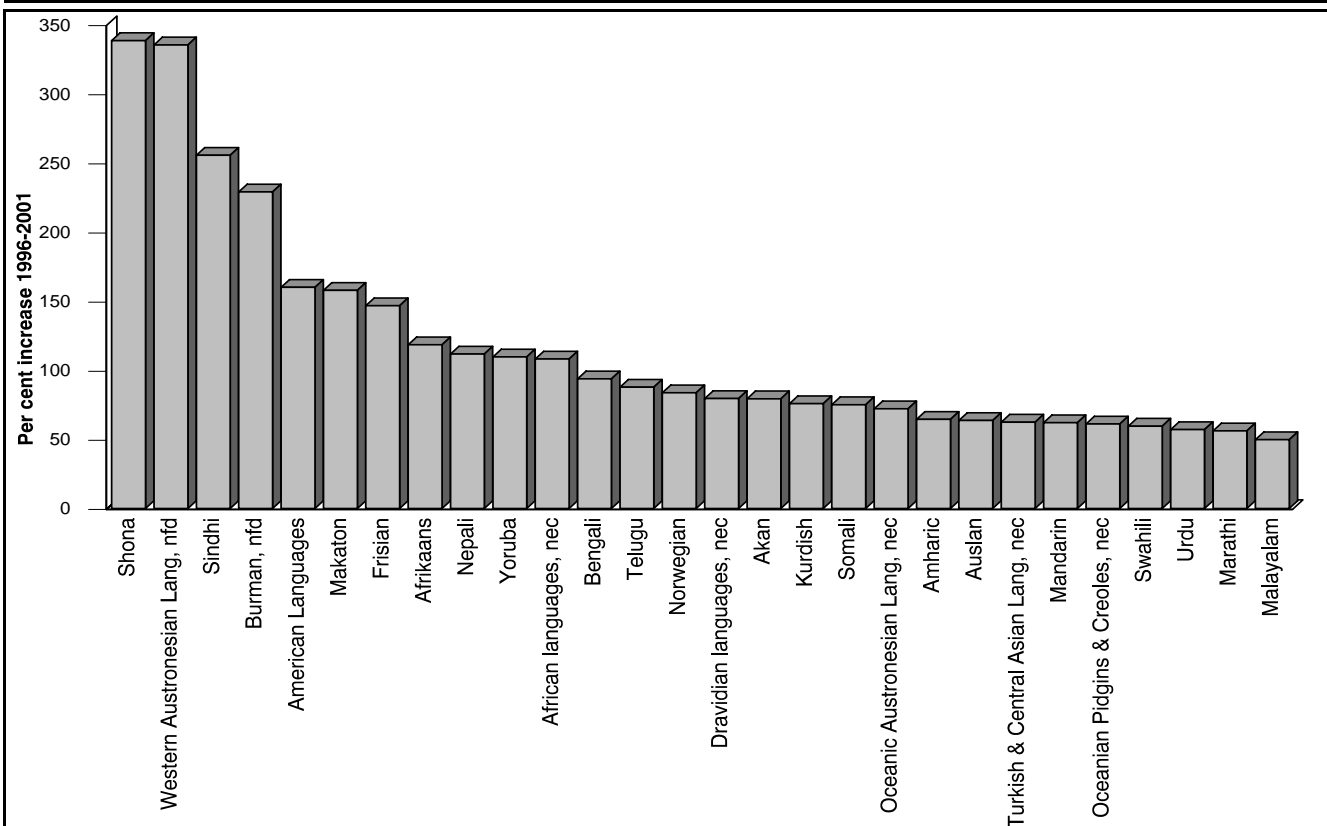


Chart 2.9

**Fastest Growing Language Groups**

- NSW: 2001 Census



Rank	Language	2001 Census	1996 Census	% change
1	Shona	114	26	338.5
2	Western Austronesian Languages, n.f.d.	209	48	335.4
3	Sindhi	256	72	255.6
4	Burman, n.f.d.	204	62	229.0
5	American Languages	39	15	160.0
6	Makaton	49	19	157.9
7	Frisian	37	15	146.7
8	Afrikaans	2,340	1,071	118.5
9	Nepali	1,703	804	111.8
10	Yoruba	130	62	109.7
11	African languages (excluding North Africa), n.e.c.	1,899	912	108.2
12	Bengali	7,688	3,968	93.8
13	Telugu	1,775	945	87.8
14	Norwegian	768	418	83.7
15	Dravidian languages, n.e.c.	79	44	79.5
16	Akan	314	175	79.4
17	Kurdish	1,586	902	75.8
18	Somali	718	410	75.1
19	Oceanic Austronesian Languages, n.e.c.	582	338	72.2
20	Amharic	278	169	64.5
21	Auslan	1,054	644	63.7
22	Turkish and Central Asian Languages, n.e.c.	221	136	62.5
23	Mandarin	65,890	40,651	62.1
24	Oceanian Pidgins and Creoles, n.e.c.	153	95	61.1
25	Swahili	383	240	59.6
26	Urdu	7,464	4,751	57.1
27	Marathi	1,445	925	56.2
28	Malayalam	1,264	844	49.8