

“Polish Sign Language [psl] (A language of Poland)

- **Alternate Names:** PJM, Polski Jezyk Migowy
- **Population:** 38,000 (2014 IMB). 50,000 signers (2014 EUD).
- **Location:** Scattered.
- **Language Status:** 5 (Developing).
- **Dialects:** Various regional dialects.
- **Typology:** One-handed fingerspelling.
- **Language Use:** Used since 1889. Primary schools for deaf children since 1817. Committee for the unification of Polish Sign Language. Interpreters required in court, provided for some college students and in important public events.
- **Language Development:** Films. TV. Videos. Dictionary. Grammar.
- **Other Comments:** Instruction for parents of deaf children. Many sign language classes for hearing people. Christian (Roman Catholic).”

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