

APPENDIX

Higher Numbers - Old System

For numbers of 1000 and higher, there is an old system of numbers which has for the most part been replaced by one more similar to the Western style.

In the old system, the numeral prefixes are used with the forms for 1000, 10,000 and further multiples of ten on up to a billion, for which there seems to be no older form:

1,000	te ngaa
10,000	te rebu
100,000	te kuri
1,000,000	te ea
10,000,000	te tano
100,000,000	te taki

Some examples:

2,000	uangaa
5,555	nimangaa nimabubua nimabwi ma nimaua
10,666	te rebu onobubua onobwi ma onoua
20,777	uarebu itibubua itibwi ma itiuu
200,001	uakuri ao teuana
651,000	onokuri nimarebu tengaa
9,742,000	ruaea itikuri arebu uangaa
52,000,000	nimatano uaea
946,834,000	ruatoki atano onoea wanikuri tenrebu angaa

this last number in the current system would be:

ruabubua abwi ma onoua te mirion wanibubua tenibwi ma aua
tengaa

