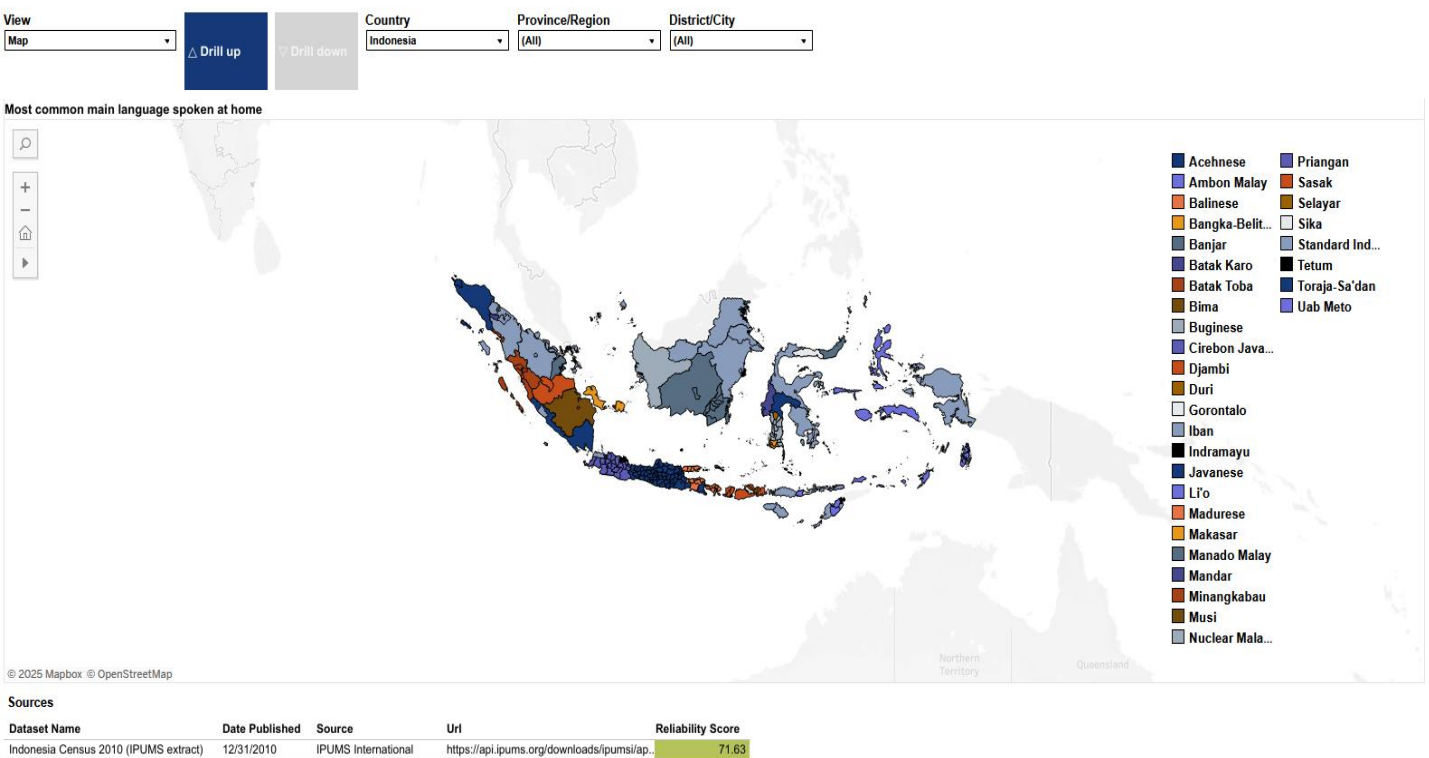


Languages of Indonesia

Javanese is the most common language spoken in Indonesia, spoken by 32.9% of people as their main language. At least 477 other languages are also spoken in Indonesia including Standard Indonesian (20.3%), Priangan (15.0%) and Madurese (3.8%).



This is the project's map when quering for « Indonesia »

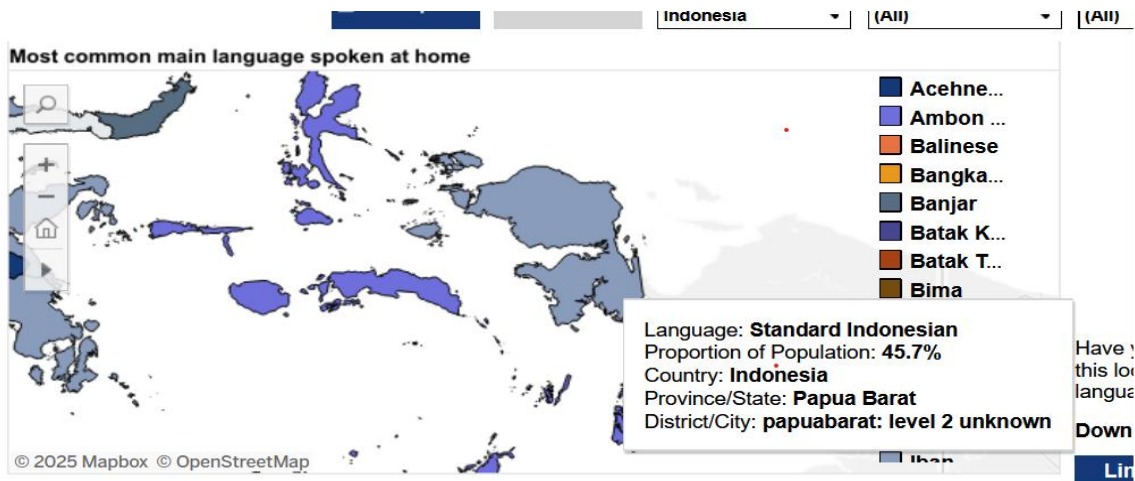
As you can see, the highlighted territory **does not** include the Indonesian province of Papua, located in the western half of the main Papua island.

I have a guess as to what might be causing this error: the peninsulas situated at the westernmost point of mainland Papua are correctly included in the Indonesian territory. However, the Indonesian Republic calls this territory Papua Barat, which translates into “West Papua.”

It is this English name: “West Papua” , that I have encountered most often, almost everywhere online (in cyberspace) outside of Indonesian websites.

I am not trained in GIS data science or cartography, but I assume the data is formatted and automatically plotted on the map by some software. If that is the case, it is easy to understand how such software would be confused by an identical ID being used in at least two different GIS points — not to mention the Papua New Guinea West Papua region.

Taking a closer look, we can confirm that the peninsula's province name is correct:



You will find on [geonames.org](https://www.geonames.org) the accurate territory of Indonesia and its subdivisions, as well as their proper denominations.

Note: I am aware this is not open source, and I apologize, but this is just for a quick overview; it is not meant to serve as a source.

Adding documentation and data sources

Concerning independent Papua New Guinea:

The country's independence was officially proclaimed following the UN "Agreement between the Republic of Indonesia and the Kingdom of the Netherlands concerning West New Guinea (West Irian)" in 1970. → [here](#)

You will find more open-source statistics and demographics on data.worldbank.com.

In addition, [here is the ISNI page](#) of the country, and a [recent census and survey](#). (Copyrighted)

To close this section, here is the Deutsche Nationalbibliothek data set: if I understood correctly, this dataset is not exactly open source and remains the intellectual property of its owners; however, they allow complete access, exploitation, and publication of the data without any conditions. You may want to double-check this, though, as my German is very poor, so I used MT.

Concerning Indonesia:

The border with Papua is already drawn on the CLEAR background map. What remains is the implementation of the correct province subdivisions.

The 2010 national census is an absolute goldmine. You will not only find the administration's demographic data, but also hundreds of pages documenting the linguistic diversity of more than 700 estimated languages spoken on the territory.

I hope this was useful! Please feel free to contact me at xxx@gmail.com for more information.

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