

About 2000 people living along the coastal peninsulae of Cape Nelson in Papua's Northern District speak the Korafe dialect of Korafe. The Korafe language areas lie wholly within Tufi Sub-District. Korafe is a Non-Austronesian language belonging to the Binandere family. According to village sources, there are two dialects of Korafe: Mokorua (also called in the literature Yega, Yega, Jega, Jega) is spoken by two pockets of people around Angorogo and Sinei villages with about 666 speakers and the larger dialect, Korafe, spoken from Tumari to Jebo with 1808 speakers (Figures are from Dutton, 1971). There is some admixture of Arifama-Miniafia speakers in the main Korafe area. Probably another 1000-1500 speakers pursuing their careers live elsewhere in Papua New Guinea.

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