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### **Unicode Locale Status**

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## Project status

- Coworking with Linux Internationalization Initiative (Li18nux) creating Unicode base locales for GNU C library (glibc 2.2) as an Open Source project.
  - / 65 languages (total 152 locales)
  - / UTF-8 base charmap
  - / Full Unicode 3.0 character repertoire
  - / Unicode conforming collation
  - The source format is POSIX plus some extension

# Project status (cont.)

- Version 0.9 (as of Aug 4, 2000)
  - / About 100 locales are available.
  - / Collation
    - / Unicode 2.1.9 base
    - Additional characters from Unicode 2.1.9 to Unicode 3.0 are ordered by Unicode code point order (except CJK Ext-A)
    - / CJK Unified + CJK Ext-A in IRG SuperCJK 10.0 ordering
- / Version 1.0 (plan: Oct. 2000)
  - / All of 152 locales will be supported
  - / Unicode 3.0 conforming collation

## Availablity

- Those locales will be licensed under IBM Public License (one of approved open source license).
  - / <a href="http://www.opensource.org/licenses/">http://www.opensource.org/licenses/</a>
- / Those locales will be available through
  - / Li18nux Web sites
  - / IBM developerWorks Web site
- Those locales intended to be bundled with some Open Source SW, e.g. glibc, and Linux distributions.

# Requests to UTC

- / Please provide us Unicode 3.0 base collation data as soon as possible.
  - / Early draft (when it become available)
  - / Approved data (before Oct. 2000)
- / Please ask Unicode members to participate in the testing activity.
- Please put a copy or link to the locale data on the Unicode consortium Web site.