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## BASQUE DIALECT CLASSIFICATIONS

**Language code:** ISO-639-1: eus, ISO-639-2: baq

### Abstract

This paper provides a historical overview of Basque dialect classifications. Although there have been different approaches to the classification of Basque dialects, there are five studies that have focused on the whole Basque territory. Bonaparte (1869) distinguished eight dialects, based on comparative linguistics. Caro Baroja (1945), on his ethnological classification, defended that the Basque dialect boundaries coincide with the areas that in Roman Age were occupied by different ethnic groups. Zuazo (1998), based on traditional dialectology, distinguished five dialects, four interdialect transition zones and three intradialect transition zones. Aurrekoetxea et al. (2017) distinguished eight dialects based on perceptual dialectology, but three dialects and seven subdialects based on quantitative dialectology (Aurrekoetxea et al. 2019).

**Keywords:** dialect classification, ethnolinguistics, isoglotic dialectology, quantitative dialectology, Basque

## EUSKALKIEN SAILKAPENA

### Laburpena

Euskalkien sailkapenen ikuspegi historikoa eskaintzen du artikulu honek. Bost ikerketa daude euskal lurralde osoa hartzen dutenak. Bonapartek (1869) isoglosetan oinarrituta, zortzi euskalki bereizten zituen. Caro Barojak (1945), bere sailkapen etnologikoan, aldeztu zuen euskalkien mugak bat datozela erromatar aroan euskal talde etnikoek okupatzen zituzten eremuekin. Zuazok (1998), isoglosetan oinarrituta, bost dialekto bereizi zituen. Aurrekoetxea et al. (2017) pertzepziozko dialektologiaren teknikak erabiliz zortzi dialektiko bereizten dituzte, eta dialektologia kuantitatiboan oinarrituz, dialektometria teknika erabiliz hiru dialekto (Aurrekoetxea et al.). 2019).

**Hitz gakoak:** Euskalkien sailkapena, sailkapen etnolinguistikoa, dialektologia isoglotikoa, dialektologia kuantitatiboa, euskara