

## The Sause of Indonesia

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There are at least 300 speakers of the Sause language, whose homeland is in the province of Papua Indonesia. The Sause people primarily hunt and gather to sustain themselves, but there are some who garden and do logging as well. The area is 100-900 meters above sea level and land vehicles are the best means of access because the airstrip in Wres is no longer useable. There are some roads in the Sause area including a road to Lereh. Electricity is available just outside the area in Lereh and in the logging town of Wamho.

The main activity of Sause women is pounding sago. Most Sause men wear shorts and t-shirts and most of the women wear wrap-around cloth. They eat sago, wild pig, kangaroo, fruit, and vegetables. Most Sause people use bows and arrows to hunt. House walls are generally made of palm or tree bark with a leaf or zinc roof. Malaria, TB, tumors and hernias are common physical ailments among the Sause.

The people identify themselves as Sause even though clan determines their leadership. The Dasera, Winim, Buriam and Burumban clans combine to make up the Lwes village of the Sause. Intermarriage with the Ures, Maburaron, Witi, Mander, and Foa people occurs frequently.

Traditionally after death, corpses were put on platforms, but now the dead are buried. The Sause people have no gospel cassettes, films or videos in their language, but there are two church buildings in the language area. Eighty percent follow the tribal religion, while the remaining twenty percent claim to be Christian.

**Primary Religion:**

Tribal Religion

**Disciples (Matt 28.19):**

**Churches:**

2

**Scripture Status (Matt 28.20):**

No Scripture

**Population (date):**

300 (2002)



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Item Name	Item Note	
<b>Have They Heard The Gospel?</b>		<b>Profile Summary</b>
Call Themselves Christian (%)	above 19%	
Believe In The Local Traditional Religion (%)	80%	
Comment (Number Communities)	There are at least three.	
Number Of Churches	2	
Comment (Churches)	2 church buildings in the language area.	
Is The Word Of God Translated?	No	
<b>Population All Countries</b>		<b>Group Description</b>
World Population For This People	300	
World Population (Date)	2002	
<b>Countries Where People Group Lives</b>		<b>Group Description</b>
Country Name	Indonesia	
<b>Geography &amp; Environment</b>		<b>Group Description</b>
Location	Within the province of Papua Indonesia	
Country	Indonesia	
Elevation	100-900m	
Longitude	140E	
Latitude	3S	
Comments (Geography & Environment)	The Sause people can be accessed by vehicle. There is a road to Lereh and an airstrip in Wres that is no longer useable.	
<b>Language &amp; Linguistics</b>		<b>Group Description</b>
Primary Language	SAUSE	
Comment (Language)	They prefer to be called Sause.	
Alternate Language Names	SEUCE	
<b>Economics</b>		<b>Group Description</b>
Subsistence Type	Agriculturalists	
Subsistence Type	Hunter-gatherers	
Occupation	The Sause people primarily hunt and gather to sustain themselves but there are some who garden and do logging as well. The main activity of Sause women is pounding sago.	
Income Sources	Occupation	
Modernization / Utilities	Most Sause people use bows and arrows to hunt.	
<b>Community Development</b>		<b>Group Description</b>
Health Care (Quality)	None	
Comment (Health Care)	Malaria, TB, tumors, and hernias are common physical ailments.	
Diet (Quality)	Good	
Comment (Diet)	They eat sago, wild pig, kangaroo, fruit and vegetables.	
Shelter Description	House walls are generally made of palm or tree bark with a leaf or zinc roof.	
Electricity	Just outside the language area in Lereh and in the logging town of Wamho.	
Clothing	Most Sause men wear shorts and t-shirts and most of the women wear wrap-around cloth.	
Transportation	There are some roads in the Sause area.	
<b>Society &amp; Culture</b>		<b>Group Description</b>

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### Item Name

Neighbor Relations

### Item Note

Intermarriage with the Ures, Maburaron, Witi, Mander, and Foau people occurs frequently.

Authority / Rule

Leaders determined by clan.

Social Habits/Groupings

The Dasera, Winim, Buriam, Burumban clans combine to make up the Lwes village of the Sause. The people identify themselves as Sause even though their leaders are determined by clan.

Local Language Broadcasting

None

Comment (Culture)

Traditionally after death, corpses were put on platforms but now the dead are buried.

### Education

Comment (Education)

There are no junior high schools nor high schools in the language area.

### Group Description

### Religion & Response

Attitude To Christianity

Somewhat resistant

### Status of Christianity

### Scripture

Translation Status

Probable

Available Scripture

None

Other Forms Of Gospel Available: Literature

No

Other Forms Of Gospel Available: Recordings

No

Other Forms Of Gospel Available: Film/Videos

No

### Status of Christianity