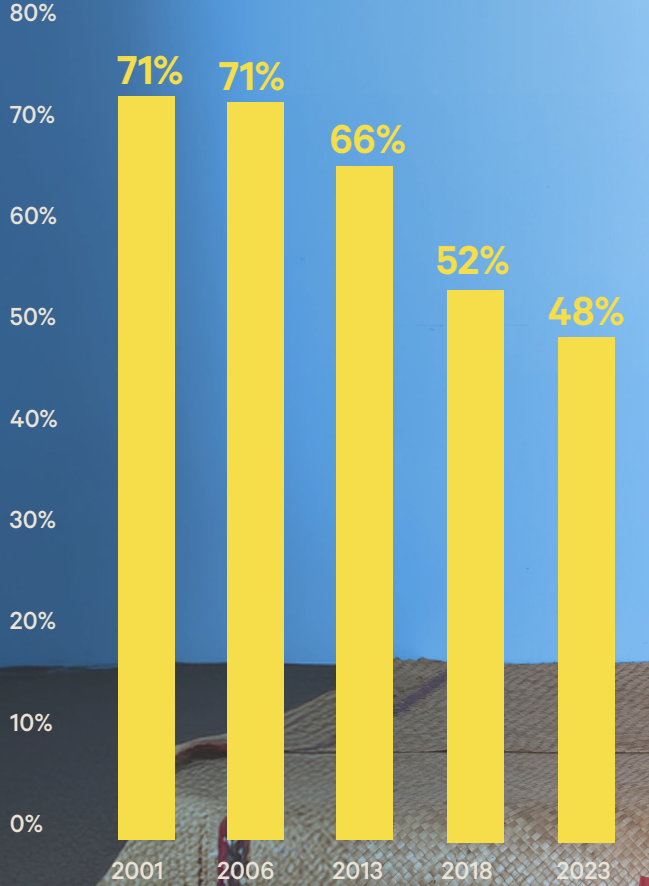
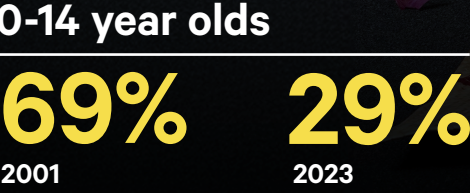


The proportion of Te ‘gana Tuvalu speakers is declining across the Tuvalu population.*



*excluding those who do not speak any language e.g. too young to talk.

The biggest decrease in the proportion of Tuvalu people who speak Te ‘gana Tuvalu is those under 15 years old.



IDI Disclaimer: This infographic contains census data that has been created for research purposes from the Integrated Data Infrastructure (IDI) which is carefully managed by Statistics New Zealand. These results are not official statistics. For more information about the IDI please visit: <https://www.stats.govt.nz/integrated-data/>. Access to the data used in this study was provided by Stats NZ under conditions designed to give effect to the security and confidentiality provisions of the Data and Statistics Act 2022. The data presented here is the work of the author, not Stats NZ or individual data suppliers.

Notes: The infographic refers to the proportion of ethnic language speakers. This compares the number of people from the ethnic group who speak the language associated with that group to the total ethnic population. It does not include people in the ethnic population who do not speak any languages (e.g. children too young to talk). Census data from 2001, 2006 and 2013 include missing responses, while data from 2018 and 2023 includes imputed responses for missing data. Therefore, caution is advised when making comparisons across time.



What does the data tell us about

TE 'GANA TUVALU

in New Zealand?

The proportion of Tuvalu people who speak Te ‘gana Tuvalu, has decreased in every region, except the Southern region.

Mid-Northern region



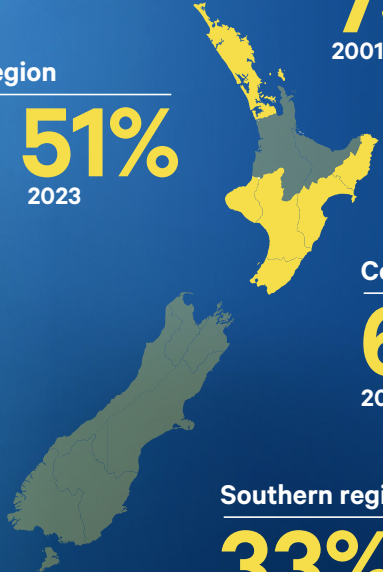
Northern region



Central region



Southern region

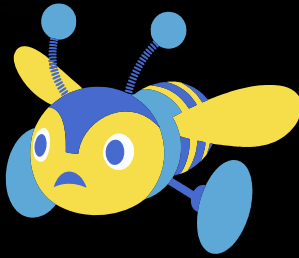


The language is being maintained at higher rates among Tuvalu people born overseas than those born in New Zealand.

Proportion of speakers among those born in New Zealand



Proportion of speakers among those born overseas



There is no education provision for te ‘gana Tuvalu.