

The speakers of minority languages are more multilingual

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Problem part

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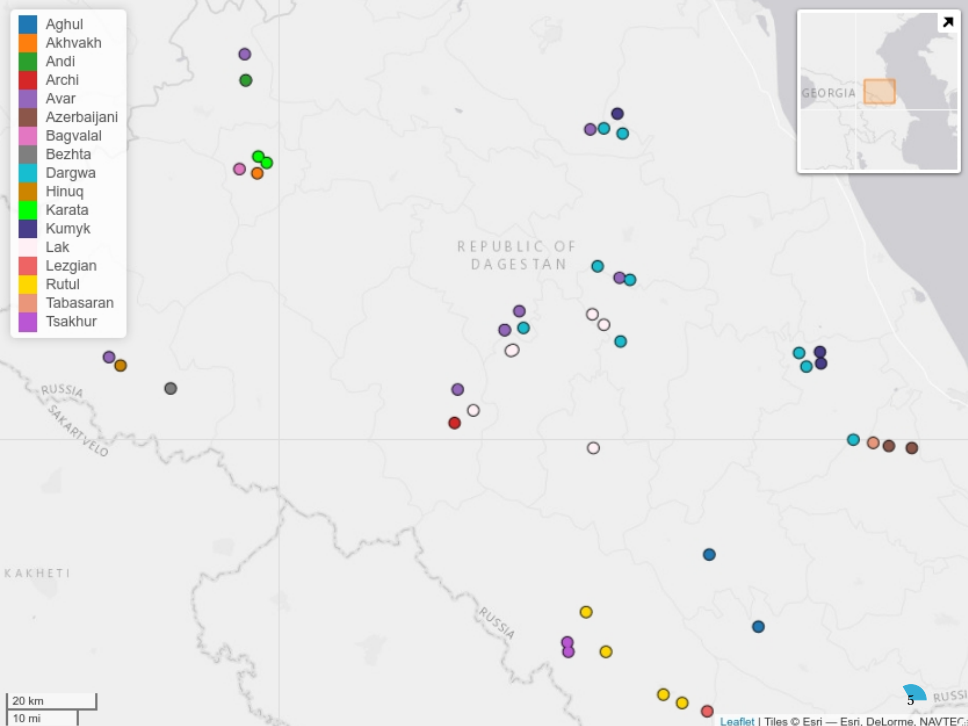
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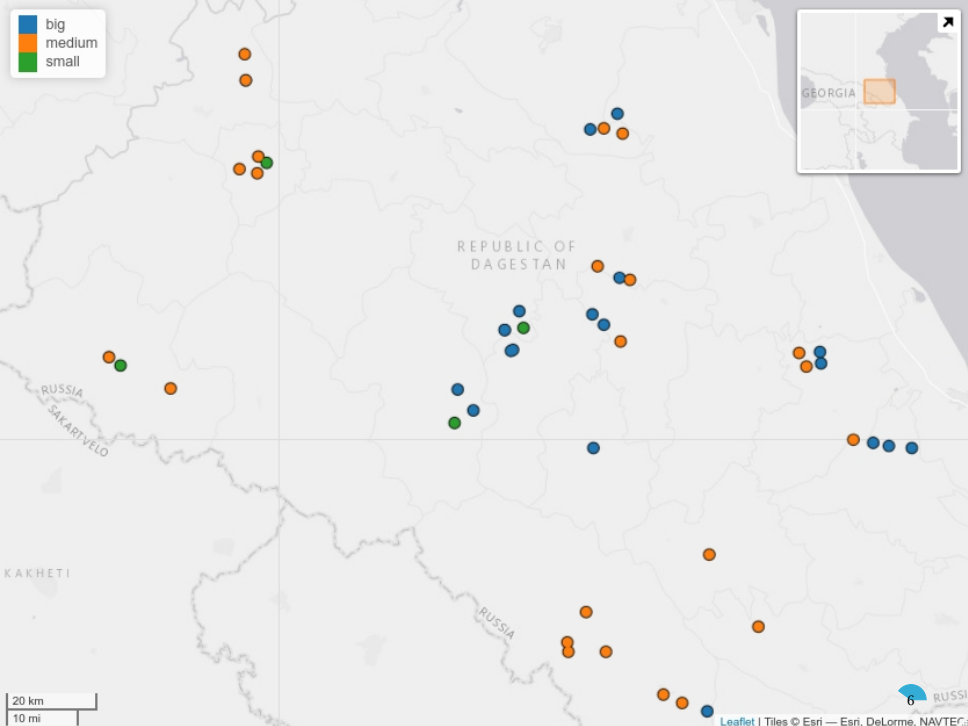
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- we grouped all villages into three categories according to the nowadays number of speakers
 - **big** — 100 000 speakers and more
 - **medium** — 10 000–30 000 speakers
 - **small** — one village languages, 1 000–2 000 speakers





1900



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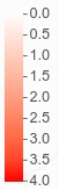
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1910



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1920



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20 km

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1930



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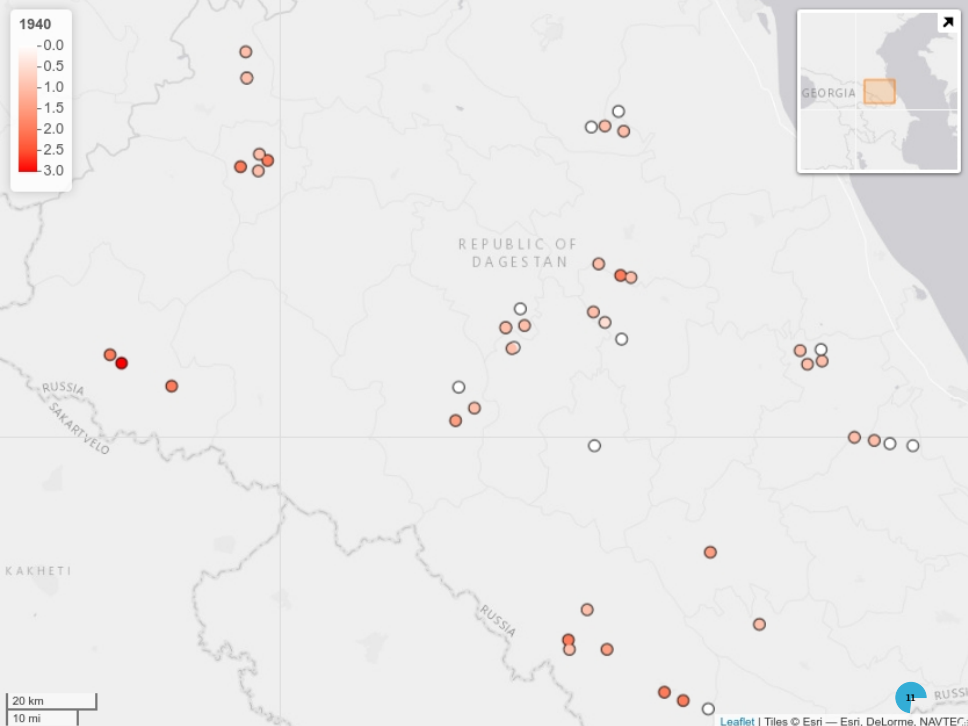
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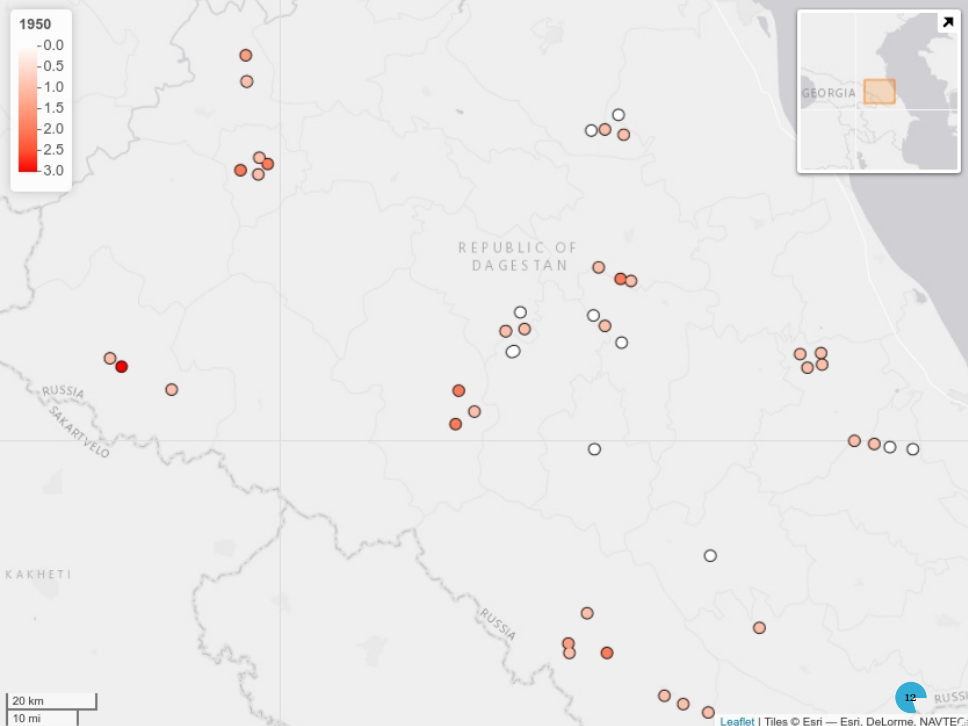
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1950

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Analysis

Thank you!

Send us a letter!

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