtucket city	Hispanic.
Providence city	Hispanic.
Texas:	
State Coverage	Hispanic.
Andrews County	Hispanic.
Atascosa County	Hispanic.
Bailey County	Hispanic.
Bee County	Hispanic.
Bexar County	Hispanic.
Brewster County	Hispanic.
Brooks County	Hispanic.
Caldwell County	Hispanic.
Cameron County	Hispanic.
Castro County	Hispanic.
Cochran County	Hispanic.
Concho County	Hispanic.
Crane County	Hispanic.
Crockett County	Hispanic.
Crosby County	Hispanic.
Culberson County	Hispanic.
Dallam County	Hispanic.
Dallas County	Hispanic.
Dallas County	Vietnamese.
Dawson County	Hispanic.
Deaf Smith County	Hispanic.
Denton County	Hispanic.
Dimmit County	Hispanic.
Duval County	Hispanic.
Ector County	Hispanic.
Edwards County	Hispanic.
El Paso County	Hispanic.
Floyd County	Hispanic.
Fort Bend County	Hispanic.
Frio County	Hispanic.
Gaines County	Hispanic.
Garza County	Hispanic.
Gonzales County	Hispanic.
Hale County	Hispanic.
Hansford County	Hispanic.
Harris County	Hispanic.
Harris County	Chinese (including Taiwanese).
Harris County	Vietnamese.
Hidalgo County	Hispanic.
Hockley County	Hispanic.
Hudspeth County	Hispanic.
Jeff Davis County	Hispanic.
Jim Hogg County	Hispanic.
Jim Wells County	Hispanic.
Karnes County	Hispanic.
Kenedy County	Hispanic.
Kinney County	Hispanic.
Kleberg County	Hispanic.
Knox County	Hispanic.
Lamb County	Hispanic.
La Salle County	Hispanic.
Live Oak County	Hispanic.
Lynn County	Hispanic.
Martin County	Hispanic.
Maverick County	Hispanic.
Maverick County	All other American Indian tribes.
Medina County	Hispanic.
Menard County	Hispanic.
Moore County	Hispanic.
Nueces County	Hispanic.

COVERED AREAS FOR VOTING RIGHTS BILINGUAL ELECTION MATERIALS—2020—Continued

State and political subdivision	Language minority group
Ochiltree County	Hispanic.
Parmer County	Hispanic.
Pecos County	Hispanic.
Polk County	All other American Indian tribes.
Presidio County	Hispanic.
Reagan County	Hispanic.
Reeves County	Hispanic.
San Patricio County	Hispanic.
Schleicher County	Hispanic.
Sherman County	Hispanic.
Starr County	Hispanic.
Sterling County	Hispanic.
Sutton County	Hispanic.
Tarrant County	Hispanic.
Tarrant County	Vietnamese.
Terrell County	Hispanic.
Terry County	Hispanic.
Titus County	Hispanic.
Travis County	Hispanic.
Uvalde County	Hispanic.
Val Verde County	Hispanic.
Ward County	Hispanic.
Webb County	Hispanic.
Willacy County	Hispanic.
Winkler County	Hispanic.
Yoakum County	Hispanic.
Zapata County	Hispanic.
Zavala County	Hispanic.
Utah:	
Salt Lake County	Hispanic.
San Juan County	Navajo.
San Juan County	Ute.
Virginia:	
Fairfax County	Hispanic.
Fairfax County	Vietnamese.
Prince William County	Hispanic.
Manassas city	Hispanic.
Manassas Park city	Hispanic.
Washington:	
Adams County	Hispanic.
Franklin County	Hispanic.
King County	Hispanic.
King County	Chinese (including Taiwanese).
King County	Vietnamese.
Yakima County	Hispanic.
Wisconsin:	
Abbotsford city	Hispanic.
Adams town	All other American Indian tribes.
Albion town	All other American Indian tribes.
Arcadia city	Hispanic.
Bangor town	All other American Indian tribes.
Biramwood town	All other American Indian tribes.
Black River Falls city	All other American Indian tribes.
Brockway town	All other American Indian tribes.
Byron town	All other American Indian tribes.
Cranmoor town	All other American Indian tribes.
Curtiss village	Hispanic.
Dellona town	All other American Indian tribes.
Delton town	All other American Indian tribes.
Dewhurst town	All other American Indian tribes.
Eaton town	All other American Indian tribes.
Elderon town	All other American Indian tribes.
Ferryville village	All other American Indian tribes.
Franzen town	All other American Indian tribes.
Freeman town	All other American Indian tribes.
Friendship village	All other American Indian tribes.
Germania town	All other American Indian tribes.
Germantown town	All other American Indian tribes.
Greenfield town	All other American Indian tribes.
Holland town	All other American Indian tribes.
Komensky town	All other American Indian tribes.
La Grange town	All other American Indian tribes.

COVERED AREAS FOR VOTING RIGHTS BILINGUAL ELECTION MATERIALS—2020—Continued

State and political subdivision	Language minority group
Lemonweir town	All other American Indian tribes.
Leon town	All other American Indian tribes.
Levis town	All other American Indian tribes.
Lyndon town	All other American Indian tribes.
Madison city	All other American Indian tribes.
Manchester town	All other American Indian tribes.
Mead town	All other American Indian tribes.
Millston town	All other American Indian tribes.
Milwaukee city	Hispanic.
Oakdale town	All other American Indian tribes.
Onalaska town	All other American Indian tribes.
Port Edwards town	All other American Indian tribes.
Preston town	All other American Indian tribes.
Reid town	All other American Indian tribes.
Seneca town	All other American Indian tribes.
Seven Mile Creek town	All other American Indian tribes.
Sharon village	Hispanic.
Stark town	All other American Indian tribes.
Sumpter town	All other American Indian tribes.
West Milwaukee village	Hispanic.
Whitestown town	All other American Indian tribes.
Wilson town	All other American Indian tribes.
Wittenberg village	All other American Indian tribes.
Wittenberg town	All other American Indian tribes.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Census Bureau

Agency Information Collection Activities; Submission to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for Review and Approval; Comment Request; Certification of Identity (Form BC–300)

The Department of Commerce will submit the following information collection request to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and clearance in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, on or after the date of publication of this notice. We invite the general public and other Federal agencies to comment on proposed, and continuing information collections, which helps us assess the impact of our information collection requirements and minimize the public’s reporting burden. This notice allows 30 days for public comments.

Agency: U.S. Census Bureau, Commerce.

Title: Certification of Identity (Form BC–300).

OMB Control Number: 0607–XXXX.
Form Number(s): Form BC–300.

Type of Request: Emergency submission, New Information Collection Request.

Number of Respondents: 250.

Average Hours per Response: 6 minutes.

Burden Hours: 25 Hours.

Needs and Uses: The need for the Certification of Identity (Form BC–300) is imperative to performing accurate controls of the disbursement of personnel records to the public. This information collection is necessary to prevent unauthorized disclosure of records of individuals maintained by the U.S. Census Bureau, and allows parties who are, or were, in proceedings to disclose or release their records to an attorney, accredited representative, qualified organization, or other third party.

Affected Public: Individuals requesting the release of personnel records.

Frequency: On an as needed basis.

Respondent’s Obligation: Voluntary.

Legal Authority: In accordance with 15 CFR Section 4.24(d), the U.S. Census Bureau requires you provide us with sufficient information to identify you when you submit requests by mail or otherwise not in person under the Privacy Act of 1974, 5 U.S.C. 552a.

This information collection request may be viewed at www.reginfo.gov. Follow the instructions to view the Department of Commerce collections currently under review by OMB.

Written comments and recommendations for the proposed information collection should be submitted within 30 days of the publication of this notice on the following website www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAMain. Find this

particular information collection by selecting “Currently under 30-day Review—Open for Public Comments” or by using the search function and entering the title of the collection.

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Department PRA Clearance Officer, Office of the Chief Information Officer, Commerce Department.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

International Trade Administration

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Large Residential Washers From Mexico: Final Results of Antidumping Duty Administrative Review; 2019–2020; Correction

AGENCY: Enforcement and Compliance, International Trade Administration, Department of Commerce.

SUMMARY: On November 26, 2021, the Department of Commerce (Commerce) inadvertently published duplicate copies of a **Federal Register** notice. This notice serves as a notification of, and correction to, this inadvertent duplicate publication.

DATES: Applicable December 8, 2021.

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Section 203: 2021 Language Determinations

Frequently Asked Questions

What are the Section 203 Language Determinations?

Language minority provisions of the Voting Rights Act (VRA) require that determined states and political subdivisions provide language assistance during elections for certain language minority groups who are unable to speak or understand English very well and who have been excluded from the political process historically. The language provisions were introduced in the 1975 reauthorization of the VRA and the Census Bureau issued the first listing of Section 203-covered jurisdictions following the 1980 Census. The Census Bureau again released determinations following the 1990 and 2000 censuses, as prescribed by law. The 2006 reauthorization of the VRA extended the language provisions through 2032 and instructed the Census Bureau on two changes: use the American Community Survey and conduct the determinations every 5 years, rather than every 10 as done in the past.

How often are the Section 203 Language Determinations published?

Section 203(b) of the Voting Rights Act as amended prescribes that the director of the Census Bureau shall make these determinations every 5 years, based on the most current population estimates derived from the American Community Survey (ACS) along with relevant census data.

Where are the Section 203 Language Determinations published?

The Section 203 Language Determinations were published in the Federal Register on

December 8, 2021. You can access the Federal Register Notice (FRN) on the Redistricting Data Program Web site at <www.census.gov/programs-surveys/decennial-census/about/rdo.html>. Once on the Web site, click on the “Voting Rights” link in the left-hand navigation sidebar. Next, click on “Section 203 Language Determinations.” Then, click on the “2021” tab. Finally, click on the Federal Register Notice link under “Official Federal Register Notice Listing Covered Jurisdictions.”

What data were used to conduct the 2021 Section 203 Language Determinations?

The 2021 determinations are based on the 2015–2019 ACS 5-year estimates. We use a statistical technique called modeling to strengthen the ACS estimates to make the determinations, instead of using only direct estimates. More information about how we use this technique is available in the executive summary at <https://www2.census.gov/programs-surveys/decennial/rdo/about/voting-rights-determination/2021_Section203/Sec203_ExecSummary2021_v3.pdf>.

Were these Section 203 determinations affected by the pandemic?

Since these determinations are based on the 2015–2019 ACS 5-year estimates, they are unaffected by ACS data collection issues in 2020. Also, the 2020 Census data were not used in making the 2021 determinations because of concerns about the timing of the 2020 Census counts, which were delayed by



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the COVID-19 pandemic. This makes this cycle of determinations more like the 2016 cycle, a mid-decade cycle that also does not directly use the decennial census in its methodology. For the 2011 round of determinations, 2010 Census data were available in time to weight the modeling of the ACS data for the determinations. Regardless of the determination cycle, the ACS data are always the primary input for calculating the determinations.

Which language minority groups are covered by Section 203?

The language minority groups covered by Section 203 are those that speak Asian, American Indian, Alaska Native, and Spanish languages.

How are language minority groups defined?

Respondents to the census and the ACS self-identify as one or more racial and ethnic groups in response to race and ethnicity questions. The resulting race and ethnicity data are used as a proxy to define single language minority groups for the purposes of Section 203(b). For the 2021 determinations, 73 language minority groups were eligible for consideration, including 51 American Indian or Alaska Native (AIAN) language groups, 21 Asian language groups, and one Hispanic language group (Spanish).

Which geographic entities are calculated under Section 203?

Language minority group estimates are required for multiple geographic entity types, including states, jurisdictions (minor civil divisions or counties depending on the state), American Indian Areas (AIAs), and Alaska Native Regional Corporations (ANRCs). However, only a state, county, or minor civil division can be determined for language coverage. If an AIA or ANRC meets the criteria for coverage, then the intersecting minor civil division or county is what becomes determined for language coverage.

How were AIAs, ANRCs and other tribal lands identified for inclusion in the determinations estimates?

For the 2020 Census, AIAs and ANRCs were identified by the federally recognized tribal governments, Bureau of Indian Affairs, and state governments. The U.S. Census Bureau's Geography Division also worked with tribal governments, state governments, and federal agencies to identify statistical areas, such as Oklahoma Tribal Statistical Areas (OTSA), Tribal Designated Statistical Areas (TDSA), State Designated Tribal Statistical Areas (SDTSA), and Alaska Native Village Statistical Areas (ANVSA).

How many language minority group areas are covered in the 2021 determinations?

A total of 388 area and language minority group combinations are covered in the 2021 determinations. A total of 334 specific jurisdictions are covered, comprised of 3 states, 245 counties, and 86 minor civil divisions. (Some jurisdictions are covered for multiple language groups.)

What are covered jurisdictions required to do?

Covered jurisdictions are required by law to provide language assistance to those minority groups who are unable to speak or understand English very well and who have been excluded from the political process historically.

When are covered jurisdictions obligated to start providing minority language assistance?

Jurisdictions covered by Section 203 have a legal obligation to provide the minority language assistance effective upon publication of these determinations in the Federal Register. The publication date for the 2021 determinations is December 8, 2021.

If a state is covered, are all county and county equivalent jurisdictions within the state required to provide language assistance?

In cases where a state is covered, all counties and county equivalent jurisdictions must distribute state-provided bilingual election materials. However, only those counties or county equivalents independently covered are required to provide language assistance in their county-produced election materials. Counties and county equivalents not independently covered are exempt from the obligation to provide language assistance for county-produced election materials.

What is required of jurisdictions previously covered under Section 203 that are not listed in the 2021 determinations?

Jurisdictions previously subject to Section 203 of the Voting Rights Act, but not included on the 2021 determinations list, are no longer obligated to comply with Section 203.

What are the Section 203 coverage criteria?

The Census Bureau determines the covered groups based on limited-English proficiency among citizens who are voting age (18 and older) and fifth-grade education rates. A summary of the decision process is available in the Section 203 Decision Flow Diagram at https://www2.census.gov/programs-surveys/decennial/rdo/about/voting-rights-determination/2021_Section203/Sec203_Flowchart.pdf.

Determinations for each state, county, or county subdivision (depending on which is the operating level of government), and American Indian/Alaska Native Areas (AIA/ANA), are computed based on the following criteria:

If more than 5 percent 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 fifth-grade education is higher than the national rate.

THEN

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

Note: There is a special computation for American Indian or Alaska Native areas or other tribal lands:

If more than 5 percent of the American Indian or Alaska Native voting age citizens belonging to an American Indian/Alaska Native tribe are limited-English proficient

AND

The rate of those voting age citizens who are limited-English proficient and have

less than a fifth-grade education is higher than the national rate.

THEN

Any political subdivision(s) in which that AIA/ANA is located is(are) covered under Section 203 of the Voting Rights Act. This includes jurisdictions in Alaska, Arizona, Colorado, Florida, Idaho, Minnesota, Mississippi, Nevada, New Mexico, Texas, Utah, and Wisconsin in the 2021 determinations.

How can I access a comprehensive list of Section 203 language minority group estimates by jurisdiction (including both covered and not covered jurisdictions)?

We published a public use file (comma separated values format) which contains all the calculated values for every geography by language minority group (LMG) combination, regardless of whether they were triggered for Section 203 coverage or not. You can access the public use file on the Section 203 Language Determinations Web site at www.census.gov/programs-surveys/decennial-census/about/voting-rights/voting-rights-determination-file.html. Click on the "2021" tab then click on "Section 203 Determinations Dataset."