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## 2008 Scripture Language Report: statistical summary by UBS Area

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A summary, by UBS Area and type of publication, of the number of different languages and dialects in which publication of at least one book of the Bible had been registered as of December 31, 2008:

Area	Portions	Testaments	Bibles	Bibles +DC <sup>1</sup>	Total
Africa	223	326	169	(31)	718
Asia-Pacific	358	501	177	(38)	1,036
Europe-Middle East	110	40	62	(49)	212
Americas	150	318	42	(10)	510
Constructed languages	2	0	1	(0)	3
<b>Total</b>	<b>843<sup>2</sup></b>	<b>1,185</b>	<b>451</b>	<b>(128)</b>	<b>2,479</b>

<sup>1</sup> This column is a sub-section of the Bibles column – for example, there is a translation of the Deuterocanon for 49 of the 62 languages of Europe in which the Bible has been translated.

<sup>2</sup> The total number of Portions registered can decline from year to year, since a Portion in a particular language is removed from the Portions column once the whole New Testament is available in that language. This 'upgrading' process also applies when a New Testament is replaced with a full Bible.

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