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| | 2008-2009 | 2007-2008 | 2006-2007 | 2005-2006 | 2004-2005 | 2003-2004 | 2002-2003 | 2001-2002 | 2000-2001 | 1999-2000 |
| TOTAL | 20,774 | 19,763 | 18,524 | 17,176 | 14,834 | 15,452 | 14,170 | 13,546 | 11,436 | 10,310 |
| ABKHAZIAN | | 1 | | 1 | | | | | | |
| (AFAN) OROMO | | | 9 | | 13 | 10 | 3 | 1 | 15 | 10 |
| AFRIKAANS | 8 | 13 | 16 | 20 | 5 | 5 | 7 | 18 | 3 | 5 |
| AFRO-ASIATIC (OTHER) | 8 | 3 | 2 | | | | | | | |
| AKAN | 5 | 5 | 4 | 5 | | | | | | |
| ALBANIAN; SHQIP | 23 | 23 | 16 | 19 | 25 | 41 | 32 | 38 | 44 | 34 |
| AMERICAN HAYEREN | | | | | | | 4 | | | 1 |
| AMERICAN INDIAN AMHARIC | 9 | 12 | 6 | 12 | 9 | 9 | 8 | 10 | 5 | 2 |
| ARABIC | 349 | 317 | 277 | 251 | 189 | 166 | 169 | 158 | 82 | 75 |
| ARAMAIC | 1 | 1 | | | | | | | | |
| ARMENIAN; HAYEREN | 1 | 1 | 1 | | | 1 | | | | |
| ASSAMESE | 1 | 1 | | | | | | | | |
| AZERBAIJANI | 1 | 1 | | | | | 4 | 3 | 3 | 0 |
| BALINESE | | | 1 | | | | | | | |
| BAMBARA | 1 | 1 | 3 | | | | | | | |
| BANTU (OTHER) | 4 | | | | | | | | | |
| BANDA | | | | 2 | | | | | | |
| BASA | 2 | | | | | | | | | |
| BASHKIR | | | 1 | 2 | | | 2 | 1 | | |
| BELARUSIAN | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | | | | | | |
| BEMBA | 1 | 2 | 3 | | | | | | | |
| BENGALI; BANGLA | 5 | 5 | 2 | 4 | 4 | 3 | 5 | 1 | 3 | 3 |
| BOSNIAN | 880 | 804 | 841 | 872 | 679 | 751 | 1,105 | 1,114 | 369 | 283 |
| BULGARIAN | | 2 | | 1 | | | 3 | 4 | 4 | 3 |
| BURMESE; MYANMASA | 11 | 3 | | | | | 1 | 1 | 1 | 2 |
| BYELORUSSIAN | | | | | | 1 | | | | |
| CAMBODIAN; KHMER | | | | | 53 | 84 | 86 | 105 | 101 | 99 |
| CARIB | | | 1 | | | | | | | |
| CEBUANO | 1 | 1 | | | | | | | | |
| CENTRAL AMERICAN INDIAN (OTHER) | | | 1 | | | | | | | |
| CHINESE; ZHONGWEN | 263 | 248 | 215 | 158 | 137 | 150 | 88 | 93 | 80 | 108 |
| CHUUKESE | 20 | 9 | 7 | 2 | | | | | | |
| CORSICAN | 1 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 8 | 7 | 2 | 2 | 1 |
| CREOLES and PIDGIN | 59 | 29 | 17 | 6 | | | | | | |
| CREOLES AND PIDGINS (OTHER) | | | 2 | | | | | | | |
| CREOLES AND PIDGINS, ENGLISH Based (Other) | | | 1 | | | | | | | |
| CRIMEAN TURKISH | | 1 | 2 | | | | | | | |
| CROATIAN; HRVATSKI | 25 | 28 | 36 | 46 | 33 | 37 | 37 | 33 | 10 | 7 |
| CZECH | 1 | 1 | | | | | | | 3 | 1 |
| DANISH | 2 | | | | | | | | | |
| DINKA | 80 | 74 | 52 | 38 | 21 | 5 | | | | |
| DUTCH | 9 | 4 | 4 | | | | | | | |
| DUTCH, MIDDLE | | | 1 | | | | | | | |
| EGYPTIAN (ANCIENT) | 9 | 1 | 1 | | | | | | | |
| ENGLISH | | 4 | | | | | | | | |
| ESPERANTO | 1 | 1 | | | | | | | | |

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| ESTONIAN | | | 1 | 3 | | | | | | 5 |
| EWE | 1 | | | | | | | | | |
| FANTI | | | 3 | | | | | | | |
| FAROESE | 1 | | 1 | 5 | 5 | 7 | 8 | | 1 | 1 |
| FINNISH; SUOMI | 7 | 2 | 1 | 1 | | | | 2 | 2 | 7 |
| FRENCH | 58 | 66 | 55 | 39 | 38 | 46 | 49 | 50 | 31 | 21 |
| FRISIAN | | 1 | 1 | 1 | | | 1 | | | |
| FULAH | 4 | 1 | | | | | | | | |
| GA | 1 | | | | | | | | | |
| GALLEGAN | | | 1 | | | | | | | |
| GAYO | | 1 | | 2 | | | | | | |
| GBAYA | 1 | 1 | | | | | | | | |
| GEORGIAN; KARTULI | | 3 | 2 | 1 | | | 1 | 2 | | 1 |
| GERMAN | 93 | 87 | 88 | 101 | 88 | 181 | 113 | 119 | 153 | 206 |
| GERMANIC (OTHER) | 71 | 71 | 38 | | | | | | | |
| GREBO | 25 | 20 | 15 | 8 | | | | | | |
| GREEK, MODERN | 5 | 5 | 6 | 5 | 4 | 7 | 6 | 8 | 2 | 2 |
| GUARANI | 1 | 10 | | 9 | 3 | 7 | 2 | | | |
| GUJARATI | 17 | | 14 | | | | 1 | 2 | 4 | 6 |
| HAIDA | | 1 | 1 | 1 | | | | | | |
| HAITIAN | 2 | | | | | | | | | |
| HAITIAN CREOLE | 5 | | | 1 | | | | | | |
| HAUSA | 2 | 1 | 3 | 3 | | | | | | |
| HEBREW; IWRITH | 2 | 5 | 4 | 4 | | | 10 | | 1 | 4 |
| HINDI | 48 | 39 | 29 | 24 | 10 | 16 | 19 | 11 | 6 | 20 |
| HMONG | 46 | 43 | 49 | 53 | 39 | 44 | 52 | 31 | 29 | 46 |
| HUNGARIAN; MAGYAR | | | | | | | 2 | | | |
| ICELANDIC; ISLENZK | 2 | 3 | 6 | | | | 1 | 2 | 1 | 1 |
| IGBO | 3 | | | | | | | | | |
| INDO-EUROPEAN (OTHER) | | 1 | | | | | | | | |
| INDONESIAN; BAHASA I | 11 | 11 | 12 | 16 | 14 | 11 | 6 | 10 | 13 | 6 |
| IRANIAN (OTHER) | | 3 | 3 | | | | | | | |
| ITALIAN | 6 | 3 | 2 | 1 | | 6 | | 2 | 1 | 6 |
| JAPANESE; NIHONGO | 32 | 26 | 46 | 34 | 31 | 37 | 35 | 40 | 40 | 31 |
| KACHIN | 1 | | | | | | | | | |
| KAMBA | 1 | | | | | | | | | |
| KANNADA | 6 | 4 | 6 | 3 | | | 1 | | | |
| KAREN | 55 | 10 | | | | | | | | |
| KASHMIRI | | 1 | 1 | | | | | | | |
| KAZAKH | | | | | | | | 14 | | |
| KHMER | 68 | 37 | 37 | 40 | | | | | | |
| KIKUYU | 3 | 4 | 4 | 3 | | | | | | |
| KINYARWANDA | 5 | 2 | 4 | 7 | 4 | 4 | 4 | 6 | 3 | 6 |
| KIRGHIZ; KYRGYZ | 1 | | | | | 1 | 11 | 3 | | |
| KIRUNDI | | | | | 8 | 4 | 6 | 11 | 9 | 3 |
| KOREAN; CHOSON-O | 135 | 140 | 126 | 112 | 106 | 116 | 51 | 73 | 76 | 96 |
| KOSRAEAN | 1 | 1 | | | | | | | | |
| KPELLE | 3 | 2 | | | | | | | | |
| KUKU | | | 2 | | | | | | | |
| KUMYK | | | | 15 | | | | | | |
| KURDISH; ZIMANY | | | | | | | | | | |
| KURD | 1 | 1 | 2 | 7 | 6 | 6 | 5 | 8 | 13 | 11 |
| LAMBA | 1 | | | | | | | | | |
| LAOTHIAN; PHA XA | | | | | | | | | | |
| LAO | 425 | 456 | 457 | 456 | 384 | 423 | 425 | 436 | 411 | 400 |
| LATIN | | | | | | | 5 | 3 | 1 | 0 |
| LATVIAN; LETTISH | 1 | | | 1 | | | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 |

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| LINGALA | 2 | 4 | 6 | 2 | | | 4 | 2 | 1 | 0 |
| LITHUANIAN | 2 | 2 | 1 | | | | | | | |
| LUO (KENYA and TANZA) | | | | 2 | | | | | | |
| MACEDONIAN | 2 | 1 | 1 | | | | | 2 | 2 | 1 |
| MAITHILI | 1 | | | | | | | | | |
| MALAGASY | | | 1 | 2 | | | | | | |
| MALAY; BAHASA MALAYS | 10 | 2 | | 2 | | | 4 | 3 | 1 | 0 |
| MALAYALAM | 6 | 3 | 3 | | | | | | 2 | 5 |
| MALAYS | | | | | | | | | | 5 |
| MANDAR | 4 | 2 | 2 | 1 | | | | | | |
| MANDINGO | 2 | 2 | 3 | | | | | | | |
| MAORI | | | | | | | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 |
| MARATHI | 6 | 4 | 2 | 3 | 1 | 27 | 1 | 2 | 1 | 1 |
| MARSHALLESE | 106 | 103 | 78 | 57 | 39 | 4 | | | | |
| MENDE | 10 | 8 | 5 | 4 | | | | | | |
| MOLDAVIAN | | 1 | 1 | | | | | | | |
| MONGO | 1 | 1 | | | | | | | | |
| MONGOLIAN | 1 | 2 | 1 | 2 | | | | | | |
| MULTIPLE LANGUAGES | | | | 1 | | | | | | |
| NAURU | 2 | 6 | 9 | 1 | | | | | | |
| NAVAHO | 1 | | | | | | | | | |
| NAVAJO | 2 | | | | | | | | | |
| NEPALI | 13 | 10 | 11 | 12 | 10 | 7 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| NEWARI | 1 | | | | | | | | | |
| NIGER-KORDOFANIAN (OTHER) | 2 | 1 | 2 | | | | | | | |
| NORTH AMERICAN | 4 | 5 | 1 | 6 | | | | | | |
| NORWEGIAN | | 1 | | 1 | | | 4 | 2 | 3 | 0 |
| NUER | 120 | 139 | 122 | 110 | 85 | 74 | 10 | 13 | 6 | 104 |
| NZIMA | | 1 | 1 | 2 | | | | | | |
| ORIYA | 1 | 1 | | 2 | | 2 | 8 | | | |
| OROMO | 16 | 13 | 17 | 10 | | | | | | |
| OTHER LANGUAGES | 346 | | 211 | 172 | | | | | | |
| PALAUAN | 3 | 2 | 2 | 2 | | | | | | |
| PANJABI | 1 | 1 | 5 | 1 | | | | | | |
| PAPIAMENTO | | | 1 | 2 | | | | | | |
| "PASHTO, PUSHTO" | | | | | 5 | 4 | | | | |
| PERSIAN; FARSI | 10 | 11 | 14 | 21 | 22 | 29 | 24 | 5 | 4 | 4 |
| PHILIPPINE | 23 | 17 | 9 | 4 | | | | | | |
| PHOENICIAN | 21 | 1 | 1 | 1 | | | | | | |
| POHNPEIAN | | 14 | 2 | | | | | | | |
| POLISH | 4 | 4 | 5 | 5 | 4 | 5 | 2 | 7 | 11 | 9 |
| PORTUGUESE | 24 | 26 | 17 | 8 | 13 | 5 | 8 | 11 | 10 | 11 |
| PUNJABI; PANJABI | 13 | 14 | 7 | 7 | 8 | 6 | 8 | 3 | 10 | 14 |
| PUSHTO | 4 | 5 | 5 | 5 | | | | | | |
| RAPANUI | | | | 1 | | | | | | |
| ROMANIAN | 14 | 10 | 10 | 8 | | | 2 | 4 | 5 | 1 |
| RUNDI | 61 | 28 | 16 | 13 | | | | | | |
| RUSSIAN | 213 | 211 | 194 | 161 | 137 | 98 | 93 | 53 | 65 | 68 |
| SALISHAN LANGUAGES | 2 | 1 | 1 | 1 | | | | | | |
| SAMOAN | 1 | | 1 | 2 | | | 1 | 1 | 3 | 6 |
| SERBIAN; SRPSKI | 52 | 142 | 190 | 277 | 4 | 3 | 9 | 13 | 434 | 6 |
| SERER | | 1 | | | | | | | | |
| SERBO-CROATIAN | | | | | 526 | 345 | 465 | 540 | 556 | 979 |
| SHONA | 1 | | | | | | | | | |
| SIGN LANGUAGES | 2 | 2 | | | | | | | | |
| SINGHALESE | 2 | | 1 | 2 | | | 1 | 3 | 3 | 4 |

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| SLAVIC (OTHER) | 1 | 1 | | | | | | | | |
| SLOVAK | 6 | 4 | | 1 | | 1 | 1 | 4 | | |
| SLOVENIAN | 2 | 3 | 5 | 2 | | 4 | 6 | 6 | 4 | 0 |
| SOMALI | 96 | 73 | 66 | 37 | 27 | 24 | 32 | 30 | 28 | 26 |
| SORBIAN LANGUAGES | 5 | | | | | | | | | |
| SOUTH NDEBELE | | 4 | 2 | | | | | | | |
| SPANISH | 15314 | 14,666 | 13869 | 12,757 | 10,964 | 11,271 | 9,730 | 9,117 | 7,128 | 6,187 |
| SUNDANESE | 69 | 52 | 63 | 56 | 39 | 19 | 19 | 34 | 13 | 8 |
| SWAHILI | 106 | 76 | 53 | 36 | 55 | 33 | 30 | 27 | 22 | 16 |
| SWATI | | | | 1 | | | | | | |
| SWEDISH; SVENSKA | | | | | | | | | | 6 |
| TAGALOG | 59 | 54 | 54 | 52 | 42 | 42 | 11 | 9 | 4 | 9 |
| TAHITIAN | | | | 1 | | | | | | |
| TAI DAM | | | | | | | | | 142 | |
| TAI (OTHER) | 8 | 11 | 12 | 14 | | | | | | |
| TAMIL | 11 | 11 | 5 | 5 | | | 2 | | 3 | 2 |
| TELUGU | 33 | 27 | 17 | 18 | 7 | 1 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 3 |
| THAI | 16 | 16 | 24 | 11 | 9 | 34 | 34 | 13 | 23 | 19 |
| THAI DAM | | | | | 15 | 18 | 12 | | | |
| TIBETAN; BODSKAD | 2 | 2 | 1 | 3 | 4 | 4 | 8 | 6 | 5 | 1 |
| TIGRINYA | 2 | 1 | | | | | | | | |
| TURKISH | 15 | 7 | 5 | 66 | 7 | 9 | 7 | 7 | | 5 |
| TURKISH, OTTOMAN | | | 1 | | | | | | | |
| TUVINIAN | | 1 | | | | | | | | |
| TWI | 1 | 3 | 1 | 1 | | | | | | |
| UKRAINIAN | 55 | 57 | 62 | 57 | 18 | 24 | 20 | 18 | 15 | 19 |
| URDU | 43 | 28 | 18 | 10 | 7 | 14 | 11 | 3 | 8 | 7 |
| UZBEK | | | | | | | | | 1 | 0 |
| VIETNAMESE | 871 | 808 | 740 | 724 | 603 | 713 | 700 | 729 | 768 | 760 |
| WOLOF | 1 | | 3 | 3 | | | | 1 | | |
| YORUBA | 8 | 7 | 6 | 5 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 5 | 5 |
| ZAPOTEC | 4 | 1 | | | | | | | | |
| ZHUANG | | | 1 | 1 | | | | | | |
| ZULU | | | | 3 | | | | | | |
| NOT IDENTIFIED | 1 | 388 | 12 | | 269 | 439 | 519 | 454 | 619 | 504 |

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