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## List of Abbreviations

A	Agent in constituent word order
<i>alt.</i>	alternate name for
<i>alt. dial.</i>	alternate dialect name for
AOV	Agent-Object-Verb
C	Consonant in canonical syllable patterns
<i>Class</i>	Language classification
CPPDCE	Convention on the Protection and Promotion of the Diversity of Cultural Expressions (2005)
CSICH	Convention for the Safeguarding of Intangible Cultural Heritage (2003)
<i>dial.</i>	primary dialect name for
ICCPR	International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights (1966)
km	kilometer(s)
L1 / L2	first language / second (or other additional) language
<i>Lg Dev</i>	Language development
<i>Lg Use</i>	Language use
m	meter(s)
P	Patient in constituent word order
PARADISEC	Pacific And Regional Archive for Digital Sources In Endangered Cultures
<i>pej.</i>	pejorative
pl.	plural
S	Subject in constituent word order
sg.	singular
SIL	SIL International
SVO	Subject-Verb-Object
<i>Type</i>	Typological information
UNCRPD	United Nations Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities (2006)
UNDRIP	United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples (2007)
UNESCO	United Nations Educational, Scientific, and Cultural Organization
V	Vowel in canonical syllable patterns

## How to Use This Digest

This *Ethnologue* country digest provides an extract of the information about the language situation in Vietnam that is published in the 26th edition of *Ethnologue: Languages of the World* (see <http://www.ethnologue.com>), including some ways of presenting the information that are not available in the online version. The digest begins with a “Country Overview” (page 6) and “Statistical Summaries” (page 8) of languages and number of speakers by language size, by language status, and by language family.

The “Alphabetical Listing of Languages” (page 11) provides detailed information on the 113 languages listed in the *Ethnologue* for the country of Vietnam. This includes languages that are indigenous to the country, languages that have developed well-established multigenerational speaker communities after immigrating in the past, and languages that have a significant presence in the country but are not established (that is, not being transmitted to the next generation within the country). A complete language entry has the following form and content:

**Primary language name** [ISO 639-3 code] (Alternate names). Autonym. *Users*: Country user population. Population stability comment. Population remarks. Monolingual population. Ethnic population. *Location*: Location. *Status*: EGIDS level. Special cases. Language function in country. *Class*: Linguistic classification. Macrolanguage membership. *Dialects*: Dialect names. Intelligibility and dialect relations. Lexical similarity. *Type*: Linguistic typology information. *Lg Use*: Remarks on use of the language. Domains of use. User age range. Language attitudes. Bilingualism remarks. Use as second language. *Lg Dev*: Literacy rates. Literacy remarks. Use in education. Publications and use in media. Revitalization efforts. Language development agencies. *DLS*: Digital support. *Writing*: Scripts used. *Other*: Non-indigenous. General remarks. Religion. *Map*: Map page. *Worldwide*: Total population in all countries. Other countries where used.

See <http://www.ethnologue.com/methodology/#languagePages> for a full description of these information elements. If the autonym contains the “?” character, this indicates a complex non-Roman character that the PDF-creating software we are using is not able to render. We regret the inconvenience.

The “Language Maps” (page 36) show the locations of the listed languages. If the location of a language is given on a map, the *Map* element of the language entry indicates the page number of the map. If the language is identified on a map by name, but that name differs from the primary name in the language entry, the name on the map is given in parentheses. If the language is represented on the map by an index number, rather than by its name, the index number is given following the page number (with a colon as separator).

Many ways of finding languages are provided. “Languages by Population” (page 41) lists the languages in order of their first-language speaker populations. “Languages by Status” (page 49) lists the languages by their level of development or endangerment as measured on EGIDS, the Expanded Graded Intergenerational Disruption Scale (Lewis and Simons 2010). “Languages by

Province” (page 60) lists the top-level administrative subdivisions of Vietnam and the languages located within each. “Languages by Ethnic Group” (page 65) lists the officially recognized ethnic groups and the languages associated with each. “Languages by Family” (page 67) lists the languages by their linguistic classifications. “Language Code Index” (page 72) gives an alphabetical listing of all the three-letter codes from ISO 639-3 that are used in this digest to uniquely identify languages. “Language Name Index” (page 74) lists every name that appears in the language listings as a primary or alternate name of a language or dialect. A total of 683 unique names are associated with the 113 languages described in this digest.

Finally, a listing of all the published sources cited within this digest is found in “Bibliography” (page 88). The published sources are cited using standard in-text citations enclosed in parentheses, consisting of the author’s or editor’s surname followed by the year of publication. Unpublished sources including personal communications and unpublished reports are also acknowledged when specific statements or facts are attributed to them. They are identified using in-text citations enclosed in parentheses in which the year of the communication is given first, followed by the source’s first initial and surname. In such a case, there is no corresponding entry in the bibliography.

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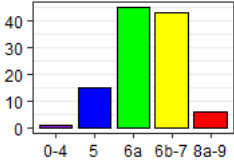
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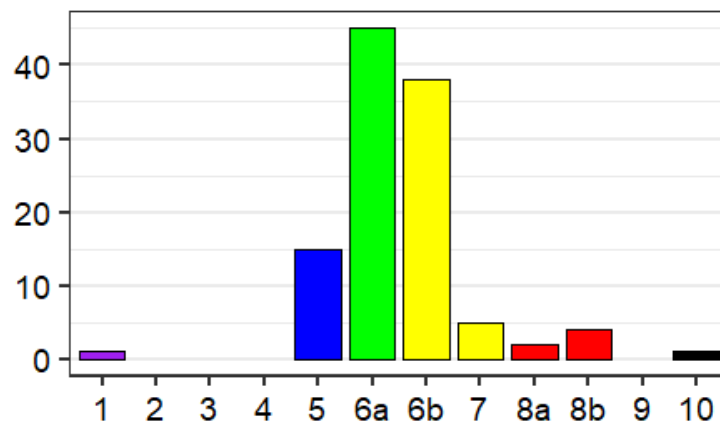
## Country Overview

Name of country	Vietnam												
Other names	Socialist Republic of Vietnam												
Population	98,505,000 (2021 census)												
Comments	54 official ethnic groups.												
Principal language	Vietnamese												
Literacy rate	95% (2018 UNESCO)												
International conventions	CPPDCE (2007), CSICH (2005), ICCPR (1982), UNCRPD (2015), UNDRIP (2007)												
General references	Bradley 2007a, Campbell and King 2011, Diller et al 2008, Edmondson and Solnit 1997, Ferlus 1996, Lebar et al 1964, Ostapirat 2000, Smith 1968, Smith 1972, Smith, K. 1973, Thomas 1969, Thomas 1976, Thomas 1980, Thomas and Headley 1970, Wurm and Hattori 1981												
Recognized nationalities	Decision No. 121-TCTK-PPCD, ‘Nomenclature of Vietnamese Ethnic Groups’, 2 Mar 1979, identified the majority ethnicity, Kinh-Viet, and 53 minority groups.												
Language counts	<p>The number of established languages listed for Vietnam is 111. Of these, 110 are living and 1 is extinct. Of the living languages, 93 are indigenous and 17 are non-indigenous. Furthermore, 1 is institutional, 15 are developing, 45 are vigorous, 43 are in trouble, and 6 are dying. Also listed are 2 unestablished languages.</p>  <table border="1"> <caption>Language Vitality Data</caption> <thead> <tr> <th>Vitality Category</th> <th>Number of Languages</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>0-4</td> <td>1</td> </tr> <tr> <td>5</td> <td>15</td> </tr> <tr> <td>6a</td> <td>45</td> </tr> <tr> <td>6b-7</td> <td>43</td> </tr> <tr> <td>8a-9</td> <td>6</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	Vitality Category	Number of Languages	0-4	1	5	15	6a	45	6b-7	43	8a-9	6
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See the next page for an explanation of the summary categories for language vitality used in the above counts and graph.

## Language Status Profile

The following histogram gives a graphic profile of the established languages in Vietnam with respect to their status of language development versus language endangerment. This includes all of the languages appearing in the “Alphabetical Listing of Languages” (page 11) that report an EGIDS level after *Status*; macrolanguages and unestablished languages are not included in the profile. The horizontal axis plots the estimated level of development or endangerment as measured on the EGIDS scale (Lewis and Simons 2010). The height of each bar indicates the number of languages that are estimated to be at the given level. Consult “Languages by Status” (page 49) in order to see the specific languages for each level.



The color coding of the bars in the histogram above matches the color scheme used in the summary profile graph on the preceding page. In this scheme, the EGIDS levels are grouped as follows:

- Purple = Institutional (EGIDS 0–4) — The language has been developed to the point that it is used and sustained by institutions beyond the home and community.
- Blue = Developing (EGIDS 5) — The language is in vigorous use, with literature in a standardized form being used by some though this is not yet widespread or sustainable.
- Green = Vigorous (EGIDS 6a) — The language is in vigorous use among all generations and remains unstandardized.
- Yellow = In trouble (EGIDS 6b–7) — Intergenerational transmission is in the process of being broken, but the child-bearing generation can still use the language so it is possible that revitalization efforts could restore transmission of the language in the home.
- Red = Dying (EGIDS 8a–9) — The only fluent users (if any) are older than child-bearing age, so it is too late to restore natural intergenerational transmission through the home; a mechanism outside the home would need to be developed.
- Black = Extinct (EGIDS 10) — The language is no longer used and no one retains a sense of ethnic identity associated with the language.

## Statistical Summaries

The “Alphabetical Listing of Languages” (page 11) provides a detailed listing of all the languages of Vietnam. This section steps back from the detail to offer a summary view of the language situation in the country. Specifically, it offers three numerical tabulations of the living established languages of Vietnam and their users: by language size, by language status, and by language family.

### Summary by language size

Table 1 summarizes the distribution of living established languages in Vietnam by number of L1 speakers. The *Population range* column categorizes the sizes of the languages by order of magnitude (in terms of the number of digits in the population of first-language speakers). Consult “Languages by Population” (page 41) for a listing of the specific languages in each range category.

The *Count* column gives the number of living established languages within the specified population range. The *Percent* column gives the share of the count for that population range as a percentage of the total number of languages given at the bottom of the Count column. The *Cumulative* column gives the cumulative sum of the percentage of languages going from top to bottom in the column.

The *Total* column gives the total L1 population of all the languages in the given range category. The second *Percent* column gives the percentage of the total country population as estimated at the bottom of the Total column. Note that if the table has a row for Unknown, representing languages for which the *Ethnologue* does not have a population estimate, the calculation of population percentage is not able to take those languages into account. The final *Cumulative* column gives the cumulative sums of the population percentages going from top to bottom in the column.

**Table 1:** Distribution of languages by number of first-language speakers

Population range	Living languages			Number of speakers		
	Count	Percent	Cumulative	Total	Percent	Cumulative
10,000,000 to 99,999,999	1	0.9	0.9%	82,100,000	85.92110	85.92110%
1,000,000 to 9,999,999	5	4.5	5.5%	7,090,000	7.41998	93.34108%
100,000 to 999,999	16	14.5	20.0%	4,834,000	5.05898	98.40007%
10,000 to 99,999	41	37.3	57.3%	1,437,800	1.50472	99.90479%
1,000 to 9,999	24	21.8	79.1%	84,690	0.08863	99.99342%
100 to 999	15	13.6	92.7%	6,190	0.00648	99.99990%
10 to 99	4	3.6	96.4%	100	0.00010	100.00000%
Unknown	4	3.6	100.0%			

Population range	Living languages			Number of speakers		
	<i>Count</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Cumulative</i>	<i>Total</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Cumulative</i>
<i>Totals</i>	110	100.0		95,552,780	100.00000	

### Summary by language status

Table 2 summarizes the distribution of living established languages in Vietnam by their status in terms of language development or language endangerment. The *EGIDS* column categorizes the languages by their level on the EGIDS scale. Consult “Languages by Status” (page 49) for a listing of the specific languages that have been assigned to each level. Note that the EGIDS level reported here is for the status of the language in Vietnam. Languages that are also used in other countries may be assigned to a different EGIDS level in those countries.

The next six columns are as in Table 1. In addition, the *Mean* column gives the average L1 population of all the languages with the given EGIDS level and the *Median* column gives the median L1 population for the languages at that level, that is, half of the languages at that level have a higher population and half have a lower population. If there are any languages with an unknown population, these are ignored in the calculation of the mean and the median.

**Table 2:** Distribution of languages by vitality status

EGIDS	Living languages			Number of speakers			<i>Mean</i>	<i>Median</i>
	<i>Count</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Cumulative</i>	<i>Total</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Cumulative</i>		
1	1	0.9	0.9%	82,100,000	85.9211	85.9211%	82,100,000	82,100,000
5	15	13.6	14.5%	6,348,800	6.6443	92.5654%	423,253	201,000
6a	45	40.9	55.5%	3,830,100	4.0084	96.5737%	85,113	25,000
6b	38	34.5	90.0%	3,243,500	3.3945	99.9682%	85,355	6,080
7	5	4.5	94.5%	3,630	0.0038	99.9720%	726	500
8a	2	1.8	96.4%	26,400	0.0276	99.9996%	13,200	13,200
8b	4	3.6	100.0%	350	0.0004	100.0000%	88	20
<i>Totals</i>	110	100.0		95,552,780	100.0000			

### Summary by language family

The genealogical classifications given in the language entries of the “Alphabetical Listing of Languages” (page 11) name 6 different top-level groups. Table 3 summarizes the distribution of living established languages and their L1 populations within these families. The columns are as for table 2, with the exception that *Cumulative* is excluded since there is no inherent ordering of the families.

**Table 3:** Distribution of languages by language family

Language family	Living languages		Number of speakers			
	<i>Count</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Total</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Mean</i>	<i>Median</i>
Austro-Asiatic	45	40.9	86,629,980	90.7	1,925,111	18,000
Austronesian	10	9.1	969,710	1.0	96,971	29,100
Hmong-Mien	9	8.2	2,085,250	2.2	231,694	164,000
Kra-Dai	32	29.1	4,970,850	5.2	155,339	10,000
Sign language	3	2.7	85,800	0.1	28,600	39,000
Sino-Tibetan	11	10.0	811,190	0.8	73,745	5,000
<i>Totals</i>	110	100.0	95,552,780	100.0		

## Alphabetical Listing of Languages

**Akha** [ahk] (Ahka, Aini, Ak'a, Aka, Khao Ikor, Yani, “Ekaw” *pej.*, “Ikaw” *pej.*, “Kaw” *pej.*, “Kha Ko” *pej.*, “Khako” *pej.*, “Ko” *pej.*). *Users*: 7,000 in Vietnam (Hansson 2003). Ethnic population: Hà Nhi ethnic group 21,725 (2009 census). *Location*: Dien Bien, Lao Cai, and Lai Chau provinces. *Status*: 6b\* (Threatened). Language of recognized ethnic group: Ha Nhi. *Class*: Sino-Tibetan, Tibeto-Burman, Ngwi-Burmese, Ngwi, Southern. *Type*: SOV; noun head initial; classifiers; isolating language; 32 consonants and 11 vowels; tonal (3 tones); phonation types (lax and tense). *Lg Dev*: Literature. Dictionary. Grammar. Bible: 2002. *Writing*: Latin script, used at least since 1950, used in China, Myanmar, and Thailand. Myanmar (Burmese) script, used in Myanmar. Thai script, used in Thailand. *Other*: Non-indigenous. Traditional religion, Christian. *Map*: 39:24. *Worldwide*: Total users in all countries: 616,600. Global EGIDS level: 3 (Wider communication). Indigenous in: China, Laos, Myanmar, Thailand.

**Arem** [aem] (A-Rem, Chombrau, Chomrau, Kri, Umo). *Users*: 20 in Vietnam (Ferlus 1996). Ethnic population: 100 (Ferlus 1996). *Location*: Quang Binh province, Bo Trach district, Tan Trach, 1 or 2 families of Thuong Trach. *Status*: 8b (Nearly extinct). Language of recognized ethnic group: Chut. *Class*: Austro-Asiatic, Mon-Khmer, Viet-Muong, Chut. *Dialects*: Other dialects or ethnic names: Tu-vang, Pa-leng, Xo-lang, To-hung, Chà-cu, Tac-cui, Nhà Chút. *Lg Use*: Shifted to Vietnamese [vie]. *DLS*: Still. *Other*: Part of Chút official ethnic community, including Sách, Mày Ruc, and Arem. *Map*: 40:61. *Worldwide*: Total users in all countries: 270. Global EGIDS level: 8a (Moribund). Also indigenous in: Laos.

**Bahnar** [bdq] (Ba Na). Autonym: Bahnar. *Users*: 287,000 (2019 census), based on ethnicity. *Location*: Gia Lai, Binh Dinh, Phu Yen, and Kon Tum provinces. *Status*: 5\* (Developing). Language of recognized ethnic group: Ba Na. *Class*: Austro-Asiatic, Mon-Khmer, Eastern Mon-Khmer, Bahnaric, Central Bahnaric. *Dialects*: Tolo, Golar, Alakong (A-La Cong), Jolong (Gio-Lang, Y-Lang), Bahnar Bonom (Bomam), Kontum, Krem. Other dialects or ethnic names: Roh, Kpang Cong. Reportedly most similar to Alak [alk], Tampuan [tpu], and Romam [rmx]. *Lg Use*: Also use Vietnamese [vie]. *Lg Dev*: Literacy rate in L1: 10%–30%. Literacy rate in L2: 50%–75%. Radio. Dictionary. Bible: 2015. *DLS*: Emerging (0.06). *Writing*: Latin script. *Other*: Ba Na is an official ethnic community 227,715 (2009 census) that also includes Rengao [ren]. Traditional religion, Christian. *Map*: 40:83.

**Bih** [ibh]. *Users*: 10 (2015 T. Nguyen). Ethnic population: 500 (Nguyen 2013). *Location*: Dat Lak province: Krong Ana district, Buon Trap town. *Status*: 8b (Nearly extinct). *Class*: Austronesian, Malayo-Polynesian, Malayo-Chamic, Chamic, Highlands. *Type*: SVO; prepositions; classifiers; aspect; 26 consonants and 12 vowels. *Lg Use*: Elderly only. Shifted to Rade [rad]. *Lg Dev*: Grammar. *DLS*: Still. *Writing*: Unwritten. *Map*: 40:86.

**Brao** [brb] (Braou, Brau, Brou, Lave, Laveh, Love, Proue, Rawe). *Users*: 530 in Vietnam (2019 census), based on ethnicity. *Location*: Kon Tum province: Dac Me commune, Ngoc Hoi district. *Status*: 6b\* (Threatened). Language of recognized ethnic group: Brau. *Class*: Austro-

Asiatic, Mon-Khmer, Eastern Mon-Khmer, Bahnaric, West Bahnaric, Brao-Kravet. *Dialect:* Palau. *Lg Use:* Also use Vietnamese [vie]. *Lg Dev:* Literature. Radio. Texts. Bible portions: 2007–2011. *Writing:* Khmer script. Lao script. Latin script. *Other:* Traditional religion, Christian. *Map:* 40:81. *Worldwide:* Total users in all countries: 35,560. Global EGIDS level: 5 (Developing). Also indigenous in: Cambodia, Laos.

**Bru, Eastern** [bru] (B’ru, Baru, Brũ, Brou, Bru, Bru Van Kieu, Brôu, Quang Tri Bru, Van Kieu). *Users:* 94,600 in Vietnam (2019 census), based on ethnicity; includes Khua [xhv]. *Location:* Quang Binh, Quang Tri, and Dat Lak provinces. *Status:* 5\* (Developing). Language of recognized ethnic group: Bru Van Kieu. *Class:* Austro-Asiatic, Mon-Khmer, Eastern Mon-Khmer, Katuic, West Katuic, Bru. *Dialects:* Mangkong, Tri. *Lg Use:* Also use Vietnamese [vie]. *Lg Dev:* Literacy rate in L1: 1%–5%. Literacy rate in L2: 15%–25%. Radio. Dictionary. Bible: 2014. *Writing:* Lao script, used in Laos. Latin script, used in Vietnam. Thai script. *Other:* Bru Vân Kiêu is an official ethnic community of 74,506 (2009 census) that also includes Khua [xhv]. Traditional religion, Christian. *Map:* 40:62. *Worldwide:* Total users in all countries: 132,000. Also indigenous in: Laos.

**Cao Lan** [mlc] (Cao, Caolan, Lan-Sán Chi, San Chay, San Chi, Sán-Chi, “Man Cao-Lan” pej., “Mán” pej.). *Users:* 201,000 (2019 census), based on ethnicity. *Location:* San Chay mainly in Tuyen Quang, Lang Son, Bac Kan, and Thai Nguyen provinces; scattered in Yen Bai, Vinh Phuc, Phu Tho, Bac Giang, and Quang Ninh provinces. *Status:* 6a\* (Vigorous). Language of recognized ethnic group: San Chay. *Class:* Kra-Dai, Kam-Tai, Tai, Central. *Dialects:* None known. Maintain some features from Northern Thai [nod]. *Type:* Tonal. *Lg Use:* Also use Vietnamese [vie]. *DLS:* Still. *Other:* Sán Chay is an official ethnic community. Possibly came from China in the 19th century. May speak a form of Yue Chinese [yue]. Traditional religion, Christian. *Map:* 38:47.

**Cham, Eastern** [cjm] (Bhamam, Chiem, Chiem Thành, Tjam). Autonym: Chẵm. *Users:* 132,000 (2019 census), based on ethnicity. All Cham: 178,948 (2019 census) but as many as 250,000 (Bradley 2007a). *Location:* Binh Thuan, Dong Nai, and Ninh Thuan provinces; Ho Chi Minh city. *Status:* 6b\* (Threatened). Language of recognized ethnic group: Cham. *Class:* Austronesian, Malayo-Polynesian, Malayo-Chamic, Chamic, Coastal, Cham. *Lg Use:* Also use Vietnamese [vie] (Bradley 2007a). *Lg Dev:* Literacy rate in L1: 5%–10%. Literacy rate in L2: 60%. Radio. Grammar. Texts. Bible portions: 1973. *DLS:* Emerging (0.03). *Writing:* Arabic script, Naskh variant. Cham script, primary usage. Latin script. *Other:* Official Cham ethnic group also includes Western Cham [cja] and Haroi [hro]. Remnants of a once-powerful kingdom. Austro-Asiatic influences. Traditional religion, Christian, Hindu. *Map:* 40:102.

**Cham, Western** [cja] (Cambodian Cham, Chẵm, Cham, Chiem, New Cham, Tjam). Autonym: Chẵm. *Users:* 46,500 in Vietnam (2019 census), based on ethnicity. All Cham: 178,948 (2019 census) but as many as 250,000 (Bradley 2007a). *Location:* An Giang and Tay Ninh provinces; Ho Chi Minh city. *Status:* 6b\* (Threatened). Language of recognized ethnic group: Cham. *Class:* Austronesian, Malayo-Polynesian, Malayo-Chamic, Chamic, Coastal, Cham. *Lg Use:* Being replaced by Vietnamese [vie] (Bradley 2007a). Also use Vietnamese [vie]. *Lg Dev:*

Literature. Radio. Dictionary. Texts. *Writing*: Arabic script, Naskh variant. Cham script. Latin script. *Other*: Official Cham ethnic group includes Eastern Cham [cjm] and Haroi [hro]. Differs a bit from Eastern Cham [cjm] of central Vietnam. Muslim. *Map*: 40:92. *Worldwide*: Total users in all countries: 312,500. Global EGIDS level: 5 (Developing). Also indigenous in: Cambodia. Also established in: Laos (Cham), Thailand. Unestablished in: France, Malaysia.

**Chinese, Hakka** [hak] (Người Ngái, Ngái). *Users*: 1,650 in Vietnam (2019 census), based on ethnicity. *Location*: Hai Phong, Quang Ninh, and Thai Nguyen provinces. *Status*: 6a\* (Vigorous). *Class*: Sino-Tibetan, Chinese. *Type*: SVO; tonal. *Lg Dev*: Literature. Newspapers. Periodicals. Radio. TV. Videos. Dictionary. Grammar. Bible: 1916–2012. *Writing*: Han script, Simplified variant. Han script, Traditional variant. Latin script, used since early 19th century. *Other*: Non-indigenous. *Worldwide*: Total users in all countries: 44,271,630 (as L1: 44,020,430; as L2: 251,200). Global EGIDS level: 4 (Educational). Indigenous in: China, China–Hong Kong. Also established in 11 other countries and unestablished in 9 more.

**Chinese, Yue** [yue] (Chinese Nung, Ha Xa Phang, Hai Nam, Han, Hoa, Kién, Liem Chau, Lowland Nung, Minh Huong, Nung, Phúc, Quang Dong, Samg Phang, Suòng Phóng, Triêu Chau). *Users*: 749,000 in Vietnam (2019 census), based on ethnicity. *Location*: Mekong river delta area, Soc Trang, Can Tho, Vinh Long, Tra Vinh, Dong Nai, and Kien Giang provinces; Ho Chi Minh, Ha Noi, and Hai Phong cities; north Vietnam-China border regions. *Status*: 6b\* (Threatened). Language of recognized ethnic group: Hoa. *Class*: Sino-Tibetan, Chinese. *Type*: SVO; prepositions; genitives, relatives, adjectives, numerals before noun heads; noun classifiers; no articles; 18 consonants, 7 vowels; tonal (6 tones: 3 level, 3 contour). *Lg Dev*: Fully developed. Bible: 1894–1981. *Writing*: Braille script, used in Hong Kong. Han script, Simplified variant. Han script, Traditional variant, official usage in Hong Kong and Macau, also used elsewhere. Latin script, used since mid-19th century. *Other*: Non-indigenous. Part of the official Hoa 823,071 (2009 census) ethnic community. Renowned fighters. Came from Canton, China as railroad workers and soldiers several decades ago. Distinct from Nung in the Tai family or Tibeto-Burman Nung (Nu) of China and Myanmar. Daoist, Christian. *Worldwide*: Total users in all countries: 86,633,370 (as L1: 86,116,370; as L2: 517,000). Global EGIDS level: 2 (Provincial). Indigenous in: China, China–Hong Kong, China–Macao. Also established in 11 other countries and unestablished in 19 more.

**Chrau** [crw] (Chauro, Cho Ro, Choro, Doro, Ro, Tamun). *Users*: 29,500 (2019 census), decreasing, based on ethnicity. Few monolinguals. *Location*: Dong Nai province: Xuan Loc and Chau Thanh districts; Ba Ria-Vung Tau and Binh Thuan provinces. *Status*: 6b\* (Threatened). Language of recognized ethnic group: Cho Ro. *Class*: Austro-Asiatic, Mon-Khmer, Eastern Mon-Khmer, Bahnaric, South Bahnaric, Stieng-Chrau. *Dialects*: Chalah, Chalun, Dor (Doro), Jro, Mro, Prang, Tamun, Vajieng, Voqtwaq. *Lg Use*: Some parents pass it on to children. Informally used in education, oral and written use in religious services, oral literature. Positive attitudes. Also use Vietnamese [vie]. *Lg Dev*: Literacy rate in L1: 30%. Literacy rate in L2: 50%–75%. 5,000 can read Chrau, 500 can write it. Radio. Dictionary. Grammar. Texts. NT: 1982. *DLS*: Still. *Writing*: Latin script. *Other*: Cho Ro is an official ethnic community. ‘Chrau’, mountain dweller. Traditional religion, Christian. *Map*: 40:95.

- Chru** [cje] (Cadoe Loang, Cho Ru, Choru, Chrau Hma, Chu, Chu Ru, Churu, Cru, Kru, Seyu). Autonym: Chru. *Users*: 23,200 (2019 census), based on ethnicity. *Location*: Lam Dong province: Don Duong, Duc Trong, and Di Linh districts; Binh Thuan province: An Son and Duc Linh districts; Ninh Thuan province. *Status*: 6b\* (Threatened). Language of recognized ethnic group: Chu Ru. *Class*: Austronesian, Malayo-Polynesian, Malayo-Chamic, Chamic, Highlands, Chru-Northern. *Dialects*: Rai, Noang (La-Dang). *Lg Use*: Being replaced by Vietnamese [vie] in many domains (Bradley 2007a). Also use Vietnamese [vie]. *Lg Dev*: Literacy rate in L1: 5%–10%. Literacy rate in L2: 25%–50%. Radio. Dictionary. NT: 2015. *DLS*: Emerging (0.01). *Writing*: Latin script. *Other*: Christian, traditional religion. *Map*: 40:98.
- Chut** [scb] (May, Ruc, Sach, Salang). *Users*: 1,050 in Vietnam (Bradley 2007a). 450 May, 95 Ruc, 500 Sach. Ethnic population: 7,510 (2019 census). *Location*: Quang Binh province, Thuong Hoa, Hoa Son, Dan Hoa communes, near Laos border at the same latitude as Mu Gia Pass. *Status*: 7 (Shifting). Language of recognized ethnic group: Chut. *Class*: Austro-Asiatic, Mon-Khmer, Viet-Muong, Chut. *Dialects*: Sach, May, Ruc (Kha Mu Gia, Tac Cui). *Lg Use*: Shifting to Vietnamese [vie]. *DLS*: Still. *Writing*: Unwritten. *Other*: Chút is an official ethnic community which includes Arem [aem], Mày, Sách, and Ruc. Traditional religion. *Map*: 40:58. *Worldwide*: Total users in all countries: 1,250. Also indigenous in: Laos.
- Công** [cnc] (Khoong, “Xa Coong” pej., “Xa Xam” pej., “Xa Xeng” pej.). *Users*: 2,730 (2019 census), based on ethnicity. *Location*: Lai Chau province: Muong Te district, east of Sila, south of Mang; Ban Nam Luong, 4 villages; Kan Ho commune, Bo Lech; Nam Khao commune; Muong Toong commune, Ban Bo village; Dien Bien province: Muong Nhé district, Nam Ke and Pa Thom communes, near the Lao border. *Status*: 6a (Vigorous). Language of recognized ethnic group: Cong. *Class*: Sino-Tibetan, Tibeto-Burman, Ngwi-Burmese, Ngwi, Southern. *Dialects*: None known. Quite different from Akha [ahk], Lahu [lhu], and Sila [slt] of this location. North and south varieties in Vietnam are different, but mutually intelligible. Bisu [bzi], Pyen [pyy], and Mpi [mpz] are closely related. *Type*: No final consonants. *Lg Use*: Few domains. Used by all. Positive attitudes. Also use Vietnamese [vie]. *DLS*: Still. *Other*: Cong is an official ethnic community. Traditional religion. *Map*: 39:3.
- Cua** [cua] (Bong Miew, Bông Mieu). *Users*: 12,000 (Bradley 2007b). Ethnic population: 40,400 (2019 census). *Location*: Quang Ngai, Kon Tum, and Quang Nam provinces. *Status*: 6b\* (Threatened). Language of recognized ethnic group: Co. *Class*: Austro-Asiatic, Mon-Khmer, Eastern Mon-Khmer, Bahnaric, East Bahnaric. *Dialects*: Kol (Co, Col, Cor, Dot, Kor, Yot), Traw (Dong, Tràu). *Lg Use*: Also use Vietnamese [vie]. *Lg Dev*: Dictionary. Texts. Bible portions: 1973. *DLS*: Still. *Writing*: Latin script. *Other*: Traditional religion, Christian. *Map*: 40:68.
- En** [enc] (Ainh, Nung Ven, Nungven). *Users*: 200 (1998 J. Edmondson). Ethnic population: 200 (Bradley 2007b). *Location*: Cao Bang province: Ho Quang district, Noi Thon village, 20 km east of Ho Quang city. *Status*: 6b (Threatened). *Class*: Kra-Dai, Kra, Eastern Kra. *Dialects*: None known. Lexical similarity: less than 50% with Laha [lha], Qabiao [laq] (Laqua), Lachi

[lbt], Gelao [giq], Hlai [lic]. *Type*: No uvular consonants; has its own number system. *Lg Use*: Some young people, all adults. Also use Vietnamese [vie]. *DLS*: Still. *Map*: 38:46.

**French** [fra]. Autonym: français. *Users*: 698,700 in Vietnam, all users. L1 users: 5,700 in Vietnam (2020 Joshua Project). L2 users: 693,000 (Marcoux et al 2022). *Status*: Unestablished. *Class*: Indo-European, Italic, Romance, Italo-Western, Western, Gallo-Iberian, Gallo-Romance, Gallo-Rhaetian, Oil, French. *Type*: SVO; prepositions; noun head final for common adjectives, numbers, possessives, but most attributive adjectives come after the noun; gender (masculine/feminine); definite and indefinite articles; verb affixes mark person, number; passives; tense; comparatives; 20 consonant and 14 vowel phonemes; non-tonal; syllable-timed stress. *Lg Dev*: Fully developed. Bible: 1530–2000. *Writing*: Braille script. Duployan shorthand. Latin script, primary usage. *Other*: Non-indigenous. *Worldwide*: Total users in all countries: 309,804,220 (as L1: 80,770,190; as L2: 229,034,030). Global EGIDS level: 0 (International). Indigenous in: Andorra, Belgium, France, Luxembourg, Monaco, Switzerland. Also established in 96 other countries and unestablished in 23 more.

**Gelao, Green** [giq] (Cape Draping Gelao, Hakhi, Hoki Gelao, Klau, Qau). *Users*: 300 in Vietnam (2002 J. Edmondson). *Location*: Ha Giang province, Yen Minh district, Dong Van district, Pho La and Dong Van communes. *Status*: 8b (Nearly extinct). Language of recognized ethnic group: Co Lao. *Class*: Kra-Dai, Kra, Western Kra. *Lg Use*: Shifted to Tày [tyz]. Also use Hmong [hmn]. *Lg Dev*: Dictionary. *DLS*: Emerging (0.01). *Other*: Part of the Co Lao 2,636 (2009 census) official ethnic community. Not mutually intelligible with Red Gelao [gir] (2002 J. Edmondson). Traditional religion. *Map*: 38:38. *Worldwide*: Global EGIDS level: 8a (Moribund). Also established in: China (Hagei).

**Gelao, Red** [gir] (Vandu Gelao, Voa Dê). *Users*: 50 in Vietnam (1997 J. Edmondson). *Location*: Ha Giang province: Yen Minh district, Na Khe and Bich Dich villages. *Status*: 7 (Shifting). Language of recognized ethnic group: Co Lao. *Class*: Kra-Dai, Kra, Western Kra. *Type*: Tonal (4 tones). *Lg Use*: Shifting to Mandarin Chinese [cmn] (Asian Minorities Outreach 1999a). Some also use Kim Mun [mji]. *Lg Dev*: Texts. *DLS*: Still. *Other*: Part of the Co Lao 2,636 (2009 census) official ethnic community. Not mutually intelligible with White Gelao [giw] (2002 J. Edmondson). Traditional religion. *Map*: 38:43. *Worldwide*: Also indigenous in: China.

**Gelao, White** [giw] (Southwestern Gelao, Telue, Tú Du). *Users*: 20 in Vietnam (2002 J. Edmondson). *Location*: Ha Giang province, Yen Minh district, Pho La and Dong Van. *Status*: 8b (Nearly extinct). Language of recognized ethnic group: Co Lao. *Class*: Kra-Dai, Kra, Western Kra. *Type*: Tonal (4 tones). *Lg Use*: Shifted to Vietnamese [vie]. *Lg Dev*: Dictionary. Grammar. *Other*: Non-indigenous. Part of the Co Lao 2,636 (2009 census). Not mutually intelligible with Red Gelao [gir] (2002 J. Edmondson). Traditional religion. *Map*: 38:41. *Worldwide*: Total users in all countries: 1,220. Indigenous in: China (Duoluo).

**Giáy** [pcc] (Bo-I, Bo-Y, Bouyei, Buyi, Chang Chá, Chung Cha, Cùi Chu, Dang, Dioi, Giai, Giang, Nhang, Niang, Nyang, Pau Thin, Pu-I, Pu-Nam, Pui, Puyi, Pú Nà, Sa, Trong Ggia, Tu-Dìn, Xa Chung Chá, Yai, Yay). *Users*: 67,900 in Vietnam (2019 census), based on ethnicity.

*Location:* Lao Cai, Yen Bai, Cao Bang, Ha Giang, and Lai Chau provinces. *Status:* 6b\* (Threatened). Language of recognized ethnic group: Bo Y. *Class:* Kra-Dai, Kam-Tai, Tai, Northern. *Dialects:* Tu-Dí, Nhang, Pú Nà. *Type:* SVO; modifiers follow heads; highly monosyllabic; tonal, 6 tone categories in open syllables and 4 in closed syllables. *Lg Use:* Also use Vietnamese [vie]. *Lg Dev:* Literature. Videos. Dictionary. Grammar. Texts. Bible portions: 1904. *Writing:* Han (Hanzi, Kanji, Hanja) script, dating from late Ming/early Qing dynasty, limited use in ritual texts and folk literature. Latin script, official usage since 1985. *Other:* Giáy and Bo Y are both official ethnic communities. Traditional religion, Daoist. *Maps:* 39:15, 38:15. *Worldwide:* Total users in all countries: 3,043,740. Global EGIDS level: 5 (Developing). Also indigenous in: China (Bouyei). Also established in: Laos (Yang).

**Haiphong Sign Language** [haf] (HPSL, Hai Phong Sign Language, NNKHHP, Vietnamese Sign Language). *Users:* 1,800 (Woodward 2015). Estimated 1,800 prelingually-deaf people in the Haiphong area, based on 0.1% of the total population (Woodward 2015). *Location:* Hai Phong. *Status:* 6a (Vigorous). *Class:* Sign language, Deaf community sign language. *Dialects:* None known. 54% cognate to Hanoi Sign Language [hab] and Ho Chi Minh City Sign Language [hos] on a 100-word list; 40–50% cognate to Thai Sign Language [tsq] and its predecessors (Woodward 2000). *Lg Use:* Vigorous. Used by all. *DLS:* Still. *Other:* Strong influence from French Sign Language [fsl], used in schools for the deaf (Woodward 2000). *Map:* 38:49.

**Halang** [hal] (Koyong, Salang). *Users:* 13,500 in Vietnam (2000). *Location:* Kon Tum province. *Status:* 6b (Threatened). Language of recognized ethnic group: Xo Dang. *Class:* Austro-Asiatic, Mon-Khmer, Eastern Mon-Khmer, Bahnaric, North Bahnaric, West, Jeh-Halang. *Dialects:* None known. Reportedly similar to Jeh [jeh]. *Lg Use:* Some young people, all adults. Also use Vietnamese [vie]. *Lg Dev:* Literacy rate in L1: 5%–10%. Literacy rate in L2: 25%–50%. Radio. Dictionary. Bible portions: 1970–1972. *DLS:* Still. *Writing:* Latin script. *Other:* Part of the Xo Dang 165,501 (2009 census) official ethnic community. Traditional religion. *Map:* 40:79. *Worldwide:* Total users in all countries: 17,500. Also indigenous in: Laos (Salang).

**Halang Doan** [hld] (Doan, Duan, Halang Duan). *Users:* 2,500 in Vietnam (Bradley 2007a). *Location:* Kon Tum province: between Sedang [sed] and Cua [cua] language areas. *Status:* 6b\* (Threatened). Language of recognized ethnic group: Xo Dang. *Class:* Austro-Asiatic, Mon-Khmer, Eastern Mon-Khmer, Bahnaric, North Bahnaric, West, Duan. *Dialects:* None known. May be intelligible of Takua [tkz], Kayong [kxy], Halang [hal], and Rengao [ren]. *Lg Use:* Also use Vietnamese [vie]. *DLS:* Still. *Map:* 40:71. *Worldwide:* Total users in all countries: 4,850. Also indigenous in: Laos.

**Hani** [hni] (Ha Nhi, Haw, Hãnhì, U Ní, Uni, Xauni, Xá U Ní). Autonym: Ha Nhi. *Users:* 25,500 in Vietnam (2019 census), based on ethnicity. *Location:* North, Lai Chau and Lao Cai provinces. 1 variety is east, 1 west of Muong Te city. *Status:* 6b\* (Threatened). Language of recognized ethnic group: Ha Nhi. *Class:* Sino-Tibetan, Tibeto-Burman, Ngwi-Burmese, Ngwi, Southern. *Type:* SOV; tonal, 3 tones. *Lg Use:* Also use Vietnamese [vie]. *Lg Dev:* Newspapers. Radio. TV. Videos. Dictionary. Grammar. Texts. *Writing:* Latin script, pinyin-based, used in

1958–1964 and from 1982, experimental, used in education, literature, and media. *Other*: Hà Nhi is an official ethnic community in Vietnam and China. 2 similar varieties in Vietnam differ only in phonology and lexicon. Traditional religion. *Map*: 39:1. *Worldwide*: Total users in all countries: 766,240. Global EGIDS level: 6a (Vigorous). Also indigenous in: China, Laos.

**Hanoi Sign Language** [hab] (HNSL, Ha Noi Sign Language, NNKHHN, Northern Vietnamese Sign Language, Vietnamese Sign Language). *Users*: 39,000 (Woodward et al 2015a). Estimated 39,000 prelingually deaf, based on 0.1% of total population (Woodward et al 2015a). *Location*: Scattered. Ha Noi. *Status*: 6a (Vigorous). *Class*: Sign language, Deaf community sign language. *Dialects*: None known. About 55% cognate to Haiphong Sign Language [haf] and Ho Chi Minh City Sign Language [hos] on a 100-word list; 45% cognate to Thai Sign Language [tsq] (Woodward 2000). *Lg Use*: Vigorous. Used by all. Some also use Vietnamese [vie]. *DLS*: Emerging (0.01). *Other*: Strong influence from French Sign Language [fsl], used in schools for the deaf (Woodward 2000). *Map*: 38:48.

**Haroi** [hro] (Aroi, Bahnar Cham, Hoi, Hroi, Hroy, Hrway). *Users*: 35,000 (Bradley 2007a). All Cham: 178,948 (2019 census) but as many as 250,000 (Bradley 2007a). *Location*: Gia Lai and Phu Yen provinces. *Status*: 6b (Threatened). Language of recognized ethnic group: Cham. *Class*: Austronesian, Malayo-Polynesian, Malayo-Chamic, Chamic, Coastal. *Lg Use*: Some young people, all adults. Also use Vietnamese [vie]. *Lg Dev*: Texts. *DLS*: Emerging (0.06). *Writing*: Latin script. *Other*: Official Cham ethnic group also includes Eastern Cham [cjm] and Western Cham [cja]. *Map*: 40:84.

**Hmong Daw** [mww] (Bai Miao, Hmoob Dawb, Meo Kao, Mán Tráng, White Lum, White Meo). Autonym: Hmongb Dleub. *Users*: 1,390,000 in Vietnam (2019 census), based on ethnicity. *Location*: North, Son La, Dien Bien, Lao Cai, and Lai Chau provinces; others resettled in south. *Status*: 5\* (Developing). Language of recognized ethnic group: Hmong. *Class*: Hmong-Mien, Hmongic, Chuanqiandian. *Dialect*: Hmong Xi (Meo Do). *Type*: Tonal, 7 tones. *Lg Dev*: Radio. Dictionary. Bible: 1997–2011. *Writing*: Lao script. Latin script, used since 1953, primary usage. Miao (Pollard) script, no longer in use, used in China. Pahawh Hmong script, used since 1959. Thai script, used in Thailand. *Other*: Non-indigenous. Part of the H'mông official ethnic community. Largely intelligible with Hmong Njua [hnj]. No significant difference between White and Striped (Thailand) Hmong. Traditional religion, Christian. *Map*: 39:7. *Worldwide*: Total users in all countries: 1,978,400. Indigenous in: China. Also established in: Laos, Thailand, United States. Unestablished in: France.

**Hmong Dô** [hmv]. *Location*: Ha Giang province: Dong Van and Meo Vae districts; Lao Cai province: Bac Ha district. *Status*: 6a\* (Vigorous). *Class*: Hmong-Mien, Hmongic, Chuanqiandian. *Dialects*: None known. Lexical similarity: 80% with Hmong Daw [mww]. *Type*: Tonal, 8 tones. *Lg Use*: Also use Vietnamese [vie]. *DLS*: Still. *Other*: Traditional religion, Christian. *Maps*: 39:16, 38:16.

**Hmong Don** [hmf] (Hua Binh, Hunan Miao, Nghia Lo, Yen Bai). *Location*: Hoa Binh, Yen Bai, and Son La provinces. *Status*: 6a\* (Vigorous). Language of recognized ethnic group: Hmong. *Class*: Hmong-Mien, Hmongic, Chuanqiandian. *Type*: Tonal, 7 tones. *Lg Use*: Also use

Vietnamese [vie]. *DLS*: Still. *Other*: Part of the H'mông official ethnic community. Traditional religion, Christian. *Maps*: 39:28, 38:28, 38:28.

**Hmong Njua** [hnj] (Mong Leng). Autonym: Hmongb Nzhuab, Moob Leeg. *Users*: 164,000 in Vietnam (2022 Joshua Project), based on ethnicity. *Location*: Son La, Nghe An, Dien Bien, Lao Cai, Thanh Hoa, Lai Chau, and Hoa Binh provinces; scattered areas. *Status*: 6a\* (Vigorous). *Class*: Hmong-Mien, Hmongic, Chuanqiandian. *Lg Use*: Also use Vietnamese [vie]. *Lg Dev*: Literature. Dictionary. Grammar. Bible: 2011. *Writing*: Lao script. Latin script, primary usage. Miao (Pollard) script, used in China. Pahawh Hmong script. Thai script, used in Thailand. *Maps*: 39:23, 38:23, 38:23. *Worldwide*: Total users in all countries: 468,920. Also indigenous in: China, Laos, Thailand. Also established in: Myanmar. Unestablished in: Australia, French Guiana, United States.

**Ho Chi Minh City Sign Language** [hos] (HCMCSL, NNKHTPHCM, Southern Vietnamese Sign Language, Vietnamese Sign Language). *Users*: 45,000 (Woodward et al 2015b). Estimated 45,000 prelingually deaf, based on 0.1% of the general population of the region. *Location*: Ho Chi Minh City. *Status*: 6a (Vigorous). *Class*: Sign language, Deaf community sign language. *Dialects*: None known. About 55% cognate to Haiphong Sign Language [haf] and Hanoi Sign Language [hab] on a 100-word list; 39% cognate to Thai Sign Language [tsq] (Woodward 2000). *Lg Use*: Vigorous. Used by all. *Lg Dev*: Bible portions: 2018–2019. *DLS*: Still. *Other*: Strong influence from French Sign Language [fsl], used in schools for the deaf (Woodward 2000). *Map*: 40:94.

**Hre** [hre] (Cham-Re, Chom, Davach, Davak, Dá Vách, Hrey, Moi, Moi Da Vach, Moi Luy, Tachom). Autonym: Hrê. *Users*: 149,000 (2019 census), based on ethnicity. *Location*: Binh Dinh, Gia Lai, Kon Tum, and Quang Ngai provinces. *Status*: 5\* (Developing). Language of recognized ethnic group: Hre. *Class*: Austro-Asiatic, Mon-Khmer, Eastern Mon-Khmer, Bahnaric, North Bahnaric, West, Sedang-Todrah, Sedang. *Dialects*: Creq (Kare, Kre), Hre, Rabah (Tava). Reportedly most similar to Sedang [sed]. *Lg Use*: Also use Vietnamese [vie]. *Lg Dev*: Literacy rate in L1: 1%–5%. Literacy rate in L2: 15%–25%. Radio. Dictionary. Texts. Bible: 2019. *DLS*: Emerging (0.02). *Writing*: Latin script. *Other*: Hrê is an official ethnic community. Traditional religion, Christian. *Map*: 40:75.

**Hung** [hnu] (Cuói, K'katiam-Pong-Houk). *Users*: 500 in Vietnam (Bradley 2007b). Ethnic population: 1,000 (Bradley 2007b). Less than 1,000 in ethnic population. *Location*: Nghe An province, Tuong Duong district, Tam Thai commune, Pong; Con Cuong district, Mon Son and Luc Da communes, Dan Lai and Ly Ha. *Status*: 7 (Shifting). Language of recognized ethnic group: Tho. *Class*: Austro-Asiatic, Mon-Khmer, Viet-Muong, Cuoi. *Dialects*: Pong (Khong Kheng, Phong, Pong 1, Pong 2, Poong, Tay Pong, Toum Phong, Xa La Vang), Dan Lai, Ly Ha. *Lg Use*: Shifting to Vietnamese [vie]. *Other*: Part of the Tho official ethnic community. *Map*: 38:55. *Worldwide*: Total users in all countries: 4,130. Also indigenous in: Laos.

**Iu Mien** [ium] (Dao Do, Dao Thanh Phan, Diu, Highland Yao, Iu Mienh, Kim Mien, Mien, Mienh, Myen, Red Dao, Yao, Yao Kimmien, Yao Mienh, Yao Ogang, Yu Mien, “Dong” pej., “Mán” pej., “Trai” pej., “Xá” pej.). Autonym: Iu Mienh. *Users*: 350,000 in Vietnam (1999 H.

Purnell). *Location*: Bac Giang, Bac Kan, Cao Bang, Ha Giang, Hoa Binh, Lai Chau, Lang Son, Lao Cai, Phu Tho, Quang Ninh, Son La, Thai Nguyen, Thanh Hoa, Tuyen Quang, Vinh Phuc, and Yen Bai provinces, scattered settlements in northern regions; Dac Lak province south. *Status*: 5\* (Developing). Language of recognized ethnic group: Dao. *Class*: Hmong-Mien, Mienic, Mian-Jin. *Dialects*: Dao Do, Deo Tien, Dao Lan Tien, Dao Lo Gang, Cham, Quan Chet, Quan Trang. *Type*: Tonal, 7 tones. *Lg Use*: Same language as in Thailand and Laos. Not all ethnic Yao speak Mien; many speak Chinese. Part of the Vietnam population figure may be for Kim Mun [mji]. Also use Vietnamese [vie]. *Lg Dev*: Radio. Dictionary. Grammar. Texts. Bible: 2008. *Writing*: Han (Hanzi, Kanji, Hanja) script, dating from before Yuan dynasty, used in folk domains and text messaging. Lao script, used in Laos. Latin script, used at least since 1930s, used in China, Thailand, United States, France, Canada. Thai script, used in Thailand. *Other*: Part of the Dao 751,067 (2009 census) official ethnic community along with Kim Mun. Daoist, traditional religion. *Maps*: 39:8, 38:8, 38:8. *Worldwide*: Total users in all countries: 834,800. Also indigenous in: China, Laos. Also established in: Thailand. Unestablished in: Denmark, United States.

**Jarai** [jra] (Cho Rai, Chor, Chrai, Djarai, Draï, Gia Rai, Gio Rai, Mthur, Zrai). Autonym: Jorai. *Users*: 514,000 in Vietnam (2019 census), based on ethnicity. *Location*: Gia Lai, Kon Tum, and Binh Dinh provinces; some in Dat Lak province. *Status*: 5\* (Developing). Language of recognized ethnic group: Gia Rai. *Class*: Austronesian, Malayo-Polynesian, Malayo-Chamic, Chamic, Highlands. *Dialects*: Puan, Hdrung (Hdrung), Jhue, Aráp, Habau (Ho-Bau), To-Buan, Sesan, Chuty, Pleikly, Golar. Cambodian dialects are all very similar, all displaying some significant differences with dialects in Vietnam. *Type*: SVO; causatives; 25 consonant and 9 vowel phonemes; non-tonal; stress on final syllable. *Lg Use*: Also use Vietnamese [vie]. *Lg Dev*: Literacy rate in L1: 10%–30%. Literacy rate in L2: 50%–75%. Radio. Dictionary. Texts. Bible: 2014. *DLS*: Ascending (0.16). *Writing*: Khmer script, used in Cambodia. Latin script, primary usage. *Other*: Traditional religion, Christian. *Map*: 40:82. *Worldwide*: Total users in all countries: 534,800. Also indigenous in: Cambodia.

**Jeh** [jeh] (Die, Gie, Yeh). Autonym: Jeh. *Users*: 15,200 in Vietnam (2002 SIL). *Location*: Kon Tum and Quang Nam provinces. *Status*: 5 (Developing). *Class*: Austro-Asiatic, Mon-Khmer, Eastern Mon-Khmer, Bahnaric, North Bahnaric, West, Jeh-Halang. *Dialects*: Jeh Bri La (Bri-La), Jeh Mang Ram. Related to Halang [hal]. *Lg Use*: Used by all. Also use Vietnamese [vie]. *Lg Dev*: Literacy rate in L1: 1%–5%. Literacy rate in L2: 15%–25%. Radio. Dictionary. Texts. NT: 2012. *DLS*: Still. *Writing*: Lao script. Latin script. *Other*: Part of the Gié Triêng official ethnic community (50,962, 2009 census) which includes Trieng [stg]. Traditional religion, Christian. *Map*: 40:69. *Worldwide*: Total users in all countries: 26,700. Also indigenous in: Laos.

**Katu, Eastern** [ktv] (High Katu). *Users*: 74,200 (2019 census), based on ethnicity. *Location*: Quang Nam, Thua Thien-Hue, and Da Nang provinces. *Status*: 6a\* (Vigorous). Language of recognized ethnic group: Co Tu. *Class*: Austro-Asiatic, Mon-Khmer, Eastern Mon-Khmer, Katuic, East Katuic, Katu-Pacoh. *Dialects*: None known. Western Katu [kuf] is a different language with a different orthography in Laos. *Lg Use*: Also use Vietnamese [vie]. *Lg Dev*:

Literacy rate in L2: 5%–15%. Radio. Dictionary. Grammar. Texts. NT: 1978–2007. *DLS*: Emerging (0.01). *Writing*: Latin script. *Other*: Part of the Co Tu official ethnic community (61,588, 2009 census) which includes Phuong [phg]. Traditional religion, Christian. *Map*: 40:66.

**Katua** [kta] (Ca Tua). *Users*: 4,000 (Bradley 2007b). *Location*: Kon Tum province, Mang Buk area, west of Kayong [kxy] language area. *Status*: 6a\* (Vigorous). Language of recognized ethnic group: Xo Dang. *Class*: Austro-Asiatic, Mon-Khmer, Eastern Mon-Khmer, Bahnaric, North Bahnaric. *Lg Use*: Also use Vietnamese [vie]. *DLS*: Still. *Writing*: Unwritten. *Other*: Part of the Xo Dang official ethnic community (165,501, 2009 census). *Map*: 40:73.

**Kayong** [kxy] (Ca Giong, Cagiuong, Kagiuong, Katang). *Users*: 25,000 (Bradley 2007b). *Location*: Kon Tum province: Sa Thầy and Kon Plông districts; Quang Ngai province. *Status*: 6a\* (Vigorous). Language of recognized ethnic group: Xo Dang. *Class*: Austro-Asiatic, Mon-Khmer, Eastern Mon-Khmer, Bahnaric, North Bahnaric, East. *Dialects*: None known. Reportedly similar to Takua [tkz] and Cua [cua]. *Lg Use*: Also use Vietnamese [vie]. *DLS*: Still. *Other*: Part of the Xo Dang official ethnic community (170,000, 2009 census). *Map*: 40:74.

**Kháng** [kjm] (Bren, Hang, Khaang, Ksakautenh, Pouteng, Putenh, Quang Lam, Tay Hay, Tayhay, Teng, Theng, Xa, Xa Ai, Xa Bung, Xa Dang, Xa Don, Xa Hoc, Xa Xua, Xá Khao). *Users*: 16,200 (2019 census), based on ethnicity. *Location*: Son La, Dien Bien, Lai Chau, and Lao Cai provinces. *Status*: 8a (Moribund). Language of recognized ethnic group: Khang. *Class*: Austro-Asiatic, Mon-Khmer, Northern Mon-Khmer, Palaungic, Eastern Palaungic, Bit-Khang. *Dialects*: Kháng Clau, Kháng Ai (Sakau, Xa Cau, Xa Khao). *Lg Use*: Shifted to Tai Dam [blt]. Also use Vietnamese [vie]. *Lg Dev*: Texts. *DLS*: Still. *Writing*: Unwritten. *Other*: Traditional religion. *Map*: 39:22.

**Khao** [xao]. *Users*: 10,000 (Wurm and Hattori 1981). *Location*: Son La and Dien Bien provinces, near Ma River, north of Pa Ma. *Status*: 6a\* (Vigorous). *Class*: Austro-Asiatic, Mon-Khmer, Northern Mon-Khmer, Khmuic, Khao. *Dialects*: None known. Related to Bit [bgk] in Laos and China. *Lg Use*: Also use Vietnamese [vie]. *DLS*: Still. *Map*: 39:26.

**Khmer** [khm] (Cambodian, Central Khmer, Cu Tho, Cur Cul, Khmer Nam Bo, Kho Me, Khome, Krom, “Viet Goc Mien” pej.). *Users*: 1,320,000 in Vietnam (2019 census), based on ethnicity. *Location*: An Giang, Bac Lieu, Ca Mau, Binh Duong, Binh Phuoc, Can Tho, Dong Thap, Hau Giang, Kien Giang, Long An, Soc Trang, Tay Ninh, Tra Vinh, and Vinh Long provinces; Ho Chi Minh City. *Status*: 5\* (Dispersed). Language of recognized ethnic group: Khmer Krom. *Class*: Austro-Asiatic, Mon-Khmer, Eastern Mon-Khmer, Khmer. *Dialects*: Central Khmer, Southern Khmer. *Lg Use*: Also use Vietnamese [vie]. *Lg Dev*: Fully developed. Bible: 1954–2016. *Writing*: Khmer script. *Other*: Kho Me is an official ethnic community. Buddhist. *Map*: 40:93. *Worldwide*: Total users in all countries: 17,996,950 (as L1: 16,991,050; as L2: 1,005,900). Global EGIDS level: 1 (National). Also indigenous in: Cambodia. Unestablished in: Australia, Canada, France, Laos, New Zealand, South Korea, United States.

**Khmu** [kɲg] (Cam Mu, Kha Cau, Khamu, Kho Mu, Khomu, Kmhm, Mun Xen, Xa Cau). *Users*: 90,600 in Vietnam (2019 census), based on ethnicity. *Location*: Dien Bien, Son La, Lai Chau, Thanh Hoa, Nghe An, and Yen Bai provinces. *Status*: 6b (Threatened). Language of recognized ethnic group: Kho Mu. *Class*: Austro-Asiatic, Mon-Khmer, Northern Mon-Khmer, Khmuic, Mal-Khmu', Khmu'. *Type*: SVO. *Lg Use*: Some young people, all adults. Also use Vietnamese [vie]. *Lg Dev*: Radio. TV. Dictionary. Grammar. Bible portions: 1918–2006. *Writing*: Duota script, used in a small collection of villages well away from the rest of the language group, also used in China. Lao script. Latin script. *Other*: Traditional religion, Christian. *Maps*: 39:30, 38:30, 38:30. *Worldwide*: Total users in all countries: 825,700. Global EGIDS level: 5 (Developing). Also indigenous in: China, Laos, Thailand. Unestablished in: France, United States.

**Khua** [xhv]. *Users*: 1,000 in Vietnam (Phan Hữu Dật 1998). *Location*: Quang Binh province: Tuyên Hóa district. *Status*: 6a\* (Vigorous). Language of recognized ethnic group: Bru Van Kieu. *Class*: Austro-Asiatic, Mon-Khmer, Eastern Mon-Khmer, Katuic, West Katuic, Bru. *Lg Use*: Also use Vietnamese [vie]. *DLS*: Still. *Other*: Part of the Bru Vân Kieu official ethnic community (74,506, 2009 census). Distinct from Cua [cua]. *Map*: 40:60. *Worldwide*: Total users in all countries: 3,000. Also indigenous in: Laos.

**Kim Mun** [mji] (Coc Mun, Dao Ao Dai, Dao Lam Dinh, Dao Quan Trang, Dao Thanh Y, Great Tunic Yao, Jinmen, Kem di mun, Lan Ten, Lanten, Lantin, Lowland Yao, Mun, Red Trouser Yao, San Chi, “Man Lan-Tien” pej.). Autonym: Kem di mun, Kim Mun. *Users*: 170,000 in Vietnam (1999 J. Edmondson). *Location*: Bac Giang, Dak Nong, Dien Bien, Ha Giang, Lao Cai, Quang Ninh, Tuyen Quang, and Yen Bai provinces. *Status*: 6a\* (Vigorous). *Class*: Hmong-Mien, Mienic, Mian-Jin. *Lg Use*: Used as L2 by Red Gelao [gir]. *Lg Dev*: Dictionary. *Writing*: Latin script, used since 1983, experimental, used in China. *Other*: Non-indigenous. Part of Dao official ethnic community (751,067, 2009 census). Lao Cai variety northwest of Lao Cai city and Ha Giang at Na Khe village are very different phonetically. *Maps*: 39:21, 38:21. *Worldwide*: Total users in all countries: 374,500. Indigenous in: China. Also established in: Laos.

**Koho** [kpm] (Caho, Co Ho, Coho, Kohor). Autonym: Koho. *Users*: 201,000 (2019 census), based on ethnicity. *Location*: Binh Thuan, Dak Nong, Dong Nai, Lam Dong and Ninh Thuan provinces. *Status*: 5 (Developing). Language of recognized ethnic group: Co Ho. *Class*: Austro-Asiatic, Mon-Khmer, Eastern Mon-Khmer, Bahnaric, South Bahnaric, Sre-Mnong, Sre. *Dialects*: Chil (Kil), Trinh (Trinh), Sre, Kalop, Sop, Laya, Rion, Nop (Tu-Lop, Xre Nop), Tala (To La), Kodu (Co-Don), Pru, Lac (Lach, Lat). *Lg Use*: Used by all. Also use Vietnamese [vie]. *Lg Dev*: Literacy rate in L1: 10%–30%. Literacy rate in L2: 50%–75%. Radio. Dictionary. Grammar. Bible: 2009–2018. *DLS*: Emerging (0.04). *Writing*: Latin script. *Other*: Christian, traditional religion. *Map*: 40:97.

**Korean** [kor]. *Users*: 173,000 in Vietnam (2019), based on nationality. *Status*: Unestablished. *Class*: Koreanic. *Lg Dev*: Fully developed. Bible: 1911–1993. *Writing*: Braille script. Hangul and Han scripts, primary usage. Latin script, used for maps and signs. *Other*: Non-indigenous.

*Worldwide*: Total users in all countries: 81,740,540 (as L1: 81,721,540; as L2: 19,000). Global EGIDS level: 1 (National). Indigenous in: North Korea, South Korea. Also established in: China, Japan, Russian Federation, United States, Uzbekistan. Unestablished in: Argentina, Australia, Austria, Bahrain, Belarus, Brazil, Brunei, Cambodia, Canada, China–Taiwan, Denmark, France, Germany, Guam, India, Indonesia, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Libya, Madagascar, Malaysia, Mexico, Mongolia, Mozambique, Netherlands, New Zealand, Northern Mariana Islands, Norway, Paraguay, Philippines, Saudi Arabia, Singapore, Spain, Sweden, Tajikistan, Thailand, Turkmenistan, Ukraine, United Arab Emirates, United Kingdom.

**Kucong** [lkc] (Cosung, Lahlu). *Users*: 5,400 in Vietnam (Bradley 2007b). *Location*: Lai Chau province, Muang Te district. *Status*: 6b\* (Threatened). Language of recognized ethnic group: La Hu. *Class*: Sino-Tibetan, Tibeto-Burman, Ngwi-Burmese, Ngwi, Central. *Dialects*: None known. Reportedly most similar to Lahu [lhu]. *Lg Use*: Also use Vietnamese [vie]. *Lg Dev*: Grammar. *DLS*: Still. *Writing*: Unwritten. *Other*: Part of the La Hu official ethnic community (9,651, 2009 census). *Map*: 39:4. *Worldwide*: Total users in all countries: 45,400. Also established in: China.

**Lachi** [lbt] (Cu-Tê, Cù Te, La Chi, Lachí, Laji, Lati, Lipulio, Mia, Tai Lati, Y, Y Pí, Y Póng, Y To). *Users*: 5,000 in Vietnam (Bradley 2007a). 3,990 women, in 1,450 households (Liang 1990), including Black Lachi 2,500 in 550 households, Long-Haired Lachi 4,500 in 900 households. 15,000 for all La Chi in Vietnam (2019 census). Ethnic population: 15,100 (2019 census). *Location*: Ha Giang province: west of Ha Giang in upper Clear River valley (Riviere Claire) on China border. Black Lachi in Manyou, Long-Haired Lachi in Manpeng. *Status*: 6b\* (Threatened). Language of recognized ethnic group: La Chi. *Class*: Kra-Dai, Kra, Western Kra. *Dialects*: Liputiõ (Black Lachi), Lipupi (Long-Haired Lachi). Related to Gelao. Lexical similarity: Long-Haired Lachi of Vietnam: 80% with Flowery Lachi [lbt] of China, White Lachi [lwh] of Vietnam: 30%–40% with the others, and should be considered a separate language, 36% with Gelao, 33% with Qabiao [laq], 22% with Dong [doc], 23% with Laka, 25% with Hlai [lic]. *Lg Use*: Continue to use the language. Also use Chinese [zho]. Also use Zhuang [zha], and some varieties of Miao. *Lg Dev*: Grammar. *DLS*: Still. *Writing*: Unwritten. *Other*: ‘Red’, ‘Flowery’, refer to clothing color or other features of physical appearance. Traditional religion. *Map*: 38:40. *Worldwide*: Total users in all countries: 5,200. Also indigenous in: China.

**Lachi, White** [lwh] (Lipupõ, White Lachi). *Users*: 1,600 (Liang 1990). 300 households. *Location*: Ha Giang province: Manbang and Manmei. *Status*: 7 (Shifting). Language of recognized ethnic group: La Chi. *Class*: Kra-Dai, Kra, Western Kra. *Dialects*: None known. Lexical similarity: 30%–40% with other Lachi. *Type*: Tonal. *Lg Use*: Shifting to Vietnamese [vie]. *DLS*: Still. *Other*: Part of the La Chí official ethnic community (13,158, 2009 census) which includes White Lachi [lwh]. *Map*: 38:39.

**Laghuu** [lgh] (Laopa, Laopán, Lolo, Xá Phó, Yi). *Users*: 800 (Bradley 2007b). Ethnic population: 1,000 (Bradley 2007b). *Location*: Lao Cai province: Sa Pa district, Nam Sa village; 15 km south and east of Sa Pa city, in the valley below the highest mountain in Vietnam, Phan Si Pan

(3,198 m); small enclave in Son La province. *Status*: 6b (Threatened). *Class*: Sino-Tibetan, Tibeto-Burman, Ngwi-Burmese, Ngwi, Southeastern. *Dialects*: None known. Unknown relationship to Laopang [lbg] (Laopa) of Myanmar, also in the Lolo group. *Type*: 5 tones. *Lg Use*: Some young people, all adults. Also use Vietnamese [vie]. *DLS*: Still. *Writing*: Unwritten. *Other*: Traditional religion. *Maps*: 39:11, 38:11.

**Laha** [lha] (Khlá, Khlá Don, Khlá Dung, Khlá Phlao, Klá Dong, La Ha, La Ha Ung, Laxa, Liik, Xá Chien, Xá Khao, Xá Lay). *Users*: 10,200 (2019 census), based on ethnicity. *Location*: Lai Chau and Son La provinces: along Red and Black rivers. *Status*: 8a (Moribund). Language of recognized ethnic group: La Ha. *Class*: Kra-Dai, Kra, Eastern Kra. *Dialects*: None known. Reportedly similar to Qabiao [laq]. *Lg Use*: In one village in Son La province it is moribund, spoken only by those over 50, while in several villages in Lao Cai it is still spoken but potentially endangered (Bradley 2007a). Older adults only. *DLS*: Still. *Writing*: Unwritten. *Other*: La Ha is an official community who live together with the Thai and Kháng. Traditional religion. *Maps*: 39:27, 38:27.

**Lahu** [lhu] (Kaixien, Lahuna, Laku, Launa, Mooso, Muhso, Mussar, Musso, Mussuh, Namen, “Lohei” *pej.*). Autonym: Ladhof. *Users*: 12,100 in Vietnam (2019 census), based on ethnicity. *Location*: Lai Chau province: northwest border with Laos. North of Muong Te city near China border, at Ban Kiem Tra, Phu Nam Ma, Phu Nam Cau, and Phu Nam Ha (Black Lahu); Muong Te, east of Nha Ca, 1 village (White Lahu). *Status*: 6b\* (Threatened). Language of recognized ethnic group: La Hu. *Class*: Sino-Tibetan, Tibeto-Burman, Ngwi-Burmese, Ngwi, Central. *Dialects*: Black Lahu (Khucong, Lahu Na, Musser Dam, Na), Red Lahu (Lahu Nyi, Musseh Daeng, Nyi), Shehleh, White Lahu (Lahu Phung). *Type*: SOV; noun head initial; classifiers; dual number; aspect; causatives; 24 consonants and 9 vowels; tonal (7 tones). *Lg Dev*: Literature. Newspapers. Radio. Dictionary. Grammar. Bible: 1989. *Writing*: Latin script. *Other*: Non-indigenous. La Hu is an official ethnic community. Distinct from Lahu Shi (Yellow Lahu) [lhi]. One source called them White Lahu. It is not clear if these are the same as Red Lahu, Black Lahu. Traditional religion. *Map*: 39:2. *Worldwide*: Total users in all countries: 591,300. Global EGIDS level: 3 (Wider communication). Indigenous in: China, Laos, Myanmar. Also established in: Thailand.

**Lao** [lao]. *Users*: 17,500 in Vietnam (2019 census), based on ethnicity. *Location*: Scattered. *Status*: 5\* (Dispersed). *Class*: Kra-Dai, Kam-Tai, Tai, Southwestern. *Type*: SVO; 23 consonants, 20 vowels, 3 diphthongs; tonal (6 tones). *Lg Dev*: Fully developed. Bible: 1932–2012. *Writing*: Lao script. *Other*: Non-indigenous. Buddhist, traditional religion. *Worldwide*: Total users in all countries: 4,482,970 (as L1: 3,679,070; as L2: 803,900). Global EGIDS level: 1 (National). Indigenous in: Cambodia, Laos. Unestablished in: Argentina, Australia, Canada, New Zealand, Thailand, United States.

**Lü** [khb] (Duon, Lue, Nhuon, Pai-I, Shui-Pai-I, Tai Lu). *Users*: 6,760 in Vietnam (2019 census), based on ethnicity. *Location*: Lai Chau province: Tam Duong district, Ban Hon and Binh Lu communes; Lao Cai province: in a small border area. *Status*: 6b\* (Threatened). Language of recognized ethnic group: Lu. *Class*: Kra-Dai, Kam-Tai, Tai, Southwestern. *Type*: SVO;

modifiers follow noun heads. *Lg Dev*: Literature. Newspapers. Periodicals. Radio. TV. Dictionary. Texts. NT: 1933. *Writing*: New Tai Lue script, used in Yunnan Province, China. Tai Tham (Lanna) script, still used by some, particularly in Buddhist monasteries in Yunnan Province, China. *Other*: Non-indigenous. Lu is an official ethnic community. Buddhist, traditional religion. *Map*: 39:9. *Worldwide*: Total users in all countries: 555,760. Global EGIDS level: 3 (Wider communication). Indigenous in: China, Laos, Myanmar. Also established in: Thailand.

**Maa** [cma] (Chauma, Che Ma, Ma, Ma Krung, Ma Ngan, Ma To, Ma Xop, Maaq). *Users*: 50,300 (2019 census), based on ethnicity. *Location*: Binh Phuoc, Dong Nai, and Lam Dong provinces, widely scattered; possibly in Dac Nong province. *Status*: 6a\* (Vigorous). Language of recognized ethnic group: Ma. *Class*: Austro-Asiatic, Mon-Khmer, Eastern Mon-Khmer, Bahnaric, South Bahnaric, Sre-Mnong, Sre. *Dialects*: Sometimes considered a Koho [kpm] dialect. *Lg Use*: Also use Vietnamese [vie]. *Lg Dev*: Literacy rate in L1: 10%–30%. Literacy rate in L2: 50%–75%. Dictionary. *DLS*: Emerging (0.01). *Writing*: Latin script. *Other*: An official ethnic community. Traditional religion, Christian. *Map*: 40:96.

**Maleng** [pkt] (Ma Lieng, Malang, Malieng). *Users*: 1,200 in Vietnam (2013). *Location*: Ha Tinh province, Huong Khe district, Huong Lien commune; 3 villages bordering Laos, another southeast. Malieng dialect: Tuyen Hoa district, Thanh Hoa and Lam Hoa communes; Dan Hoa dialect: north Quang Binh province, Minh Hoa district. *Status*: 6b (Threatened). *Class*: Austro-Asiatic, Mon-Khmer, Viet-Muong, Chut. *Dialects*: Malieng (Pa Leng), Kha Phong (Kha Nam Om, Maleng Bro, Maleng Kari), Dan Hoa. *Type*: Tonal (4 tones). *Lg Use*: Some young people, all adults. Also use Vietnamese [vie]. *Other*: Traditional religion. *Map*: 40:57. *Worldwide*: Total users in all countries: 1,700. Also indigenous in: Laos.

**Mang** [zng] (Ba'e, Chaman, Lá Vàng, Manbu, Mang U, Nieng Ó, Xá, Xá Mang, Xá Ó). *Users*: 4,650 in Vietnam (2019 census), based on ethnicity. *Location*: Lai Chau province, Muong Te and Sin Ho districts, triangle-shaped area between Song Da (Black River) and the Nam Na: Nam Nghe, Nam Xung, Nam Ban, Ban Nam Voi, and other communities. *Status*: 6b (Threatened). Language of recognized ethnic group: Mang. *Class*: Austro-Asiatic, Mon-Khmer, Northern Mon-Khmer, Mang. *Lg Use*: Some young people, all adults. Also use Vietnamese [vie]. *DLS*: Still. *Writing*: Unwritten. *Other*: Traditional religion. *Map*: 39:6. *Worldwide*: Total users in all countries: 5,155. Also indigenous in: China. Unestablished in: Thailand.

**Mantsi** [nty] (Black Lolo, Flowery Lolo, Lolo, Red Mantsi). *Users*: 1,100 (2002 J. Edmondson). Ethnic population: 4,830 (2019 census). *Location*: Ha Giang province, Meo Vac and Dong Van districts; also Cao Bang province. *Status*: 6b (Threatened). Language of recognized ethnic group: Lo Lo. *Class*: Sino-Tibetan, Tibeto-Burman, Ngwi-Burmese, Ngwi, Southeastern. *Dialects*: None known. Called Southeast Vernacular, type of Yi. May be related to what is called Southeastern Yi or Guizhou Yi [yig] in China. Not intelligible with Sichuan Yi [iii] (Nosu). *Type*: Many uvular consonants, tense-lax voice quality; tonal, 5 tones. *Lg Use*: Some of all ages. Also use Vietnamese [vie]. *DLS*: Still. *Writing*: Yi script. *Other*: Part of the Lô Lô

official ethnic community (4,500, 2009 census). Traditional religion. *Map*: 38:45.

**Mnong, Central** [cmo] (Bu Nong, Budang, Budong, Central Bu Nong, Phanong, Pnong). *Users*: 32,500 in Vietnam (2002 SIL). All Mnong in Vietnam, based on ethnicity: 127,000 (2019 census). *Location*: Mainly Binh Phuoc, Dak Nong, and west Dat Lak provinces. *Status*: 5 (Developing). Language of recognized ethnic group: Mnong. *Class*: Austro-Asiatic, Mon-Khmer, Eastern Mon-Khmer, Bahnaric, South Bahnaric, Sre-Mnong, Mnong, Southern-Central Mnong. *Dialects*: Préh (Pre), Biat (Bhiét), Bu Nar, Bu Rung, Dih Bri (Di-Pri), Bu Dang. Biat dialect may be a separate language related to Eastern Mnong [mng]. *Lg Use*: Vigorous. Used by all. Most also use Vietnamese [vie]. *Lg Dev*: Radio. Dictionary. NT: 2001–2016. *DLS*: Emerging (0.09). *Writing*: Khmer script. Latin script. *Other*: Part of the Mnông official ethnic community (102,741, 2009 census) which includes Eastern Mnong [mng] and Southern Mnong [mnn]. Traditional religion, Christian. *Map*: 40:88. *Worldwide*: Total users in all countries: 70,000. Also indigenous in: Cambodia.

**Mnong, Eastern** [mng]. *Users*: 30,000 (2002 SIL). All Mnong in Vietnam, based on ethnicity: 127,000 (2019 census). *Location*: Dat Lak, Dak Nong, and Lam Dong provinces. *Status*: 6a\* (Vigorous). Language of recognized ethnic group: Mnong. *Class*: Austro-Asiatic, Mon-Khmer, Eastern Mon-Khmer, Bahnaric, South Bahnaric, Sre-Mnong, Mnong, Eastern Mnong. *Dialects*: Mnong Rolom (Ralam, Rlam, Rolam, Rolom), Mnong Gar (Gar), Mnong Kwanh, Chil. Biat dialect of Central Mnong [cmo] may be more similar to Eastern Mnong. *Lg Use*: Also use Vietnamese [vie]. *Lg Dev*: Dictionary. Bible portions: 1977. *DLS*: Still. *Writing*: Latin script. *Other*: Part of the Mnông official ethnic community (102,741, 2009 census) which includes Central Mnong [cmo] and Southern Mnong [mnn]. *Map*: 40:87.

**Mnong, Southern** [mnn]. *Users*: 30,000 (2002). All Mnong in Vietnam, based on ethnicity: 127,000 (2019 census). *Location*: Mostly Dak Nong and Binh Phuoc provinces, south of Central Mnong [cmo], north of Stieng [stt] language areas; some in Lam Dong province. *Status*: 6a\* (Vigorous). Language of recognized ethnic group: Mnong. *Class*: Austro-Asiatic, Mon-Khmer, Eastern Mon-Khmer, Bahnaric, South Bahnaric, Sre-Mnong, Mnong, Southern-Central Mnong. *Lg Use*: Also use Vietnamese [vie]. *DLS*: Still. *Other*: Part of the Mnông official ethnic community (102,741, 2009 census). Ra-Ong, Bu Sre, Bu Dip, and Kuenh are possibly subgroups. *Map*: 40:89.

**Monom** [moo] (Bonom, Menam, Monam). *Users*: 6,000 (Bradley 2007b). *Location*: East Gia Lai and Kon Tum provinces. *Status*: 6a\* (Vigorous). Language of recognized ethnic group: Xo Dang. *Class*: Austro-Asiatic, Mon-Khmer, Eastern Mon-Khmer, Bahnaric, North Bahnaric, West, Sedang-Todrah, Todrah-Monom. *Lg Use*: Also use Vietnamese [vie]. *DLS*: Still. *Writing*: Unwritten. *Other*: Part of the Xo Dang official ethnic community (165,501, 2009 census). *Map*: 40:76.

**Muong** [mtq]. *Users*: 1,450,000 (2019 census), based on ethnicity. *Location*: Hoa Binh, Thanh Hoa, Phu Tho, Ha Noi, Yen Bai, Son La, and Ninh Binh provinces. *Status*: 6a\* (Vigorous). Language of recognized ethnic group: Muong. *Class*: Austro-Asiatic, Mon-Khmer, Viet-Muong, Muong. *Dialects*: Thang, Wang, Mol, Mual, Moi 1, Boi Bi (Moi Bi), Ao Tá (Au Tá).

Related to Chut [scb], May [scb], Ruc [scb], Arem [aem], and Aheu [thm]. *Lg Use*: Also use Vietnamese [vie]. *Lg Dev*: Literacy rate in L1: 1%–5%. Literacy rate in L2: 50%–70%. Radio. Dictionary. NT: 2020. *DLS*: Emerging (0.08). *Writing*: Latin script. *Other*: Muong is an official ethnic community. Traditional religion, Christian. *Maps*: 38:34, 38:34.

**Ná-Meo** [neo]. *Users*: 1,000 (2015 A. Hsiu). *Location*: Cao Bang province: Thach An district, Ca Liec village; Lang Son province: Trang Dinh district, Cao Minh and Khuoi Phu Dao villages, Khanh Long hamlet; Tuyen Quang province: Yen Son district, Kim Quan sub-district, Khuan He village. *Status*: 6a (Vigorous). Language of recognized ethnic group: Hmong. *Class*: Hmong-Mien, Hmongic, Qiangdong. *Lg Use*: Used by all. Also use Vietnamese [vie]. *DLS*: Still. *Writing*: Unwritten. *Other*: Possible immigrants from Guangxi province in China. Traditional religion. *Map*: 38:35.

**Nguôn** [nuo] (Ngouan). *Users*: 1,000 in Vietnam (Bradley 2007b). Ethnic population: 2,000 (Bradley 2007b). *Location*: Quang Binh province: An Duk, Ba Nuong, Kwi Dat, Tan Kieu, Than Long and 6 other villages. *Status*: 6b\* (Threatened). *Class*: Austro-Asiatic, Mon-Khmer, Viet-Muong, Muong. *Dialects*: None known. Diffloth (1992) groups Nguôn as a separate language similar to Vietnamese [vie], but Tran (1996) and Ferlus (1996) group it with Muong [mtq]. *Lg Use*: Also use Vietnamese [vie]. *DLS*: Still. *Writing*: Unwritten. *Map*: 40:59. *Worldwide*: Total users in all countries: 1,760. Global EGIDS level: 6a (Vigorous). Also indigenous in: Laos (Ngoaun).

**Nung** [nut] (Bu-Nong, Highland Nung, Lungchow, Nong, Tai Nung, Tay, Tày Nùng). Autonym: Nohng. *Users*: 1,080,000 in Vietnam (2019 census), based on ethnicity. *Location*: Bac Kan, Cao Bang, Ha Giang, Lang Son, Lao Cai, Thai Nguyen, and Tuyen Quang provinces; possibly in Ho Chi Minh City and other southern locations. *Status*: 5\* (Developing). Language of recognized ethnic group: Nung. *Class*: Kra-Dai, Kam-Tai, Tai, Central. *Dialects*: Xuông, Giang, Nùng An, Nùng Phan Sliêng (Nùng Fan Sliêng), Nùng Cháo, Nùng Lòì, Nùng Quý Rin (Guiren), Khen Lài, Nùng Inh. Reportedly similar to Tày [tyz]. *Lg Use*: Ethnic group members preserved the language and culture more than the Tày. Also use Vietnamese [vie]. Used as L2 by Qabiao [laq]. *Lg Dev*: Literacy rate in L1: 1%–5%. Literacy rate in L2: 50%–75%. Radio. Dictionary. Grammar. NT: 2019. *DLS*: Emerging (0.05). *Writing*: Latin script. *Other*: Different from Chinese Nung [yue] (Cantonese). Nùng is an official ethnic community. Traditional religion. *Maps*: 39:18, 38:18. *Worldwide*: Also established in: Laos.

**O’du** [tyh] (’Iduh, Haat, Hat, O Du, O’Đu, “Tay Hat” pej.). *Users*: 430 in Vietnam (2019 census), decreasing, based on ethnicity. *Location*: Nghe An province: Tuong Duong district, Nga My commune. *Status*: 7 (Shifting). Language of recognized ethnic group: O Du. *Class*: Austro-Asiatic, Mon-Khmer, Northern Mon-Khmer, Khmuic, Mal-Khmu’, Khmu’. *Lg Use*: Adults only. Shifting to Vietnamese [vie]. *DLS*: Still. *Other*: Traditional religion. *Map*: 38:51. *Worldwide*: Total users in all countries: 1,030. Also indigenous in: Laos.

**Pa Di** [pdi] (Padi). *Users*: 300 in Vietnam (1995 J. Edmondson). *Location*: Lao Cai province: Muong Khuong district. *Status*: 6b\* (Threatened). *Class*: Kra-Dai, Kam-Tai, Tai, Southwestern. *Type*: Tonal. *Other*: Non-indigenous. Traditional religion. *Maps*: 39:14, 38:14.

*Worldwide:* Total users in all countries: 1,300. Indigenous in: China.

**Pacoh** [pac] (Bo River Van Kieu, Paco, Pokoh). Autonym: Cang Pacóuh. *Users:* 16,000 in Vietnam (2002). *Location:* Laos border, southern Quang Tri and western Thua Thien-Hue provinces. *Status:* 6b\* (Threatened). *Class:* Austro-Asiatic, Mon-Khmer, Eastern Mon-Khmer, Katuic, East Katuic, Katu-Pacoh. *Dialects:* Pahi (Ba-Hi), Ka'do, Kanah. *Lg Use:* Also use Vietnamese [vie]. *Lg Dev:* Literacy rate in L2: Less than 15%. Dictionary. Grammar. Texts. NT: 2018. *DLS:* Emerging (0.01). *Writing:* Lao script, in development for Ka'do. Latin script. *Other:* Part of the Tà Ôi official ethnic community (43,900, 2009 census). *Map:* 40:63. *Worldwide:* Total users in all countries: 38,600. Global EGIDS level: 6a (Vigorous). Also indigenous in: Laos.

**Pa-Hng** [pha] (Baheng, Bahengmai, Pa Hng, Paheng, Pà Hung, Pà Then). *Users:* 8,250 in Vietnam (2019 census), based on ethnicity. *Location:* Ha Giang province: Bac Quang district; Tuyen Quang province: Chiem Hoa and Yen Son districts. *Status:* 6b (Threatened). Language of recognized ethnic group: Pa Then. *Class:* Hmong-Mien, Hmongic, Pa-hng. *Type:* SVO; uvular onsets; no nasal-final syllables but has nasalized vowels. *Lg Use:* Some young people, all adults. Also use Vietnamese [vie]. *Lg Dev:* Grammar. *Other:* Traditional religion. *Map:* 38:37. *Worldwide:* Total users in all countries: 35,050. Also indigenous in: China.

**Phu Thai** [pht] (Phutai, Putai, Puthai, Puthay). *Users:* 209,000 in Vietnam (2002). *Location:* Ha Tinh and Nghe An provinces. *Status:* 6a\* (Vigorous). Language of recognized ethnic group: Thai. *Class:* Kra-Dai, Kam-Tai, Tai, Southwestern. *Lg Use:* Also use Vietnamese [vie]. *Writing:* Thai script. *Map:* 38:56. *Worldwide:* Total users in all countries: 897,000. Also indigenous in: Laos, Thailand.

**Phula** [phh] (Fu Khla, Phu Kha, Phu Khla, Phu La). *Users:* 5,000 in Vietnam (Pelkey 2008). Ethnic population: 12,500 (2019 census). *Location:* Ha Giang province: Xin Mun district, 1 village; Lao Cai province: near Lao Cai city; Lai Chau and Son La provinces. *Status:* 6b\* (Threatened). Language of recognized ethnic group: Phu La. *Class:* Sino-Tibetan, Tibeto-Burman, Ngwi-Burmese, Ngwi, Southeastern. *Type:* Tonal. *Lg Use:* Also use Vietnamese [vie], with many shifting. *DLS:* Still. *Writing:* Unwritten. *Other:* Traditional religion. *Maps:* 39:13, 38:13. *Worldwide:* Total users in all countries: 10,000. Also established in: China (Phukha).

**Phuong** [phg] (Phuang, Phuong Catang). *Users:* 15,100 (2000). *Location:* Thua Thien-Hue province: southeast of Pacoh [pac] language area; possibly some in areas further southeast. *Status:* 6a\* (Vigorous). Language of recognized ethnic group: Ktu. *Class:* Austro-Asiatic, Mon-Khmer, Eastern Mon-Khmer, Katuic, East Katuic, Katu-Pacoh. *Lg Use:* Also use Vietnamese [vie]. *DLS:* Still. *Other:* Part of Katu official ethnic community. *Map:* 40:64.

**Puoc** [puo] (Kha Puhoc, Ksing Mul, Ksingmul, Mun, Pua, Puhoc, Puok, Sing, Xin Mul, Xinh Mul, Xinh-Mun). *Users:* 29,500 in Vietnam (2019 census), based on ethnicity. *Location:* Lai Chau and Son La provinces, Laos border area. *Status:* 6a\* (Vigorous). Language of recognized ethnic group: Xinh Mun. *Class:* Austro-Asiatic, Mon-Khmer, Northern Mon-Khmer, Khmuic,

Xinh Mul. *Dialects*: None known. Related to Kháng [kjm] and Phong-Kniang [pnx]. *Lg Use*: Also use Vietnamese [vie]. *Lg Dev*: Grammar. *DLS*: Still. *Writing*: Unwritten. *Other*: Traditional religion. *Maps*: 39:32, 38:32. *Worldwide*: Total users in all countries: 39,370. Also established in: Laos (Ksing Mul).

**Qabiao** [laq] (Bendi Lolo, Ka Bao, Ka Beo, Ka Biao, Laqua, Lolo, Pen Ti, Pu Péo, Pubiao, Pupeo, Qabiao). *Users*: 900 in Vietnam (2019 census), based on ethnicity. *Location*: Ha Giang province: Dunshi, Pugao, Pula, Pubang, and Manong; Yên Minh and Mèo Vac districts; Đông Van district, Phô Là and Sung Chang villages. *Status*: 6b (Threatened). Language of recognized ethnic group: Pu Peo. *Class*: Kra-Dai, Kra, Eastern Kra. *Dialects*: None known. Lexical similarity: 38% with Gelao, 33% with Lachi [lbt], 30% with Northern Zhuang, 29% with Dong, 26% with Hlai [lic], 10% with Hmong, 7% with Iu Mien [ium]. *Lg Use*: Some young people, all adults. Many also use Mandarin Chinese [cmn] (Asian Minorities Outreach 1999a). Some also use Nung [nut] (Asian Minorities Outreach 1999a). *Lg Dev*: Grammar. *DLS*: Still. *Writing*: Latin script, no longer in use. *Other*: Traditional religion. *Map*: 38:42. *Worldwide*: Total users in all countries: 918. Also indigenous in: China.

**Rade** [rad] (De, E-De, Edeh, Raday, Rde, Rhade, Ê Dê). Autonym: klei Êdê. *Users*: 177,000 (Bradley 2007b). Ethnic population: 399,000 (2019 census). *Location*: Dat Lak, Dak Nong, Gia Lai, Phu Yen and Khanh Hoa provinces, Banmethuot area. *Status*: 5\* (Developing). Language of recognized ethnic group: E De. *Class*: Austronesian, Malayo-Polynesian, Malayo-Chamic, Chamic, Highlands. *Dialects*: Adham (A-Dham), Blo, Kodrao (Kdrao), Krung, Ndhur (Mdhur), Rde Kpa (Kpa). Krung dialect is different from the Bahnaric language Krung [krr] in Cambodia. Other dialect or ethnic group names are: Ktul, Dlie, Rue, E-pan, Dong Kay, Arul, Kah. *Lg Use*: Also use Vietnamese [vie]. Used as L2 by Bih [ibh]. *Lg Dev*: Literacy rate in L1: 10%–30%. Literacy rate in L2: 50%–75%. Radio. Dictionary. Bible: 1997–2015. *DLS*: Emerging (0.04). *Writing*: Latin script. *Other*: Ê Dê is an official ethnic community. Christian, traditional religion. *Map*: 40:85.

**Rengao** [ren] (Ro-Ngao). Autonym: Rongao. *Users*: 18,000 (Bradley 2007b). *Location*: Kon Tum province, northwest of Dak to southeast of Kontum city between Sedang and Bahnar. *Status*: 6b\* (Threatened). Language of recognized ethnic group: Ba Na. *Class*: Austro-Asiatic, Mon-Khmer, Eastern Mon-Khmer, Bahnaric, North Bahnaric, West, Rengao. *Dialects*: Western Rengao, Sedang-Rengao, Bahnar-Rengao. *Lg Use*: Also use Vietnamese [vie]. *Lg Dev*: Literacy rate in L1: 5%–10%. Literacy rate in L2: 25%–50%. Dictionary. Grammar. Bible portions: 1977. *DLS*: Still. *Writing*: Latin script. *Other*: Part of the Ba Na official ethnic community (227,716, 2009 census). *Map*: 40:78.

**Roglai, Caccgia** [roc] (Ra-Glai). *Users*: 2,000 (Dyen 1971). All Roglai (Ra Glai), based on ethnicity: 147,000 (2019 census). *Location*: Ninh Thuan province, northeast of Phan Rang on the coast. *Status*: 6a\* (Vigorous). Language of recognized ethnic group: Ra Glai. *Class*: Austronesian, Malayo-Polynesian, Malayo-Chamic, Chamic, Highlands, Chru-Northern, Northern Cham. *Dialects*: None known. Considerably different from other Roglai varieties. *Lg Use*: Also use Vietnamese [vie]. *DLS*: Still. *Writing*: Unwritten. *Map*: 40:101.

- Roglai, Northern** [rog] (Adlai, La-Oang, Noang, Ra-Glai, Rang Glai, Rayglay). Autonym: Radlai. *Users*: 22,000 (Bradley 2007b). All Roglai (Ra Glai), based on ethnicity: 147,000 (2019 census). Ethnic population: 25,000 (Bradley 2007b). *Location*: Ninh Thuan, Dat Lak, Binh Thuan, Khanh Hoa, and Lam Dong provinces, in the mountains west and south of Nhatrang; some near Dalat. *Status*: 5\* (Developing). Language of recognized ethnic group: Ra Glai. *Class*: Austronesian, Malayo-Polynesian, Malayo-Chamic, Chamic, Highlands, Chru-Northern, Northern Cham. *Lg Use*: Potentially shifting to Vietnamese [vie] (Bradley 2007a). Also use Vietnamese [vie]. *Lg Dev*: Literacy rate in L1: 5%–10%. Literacy rate in L2: 25%–50%. Radio. Dictionary. Bible portions: 1966–1973. *DLS*: Still. *Writing*: Latin script. *Other*: Traditional religion, Christian. *Map*: 40:99.
- Roglai, Southern** [rgs] (Rai). *Users*: 18,000 (2007 census). All Roglai (Ra Glai), based on ethnicity: 147,000 (2019 census). Ethnic population: 20,000 (Bradley 2007b). *Location*: Binh Thuan, Khanh Hoa, and Ninh Thuan provinces. *Status*: 6a\* (Vigorous). Language of recognized ethnic group: Ra Glai. *Class*: Austronesian, Malayo-Polynesian, Malayo-Chamic, Chamic, Highlands, Chru-Northern, Northern Cham. *Dialect*: Rai. Reportedly similar to Chru [cje] and Northern Roglai [rog]. *Lg Use*: Potentially endangered by Vietnamese [vie] (Bradley 2007a). Also use Vietnamese [vie]. *Lg Dev*: Dictionary. *DLS*: Emerging (0.01). *Writing*: Latin script, limited usage. *Other*: Traditional religion, Christian. *Map*: 40:100.
- Romam** [rmx] (Ro Mam). *Users*: 200 (2013 SIL). Ethnic population: 640 (2019 census). *Location*: Kon Tum province: Sa Thay district, Mo Rai commune, Le village. *Status*: 6b\* (Threatened). Language of recognized ethnic group: Ro Mam. *Class*: Austro-Asiatic, Mon-Khmer, Eastern Mon-Khmer, Bahnaric, Central Bahnaric. *Lg Use*: Also use Vietnamese [vie]. *DLS*: Still. *Other*: Kaco' [xkk] is possibly the same or a closely related language in Cambodia. Ro Mam is an official ethnic community. Traditional religion. *Map*: 40:80.
- Sedang** [sed] (Cadong, Dang, Hadang, Hdang, Hotea, Hoteang, Kmrang, Rotea, Roteang, Tang, Xa, Xodang). Autonym: rotéang. *Users*: 212,000 in Vietnam (2019 census), based on ethnicity. *Location*: Kon Tum, Quang Nam, and Quang Ngai provinces. *Status*: 6a\* (Vigorous). Language of recognized ethnic group: So Dang. *Class*: Austro-Asiatic, Mon-Khmer, Eastern Mon-Khmer, Bahnaric, North Bahnaric, West, Sedang-Todrah, Sedang. *Dialects*: Central Sedang, Greater Sedang, Dak Sut Sedang, Kotua Sedang, Kon Hring Sedang. Reportedly most similar to Hre [hre]. *Lg Use*: Also use Vietnamese [vie]. *Lg Dev*: Literacy rate in L1: 5%–10%. Literacy rate in L2: 25%–50%. Radio. Dictionary. *DLS*: Still. *Writing*: Latin script. *Other*: Part of the Xo Dang official ethnic community (169,501, 2009 census). Sakau or Xa Cau may be an alternate name. Traditional religion, Christian. *Map*: 40:72. *Worldwide*: Total users in all countries: 212,900. Also established in: Laos.
- Sila** [slt] (Sida). *Users*: 910 in Vietnam (2019 census), based on ethnicity. Most members of the ethnic group speak the language (Bradley 2007a). *Location*: Dien Bien province: Muong Nhé district, Chung Chai commune; Lai Chau province: Muong Tè district, Kan Ho commune, Ban Xeo Hai village, on the Black river. *Status*: 6b (Threatened). Language of recognized ethnic group: Si La. *Class*: Sino-Tibetan, Tibeto-Burman, Ngwi-Burmese, Ngwi, Southern. *Lg*

*Use:* Some young people, all adults. Negative attitudes. Also use Vietnamese [vie]. *Other:* Si La is an official ethnic community who say they came from Laos. Traditional religion. *Map:* 39:5. *Worldwide:* Total users in all countries: 4,060. Global EGIDS level: 6a (Vigorous). Also indigenous in: Laos.

**Sinicized Miao** [hmz] (Hmong Shua). Autonym: Hmongb Shuat. *Users:* 2,000 in Vietnam (Hattaway 2003). *Location:* Ha Giang province. 3 villages. *Status:* 6a\* (Vigorous). *Class:* Hmong-Mien, Hmongic, Chuanqiandian. *Type:* SOV; 7 or 8 tones. *Lg Dev:* Dictionary. *Writing:* Latin script, pinyin-based, favoured by the educated. Miao (Pollard) script, favoured by peasants. *Other:* Non-indigenous. Traditional religion. *Map:* 38:44. *Worldwide:* Total users in all countries: 252,000. Indigenous in: China.

**Stieng, Budeh** [stt] (Lower Stieng, Southern Stieng). *Users:* 47,000 (2019 census). Part of the Xtiêng 100,752 (2019 census) official ethnic community which includes Bulo Stieng [sti]. *Location:* Binh Phuoc province, south Stieng area. *Status:* 6a\* (Vigorous). Language of recognized ethnic group: Xtieng. *Class:* Austro-Asiatic, Mon-Khmer, Eastern Mon-Khmer, Bahnaric, South Bahnaric. *Dialects:* None known. Different enough from Bulo Stieng [sti] that intelligibility is not functional. *Lg Use:* Also use Vietnamese [vie]. *Lg Dev:* NT: 2009. *DLS:* Still. *Writing:* Latin script. *Other:* Part of the Xtiêng official ethnic community (85,436, 2009 census) which includes Bulo Stieng [sti]. Christian. *Map:* 40:91.

**Stieng, Bulo** [sti] (Budíp, Northern Stieng, Rangah, Upper Stieng, Xa-Dieng, Xtieng). Autonym: Troong Sdiêng. *Users:* 53,000 in Vietnam (2019 census). Part of the Xtiêng 100,752 (2019 census) official ethnic community which includes Budeh Stieng [stt]. *Location:* Binh Phuoc and Dak Nong provinces. *Status:* 6a\* (Vigorous). Language of recognized ethnic group: Xtieng. *Class:* Austro-Asiatic, Mon-Khmer, Eastern Mon-Khmer, Bahnaric, South Bahnaric, Stieng-Chrau. *Lg Use:* Also use Vietnamese [vie]. *Lg Dev:* Literacy rate in L2: 15%–25%. Radio. Dictionary. Bible portions: 1971. *DLS:* Still. *Writing:* Latin script. *Other:* Part of the Xtiêng official ethnic community (85,436, 2009 census) which includes Budeh Stieng [stt]. Christian, traditional religion. *Map:* 40:90. *Worldwide:* Total users in all countries: 59,540. Also indigenous in: Cambodia.

**Sui** [swi]. *Users:* 120 in Vietnam (2002 J. Edmondson). *Location:* Tuyen Quang province: Chiem Hoa district. *Status:* 6a\* (Vigorous). *Class:* Kra-Dai, Kam-Tai, Kam-Sui. *Type:* SVO; noun head initial; 70 onsets, 50 rhymes; 8 tones (Wei and Edmondson 2008). *Lg Dev:* Literature. Dictionary. Texts. *Writing:* Han (Hanzi, Kanji, Hanja) script, used by folk singers aged 40–60. *Other:* Non-indigenous. Lived in Vietnam more than 150 years. *Map:* 38:36. *Worldwide:* Total users in all countries: 300,120. Indigenous in: China.

**Tai Daeng** [tyr] (Daeng, Deng, Laeng, Leng, Lèng, Red Tai, Tai Deng, Tai Laeng, Tai Rouge, Thai Dang, Thai Do, Thái Đò, Đanh). *Users:* 80,000 in Vietnam (Bradley 2007b). Ethnic population: 100,000 (Bradley 2007b). *Location:* Ha Tinh, Hoa Binh, Son La, and Yen Bai provinces; Thanh Hoa province: south of Sam Nuea; Nghe An province: around Qui Chau. *Status:* 6a\* (Vigorous). Language of recognized ethnic group: Thai. *Class:* Kra-Dai, Kam-Tai, Tai, Southwestern. *Dialects:* Tay Mườì (Tai Muoi, Tay Muoi, Tay Muoy), Man Thanh, Tay

Mai Châu, Tây Mộc-Châu (Mộc Châu), No Name, Tai Nhai. *Type*: Tonal (5 tones). *Lg Use*: Also use Vietnamese [vie]. *DLS*: Still. *Writing*: Tai Viet script. *Other*: Part of the Thái official ethnic community (1,550,423, 2009 census). Speakers in Vietnam tend to identify with Tai Dam [blt] and deny they are Red Tai. *Maps*: 39:33, 38:33, 38:33. *Worldwide*: Total users in all countries: 105,000. Also indigenous in: Laos.

**Tai Dam** [blt] (Black Tai, Tai Do, Tai Noir, Thái Đen). Autonym: 'Táy, 'Táy Đăm. *Users*: 699,000 in Vietnam (2002 SIL). *Location*: Dat Lak, Dien Bien, Lao Cai, Lai Chau, Phu Tho, Son La, and Yen Bai provinces; Gia Lai province: Pleiku city; Lam Dong province: Tung Nghia city; Thanh Hoa province: Thuong Xuan district, Tho Thanh sub district; and elsewhere. *Status*: 5\* (Developing). Language of recognized ethnic group: Thai. *Class*: Kra-Dai, Kam-Tai, Tai, Southwestern. *Dialects*: None known. Reportedly similar to Thai Song [soa] and Tai Dón [twh], but not inherently intelligible of Tai Dón. *Lg Use*: Also use Tai Dón [twh] (Abadie 2001). Also use Vietnamese [vie]. Used as L2 by Kháng [kjm], Tai Dón [twh]. *Lg Dev*: Literacy rate in L1: 1%–5%. Literacy rate in L2: 50%–75%. Radio. Dictionary. NT: 2013–2014. *DLS*: Emerging (0.09). *Writing*: Lao script. Latin script. Tai Viet script. *Other*: Part of Thái official ethnic community (1,550,423, 2009 census), which also includes Tai Dón [twh] and Tai Daeng [tyr]. Officially included under Dai in China. Traditional religion. *Maps*: 39:31, 38:31. *Worldwide*: Total users in all countries: 777,700. Also indigenous in: China, Laos. Also established in: Thailand. Unestablished in: United States.

**Tai Dón** [twh] (Tai Blanc, Tai Kao, Tai Lai, Thái Trắng, Tây Khao, White Tai). Autonym: Tây Đón. *Users*: 280,000 in Vietnam (2002). *Location*: North, mainly along Red and Black rivers, Dien Bien, Lai Chau, Lao Cai, and Son La provinces; some in the south; Lam Dong province: Tung Nghia. *Status*: 6a\* (Vigorous). Language of recognized ethnic group: Thai. *Class*: Kra-Dai, Kam-Tai, Tai, Southwestern. *Dialects*: None known. Not intelligible of Tai Dam [blt]. Lao [lao] influenced the speech of some Tai Dón. *Lg Use*: Positive attitudes. Also use Tai Dam [blt], bilingually among some of the population. Used as L2 by Tai Dam [blt]. *Lg Dev*: Dictionary. Bible portions: 1969–1992. *DLS*: Emerging (0.02). *Writing*: Latin script. Tai Viet script. *Other*: Part of the Thái official ethnic community (1,550,423, 2009 census). Traditional religion, Buddhist. *Maps*: 39:12, 38:12. *Worldwide*: Total users in all countries: 328,000. Also indigenous in: China, Laos.

**Tai Núa** [tdd]. *Users*: 70,000 in Vietnam (Bradley 2007b). Ethnic population: 95,000 (Bradley 2007b). *Location*: Son La province: near the Laos border area. *Status*: 6b\* (Threatened). *Class*: Kra-Dai, Kam-Tai, Tai, Southwestern. *Type*: SVO; modifiers follow heads. *Lg Dev*: Literature. Dictionary. Bible portions: 1931–1948. *Writing*: Tai Le script, used in the Dehong Dai and Jingpho Autonomous Prefecture, Yunnan Province, China. *Other*: Non-indigenous. *Worldwide*: Total users in all countries: 726,100. Global EGIDS level: 5 (Developing). Indigenous in: China, Myanmar. Also established in: Laos.

**Tai Pao** [tpo] (Hàng Tong, Tai Hang Tong, Tai Paw, Thai Muong, Tây Muồng). *Users*: 10,000 in Vietnam (2002). *Location*: North, Nghe An province. *Status*: 6a\* (Vigorous). Language of recognized ethnic group: Thai. *Class*: Kra-Dai, Kam-Tai, Tai. *Type*: Tonal (5 tones). *Lg Use*:

Also use Vietnamese [vie]. *Map*: 38:52. *Worldwide*: Total users in all countries: 12,500. Also indigenous in: Laos.

**Tai Thanh** [tmm] (Tai Man Thanh, Thanh, Táy Thanh). *Users*: 20,000 (2002). *Location*: Nghe An and Thanh Hoa provinces. *Status*: 6a\* (Vigorous). Language of recognized ethnic group: Thai. *Class*: Kra-Dai, Kam-Tai, Tai, Southwestern. *Lg Use*: Also use Vietnamese [vie]. *DLS*: Still. *Map*: 38:50.

**Tai Yo** [tyj] (Jò, Tai Do, Tai Muong, Tay Quy Chau, Tay Yo, Tay-Jo, Thai Muong, Thái Do, Tày Dọ'). *Users*: 300 in Vietnam (2002). *Location*: North, Nghe An province. *Status*: 6b\* (Threatened). *Class*: Kra-Dai, Kam-Tai, Tai. *Lg Use*: Also use Vietnamese [vie]. *DLS*: Still. *Writing*: Latin script. Tai Yo script, limited usage. *Map*: 38:53. *Worldwide*: Total users in all countries: 7,500. Global EGIDS level: 6a (Vigorous). Also indigenous in: Laos.

**Takua** [tkz] (Langya, Quang Tin Katu). *Users*: 6,000 (Bradley 2007b). *Location*: Quang Nam and Quang Ngai provinces. *Status*: 6a\* (Vigorous). Language of recognized ethnic group: Co. *Class*: Austro-Asiatic, Mon-Khmer, Eastern Mon-Khmer, Bahnaric, North Bahnaric, East. *Dialects*: None known. Reportedly most similar to Cua [cua] and Kayong [kxy]. *Lg Use*: Also use Vietnamese [vie]. *DLS*: Still. *Other*: Other Part of the Co official ethnic community (33,817, 2009 census) which includes Cua [cua]. *Map*: 40:67.

**Ta'oih, Upper** [tth] (Kantua, T-Oy, Ta Hoi, Tau Oi, Toi-Oi, Tà-Oi). *Users*: 19,000 in Vietnam (2002). 13,300 monolinguals (2002). *Location*: Quang Tri and Thua Thien-Hue provinces. *Status*: 6a\* (Vigorous). *Class*: Austro-Asiatic, Mon-Khmer, Eastern Mon-Khmer, Katuic, Central Katuic, Ta'oih. *Dialects*: Pasoom, Kamuan', Palee'n, Leem, Ha'aang (Sa'ang). *Lg Use*: Also use Vietnamese [vie]. *Lg Dev*: Literacy rate in L2: 5%–15%. *Writing*: Lao script. *Other*: Tà Ôi is an official ethnic community (43,886, 2009 census). Traditional religion, Christian. *Map*: 40:65. *Worldwide*: Total users in all countries: 49,900. Also indigenous in: Laos.

**Tày** [tyz] (Ngan, Phen, T'ò, Tai Tho, Thu Lao, “Thô” pej.). *Users*: 1,850,000 (2019 census), based on ethnicity. *Location*: Northeast of Ha Noi city, near China border, widespread, possibly in Laos; Bac Giang, Bac Kan, Cao Bang, Ha Giang, Hai Duong, Lai Chau, Lang Son, Lao Cai, Quang Ninh, Thai Nguyen, Tuyen Quang, and Yen Bai provinces. *Status*: 6b\* (Threatened). Language of recognized ethnic group: Tay. *Class*: Kra-Dai, Kam-Tai, Tai, Central. *Dialects*: Central Tày, Eastern Tày, Southern Tày, Northern Tày, Tày Trung Khanh, Thu Lao, Tày Bao Lac. Reportedly similar to Nung [nut]. *Lg Use*: Also use Vietnamese [vie]. Used as L2 by Green Gelao [giq]. *Lg Dev*: Literacy rate in L1: 1%–5%. Literacy rate in L2: 50%–75%. Radio. Dictionary. NT: 2017. *DLS*: Emerging (0.11). *Writing*: Latin script. *Other*: Traditional religion. *Maps*: 39:19, 38:19.

**Tay Boi** [tas] (Annamite French, Tay Boy, Vietnamese Pidgin French). *Users*: No known L1 speakers. The last speaker died in 1954. *Location*: Scattered, probably mostly urban. *Status*: 10 (Extinct). *Class*: Pidgin, French based. *Dialects*: None known. Influences from Vietnamese [vie], French [fra], English [eng], Javanese [jav], and Portuguese [por]. *Lg Use*: Developed

about 1862. Spoken in French colonial households between male Vietnamese servants and their employers. Lower levels of administration, the military, and police. *DLS*: Emerging (0.01).

**Tày Sa Pa** [tys] (Tai Sa Pa). *Users*: 300 (2002 J. Edmondson). *Location*: Lao Cai province, Muong Khuong district. *Status*: 6b\* (Threatened). *Class*: Kra-Dai, Kam-Tai, Tai, Southwestern. *Type*: Tonal. *Lg Use*: Also use Vietnamese [vie]. *DLS*: Still. *Map*: 39:10.

**Tày Tac** [tyt] (White Tay). *Location*: Son La province: Muong Tâc district. *Status*: 6a\* (Vigorous). Language of recognized ethnic group: Thai. *Class*: Kra-Dai, Kam-Tai, Tai, Southwestern. *Type*: 22 consonants, 13 vowels, tonal, 6 tones on open syllables and those ending with a continuant, 3 tones on syllables ending with a stop. *Lg Use*: Also use Vietnamese [vie]. *DLS*: Still. *Writing*: Latin script. Tai Viet script. *Other*: Part of the Thái official ethnic community. Women's blouses similar to that worn by White Tai women of Lai Châu, but without silver buttons. *Maps*: 39:29, 38:29.

**Tho** [tou] (Cuoi, Cuoi Cham, Ho Muong Meridional, Keo). *Users*: 91,400 (2019 census), based on ethnicity. *Location*: North Nghe An province, highland areas, Cuoi Cham dialect in Tan Ky district, Tan Hop commune; also in Thanh Hoa province. *Status*: 6a\* (Vigorous). Language of recognized ethnic group: Tho. *Class*: Austro-Asiatic, Mon-Khmer, Viet-Muong, Cuoi. *Dialects*: Cuoi Cham (Uy Lo), Mon. *Lg Use*: Also use Vietnamese [vie]. *DLS*: Still. *Writing*: Unwritten. *Other*: Tho is an official ethnic community. Associated culturally with other principal local ethnonyms Keo, Mon, Cuoi, Ho, Dan, Lai-Ly Ha, and Tay Poong. Traditional religion. *Map*: 38:54.

**Thu Lao** [tyl]. *Users*: 200 (2002 J. Edmondson). *Location*: Lao Cai province: Muong Khuong district; possibly in Laos. *Status*: 6b (Threatened). *Class*: Kra-Dai, Kam-Tai, Tai, Southwestern. *Lg Use*: Some young people, all adults. Also use Vietnamese [vie]. *DLS*: Still. *Writing*: Unwritten. *Other*: Traditional religion. *Maps*: 39:17, 38:17.

**Todrah** [tdr] (Didra, Didrah, Kodra, Modra, Podra, Todrá). *Users*: 6,000 (Bradley 2007b). *Location*: Kon Tum province, northeast of Kon Tum city, Kon Hring to Kon Braih. *Status*: 6a\* (Vigorous). Language of recognized ethnic group: Xo Dang. *Class*: Austro-Asiatic, Mon-Khmer, Eastern Mon-Khmer, Bahnaric, North Bahnaric, West, Sedang-Todrah, Todrah-Monom. *Lg Use*: Also use Vietnamese [vie]. *DLS*: Still. *Writing*: Unwritten. *Other*: Part of the Xo Dang official ethnic community. Didra may be a separate language. *Map*: 40:77.

**Trieng** [stg] (Dgiéh, Giang Ray, Gie-Trieng, Pin, Strieng, Ta-Rieng, Talieng, Tareh, Treng). *Users*: 63,300 (2019 census), based on ethnicity. *Location*: Mainly Kon Tum and Quang Nam provinces. *Status*: 6a\* (Vigorous). Language of recognized ethnic group: Gie Trieng. *Class*: Austro-Asiatic, Mon-Khmer, Eastern Mon-Khmer, Bahnaric, North Bahnaric, West. *Dialects*: None known. May be related to Jeh [jeh] or Talieng [tdf] in Laos. May be the same language as Talieng. *Lg Use*: Also use Vietnamese [vie]. *Lg Dev*: Radio. *DLS*: Still. *Other*: Traditional religion, Christian. *Map*: 40:70.

**Ts'un-Lao** [tsl] (Lao). *Users*: 10,000 (1993 D. Van). *Location*: Northwest, scattered, Lai Chau,

Dien Bien, and Son La provinces. *Status*: 6a\* (Vigorous). Language of recognized ethnic group: Lao. *Class*: Kra-Dai, Kam-Tai, Tai, Central. *Lg Use*: Also use Vietnamese [vie]. *DLS*: Still. *Other*: Lao is an official ethnic community (14,928, 2009 census), with associated names Lào Bóc and Lào Noi. Traditional religion. *Maps*: 39:25, 38:25.

**Vietnamese** [vie] (Annamese, Ching, Gin, Jing, Kinh, Viet). Autonym: Tiếng Việt. *Users*: 82,100,000 in Vietnam (2019 census), based on ethnicity. *Location*: Widespread. *Status*: 1 (National). De facto national language. Language of recognized ethnic group: Kinh. *Class*: Austro-Asiatic, Mon-Khmer, Viet-Muong, Vietnamese. *Dialects*: Northern Vietnamese (Hanoi, Tonkinese), Central Vietnamese (Hue), Southern Vietnamese. Numerous dialects. *Type*: SVO; prepositions; noun head initial; classifiers and numerals precede noun heads; possessor noun phrases and adjectives follow noun heads; noun classifiers; no articles; passives; comparatives; 25 consonants, 11 vowels, 20 diphthongs, 4 triphthongs; tonal (6 tones); inclusive/exclusive pronouns. *Lg Dev*: Literacy rate in L1: 94%. Literacy rate in L2: 80%. Taught in all primary and secondary schools. Fully developed. Bible: 1916–2008. *DLS*: Thriving (0.87). *Writing*: Braille script. Han (Hanzi, Kanji, Hanja) script. Latin script, primary usage. *Other*: Kinh is an official ethnic community. Buddhist, Christian. *Maps*: 39:20, 38:20, 38:20, 40:20. *Worldwide*: Total users in all countries: 85,807,700 (as L1: 85,023,700; as L2: 784,000). Also indigenous in: China. Also established in: Cambodia, Thailand, United States. Unestablished in: Australia, Austria, Bulgaria, Canada, China–Taiwan, Czechia, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Hungary, Japan, Laos, Malaysia, Martinique, Netherlands, New Caledonia, New Zealand, Norway, Poland, Russian Federation, South Korea, Spain, Sweden, United Kingdom, Vanuatu.

**Zhuang, Dai** [zhd] (Thu Lao, Tu, Tuliao, Tuzu, Wen-Ma Southern Zhuang). *Users*: 200 in Vietnam (2007). Very few monolinguals. *Location*: Lao Cai province: possibly Muong Khuong district. *Status*: 6b\* (Threatened). *Class*: Kra-Dai, Kam-Tai, Tai, Central. *Type*: SVO; voiced oral stop onsets, all final oral stops have been lost except for glottal stops in some locations; 5–6 tones, depending on dialect. *Lg Dev*: Literature. Videos. Texts. *Writing*: Han (Hanzi, Kanji, Hanja) script, dating from Han dynasty, mainly used in non-official domains (e.g., speakers use like-sounding Chinese characters to record folk-songs). Latin script, used between 1984–1990s, experimental use in education in Wenshan, Yunnan, China. *Other*: Non-indigenous. Traditional religion, Buddhist, Daoist. *Worldwide*: Total users in all countries: 100,200. Indigenous in: China.

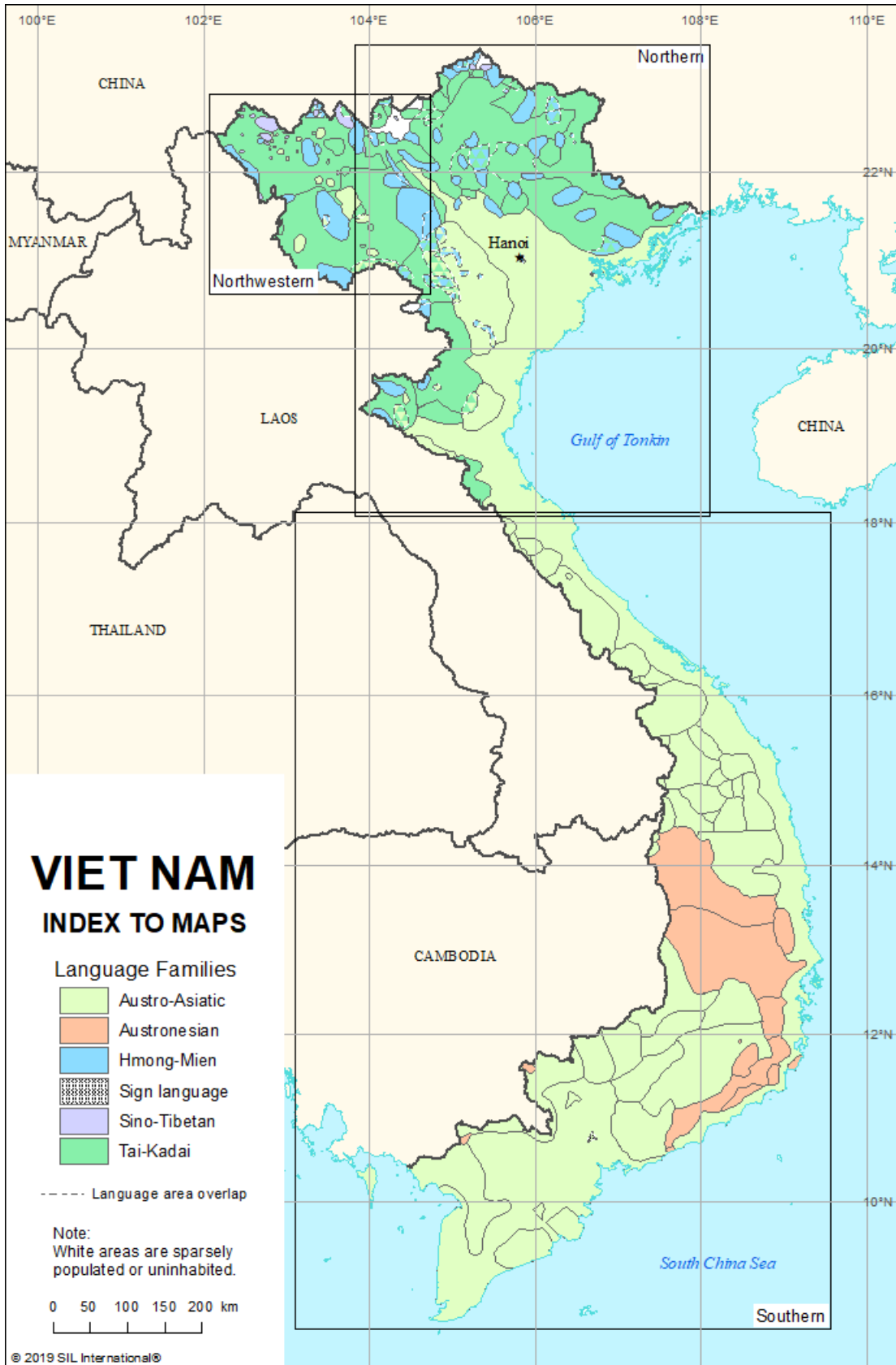
**Zhuang, Yang** [zyg] (Cajoux, Can Yang, Dejing Zhuang, Dianbao, Fouh, Jingxi Zhuang, Káng Thó, Nong, Nung Giang, Tianpao, Tuhua, Yangx, Yangyu, Zhuangyu Nanbu fangyan Dejing tuyu). *Location*: North, Cao Bang province, Ha Quang district. *Status*: 6a (Vigorous). Language of recognized ethnic group: Nung. *Class*: Kra-Dai, Kam-Tai, Tai, Central. *Lg Use*: Vigorous. All domains. Used by all. *Lg Dev*: Literature. *Writing*: Han (Hanzi, Kanji, Hanja) script, dating from Han dynasty, mainly used in non-official domains, gaining popularity. *Other*: Non-indigenous. Traditional religion, Buddhist, Daoist. *Worldwide*: Total users in all countries: 765,000. Indigenous in: China.

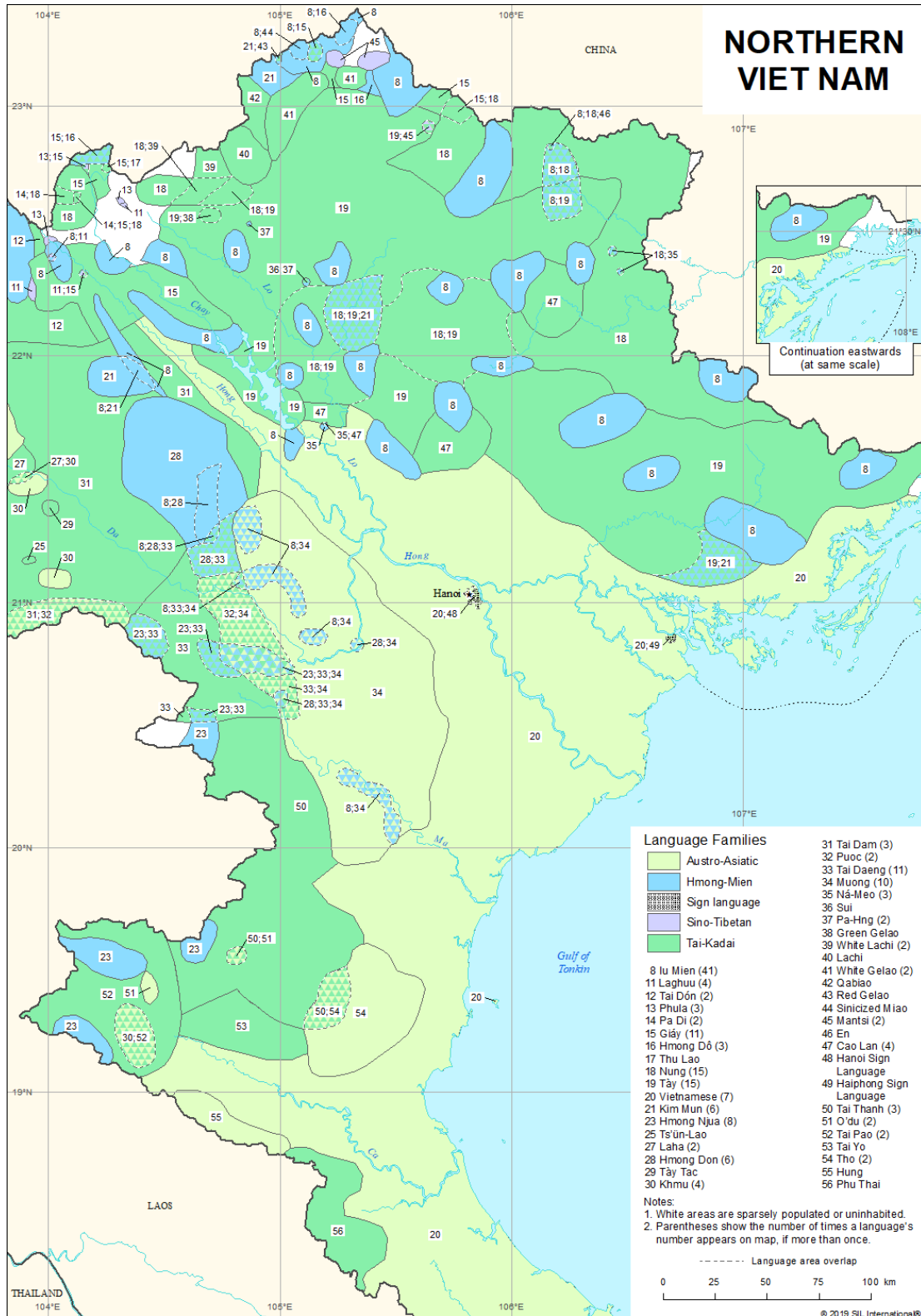
**Zhuang, Yongnan** [zyn] (Boux Toj, Nongz Anx, Nung An, Southern Zhuang). *Users*: 10,000 in Vietnam (2000 J. Edmondson). *Location*: Cao Bang province: Quang Ha district, Phuc Sen village; Doan Khon, Quoc Phong, Quoc Dan, Chi Thao, and Tu Do communes 37 km from Cao Bang city; Ha Quang district, Noi Thon commune; Ba Be district, Cao Che commune. *Status*: 6a (Vigorous). Language of recognized ethnic group: Nung. *Class*: Kra-Dai, Kam-Tai, Tai, Central. *Type*: Voiced oral onsets have merged into nasal onsets. *Lg Use*: Vigorous. All domains. Used by all. *Lg Dev*: Literature. *Writing*: Han (Hanzi, Kanji, Hanja) script, dating from Han dynasty, mainly used in non-official domains, gaining popularity. *Other*: Non-indigenous. Part of the Nùng official ethnic community (968,800, 2009 census). Traditional religion, Buddhist, Daoist. *Worldwide*: Total users in all countries: 1,810,000. Indigenous in: China.

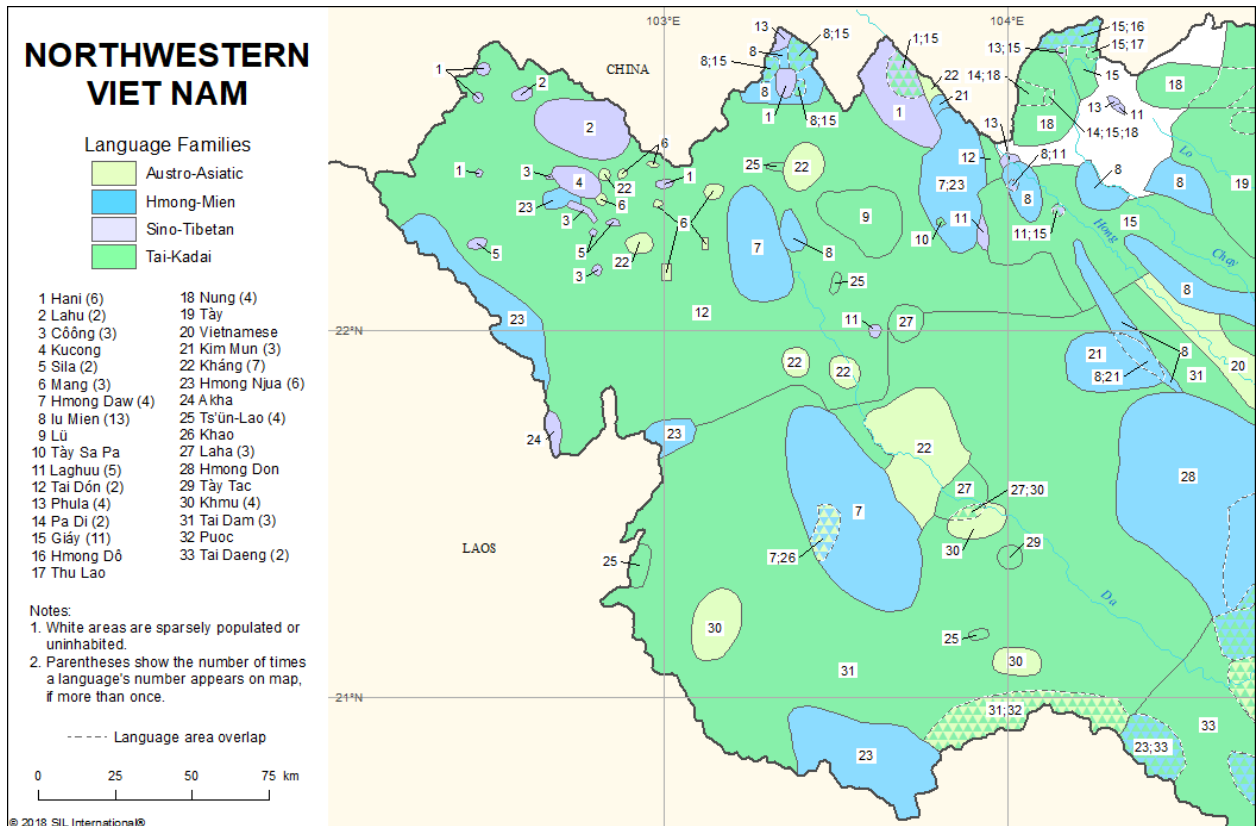
**Zhuang, Zuojiang** [zzj] (Canto, Nongz Anx, Nung Chao, Potai, Puto). *Users*: 340,000 in Vietnam (2000 census). 170,000 monolinguals (2000). Ethnic population: Over 850,000 Nung nationality people in Vietnam in 2000. *Location*: Lang Son province. *Status*: 6a (Vigorous). Language of recognized ethnic group: Nung. *Class*: Kra-Dai, Kam-Tai, Tai, Central. *Lg Use*: Vigorous. All domains. Used by all. *Lg Dev*: Literature. *Writing*: Han (Hanzi, Kanji, Hanja) script, dating from Han dynasty, mainly used in non-official domains, gaining popularity. *Other*: Non-indigenous. Part of the Nùng official ethnic community (968,800, 2009 census). Traditional religion, Buddhist, Daoist. *Worldwide*: Total users in all countries: 1,840,000. Indigenous in: China.

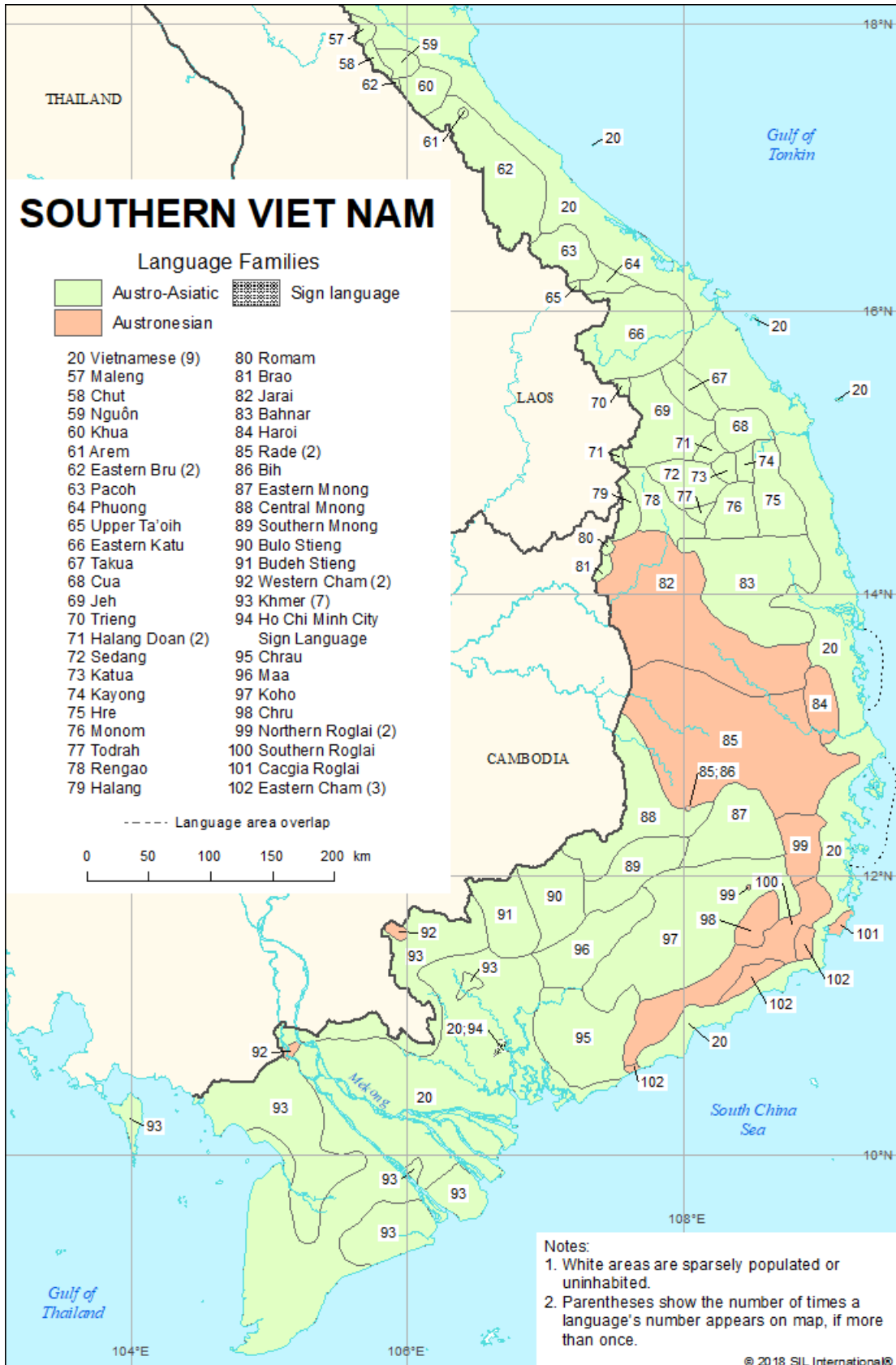
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## Languages by Population

In this section the languages of Vietnam are listed in order of their population of first-language speakers within the country, from highest to lowest. The entries report just the population and status elements.

### 10,000,000 to 99,999,999

**Vietnamese** [[vie](#)] *Users:* 82,100,000 in Vietnam (2019 census), based on ethnicity. *Status:* 1 (National). De facto national language. Language of recognized ethnic group: Kinh. *Worldwide:* Total users in all countries: 85,807,700 (as L1: 85,023,700; as L2: 784,000).

### 1,000,000 to 9,999,999

**Tày** [[tyz](#)] *Users:* 1,850,000 (2019 census), based on ethnicity. *Status:* 6b\* (Threatened). Language of recognized ethnic group: Tay.

**Muong** [[mtq](#)] *Users:* 1,450,000 (2019 census), based on ethnicity. *Status:* 6a\* (Vigorous). Language of recognized ethnic group: Muong.

**Hmong Daw** [[mww](#)] *Users:* 1,390,000 in Vietnam (2019 census), based on ethnicity. *Status:* 5\* (Developing). Language of recognized ethnic group: Hmong. *Worldwide:* Total users in all countries: 1,978,400.

**Khmer** [[khm](#)] *Users:* 1,320,000 in Vietnam (2019 census), based on ethnicity. *Status:* 5\* (Dispersed). Language of recognized ethnic group: Khmer Krom. *Worldwide:* Total users in all countries: 17,996,950 (as L1: 16,991,050; as L2: 1,005,900).

**Nung** [[nut](#)] *Users:* 1,080,000 in Vietnam (2019 census), based on ethnicity. *Status:* 5\* (Developing). Language of recognized ethnic group: Nung.

### 100,000 to 999,999

**Chinese, Yue** [[yue](#)] *Users:* 749,000 in Vietnam (2019 census), based on ethnicity. *Status:* 6b\* (Threatened). Language of recognized ethnic group: Hoa. *Worldwide:* Total users in all countries: 86,633,370 (as L1: 86,116,370; as L2: 517,000).

**Tai Dam** [[blt](#)] *Users:* 699,000 in Vietnam (2002 SIL). *Status:* 5\* (Developing). Language of recognized ethnic group: Thai. *Worldwide:* Total users in all countries: 777,700.

**Jarai** [[jra](#)] *Users:* 514,000 in Vietnam (2019 census), based on ethnicity. *Status:* 5\* (Developing). Language of recognized ethnic group: Gia Rai. *Worldwide:* Total users in all countries: 534,800.

**Iu Mien** [[ium](#)] *Users:* 350,000 in Vietnam (1999 H. Purnell). *Status:* 5\* (Developing). Language of recognized ethnic group: Dao. *Worldwide:* Total users in all countries: 834,800.

**Zhuang, Zuojiang** [zzj] *Users:* 340,000 in Vietnam (2000 census). 170,000 monolinguals (2000). Ethnic population: Over 850,000 Nung nationality people in Vietnam in 2000. *Status:* 6a (Vigorous). Language of recognized ethnic group: Nung. *Worldwide:* Total users in all countries: 1,840,000.

**Bahnar** [bdq] *Users:* 287,000 (2019 census), based on ethnicity. *Status:* 5\* (Developing). Language of recognized ethnic group: Ba Na.

**Tai Dón** [twh] *Users:* 280,000 in Vietnam (2002). *Status:* 6a\* (Vigorous). Language of recognized ethnic group: Thai. *Worldwide:* Total users in all countries: 328,000.

**Sedang** [sed] *Users:* 212,000 in Vietnam (2019 census), based on ethnicity. *Status:* 6a\* (Vigorous). Language of recognized ethnic group: So Dang. *Worldwide:* Total users in all countries: 212,900.

**Phu Thai** [pht] *Users:* 209,000 in Vietnam (2002). *Status:* 6a\* (Vigorous). Language of recognized ethnic group: Thai. *Worldwide:* Total users in all countries: 897,000.

**Cao Lan** [mlc] *Users:* 201,000 (2019 census), based on ethnicity. *Status:* 6a\* (Vigorous). Language of recognized ethnic group: San Chay.

**Koho** [kpm] *Users:* 201,000 (2019 census), based on ethnicity. *Status:* 5 (Developing). Language of recognized ethnic group: Co Ho.

**Rade** [rad] *Users:* 177,000 (Bradley 2007b). Ethnic population: 399,000 (2019 census). *Status:* 5\* (Developing). Language of recognized ethnic group: E De.

**Korean** [kor] *Users:* 173,000 in Vietnam (2019), based on nationality. *Status:* Unestablished. *Worldwide:* Total users in all countries: 81,740,540 (as L1: 81,721,540; as L2: 19,000).

**Kim Mun** [mji] *Users:* 170,000 in Vietnam (1999 J. Edmondson). *Status:* 6a\* (Vigorous). *Worldwide:* Total users in all countries: 374,500.

**Hmong Njua** [hnj] *Users:* 164,000 in Vietnam (2022 Joshua Project), based on ethnicity. *Status:* 6a\* (Vigorous). *Worldwide:* Total users in all countries: 468,920.

**Hre** [hre] *Users:* 149,000 (2019 census), based on ethnicity. *Status:* 5\* (Developing). Language of recognized ethnic group: Hre.

**Cham, Eastern** [cjm] *Users:* 132,000 (2019 census), based on ethnicity. All Cham: 178,948 (2019 census) but as many as 250,000 ({Bradley 2007a}). *Status:* 6b\* (Threatened). Language of recognized ethnic group: Cham.

## 10,000 to 99,999

**Bru, Eastern** [bru] *Users:* 94,600 in Vietnam (2019 census), based on ethnicity; includes Khua [xhv]. *Status:* 5\* (Developing). Language of recognized ethnic group: Bru Van Kieu. *Worldwide:* Total users in all countries: 132,000.

**Tho** [tou] *Users:* 91,400 (2019 census), based on ethnicity. *Status:* 6a\* (Vigorous). Language of

recognized ethnic group: Tho.

**Khmu** [kjg] *Users*: 90,600 in Vietnam (2019 census), based on ethnicity. *Status*: 6b (Threatened). Language of recognized ethnic group: Kho Mu. *Worldwide*: Total users in all countries: 825,700.

**Tai Daeng** [tyr] *Users*: 80,000 in Vietnam (Bradley 2007b). Ethnic population: 100,000 (Bradley 2007b). *Status*: 6a\* (Vigorous). Language of recognized ethnic group: Thai. *Worldwide*: Total users in all countries: 105,000.

**Katu, Eastern** [ktv] *Users*: 74,200 (2019 census), based on ethnicity. *Status*: 6a\* (Vigorous). Language of recognized ethnic group: Co Tu.

**Tai Nua** [tdd] *Users*: 70,000 in Vietnam (Bradley 2007b). Ethnic population: 95,000 (Bradley 2007b). *Status*: 6b\* (Threatened). *Worldwide*: Total users in all countries: 726,100.

**Giáy** [pcc] *Users*: 67,900 in Vietnam (2019 census), based on ethnicity. *Status*: 6b\* (Threatened). Language of recognized ethnic group: Bo Y. *Worldwide*: Total users in all countries: 3,043,740.

**Trieng** [stg] *Users*: 63,300 (2019 census), based on ethnicity. *Status*: 6a\* (Vigorous). Language of recognized ethnic group: Gie Trieng.

**Stieng, Bulo** [sti] *Users*: 53,000 in Vietnam (2019 census). Part of the Xtiêng 100,752 (2019 census) official ethnic community which includes Budeh Stieng [stt]. *Status*: 6a\* (Vigorous). Language of recognized ethnic group: Xtieng. *Worldwide*: Total users in all countries: 59,540.

**Maa** [cma] *Users*: 50,300 (2019 census), based on ethnicity. *Status*: 6a\* (Vigorous). Language of recognized ethnic group: Ma.

**Stieng, Budeh** [stt] *Users*: 47,000 (2019 census). Part of the Xtiêng 100,752 (2019 census) official ethnic community which includes Bulo Stieng [sti]. *Status*: 6a\* (Vigorous). Language of recognized ethnic group: Xtieng.

**Cham, Western** [cja] *Users*: 46,500 in Vietnam (2019 census), based on ethnicity. All Cham: 178,948 (2019 census) but as many as 250,000 (Bradley 2007a). *Status*: 6b\* (Threatened). Language of recognized ethnic group: Cham. *Worldwide*: Total users in all countries: 312,500.

**Ho Chi Minh City Sign Language** [hos] *Users*: 45,000 (Woodward et al 2015b). Estimated 45,000 prelingually deaf, based on 0.1% of the general population of the region. *Status*: 6a (Vigorous).

**Hanoi Sign Language** [hab] *Users*: 39,000 (Woodward et al 2015a). Estimated 39,000 prelingually deaf, based on 0.1% of total population (Woodward et al 2015a). *Status*: 6a (Vigorous).

**Haroi** [hro] *Users*: 35,000 (Bradley 2007a). All Cham: 178,948 (2019 census) but as many as 250,000 (Bradley 2007a). *Status*: 6b (Threatened). Language of recognized ethnic group: Cham.

- Mnong, Central** [[cmo](#)] *Users*: 32,500 in Vietnam (2002 SIL). All Mnong in Vietnam, based on ethnicity: 127,000 (2019 census). *Status*: 5 (Developing). Language of recognized ethnic group: Mnong. *Worldwide*: Total users in all countries: 70,000.
- Mnong, Eastern** [[mng](#)] *Users*: 30,000 (2002 SIL). All Mnong in Vietnam, based on ethnicity: 127,000 (2019 census). *Status*: 6a\* (Vigorous). Language of recognized ethnic group: Mnong.
- Mnong, Southern** [[mmn](#)] *Users*: 30,000 (2002). All Mnong in Vietnam, based on ethnicity: 127,000 (2019 census). *Status*: 6a\* (Vigorous). Language of recognized ethnic group: Mnong.
- Chrau** [[crw](#)] *Users*: 29,500 (2019 census), decreasing, based on ethnicity. Few monolinguals. *Status*: 6b\* (Threatened). Language of recognized ethnic group: Cho Ro.
- Puoc** [[puo](#)] *Users*: 29,500 in Vietnam (2019 census), based on ethnicity. *Status*: 6a\* (Vigorous). Language of recognized ethnic group: Xinh Mun. *Worldwide*: Total users in all countries: 39,370.
- Hani** [[hni](#)] *Users*: 25,500 in Vietnam (2019 census), based on ethnicity. *Status*: 6b\* (Threatened). Language of recognized ethnic group: Ha Nhi. *Worldwide*: Total users in all countries: 766,240.
- Kayong** [[kxy](#)] *Users*: 25,000 (Bradley 2007b). *Status*: 6a\* (Vigorous). Language of recognized ethnic group: Xo Dang.
- Chru** [[cje](#)] *Users*: 23,200 (2019 census), based on ethnicity. *Status*: 6b\* (Threatened). Language of recognized ethnic group: Chu Ru.
- Roglai, Northern** [[rog](#)] *Users*: 22,000 (Bradley 2007b). All Roglai (Ra Glai), based on ethnicity: 147,000 (2019 census). Ethnic population: 25,000 (Bradley 2007b). *Status*: 5\* (Developing). Language of recognized ethnic group: Ra Glai.
- Tai Thanh** [[tmm](#)] *Users*: 20,000 (2002). *Status*: 6a\* (Vigorous). Language of recognized ethnic group: Thai.
- Ta'oih, Upper** [[tth](#)] *Users*: 19,000 in Vietnam (2002). 13,300 monolinguals (2002). *Status*: 6a\* (Vigorous). *Worldwide*: Total users in all countries: 49,900.
- Rengao** [[ren](#)] *Users*: 18,000 (Bradley 2007b). *Status*: 6b\* (Threatened). Language of recognized ethnic group: Ba Na.
- Roglai, Southern** [[rgs](#)] *Users*: 18,000 (2007 census). All Roglai (Ra Glai), based on ethnicity: 147,000 (2019 census). Ethnic population: 20,000 (Bradley 2007b). *Status*: 6a\* (Vigorous). Language of recognized ethnic group: Ra Glai.
- Lao** [[lao](#)] *Users*: 17,500 in Vietnam (2019 census), based on ethnicity. *Status*: 5\* (Dispersed). *Worldwide*: Total users in all countries: 4,482,970 (as L1: 3,679,070; as L2: 803,900).
- Kháng** [[kjm](#)] *Users*: 16,200 (2019 census), based on ethnicity. *Status*: 8a (Moribund). Language of recognized ethnic group: Khang.
- Pacoh** [[pac](#)] *Users*: 16,000 in Vietnam (2002). *Status*: 6b\* (Threatened). *Worldwide*: Total users

in all countries: 38,600.

**Jeh** [jeh] *Users:* 15,200 in Vietnam (2002 SIL). *Status:* 5 (Developing). *Worldwide:* Total users in all countries: 26,700.

**Phuong** [phg] *Users:* 15,100 (2000). *Status:* 6a\* (Vigorous). Language of recognized ethnic group: Ktu.

**Halang** [hal] *Users:* 13,500 in Vietnam (2000). *Status:* 6b (Threatened). Language of recognized ethnic group: Xo Dang. *Worldwide:* Total users in all countries: 17,500.

**Lahu** [lhu] *Users:* 12,100 in Vietnam (2019 census), based on ethnicity. *Status:* 6b\* (Threatened). Language of recognized ethnic group: La Hu. *Worldwide:* Total users in all countries: 591,300.

**Cua** [cua] *Users:* 12,000 (Bradley 2007b). Ethnic population: 40,400 (2019 census). *Status:* 6b\* (Threatened). Language of recognized ethnic group: Co.

**Laha** [lha] *Users:* 10,200 (2019 census), based on ethnicity. *Status:* 8a (Moribund). Language of recognized ethnic group: La Ha.

**Khao** [xao] *Users:* 10,000 (Wurm and Hattori 1981). *Status:* 6a\* (Vigorous).

**Tai Pao** [tpo] *Users:* 10,000 in Vietnam (2002). *Status:* 6a\* (Vigorous). Language of recognized ethnic group: Thai. *Worldwide:* Total users in all countries: 12,500.

**Ts'ün-Lao** [tsl] *Users:* 10,000 (1993 D. Van). *Status:* 6a\* (Vigorous). Language of recognized ethnic group: Lao.

**Zhuang, Yongnan** [zyn] *Users:* 10,000 in Vietnam (2000 J. Edmondson). *Status:* 6a (Vigorous). Language of recognized ethnic group: Nung. *Worldwide:* Total users in all countries: 1,810,000.

## 1,000 to 9,999

**Pa-Hng** [pha] *Users:* 8,250 in Vietnam (2019 census), based on ethnicity. *Status:* 6b (Threatened). Language of recognized ethnic group: Pa Then. *Worldwide:* Total users in all countries: 35,050.

**Akha** [ahk] *Users:* 7,000 in Vietnam (Hansson 2003). Ethnic population: Hà Nhì ethnic group 21,725 (2009 census). *Status:* 6b\* (Threatened). Language of recognized ethnic group: Ha Nhi. *Worldwide:* Total users in all countries: 616,600.

**Lü** [khb] *Users:* 6,760 in Vietnam (2019 census), based on ethnicity. *Status:* 6b\* (Threatened). Language of recognized ethnic group: Lu. *Worldwide:* Total users in all countries: 555,760.

**Monom** [moo] *Users:* 6,000 (Bradley 2007b). *Status:* 6a\* (Vigorous). Language of recognized ethnic group: Xo Dang.

**Takua** [tkz] *Users:* 6,000 (Bradley 2007b). *Status:* 6a\* (Vigorous). Language of recognized ethnic group: Co.

- Todrah** [[tdr](#)] *Users*: 6,000 (Bradley 2007b). *Status*: 6a\* (Vigorous). Language of recognized ethnic group: Xo Dang.
- French** [[fra](#)] *Users*: 5,700 in Vietnam (2020 Joshua Project). 698,700 in Vietnam, all users. L2 users: 693,000 (Marcoux et al 2022). *Status*: Unestablished. *Worldwide*: Total users in all countries: 309,804,220 (as L1: 80,770,190; as L2: 229,034,030).
- Kucong** [[lkc](#)] *Users*: 5,400 in Vietnam (Bradley 2007b). *Status*: 6b\* (Threatened). Language of recognized ethnic group: La Hu. *Worldwide*: Total users in all countries: 45,400.
- Lachi** [[lbt](#)] *Users*: 5,000 in Vietnam (Bradley 2007a). 3,990 women, in 1,450 households (Liang 1990), including Black Lachi 2,500 in 550 households, Long-Haired Lachi 4,500 in 900 households. 15,000 for all La Chi in Vietnam (2019 census). Ethnic population: 15,100 (2019 census). *Status*: 6b\* (Threatened). Language of recognized ethnic group: La Chi. *Worldwide*: Total users in all countries: 5,200.
- Phula** [[phh](#)] *Users*: 5,000 in Vietnam (Pelkey 2008). Ethnic population: 12,500 (2019 census). *Status*: 6b\* (Threatened). Language of recognized ethnic group: Phu La. *Worldwide*: Total users in all countries: 10,000.
- Mang** [[zng](#)] *Users*: 4,650 in Vietnam (2019 census), based on ethnicity. *Status*: 6b (Threatened). Language of recognized ethnic group: Mang. *Worldwide*: Total users in all countries: 5,155.
- Katua** [[kta](#)] *Users*: 4,000 (Bradley 2007b). *Status*: 6a\* (Vigorous). Language of recognized ethnic group: Xo Dang.
- Công** [[cnc](#)] *Users*: 2,730 (2019 census), based on ethnicity. *Status*: 6a (Vigorous). Language of recognized ethnic group: Cong.
- Halang Doan** [[hld](#)] *Users*: 2,500 in Vietnam (Bradley 2007a). *Status*: 6b\* (Threatened). Language of recognized ethnic group: Xo Dang. *Worldwide*: Total users in all countries: 4,850.
- Roglai, Caccia** [[roc](#)] *Users*: 2,000 (Dyen 1971). All Roglai (Ra Glai), based on ethnicity: 147,000 (2019 census). *Status*: 6a\* (Vigorous). Language of recognized ethnic group: Ra Glai.
- Sinicized Miao** [[hmz](#)] *Users*: 2,000 in Vietnam (Hattaway 2003). *Status*: 6a\* (Vigorous). *Worldwide*: Total users in all countries: 252,000.
- Haiphong Sign Language** [[haf](#)] *Users*: 1,800 (Woodward 2015). Estimated 1,800 prelingually-deaf people in the Haiphong area, based on 0.1% of the total population (Woodward 2015). *Status*: 6a (Vigorous).
- Chinese, Hakka** [[hak](#)] *Users*: 1,650 in Vietnam (2019 census), based on ethnicity. *Status*: 6a\* (Vigorous). *Worldwide*: Total users in all countries: 44,271,630 (as L1: 44,020,430; as L2: 251,200).
- Lachi, White** [[lwh](#)] *Users*: 1,600 (Liang 1990). 300 households. *Status*: 7 (Shifting). Language of recognized ethnic group: La Chi.
- Maleng** [[pkt](#)] *Users*: 1,200 in Vietnam (2013). *Status*: 6b (Threatened). *Worldwide*: Total users in

all countries: 1,700.

**Mantsi** [[nty](#)] *Users*: 1,100 (2002 J. Edmondson). Ethnic population: 4,830 (2019 census). *Status*: 6b (Threatened). Language of recognized ethnic group: Lo Lo.

**Chut** [[scb](#)] *Users*: 1,050 in Vietnam (Bradley 2007a). 450 May, 95 Ruc, 500 Sach. Ethnic population: 7,510 (2019 census). *Status*: 7 (Shifting). Language of recognized ethnic group: Chut. *Worldwide*: Total users in all countries: 1,250.

**Khua** [[xhv](#)] *Users*: 1,000 in Vietnam (Phan Hữu Dật 1998). *Status*: 6a\* (Vigorous). Language of recognized ethnic group: Bru Van Kieu. *Worldwide*: Total users in all countries: 3,000.

**Nguôn** [[nuo](#)] *Users*: 1,000 in Vietnam (Bradley 2007b). Ethnic population: 2,000 (Bradley 2007b). *Status*: 6b\* (Threatened). *Worldwide*: Total users in all countries: 1,760.

**Ná-Meo** [[neo](#)] *Users*: 1,000 (2015 A. Hsiu). *Status*: 6a (Vigorous). Language of recognized ethnic group: Hmong.

## 100 to 999

**Sila** [[slt](#)] *Users*: 910 in Vietnam (2019 census), based on ethnicity. Most members of the ethnic group speak the language ([Bradley 2007a](#)). *Status*: 6b (Threatened). Language of recognized ethnic group: Si La. *Worldwide*: Total users in all countries: 4,060.

**Qabiao** [[laq](#)] *Users*: 900 in Vietnam (2019 census), based on ethnicity. *Status*: 6b (Threatened). Language of recognized ethnic group: Pu Peo. *Worldwide*: Total users in all countries: 918.

**Laghuu** [[lgh](#)] *Users*: 800 (Bradley 2007b). Ethnic population: 1,000 (Bradley 2007b). *Status*: 6b (Threatened).

**Brao** [[brb](#)] *Users*: 530 in Vietnam (2019 census), based on ethnicity. *Status*: 6b\* (Threatened). Language of recognized ethnic group: Brau. *Worldwide*: Total users in all countries: 35,560.

**Hung** [[hnu](#)] *Users*: 500 in Vietnam (Bradley 2007b). Ethnic population: 1,000 (Bradley 2007b). Less than 1,000 in ethnic population. *Status*: 7 (Shifting). Language of recognized ethnic group: Tho. *Worldwide*: Total users in all countries: 4,130.

**O'du** [[tyh](#)] *Users*: 430 in Vietnam (2019 census), decreasing, based on ethnicity. *Status*: 7 (Shifting). Language of recognized ethnic group: O Du. *Worldwide*: Total users in all countries: 1,030.

**Gelao, Green** [[giq](#)] *Users*: 300 in Vietnam (2002 J. Edmondson). *Status*: 8b (Nearly extinct). Language of recognized ethnic group: Co Lao.

**Pa Di** [[pdi](#)] *Users*: 300 in Vietnam (1995 J. Edmondson). *Status*: 6b\* (Threatened). *Worldwide*: Total users in all countries: 1,300.

**Tai Yo** [[tyj](#)] *Users*: 300 in Vietnam (2002). *Status*: 6b\* (Threatened). *Worldwide*: Total users in all countries: 7,500.

**Tày Sa Pa** [[tys](#)] *Users*: 300 (2002 J. Edmondson). *Status*: 6b\* (Threatened).

**En** [enc] *Users*: 200 (1998 J. Edmondson). Ethnic population: 200 (Bradley 2007b). *Status*: 6b (Threatened).

**Romam** [rmx] *Users*: 200 (2013 SIL). Ethnic population: 640 (2019 census). *Status*: 6b\* (Threatened). Language of recognized ethnic group: Ro Mam.

**Thu Lao** [tyl] *Users*: 200 (2002 J. Edmondson). *Status*: 6b (Threatened).

**Zhuang, Dai** [zhd] *Users*: 200 in Vietnam (2007). Very few monolinguals. *Status*: 6b\* (Threatened). *Worldwide*: Total users in all countries: 100,200.

**Sui** [swi] *Users*: 120 in Vietnam (2002 J. Edmondson). *Status*: 6a\* (Vigorous). *Worldwide*: Total users in all countries: 300,120.

## 10 to 99

**Gelao, Red** [gir] *Users*: 50 in Vietnam (1997 J. Edmondson). *Status*: 7 (Shifting). Language of recognized ethnic group: Co Lao.

**Arem** [aem] *Users*: 20 in Vietnam (Ferlus 1996). Ethnic population: 100 (Ferlus 1996). *Status*: 8b (Nearly extinct). Language of recognized ethnic group: Chut. *Worldwide*: Total users in all countries: 270.

**Gelao, White** [giw] *Users*: 20 in Vietnam (2002 J. Edmondson). *Status*: 8b (Nearly extinct). Language of recognized ethnic group: Co Lao. *Worldwide*: Total users in all countries: 1,220.

**Bih** [ibh] *Users*: 10 (2015 T. Nguyen). Ethnic population: 500 (Nguyen 2013). *Status*: 8b (Nearly extinct).

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**Tay Boi** [tas] *Users*: No known L1 speakers. The last speaker died in 1954. *Status*: 10 (Extinct).

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**Hmong Don** [hmf] *Status*: 6a\* (Vigorous). Language of recognized ethnic group: Hmong.

**Hmong Dô** [hmv] *Status*: 6a\* (Vigorous).

**Tày Tac** [tyt] *Status*: 6a\* (Vigorous). Language of recognized ethnic group: Thai.

**Zhuang, Yang** [zyg] *Status*: 6a (Vigorous). Language of recognized ethnic group: Nung. *Worldwide*: Total users in all countries: 765,000.

## Languages by Status

In this section the languages of Vietnam are listed in order of their status within the country as represented by their level on the EGIDs scale (Lewis and Simons 2010). The language entries are reduced to just the information elements that are relevant to assessing the EGIDS level: population, status, language use, language development, and writing.

### 1 (National)

**Vietnamese** [vie] *Users:* 82,100,000 in Vietnam (2019 census), based on ethnicity. *Status:* De facto national language. Language of recognized ethnic group: Kinh. *Lg Dev:* Fully developed. Bible: 1916–2008. *Writing:* Braille script. Han (Hanzi, Kanji, Hanja) script. Latin script, primary usage. *Worldwide:* Total users in all countries: 85,807,700 (as L1: 85,023,700; as L2: 784,000).

### 5 (Developing)

**Bahnar** [bdq] *Users:* 287,000 (2019 census), based on ethnicity. *Status:* Language of recognized ethnic group: Ba Na. *Lg Use:* Also use Vietnamese [vie]. *Lg Dev:* Radio. Dictionary. Bible: 2015. *Writing:* Latin script.

**Bru, Eastern** [bru] *Users:* 94,600 in Vietnam (2019 census), based on ethnicity; includes Khua [xhv]. *Status:* Language of recognized ethnic group: Bru Van Kieu. *Lg Use:* Also use Vietnamese [vie]. *Writing:* Lao script, used in Laos. Latin script, used in Vietnam. Thai script. *Worldwide:* Total users in all countries: 132,000.

**Hmong Daw** [mww] *Users:* 1,390,000 in Vietnam (2019 census), based on ethnicity. *Status:* Language of recognized ethnic group: Hmong. *Writing:* Lao script. Latin script, used since 1953, primary usage. Miao (Pollard) script, no longer in use, used in China. Pahawh Hmong script, used since 1959. Thai script, used in Thailand. *Worldwide:* Total users in all countries: 1,978,400.

**Hre** [hre] *Users:* 149,000 (2019 census), based on ethnicity. *Status:* Language of recognized ethnic group: Hre. *Lg Use:* Also use Vietnamese [vie]. *Lg Dev:* Radio. Dictionary. Texts. Bible: 2019. *Writing:* Latin script.

**Iu Mien** [ium] *Users:* 350,000 in Vietnam (1999 H. Purnell). *Status:* Language of recognized ethnic group: Dao. *Lg Use:* Same language as in Thailand and Laos. Not all ethnic Yao speak Mien; many speak Chinese. Part of the Vietnam population figure may be for Kim Mun [mji]. Also use Vietnamese [vie]. *Writing:* Han (Hanzi, Kanji, Hanja) script, dating from before Yuan dynasty, used in folk domains and text messaging. Lao script, used in Laos. Latin script, used at least since 1930s, used in China, Thailand, United States, France, Canada. Thai script, used in Thailand. *Worldwide:* Total users in all countries: 834,800.

**Jarai** [jra] *Users:* 514,000 in Vietnam (2019 census), based on ethnicity. *Status:* Language of recognized ethnic group: Gia Rai. *Lg Use:* Also use Vietnamese [vie]. *Lg Dev:* Radio. Dictionary. Texts. Bible: 2014. *Writing:* Khmer script, used in Cambodia. Latin script, primary usage. *Worldwide:* Total users in all countries: 534,800.

**Jeh** [jeh] *Users:* 15,200 in Vietnam (2002 SIL). *Lg Use:* Used by all. Also use Vietnamese [vie]. *Lg Dev:* Radio. Dictionary. Texts. NT: 2012. *Writing:* Lao script. Latin script. *Worldwide:* Total users in all countries: 26,700.

**Koho** [kpm] *Users:* 201,000 (2019 census), based on ethnicity. *Status:* Language of recognized ethnic group: Co Ho. *Lg Use:* Used by all. Also use Vietnamese [vie]. *Lg Dev:* Radio. Dictionary. Grammar. Bible: 2009–2018. *Writing:* Latin script.

**Mnong, Central** [cmo] *Users:* 32,500 in Vietnam (2002 SIL). All Mnong in Vietnam, based on ethnicity: 127,000 (2019 census). *Status:* Language of recognized ethnic group: Mnong. *Lg Use:* Vigorous. Used by all. Most also use Vietnamese [vie]. *Lg Dev:* Radio. Dictionary. NT: 2001–2016. *Writing:* Khmer script. Latin script. *Worldwide:* Total users in all countries: 70,000.

**Nung** [nut] *Users:* 1,080,000 in Vietnam (2019 census), based on ethnicity. *Status:* Language of recognized ethnic group: Nung. *Lg Use:* Ethnic group members preserved the language and culture more than the Tày. Also use Vietnamese [vie]. Used as L2 by Qabiao [laq]. *Lg Dev:* Radio. Dictionary. Grammar. NT: 2019. *Writing:* Latin script.

**Rade** [rad] *Users:* 177,000 (Bradley 2007b). Ethnic population: 399,000 (2019 census). *Status:* Language of recognized ethnic group: E De. *Lg Use:* Also use Vietnamese [vie]. Used as L2 by Bih [ibh]. *Lg Dev:* Radio. Dictionary. Bible: 1997–2015. *Writing:* Latin script.

**Roglai, Northern** [rog] *Users:* 22,000 (Bradley 2007b). All Roglai (Ra Glai), based on ethnicity: 147,000 (2019 census). Ethnic population: 25,000 (Bradley 2007b). *Status:* Language of recognized ethnic group: Ra Glai. *Lg Use:* Potentially shifting to Vietnamese [vie] (Bradley 2007a). Also use Vietnamese [vie]. *Lg Dev:* Radio. Dictionary. Bible portions: 1966–1973. *Writing:* Latin script.

**Tai Dam** [blt] *Users:* 699,000 in Vietnam (2002 SIL). *Status:* Language of recognized ethnic group: Thai. *Lg Use:* Also use Tai Dón [twh] (Abadie 2001). Also use Vietnamese [vie]. Used as L2 by Kháng [kjm], Tai Dón [twh]. *Lg Dev:* Radio. Dictionary. NT: 2013–2014. *Writing:* Lao script. Latin script. Tai Viet script. *Worldwide:* Total users in all countries: 777,700.

## 5 (Dispersed)

**Khmer** [khm] *Users:* 1,320,000 in Vietnam (2019 census), based on ethnicity. *Status:* Language of recognized ethnic group: Khmer Krom. *Lg Use:* Also use Vietnamese [vie]. *Writing:* Khmer script. *Worldwide:* Total users in all countries: 17,996,950 (as L1: 16,991,050; as L2: 1,005,900).

**Lao** [lao] *Users:* 17,500 in Vietnam (2019 census), based on ethnicity. *Writing:* Lao script.

*Worldwide:* Total users in all countries: 4,482,970 (as L1: 3,679,070; as L2: 803,900).

## 6a (Vigorous)

**Cao Lan** [[mlc](#)] *Users:* 201,000 (2019 census), based on ethnicity. *Status:* Language of recognized ethnic group: San Chay. *Lg Use:* Also use Vietnamese [[vie](#)].

**Chinese, Hakka** [[hak](#)] *Users:* 1,650 in Vietnam (2019 census), based on ethnicity. *Writing:* Han script, Simplified variant. Han script, Traditional variant. Latin script, used since early 19th century. *Worldwide:* Total users in all countries: 44,271,630 (as L1: 44,020,430; as L2: 251,200).

**Công** [[cnc](#)] *Users:* 2,730 (2019 census), based on ethnicity. *Status:* Language of recognized ethnic group: Cong. *Lg Use:* Few domains. Used by all. Positive attitudes. Also use Vietnamese [[vie](#)].

**Haiphong Sign Language** [[haf](#)] *Users:* 1,800 (Woodward 2015). Estimated 1,800 prelingually-deaf people in the Haiphong area, based on 0.1% of the total population (Woodward 2015). *Lg Use:* Vigorous. Used by all.

**Hanoi Sign Language** [[hab](#)] *Users:* 39,000 (Woodward et al 2015a). Estimated 39,000 prelingually deaf, based on 0.1% of total population (Woodward et al 2015a). *Lg Use:* Vigorous. Used by all. Some also use Vietnamese [[vie](#)].

**Hmong Don** [[hmf](#)] *Status:* Language of recognized ethnic group: Hmong. *Lg Use:* Also use Vietnamese [[vie](#)].

**Hmong Đô** [[hmv](#)] *Lg Use:* Also use Vietnamese [[vie](#)].

**Hmong Njua** [[hnj](#)] *Users:* 164,000 in Vietnam (2022 Joshua Project), based on ethnicity. *Lg Use:* Also use Vietnamese [[vie](#)]. *Writing:* Lao script. Latin script, primary usage. Miao (Pollard) script, used in China. Pahawh Hmong script. Thai script, used in Thailand. *Worldwide:* Total users in all countries: 468,920.

**Ho Chi Minh City Sign Language** [[hos](#)] *Users:* 45,000 (Woodward et al 2015b). Estimated 45,000 prelingually deaf, based on 0.1% of the general population of the region. *Lg Use:* Vigorous. Used by all. *Lg Dev:* Bible portions: 2018–2019.

**Katu, Eastern** [[ktv](#)] *Users:* 74,200 (2019 census), based on ethnicity. *Status:* Language of recognized ethnic group: Co Tu. *Lg Use:* Also use Vietnamese [[vie](#)]. *Lg Dev:* Radio. Dictionary. Grammar. Texts. NT: 1978–2007. *Writing:* Latin script.

**Katua** [[kta](#)] *Users:* 4,000 (Bradley 2007b). *Status:* Language of recognized ethnic group: Xo Dang. *Lg Use:* Also use Vietnamese [[vie](#)]. *Writing:* Unwritten.

**Kayong** [[kxy](#)] *Users:* 25,000 (Bradley 2007b). *Status:* Language of recognized ethnic group: Xo Dang. *Lg Use:* Also use Vietnamese [[vie](#)].

**Khao** [[xao](#)] *Users:* 10,000 (Wurm and Hattori 1981). *Lg Use:* Also use Vietnamese [[vie](#)].

- Khua** [[xhv](#)] *Users*: 1,000 in Vietnam (Phan Hữu Dật 1998). *Status*: Language of recognized ethnic group: Bru Van Kieu. *Lg Use*: Also use Vietnamese [[vie](#)]. *Worldwide*: Total users in all countries: 3,000.
- Kim Mun** [[mji](#)] *Users*: 170,000 in Vietnam (1999 J. Edmondson). *Lg Use*: Used as L2 by Red Gelao [[gir](#)]. *Writing*: Latin script, used since 1983, experimental, used in China. *Worldwide*: Total users in all countries: 374,500.
- Maa** [[cma](#)] *Users*: 50,300 (2019 census), based on ethnicity. *Status*: Language of recognized ethnic group: Ma. *Lg Use*: Also use Vietnamese [[vie](#)]. *Lg Dev*: Dictionary. *Writing*: Latin script.
- Mnong, Eastern** [[mng](#)] *Users*: 30,000 (2002 SIL). All Mnong in Vietnam, based on ethnicity: 127,000 (2019 census). *Status*: Language of recognized ethnic group: Mnong. *Lg Use*: Also use Vietnamese [[vie](#)]. *Lg Dev*: Dictionary. Bible portions: 1977. *Writing*: Latin script.
- Mnong, Southern** [[mmn](#)] *Users*: 30,000 (2002). All Mnong in Vietnam, based on ethnicity: 127,000 (2019 census). *Status*: Language of recognized ethnic group: Mnong. *Lg Use*: Also use Vietnamese [[vie](#)].
- Monom** [[moo](#)] *Users*: 6,000 (Bradley 2007b). *Status*: Language of recognized ethnic group: Xo Dang. *Lg Use*: Also use Vietnamese [[vie](#)]. *Writing*: Unwritten.
- Muong** [[mtq](#)] *Users*: 1,450,000 (2019 census), based on ethnicity. *Status*: Language of recognized ethnic group: Muong. *Lg Use*: Also use Vietnamese [[vie](#)]. *Lg Dev*: Radio. Dictionary. NT: 2020. *Writing*: Latin script.
- Ná-Meo** [[neo](#)] *Users*: 1,000 (2015 A. Hsiu). *Status*: Language of recognized ethnic group: Hmong. *Lg Use*: Used by all. Also use Vietnamese [[vie](#)]. *Writing*: Unwritten.
- Phu Thai** [[pht](#)] *Users*: 209,000 in Vietnam (2002). *Status*: Language of recognized ethnic group: Thai. *Lg Use*: Also use Vietnamese [[vie](#)]. *Writing*: Thai script. *Worldwide*: Total users in all countries: 897,000.
- Phuong** [[phg](#)] *Users*: 15,100 (2000). *Status*: Language of recognized ethnic group: Ktu. *Lg Use*: Also use Vietnamese [[vie](#)].
- Puoc** [[puo](#)] *Users*: 29,500 in Vietnam (2019 census), based on ethnicity. *Status*: Language of recognized ethnic group: Xinh Mun. *Lg Use*: Also use Vietnamese [[vie](#)]. *Lg Dev*: Grammar. *Writing*: Unwritten. *Worldwide*: Total users in all countries: 39,370.
- Roglai, Caccia** [[roc](#)] *Users*: 2,000 (Dyen 1971). All Roglai (Ra Glai), based on ethnicity: 147,000 (2019 census). *Status*: Language of recognized ethnic group: Ra Glai. *Lg Use*: Also use Vietnamese [[vie](#)]. *Writing*: Unwritten.
- Roglai, Southern** [[rgs](#)] *Users*: 18,000 (2007 census). All Roglai (Ra Glai), based on ethnicity: 147,000 (2019 census). Ethnic population: 20,000 (Bradley 2007b). *Status*: Language of recognized ethnic group: Ra Glai. *Lg Use*: Potentially endangered by Vietnamese [[vie](#)] (Bradley 2007a). Also use Vietnamese [[vie](#)]. *Lg Dev*: Dictionary. *Writing*: Latin script, limited

usage.

**Sedang** [sed] *Users:* 212,000 in Vietnam (2019 census), based on ethnicity. *Status:* Language of recognized ethnic group: So Dang. *Lg Use:* Also use Vietnamese [vie]. *Lg Dev:* Radio. Dictionary. *Writing:* Latin script. *Worldwide:* Total users in all countries: 212,900.

**Sinicized Miao** [hmz] *Users:* 2,000 in Vietnam (Hattaway 2003). *Writing:* Latin script, pinyin-based, favoured by the educated. Miao (Pollard) script, favoured by peasants. *Worldwide:* Total users in all countries: 252,000.

**Stieng, Budeh** [stt] *Users:* 47,000 (2019 census). Part of the Xtiêng 100,752 (2019 census) official ethnic community which includes Bulo Stieng [sti]. *Status:* Language of recognized ethnic group: Xtieng. *Lg Use:* Also use Vietnamese [vie]. *Lg Dev:* NT: 2009. *Writing:* Latin script.

**Stieng, Bulo** [sti] *Users:* 53,000 in Vietnam (2019 census). Part of the Xtiêng 100,752 (2019 census) official ethnic community which includes Budeh Stieng [stt]. *Status:* Language of recognized ethnic group: Xtieng. *Lg Use:* Also use Vietnamese [vie]. *Lg Dev:* Radio. Dictionary. Bible portions: 1971. *Writing:* Latin script. *Worldwide:* Total users in all countries: 59,540.

**Sui** [swi] *Users:* 120 in Vietnam (2002 J. Edmondson). *Writing:* Han (Hanzi, Kanji, Hanja) script, used by folk singers aged 40–60. *Worldwide:* Total users in all countries: 300,120.

**Tai Daeng** [tyr] *Users:* 80,000 in Vietnam (Bradley 2007b). Ethnic population: 100,000 (Bradley 2007b). *Status:* Language of recognized ethnic group: Thai. *Lg Use:* Also use Vietnamese [vie]. *Writing:* Tai Viet script. *Worldwide:* Total users in all countries: 105,000.

**Tai Dón** [twh] *Users:* 280,000 in Vietnam (2002). *Status:* Language of recognized ethnic group: Thai. *Lg Use:* Positive attitudes. Also use Tai Dam [blt], bilingually among some of the population. Used as L2 by Tai Dam [blt]. *Lg Dev:* Dictionary. Bible portions: 1969–1992. *Writing:* Latin script. Tai Viet script. *Worldwide:* Total users in all countries: 328,000.

**Tai Pao** [tpo] *Users:* 10,000 in Vietnam (2002). *Status:* Language of recognized ethnic group: Thai. *Lg Use:* Also use Vietnamese [vie]. *Worldwide:* Total users in all countries: 12,500.

**Tai Thanh** [tmm] *Users:* 20,000 (2002). *Status:* Language of recognized ethnic group: Thai. *Lg Use:* Also use Vietnamese [vie].

**Takua** [tkz] *Users:* 6,000 (Bradley 2007b). *Status:* Language of recognized ethnic group: Co. *Lg Use:* Also use Vietnamese [vie].

**Ta'oih, Upper** [tth] *Users:* 19,000 in Vietnam (2002). 13,300 monolinguals (2002). *Lg Use:* Also use Vietnamese [vie]. *Writing:* Lao script. *Worldwide:* Total users in all countries: 49,900.

**Tho** [tou] *Users:* 91,400 (2019 census), based on ethnicity. *Status:* Language of recognized ethnic group: Tho. *Lg Use:* Also use Vietnamese [vie]. *Writing:* Unwritten.

**Todrah** [tdr] *Users:* 6,000 (Bradley 2007b). *Status:* Language of recognized ethnic group: Xo Dang. *Lg Use:* Also use Vietnamese [vie]. *Writing:* Unwritten.

**Trieng [stg]** *Users:* 63,300 (2019 census), based on ethnicity. *Status:* Language of recognized ethnic group: Gie Trieng. *Lg Use:* Also use Vietnamese [vie]. *Lg Dev:* Radio.

**Ts'ün-Lao [tsl]** *Users:* 10,000 (1993 D. Van). *Status:* Language of recognized ethnic group: Lao. *Lg Use:* Also use Vietnamese [vie].

**Tày Tac [tyt]** *Status:* Language of recognized ethnic group: Thai. *Lg Use:* Also use Vietnamese [vie]. *Writing:* Latin script. Tai Viet script.

**Zhuang, Yang [zyg]** *Status:* Language of recognized ethnic group: Nung. *Lg Use:* Vigorous. All domains. Used by all. *Writing:* Han (Hanzi, Kanji, Hanja) script, dating from Han dynasty, mainly used in non-official domains, gaining popularity. *Worldwide:* Total users in all countries: 765,000.

**Zhuang, Yongnan [zyn]** *Users:* 10,000 in Vietnam (2000 J. Edmondson). *Status:* Language of recognized ethnic group: Nung. *Lg Use:* Vigorous. All domains. Used by all. *Writing:* Han (Hanzi, Kanji, Hanja) script, dating from Han dynasty, mainly used in non-official domains, gaining popularity. *Worldwide:* Total users in all countries: 1,810,000.

**Zhuang, Zuojiang [zzj]** *Users:* 340,000 in Vietnam (2000 census). 170,000 monolinguals (2000). Ethnic population: Over 850,000 Nung nationality people in Vietnam in 2000. *Status:* Language of recognized ethnic group: Nung. *Lg Use:* Vigorous. All domains. Used by all. *Writing:* Han (Hanzi, Kanji, Hanja) script, dating from Han dynasty, mainly used in non-official domains, gaining popularity. *Worldwide:* Total users in all countries: 1,840,000.

## 6b (Threatened)

**Akha [ahk]** *Users:* 7,000 in Vietnam (Hansson 2003). Ethnic population: Hà Nhì ethnic group 21,725 (2009 census). *Status:* Language of recognized ethnic group: Ha Nhi. *Writing:* Latin script, used at least since 1950, used in China, Myanmar, and Thailand. Myanmar (Burmese) script, used in Myanmar. Thai script, used in Thailand. *Worldwide:* Total users in all countries: 616,600.

**Brao [brb]** *Users:* 530 in Vietnam (2019 census), based on ethnicity. *Status:* Language of recognized ethnic group: Brau. *Lg Use:* Also use Vietnamese [vie]. *Writing:* Khmer script. Lao script. Latin script. *Worldwide:* Total users in all countries: 35,560.

**Cham, Eastern [cjm]** *Users:* 132,000 (2019 census), based on ethnicity. All Cham: 178,948 (2019 census) but as many as 250,000 ({Bradley 2007a}). *Status:* Language of recognized ethnic group: Cham. *Lg Use:* Also use Vietnamese [vie] (Bradley 2007a). *Lg Dev:* Radio. Grammar. Texts. Bible portions: 1973. *Writing:* Arabic script, Naskh variant. Cham script, primary usage. Latin script.

**Cham, Western [cja]** *Users:* 46,500 in Vietnam (2019 census), based on ethnicity. All Cham: 178,948 (2019 census) but as many as 250,000 ({Bradley 2007a}). *Status:* Language of recognized ethnic group: Cham. *Lg Use:* Being replaced by Vietnamese [vie] (Bradley 2007a). Also use Vietnamese [vie]. *Writing:* Arabic script, Naskh variant. Cham script. Latin script.

*Worldwide:* Total users in all countries: 312,500.

**Chinese, Yue** [yue] *Users:* 749,000 in Vietnam (2019 census), based on ethnicity. *Status:* Language of recognized ethnic group: Hoa. *Writing:* Braille script, used in Hong Kong. Han script, Simplified variant. Han script, Traditional variant, official usage in Hong Kong and Macau, also used elsewhere. Latin script, used since mid-19th century. *Worldwide:* Total users in all countries: 86,633,370 (as L1: 86,116,370; as L2: 517,000).

**Chrau** [crw] *Users:* 29,500 (2019 census), decreasing, based on ethnicity. Few monolinguals. *Status:* Language of recognized ethnic group: Cho Ro. *Lg Use:* Some parents pass it on to children. Informally used in education, oral and written use in religious services, oral literature. Positive attitudes. Also use Vietnamese [vie]. *Lg Dev:* Radio. Dictionary. Grammar. Texts. NT: 1982. *Writing:* Latin script.

**Chru** [cje] *Users:* 23,200 (2019 census), based on ethnicity. *Status:* Language of recognized ethnic group: Chu Ru. *Lg Use:* Being replaced by Vietnamese [vie] in many domains (Bradley 2007a). Also use Vietnamese [vie]. *Lg Dev:* Radio. Dictionary. NT: 2015. *Writing:* Latin script.

**Cua** [cua] *Users:* 12,000 (Bradley 2007b). Ethnic population: 40,400 (2019 census). *Status:* Language of recognized ethnic group: Co. *Lg Use:* Also use Vietnamese [vie]. *Lg Dev:* Dictionary. Texts. Bible portions: 1973. *Writing:* Latin script.

**En** [enc] *Users:* 200 (1998 J. Edmondson). Ethnic population: 200 (Bradley 2007b). *Lg Use:* Some young people, all adults. Also use Vietnamese [vie].

**Giáy** [pcc] *Users:* 67,900 in Vietnam (2019 census), based on ethnicity. *Status:* Language of recognized ethnic group: Bo Y. *Lg Use:* Also use Vietnamese [vie]. *Writing:* Han (Hanzi, Kanji, Hanja) script, dating from late Ming/early Qing dynasty, limited use in ritual texts and folk literature. Latin script, official usage since 1985. *Worldwide:* Total users in all countries: 3,043,740.

**Halang** [hal] *Users:* 13,500 in Vietnam (2000). *Status:* Language of recognized ethnic group: Xo Dang. *Lg Use:* Some young people, all adults. Also use Vietnamese [vie]. *Lg Dev:* Radio. Dictionary. Bible portions: 1970–1972. *Writing:* Latin script. *Worldwide:* Total users in all countries: 17,500.

**Halang Doan** [hld] *Users:* 2,500 in Vietnam (Bradley 2007a). *Status:* Language of recognized ethnic group: Xo Dang. *Lg Use:* Also use Vietnamese [vie]. *Worldwide:* Total users in all countries: 4,850.

**Hani** [hni] *Users:* 25,500 in Vietnam (2019 census), based on ethnicity. *Status:* Language of recognized ethnic group: Ha Nhi. *Lg Use:* Also use Vietnamese [vie]. *Writing:* Latin script, pinyin-based, used in 1958–1964 and from 1982, experimental, used in education, literature, and media. *Worldwide:* Total users in all countries: 766,240.

**Haroi** [hro] *Users:* 35,000 (Bradley 2007a). All Cham: 178,948 (2019 census) but as many as 250,000 (Bradley 2007a). *Status:* Language of recognized ethnic group: Cham. *Lg Use:* Some

young people, all adults. Also use Vietnamese [vie]. *Lg Dev*: Texts. *Writing*: Latin script.

**Khmu** [kɲg] *Users*: 90,600 in Vietnam (2019 census), based on ethnicity. *Status*: Language of recognized ethnic group: Kho Mu. *Lg Use*: Some young people, all adults. Also use Vietnamese [vie]. *Writing*: Duota script, used in a small collection of villages well away from the rest of the language group, also used in China. Lao script. Latin script. *Worldwide*: Total users in all countries: 825,700.

**Kuong** [lkc] *Users*: 5,400 in Vietnam (Bradley 2007b). *Status*: Language of recognized ethnic group: La Hu. *Lg Use*: Also use Vietnamese [vie]. *Lg Dev*: Grammar. *Writing*: Unwritten. *Worldwide*: Total users in all countries: 45,400.

**Lachi** [lbt] *Users*: 5,000 in Vietnam (Bradley 2007a). 3,990 women, in 1,450 households (Liang 1990), including Black Lachi 2,500 in 550 households, Long-Haired Lachi 4,500 in 900 households. 15,000 for all La Chi in Vietnam (2019 census). Ethnic population: 15,100 (2019 census). *Status*: Language of recognized ethnic group: La Chi. *Lg Use*: Continue to use the language. Also use Chinese [zho]. Also use Zhuang [zha], and some varieties of Miao. *Lg Dev*: Grammar. *Writing*: Unwritten. *Worldwide*: Total users in all countries: 5,200.

**Laghuu** [lgh] *Users*: 800 (Bradley 2007b). Ethnic population: 1,000 (Bradley 2007b). *Lg Use*: Some young people, all adults. Also use Vietnamese [vie]. *Writing*: Unwritten.

**Lahu** [lhu] *Users*: 12,100 in Vietnam (2019 census), based on ethnicity. *Status*: Language of recognized ethnic group: La Hu. *Writing*: Latin script. *Worldwide*: Total users in all countries: 591,300.

**Lü** [khb] *Users*: 6,760 in Vietnam (2019 census), based on ethnicity. *Status*: Language of recognized ethnic group: Lu. *Writing*: New Tai Lue script, used in Yunnan Province, China. Tai Tham (Lanna) script, still used by some, particularly in Buddhist monasteries in Yunnan Province, China. *Worldwide*: Total users in all countries: 555,760.

**Maleng** [pkt] *Users*: 1,200 in Vietnam (2013). *Lg Use*: Some young people, all adults. Also use Vietnamese [vie]. *Worldwide*: Total users in all countries: 1,700.

**Mang** [zng] *Users*: 4,650 in Vietnam (2019 census), based on ethnicity. *Status*: Language of recognized ethnic group: Mang. *Lg Use*: Some young people, all adults. Also use Vietnamese [vie]. *Writing*: Unwritten. *Worldwide*: Total users in all countries: 5,155.

**Mantsi** [nty] *Users*: 1,100 (2002 J. Edmondson). Ethnic population: 4,830 (2019 census). *Status*: Language of recognized ethnic group: Lo Lo. *Lg Use*: Some of all ages. Also use Vietnamese [vie]. *Writing*: Yi script.

**Nguồn** [nuo] *Users*: 1,000 in Vietnam (Bradley 2007b). Ethnic population: 2,000 (Bradley 2007b). *Lg Use*: Also use Vietnamese [vie]. *Writing*: Unwritten. *Worldwide*: Total users in all countries: 1,760.

**Pa Di** [pdi] *Users*: 300 in Vietnam (1995 J. Edmondson). *Worldwide*: Total users in all countries: 1,300.

- Pa-Hng** [pha] *Users:* 8,250 in Vietnam (2019 census), based on ethnicity. *Status:* Language of recognized ethnic group: Pa Then. *Lg Use:* Some young people, all adults. Also use Vietnamese [vie]. *Worldwide:* Total users in all countries: 35,050.
- Pacoh** [pac] *Users:* 16,000 in Vietnam (2002). *Lg Use:* Also use Vietnamese [vie]. *Lg Dev:* Dictionary. Grammar. Texts. NT: 2018. *Writing:* Lao script, in development for Ka'do. Latin script. *Worldwide:* Total users in all countries: 38,600.
- Phula** [phh] *Users:* 5,000 in Vietnam (Pelkey 2008). Ethnic population: 12,500 (2019 census). *Status:* Language of recognized ethnic group: Phu La. *Lg Use:* Also use Vietnamese [vie], with many shifting. *Writing:* Unwritten. *Worldwide:* Total users in all countries: 10,000.
- Qabiao** [laq] *Users:* 900 in Vietnam (2019 census), based on ethnicity. *Status:* Language of recognized ethnic group: Pu Peo. *Lg Use:* Some young people, all adults. Many also use Mandarin Chinese [cmn] (Asian Minorities Outreach 1999a). Some also use Nung [nut] (Asian Minorities Outreach 1999a). *Lg Dev:* Grammar. *Writing:* Latin script, no longer in use. *Worldwide:* Total users in all countries: 918.
- Rengao** [ren] *Users:* 18,000 (Bradley 2007b). *Status:* Language of recognized ethnic group: Ba Na. *Lg Use:* Also use Vietnamese [vie]. *Lg Dev:* Dictionary. Grammar. Bible portions: 1977. *Writing:* Latin script.
- Romam** [rmx] *Users:* 200 (2013 SIL). Ethnic population: 640 (2019 census). *Status:* Language of recognized ethnic group: Ro Mam. *Lg Use:* Also use Vietnamese [vie].
- Sila** [slt] *Users:* 910 in Vietnam (2019 census), based on ethnicity. Most members of the ethnic group speak the language (Bradley 2007a). *Status:* Language of recognized ethnic group: Si La. *Lg Use:* Some young people, all adults. Negative attitudes. Also use Vietnamese [vie]. *Worldwide:* Total users in all countries: 4,060.
- Tai Nüa** [tdd] *Users:* 70,000 in Vietnam (Bradley 2007b). Ethnic population: 95,000 (Bradley 2007b). *Writing:* Tai Le script, used in the Dehong Dai and Jingpho Autonomous Prefecture, Yunnan Province, China. *Worldwide:* Total users in all countries: 726,100.
- Tai Yo** [tyj] *Users:* 300 in Vietnam (2002). *Lg Use:* Also use Vietnamese [vie]. *Writing:* Latin script. Tai Yo script, limited usage. *Worldwide:* Total users in all countries: 7,500.
- Thu Lao** [tyl] *Users:* 200 (2002 J. Edmondson). *Lg Use:* Some young people, all adults. Also use Vietnamese [vie]. *Writing:* Unwritten.
- Tày** [tyz] *Users:* 1,850,000 (2019 census), based on ethnicity. *Status:* Language of recognized ethnic group: Tay. *Lg Use:* Also use Vietnamese [vie]. Used as L2 by Green Gelao [giq]. *Lg Dev:* Radio. Dictionary. NT: 2017. *Writing:* Latin script.
- Tày Sa Pa** [tys] *Users:* 300 (2002 J. Edmondson). *Lg Use:* Also use Vietnamese [vie].
- Zhuang, Dai** [zhd] *Users:* 200 in Vietnam (2007). Very few monolinguals. *Writing:* Han (Hanzi, Kanji, Hanja) script, dating from Han dynasty, mainly used in non-official domains (e.g., speakers use like-sounding Chinese characters to record folk-songs). Latin script, used

between 1984–1990s, experimental use in education in Wenshan, Yunnan, China. *Worldwide*: Total users in all countries: 100,200.

## 7 (Shifting)

**Chut** [**scb**] *Users*: 1,050 in Vietnam (Bradley 2007a). 450 May, 95 Ruc, 500 Sach. Ethnic population: 7,510 (2019 census). *Status*: Language of recognized ethnic group: Chut. *Lg Use*: Shifting to Vietnamese [**vie**]. *Writing*: Unwritten. *Worldwide*: Total users in all countries: 1,250.

**Gelao, Red** [**gir**] *Users*: 50 in Vietnam (1997 J. Edmondson). *Status*: Language of recognized ethnic group: Co Lao. *Lg Use*: Shifting to Mandarin Chinese [cmn] (Asian Minorities Outreach 1999a). Some also use Kim Mun [**mji**]. *Lg Dev*: Texts.

**Hung** [**hnu**] *Users*: 500 in Vietnam (Bradley 2007b). Ethnic population: 1,000 (Bradley 2007b). Less than 1,000 in ethnic population. *Status*: Language of recognized ethnic group: Tho. *Lg Use*: Shifting to Vietnamese [**vie**]. *Worldwide*: Total users in all countries: 4,130.

**Lachi, White** [**lwh**] *Users*: 1,600 (Liang 1990). 300 households. *Status*: Language of recognized ethnic group: La Chi. *Lg Use*: Shifting to Vietnamese [**vie**].

**O'du** [**tyh**] *Users*: 430 in Vietnam (2019 census), decreasing, based on ethnicity. *Status*: Language of recognized ethnic group: O Du. *Lg Use*: Adults only. Shifting to Vietnamese [**vie**]. *Worldwide*: Total users in all countries: 1,030.

## 8a (Moribund)

**Kháng** [**kjm**] *Users*: 16,200 (2019 census), based on ethnicity. *Status*: Language of recognized ethnic group: Khang. *Lg Use*: Shifted to Tai Dam [**blt**]. Also use Vietnamese [**vie**]. *Lg Dev*: Texts. *Writing*: Unwritten.

**Laha** [**lha**] *Users*: 10,200 (2019 census), based on ethnicity. *Status*: Language of recognized ethnic group: La Ha. *Lg Use*: In one village in Son La province it is moribund, spoken only by those over 50, while in several villages in Lao Cai it is still spoken but potentially endangered (Bradley 2007a). Older adults only. *Writing*: Unwritten.

## 8b (Nearly extinct)

**Arem** [**aem**] *Users*: 20 in Vietnam (Ferlus 1996). Ethnic population: 100 (Ferlus 1996). *Status*: Language of recognized ethnic group: Chut. *Lg Use*: Shifted to Vietnamese [**vie**]. *Worldwide*: Total users in all countries: 270.

**Bih** [**ibh**] *Users*: 10 (2015 T. Nguyen). Ethnic population: 500 (Nguyen 2013). *Lg Use*: Elderly only. Shifted to Rade [**rad**]. *Lg Dev*: Grammar. *Writing*: Unwritten.

**Gelao, Green** [**giq**] *Users*: 300 in Vietnam (2002 J. Edmondson). *Status*: Language of recognized ethnic group: Co Lao. *Lg Use*: Shifted to Tày [**tyz**]. Also use Hmong [hmn]. *Lg Dev*:

Dictionary.

**Gelao, White** [giw] *Users*: 20 in Vietnam (2002 J. Edmondson). *Status*: Language of recognized ethnic group: Co Lao. *Lg Use*: Shifted to Vietnamese [vie]. *Worldwide*: Total users in all countries: 1,220.

## 10 (Extinct)

**Tay Boi** [tas] *Users*: No known L1 speakers. The last speaker died in 1954. *Lg Use*: Developed about 1862. Spoken in French colonial households between male Vietnamese servants and their employers. Lower levels of administration, the military, and police.

## Unestablished

**French** [fra] *Users*: 698,700 in Vietnam, all users. L1 users: 5,700 in Vietnam (2020 Joshua Project). L2 users: 693,000 (Marcoux et al 2022). *Writing*: Braille script. Duployan shorthand. Latin script, primary usage. *Worldwide*: Total users in all countries: 309,804,220 (as L1: 80,770,190; as L2: 229,034,030).

**Korean** [kor] *Users*: 173,000 in Vietnam (2019), based on nationality. *Writing*: Braille script. Hangul and Han scripts, primary usage. Latin script, used for maps and signs. *Worldwide*: Total users in all countries: 81,740,540 (as L1: 81,721,540; as L2: 19,000).

## Languages by Province

This index gives an alphabetical listing of the top-level administrative subdivisions within Vietnam. Under the name of each province is a list of the language communities that are located within its area.

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### Ba Ria-Vung Tau

Chrau [crw], 13

### Bac Giang

Cao Lan [mlc], 12  
 Iu Mien [ium], 18  
 Kim Mun [mji], 21  
 Tày [tyz], 32

### Bac Kan

Cao Lan [mlc], 12  
 Iu Mien [ium], 18  
 Nung [nut], 26  
 Tày [tyz], 32

### Bac Lieu

Khmer [khm], 20

### Binh Dinh

Bahnar [bdq], 11  
 Hre [hre], 18  
 Jarai [jra], 19

### Binh Duong

Khmer [khm], 20

### Binh Phuoc

Khmer [khm], 20  
 Maa [cma], 24  
 Mnong, Central [cmo], 25  
 Mnong, Southern [mnn], 25  
 Stieng, Budeh [stt], 30  
 Stieng, Bulo [sti], 30

### Binh Thuan

Cham, Eastern [cjm], 12  
 Chrau [crw], 13  
 Chru [cje], 14

Koho [kpm], 21

Roglai, Northern [rog], 29  
 Roglai, Southern [rgs], 29

### Ca Mau

Khmer [khm], 20

### Can Tho

Chinese, Yue [yue], 13  
 Khmer [khm], 20

### Cao Bang

En [enc], 14  
 Giáy [pcc], 15  
 Iu Mien [ium], 18  
 Mantsi [nty], 24  
 Ná-Meo [neo], 26  
 Nung [nut], 26  
 Tày [tyz], 32  
 Zhuang, Yang [zyg], 34  
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### Da Nang

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### Dak Nong

Kim Mun [mji], 21  
 Koho [kpm], 21  
 Mnong, Central [cmo], 25  
 Mnong, Eastern [mng], 25  
 Mnong, Southern [mnn], 25  
 Rade [rad], 28  
 Stieng, Bulo [sti], 30

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 Mnong, Central [cmo], 25  
 Mnong, Eastern [mng], 25

Rade [rad], 28  
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**Dien Bien**

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 Hmong Daw [mww], 17  
 Hmong Njua [hnj], 18  
 Kháng [kjm], 20  
 Khao [xao], 20  
 Khmu [kjpg], 21  
 Kim Mun [mji], 21  
 Sila [slt], 29  
 Tai Dam [blt], 31  
 Tai Dón [twh], 31  
 Ts'ün-Lao [tsl], 33

**Dong Nai**

Cham, Eastern [cjm], 12  
 Chinese, Yue [yue], 13  
 Chrau [crw], 13  
 Koho [kpm], 21  
 Maa [cma], 24

**Dong Thap**

Khmer [khm], 20

**Gia Lai**

Bahnar [bdq], 11  
 Haroi [hro], 17  
 Hre [hre], 18  
 Jarai [jra], 19  
 Monom [moo], 25  
 Rade [rad], 28  
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Lachi, White [lwh], 22  
 Mantsi [nty], 24  
 Nung [nut], 26  
 Pa-Hng [pha], 27  
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Chinese, Yue [yue], 13  
 Hanoi Sign Language [hab], 17  
 Muong [mtq], 25

**Ha Tinh**

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 Phu Thai [pht], 27  
 Tai Daeng [tyr], 30

**Hai Duong**

Tày [tyz], 32

**Hai Phong**

Chinese, Hakka [hak], 13  
 Chinese, Yue [yue], 13  
 Haiphong Sign Language [haf], 16

**Hau Giang**

Khmer [khm], 20

**Ho Chi Minh**

Chinese, Yue [yue], 13  
 Ho Chi Minh City Sign Language [hos], 18

**Hoa Binh**

Hmong Don [hmf], 17  
 Hmong Njua [hnj], 18  
 Iu Mien [ium], 18  
 Muong [mtq], 25  
 Tai Daeng [tyr], 30

**Khanh Hoa**

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 Roglai, Southern [rgs], 29

**Kien Giang**

Chinese, Yue [yue], 13  
 Khmer [khm], 20

**Kon Tum**

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 Brao [brb], 11  
 Cua [cua], 14  
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 Hre [hre], 18  
 Jarai [jra], 19  
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 Rengao [ren], 28  
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 Sedang [sed], 29  
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**Lai Chau**

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 Côông [cnc], 14  
 Giáy [pcc], 15  
 Hani [hni], 16  
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 Tai Dón [twh], 31  
 Tày [tyz], 32  
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**Lam Dong**

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 Iu Mien [ium], 18  
 Ná-Meo [neo], 26  
 Nung [nut], 26  
 Tày [tyz], 32  
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**Lao Cai**

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 Giáy [pcc], 15  
 Hani [hni], 16  
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 Hmong Dô [hmv], 17  
 Hmong Njua [hnj], 18  
 Iu Mien [ium], 18  
 Kháng [kjm], 20  
 Kim Mun [mji], 21  
 Laghuu [lgh], 22  
 Lü [khb], 23  
 Nung [nut], 26  
 Pa Di [pdi], 26  
 Phula [phh], 27  
 Tai Dam [blt], 31  
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 Tày [tyz], 32  
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 Khmu [kjg], 21  
 O'du [tyh], 26  
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 Tai Thanh [tmm], 32  
 Tai Yo [tyj], 32  
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**Ninh Binh**

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**Ninh Thuan**

Cham, Eastern [cjm], 12  
 Chru [cje], 14  
 Koho [kpm], 21  
 Roglai, Cacgia [roc], 28  
 Roglai, Northern [rog], 29  
 Roglai, Southern [rgs], 29

**Phu Tho**

Cao Lan [mlc], 12  
 Iu Mien [ium], 18  
 Muong [mtq], 25  
 Tai Dam [blt], 31

**Phu Yen**

Bahnar [bdq], 11  
 Haroi [hro], 17  
 Rade [rad], 28

**Quang Ngai**

Cua [cua], 14  
 Hre [hre], 18  
 Kayong [kxy], 20  
 Sedang [sed], 29  
 Takua [tkz], 32

**Quang Binh**

Arem [aem], 11  
 Bru, Eastern [bru], 12  
 Chut [scb], 14  
 Khua [xhv], 21  
 Maleng [pkt], 24  
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**Quang Nam**

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 Jeh [jeh], 19  
 Katu, Eastern [ktv], 19  
 Sedang [sed], 29

Takua [tkz], 32  
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**Quang Ninh**

Cao Lan [mlc], 12  
 Chinese, Hakka [hak], 13  
 Iu Mien [ium], 18  
 Kim Mun [mji], 21  
 Tày [tyz], 32

**Quang Tri**

Bru, Eastern [bru], 12  
 Pacoh [pac], 27  
 Ta'oih, Upper [tth], 32

**Soc Trang**

Chinese, Yue [yue], 13  
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**Son La**

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 Hmong Don [hmf], 17  
 Hmong Njua [hnj], 18  
 Iu Mien [ium], 18  
 Kháng [kjm], 20  
 Khao [xao], 20  
 Khmu [kjg], 21  
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 Phula [phh], 27  
 Puoc [puo], 27  
 Tai Daeng [tyr], 30  
 Tai Dam [blt], 31  
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 Tày Tac [tyt], 33  
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**Tay Ninh**

Cham, Western [cja], 12  
 Khmer [khm], 20

**Thai Nguyen**

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 Chinese, Hakka [hak], 13  
 Iu Mien [ium], 18

Nung [nut], 26

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**Thanh Hoa**

Hmong Njua [hnj], 18

Iu Mien [ium], 18

Khmu [kjg], 21

Muong [mtq], 25

Tai Daeng [tyr], 30

Tai Dam [blt], 31

Tai Thanh [tmm], 32

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**Thua Thien-Hue**

Katu, Eastern [ktv], 19

Pacoh [pac], 27

Phuong [phg], 27

Ta'oih, Upper [tth], 32

**Tra Vinh**

Chinese, Yue [yue], 13

Khmer [khm], 20

**Tuyen Quang**

Cao Lan [mlc], 12

Iu Mien [ium], 18

Kim Mun [mji], 21

Ná-Meo [neo], 26

Nung [nut], 26

Pa-Hng [pha], 27

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**Vinh Long**

Chinese, Yue [yue], 13

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**Vinh Phuc**

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**Yen Bai**

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Giáy [pcc], 15

Hmong Don [hmf], 17

Iu Mien [ium], 18

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Kim Mun [mji], 21

Muong [mtq], 25

Tai Daeng [tyr], 30

Tai Dam [blt], 31

Tày [tyz], 32

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Decision No. 121-TCTK-PPCD, ‘Nomenclature of Vietnamese Ethnic Groups’, 2 Mar 1979, identified the majority ethnicity, Kinh-Viet, and 53 minority groups. This index gives an alphabetical listing of the ethnic groups that are recognized by the government of Vietnam. Under each is listed the languages that are associated with that ethnic group.

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### Brau

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This index gives an alphabetical listing of the linguistic classifications used for the established languages of Vietnam. The entries in this index represent the full path in the linguistic family tree from the highest level grouping down to the lowest. All the languages listed in the same entry are members of the same lowest-level subgroup. The referenced page contains the main entry that describes the language.

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### **Austro-Asiatic, Mon-Khmer, Eastern Mon-Khmer, Bahnaric, East Bahnaric**

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### **Austro-Asiatic, Mon-Khmer, Eastern Mon-Khmer, Bahnaric, North Bahnaric**

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### **Austro-Asiatic, Mon-Khmer, Eastern Mon-Khmer, Bahnaric, North Bahnaric, East**

Kayong [kxy], [20](#)

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### **Austro-Asiatic, Mon-Khmer, Eastern Mon-Khmer, Bahnaric, North Bahnaric, West**

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### **Austro-Asiatic, Mon-Khmer, Eastern Mon-Khmer, Bahnaric, North Bahnaric, West, Duan**

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**Austro-Asiatic, Mon-Khmer, Eastern Mon-Khmer, Bahnaric, South Bahnaric, Stieng-Chrau**

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Stieng, Bulo [sti], 30

**Austro-Asiatic, Mon-Khmer, Eastern Mon-Khmer, Bahnaric, West Bahnaric, Brao-Kravet**

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**Austro-Asiatic, Mon-Khmer, Eastern Mon-Khmer, Katuic, West Katuic, Bru**

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**Austro-Asiatic, Mon-Khmer, Eastern Mon-Khmer, Khmer**

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**Austro-Asiatic, Mon-Khmer, Northern Mon-Khmer, Khmuic, Khao**

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