

Figure 8.5.
Languages mentioned in the entries of 5 or more biographees
Edition 50: taken from Edition 49, 2012/2013 (data collected in 2011)

This figure is based on the entries of the 1,486 biographees that contain information on language proficiency. In these entries 138 languages are mentioned; these 138 languages are listed in Figure 8.3. Of these 138 languages, 59 are listed by only 1 biographee while 43 are listed by more than 4 biographees; these 43 languages are listed here.

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 "Male" and "Female".

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
English	1043	2213	241	491	1314	2760
French	709	1538	161	337	888	1909
German	382	826	81	164	476	1014
Spanish	292	630	79	172	375	811
Italian	196	433	42	89	239	523
Dutch	146	312	21	36	172	357
Russian	77	167	10	14	92	192
Portuguese	69	152	12	26	83	181
Arabic	61	152	9	17	72	172
Swedish	43	100	19	42	65	148
Danish	32	73	6	14	40	91
Greek	28	54	3	8	31	62
Japanese	21	45	1	2	26	54
Latin	19	43	6	15	25	58
Hindi	17	38	6	13	24	54
Polish	19	43	3	6	22	49
Finnish	12	31	7	15	21	51
Norwegian	15	28	6	18	21	46
Hungarian	13	31	6	13	20	45
Hebrew	17	36	2	6	19	42
Urdu	7	13	6	16	13	29
Esperanto	11	23	0	0	12	25
Filipino	8	21	3	8	11	29
Korean	6	14	1	2	10	20
Catalan	9	23	0	0	9	23
Chinese	8	18	1	2	9	20
Kiswahili	5	14	3	8	9	23
Persian	8	18	1	2	9	20
Swahili	8	13	1	4	9	17
Czech	6	13	1	1	8	17
Punjabi	6	13	2	4	8	17
Romanian	4	7	3	3	8	11
Serbo-croatian	8	20	0	0	8	20
Tamil	5	9	3	7	8	16
Bulgarian	5	10	2	4	7	14
Croatian	5	13	2	6	7	19
Thai	3	7	4	11	7	18
Bengali	4	8	2	6	6	14
Indonesian	5	10	1	4	6	14
Yoruba	6	17	0	0	6	17
Mandarin chinese	4	9	1	2	5	11
Slovenian	5	14	0	0	5	14
Turkish	5	12	0	0	5	12