

The phonemes of Ozumacín Chinantec are listed below with the symbols for the practical orthography, where different, in parentheses.

Consonants: p, t, k(c, qu), ʔ(h), b, d, g, p(ju), č(ch), y, dz(ds), ʃ(ll), s, h(j), r, w(u), l, m, n, ŋ, ŋ(ng). Vowels: i, e, æ(ě), ū(u), ø(ø), i, ʌ(ä), a, u, o. Only n, y, or ʔ can occur syllable final. Consonants which may be palatalized are: k, g, ʔ and h. Labialization can occur with k and g. Consonant clusters are preglottalized ʔl, ʔm, ʔn, ʔŋ, ʔw, ʔy; and aspirated hl, hm, hn, hŋ, hw, hy. Vowels may be oral, a, or nasalized, ǎ(ǎ); short or long (double vowel). The tone levels are marked with the following numbers going from high to low: 1 2 3. The level tones may also occur with a ballistic accent, which is symbolized with an apostrophe after the tone number: 1' 2' 3'. The tone glides are low-high (42), mid-rise (22), and high-rise (21).

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