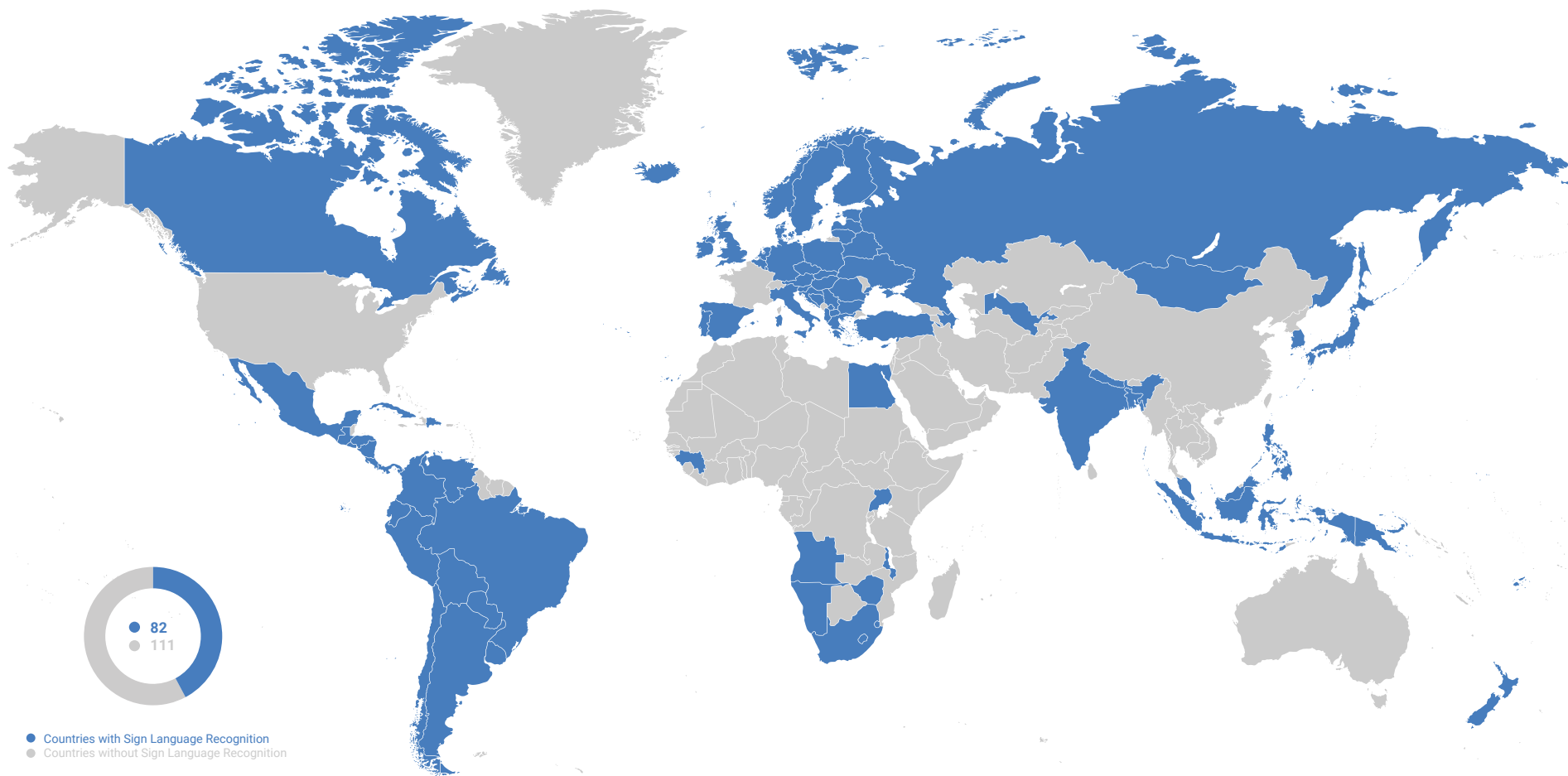


The Legal Recognition of National Sign Languages



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The list of **82 countries** that have legally recognised their national sign language:

- Albania
- Angola
- Argentina
- Austria
- Azerbaijan
- Bangladesh
- Belarus
- Belgium
- Bolivia
- Bosnia and Herzegovina
- Brazil
- Bulgaria
- Canada
- Chile
- Colombia
- Costa Rica
- Croatia
- Cuba
- Cyprus
- Czech Republic
- Denmark
- Dominican Republic
- Ecuador
- El Salvador
- Estonia
- Eswatini
- Fiji
- Finland
- Germany
- Greece
- Guatemala
- Honduras
- Hungary
- Iceland
- India
- Indonesia
- Ireland
- Italy
- Japan
- Kenya
- Kosovo
- Latvia
- Lesotho
- Lithuania
- Luxembourg
- Malaysia
- Malawi
- Malta
- Marshall Islands
- Mexico
- Mongolia
- Namibia
- Nepal
- New Zealand
- Nicaragua
- North Macedonia
- Norway
- Panama
- Papua New Guinea
- Paraguay
- Peru
- Philippines
- Poland
- Portugal
- Romania
- Russian Federation
- Serbia
- Slovakia
- Slovenia
- South Africa
- South Korea
- Spain
- Sweden
- The Netherlands
- Turkey
- Uganda
- Ukraine
- United Kingdom
- Uruguay
- Uzbekistan
- Venezuela
- Zimbabwe