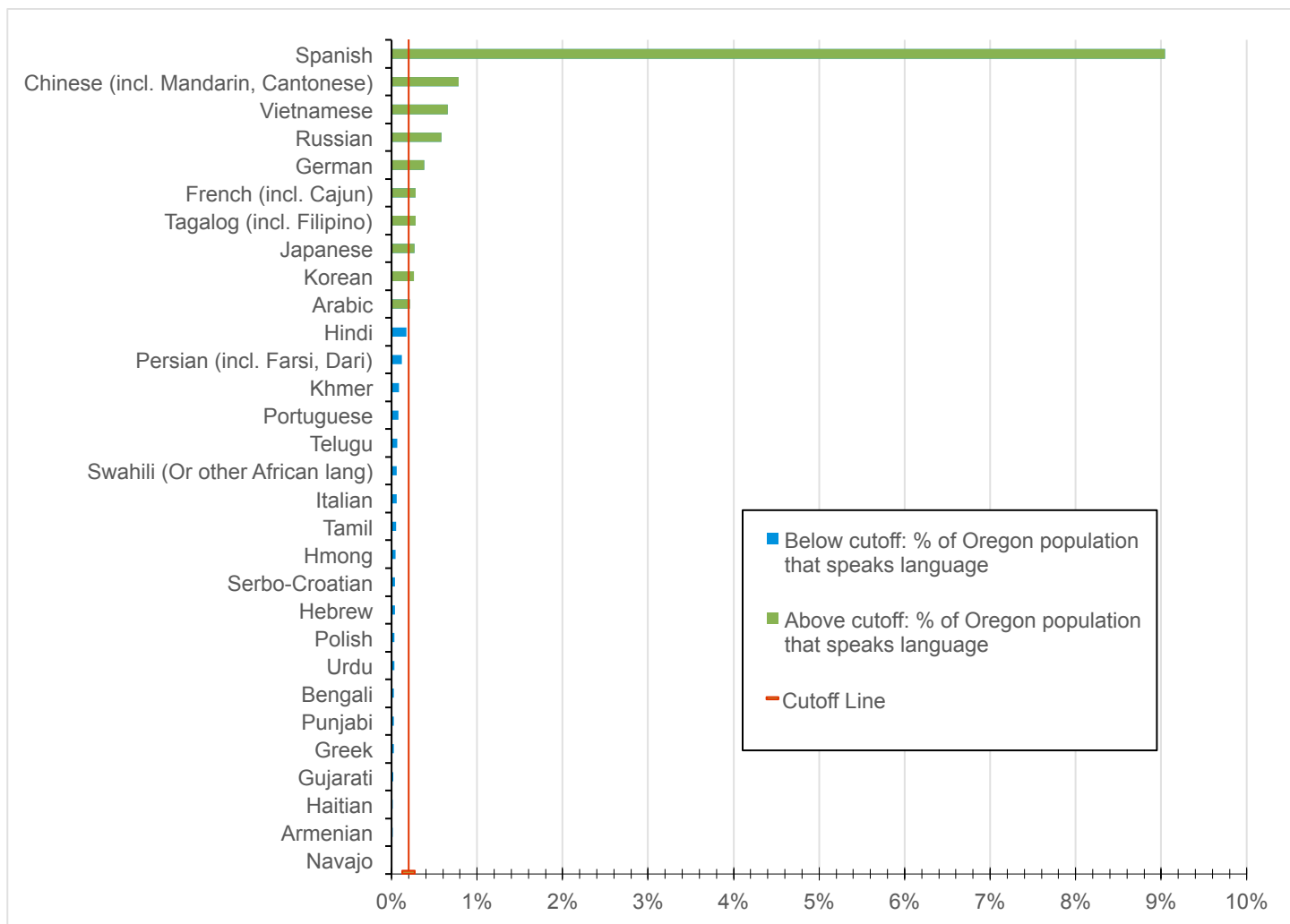


Oregon Language Statistics

S.M.A.R.T. | Senate Bill 698 | House Bill 2801

Languages spoken in Oregon by percent of population based on ACS 5-year Estimates (2013-2017)¹



- 1 in 17 Oregonians (222,428 people) have limited English proficiency (LEP). LEP persons are 2x more likely to experience preventable medication errors than fluent English speakers².
- S.M.A.R.T. Bill proposes that translated labels be available in languages spoken by more than 0.2% of the state population (i.e. >7,587 people).
- Languages included (10): Spanish, Chinese, Vietnamese, Russian, German, French, Tagalog, Japanese, Korean, and Arabic.
- ~192,000 LEP individuals would be affected by this bill.

¹ US Census Bureau. (2017). *B16001 – Language Spoken at Home by Ability to Speak English for the Population 5 Years and Over for the 5-Year Data Estimates* [Data file]. Retrieved from <https://factfinder.census.gov>

² Harris LM, Dreyer B, Mendelson A, Bailey SC, Sanders, LM, Wolf MS, ... Yin HS. (2017). Liquid medication dosing errors by Hispanic parents: Role of health literacy and English proficiency. *Academic Pediatrics*, 17(4), 403–410. doi:10.1016/j.acap.2016.10.001