

Figure 8.7.
Multi-lingualism among international organization officers
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This figure is based on the entries of the 1,907 biographees that contain information on language proficiency. In these entries 149 languages are mentioned; these 149 languages are listed in Figure 8.3. Of these 149 languages, 60 are listed by only 1 biographee while 53 are listed by more than 4 biographees; these 53 languages in Figure 8.5.

This figure gives the number of biographees indicating a proficiency in one or more languages. For example, 434 biographees claim to be bi-lingual and 526 claim to be tri-lingual; 4 biographees profess proficiency in 10 languages, 1 in 11 languages.

It should be noted that the figures in these tables are derived from information provided by the biographees themselves; according to general policy, the editors took people at their word and made no effort to check the accuracy of the claims.

See also 7.1. for a complete list of languages, and 7.2. for details on languages used by international organizations.

	Number of languages										
	11	10	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1
People	1	4	9	14	25	101	209	352	526	434	261