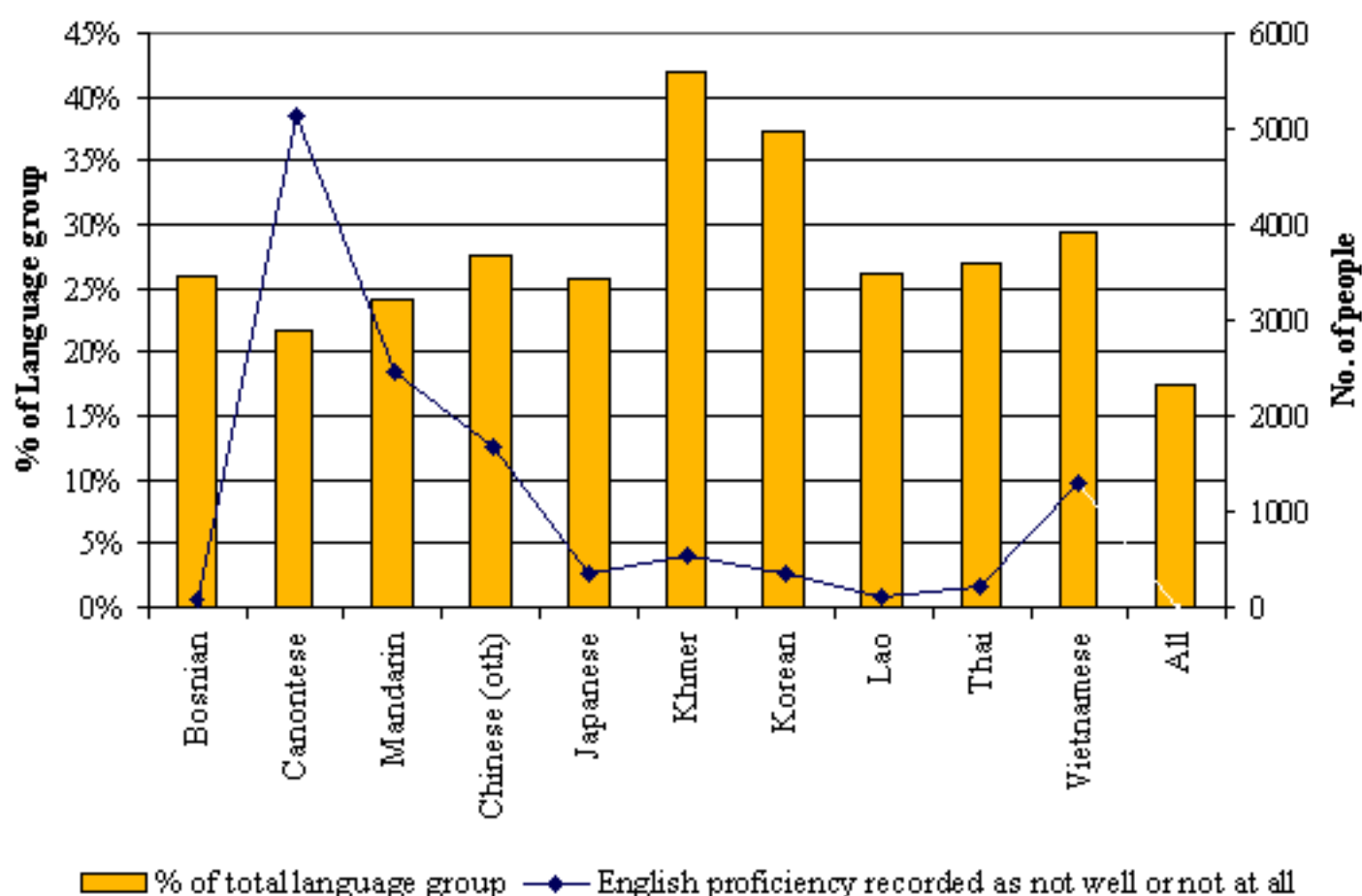


8.2 10 communities with the largest percentage of their populations recording their English proficiency as not well or not at all



Source: ABS Census 1996

	No. of people recording their English proficiency as not well or not at all	% of total language group	Total population
Bosnian	74	26%	285
Cantonese	5145	22%	23798
Mandarin	2457	24%	10149
Chinese (oth)	1679	28%	6090
Japanese	349	26%	1351
Khmer	532	42%	1267
Korean	363	37%	972
Lao	106	26%	406
Thai	220	27%	819
Vietnamese	1289	29%	4377
LGA Total of NESB	29087	17.37%	167414

17% of all people whose first language is not English recorded their English proficiency as not well or not at all. The highest percentage of people recording their English proficiency as not well or not at all spoke Khmer followed by Korean and Vietnamese.