

**Figure 8.4.**  
**Languages mentioned in the entries of biographees**  
*Edition 53: taken from Edition 52, 2015/2016 (data collected in 2014-2015)*

This figure is based on the entries of the 2,050 biographees that contain information on language proficiency. In these entries 141 languages are mentioned; these 141 languages are listed in this Table. Of these 141 languages, 57 are listed by only 1 biographee while 44 are listed by more than 4 biographees; these 44 languages are listed in Table 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	3	8	1	1	4	9
Amharic	2	4	1	2	3	6
Ancient Greek	4	9	0	0	4	9
Arabic	66	165	14	34	81	201
Azerbaijani	2	2	0	0	2	2
Azeri	1	3	0	0	1	3
Bahasa Indonesia	1	2	1	4	2	6
Bahasa Malaysia	1	2	1	1	2	3
Bambara	2	5	1	1	3	6
Bananna	0	0	0	0	1	2
Basque	0	0	1	2	1	2
Bengali	5	12	2	6	7	18
Braille	2	7	0	0	2	7
Bulgarian	6	11	3	6	9	17
Castilian	2	4	0	0	2	4
Catalan	10	25	0	0	10	25
Cherokee	0	0	1	3	1	3
Chichewa	1	4	0	0	1	4
Chinese	16	40	2	5	18	45
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	17	3	4	11	24
Danish	37	87	10	27	49	118
Dioula	3	9	0	0	3	9
Dutch	183	406	30	56	219	472
Dzongkha	1	2	0	0	1	2
English	1367	3043	418	895	1823	4007
Esperanto	10	21	0	0	11	23
Estonian	2	4	0	0	2	4
Fijian	1	3	0	0	1	3
Filipino	9	25	5	11	14	36
Finnish	13	34	9	23	24	62
Flemish	1	3	0	0	1	3
French	785	1770	200	452	1003	2258
Gaelic	1	3	0	0	1	3
German	408	932	90	198	512	1155
Greek	29	60	6	15	35	75
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	18	42	6	13	25	58
Hokkien	1	2	0	0	1	2
Hungarian	14	34	6	13	21	48
Ibo	1	2	0	0	1	2
Icelandic	4	7	2	6	6	13
Igbo	1	4	0	0	1	4

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	People	Org's	People	Org's	People	Org's
Indonesian	6	13	2	5	8	18
Italian	217	502	49	105	268	610
Jamaican Vernacular	1	1	0	0	1	1
Japanese	24	52	1	2	28	60
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	8	16	1	2	11	21
Krio	1	4	0	0	1	4
Kurdish	0	0	1	4	1	4
Kyrgyz	2	3	0	0	2	3
Laotian	1	4	1	4	2	8
Latin	19	43	5	14	24	57
Latvian	0	0	2	5	2	5
Lingala	2	3	0	0	2	3
Lithuanian	1	3	1	4	2	7
Low German	1	3	0	0	1	3
Luganda	1	2	1	2	2	4
Luxemburgisch	3	4	0	0	3	4
Maasai	1	4	0	0	1	4
Macedonian	1	1	0	0	1	1
MaiThili	1	4	0	0	1	4
Malagasy	2	5	0	0	2	5
Malay	2	5	2	5	4	10
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
Moldavian	0	0	1	1	1	1
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	20	44	9	27	29	71
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
Pashto	1	1	0	0	1	1
Persian	11	24	2	4	13	28
Polish	22	54	6	11	28	65
Portuguese	76	173	15	32	92	207
Pulaar	1	4	0	0	1	4
Punjabi	5	12	2	4	7	16
Quechuan	1	1	0	0	1	1
Romani	1	1	0	0	1	1
Romanian	3	6	7	13	11	20
Rotuman	1	3	0	0	1	3
Runyankore	1	3	0	0	1	3
Russian	88	197	12	16	105	224
Samburu	1	4	0	0	1	4
Sanskrit	2	2	1	2	3	4
Serbian	2	6	2	6	4	12
Serbo-Croatian	8	20	0	0	8	20
Sesotho	0	0	1	2	1	2
Sharchogpa	1	2	0	0	1	2
Sheng	1	4	0	0	1	4
Shona	0	0	1	2	1	2
Sign Languages	2	4	0	0	2	4
Sinhalese	3	6	1	2	4	8
Slovakian	2	4	1	3	4	10
Slovene	9	25	1	2	10	27
Sonräi	0	0	1	1	1	1
Spanish	314	731	93	207	411	947
Swahili	9	17	1	4	10	21
Swedish	45	110	20	44	68	160
Syriac	1	1	0	0	1	1

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Tagalog	1	2	2	4	3	6
Tahitian	1	3	0	0	1	3
Tamil	4	8	3	7	7	15
Teochew	1	1	0	0	1	1
Thai	5	11	4	11	9	22
Tibetan	2	4	1	1	3	5
Turkic	1	1	0	0	1	1
Turkish	12	23	1	1	14	26
Twi	1	2	0	0	1	2
Ukrainian	2	3	0	0	2	3
Urdu	7	14	7	18	14	32
Valencian	0	0	1	1	1	1
Vietnamese	1	4	0	0	1	4
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
<b>GRAND TOTALS</b>	<b>4061</b>	<b>9202</b>	<b>1091</b>	<b>2396</b>	<b>5262</b>	<b>11807</b>