

# MAP OF GERMAN-SPEAKING COUNTRIES

There are an estimated 95 million German speakers in the world.

German is the EU's most widely spoken native language.

German words often appear to be very long, this is because many words are created by merging together shorter words.

German is the official language (or one of) in Germany, Austria, Switzerland, Liechtenstein and Luxembourg.

The first mass produced printed book in Europe, the Gutenberg Bible, was written in German and completed in 1454.

German is spoken in some areas of Northern Italy, and in Alsace & Lorraine in France.

