

Figure 8.4.
Languages mentioned in the entries of biographees
Edition 55: taken from Edition 54, 2017/2018 (data collected in 2016-2017)

This table is based on the entries of the 1,410 biographees that contain information on language proficiency. In these entries 101 languages are mentioned. These 101 languages are listed in this table. Of these 101 languages, 37 are listed by only 1 biographee while 40 are listed by more than 4 biographees; these 40 languages are listed in Table 8.5.

Breakdowns are given for male and female biographees; however, because gender is not always known to the editors, the figures given in the columns "Total" may be greater than the sum of the columns "Men" and "Women".

The tables also give the total number of organizations (from Volume 1 of this Yearbook) listed in the entries of these biographees.

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.

Language	Male		Female		Total	
	People	Org's	People	Org's	People	Org's
Afrikaans	2	6	0	0	2	6
Albanian	1	1	0	0	1	1
Amharic	1	4	0	0	1	4
Ancient Greek	2	5	0	0	2	5
Arabic	44	117	8	17	53	136
Armenian	1	1	1	3	2	4
Azerbaijani	1	1	0	0	1	1
Azeri	1	3	0	0	1	3
Bahasa Indonesia	1	2	1	2	2	4
Bahasa Malaysia	0	0	1	1	1	1
Bambara	1	1	0	0	1	1
Basque	0	0	1	2	1	2
Bengali	2	5	1	4	3	9
Bosnian	2	2	0	0	2	2
Braille	2	7	0	0	2	7
Bulgarian	6	10	3	7	9	17
Castilian	1	3	0	0	1	3
Catalan	6	14	1	1	7	15
Cherokee	0	0	1	3	1	3
Chichewa	1	4	0	0	1	4
Chinese	15	33	4	10	19	43
Chinyanja	1	3	0	0	1	3
Cinyanja	1	4	0	0	1	4
Croatian	3	8	2	5	5	13
Czech	5	14	1	1	6	15
Danish	20	53	5	16	26	71
Dioula	2	5	0	0	2	5
Dutch	131	310	20	45	153	358
Dzongkha	1	2	0	0	1	2
English	953	2241	300	691	1268	2963
Esperanto	8	17	1	1	10	20
Filipino	6	18	3	10	9	28
Finnish	12	34	7	20	21	59
French	464	1149	126	311	595	1470
Gaelic	1	3	0	0	1	3
Gallego	0	0	1	1	1	1
German	254	628	58	151	317	789
Greek	18	50	4	10	22	60
Haya	0	0	1	3	1	3
Hebrew	9	24	2	6	11	30
Hindi	12	31	2	6	15	40
Hungarian	12	32	2	6	14	38
Ibo	1	2	0	0	1	2
Icelandic	4	7	1	4	5	11
Igbo	1	4	0	0	1	4
Indonesian	4	10	1	4	5	14
Italian	128	320	34	86	162	406
Japanese	21	47	4	8	26	57
Kannada	2	5	0	0	2	5
Kazakh	1	2	0	0	1	2
Kiswahili	4	14	0	0	5	15

Language	Male		Female		Total	
	People	Org's	People	Org's	People	Org's
Korean	6	16	1	2	7	18
Krio	1	4	0	0	1	4
Laotian	0	0	1	2	1	2
Latin	7	16	4	13	11	29
Latvian	0	0	1	3	1	3
Lithuanian	1	3	1	4	2	7
Low German	1	3	0	0	1	3
Maithili	1	4	0	0	1	4
Malagasy	1	3	0	0	1	3
Malay	2	4	1	4	3	8
Maltese	2	3	0	0	2	3
Manchu	0	0	1	3	1	3
Mandarin Chinese	1	4	2	4	3	8
Manding	1	1	0	0	1	1
Marathi	1	2	1	2	2	4
Mooré	2	4	0	0	2	4
Myéné	1	4	0	0	1	4
Nepalese	2	6	0	0	2	6
Norwegian	16	38	8	24	25	64
Pangasinense	0	0	1	3	1	3
Persian	6	14	1	2	7	16
Polish	17	39	3	4	20	43
Portuguese	39	102	6	12	46	116
Pulaar	1	3	0	0	1	3
Punjabi	2	8	1	2	3	10
Romanian	3	6	4	9	7	15
Russian	59	147	8	15	70	168
Sanskrit	0	0	1	2	1	2
Serbian	2	6	3	7	5	13
Serbo-Croatian	5	14	0	0	5	14
Sharchogpa	1	2	0	0	1	2
Shona	0	0	1	2	1	2
Sinhalese	2	5	0	0	2	5
Slovakian	1	3	1	3	2	6
Slovene	5	13	2	3	7	16
Spanish	180	455	63	155	246	617
Swahili	2	4	2	6	4	10
Swedish	29	80	12	27	43	112
Sámi	0	0	1	1	2	3
Tagalog	1	2	1	2	2	4
Tamil	3	7	3	7	6	14
Thai	6	17	3	8	9	25
Tibetan	1	2	0	0	1	2
Tigrigna	1	4	0	0	1	4
Turkish	13	27	0	0	14	29
Urdu	3	8	3	8	6	16
Vietnamese	1	4	0	0	1	4
Welsh	1	3	0	0	1	3
Wolof	3	8	0	0	3	8
Yoruba	2	8	0	0	2	8
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