

Among Basque youths almost two thirds speak euskera well

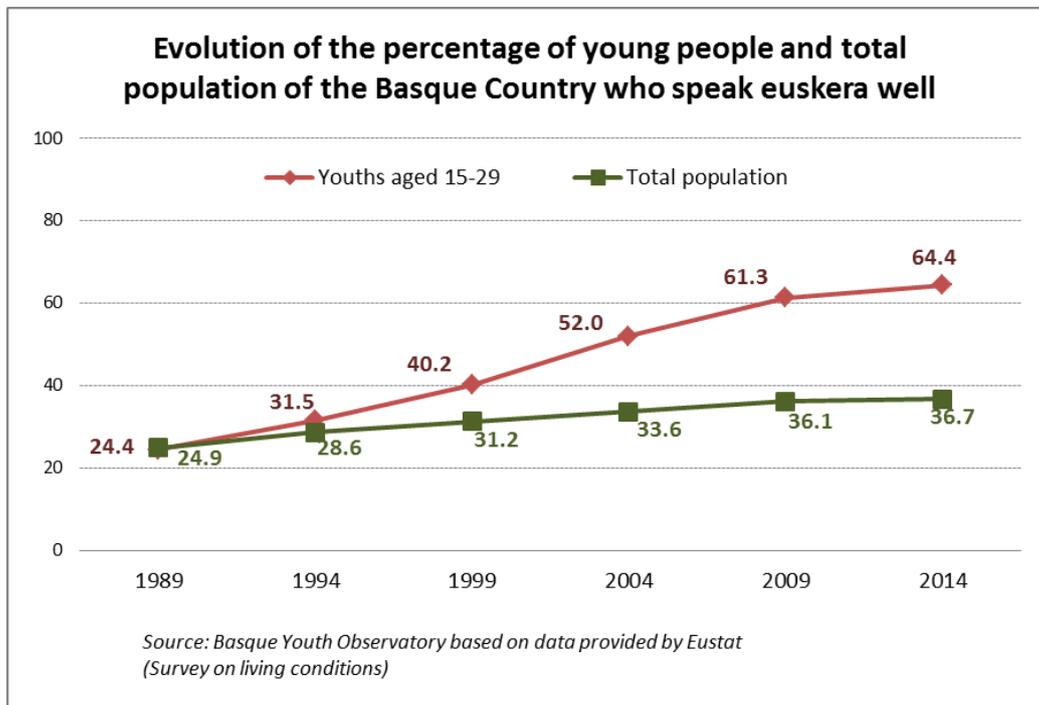
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On the occasion of the International Day of Euskera (3 December) the [Basque Youth Observatory](#) is posting data relating to young people who say that speak Basque language well.



In 2014, 8.7% of young people aged 15 to 29 in the Autonomous Community of the Basque Country said they speak euskara well. This percentage has increased significantly in last 25 years from 24.4% in 1989 to 64.4% in 2014.

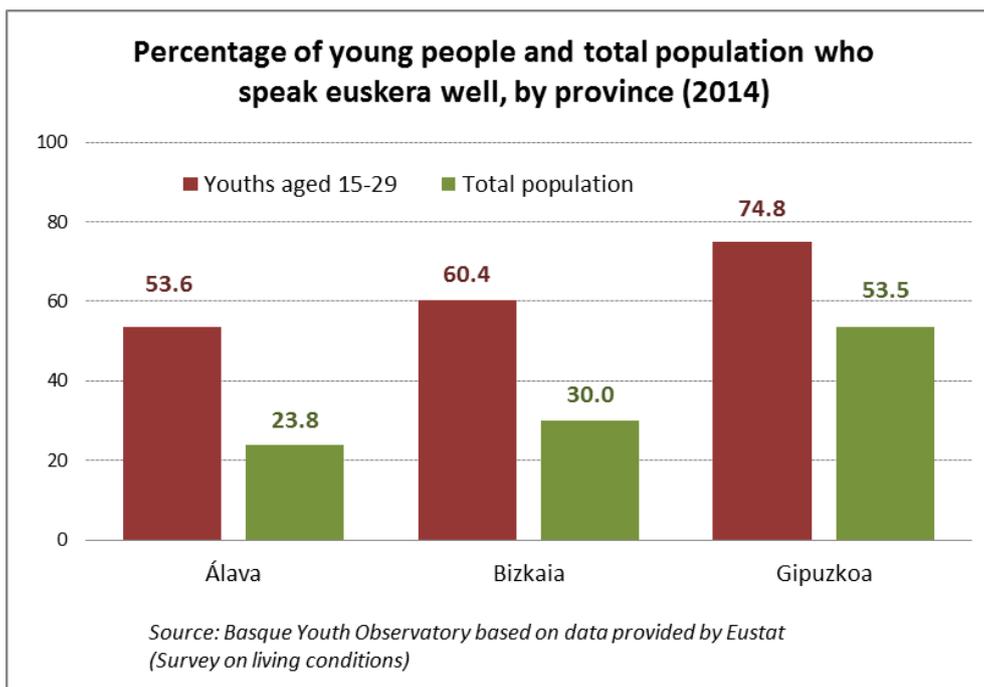
This evolution has been more notorious than that of the general population in the Basque Country.



According to the data of 2014, youths aged 15-19 have the highest level of knowledge of euskera (81.6% of them say they speak euskera well). The percentage decreases as the age grows up: 59.3% among those aged 20-24 and 54.4% among those aged 25 to 29.

The percentage of young people speaking euskera well is higher in Gipuzkoa (74.8%) than in Bizkaia (60.4%) and in this province higher than in Álava (53.6%).

These differences in the knowledge of euskera between provinces are also visible when we analyze the data of total population.



Anyway, more than a half of young people say that they speak euskera well in all analyzed groups (three provinces and three age groups).

These data have been provided by the Basque Statistics Institute (EUSTAT) based on data of the Survey on living conditions that Eustat prepares every five years. The Basque Youth Observatory has requested for the data to realize this analysis.

In addition, the Basque Youth Observatory is supporting [Poziktibity project](#). The objective of this project is to promote the use of the Basque language in another way. This project began last year and it is more than a notion or an idea, Poziktibity is a way of life.

The last video of Poziktibity is directly connected to the International Day of Euskera and its aim is to recognize the effort that *euskaldunberries* make. *Euskaldunberries* are people who have learned euskera without being their mother tongue

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