

The Duri language belongs to the Massenrempulu subfamily, Northern South Sulawesi family. This subfamily consists of three languages: Duri, Enrekang-Pattinjo and Maiwa (Valkama 1987:128). Mills (1975:109ff) describes Massenrempulu as transitional between Toraja-Saqdan and Bugis.

Duri is located in the three northernmost subdistricts of the Enrekang district (i.e. Alla, Anggeraja and Baraka). The language is spoken by about 90,000 people and seems to be uniform, without great dialect differences (Valkama 1990:75).

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