



INTRODUCTION

Topic Introduction

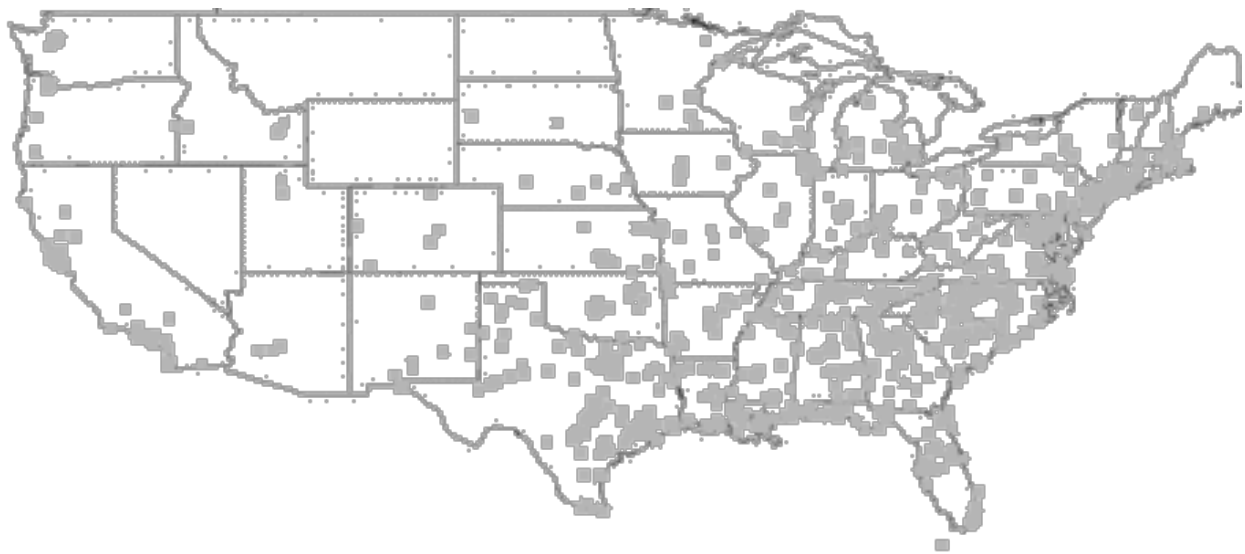
I. "You" plural poll

A. Harvard Dialect Survey (10,764 respondents)

What word(s) do you use to address a group of two or more people?

- you all (12.63%)
- yous, youse (0.67%)
- you guys (42.53%)
- yins (0.37%)
- you (24.82%)
- y'all (13.99%)

Places where "y'all" is most prevalent



II. The Need for You Plural

A. Grammar Review

English

	Singular	Plural
1 st Person	I	We
2 nd Person	You	You
3 rd Person	He/She/It	They

Spanish

	Singular	Plural
1 st Person	Yo	Nosotros
2 nd Person	Tu/Usted	Ustedes
3 rd Person	El/Elle	Ellos/Ellas

Atlantic article, "America Needs Y'All."

- King James had ye.
- "Ye are the light of the world" (Matt 5:14 KJV).

A. Where It Matters

→ [1 Cor 6:19-20](#)

Do you not know that your bodies are temples of the Holy Spirit, who is in you, whom you have received from God? You are not your own; you were bought at a price. Therefore honor God with your bodies (NIV).

What? know ye not that your body is the temple of the Holy Ghost which is in you, which ye have of God, and ye are not your own? For ye are bought with a price: therefore glorify God in your body, and in your spirit, which are God's (KJV).

→ [1 Peter 2:9](#)

But you are a chosen people, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, God's special possession, that you may declare the praises of him who called you out of darkness into his wonderful light (NIV).

But ye are a chosen generation, a royal priesthood, an holy nation, a peculiar people; that ye should shew forth the praises of him who hath called you out of darkness into his marvellous light (KJV).

Almost 5,000 verses where you pl. is translated "you."

B. The Texas Bible / Y'All Version – John Dyer

→ 1 Cor 6:19-20

Do y'all not know that y'all's bodies are temples of the Holy Spirit, who is in y'all, whom y'all have received from God? Y'all are not y'all's own; y'all were bought at a price. Therefore honor God with y'all's bodies.

→ 1 Peter 2:9

But y'all are a chosen people, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, God's special possession, that y'all may declare the praises of him who called y'all out of darkness into his wonderful light.

III. Thinking as We, not I