

## The Ketum of Indonesia

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There are at least 100 speakers of the Ketum language. They reside in the hills within the province of Papua, Indonesia. They live primarily by gardening and hunting in their foothills. With their land at an elevation of 200-500 meters above sea level, the Ketum people can best be visited by helicopter. There are neither junior high schools in the language area nor high schools.

The people eat vegetables, pigs, and wild animals. There is no road infrastructure in the area and neither are there radios or electricity. The people get their drinking water from a river or rainwater. There are no toilet facilities in this remote area. The Ketum people have no gospel cassettes, films nor videos in their language. There is one Reformed church building in the language area.

Almost all of the Ketum people (99.00%) are monolingual so they use Ketum at home with family and in the village with their friends. Many are registered as Catholics or Christians, but traditional religious influences are strong.

**Primary Religion:**

Christian, Traditional

**Disciples (Matt 28.19):**

**Churches:**

**Scripture Status (Matt 28.20):**

None

**Population (date):**

100 (2002)



**KETUM HOMELAND**



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Item Name	Item Note	
<b>Have They Heard The Gospel?</b>		<b>Profile Summary</b>
Is The Word Of God Translated?	No	
<b>Population All Countries</b>		<b>Group Description</b>
World Population For This People	100	
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	They live in the province of Papua Indonesia	
Ecosystem Type	Tropical Forest	
Geological Type	Hilly	
Elevation	200-500 meters	
Longitude	141E	
Latitude	5S	
<b>Economics</b>		<b>Group Description</b>
Subsistence Type	Hunter-gatherers	
Subsistence Type	Agriculturalists	
Occupation	Gardening and hunting	
Income Sources	From occupation	
<b>Community Development</b>		<b>Group Description</b>
Diet (Quality)	Fair	
Comment (Diet)	Vegetables and pork	
Water (Quality)	Poor	
Comment (Water)	Water from river or rain	
Electricity	None	
Comment (Community Development)	No toilet facilities. The KETUM people can best be accessed by helicopter.	
<b>Society &amp; Culture</b>		<b>Group Description</b>
Local Language Broadcasting	None	
<b>Religion &amp; Response</b>		<b>Status of Christianity</b>
Attitude To Christianity	Somewhat receptive	
<b>Scripture</b>		<b>Status of Christianity</b>
Translation Status	Possible	
Reason For Urgent Need Of Translation	Most of the people are monolingual	
Other Forms Of Gospel Available: Literature	No	
Other Forms Of Gospel Available: Recordings	No	
Other Forms Of Gospel Available: Film/Videos	No	
Other Forms Of Gospel Available: Radio	No	
<b>Missions and Churches</b>		<b>Status of Christianity</b>
Organization Name	Reformed	
Number Of Congregations	1	