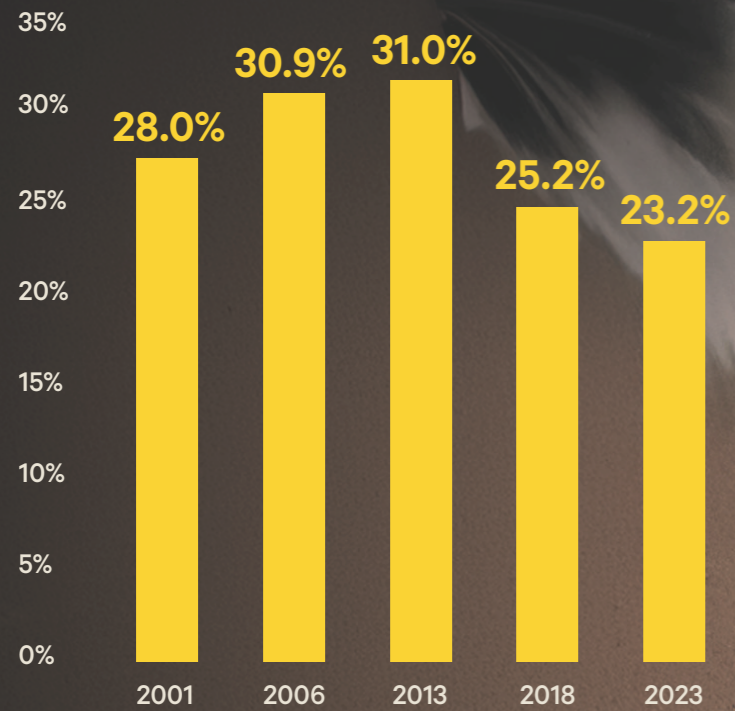


The proportion of fäeag Rotuam ta speakers across the Rotuman population* has fluctuated over time.



*excluding those who do not speak any language e.g. too young to talk.

Rotumans born overseas were more likely to report being able to speak Fäeag Rotuam ta than Rotumans born in Aotearoa New Zealand, although the proportion decreased for both groups between 2001 and 2023.

Proportion of speakers among those born in New Zealand



Proportion of speakers among those born overseas



The proportion of speakers is decreasing across all age groups, but the biggest reduction is among those over 60. In 2001 around 3 in 5 Rotumans over 60 could speak the language, but it was closer to 2 in 5 in 2023.

60+ years



The proportion of speakers is currently highest in the Central region, followed by the Northern region but most regions have seen a decrease in the proportion of speakers over time.

Northern region



Mid-Northern region



Central region



Southern region



What does the data tell us about

FÄEAG ROTUAM TA

in New Zealand?



There is no education provision for fäeag Rotuam ta.