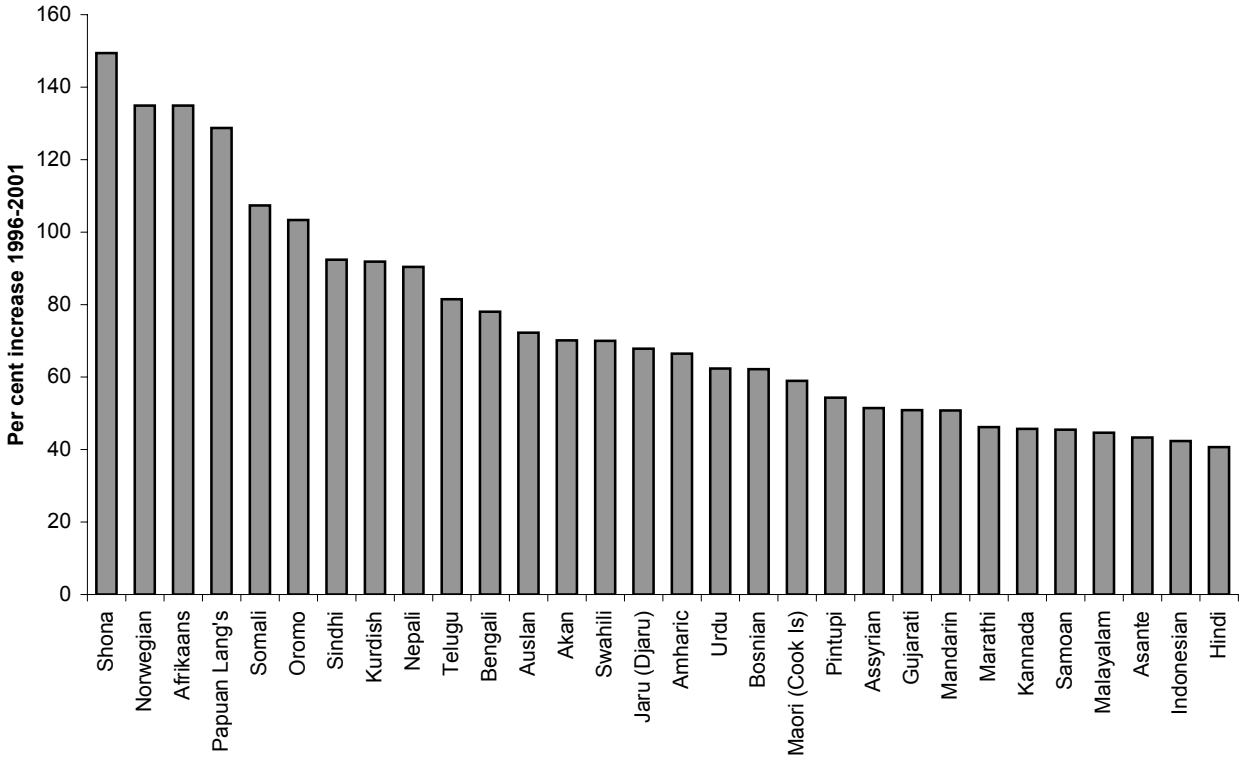
Chart 1.6

Fastest Growing Language Groups - Australia: 2001 Census



Rank	Language	2001 Census	1996 Census	% change
1	Shona	404	162	149.4
2	Norwegian	2,859	1,217	134.9
3	Afrikaans	8,001	3,406	134.9
4	Papuan Lang's	645	282	128.7
5	Somali	4,736	2,284	107.4
6	Oromo	545	268	103.4
7	Sindhi	479	249	92.4
8	Kurdish	2,847	1,484	91.8
9	Nepali	2,494	1,310	90.4
10	Telugu	3,484	1,920	81.5
11	Bengali	11,667	6,553	78.0
12	Auslan	3,292	1,911	72.3
13	Akan	444	261	70.1
14	Swahili	1,404	826	70.0
15	Jaru (Djaru)	574	342	67.8
16	Amharic	1,470	883	66.5
17	Urdu	12,483	7,689	62.3
18	Bosnian	15,908	9,810	62.2
19	Maori (Cook Is)	3,217	2,024	58.9
20	Pintupi	588	381	54.3
21	Assyrian	18,064	11,926	51.5
22	Gujarati	5,497	3,643	50.9
23	Mandarin	139,286	92,360	50.8
24	Marathi	2,263	1,548	46.2
25	Kannada	1,922	1,319	45.7
26	Samoan	22,711	15,612	45.5
27	Malayalam	2,968	2,052	44.6
28	Asante	559	390	43.3
29	Indonesian	38,724	27,201	42.4
30	Hindi	47,817	33,989	40.7