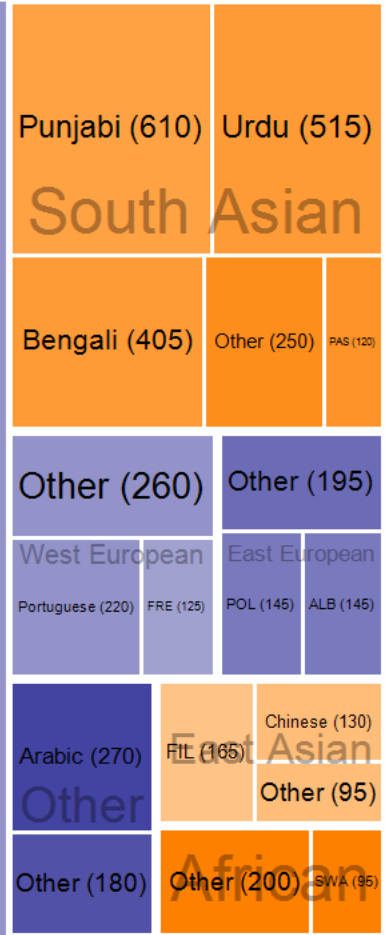


After English, the most common first languages of Oxford children are Punjabi, Urdu, Bengali, Arabic and Portuguese

The “treemap” below shows the first languages spoken by the 15,400 Oxford children studying in state schools in 2010, grouped by region of origin. It shows that after English, South Asian languages are most common – particularly Punjabi, Urdu and Bengali. Arabic is the next most common language, followed by Portuguese which indicates the presence of a significant South American community. In total over 120 languages are represented amongst Oxford children. These figures are taken from the annual schools census, which excludes children studying in private school – estimated to be some 15% of Oxford’s children.

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PAS *Pashto*
 FRE *French*
 POL *Polish*
 ALB *Albanian*
 FIL *Filipino*
 SWA *Swahili*



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