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English

**[User Population](https://www.ethnologue.com/about/language-info" \l "Population" \t "_blank)**

60,020,000 in United Kingdom, all users. L1 users: 56,600,000 in United Kingdom (2011 census). England and Wales 49,800,000, Scotland 5,118,000, Northern Ireland 1,681,000. L2 users: 3,420,000 (2011 census). Total users in all countries: 1,268,100,190 (as L1: 369,704,070; as L2: 898,396,120).

**[Language Status](https://www.ethnologue.com/about/language-info" \l "Status2" \t "_blank)**

1 (National). De facto national language.

**[Classification](https://www.ethnologue.com/about/language-info" \l "Class" \t "_blank)**

[Indo-European, Germanic, West, English](https://www.ethnologue.com/subgroups/english)

**[Dialects](https://www.ethnologue.com/about/language-info" \l "Dialects" \t "_blank)**

Cockney, Scouse, Geordie, West Country, East Anglia, Birmingham (Brummie, Brummy), South Wales, Edinburgh, Belfast, Cornwall, Cumberland, Central Cumberland, Devonshire, East Devonshire, Dorset, Durham, Bolton Lancashire, North Lancashire, Radcliffe Lancashire, Northumberland, Norfolk, Newcastle Northumberland, Tyneside Northumberland, Lowland Scottish, Somerset, Sussex, Westmorland, North Wiltshire, Craven Yorkshire, North Yorkshire, Sheffield Yorkshire, West Yorkshire, Glaswegian. Many local English varieties around the world. Lexical similarity: 60% with German, 27% with French, 24% with Russian.

**[Typology](https://www.ethnologue.com/about/language-info" \l "Type" \t "_blank)**

SVO; prepositions; genitives after noun heads; articles, adjectives, numerals before noun heads; question word initial; word order distinguishes subject, object, indirect objects, given and new information, topic and comment; active and passive; causative; comparative; consonant and vowel clusters; 24 consonants, 13 vowels, 8 diphthongs; non-tonal; free stress; phrasal verbs.

**[Language Use](https://www.ethnologue.com/about/language-info" \l "LgUse" \t "_blank)**

Some also use French [[fra]](https://www.ethnologue.com/language/fra) (European Commission 2006). A few also use Spanish [[spa]](https://www.ethnologue.com/language/spa) (European Commission 2006), Standard German [[deu]](https://www.ethnologue.com/language/deu) (European Commission 2006).

**[Language Development](https://www.ethnologue.com/about/language-info" \l "LgDev2" \t "_blank)**

Fully developed. Bible: 1382–2002.

**[Language Resources](https://www.ethnologue.com/about/language-info" \l "Resources" \t "_blank)**

[OLAC resources in and about English](http://www.language-archives.org/language/eng)

**[Writing](https://www.ethnologue.com/about/language-info" \l "Writing" \t "_blank)**

Braille script [[Brai]](http://www.scriptsource.org/scr/Brai). Deseret Alphabet [[Dsrt]](http://www.scriptsource.org/scr/Dsrt), developed in 1854 with limited usage until 1877. Latin script [[Latn]](http://www.scriptsource.org/scr/Latn), primary usage. Shavian (Shaw) script [[Shaw]](http://www.scriptsource.org/scr/Shaw), no longer in use.

**[Other Comments](https://www.ethnologue.com/about/language-info" \l "Other" \t "_blank)**

Christian.

**Also Spoken In:**

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[**Hide DetailsAfghanistan**](https://www.ethnologue.com/language/eng)

**Language Name**English

**User Population**

1,732,000 in Afghanistan, all users. L1 users: 12,000 in Afghanistan (2017 J. Leclerc). L2 users: 1,720,000 (2017 World Factbook).

**Location**

Scattered.

**Language Status**

5\* (Dispersed).

**Other Comments**

Non-indigenous.

[View other languages of Afghanistan](https://www.ethnologue.com/country/af/languages)

[**Hide DetailsAlgeria**](https://www.ethnologue.com/language/eng)

**Language Name**English

**User Population**

2,527,260 in Algeria, all users. L1 users: 7,260 in Algeria (2015 UNSD). L2 users: 2,520,000 (Ramaswami et al 2012).

**Language Status**

5\* (Dispersed).

**Other Comments**

Non-indigenous.

[View other languages of Algeria](https://www.ethnologue.com/country/dz/languages)

[**Hide DetailsAmerican Samoa**](https://www.ethnologue.com/language/eng)

**Language Name**English

**User Population**

56,180 in American Samoa, all users. L1 users: 2,180 in American Samoa (2017). L2 users: 54,000 (2017).

**Language Status**

1 (National). De facto national language.

**Other Comments**

Non-indigenous.

[View other languages of American Samoa](https://www.ethnologue.com/country/as/languages)

[**Hide DetailsAndorra**](https://www.ethnologue.com/language/eng)

**Language Name**English

**User Population**

17,900 in Andorra (2004 Institut d’Estudis Catalans), L2 users.

**Language Status**

5\* (Dispersed).

**Other Comments**

Non-indigenous.

[View other languages of Andorra](https://www.ethnologue.com/country/ad/languages)

[**Hide DetailsAnguilla**](https://www.ethnologue.com/language/eng)

**Language Name**English

**User Population**

12,250 in Anguilla, all users. L1 users: 950 in Anguilla (2004). It is difficult to substantiate the number of Creole speakers and English speakers. L2 users: 11,300 (2003 UNSD).

**Language Status**

1 (National). De facto national language.

**Other Comments**

Non-indigenous.

[View other languages of Anguilla](https://www.ethnologue.com/country/ai/languages)

[**Hide DetailsAntigua and Barbuda**](https://www.ethnologue.com/language/eng)

**Language Name**English

**User Population**

89,000 in Antigua and Barbuda, all users. L1 users: 86,400 in Antigua and Barbuda (2011). It is difficult to substantiate the number of Creole speakers and English speakers. L2 users: 2,600 (2011).

**Language Status**

1 (National). De facto national language.

**Other Comments**

Non-indigenous.

[View other languages of Antigua and Barbuda](https://www.ethnologue.com/country/ag/languages)

[**Hide DetailsArgentina**](https://www.ethnologue.com/language/eng)

**Language Name**English

**User Population**

2,850,000 in Argentina, all users. L1 users: 100,000 in Argentina (1985 New York Times). L2 users: 2,750,000 (2006).

**Location**

Widespread, mostly in Buenos Aires.

**Alternate Names**

Inglés

**Language Status**

5\* (Dispersed).

**Other Comments**

Non-indigenous. The British came to build the railroads in Argentina in the early 1800s.

[View other languages of Argentina](https://www.ethnologue.com/country/ar/languages)

[**Hide DetailsAruba**](https://www.ethnologue.com/language/eng)

**Language Name**English

**User Population**

42,000 in Aruba, all users. L1 users: 7,000 in Aruba (2009 UNSD). L2 users: 35,000 (Crystal 2003a).

**Location**

Widespread.

**Language Status**

3 (Wider communication). De facto national working language.

**Other Comments**

Non-indigenous.

[View other languages of Aruba](https://www.ethnologue.com/country/aw/languages)

[**Hide DetailsAustralia**](https://www.ethnologue.com/language/eng)

**Language Name**English

**User Population**

22,200,000 in Australia (2016), all users. L1 users: 17,000,000 (2016 census).

**Dialects**

Australian Standard English, Aboriginal English, Neo-Nyungar (Noogar, Noonga, Noongar).

**Language Status**

1 (National). De facto national language.

**Other Comments**

Non-indigenous. Minor regional dialect differences. Neo-Nyungar is the community dialect of the Nyungar people.

[View other languages of Australia](https://www.ethnologue.com/country/au/languages)

[**Hide DetailsAustria**](https://www.ethnologue.com/language/eng)

**Language Name**English

**User Population**

6,418,600 in Austria, all users. L1 users: 58,600 in Austria (2003 UNSD). L2 users: 6,360,000 (European Commission 2012).

**Location**

Widespread.

**Language Status**

4 (Educational).

**Language Development**

Taught in primary and secondary schools.

**Other Comments**

Non-indigenous.

[View other languages of Austria](https://www.ethnologue.com/country/at/languages)

[**Hide DetailsAzerbaijan**](https://www.ethnologue.com/language/eng)

**Language Name**English

**User Population**

2,800 in Azerbaijan (Leclerc 2017b).

**Language Status**

Unestablished.

**Other Comments**

Non-indigenous.

[View other languages of Azerbaijan](https://www.ethnologue.com/country/az/languages)

[**Hide DetailsBahamas**](https://www.ethnologue.com/language/eng)

**Language Name**English

**User Population**

385,200 in Bahamas, all users. L1 users: 351,000 in Bahamas (2013 UNSD). L2 users: 34,200 (2014).

**Language Status**

1 (National). De facto national language.

**Other Comments**

Non-indigenous. When Creole languages exist alongside their lexifier language, as in the Bahamas, a continuum forms of variations between the Creole and the lexifier language. It is therefore difficult to substantiate the number of Creole speakers and English speakers.

[View other languages of Bahamas](https://www.ethnologue.com/country/bs/languages)

[**Hide DetailsBahrain**](https://www.ethnologue.com/language/eng)

**Language Name**English

**User Population**

16,600 in Bahrain (2013).

**Location**

Widespread.

**Language Status**

3 (Wider communication). De facto national working language.

**Language Use**

Used for most business communication. Many Bahraini children learn English before Arabic [arb] because it is easier to learn (2004).

**Other Comments**

Non-indigenous.

[View other languages of Bahrain](https://www.ethnologue.com/country/bh/languages)

[**Hide DetailsBangladesh**](https://www.ethnologue.com/language/eng)

**Language Name**English

**User Population**

29,300,000 in Bangladesh (2010 Euromonitor International), L2 users.

**Language Status**

5\* (Dispersed).

**Language Use**

Used as L2 by Bihari [urd], Mahali [mjx], War-Jaintia [aml].

**Other Comments**

Non-indigenous.

[View other languages of Bangladesh](https://www.ethnologue.com/country/bd/languages)

[**Hide DetailsBarbados**](https://www.ethnologue.com/language/eng)

**Language Name**English

**User Population**

41,900 in Barbados, all users. L1 users: 28,900 in Barbados (2017). L2 users: 13,000 (Crystal 2003a).

**Language Status**

1 (National). De facto national language.

**Other Comments**

Non-indigenous. When Creole languages exist alongside their lexifier language, as in Barbados, a continuum forms of variations between the Creole and the lexifier language. It is therefore difficult to substantiate the number of Creole speakers and English speakers. Christian.

[View other languages of Barbados](https://www.ethnologue.com/country/bb/languages)

[**Hide DetailsBelgium**](https://www.ethnologue.com/language/eng)

**Language Name**English

**User Population**

4,334,500 in Belgium, all users. L1 users: 24,500 in Belgium (2013 census). L2 users: 4,310,000 (European Commission 2012).

**Alternate Names**

Anglais, Engels, Englisch

**Language Status**

5\* (Dispersed).

**Language Use**

Used as L2 by Dutch [nld], Vlaams [vls].

**Other Comments**

Non-indigenous.

[View other languages of Belgium](https://www.ethnologue.com/country/be/languages)

[**Hide DetailsBelize**](https://www.ethnologue.com/language/eng)

**Language Name**English

**User Population**

240,000 in Belize, all users. L1 users: 184,000 in Belize (2014 UNSD). L2 users: 56,000 (Crystal 2003a).

**Location**

Widespread.

**Language Status**

1 (National). De facto national language.

**Language Use**

Education, government, commerce.

**Other Comments**

Non-indigenous. When Creole languages exist alongside their lexifier language, as in Belize, a continuum forms of variations between the Creole and the lexifier language It is therefore difficult to substantiate the number of Creole speakers and English speakers.

[View other languages of Belize](https://www.ethnologue.com/country/bz/languages)

[**Hide DetailsBermuda**](https://www.ethnologue.com/language/eng)

**Language Name**English

**User Population**

62,000 in Bermuda (Crystal 2003a).

**Dialects**

Bermudan English.

**Language Status**

1 (National). De facto national language.

**Other Comments**

Non-indigenous. Colloquial English may not be a creole but a regional variety of uncreolized English.

[View other languages of Bermuda](https://www.ethnologue.com/country/bm/languages)

[**Hide DetailsBhutan**](https://www.ethnologue.com/language/eng)

**Language Name**English

**Location**

Widespread.

**Language Status**

3 (Wider communication). De facto national working language.

**Language Use**

Education, government, commerce, media. Used as L2 by Khengkha [xkf].

**Language Development**

Taught in primary and secondary schools.

**Other Comments**

Non-indigenous.

[View other languages of Bhutan](https://www.ethnologue.com/country/bt/languages)

[**Hide DetailsBotswana**](https://www.ethnologue.com/language/eng)

**Language Name**English

**User Population**

927,900 in Botswana, all users. L1 users: 52,900 in Botswana (2015 UNSD). L2 users: 875,000 (2016).

**Language Status**

1 (National). De facto national working language.

**Language Use**

International trade, the medium of western influence.

**Language Development**

Language of instruction from fifth grade. Taught from the beginning of primary school as a required subject. Taught in primary and secondary schools.

**Other Comments**

Non-indigenous.

[View other languages of Botswana](https://www.ethnologue.com/country/bw/languages)

[**Hide DetailsBritish Indian Ocean Territory**](https://www.ethnologue.com/language/eng)

**Language Name**English

**User Population**

4,000 in British Indian Ocean Territory (2004 census).

**Language Status**

1 (National). De facto national language.

**Other Comments**

Non-indigenous. The indigenous population no longer resides in the islands. Current residents include members of the United States military, a small detachment of British officials, and support staff, mainly of Mauritian and Philippine origin.

[View other languages of British Indian Ocean Territory](https://www.ethnologue.com/country/io/languages)

[**Hide DetailsBritish Virgin Islands**](https://www.ethnologue.com/language/eng)

**Language Name**English

**User Population**

3,100 in British Virgin Islands (2017).

**Language Status**

1 (National). De facto national language.

**Other Comments**

Non-indigenous. When Creole languages exist alongside their lexifier language, as in the British Virgin Islands, a continuum forms of variations between the Creole and the lexifier language. It is therefore difficult to substantiate the number of Creole speakers and English speakers.

[View other languages of British Virgin Islands](https://www.ethnologue.com/country/vg/languages)

[**Hide DetailsBrunei**](https://www.ethnologue.com/language/eng)

**Language Name**English

**User Population**

140,000 in Brunei, all users. L1 users: 6,000 in Brunei (2004 J. Leclerc). L2 users: 134,000 (Crystal 2003a).

**Language Status**

1 (National). Statutory national working language (1984, Constitution, Article 82(2)).

**Language Use**

Government, education, and by the educated as L1 or L2.

**Other Comments**

Non-indigenous.

[View other languages of Brunei](https://www.ethnologue.com/country/bn/languages)

[**Hide DetailsBulgaria**](https://www.ethnologue.com/language/eng)

**Language Name**English

**User Population**

1,802,500 in Bulgaria, all users. L1 users: 2,500 in Bulgaria (2016 J. Leclerc). L2 users: 1,800,000 (European Commission 2012).

**Language Status**

4 (Educational).

**Language Use**

Used as L2 by Bulgarian [bul].

**Other Comments**

Non-indigenous.

[View other languages of Bulgaria](https://www.ethnologue.com/country/bg/languages)

[**Hide DetailsCambodia**](https://www.ethnologue.com/language/eng)

**Language Name**English

**User Population**

3,502,360 in Cambodia, all users. L1 users: 2,360 in Cambodia (2009 UNSD). L2 users: 3,500,000 (2016 R. Salin).

**Location**

Major cities.

**Language Status**

3 (Wider communication).

**Other Comments**

Non-indigenous. English [eng] has surpassed French [fra] as the more commonly spoken international language in Cambodia.

[View other languages of Cambodia](https://www.ethnologue.com/country/kh/languages)

[**Hide DetailsCameroon**](https://www.ethnologue.com/language/eng)

**Language Name**English

**User Population**

7,500,000 in Cameroon (Pinyon and Haydon 2010), L2 users.

**Location**

Mainly North West and South West regions.

**Alternate Names**

Anglais

**Language Status**

1 (National). Statutory national language (1996, Constitution, Article 1(3)).

**Other Comments**

Non-indigenous.

[View other languages of Cameroon](https://www.ethnologue.com/country/cm/languages)

[**Hide DetailsCanada**](https://www.ethnologue.com/language/eng)

**Language Name**English

**User Population**

30,000,000 in Canada, all users. L1 users: 19,500,000 in Canada (2016 census). L2 users: 10,500,000 (2016 census).

**Alternate Names**

Anglais

**Dialects**

Newfoundland English.

**Language Status**

1 (National). Statutory national language (1988, Official Languages Act, Ch. 38, Articles 1, 34).

**Other Comments**

Non-indigenous.

[View other languages of Canada](https://www.ethnologue.com/country/ca/languages)

[**Hide DetailsCaribbean Netherlands**](https://www.ethnologue.com/language/eng)

**Language Name**English

**User Population**

3,390 in Caribbean Netherlands (2001 census). Bonaire 300, Sint Eustatius 1,900, Saba 1,190.

**Language Status**

1 (National). Statutory national language (2010, Provisional Official Languages Law, BWBR0028827, Article 2).

**Other Comments**

Non-indigenous. When Creole languages exist alongside their lexifier language, a continuum forms of variations between the Creole and the lexifier language. It is therefore difficult to substantiate the number of Creole speakers and English speakers.

[View other languages of Caribbean Netherlands](https://www.ethnologue.com/country/bq/languages)

[**Hide DetailsCayman Islands**](https://www.ethnologue.com/language/eng)

**Language Name**English

**User Population**

50,000 in Cayman Islands (2012 UNSD).

**Dialects**

Cayman Islands English.

**Language Status**

1 (National). De facto national language.

**Other Comments**

Non-indigenous. Local colloquial English seemingly borrowed creole features similar to Jamaica and Central America without undergoing creolization (Holm 1989:479–480).

[View other languages of Cayman Islands](https://www.ethnologue.com/country/ky/languages)

[**Hide DetailsChile**](https://www.ethnologue.com/language/eng)

**Language Name**English

**User Population**

1,790,000 in Chile (2017 World Factbook), L2 users.

**Alternate Names**

Inglés

**Language Status**

4 (Educational).

**Language Use**

Also use Spanish [spa].

**Other Comments**

Non-indigenous. There is high demand for English education and policies are being pushed to make English the primary second language.

[View other languages of Chile](https://www.ethnologue.com/country/cl/languages)

[**Hide DetailsChina**](https://www.ethnologue.com/language/eng)

**Language Name**English

**User Population**

10,000,000 in China (2017), L2 users.

**Language Status**

4 (Educational).

**Language Use**

Used as L2 by Mandarin Chinese [cmn], Min Nan Chinese [nan], Naxi [nxq], Uyghur [uig], Xibe [sjo].

**Other Comments**

Non-indigenous.

[View other languages of China](https://www.ethnologue.com/country/cn/languages)

[**Hide DetailsChina–Hong Kong**](https://www.ethnologue.com/language/eng)

**Language Name**English

**User Population**

3,750,000 in China–Hong Kong, all users. L1 users: 300,000 in China–Hong Kong (2016 census), increasing. L2 users: 3,450,000 (2016 census).

**Location**

Widespread.

**Language Status**

2 (Provincial). Statutory provincial language in Hong Kong (1997, Basic Law, Article 9).

**Language Use**

Positive attitudes.

**Language Development**

Taught in primary and secondary schools.

**Other Comments**

Non-indigenous.

[View other languages of China–Hong Kong](https://www.ethnologue.com/country/hk/languages)

[**Hide DetailsChina–Macao**](https://www.ethnologue.com/language/eng)

**Language Name**English

**User Population**

196,700 in China–Macao, all users. L1 users: 17,700 in China–Macao (2016 census). L2 users: 179,000 (2016 census).

**Location**

Scattered.

**Language Status**

4 (Educational).

**Language Development**

Taught in secondary schools. Also the language of instruction at the University of Macao (2019 J. Leclerc).

**Other Comments**

Non-indigenous.

[View other languages of China–Macao](https://www.ethnologue.com/country/mo/languages)

[**Hide DetailsChina–Taiwan**](https://www.ethnologue.com/language/eng)

**Language Name**English

**User Population**

15,300 in China–Taiwan (2018 census). Based on nationality.

**Language Status**

Unestablished.

**Other Comments**

Non-indigenous.

[View other languages of China–Taiwan](https://www.ethnologue.com/country/tw/languages)

[**Hide DetailsChristmas Island**](https://www.ethnologue.com/language/eng)

**Language Name**English

**User Population**

610 in Christmas Island (2016).

**Language Status**

1 (National).

**Other Comments**

Non-indigenous.

[View other languages of Christmas Island](https://www.ethnologue.com/country/cx/languages)

[**Hide DetailsCocos (Keeling) Islands**](https://www.ethnologue.com/language/eng)

**Language Name**English

**User Population**

130 in Cocos (Keeling) Islands (2014 World Factbook).

**Location**

West island.

**Language Status**

1 (National).

**Other Comments**

Non-indigenous.

[View other languages of Cocos (Keeling) Islands](https://www.ethnologue.com/country/cc/languages)

[**Hide DetailsColombia**](https://www.ethnologue.com/language/eng)

**Language Name**English

**User Population**

1,910,000 in Colombia (2015), L2 users.

**Location**

San Andrés y Providencia department; scattered elsewhere.

**Language Status**

5\* (Dispersed).

**Language Use**

Used as L2 by Islander Creole English [icr].

**Other Comments**

Non-indigenous.

[View other languages of Colombia](https://www.ethnologue.com/country/co/languages)

[**Hide DetailsCook Islands**](https://www.ethnologue.com/language/eng)

**Language Name**English

**User Population**

17,680 in Cook Islands, all users. L1 users: 680 in Cook Islands (2011 SIL). L2 users: 17,000 (2012 M. Salisbury).

**Location**

Widespread.

**Language Status**

1 (National). Statutory national language (1965, Constitution, Article 35).

**Other Comments**

Non-indigenous. All the residents of Palmerston Island speak a distinctive dialect of English and have close family connections to Penrhyn. The Palmerston residents are descendants of an Englishman with several Cook Islands wives who settled on Palmerston in the 19th century (2012 M. Salisbury).

[View other languages of Cook Islands](https://www.ethnologue.com/country/ck/languages)

[**Hide DetailsCroatia**](https://www.ethnologue.com/language/eng)

**Language Name**English

**User Population**

2,060,000 in Croatia (European Commission 2006), L2 users.

**Alternate Names**

Engelski

**Language Status**

4 (Educational).

**Language Use**

Used as L2 by Croatian [hrv].

**Other Comments**

Non-indigenous.

[View other languages of Croatia](https://www.ethnologue.com/country/hr/languages)

[**Hide DetailsCuracao**](https://www.ethnologue.com/language/eng)

**Language Name**English

**User Population**

4,640 in Curacao (2017).

**Location**

Widespread.

**Language Status**

5\* (Dispersed).

**Language Use**

Used as L2 by Papiamentu [pap].

**Other Comments**

Non-indigenous.

[View other languages of Curacao](https://www.ethnologue.com/country/cw/languages)

[**Hide DetailsCyprus**](https://www.ethnologue.com/language/eng)

**Language Name**English

**User Population**

888,800 in Cyprus, all users. L1 users: 34,800 in Cyprus (2013 UNSD). L2 users: 854,000 (European Commission 2012).

**Alternate Names**

Ingilizce

**Language Status**

4 (Educational).

**Language Use**

Used as L2 by Greek [ell].

**Other Comments**

Non-indigenous.

[View other languages of Cyprus](https://www.ethnologue.com/country/cy/languages)

[**Hide DetailsCzechia**](https://www.ethnologue.com/language/eng)

**Language Name**English

**User Population**

2,867,200 in Czechia, all users. L1 users: 7,200 in Czechia (2011 census). L2 users: 2,860,000 (European Commission 2012).

**Alternate Names**

Angličtina

**Language Status**

4 (Educational).

**Language Use**

Used as L2 by Czech [ces].

**Other Comments**

Non-indigenous.

[View other languages of Czechia](https://www.ethnologue.com/country/cz/languages)

[**Hide DetailsDenmark**](https://www.ethnologue.com/language/eng)

**Language Name**English

**User Population**

4,913,100 in Denmark, all users. L1 users: 23,100 in Denmark (2007 I. Larsen). L2 users: 4,890,000 (European Commission 2012).

**Location**

Widespread.

**Alternate Names**

Engelsk

**Language Status**

4 (Educational).

**Language Use**

Used as L2 by Danish [dan].

**Language Development**

Taught in primary and secondary schools.

**Other Comments**

Non-indigenous.

[View other languages of Denmark](https://www.ethnologue.com/country/dk/languages)

[**Hide DetailsDominica**](https://www.ethnologue.com/language/eng)

**Language Name**English

**User Population**

63,000 in Dominica, all users. L1 users: 3,000 in Dominica (Crystal 2003a). L2 users: 60,000 (Crystal 2003a).

**Dialects**

Dominican English.

**Language Status**

1 (National). De facto national language.

**Other Comments**

Non-indigenous. When Creole languages exist alongside their lexifier language, as in Dominica, a continuum forms of variations between the Creole and the lexifier language. It is therefore difficult to substantiate the number of Creole speakers and English speakers.

[View other languages of Dominica](https://www.ethnologue.com/country/dm/languages)

[**Hide DetailsDominican Republic**](https://www.ethnologue.com/language/eng)

**Language Name**English

**User Population**

8,000 in Dominican Republic (Holm 1989).

**Location**

Cibao Nordeste and Samaná regions, northeastern peninsula.

**Alternate Names**

Inglés

**Dialects**

Samaná English.

**Language Status**

8a (Moribund).

**Language Use**

Older adults only. Also use Haitian Creole [hat], Spanish [spa].

**Other Comments**

Non-indigenous. Descendants of ex-slaves from the United States settled in 1824. Reportedly a settlement of African slaves existed here in the early 1500s. Includes features of creolization and archaic Black English.

[View other languages of Dominican Republic](https://www.ethnologue.com/country/do/languages)

[**Hide DetailsEgypt**](https://www.ethnologue.com/language/eng)

**Language Name**English

**User Population**

28,100,000 in Egypt (Ramaswami et al 2012), L2 users.

**Language Status**

5\* (Dispersed).

**Language Use**

Used as L2 by Egyptian Spoken Arabic [arz].

**Other Comments**

Non-indigenous.

[View other languages of Egypt](https://www.ethnologue.com/country/eg/languages)

[**Hide DetailsEritrea**](https://www.ethnologue.com/language/eng)

**Language Name**English

**Location**

Widespread.

**Language Status**

3 (Wider communication). De facto national working language.

**Language Development**

Taught in primary and secondary schools.

**Other Comments**

Non-indigenous. Language of higher education and many technical fields.

[View other languages of Eritrea](https://www.ethnologue.com/country/er/languages)

[**Hide DetailsEstonia**](https://www.ethnologue.com/language/eng)

**Language Name**English

**User Population**

660,880 in Estonia, all users. L1 users: 880 in Estonia (2013 UNSD). L2 users: 660,000 (European Commission 2012).

**Location**

Widespread.

**Language Status**

4 (Educational).

**Language Use**

Used as L2 by Standard Estonian [ekk].

**Other Comments**

Non-indigenous.

[View other languages of Estonia](https://www.ethnologue.com/country/ee/languages)

[**Hide DetailsEswatini**](https://www.ethnologue.com/language/eng)

**Language Name**English

**User Population**

79,000 in Eswatini, all users. L1 users: 19,000 in Eswatini (2017 J. Leclerc). L2 users: 60,000 (2016).

**Language Status**

1 (National). Statutory national language (2005, Constitution, Article 3(2)).

**Other Comments**

Non-indigenous. Taught in all government and private schools.

[View other languages of Eswatini](https://www.ethnologue.com/country/sz/languages)

[**Hide DetailsEthiopia**](https://www.ethnologue.com/language/eng)

**Language Name**English

**User Population**

171,870 in Ethiopia, all users. L1 users: 1,870 in Ethiopia (2010 UNSD). L2 users: 170,000.

**Location**

Widespread.

**Language Status**

3 (Wider communication).

**Language Use**

Language of higher education, many technical fields, and international communication.

**Language Development**

Taught in secondary schools throughout Ethiopia.

**Other Comments**

Non-indigenous.

[View other languages of Ethiopia](https://www.ethnologue.com/country/et/languages)

[**Hide DetailsFalkland Islands**](https://www.ethnologue.com/language/eng)

**Language Name**English

**User Population**

2,850 in Falkland Islands (2017 World Factbook).

**Location**

Widespread.

**Language Status**

1 (National).

**Other Comments**

Non-indigenous. Christian, secular.

[View other languages of Falkland Islands](https://www.ethnologue.com/country/fk/languages)

[**Hide DetailsFiji**](https://www.ethnologue.com/language/eng)

**Language Name**English

**User Population**

199,700 in Fiji, all users. L1 users: 29,700 in Fiji (2017). L2 users: 170,000 (Crystal 2003a).

**Language Status**

1 (National). Statutory national language (2000, Constitution, Article 4(1)), dominant language in commerce, education, government.

**Language Use**

Also used by many urban Chinese (4,652 in 1976), Rotuman, occasionally by Indians, rarely by Fijians (Geraghty and Pawley 1981). Reportedly a Fijian Pidgin English. Main language of commerce, education, government.

**Other Comments**

Non-indigenous.

[View other languages of Fiji](https://www.ethnologue.com/country/fj/languages)

[**Hide DetailsFinland**](https://www.ethnologue.com/language/eng)

**Language Name**English

**User Population**

3,860,700 in Finland, all users. L1 users: 20,700 in Finland (2018 census). L2 users: 3,840,000 (European Commission 2012).

**Location**

Widespread.

**Alternate Names**

Englanti

**Language Status**

4 (Educational).

**Language Use**

Used as L2 by Finnish [fin].

**Language Development**

Taught in primary and secondary schools.

**Other Comments**

Non-indigenous.

[View other languages of Finland](https://www.ethnologue.com/country/fi/languages)

[**Hide DetailsFrance**](https://www.ethnologue.com/language/eng)

**Language Name**English

**User Population**

25,200,000 in France (European Commission 2012), L2 users.

**Location**

Widespread.

**Alternate Names**

anglais

**Language Status**

4 (Educational).

**Language Use**

Used as L2 by French [fra], Vlaams [vls].

**Language Development**

Taught in primary and secondary schools.

**Other Comments**

Non-indigenous.

[View other languages of France](https://www.ethnologue.com/country/fr/languages)

[**Hide DetailsGambia**](https://www.ethnologue.com/language/eng)

**Language Name**English

**User Population**

60,000 in Gambia, all users. L1 users: 2,000 in Gambia (Biel 2014). L2 users: 58,000 (2016).

**Location**

Widespread.

**Language Status**

1 (National). De facto national language.

**Language Use**

Education, governmental operations, and business with international relations.

**Language Development**

Taught in primary and secondary schools.

**Other Comments**

Non-indigenous.

[View other languages of Gambia](https://www.ethnologue.com/country/gm/languages)

[**Hide DetailsGermany**](https://www.ethnologue.com/language/eng)

**Language Name**English

**User Population**

45,840,000 in Germany, all users. L1 users: 240,000 in Germany (2018 census). Based on nationality. L2 users: 45,600,000 (European Commission 2012).

**Location**

Widespread.

**Alternate Names**

Englisch

**Language Status**

4 (Educational).

**Language Use**

Used as L2 by German Sign Language [gsg], Northern Frisian [frr], Standard German [deu].

**Language Development**

Taught in primary and secondary schools.

**Other Comments**

Non-indigenous.

[View other languages of Germany](https://www.ethnologue.com/country/de/languages)

[**Hide DetailsGhana**](https://www.ethnologue.com/language/eng)

**Language Name**English

**User Population**

9,800,000 in Ghana (2010 census), L2 users.

**Language Status**

1 (National). De facto national language.

**Other Comments**

Non-indigenous.

[View other languages of Ghana](https://www.ethnologue.com/country/gh/languages)

[**Hide DetailsGibraltar**](https://www.ethnologue.com/language/eng)

**Language Name**English

**User Population**

30,000 in Gibraltar, all users. L1 users: 28,000 in Gibraltar (Crystal 2003a). L2 users: 2,000 (Crystal 2003a).

**Language Status**

1 (National). De facto national language.

**Other Comments**

Non-indigenous.

[View other languages of Gibraltar](https://www.ethnologue.com/country/gi/languages)

[**Hide DetailsGreece**](https://www.ethnologue.com/language/eng)

**Language Name**English

**User Population**

5,535,400 in Greece, all users. L1 users: 15,400 in Greece (2011 census). L2 users: 5,520,000 (European Commission 2012).

**Location**

Widespread.

**Language Status**

4 (Educational).

**Language Use**

Used as L2 by Greek [ell].

**Language Development**

Taught in primary schools. Taught in secondary schools. Also taught in all universities and technical schools (2019 J. Leclerc).

**Other Comments**

Non-indigenous.

[View other languages of Greece](https://www.ethnologue.com/country/gr/languages)

[**Hide DetailsGrenada**](https://www.ethnologue.com/language/eng)

**Language Name**English

**User Population**

5,350 in Grenada (2015).

**Dialects**

Grenadian English.

**Language Status**

1 (National). De facto national language.

**Other Comments**

Non-indigenous. When Creole languages exist alongside their lexifier language, as in Grenada, a continuum forms of variations between the Creole and the lexifier language. In such situations, a continuum forms of variations between the Creole and the acrolect. It is therefore difficult to substantiate the number of Creole speakers and English speakers. Post-creole English with French Creole influences (Alleyne 1985).

[View other languages of Grenada](https://www.ethnologue.com/country/gd/languages)

[**Hide DetailsGuam**](https://www.ethnologue.com/language/eng)

**Language Name**English

**User Population**

163,200 in Guam, all users. L1 users: 63,200 in Guam (2013 census). L2 users: 100,000 (Crystal 2003a).

**Language Status**

1 (National). Statutory national language (1974, Guam Code Annotated, Chapter 7, Section 706, amended), dominates in administration, education and media.

**Other Comments**

Non-indigenous. United States military and dependents.

[View other languages of Guam](https://www.ethnologue.com/country/gu/languages)

[**Hide DetailsGuernsey**](https://www.ethnologue.com/language/eng)

**Language Name**English

**User Population**

62,500 in Guernsey.

**Location**

Widespread.

**Language Status**

1 (National). Statutory national language (2006, Amendment 2, Royal Court Rules).

**Other Comments**

Non-indigenous.

[View other languages of Guernsey](https://www.ethnologue.com/country/gg/languages)

[**Hide DetailsGuinea-Bissau**](https://www.ethnologue.com/language/eng)

**Language Name**English

**User Population**

42,200 in Guinea-Bissau (2015 UNSD), L2 users.

**Language Status**

5\* (Dispersed).

**Other Comments**

Non-indigenous.

[View other languages of Guinea-Bissau](https://www.ethnologue.com/country/gw/languages)

[**Hide DetailsGuyana**](https://www.ethnologue.com/language/eng)

**Language Name**English

**User Population**

179,000 in Guyana, all users. L1 users: 149,000 in Guyana (2016). L2 users: 30,000 (Crystal 2003a).

**Dialects**

Guyanese English.

**Language Status**

1 (National). De facto national language.

**Other Comments**

Non-indigenous. When Creole languages exist alongside their lexifier language, as in Guyana, a continuum forms of variations between the Creole and the lexifier language. It is therefore difficult to substantiate the number of Creole speakers and English speakers.

[View other languages of Guyana](https://www.ethnologue.com/country/gy/languages)

[**Hide DetailsHonduras**](https://www.ethnologue.com/language/eng)

**Language Name**English

**User Population**

9,000 in Honduras (2015 J. Leclerc). Also 13,000 speakers of Bay Island Creole English (2015 J. Leclerc).

**Location**

Islas de la Bahía department: large cities along north mainland coast.

**Alternate Names**

Inglés

**Dialects**

Bay Islands English.

**Language Status**

5\* (Dispersed).

**Language Use**

Used as L2 by Garifuna [cab].

**Other Comments**

Non-indigenous. Some creole influence.

[View other languages of Honduras](https://www.ethnologue.com/country/hn/languages)

[**Hide DetailsHungary**](https://www.ethnologue.com/language/eng)

**Language Name**English

**User Population**

1,980,000 in Hungary (European Commission 2012), L2 users.

**Alternate Names**

Angol

**Language Status**

4 (Educational).

**Language Use**

Used as L2 by Hungarian [hun].

**Other Comments**

Non-indigenous.

[View other languages of Hungary](https://www.ethnologue.com/country/hu/languages)

[**Hide DetailsIceland**](https://www.ethnologue.com/language/eng)

**Language Name**English

**User Population**

301,080 in Iceland, all users. L1 users: 1,080 in Iceland (2008 census). L2 users: 300,000 (2015 L. Cox).

**Language Status**

5\* (Dispersed).

**Other Comments**

Non-indigenous.

[View other languages of Iceland](https://www.ethnologue.com/country/is/languages)

[**Hide DetailsIndia**](https://www.ethnologue.com/language/eng)

**Language Name**English

**User Population**

238,260,000 in India, all users. L1 users: 260,000 in India (2011 census). L2 users: 238,000,000 (2017).

**Language Status**

1 (National). Statutory national working language (1950, Constitution, Articles 343 and 348(1)).

**Other Comments**

Non-indigenous. Neither British nor American English but a distinct Indian dialect with its own unique vocabulary and style.

[View other languages of India](https://www.ethnologue.com/country/in/languages)

[**Hide DetailsIraq**](https://www.ethnologue.com/language/eng)

**Language Name**English

**User Population**

11,100,000 in Iraq (Ramaswami et al 2012), L2 users.

**Language Status**

5\* (Dispersed).

**Other Comments**

Non-indigenous.

[View other languages of Iraq](https://www.ethnologue.com/country/iq/languages)

[**Hide DetailsIreland**](https://www.ethnologue.com/language/eng)

**Language Name**English

**User Population**

4,652,000 in Ireland, all users. L1 users: 4,370,000 in Ireland (European Commission 2012). L2 users: 282,000 (European Commission 2012).

**Dialects**

South Hiberno English, North Hiberno English.

**Language Status**

1 (National). Statutory national language (1937, Constitution, Article 8(2)).

**Language Use**

Some also use French [fra] (European Commission 2006). A few also use Standard German [deu] (European Commission 2006).

[View other languages of Ireland](https://www.ethnologue.com/country/ie/languages)

[**Hide DetailsIsle of Man**](https://www.ethnologue.com/language/eng)

**Language Name**English

**User Population**

88,000 in Isle of Man (2015).

**Location**

Widespread.

**Language Status**

3 (Wider communication). De facto national working language.

**Language Use**

Used as L2 by Manx [glv].

[View other languages of Isle of Man](https://www.ethnologue.com/country/im/languages)

[**Hide DetailsIsrael**](https://www.ethnologue.com/language/eng)

**Language Name**English

**User Population**

6,202,000 in Israel, all users. L1 users: 92,000 in Israel (Leclerc 2018a). L2 users: 6,110,000 (2018).

**Location**

Widespread.

**Language Status**

3 (Wider communication).

**Other Comments**

Non-indigenous.

[View other languages of Israel](https://www.ethnologue.com/country/il/languages)

[**Hide DetailsItaly**](https://www.ethnologue.com/language/eng)

**Language Name**English

**User Population**

20,700,000 in Italy (European Commission 2012), L2 users.

**Alternate Names**

Inglese

**Language Status**

5\* (Dispersed).

**Language Use**

Used as L2 by Italian [ita].

**Other Comments**

Non-indigenous.

[View other languages of Italy](https://www.ethnologue.com/country/it/languages)

[**Hide DetailsJamaica**](https://www.ethnologue.com/language/eng)

**Language Name**English

**User Population**

50,000 in Jamaica (Crystal 2003a), L2 users.

**Language Status**

1 (National). De facto national language.

**Other Comments**

Non-indigenous. When Creole languages exist alongside their lexifier language, a continuum forms of variations between the Creole and the lexifier language. It is therefore difficult to substantiate the exact number of Creole speakers and speakers of the lexifier language.

[View other languages of Jamaica](https://www.ethnologue.com/country/jm/languages)

[**Hide DetailsJapan**](https://www.ethnologue.com/language/eng)

**Language Name**English

**User Population**

74,000 in Japan (2013 J. Leclerc).

**Language Status**

Unestablished.

**Other Comments**

Non-indigenous.

[View other languages of Japan](https://www.ethnologue.com/country/jp/languages)

[**Hide DetailsJersey**](https://www.ethnologue.com/language/eng)

**Language Name**English

**User Population**

93,200 in Jersey (2016 World Factbook).

**Location**

Widespread.

**Language Status**

1 (National). Statutory national language (2006, Amendment 2, Royal Court Rules).

**Other Comments**

Non-indigenous.

[View other languages of Jersey](https://www.ethnologue.com/country/je/languages)

[**Hide DetailsJordan**](https://www.ethnologue.com/language/eng)

**Language Name**English

**User Population**

2,970,000 in Jordan (Ramaswami et al 2012), L2 users.

**Language Status**

5\* (Dispersed).

**Other Comments**

Non-indigenous.

[View other languages of Jordan](https://www.ethnologue.com/country/jo/languages)

[**Hide DetailsKazakhstan**](https://www.ethnologue.com/language/eng)

**Language Name**English

**User Population**

1,870,900 in Kazakhstan, all users. L1 users: 900 in Kazakhstan (2017 J. Leclerc). L2 users: 1,870,000 (2009 census).

**Location**

Scattered.

**Language Status**

4 (Educational).

**Language Development**

Taught in secondary schools.

**Other Comments**

Non-indigenous.

[View other languages of Kazakhstan](https://www.ethnologue.com/country/kz/languages)

[**Hide DetailsKenya**](https://www.ethnologue.com/language/eng)

**Language Name**English

**User Population**

4,360,000 in Kenya (2017), L2 users.

**Location**

Widespread.

**Language Status**

1 (National). Statutory national language (2010, Constitution, Article 7(2)).

**Language Use**

Official language in most transactions. Used by all. Positive attitudes. Also use Swahili [swh].

**Language Development**

Taught in primary and secondary schools.

**Other Comments**

Non-indigenous.

[View other languages of Kenya](https://www.ethnologue.com/country/ke/languages)

[**Hide DetailsKiribati**](https://www.ethnologue.com/language/eng)

**Language Name**English

**User Population**

25,500 in Kiribati, all users. L1 users: 2,500 in Kiribati (2015). L2 users: 23,000 (Crystal 2003a).

**Language Status**

1 (National). De facto national language, should official texts conflict in interpretation, English prevails over Kiribati.

**Other Comments**

Non-indigenous.

[View other languages of Kiribati](https://www.ethnologue.com/country/ki/languages)

[**Hide DetailsKuwait**](https://www.ethnologue.com/language/eng)

**Language Name**English

**User Population**

26,000 in Kuwait (2011 census).

**Language Status**

Unestablished.

**Other Comments**

Non-indigenous.

[View other languages of Kuwait](https://www.ethnologue.com/country/kw/languages)

[**Hide DetailsLatvia**](https://www.ethnologue.com/language/eng)

**Language Name**English

**User Population**

914,000 in Latvia (European Commission 2012), L2 users.

**Alternate Names**

Angļu

**Language Status**

4 (Educational).

**Language Use**

Used as L2 by Standard Latvian [lvs].

**Other Comments**

Non-indigenous.

[View other languages of Latvia](https://www.ethnologue.com/country/lv/languages)

[**Hide DetailsLebanon**](https://www.ethnologue.com/language/eng)

**Language Name**English

**User Population**

1,718,980 in Lebanon, all users. L1 users: 8,980 in Lebanon (2018). L2 users: 1,710,000 (Ramaswami et al 2012).

**Location**

Scattered.

**Language Status**

3 (Wider communication).

**Language Use**

Used to some extent since American University of Beirut founded in 1866. Many English language publications. Language of instruction in some schools and universities. Not spoken on the street or in Lebanese homes.

**Other Comments**

Non-indigenous.

[View other languages of Lebanon](https://www.ethnologue.com/country/lb/languages)

[**Hide DetailsLesotho**](https://www.ethnologue.com/language/eng)

**Language Name**English

**User Population**

503,700 in Lesotho, all users. L1 users: 3,700 in Lesotho (2017 J. Leclerc). L2 users: 500,000 (Crystal 2003a).

**Language Status**

1 (National). Statutory national language (1993, Constitution, Article 7(2)).

**Other Comments**

Non-indigenous.

[View other languages of Lesotho](https://www.ethnologue.com/country/ls/languages)

[**Hide DetailsLiberia**](https://www.ethnologue.com/language/eng)

**Language Name**English

**User Population**

2,574,000 in Liberia, all users. L1 users: 74,000 in Liberia (2004 J. Leclerc). L2 users: 2,500,000 (Crystal 2003a).

**Dialects**

Liberian Standard English.

**Language Status**

1 (National). De facto national language.

**Other Comments**

Non-indigenous.

[View other languages of Liberia](https://www.ethnologue.com/country/lr/languages)

[**Hide DetailsLibya**](https://www.ethnologue.com/language/eng)

**Language Name**English

**User Population**

12,600 in Libya (2016).

**Language Status**

Unestablished.

**Other Comments**

Non-indigenous.

[View other languages of Libya](https://www.ethnologue.com/country/ly/languages)

[**Hide DetailsLithuania**](https://www.ethnologue.com/language/eng)

**Language Name**English

**User Population**

1,100,290 in Lithuania, all users. L1 users: 290 in Lithuania (2014 UNSD). L2 users: 1,100,000 (European Commission 2012).

**Alternate Names**

Anglų

**Language Status**

4 (Educational).

**Language Use**

Used as L2 by Lithuanian [lit].

**Other Comments**

Non-indigenous.

[View other languages of Lithuania](https://www.ethnologue.com/country/lt/languages)

[**Hide DetailsLuxembourg**](https://www.ethnologue.com/language/eng)

**Language Name**English

**User Population**

336,000 in Luxembourg, all users. L1 users: 10,000 in Luxembourg (2011 census). L2 users: 326,000 (European Commission 2012).

**Location**

Widespread.

**Alternate Names**

Anglais, Englesch, Englisch

**Language Status**

4 (Educational).

**Language Use**

Business, finance, industry. Used as L2 by Luxembourgish [ltz].

**Language Development**

Taught in secondary schools.

**Other Comments**

Non-indigenous.

[View other languages of Luxembourg](https://www.ethnologue.com/country/lu/languages)

[**Hide DetailsMadagascar**](https://www.ethnologue.com/language/eng)

**Language Name**English

**Location**

Scattered.

**Alternate Names**

Anglisy

**Language Status**

3 (Wider communication).

**Other Comments**

Non-indigenous. Although English had official status from 2007 to 2010, it is rarely used, with preference given to Malagasy and French [fra].

[View other languages of Madagascar](https://www.ethnologue.com/country/mg/languages)

[**Hide DetailsMalawi**](https://www.ethnologue.com/language/eng)

**Language Name**English

**User Population**

880,000 in Malawi (2016), L2 users.

**Language Status**

1 (National).

**Other Comments**

Non-indigenous.

[View other languages of Malawi](https://www.ethnologue.com/country/mw/languages)

[**Hide DetailsMalaysia**](https://www.ethnologue.com/language/eng)

**Language Name**English

**User Population**

9,930,000 in Malaysia, all users. L1 users: 380,000 in Malaysia (Crystal 2003a), increasing. L2 users: 9,550,000 (2016).

**Location**

Widespread: Johor, Kedah, Kelantan, Kuala Lumpur, Melaka, Negeri Sembilan, Pahang, Perak, Perlis, Pulau Pinang, Putrajaya, Selangor, and Terengganu states.

**Language Status**

1 (National). Statutory national working language (1957, Constitution, Articles 152(2) through 152(5)).

**Language Use**

Nearly all domains. Used by all. Positive attitudes.

**Language Development**

Taught in primary and secondary schools.

**Other Comments**

Non-indigenous.

[View other languages of Malaysia](https://www.ethnologue.com/country/my/languages)

[**Hide DetailsMaldives**](https://www.ethnologue.com/language/eng)

**Language Name**English

**Location**

Widespread.

**Language Status**

3 (Wider communication). De facto national working language.

**Language Use**

Used as L2 by Maldivian [div].

**Other Comments**

Non-indigenous.

[View other languages of Maldives](https://www.ethnologue.com/country/mv/languages)

[**Hide DetailsMalta**](https://www.ethnologue.com/language/eng)

**Language Name**English

**User Population**

424,200 in Malta, all users. L1 users: 7,200 in Malta (Leclerc 2016). L2 users: 417,000 (European Commission 2012).

**Alternate Names**

Ingliż

**Language Status**

1 (National). Statutory national working language (1964, Constitution, Article 5(2)).

**Other Comments**

Non-indigenous.

[View other languages of Malta](https://www.ethnologue.com/country/mt/languages)

[**Hide DetailsMarshall Islands**](https://www.ethnologue.com/language/eng)

**Language Name**English

**User Population**

55,340 in Marshall Islands, all users. L1 users: 3,340 in Marshall Islands (2016). L2 users: 52,000 (2016 World Factbook).

**Language Status**

1 (National). De facto national language.

**Other Comments**

Non-indigenous.

[View other languages of Marshall Islands](https://www.ethnologue.com/country/mh/languages)

[**Hide DetailsMauritius**](https://www.ethnologue.com/language/eng)

**Language Name**English

**User Population**

205,900 in Mauritius, all users. L1 users: 5,900 in Mauritius (2012 UNSD). L2 users: 200,000 (Crystal 2003a).

**Alternate Names**

Anglais

**Language Status**

1 (National). Statutory national language (1992, Constitution, Articles 33,46,49), used in education.

**Language Use**

Courts, road signs.

**Language Development**

Taught in secondary schools.

**Other Comments**

Non-indigenous.

[View other languages of Mauritius](https://www.ethnologue.com/country/mu/languages)

[**Hide DetailsMexico**](https://www.ethnologue.com/language/eng)

**Language Name**English

**User Population**

6,780,000 in Mexico, all users. L1 users: 350,000 in Mexico (1995). L2 users: 6,430,000 (2016 El Financiero).

**Location**

Chihuahua state: Colonia Dublán, Colonia Juarez; Cuernavaca, Mexico City, elsewhere.

**Alternate Names**

Inglés

**Language Status**

4 (Educational).

**Language Use**

Used as L2 by Amoltepec Mixtec [mbz], Comaltepec Chinantec [cco], Mitla Zapotec [zaw], Plautdietsch [pdt], Santa María Zacatepec Mixtec [mza], Sochiapam Chinantec [cso], Tezoatlán Mixtec [mxb], Western Highland Chatino [ctp].

**Other Comments**

Non-indigenous. There is high demand for English in schools, and the government would like to see children speaking English and Spanish in the next 20 years.

[View other languages of Mexico](https://www.ethnologue.com/country/mx/languages)

[**Hide DetailsMicronesia**](https://www.ethnologue.com/language/eng)

**Language Name**English

**User Population**

61,320 in Micronesia, all users. L1 users: 1,320 in Micronesia (2005 UNSD). L2 users: 60,000 (Crystal 2003a).

**Language Status**

1 (National). De facto national language.

**Other Comments**

Non-indigenous.

[View other languages of Micronesia](https://www.ethnologue.com/country/fm/languages)

[**Hide DetailsMonaco**](https://www.ethnologue.com/language/eng)

**Language Name**English

**User Population**

3,230 in Monaco (2014).

**Location**

Widespread.

**Language Status**

5\* (Dispersed).

**Other Comments**

Non-indigenous.

[View other languages of Monaco](https://www.ethnologue.com/country/mc/languages)

[**Hide DetailsMontenegro**](https://www.ethnologue.com/language/eng)

**Language Name**English

**User Population**

130,190 in Montenegro, all users. L1 users: 190 in Montenegro (2011 census). L2 users: 130,000 (2011 census).

**Location**

Widespread.

**Language Status**

5\* (Dispersed).

**Other Comments**

Non-indigenous.

[View other languages of Montenegro](https://www.ethnologue.com/country/me/languages)

[**Hide DetailsMontserrat**](https://www.ethnologue.com/language/eng)

**Language Name**English

**User Population**

100 in Montserrat (2011 J. Leclerc).

**Language Status**

1 (National). De facto national language.

**Other Comments**

Non-indigenous. When Creole languages exist alongside their lexifier language, as in Montserrat, a continuum forms of variations between the Creole and the lexifier language. In such situations, a continuum forms of variations between the Creole and the acrolect. It is therefore difficult to substantiate the number of Creole speakers and English speakers.

[View other languages of Montserrat](https://www.ethnologue.com/country/ms/languages)

[**Hide DetailsMorocco**](https://www.ethnologue.com/language/eng)

**Language Name**English

**User Population**

4,590,000 in Morocco (Ramaswami et al 2012), L2 users.

**Location**

Scattered.

**Language Status**

4 (Educational).

**Language Development**

Taught in primary schools from fourth grade onward in all Moroccan public schools.

**Other Comments**

Non-indigenous.

[View other languages of Morocco](https://www.ethnologue.com/country/ma/languages)

[**Hide DetailsMyanmar**](https://www.ethnologue.com/language/eng)

**Language Name**English

**User Population**

45,600 in Myanmar (Leclerc 2017d).

**Language Status**

Unestablished.

**Language Use**

Used as L2 by Burmese [mya].

**Other Comments**

Non-indigenous.

[View other languages of Myanmar](https://www.ethnologue.com/country/mm/languages)

[**Hide DetailsNamibia**](https://www.ethnologue.com/language/eng)

**Language Name**English

**User Population**

324,100 in Namibia, all users. L1 users: 24,100 in Namibia (2018). L2 users: 300,000 (Crystal 2003a).

**Language Status**

1 (National). Statutory national language (1990, Constitution, Article 3(1)).

**Other Comments**

Non-indigenous.

[View other languages of Namibia](https://www.ethnologue.com/country/na/languages)

[**Hide DetailsNauru**](https://www.ethnologue.com/language/eng)

**Language Name**English

**User Population**

10,450 in Nauru, all users. L1 users: 250 in Nauru (2017). L2 users: 10,200 (2017).

**Language Status**

3 (Wider communication). De facto national working language.

**Language Use**

Used as L2 by Nauruan [nau].

**Other Comments**

Non-indigenous.

[View other languages of Nauru](https://www.ethnologue.com/country/nr/languages)

[**Hide DetailsNepal**](https://www.ethnologue.com/language/eng)

**Language Name**English

**User Population**

7,002,030 in Nepal, all users. L1 users: 2,030 in Nepal (2011 census). L2 users: 7,000,000 (Crystal 2003a).

**Location**

Major cities.

**Language Status**

4 (Educational).

**Language Use**

Used as L2 by Gurung [gvr], Maithili [mai], Mugom [muk], Newar [new], Nyeshangte [nmm], Sherpa [xsr], Southern Ghale [ghe].

**Other Comments**

Non-indigenous. Second most widespread language in Nepal in popularity, education, and use. Spoken at all socio-economic levels, by both literate and non-literate.

[View other languages of Nepal](https://www.ethnologue.com/country/np/languages)

[**Hide DetailsNetherlands**](https://www.ethnologue.com/language/eng)

**Language Name**English

**User Population**

15,376,500 in Netherlands, all users. L1 users: 76,500 in Netherlands (2016). L2 users: 15,300,000 (European Commission 2012).

**Location**

Widespread.

**Alternate Names**

Engels

**Language Status**

4 (Educational).

**Language Use**

Used as L2 by Dutch [nld].

**Language Development**

Taught in primary and secondary schools.

**Other Comments**

Non-indigenous.

[View other languages of Netherlands](https://www.ethnologue.com/country/nl/languages)

[**Hide DetailsNew Zealand**](https://www.ethnologue.com/language/eng)

**Language Name**English

**User Population**

3,970,000 in New Zealand, all users. L1 users: 3,820,000 in New Zealand (2013 census). L2 users: 150,000 (Crystal 2003a).

**Language Status**

1 (National). De facto national language.

**Other Comments**

Non-indigenous.

[View other languages of New Zealand](https://www.ethnologue.com/country/nz/languages)

[**Hide DetailsNigeria**](https://www.ethnologue.com/language/eng)

**Language Name**English

**User Population**

104,000,000 in Nigeria (2018), L2 users.

**Language Status**

1 (National). De facto national language.

**Language Use**

Government and education.

**Other Comments**

Non-indigenous.

[View other languages of Nigeria](https://www.ethnologue.com/country/ng/languages)

[**Hide DetailsNiue**](https://www.ethnologue.com/language/eng)

**Language Name**English

**User Population**

700 in Niue, all users. L1 users: 180 in Niue (2018 World Factbook). L2 users: 520 (2018 World Factbook).

**Language Status**

1 (National). Statutory national working language (1974, Constitution, Articles 23 and 71).

**Other Comments**

Non-indigenous.

[View other languages of Niue](https://www.ethnologue.com/country/nu/languages)

[**Hide DetailsNorfolk Island**](https://www.ethnologue.com/language/eng)

**Language Name**English

**User Population**

790 in Norfolk Island (2017 World Factbook).

**Language Status**

1 (National). De facto national language.

**Other Comments**

Non-indigenous.

[View other languages of Norfolk Island](https://www.ethnologue.com/country/nf/languages)

[**Hide DetailsNorthern Mariana Islands**](https://www.ethnologue.com/language/eng)

**Language Name**English

**User Population**

53,820 in Northern Mariana Islands, all users. L1 users: 6,820 in Northern Mariana Islands (2005 UNSD). L2 users: 47,000 (2016).

**Location**

Widespread.

**Language Status**

1 (National). Statutory national language (1978, Constitution, Article 22(3)), co-official with Chamorro [cha], Carolinian [cal].

**Language Use**

Vigorous. All domains. Used by all. Mixed attitudes. Neutral to positive attitudes.

**Language Development**

Many students from Asia, particularly Korea, come to Saipan specifically to study English. Taught in primary and secondary schools.

**Other Comments**

Non-indigenous.

[View other languages of Northern Mariana Islands](https://www.ethnologue.com/country/mp/languages)

[**Hide DetailsNorway**](https://www.ethnologue.com/language/eng)

**Language Name**English

**User Population**

4,348,000 in Norway, all users. L1 users: 28,000 in Norway (2019 census). Based on immigrant population. L2 users: 4,320,000 (2012).

**Location**

Widespread.

**Alternate Names**

Engelsk

**Language Status**

4 (Educational).

**Language Use**

Used as L2 by Norwegian [nor].

**Language Development**

Taught in primary and secondary schools.

**Other Comments**

Non-indigenous.

[View other languages of Norway](https://www.ethnologue.com/country/no/languages)

[**Hide DetailsOman**](https://www.ethnologue.com/language/eng)

**Language Name**English

**Location**

Widespread.

**Language Status**

3 (Wider communication).

**Language Use**

Widely spoken in the business community. All official road signs and virtually all shop signs are bilingual Standard Arabic [arb] and English, though the number of L1 English speakers is relatively low.

**Other Comments**

Non-indigenous.

[View other languages of Oman](https://www.ethnologue.com/country/om/languages)

[**Hide DetailsPakistan**](https://www.ethnologue.com/language/eng)

**Language Name**English

**User Population**

25,014,500 in Pakistan, all users. L1 users: 14,500 in Pakistan (2016). L2 users: 25,000,000 (2017).

**Language Status**

1 (National). Statutory national language (1973, Constitution, Article 251(2)).

**Other Comments**

Non-indigenous.

[View other languages of Pakistan](https://www.ethnologue.com/country/pk/languages)

[**Hide DetailsPalau**](https://www.ethnologue.com/language/eng)

**Language Name**English

**User Population**

22,200 in Palau, all users. L1 users: 4,200 in Palau (2016 World Factbook). L2 users: 18,000 (Crystal 2003a).

**Language Status**

1 (National). Statutory national language (1979, Constitution, Article 13(1)).

**Other Comments**

Non-indigenous.

[View other languages of Palau](https://www.ethnologue.com/country/pw/languages)

[**Hide DetailsPapua New Guinea**](https://www.ethnologue.com/language/eng)

**Language Name**English

**User Population**

3,150,000 in Papua New Guinea, all users. L1 users: 150,000 in Papua New Guinea (Crystal 2003a). L2 users: 3,000,000 (Crystal 2003a).

**Location**

Widespread.

**Language Status**

1 (National). De facto national language. Used as LWC in the southern part of the country.

**Language Development**

Taught in primary and secondary schools.

**Other Comments**

Non-indigenous.

[View other languages of Papua New Guinea](https://www.ethnologue.com/country/pg/languages)

[**Hide DetailsPhilippines**](https://www.ethnologue.com/language/eng)

**Language Name**English

**User Population**

50,028,700 in Philippines, all users. L1 users: 28,700 in Philippines (2005 UNSD). L2 users: 50,000,000 (2016).

**Location**

Widespread.

**Dialects**

Philippine English.

**Language Status**

1 (National). Statutory national working language (1987, Constitution, Article 14(7)).

**Other Comments**

Non-indigenous.

[View other languages of Philippines](https://www.ethnologue.com/country/ph/languages)

[**Hide DetailsPitcairn**](https://www.ethnologue.com/language/eng)

**Language Name**English

**Language Status**

1 (National). De facto national language.

**Other Comments**

Non-indigenous.

[View other languages of Pitcairn](https://www.ethnologue.com/country/pn/languages)

[**Hide DetailsPoland**](https://www.ethnologue.com/language/eng)

**Language Name**English

**User Population**

12,780,900 in Poland, all users. L1 users: 80,900 in Poland (2013 UNSD). L2 users: 12,700,000 (European Commission 2012).

**Alternate Names**

Język angielski

**Language Status**

4 (Educational).

**Language Use**

Used as L2 by Polish [pol].

**Other Comments**

Non-indigenous.

[View other languages of Poland](https://www.ethnologue.com/country/pl/languages)

[**Hide DetailsPortugal**](https://www.ethnologue.com/language/eng)

**Language Name**English

**User Population**

2,851,900 in Portugal, all users. L1 users: 31,900 in Portugal (2007 J. Leclerc). L2 users: 2,820,000 (European Commission 2012).

**Alternate Names**

Inglês

**Language Status**

4 (Educational).

**Language Use**

Also use Portuguese [por], as the language of education, government, business, and upward mobility. Used as L2 by Portuguese [por].

**Other Comments**

Non-indigenous.

[View other languages of Portugal](https://www.ethnologue.com/country/pt/languages)

[**Hide DetailsPuerto Rico**](https://www.ethnologue.com/language/eng)

**Language Name**English

**User Population**

1,829,000 in Puerto Rico, all users. L1 users: 159,000 in Puerto Rico (2015 UNSD). L2 users: 1,670,000 (2017).

**Language Status**

1 (National). Statutory national working language (1993, Official Languages Act No. 1, Article 1).

**Other Comments**

Non-indigenous.

[View other languages of Puerto Rico](https://www.ethnologue.com/country/pr/languages)

[**Hide DetailsQatar**](https://www.ethnologue.com/language/eng)

**Language Name**English

**User Population**

38,100 in Qatar (2016).

**Language Status**

Unestablished.

**Other Comments**

Non-indigenous.

[View other languages of Qatar](https://www.ethnologue.com/country/qa/languages)

[**Hide DetailsRomania**](https://www.ethnologue.com/language/eng)

**Language Name**English

**User Population**

6,240,000 in Romania (European Commission 2012), L2 users.

**Alternate Names**

Engleză

**Language Status**

4 (Educational).

**Language Use**

Used as L2 by Romanian [ron].

**Other Comments**

Non-indigenous.

[View other languages of Romania](https://www.ethnologue.com/country/ro/languages)

[**Hide DetailsRussian Federation**](https://www.ethnologue.com/language/eng)

**Language Name**English

**User Population**

7,572,520 in Russian Federation, all users. L1 users: 2,520 in Russian Federation (2010 census). L2 users: 7,570,000 (2010 census).

**Language Status**

4 (Educational).

**Other Comments**

Non-indigenous.

[View other languages of Russian Federation](https://www.ethnologue.com/country/ru/languages)

[**Hide DetailsRwanda**](https://www.ethnologue.com/language/eng)

**Language Name**English

**User Population**

1,525,440 in Rwanda, all users. L1 users: 5,440 in Rwanda (2011 UNSD). L2 users: 1,520,000 (Pinyon and Haydon 2010).

**Language Status**

1 (National). Statutory national working language (2003, Constitution, Article 5).

**Other Comments**

Non-indigenous. May be more users of English [eng] than French [fra].

[View other languages of Rwanda](https://www.ethnologue.com/country/rw/languages)

[**Hide DetailsSaint Barthélemy**](https://www.ethnologue.com/language/eng)

**Language Name**English

**User Population**

100 in Saint Barthélemy (2011 SIL).

**Location**

Saint Barthelemy island: Gustavia port town on west coast.

**Alternate Names**

Anglais

**Dialects**

Gustavia English.

**Language Status**

7 (Shifting).

**Language Use**

Few youth still speak it.

**Other Comments**

Non-indigenous. English with some creole influence.

[View other languages of Saint Barthélemy](https://www.ethnologue.com/country/bl/languages)

[**Hide DetailsSaint Helena**](https://www.ethnologue.com/language/eng)

**Language Name**English

**User Population**

4,530 in Saint Helena (2016 census).

**Location**

Widespread.

**Language Status**

1 (National).

**Other Comments**

Non-indigenous. Christian, secular.

[View other languages of Saint Helena](https://www.ethnologue.com/country/sh/languages)

[**Hide DetailsSaint Kitts and Nevis**](https://www.ethnologue.com/language/eng)

**Language Name**English

**User Population**

1,000 in Saint Kitts and Nevis (2015).

**Language Status**

1 (National). De facto national language.

**Other Comments**

Non-indigenous. When Creole languages exist alongside their lexifier language, as in St. Kitts and Nevis, a continuum forms of variations between the Creole and the lexifier language. It is therefore difficult to substantiate the number of Creole speakers and English speakers.

[View other languages of Saint Kitts and Nevis](https://www.ethnologue.com/country/kn/languages)

[**Hide DetailsSaint Lucia**](https://www.ethnologue.com/language/eng)

**Language Name**English

**User Population**

41,600 in Saint Lucia, all users. L1 users: 1,600 in Saint Lucia (2004). L2 users: 40,000 (Crystal 2003a).

**Dialects**

Saint Lucian English.

**Language Status**

1 (National). De facto national language.

**Other Comments**

Non-indigenous. An emerging English vernacular on Saint Lucia in a rural area is significantly restructured, heavily French Creole [acf] influenced, English lexicon (1998 P. Garrett).

[View other languages of Saint Lucia](https://www.ethnologue.com/country/lc/languages)

[**Hide DetailsSaint Martin**](https://www.ethnologue.com/language/eng)

**Language Name**English

**User Population**

5,000 in Saint Martin (2011 SIL).

**Location**

Widespread.

**Alternate Names**

Anglais

**Language Status**

3 (Wider communication).

**Other Comments**

Non-indigenous. When Creole languages exist alongside their lexifier language, as in Saint Martin, a continuum forms of variations between the Creole and the lexifier language. It is therefore difficult to substantiate the number of Creole speakers and English speakers.

[View other languages of Saint Martin](https://www.ethnologue.com/country/mf/languages)

[**Hide DetailsSaint Vincent and the Grenadines**](https://www.ethnologue.com/language/eng)

**Language Name**English

**User Population**

2,200 in Saint Vincent and the Grenadines (2016).

**Language Status**

1 (National). De facto national language.

**Other Comments**

Non-indigenous. When Creole languages exist alongside their lexifier language, as in St. Vincent and the Grenadines, a continuum forms of variations between the Creole and the lexifier language. It is therefore difficult to substantiate the number of Creole speakers and English speakers.

[View other languages of Saint Vincent and the Grenadines](https://www.ethnologue.com/country/vc/languages)

[**Hide DetailsSamoa**](https://www.ethnologue.com/language/eng)

**Language Name**English

**User Population**

111,700 in Samoa, all users. L1 users: 18,700 in Samoa (2018). L2 users: 93,000 (Crystal 2003a).

**Language Status**

1 (National). Statutory national language (1960, Constitution, Article 54).

**Other Comments**

Non-indigenous.

[View other languages of Samoa](https://www.ethnologue.com/country/ws/languages)

[**Hide DetailsSão Tomé e Príncipe**](https://www.ethnologue.com/language/eng)

**Language Name**English

**User Population**

9,800 in São Tomé e Príncipe (2016 World Factbook).

**Alternate Names**

Inglês

**Language Status**

Unestablished.

**Other Comments**

Non-indigenous.

[View other languages of São Tomé e Príncipe](https://www.ethnologue.com/country/st/languages)

[**Hide DetailsSaudi Arabia**](https://www.ethnologue.com/language/eng)

**Language Name**English

**User Population**

101,000 in Saudi Arabia (2018). Based on ethnicity.

**Language Status**

Unestablished.

**Other Comments**

Non-indigenous.

[View other languages of Saudi Arabia](https://www.ethnologue.com/country/sa/languages)

[**Hide DetailsSeychelles**](https://www.ethnologue.com/language/eng)

**Language Name**English

**User Population**

34,800 in Seychelles, all users. L1 users: 4,800 in Seychelles (2017 World Factbook). L2 users: 30,000 (Crystal 2003a).

**Language Status**

1 (National). Statutory national language (1993, Constitution, Article 4(1)).

**Other Comments**

Non-indigenous. Principal language of the schools.

[View other languages of Seychelles](https://www.ethnologue.com/country/sc/languages)

[**Hide DetailsSierra Leone**](https://www.ethnologue.com/language/eng)

**Language Name**English

**User Population**

902,400 in Sierra Leone, all users. L1 users: 2,400 in Sierra Leone (Leclerc 2017g). L2 users: 900,000 (Leclerc 2017g).

**Language Status**

1 (National). De facto national language.

**Language Use**

Administration, law, education, commerce.

**Other Comments**

Non-indigenous.

[View other languages of Sierra Leone](https://www.ethnologue.com/country/sl/languages)

[**Hide DetailsSingapore**](https://www.ethnologue.com/language/eng)

**Language Name**English

**User Population**

4,070,000 in Singapore, all users. L1 users: 2,070,000 in Singapore (2016 census). L2 users: 2,000,000 (Crystal 2003a).

**Dialects**

Singlish.

**Language Status**

1 (National). Statutory national working language (1963, Constitution (amended), Article 153A(1)).

**Language Use**

Home, office, church, public institutions.

**Language Development**

Taught in primary and secondary schools.

**Other Comments**

Non-indigenous.

[View other languages of Singapore](https://www.ethnologue.com/country/sg/languages)

[**Hide DetailsSint Maarten**](https://www.ethnologue.com/language/eng)

**Language Name**English

**User Population**

5,000 in Sint Maarten (2011 SIL).

**Alternate Names**

Engels

**Language Status**

1 (National). Statutory national language (2010, Constitution, Article 1(2)).

**Other Comments**

Non-indigenous. When Creole languages exist alongside their lexifier language, as in Sint Maarten, a continuum forms of variations between the Creole and the lexifier language. It is therefore difficult to substantiate the number of Creole speakers and English speakers.

[View other languages of Sint Maarten](https://www.ethnologue.com/country/sx/languages)

[**Hide DetailsSlovakia**](https://www.ethnologue.com/language/eng)

**Language Name**English

**User Population**

1,410,000 in Slovakia (European Commission 2012), L2 users.

**Alternate Names**

Angličtina

**Language Status**

4 (Educational).

**Other Comments**

Non-indigenous.

[View other languages of Slovakia](https://www.ethnologue.com/country/sk/languages)

[**Hide DetailsSlovenia**](https://www.ethnologue.com/language/eng)

**Language Name**English

**User Population**

1,220,000 in Slovenia (European Commission 2012), L2 users.

**Alternate Names**

Angleščina

**Language Status**

5\* (Dispersed).

**Language Use**

Used as L2 by Slovene [slv].

**Other Comments**

Non-indigenous.

[View other languages of Slovenia](https://www.ethnologue.com/country/si/languages)

[**Hide DetailsSolomon Islands**](https://www.ethnologue.com/language/eng)

**Language Name**English

**User Population**

175,000 in Solomon Islands, all users. L1 users: 10,000 in Solomon Islands (Crystal 2003a). L2 users: 165,000 (Crystal 2003a).

**Language Status**

1 (National). De facto national language.

**Other Comments**

Non-indigenous.

[View other languages of Solomon Islands](https://www.ethnologue.com/country/sb/languages)

[**Hide DetailsSomalia**](https://www.ethnologue.com/language/eng)

**Language Name**English

**Location**

Scattered.

**Language Status**

4 (Educational).

**Language Use**

Used sparingly in secondary and university education. Some of all ages.

**Other Comments**

Non-indigenous.

[View other languages of Somalia](https://www.ethnologue.com/country/so/languages)

[**Hide DetailsSouth Africa**](https://www.ethnologue.com/language/eng)

**Language Name**English

**User Population**

15,890,000 in South Africa, all users. L1 users: 4,890,000 in South Africa (2013 UNSD). L2 users: 11,000,000 (Crystal 2003a).

**Location**

Gauteng province: Cape Town area; KwaZulu-Natal and Western Cape provinces; Tugela river to Port Edward area, and inland to Eastern Cape province; urban concentrations, Johannesburg, suburbs.

**Language Status**

1 (National). Statutory national language (1996, Constitution, Article 6(1)), has been designated, along with Afrikaans, as an official language in all 9 provinces.

**Language Use**

Many second-generation people from India, Portugal, Germany, and Greece speak English as L1.

**Other Comments**

Non-indigenous.

[View other languages of South Africa](https://www.ethnologue.com/country/za/languages)

[**Hide DetailsSouth Korea**](https://www.ethnologue.com/language/eng)

**Language Name**English

**User Population**

5,138,000 in South Korea, all users. L1 users: 138,000 in South Korea (2017 J. Leclerc). L2 users: 5,000,000 (2014 The Diplomat).

**Language Status**

4 (Educational).

**Language Use**

Used extensively in education. Used as L2 by Korean [kor].

**Other Comments**

Non-indigenous.

[View other languages of South Korea](https://www.ethnologue.com/country/kr/languages)

[**Hide DetailsSouth Sudan**](https://www.ethnologue.com/language/eng)

**Language Name**English

**User Population**

Almost no L1 speakers.

**Location**

Widespread.

**Language Status**

1 (National). Statutory national working language (2011, Constitution, Article 6.2).

**Language Development**

Taught in primary and secondary schools.

**Other Comments**

Non-indigenous.

[View other languages of South Sudan](https://www.ethnologue.com/country/ss/languages)

[**Hide DetailsSpain**](https://www.ethnologue.com/language/eng)

**Language Name**English

**User Population**

10,486,000 in Spain, all users. L1 users: 286,000 in Spain (2017 census). Based on nationality. L2 users: 10,200,000 (European Commission 2012).

**Alternate Names**

Inglés

**Language Status**

4 (Educational).

**Language Use**

Used as L2 by Spanish [spa].

**Other Comments**

Non-indigenous.

[View other languages of Spain](https://www.ethnologue.com/country/es/languages)

[**Hide DetailsSri Lanka**](https://www.ethnologue.com/language/eng)

**Language Name**English

**User Population**

2,092,900 in Sri Lanka, all users. L1 users: 12,900 in Sri Lanka (2017). L2 users: 2,080,000 (2015).

**Location**

Scattered.

**Language Status**

3 (Wider communication). De facto national working language, used in government.

**Language Use**

Government. Used as L2 by Indo-Portuguese [idb], Sri Lankan Creole Malay [sci].

**Other Comments**

Non-indigenous.

[View other languages of Sri Lanka](https://www.ethnologue.com/country/lk/languages)

[**Hide DetailsSudan**](https://www.ethnologue.com/language/eng)

**Language Name**English

**Language Status**

1 (National). Statutory national working language (2005, Interim Constitution, Article 8(3)).

**Language Use**

Only used in government and education.

**Other Comments**

Non-indigenous.

[View other languages of Sudan](https://www.ethnologue.com/country/sd/languages)

[**Hide DetailsSuriname**](https://www.ethnologue.com/language/eng)

**Language Name**English

**User Population**

194,000 in Suriname, all users. L1 users: 1,000 in Suriname (2018). L2 users: 193,000 (2016).

**Location**

Scattered.

**Alternate Names**

Engels

**Language Status**

4 (Educational).

**Language Development**

Taught in secondary schools.

**Other Comments**

Non-indigenous.

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[**Hide DetailsSweden**](https://www.ethnologue.com/language/eng)

**Language Name**English

**User Population**

8,514,300 in Sweden, all users. L1 users: 54,300 in Sweden (2012 M. Parkvall). L2 users: 8,460,000 (European Commission 2012).

**Location**

Widespread.

**Alternate Names**

Engelska

**Language Status**

4 (Educational).

**Language Use**

Used as L2 by Swedish [swe].

**Language Development**

Taught in primary and secondary schools.

**Other Comments**

Non-indigenous.

[View other languages of Sweden](https://www.ethnologue.com/country/se/languages)

[**Hide DetailsSwitzerland**](https://www.ethnologue.com/language/eng)

**Language Name**English

**User Population**

4,845,000 in Switzerland, all users. L1 users: 425,000 in Switzerland (2015 census). L2 users: 4,420,000 (2015).

**Alternate Names**

Anglais, Englaisa, Englisch, Inglese

**Language Status**

4 (Educational).

**Other Comments**

Non-indigenous.

[View other languages of Switzerland](https://www.ethnologue.com/country/ch/languages)

[**Hide DetailsTanzania**](https://www.ethnologue.com/language/eng)

**Language Name**English

**User Population**

6,000,000 in Tanzania (2016), L2 users.

**Location**

Widespread.

**Alternate Names**

Kiingereza

**Language Status**

3 (Wider communication). De facto national working language.

**Language Use**

Used by some Asian residents as L1. Widely used in education, technology, and the courts, but the government planned to discontinue using English in schools in favor of Kiswahili [swh] in 2015. Used as L2 by Asu [asa], Cutchi-Swahili [ccl], Luguru [ruf], Magoma [gmx].

**Language Development**

Taught in primary schools. Taught in secondary schools; instruction medium in secondary schools and universities.

**Other Comments**

Non-indigenous.

[View other languages of Tanzania](https://www.ethnologue.com/country/tz/languages)

[**Hide DetailsThailand**](https://www.ethnologue.com/language/eng)

**Language Name**English

**User Population**

324,000 in Thailand (2010 census).

**Language Status**

Unestablished.

**Other Comments**

Non-indigenous.

[View other languages of Thailand](https://www.ethnologue.com/country/th/languages)

[**Hide DetailsTokelau**](https://www.ethnologue.com/language/eng)

**Language Name**English

**User Population**

630 in Tokelau (2017).

**Language Status**

1 (National). De facto national language.

**Language Development**

Taught in primary and secondary schools.

**Other Comments**

Non-indigenous.

[View other languages of Tokelau](https://www.ethnologue.com/country/tk/languages)

[**Hide DetailsTonga**](https://www.ethnologue.com/language/eng)

**Language Name**English

**User Population**

94,520 in Tonga, all users. L1 users: 1,020 in Tonga (2009 UNSD). L2 users: 93,500 (2016).

**Language Status**

1 (National). De facto national working language, considered co-official with Tongan [ton].

**Other Comments**

Non-indigenous.

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[**Hide DetailsTrinidad and Tobago**](https://www.ethnologue.com/language/eng)

**Language Name**English

**User Population**

1,300,000 in Trinidad and Tobago (2011 J. Ferreira).

**Language Status**

1 (National). De facto national language, standard English in writing, education; non-standard English in informal domains, among distinct ethnic groups.

**Other Comments**

Non-indigenous.

[View other languages of Trinidad and Tobago](https://www.ethnologue.com/country/tt/languages)

[**Hide DetailsTunisia**](https://www.ethnologue.com/language/eng)

**Language Name**English

**User Population**

1,061,500 in Tunisia, all users. L1 users: 1,500 in Tunisia (2015 J. Leclerc). L2 users: 1,060,000 (Ramaswami et al 2012).

**Language Status**

5\* (Dispersed).

**Other Comments**

Non-indigenous.

[View other languages of Tunisia](https://www.ethnologue.com/country/tn/languages)

[**Hide DetailsTurkey**](https://www.ethnologue.com/language/eng)

**Language Name**English

**User Population**

42,600 in Turkey (Leclerc 2014c).

**Language Status**

Unestablished.

**Language Use**

Used as L2 by Turkish [tur].

**Other Comments**

Non-indigenous.

[View other languages of Turkey](https://www.ethnologue.com/country/tr/languages)

[**Hide DetailsTurks and Caicos Islands**](https://www.ethnologue.com/language/eng)

**Language Name**English

**User Population**

1,670 in Turks and Caicos Islands (2016).

**Language Status**

1 (National). De facto national language.

**Language Use**

Shifting to a standard variety of Caribbean English.

**Other Comments**

Non-indigenous.

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[**Hide DetailsTuvalu**](https://www.ethnologue.com/language/eng)

**Language Name**English

**User Population**

800 in Tuvalu (Crystal 2003a), L2 users.

**Language Status**

1 (National). De facto national language.

**Other Comments**

Non-indigenous.

[View other languages of Tuvalu](https://www.ethnologue.com/country/tv/languages)

[**Hide DetailsU.S. Virgin Islands**](https://www.ethnologue.com/language/eng)

**Language Name**English

**User Population**

94,600 in U.S. Virgin Islands, all users. L1 users: 18,700 in U.S. Virgin Islands (2016). L2 users: 75,900 (2017 World Factbook).

**Language Status**

1 (National). De facto national language.

**Other Comments**

Non-indigenous.

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[**Hide DetailsUganda**](https://www.ethnologue.com/language/eng)

**Language Name**English

**User Population**

3,604,100 in Uganda, all users. L1 users: 4,100 in Uganda (2016 J. Leclerc), increasing. L2 users: 3,600,000 (2016).

**Location**

Widespread.

**Language Status**

1 (National). Statutory national language (2005, Constitution, Amendment Act, Article 6(1)).

**Language Use**

All domains.

**Language Development**

Taught in primary and secondary schools.

**Other Comments**

Non-indigenous.

[View other languages of Uganda](https://www.ethnologue.com/country/ug/languages)

[**Hide DetailsUnited Arab Emirates**](https://www.ethnologue.com/language/eng)

**Language Name**English

**User Population**

73,900 in United Arab Emirates (2016).

**Location**

Widespread.

**Language Status**

3 (Wider communication). De facto national working language.

**Other Comments**

Non-indigenous.

[View other languages of United Arab Emirates](https://www.ethnologue.com/country/ae/languages)

[**Hide DetailsUnited States**](https://www.ethnologue.com/language/eng)

**Language Name**English

**User Population**

297,400,000 in United States, all users. L1 users: 254,000,000 in United States (2017 Word Factbook). L2 users: 43,400,000 (2015 census).

**Location**

Widespread.

**Dialects**

African American Vernacular English (AAVE). Many regional and social dialects.

**Language Status**

1 (National). De facto national language.

**Other Comments**

Non-indigenous.

[View other languages of United States](https://www.ethnologue.com/country/us/languages)

[**Hide DetailsVanuatu**](https://www.ethnologue.com/language/eng)

**Language Name**English

**User Population**

125,400 in Vanuatu, all users. L1 users: 5,400 in Vanuatu (2016 World Factbook). L2 users: 120,000 (Crystal 2003a).

**Language Status**

1 (National). Statutory national language (1980, Constitution, Article 3(1)).

**Language Use**

L1 speakers are from the United Kingdom.

**Other Comments**

Non-indigenous.

[View other languages of Vanuatu](https://www.ethnologue.com/country/vu/languages)

[**Hide DetailsYemen**](https://www.ethnologue.com/language/eng)

**Language Name**English

**User Population**

2,230,000 in Yemen (Ramaswami et al 2012), L2 users.

**Location**

Scattered.

**Language Status**

4 (Educational).

**Other Comments**

Non-indigenous.

[View other languages of Yemen](https://www.ethnologue.com/country/ye/languages)

[**Hide DetailsZambia**](https://www.ethnologue.com/language/eng)

**Language Name**English

**User Population**

3,015,300 in Zambia, all users. L1 users: 15,300 in Zambia (2017 J. Leclerc). L2 users: 3,000,000 (2017).

**Location**

Widespread.

**Language Status**

1 (National). Statutory national language (1991, Constitution, Article 1(3)).

**Language Use**

Spoken as L1 mostly by Europeans. A small minority of Zambian Africans speak it as a L1. Language of Parliament. Home, education, business. Used by all. Positive attitudes.

**Language Development**

Taught in primary and secondary schools.

**Other Comments**

Non-indigenous.

[View other languages of Zambia](https://www.ethnologue.com/country/zm/languages)

[**Hide DetailsZimbabwe**](https://www.ethnologue.com/language/eng)

**Language Name**English

**User Population**

5,550,000 in Zimbabwe, all users. L1 users: 250,000 in Zimbabwe (Crystal 2003a). L2 users: 5,300,000 (Crystal 2003a).

**Language Status**

1 (National). De facto national language.

**Language Use**

Most Europeans and an increasing number of Africans. Used in all or most education.

**Other Comments**

Non-indigenous.

[View other languages of Zimbabwe](https://www.ethnologue.com/country/zw/languages)