

Figure 8.4.
Languages mentioned in the entries of biographees
Edition 51: taken from Edition 50, 2013/2014 (data collected in 2012)

This figure is based on the entries of the 1,686 biographees that contain information on language proficiency. In these entries 136 languages are mentioned; these 136 languages are listed in this figure. Of these 136 languages, 58 are listed by only 1 biographee while 43 are listed by more than 4 biographees; these 43 languages are listed in Figure 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.

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

Language	Male		Female		Total	
	People	Org's	People	Org's	People	Org's
Afrikaans	3	8	1	1	4	9
Amharic	2	4	0	0	2	4
Ancient Greek	4	9	0	0	4	9
Arabic	61	153	10	20	73	176
Azerbaijani	1	1	0	0	1	1
Azeri	1	4	0	0	1	4
Bahasa Indonesia	1	2	1	4	2	6
Bahasa Malaysia	2	3	1	1	3	4
Bamanan	0	0	0	0	1	2
Bambara	2	5	1	1	3	6
Bengali	4	8	2	6	6	14
Braille	2	7	0	0	2	7
Breton	1	1	0	0	1	1
Bulgarian	6	11	2	4	8	15
Castilian	1	3	0	0	1	3
Catalan	9	24	0	0	9	24
Chichewa	1	4	0	0	1	4
Chinese	9	19	1	2	10	21
Chinyanja	1	3	0	0	1	3
Cinyanja	1	4	0	0	1	4
Comorian	1	2	0	0	1	2
Creole	1	4	0	0	1	4
Croatian	5	13	3	7	8	20
Czech	7	14	1	1	9	18
Danish	35	81	9	20	46	105
Dioula	3	9	0	0	3	9
Dutch	158	350	22	39	185	398
Dzongkha	1	2	0	0	1	2
English	1152	2481	290	599	1479	3148
Esperanto	11	23	0	0	12	25
Estonian	0	0	1	1	1	1
Farsi	0	0	1	2	1	2
Fijian	1	3	0	0	1	3
Filipino	8	21	5	11	13	32
Finnish	12	31	9	21	23	57
Flemish	1	3	0	0	1	3
French	733	1616	172	370	925	2024
Gaelic	1	3	0	0	1	3
German	395	865	85	170	494	1060
Greek	29	58	4	11	33	69
Guarani	1	4	0	0	1	4
Gujarati	3	5	0	0	3	5
Haitian Creole	1	2	0	0	1	2
Haya	0	0	1	4	1	4
Hebrew	17	36	2	6	19	42
Hindi	19	43	6	13	26	59
Hokkien	1	2	0	0	1	2
Hungarian	14	34	6	13	21	48
Ibo	1	2	0	0	1	2
Icelandic	2	5	2	6	4	11
Igbo	1	4	0	0	1	4

Language	Male		Female		Total	
	People	Org's	People	Org's	People	Org's
Indi/Urdu	1	2	0	0	1	2
Indonesian	5	10	1	4	6	14
Italian	203	455	43	91	248	549
Italy	1	2	0	0	1	2
Jamaican vernacular	1	1	0	0	1	1
Japanese	21	47	1	2	26	56
Kakwa	1	2	0	0	1	2
Kannada	2	6	0	0	2	6
Kazakh	2	3	0	0	2	3
Kikongo	1	1	0	0	1	1
Kikuyu	0	0	1	3	1	3
Kiswahili	5	14	3	8	9	23
Korean	6	14	1	2	10	20
Krio	1	4	0	0	1	4
Kyrgyz	2	3	0	0	2	3
Laotian	1	4	1	4	2	8
Latin	19	43	6	15	25	58
Lingala	2	3	0	0	2	3
Lithuanian	1	3	0	0	1	3
Low German	1	3	0	0	1	3
Luganda	1	2	1	2	2	4
Luxemburgisch	2	3	0	0	2	3
Maithili	1	4	0	0	1	4
Malagasian	1	3	0	0	1	3
Malagasy	1	2	0	0	1	2
Malay	1	2	1	4	2	6
Malayalam	1	2	0	0	1	2
Maltese	3	5	0	0	3	5
Mandarin Chinese	4	9	1	2	5	11
Manding	2	5	0	0	2	5
Marathi	3	6	1	3	4	9
Masa	1	2	0	0	1	2
Mooré	2	4	0	0	2	4
Musey	1	2	0	0	1	2
Myéné	1	4	0	0	1	4
Navajo	1	1	0	0	1	1
Nepalese	1	2	0	0	1	2
Norwegian	18	39	6	18	24	57
Occitan	1	3	0	0	1	3
Ouolof	1	1	1	1	2	2
Pakistani	1	1	1	1	2	2
Pangasinense	0	0	1	3	1	3
Persian	9	21	1	2	10	23
Polish	21	47	4	8	25	55
Portuguese	72	157	13	28	87	188
Pulaar	1	4	0	0	1	4
Punjabi	6	13	2	4	8	17
Quechuan	1	1	0	0	1	1
Romanian	4	7	4	5	9	13
Rotuman	1	3	0	0	1	3
Runyankore	1	3	0	0	1	3
Russian	78	173	10	14	93	198
Sanskrit	2	2	1	2	3	4
Serbian	2	4	2	3	4	7
Serbo-Croatian	8	20	0	0	8	20
Sesotho	0	0	1	2	1	2
Sharchogpa	1	2	0	0	1	2
Shona	0	0	1	2	1	2
Sign languages	2	4	0	0	2	4
Sinhalese	3	6	1	2	4	8
Slovak	0	0	1	3	1	3
Slovakian	2	4	0	0	3	7
Slovene	2	4	0	0	2	4
Slovenian	6	17	1	2	7	19
Sonrai	0	0	1	1	1	1
Spanish	298	659	82	181	384	849
Swahili	8	13	1	4	9	17
Swedish	43	102	19	42	65	150
Syriac	1	1	0	0	1	1
Tagalog	1	2	1	1	2	3
Tahitian	1	3	0	0	1	3
Tamil	5	9	3	7	8	16
Telugu	1	1	0	0	1	1

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Techew	1	1	0	0	1	1
Thai	4	10	4	11	8	21
Tibetan	2	4	0	0	2	4
Turkic	1	1	0	0	1	1
Turkish	8	15	0	0	8	15
Twi	1	2	0	0	1	2
Ukrainian	1	1	0	0	1	1
Urdu	7	13	6	16	13	29
Welsh	2	7	0	0	2	7
Wolof	3	9	1	2	4	11
Yiddish	2	3	0	0	2	3
Yoruba	6	17	0	0	6	17
GRAND TOTALS	3668	8076	868	1838	4649	10125