

Language Review Summary

The Language Planning Team recently conducted a review of the current state of our language. Here is an update! Many thanks to everyone who participated in the review and completed surveys.

1. How many people have language *knowledge* and *ability*?

- Fluent speakers: 13
- Somewhat fluent: 21
- Know some words: 53
- No language knowledge: 100+

2. What are peoples' *attitudes* and *interests* towards language?

Members shared that our **language**, our **culture**, our **ways of being** and our **way of connecting to our ancestors** are very important.

The level of interest in learning our language (based on the 132 people we asked):

- Very Interested: 53%
- Somewhat Interested: 36%
- Not Interested: 11%

What language *resources* currently exist?

- 5 children's books
- 50 recordings from past events
- Topical word lists
- FirstVoices site with 500 words

What language revitalization efforts have taken place to date? What were the results?

- 2002 Language documentation project. Resulted in a word list and 30 recordings
- Language classes in the school - children have language awareness and can introduce themselves.
- Language and culture camps in summer for 5 years - parents and children have awareness of language and culture, know some words.

Where is the language actively used?

- Community meetings - **Never**
- Ceremonies - **Often**
- At home by fluent speakers - **Sometimes**
- At home by others - **Rarely**
- At school - **Sometimes**
- On signs around the community

This imaginary example of a language profile summary was created for the Language Planning Toolkit by:



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