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- Spread through several waves of migration during the 1st Millennium A.D. from (probably) an area to the east or northeast of Central Asia in a western and southwestern direction.
- Three branches: Turkic, Mongolian and Manchu.
- Turkic languages official in Turkey, Azerbaijan, Turkmenistan, Kazakhstan, Uzbekistan, Kyrgyzstan.
- Mongolian languages spoken in Mongolia, China, Russia (Kalmyk, Buryat).



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