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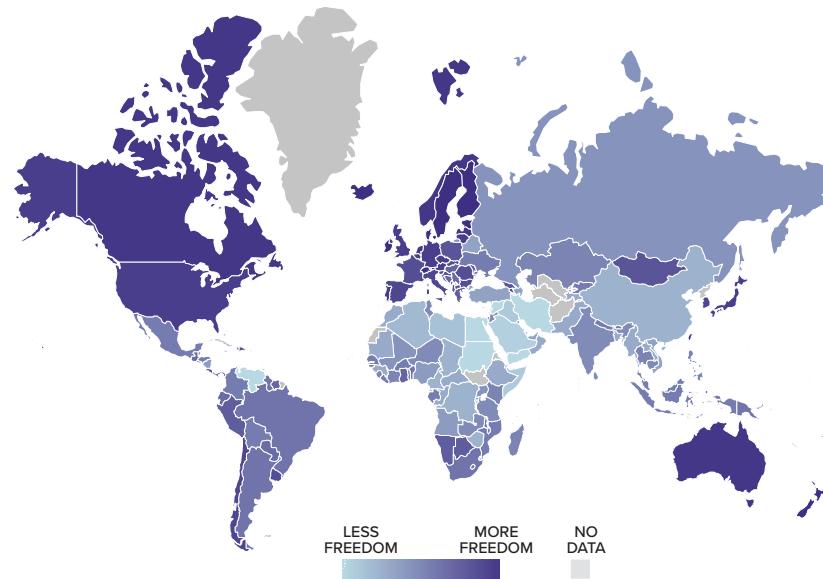
EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The *Human Freedom Index* (HFI) presents a broad measure of human freedom, understood as the absence of coercive constraint. This eighth annual index uses 83 distinct indicators of personal and economic freedom in the following areas:

- Rule of law
- Security and safety
- Movement
- Religion
- Association, assembly, and civil society
- Expression and information
- Relationships
- Size of government
- Legal system and property rights
- Sound money
- Freedom to trade internationally
- Regulation

The HFI is the most comprehensive freedom index so far created for a globally meaningful set of countries and jurisdictions representing 98.1 percent of the world's population. The HFI covers 165 jurisdictions for 2020, the most recent year for which sufficient data are available. The index ranks jurisdictions over a span of two decades, beginning in 2000, the earliest year for which a robust enough index could be produced.

Human freedom deteriorated severely in the wake of the coronavirus pandemic. Most areas of freedom fell, including significant declines in the rule of law; freedom of movement, expression, association and assembly; and freedom to trade. On a scale of 0 to 10, where 10 represents more freedom, the average human freedom rating for 165 jurisdictions fell from



7.03 in 2019 to 6.81 in 2020. On the basis of that coverage, 94.3 percent of the world's population saw a fall in human freedom from 2019 to 2020, with many more jurisdictions decreasing (148) than increasing (16) their ratings and 1 remaining unchanged. The sharp decline in freedom in 2020 comes after years of slow descent following a high point in 2007 and sets global freedom to a level far below what it was in 2000, previously the lowest point in the past two decades.

The data show that there is an unequal distribution of freedom in the world, with only 13.4 percent of the world's population living in the top quartile of jurisdictions in the HFI and 39.9 percent living in the bottom quartile.

The countries that took the top 10 places, in order, were Switzerland, New Zealand, Estonia, Denmark, Ireland, Sweden, Iceland, Finland, Netherlands, and Luxembourg. Selected jurisdictions rank as follows: Canada (13), Taiwan (14), Japan (16), Germany (18), United Kingdom (20), United States (23), South Korea (30), Chile (32), France (42), Argentina (74), South Africa (77), Brazil (80), Ukraine (89), Mexico (98), India (112), Russia (119), Nigeria (124), Turkey (130), China (152), Saudi Arabia (159), Iran (162),

Venezuela (163), and Syria (165). Out of 10 regions, those with the highest levels of freedom are Western Europe, North America (Canada and the United States), and Oceania. The lowest levels are in the Middle East and North Africa, sub-Saharan Africa, and South Asia. Women-specific freedoms, as measured by five indicators in the index, are strongest in North America, Western Europe, and East Asia and are least protected in the Middle East and North Africa, South Asia, and sub-Saharan Africa.

Jurisdictions in the top quartile of freedom enjoy a significantly higher average per capita income (\$48,644) than those in other quartiles; the average per capita income in the least free quartile is \$11,566. The HFI also finds a strong relationship between human freedom and democracy.

The findings in the HFI suggest that freedom plays an important role in human well-being, and they offer opportunities for further research into the complex ways in which freedom influences, and can be influenced by, political regimes, economic development, and the whole range of indicators of human well-being.

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Rank	Freedom rank change (2019–2020)	Country/Territory	Personal freedom	Economic freedom	Human freedom	Freedom score change (2019–2020)
1	0	Switzerland	9.35	8.37	8.94	▼ 0.23
2	0	New Zealand	9.09	8.27	8.75	▼ 0.29
3	▲ 2	Estonia	9.28	7.95	8.73	▼ 0.21
4	▼ 1	Denmark	9.17	8.09	8.72	▼ 0.29
5	▼ 1	Ireland	9.30	7.86	8.70	▼ 0.25
6	▲ 1	Sweden	9.45	7.56	8.66	▼ 0.19
7	▲ 3	Iceland	9.29	7.73	8.64	▼ 0.20
8	▼ 2	Finland	9.33	7.64	8.62	▼ 0.25
9	▲ 4	Netherlands	9.12	7.75	8.55	▼ 0.25
10	▼ 3	Luxembourg	9.23	7.54	8.53	▼ 0.32
11	0	Australia	8.85	8.04	8.51	▼ 0.32
11	▲ 1	Norway	9.17	7.58	8.51	▼ 0.30
13	▼ 6	Canada	8.95	7.81	8.47	▼ 0.38
14	▼ 1	Taiwan	8.98	7.68	8.44	▼ 0.36
15	▲ 7	Latvia	8.89	7.77	8.42	▼ 0.20
16	0	Japan	8.80	7.82	8.39	▼ 0.36
17	▲ 2	Lithuania	8.71	7.82	8.34	▼ 0.38
18	▲ 5	Czech Republic	8.75	7.75	8.33	▼ 0.28
18	0	Germany	8.81	7.65	8.33	▼ 0.40
20	▼ 5	United Kingdom	8.72	7.71	8.30	▼ 0.49
21	▲ 3	Belgium	8.92	7.37	8.27	▼ 0.28
22	▼ 1	Austria	8.76	7.56	8.26	▼ 0.42
23	▼ 7	United States	8.42	7.97	8.23	▼ 0.52
24	▲ 5	Malta	8.54	7.72	8.20	▼ 0.23
24	▼ 4	Portugal	8.75	7.43	8.20	▼ 0.49
26	▲ 8	Armenia	8.35	7.84	8.14	▼ 0.18
26	▲ 13	Bahamas, The	8.94	7.02	8.14	▼ 0.01
28	▼ 2	Cyprus	8.59	7.49	8.13	▼ 0.36
29	▼ 1	Cabo Verde	8.49	7.60	8.12	▼ 0.32
30	▲ 5	Korea, Rep.	8.60	7.42	8.11	▼ 0.20
31	▼ 5	Spain	8.40	7.63	8.08	▼ 0.41
32	▼ 7	Chile	8.41	7.56	8.06	▼ 0.44
33	▼ 4	Italy	8.46	7.40	8.02	▼ 0.41
34	▼ 2	Hong Kong SAR, China	7.60	8.59	8.01	▼ 0.37
35	▲ 1	Costa Rica	8.24	7.62	7.98	▼ 0.30
36	▼ 5	Uruguay	8.63	7.06	7.97	▼ 0.43
37	▲ 2	Slovak Republic	8.38	7.33	7.94	▼ 0.21
38	0	Romania	8.00	7.74	7.89	▼ 0.36
39	▼ 6	Slovenia	8.51	7.00	7.88	▼ 0.45
40	▼ 1	Croatia	8.35	7.16	7.86	▼ 0.29
41	▲ 3	Bulgaria	7.90	7.69	7.81	▼ 0.16
42	▼ 5	France	8.14	7.33	7.80	▼ 0.46

Rank	Freedom rank change (2019–2020)	Country/Territory	Freedom score change (2019–2020)		
			Personal freedom	Economic freedom	Human freedom
43	▲ 11	Georgia	7.67	7.78	7.71
44	▲ 5	Seychelles	8.18	7.01	7.70
44	▲ 9	Singapore	7.15	8.48	7.70
46	▲ 1	Barbados	8.17	7.01	7.69
47	▼ 5	Albania	7.69	7.64	7.67
47	▲ 12	North Macedonia	8.03	7.16	7.67
49	▼ 1	Poland	8.18	6.93	7.66
50	▼ 7	Mauritius	7.45	7.88	7.63
51	▼ 7	Mongolia	7.85	7.30	7.62
52	0	Dominican Republic	7.79	7.36	7.61
53	▼ 2	Jamaica	7.64	7.38	7.53
53	▲ 4	Trinidad and Tobago	7.90	7.01	7.53
55	▼ 9	Panama	7.58	7.45	7.52
56	▼ 1	Peru	7.52	7.50	7.51
57	▼ 2	Greece	7.99	6.81	7.50
58	▲ 5	Namibia	8.14	6.57	7.49
59	▲ 3	Moldova	7.75	7.05	7.46
60	▼ 11	Montenegro	7.44	7.46	7.45
61	▼ 3	Botswana	7.50	7.35	7.44
62	▼ 1	Israel	7.36	7.35	7.36
63	▲ 7	Bosnia and Herzegovina	7.80	6.72	7.35
64	▲ 9	Fiji	7.81	6.53	7.28
65	▲ 7	Timor-Leste	8.21	5.94	7.27
66	▲ 2	Ghana	7.81	6.49	7.26
67	▼ 7	Hungary	7.19	7.24	7.21
68	▼ 4	Suriname	8.20	5.81	7.20
69	▼ 4	Serbia	7.41	6.82	7.16
70	▲ 1	Ecuador	7.57	6.51	7.12
71	▼ 4	Guatemala	6.71	7.59	7.08
72	▼ 4	Paraguay	7.07	6.96	7.03
73	▼ 7	Belize	7.59	6.23	7.02
74	▲ 1	Argentina	8.51	4.87	6.99
75	▲ 4	Papua New Guinea	7.55	6.17	6.98
76	0	Benin	7.27	6.51	6.95
77	▲ 3	South Africa	7.20	6.55	6.93
78	▲ 4	Guyana	7.67	5.82	6.90
79	▲ 10	Malawi	7.55	5.98	6.89
80	▼ 4	Brazil	7.24	6.33	6.86
81	▲ 4	Lesotho	7.01	6.52	6.80
82	▼ 4	Haiti	6.93	6.57	6.78
82	▼ 1	Malaysia	6.37	7.35	6.78
84	0	Nepal	6.93	6.54	6.77
85	▲ 1	Indonesia	6.49	7.09	6.74
86	▲ 17	Bhutan	6.86	6.49	6.71

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87	▼ 4	Kyrgyz Republic	6.51	6.97	6.70
87	▲ 3	Senegal	7.16	6.05	6.70
89	▲ 9	Ukraine	7.09	6.11	6.68
90	▼ 4	Honduras	6.40	7.04	6.67
91	▼ 3	Colombia	6.72	6.55	6.65
91	▼ 17	El Salvador	6.31	7.12	6.65
93	0	Burkina Faso	6.98	6.15	6.63
94	▲ 11	Gabon	7.27	5.72	6.62
94	▲ 13	Liberia	6.70	6.51	6.62
94	▲ 4	Mozambique	6.87	6.27	6.62
97	▼ 3	Gambia, The	6.17	7.23	6.61
98	▼ 7	Bolivia	6.92	6.15	6.60
98	▼ 3	Mexico	6.23	7.12	6.60
100	▲ 9	Kenya	6.31	6.96	6.58
101	▼ 5	Guinea-Bissau	7.18	5.64	6.54
102	▲ 8	Sierra Leone	6.92	5.98	6.53
103	▼ 1	Philippines	6.11	7.09	6.52
104	▼ 4	Thailand	6.28	6.78	6.49
105	▼ 9	Côte d'Ivoire	6.79	6.01	6.47
105	▼ 13	Madagascar	6.74	6.10	6.47
107	▼ 1	Kazakhstan	5.82	7.35	6.46
108	▼ 7	Jordan	5.69	7.37	6.39
109	▼ 2	Zambia	6.25	6.56	6.38
110	▲ 12	Niger	6.59	5.97	6.33
110	0	Sri Lanka	6.05	6.72	6.33
112	▲ 1	India	6.00	6.72	6.30
113	▲ 5	Kuwait	5.92	6.73	6.25
113	▲ 3	Togo	6.29	6.19	6.25
113	▲ 1	Tunisia	6.36	6.09	6.25
116	▼ 4	Cambodia	5.60	7.13	6.24
116	▼ 1	Tanzania	6.01	6.55	6.24
118	▲ 3	Uganda	5.38	7.18	6.13
119	0	Mali	6.12	5.85	6.01
119	▲ 5	Russian Federation	5.58	6.62	6.01
121	▼ 17	Lebanon	6.37	5.45	5.98
122	▲ 5	Angola	6.02	5.91	5.97
123	0	Nicaragua	5.33	6.84	5.96
124	▲ 1	Nigeria	5.38	6.70	5.93
124	▼ 5	Rwanda	5.24	6.90	5.93
126	▼ 9	Belarus	5.03	6.83	5.78
127	▲ 4	United Arab Emirates	4.63	7.35	5.76
128	▲ 2	Comoros	5.34	6.31	5.75
129	▼ 2	Qatar	4.82	6.99	5.73
130	▲ 10	Turkey	5.15	6.48	5.71

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131	▼ 5	Azerbaijan	5.35	6.21	5.70	▼ 0.32
132	▲ 2	Vietnam	5.08	6.42	5.64	▼ 0.10
133	▼ 6	Brunei Darussalam	4.29	7.21	5.62	▼ 0.34
134	▼ 1	Oman	4.79	6.65	5.57	▼ 0.20
135	▲ 14	Myanmar	5.29	5.93	5.56	▲ 0.16
136	▲ 15	Congo, Rep.	5.88	5.08	5.55	▲ 0.22
136	▲ 1	Morocco	4.84	6.55	5.55	▼ 0.13
138	▲ 4	Mauritania	5.12	6.13	5.54	▼ 0.02
139	▲ 3	Bangladesh	5.23	5.89	5.51	▼ 0.05
139	▲ 1	Djibouti	5.02	6.21	5.51	▼ 0.12
141	▲ 6	Bahrain	4.07	7.47	5.49	▲ 0.06
141	▲ 5	Tajikistan	4.70	6.60	5.49	▲ 0.05
143	▼ 6	Central African Republic	5.51	5.40	5.47	▼ 0.21
144	▼ 9	Eswatini	5.23	5.76	5.45	▼ 0.28
144	▼ 12	Guinea	5.16	5.84	5.45	▼ 0.37
146	▼ 9	Lao PDR	4.69	6.50	5.44	▼ 0.24
146	▼ 1	Pakistan	5.02	6.03	5.44	▼ 0.04
148	▼ 13	Ethiopia	5.31	5.58	5.42	▼ 0.31
149	▼ 5	Congo, Dem. Rep.	5.41	5.36	5.39	▼ 0.10
150	0	Cameroon	5.04	5.76	5.34	0.00
151	▲ 1	Zimbabwe	5.79	4.48	5.25	▼ 0.05
152	▲ 1	China	4.47	6.27	5.22	▼ 0.05
153	▼ 5	Chad	4.96	5.55	5.20	▼ 0.21
154	▲ 1	Algeria	5.13	5.12	5.13	▲ 0.05
155	▲ 3	Libya	4.94	4.95	4.95	▲ 0.23
156	0	Burundi	4.22	5.67	4.82	▼ 0.09
157	▼ 3	Iraq	4.25	5.51	4.77	▼ 0.35
158	▲ 1	Somalia	3.71	6.03	4.67	▼ 0.04
159	▼ 2	Saudi Arabia	2.98	6.78	4.56	▼ 0.21
160	▲ 2	Sudan	4.38	4.21	4.31	▲ 0.27
161	▼ 1	Egypt, Arab Rep.	3.32	5.61	4.28	▼ 0.07
162	▼ 1	Iran, Islamic Rep.	3.76	4.96	4.26	▼ 0.01
163	▲ 1	Venezuela, RB	4.65	3.32	4.09	▲ 0.19
164	▼ 1	Yemen, Rep.	2.71	5.67	3.94	▼ 0.05
165	0	Syrian Arab Republic	2.34	4.63	3.30	▼ 0.06

Note: SAR = Special Administrative Region; PDR = People's Democratic Republic; RB = Bolivarian Republic.

INTRODUCTION

This eighth annual report presents a broad measure of human freedom around the world. It builds on a multiyear program of research and discussions held in Europe and North America, involving scholars from many disciplines and countries. It uses, adapts, and evolves the methodologies that emerged from the decades-long work of the Fraser Institute to define and measure economic freedom with the *Economic Freedom of the World* index.¹ The economic freedom project has demonstrated the power of such measurement to increase understanding about the concept of freedom and its contribution to human well-being.

A central purpose of this report is to paint a broad but reasonably accurate picture of the extent of overall freedom in the world. A larger purpose is to more carefully explore what we mean by freedom and to better understand its relationship to any number of other social and economic phenomena. This research could also help us more objectively observe the ways in which various freedoms—be they economic or civil, for example—interact with one another. We hope that this index will become a resource for scholars, policymakers, and interested laypeople alike and that its value will increase as it is annually updated, thus allowing us to observe numerous relationships through time.

The *Human Freedom Index* casts a wide net in an attempt to capture as broad a set of freedoms as could be clearly identified and measured. Some freedoms that could be clearly identified, such as

the freedom to use drugs, could not be included because internationally comparable data could not be found. In other cases, data and clarity could be achieved for too few countries to satisfy the goal of making a global index.

That said, we and the authors of the other preliminary papers and indexes that have contributed to the creation of this index recognize that the global characterization of the state of human freedom published here is a work in progress.² It is published with satisfaction but also with humility. We believe that we have constructed an index that provides a solid foundation for the ensuing work of refinement and recalibration in the face of new data sources or improved understanding as time passes. In that spirit, we welcome feedback, which may be appropriate in further consideration of the data found in the index and published in this volume.

DEFINING AND MEASURING FREEDOM

The contest between liberty and power has been ongoing for millennia. For just as long, it has inspired competing conceptions of freedom. Plato and Hobbes, for example, thought that extensive or absolutist rule over society was compatible with their definition of freedom because in their view it would prevent society from descending into violence or chaos, which they considered more detrimental to freedom than a powerful state.

Others, such as the 6th-century BCE Chinese philosopher Lao-tzu and the 16th-century Spanish scholastics, expressed and developed

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ideas consistent with the view of the father of modern political philosophy, John Locke, that freedom implies that an individual not “be subject to the arbitrary Will of another, but freely follow his own.”³

This index follows that latter tradition, which in the past several hundred years has shaped the modern liberal world. Freedom in our usage is a social concept that recognizes the dignity of individuals and is defined by the absence of coercive constraint.⁴ (That contrasts with a mechanistic concept whereby anything that limits a person’s ability to do what they want—be it a natural, physical barrier or another person who happens to be standing in their way—is considered an infringement on their freedom.)

Freedom thus implies that individuals have the right to lead their lives as they wish as long as they respect the equal rights of others. Isaiah Berlin best elucidated this notion of freedom, commonly known as negative liberty.⁵ In the simplest terms, negative liberty means noninterference by others. Berlin contrasts that type of liberty with positive liberty, which requires the removal of constraints that impede one’s personal improvement or the

fulfillment of his or her potential as the individual understands it. However, when positive liberty is imposed by others, it undermines negative liberty because individuals naturally have conflicting views on whether and how to achieve self-improvement. As in the case of the totalitarian systems of the 20th century, this discrepancy allows rulers to ignore the wishes of people and commit torture and other atrocities in the name of some higher form of freedom. Berlin further warned, as did F. A. Hayek, against the common tendency to call other good things—think of income or housing, for example—“freedom,” because this merely causes confusion.⁶

Negative liberty “comes in only one flavor—the lack of constraint imposed on the individual”⁷—whereas positive freedom is far more likely to mean different things to different people and thus cannot be measured independently of the goals that conflicting ideologies or groups might identify with freedom.

This index is thus an attempt to measure the extent to which the negative rights of individuals are respected in the countries and jurisdictions observed. By negative rights, we mean freedom from interference—predominantly by government—in people’s right to choose to do, say, or think anything they want, provided that it does not infringe on the rights of others to do likewise. The rule of law is thus essential to protect liberties such as freedom of religion, freedom of speech, freedom of assembly, sexual freedom, economic freedom, and so on. Indeed,

some of the rights that individuals legitimately claim depend partially or wholly on action by government to be realized. The right to personal security is the most important, but security in one's property rights and the rule of law also require government action.

While aspects of liberty associated with democracy and political freedom—freedom of speech, assembly, and public demonstration—are included in this index, democracy or political freedom is not. Political freedom is important, but it does not mean democracy alone or unrestrained democracy. It is ideally some combination of the division of power, limited government, decentralization, and structural characteristics designed to control the powers of the majority. For example, countries such as Canada and the United States have democratic elections and constitutional constraints as well as separation of powers and decentralization. The United Kingdom has checks and balances and other limits on power, but it has no written constitution. The issue of how political freedom can best be determined and which of its forms is most consistent with personal, economic, and civil freedom is a major area of ongoing research.

This report does not address that topic directly. However, it is hoped that the data provided here will assist researchers as they seek to determine the political structure most consistent with political freedom and the sustainability of personal, economic, and civil freedom. In that spirit, we look at the relationship between human freedom and democracy in the final section of this report.⁸

We use the following criteria to select data for the index: the data come from credible external sources and, for the sake of objectivity, are not generated by us; the index is transparent on methodology and sources; and the report covers as large a number of jurisdictions over as long a period as is possible given the data available. As previously noted, we generally measure official restrictions on freedom, although some measures capture social or nonofficial violations of liberty (e.g., violence or conflict measures).

This index fills a gap in the literature by examining overall freedom, including economic and other human freedoms. Existing economic freedom indexes examine only the former, of course. Similarly, other surveys of freedom focus on subsets of freedom that exclude economic freedom. Yet all these freedoms are crucial.

In fact, early systemic writings on freedom in the Enlightenment often focused on economic liberalism, or what we would identify with economic freedom, as an intrinsic part of overall freedom. This index thus for the first time develops a broad measure of human freedom rather than select aspects of it. We combine

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economic freedom measures from the *Economic Freedom of the World* index with measures of what we call personal freedoms. Our definition of economic freedom is that of James Gwartney, Robert Lawson, and Walter Block: “Individuals have economic freedom when property they acquire without the use of force, fraud, or theft is protected from physical invasions by others and they are free to use, exchange, or give their property as long as their actions do not violate the identical rights of others.”⁹ Economic freedom thus exists when there is voluntary exchange, competition, personal choice, and protection of persons and their property.

One of the biggest challenges in constructing any index is the organization and weighting of the variables.¹⁰ Our guiding principle is that the structure should be simple and transparent. All the data that we use in the index are available, and their organization is clearly presented. This means that other researchers may restructure the index to their own preferences. We believe that the structure and weighting we have chosen, if not perfect for everyone, are consistent with the literature on freedom.¹¹

Economic freedom
is not just inherently
valuable; it **empowers**
individuals to exercise
other freedoms.

The 12 broad areas measured in the index receive equal weights. This strikes a reasonable balance between the two areas comprising the rule of law and security and safety, and the other five areas each in personal freedom and economic freedom that we measure.¹² We weigh economic freedoms and the remaining personal freedoms that are not related to legal protection or security equally for two reasons. First, economic activities arguably predominate in the everyday lives of most people as they seek, at a minimum, to survive and to otherwise improve their welfare. Thus, the strong weighting for economic freedom reflects this consideration about how we live our lives.

Second, economic freedom decreases the dependence of individuals on government or other potential forces in society that would restrict liberty or attempt to centralize power. As such, economic freedom is not just inherently valuable; it also empowers individuals to exercise other freedoms. Thus, the weighting reflects how economic freedom interacts with other freedoms. This point is illustrated by a remark of F. A. Hayek’s:

A complete monopoly of employment . . . would possess unlimited powers of coercion. As Leon Trotsky discovered: “In a country where the sole employer is the state, opposition means death by slow starvation. The old principle, who does not work shall not eat, has been replaced by a new one: who does not obey shall not eat.”¹³

That is an extreme case, but it illustrates the broader point that where economic freedom is limited, the government or powerful cliques possess great control over where you work, how much you are paid, whether you are able to find employment in the formal economy (with many attendant benefits), whether you get a promotion, where you live (and whether you are subsidized), what kind of job you have, whether you are able to adequately feed and clothe your family, and so on. In the absence of economic freedom, the powers that be have many tools of coercion to block other freedoms. These tools of coercion fade as people gain the power to make their own economic decisions.

The weighting employed here, like any weighting in any index, is not perfect, but we believe it is a good approximation of how people live and of the relation between economic and other freedoms.

We use 2020 as the latest year in our index because it is the most recent year for which sufficient data are available. We use 38 personal freedom variables covering 125 jurisdictions for the year 2000. The index covers an increasing number of countries for subsequent years. For the year 2020, we use 39 personal freedom variables and cover 165 jurisdictions that represent 98.1 percent of the world's population. In selecting the jurisdictions, we limit ourselves to those that are presented in the *Economic Freedom of the World* report. In selecting time periods, we use 2000 as the earliest year for which we are able to produce

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a robust enough index; many indexes of civil or other liberties are relatively new for a large number of jurisdictions.

The personal freedom variables we use thus include measures of legal protection and security, made up of rule of law and security and safety, with the remaining personal freedom measures made up of specific personal freedoms: movement; religion; association, assembly, and civil society; expression and information; and relationships.

This selection of variables, we believe, also provides an advance over other freedom indexes, which fail to account for the interaction between the rule of law and security on the one hand and specific freedoms on the other. Without the rule of law and security, specific freedoms cannot be lived out, in a practical sense. The rule of law and security are essential to provide reasonable assurance that life is protected. Security and safety are fundamental for survival and for the exercise of a vast array of freedoms. The rule of law, by providing predictable order and reducing arbitrary conduct by the authorities, further facilitates an environment in which freedoms are safeguarded. Without security or the rule of law,

liberty is degraded or even meaningless. The most famous expression of this is perhaps found in Locke, who conceptualized the rule of law and security as a unified bundle, just as we do:

The end of law is not to abolish or restrain, but to preserve and enlarge freedom: for in all the states of created beings capable of laws, “where there is no law, there is no freedom;” for liberty is to be free from restraint and violence from others; which cannot be where there is not law: but freedom is not, as we are told, “a liberty for every man to do what he lists;” (for who could be free, when every other man’s humour might domineer over him?) but a liberty to dispose, and order as he lists, his person, actions, possessions, and his whole property, within the allowance of those laws under which he is, and therein not to be subject to the arbitrary will of another, but freely follow his own.¹⁴

A security state may increase or appear to increase some aspects of safety, but it would curtail freedoms by empowering the state to violate rights. Thus, legal security and specific personal freedoms are both necessary conditions for high levels of personal freedom.

The index is derived from a total of 83 distinct indicators (41 personal freedom variables and 42 economic freedom variables, along with a Gender Legal Rights Adjustment to measure

the extent to which women have the same level of economic freedom as men¹⁵) covering 165 jurisdictions. (Table 1 outlines the categories and their components in the two subindexes, personal freedom and economic freedom.) Each indicator is rated on a scale of 0 to 10, with 10 representing the most freedom. We average the main components in each category to produce a rating for each of the categories. To produce a final rating for the HFI, we average the 12 categories, including the 5 categories of economic freedom: size of government, legal system and property rights, sound money, freedom to trade internationally, and regulation.

WHAT THE INDEX MEASURES

The HFI measures economic freedoms such as the freedom to trade or to use sound money, and it captures the degree to which people are free to enjoy the major freedoms often referred to as civil liberties—freedom of speech, religion, association, and assembly—in the jurisdictions in the survey. In addition, it includes indicators on rule of law, crime and violence, freedom of movement, and legal discrimination against same-sex relationships. We also include five variables pertaining to women-specific freedoms that are found in various categories of the index.

We would have liked to have included other important indicators, such as those quantifying drug and alcohol prohibition, but we found no reliable data sources that conformed to our methodological principles. What follows are a

Table 1

Structure of the Human Freedom Index**Personal freedom**

A. Rule of law
i. Procedural justice
ii. Civil justice
iii. Criminal justice
B. Security and safety
i. Homicide
ii. Disappearances, conflicts, and terrorism
a. Disappearances
b. Violent conflicts
c. Organized conflicts
d. Terrorism fatalities
e. Terrorism injuries
f. Freedom from torture
g. Freedom from political killings
C. Movement
i. Freedom of movement (V-Dem)
a. Freedom of foreign movement
b. Freedom of movement for men
c. Freedom of movement for women
ii. Freedom of movement (CLD)
D. Freedom of religion
i. Freedom of religion
a. Freedom of religion (V-Dem)
b. Freedom of religion (CLD)
ii. Religious organization repression
E. Association, assembly, and civil society
i. Civil society entry and exit
ii. Freedom of assembly
a. Freedom of assembly (Freedom House)
b. Freedom of assembly (BTI)
c. Freedom of assembly (CLD)
iii. Freedom to form and run political parties
a. Barriers to parties
b. Party bans
c. Opposition parties autonomy
iv. Civil society repression
F. Expression and information
i. Direct attacks on the press
a. Press killed
b. Press jailed
ii. Media and expression (V-Dem)
a. Freedom of academic and cultural expression
b. Harassment of journalists
c. Government censorship effort
d. Internet censorship effort
e. Media self-censorship
iii. Media and expression (Freedom House)
iv. Media and expression (BTI)
v. Media and expression (CLD)
G. Relationships
i. Same-sex relationships
a. Male-to-male relationships
b. Female-to-female relationships
ii. Divorce
iii. Inheritance rights
iv. Female genital mutilation

Economic freedom

A. Size of government
i. Government consumption
ii. Transfers and subsidies
iii. Government investment
iv. Top marginal tax rate
a. Top marginal income tax rate
b. Top marginal income and payroll tax rates
v. State ownership of assets
B. Legal system and property rights
i. Judicial independence
ii. Impartial courts
iii. Protection of property rights
iv. Military interference in rule of law and politics
v. Integrity of the legal system
vi. Legal enforcement of contracts
vii. Regulatory costs of the sale of real property
viii. Reliability of police
C. Sound money
i. Money growth
ii. Standard deviation of inflation
iii. Inflation: Most recent year
iv. Freedom to own foreign currency bank accounts
D. Freedom to trade internationally
i. Tariffs
a. Revenue from trade taxes (% of trade sector)
b. Mean tariff rate
c. Standard deviation of tariff rates
ii. Regulatory trade barriers
a. Nontariff trade barriers
b. Compliance costs of importing and exporting
iii. Black-market exchange rates
iv. Controls of the movement of capital and people
a. Financial openness
b. Capital controls
c. Freedom of foreigners to visit
E. Regulation
i. Credit market regulations
a. Ownership of banks
b. Private-sector credit
c. Interest rate controls/negative real interest rates
ii. Labor market regulations
a. Hiring regulations and minimum wage
b. Hiring and firing regulations
c. Centralized collective bargaining
d. Hours regulations
e. Mandated cost of worker dismissal
f. Conscription
iii. Business regulations
a. Administrative requirements
b. Bureaucracy costs
c. Starting a business
d. Impartial public administration
e. Licensing restrictions
f. Cost of tax compliance

Note: V-Dem = Varieties of Democracy; CLD = Civil Liberty Dataset; BTI = Bertelsmann Stiftung's Transformation Index.

brief description and justification of the data we use in the personal freedom subindex, as well as a summary of the economic freedom indicators that make up the rest of the *Human Freedom Index*.

Rule of Law

The rule of law is an essential condition of freedom that protects the individual from coercion by others. John Locke's emphasis on the importance of law in securing and expanding freedom, cited previously, is an early formulation of that concept. A society ruled "by law, not men" implies that laws apply to everybody, including the authorities; that they be publicly known and understood; and that they limit the arbitrary decisions of rulers. To further increase the scope of individual freedom and reduce potential rule by personal will, Hayek proposed that laws be general and abstract—that is, that they be ignorant of particular cases and "not single out any particular persons or group of persons."¹⁶ The stated attributes also provide a social order that allows people to more easily pursue their individual ends. Individual freedom is therefore dependent on the rule of law, a broad concept that encompasses due process, equal treatment under the law, accountability of government officials, and notions of fairness, predictability, and justice.

We use indicators from the World Justice Project (WJP) *Rule of Law Index* that are consistent with our definition of freedom.¹⁷ For the countries

not included in the WJP index, or for years that the WJP index does not cover, we use the V-Dem Institute's *Varieties of Democracy Rule of Law Index*, which measures the extent to which laws are "transparently, independently, predictably, impartially, and equally enforced" and the extent to which "the actions of government officials comply with the law."¹⁸

It should be noted that the *Economic Freedom of the World* index includes eight components in the legal system and property rights category that seek to measure "how effectively the protective functions of government are performed." Thus, the rule of law measures included in the economic freedom subindex add to those in the personal freedom subindex.

The first component from the WJP index rates what we have termed procedural justice. It is composed of the average of three indicators measuring "the right to life and security" of a person, "due process of law and rights of the accused," and "freedom from arbitrary interference with privacy." The first of those indicators refers to violations by the police or government when conducting an arrest or a search, for example. The second indicator refers to such issues as the extent to which police or other authorities respect the presumption of innocence, arrest people on genuine and formally declared charges, treat suspects humanely in custody, provide the accused full access to evidence, and the like. The third indicator refers to such violations as governments wiretapping

private communications without judicial authorization.

The second component from the WJP index rates civil justice on such issues as whether it is free of discrimination, corruption, and improper government influence. It also measures the extent to which alternative dispute resolution mechanisms are accessible, impartial, and effective. The third component evaluates the criminal justice system on such issues as its impartiality, its level of corruption, and the degree to which improper government influence is present.

By including the rule of law category, the index more fully captures the extent to which people are exposed to abuse by the authorities, and therefore it provides a measure of whether and by how much one is “subject to another man’s will,”¹⁹ to use Hayek’s expression. The indicators we use rate not only the degree to which the rule of law may be undermined; they also measure negative rights. Like security and safety, explained next, the rule of law concept included here significantly expands the scope of freedom by limiting coercion from a diversity of potential sources, including the most powerful entities or individuals in society, thus encouraging other freedoms to flourish.

Security and Safety

The rights to life and to safety from physical aggression have long been recognized as fundamental to liberty. Violence of any kind,

except in self-defense or in the administration of justice, reduces personal freedom or, in the case of violence that results in death, eliminates it altogether. In societies with low levels of personal safety and physical security from harm, it is difficult to exercise other freedoms or even to survive. Like the rule of law, security and safety are thus important in safeguarding overall freedom. (Indeed, the provision of domestic and national security is a service that most classical liberals consider a proper function of government.) Unlike the rule of law category, which concerns rules that seek to reduce coercion, the security and safety category measures actual crimes committed. It attempts to measure the degree to which people who have not violated the equal rights of others are physically assaulted, kidnapped, or killed or have their physical integrity or safety otherwise violated.

Whether perpetrated by ordinary criminals, governments, organized gangs, political groups, or individuals following tradition, crime and physical transgressions reduce personal freedom in any society. The first component measures the homicide rate. Here we ignore considerations of the optimal level of crime or, as with the rule of law category, any account of the use of public resources to provide a public good intended to enhance freedom but that by its nature (taxation) represents a reduction in freedom.²⁰

The second component measures disappearances, conflicts, and terrorism. It is

made up of a number of variables. The first measures politically motivated disappearances. The following two indicators—violent conflicts and organized conflicts—measure the extent to which war or armed conflict with internal or external aggressors impinges on personal freedom in observed jurisdictions. The violent conflicts variable reflects battle-related deaths per capita. For the level of organized conflict, we use a “qualitative assessment of the intensity of conflicts within” each country used by the Institute for Economics and Peace’s *Global Peace Index* but created by the Economist Intelligence Unit (EIU). The next two indicators rate the levels of fatalities and injuries that result from terrorism. Those figures, from the University of Maryland’s Global Terrorism Database, include deaths and injuries of both perpetrators and victims. Freedom from torture is the next variable. It measures the degree to which torture is practiced, incited, or approved by government. The last indicator measures the extent to which political killings are practiced and the degree to which they are incited and approved by government.

Movement

The freedom to travel is a basic human right and essential to a free society. Governments that restrict people’s movement greatly limit the scope of overall liberty because those limits severely reduce the ability of people to engage in a wide range of peaceful activities of their choosing. We average the first three indicators: freedom of foreign movement (the freedom

to travel outside the country and to emigrate), freedom of movement for men, and freedom of movement for women within the jurisdiction. We average this result with another broad component measuring freedom of movement within a jurisdiction and the freedom to leave it.²¹

Religion

Free societies respect the right to practice a religion of one’s choosing. The exercise of religion can be both a supremely private matter involving a person’s strongest beliefs and a social affair practiced in an organized way among larger groups. Restrictions on that fundamental freedom have been the source of some of the bloodiest and most drawn-out conflicts throughout history, and they continue to animate discord in numerous countries today.

Two components make up our measure of religious freedom. The first is based on two indicators that broadly rate the extent of freedom of religion in society, including the right to practice and choose one’s religion, to proselytize peacefully, and to change religions. The second component gauges the repression of religious organizations by government.

Association, Assembly, and Civil Society

The freedom to associate and assemble with peaceful individuals or organizations of one's choice and to form or join organizations for political, commercial, or other ends is an essential part of individual freedom and a basis of civil society. This category is made up of the following components: the freedom of civil society organizations to enter and exit public life; freedom of assembly, including the ability to carry out peaceful protests; freedom to form and run political parties, including the extent to which parties are banned or face barriers and the degree of autonomy of opposition parties; and government repression of civil society.

Expression and Information

The expression and information category measures a broad range of freedoms, including those affecting personal expression, the press, and use of the internet.

The first component in this category includes two variables that gauge direct attacks on the press. The “press killed” variable refers to murders of journalists “in retribution for, or to prevent, news coverage or commentary” and journalists killed on dangerous assignments as documented by the Committee to Protect Journalists. The “press jailed” variable refers to the number of journalists imprisoned, as documented by the same source.

The remaining four components measure the extent to which individuals, groups, and

the media can freely express their opinions.

Variables in the first of these components include freedom of academic and cultural expression; harassment of journalists, including threats of libel and beatings; and government attempts to censor print and broadcast media (government censorship effort) and the internet. A media self-censorship component gauges the degree to which journalists censor themselves on politically sensitive issues.

Next is a media freedom component by Freedom House that assesses a range of issues, including the extent of censorship and self-censorship among journalists and the press, the use of security or other laws to punish journalists, and other laws and regulations that influence media content. It also captures the degree to which political pressure comes to bear on media coverage and takes into account state and nonstate harassment of, and violence toward, journalists.

The last two components offer broad measures of freedom of expression.

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Relationships

We measure what we broadly categorize as freedoms to have intimate and familial relationships with others and that those be based on equal rights between males and females.

One of the most personal decisions individuals can make regards their sexual choices. Thus, the first component rates the freedom of individuals to establish same-sex relationships. It is composed of two variables: a male-to-male relationship indicator that gauges the extent to which sexual relationships between men are legal and a female-to-female indicator that gauges the same for relationships between women. The next component, divorce, measures “whether women and men have the same legal rights to initiate divorce and have the same requirements for divorce or annulment.”

The final two components relate to girls and women. One component, inheritance rights, measures whether either the legal system or religious and traditional laws and practices favor males over widows and daughters in inheritance matters. Favoring males is an infringement on the liberty of widows, parents, and daughters to whom the parents might otherwise choose to bequeath their assets; in many countries, women are subordinate to the power of men, often putting them in economically precarious or physically vulnerable situations. The last component measures the prevalence of female genital mutilation among the population of women ages 15 to 49 years in a given country.

Economic Freedom Measures

The 42 indicators that make up the economic freedom subindex fall into five broad categories. A complete description of the economic freedom structure and index methodology can be found in the Fraser Institute’s *Economic Freedom of the World* annual reports. The first category is size of government. It measures government consumption, transfers and subsidies, government investment, the top marginal tax rate, and state ownership of assets. An increase in those components reduces economic freedom because it crowds out individual choice. The second category regards the legal system and property rights; it gauges the level of protection of people and their property rights through components of judicial independence, impartial courts, and the legal enforcement of contracts, among others.

Sound money constitutes the third category. To the extent that a country’s money is not a reliable store of value, it undermines exchange, hinders economic planning, distorts prices, and, through inflation, serves as a tax. The inflation rate and its volatility are among the components measured here. The fourth category is freedom to trade internationally; it measures tariff rates, nontariff trade barriers, and controls on capital movement, among other indicators. The fifth category regards the regulation of business, labor, and credit. To the extent that government restricts competition in business, voluntary arrangements among employers and employees,

and freedom of exchange in credit markets, economic freedom is reduced. Indicators measured include interest rate controls, hiring and firing regulations, and licensing restrictions, among others.

FINDINGS

Table 2 presents the ratings and rankings of jurisdictions on the overall *Human Freedom Index* for 2020. It also presents the ratings of jurisdictions on personal and economic freedoms.

Table 2
Human Freedom Index and subindexes, 2020

Country/Territory	Personal freedom	PF rank	Economic freedom	EF rank	Human freedom	HF rank
Albania	7.69	58	7.64	26	7.67	47
Algeria	5.13	138	5.12	157	5.13	154
Angola	6.02	114	5.91	138	5.97	122
Argentina	8.51	29	4.87	161	6.99	74
Armenia	8.35	37	7.84	11	8.14	26
Australia	8.85	17	8.04	6	8.51	11
Austria	8.76	20	7.56	33	8.26	22
Azerbaijan	5.35	128	6.21	119	5.70	131
Bahamas, The	8.94	14	7.02	71	8.14	26
Bahrain	4.07	159	7.47	39	5.49	141
Bangladesh	5.23	134	5.89	139	5.51	139
Barbados	8.17	44	7.01	72	7.69	46
Belarus	5.03	142	6.83	83	5.78	126
Belgium	8.92	15	7.37	46	8.27	21
Belize	7.59	63	6.23	118	7.02	73
Benin	7.27	74	6.51	106	6.95	76
Bhutan	6.86	91	6.49	110	6.71	86
Bolivia	6.92	88	6.15	123	6.60	98
Bosnia and Herzegovina	7.80	55	6.72	89	7.35	63
Botswana	7.50	69	7.35	49	7.44	61
Brazil	7.24	76	6.33	114	6.86	80
Brunei Darussalam	4.29	156	7.21	59	5.62	133
Bulgaria	7.90	50	7.69	23	7.81	41
Burkina Faso	6.98	85	6.15	123	6.63	93
Burundi	4.22	158	5.67	147	4.82	156
Cabo Verde	8.49	31	7.60	30	8.12	29
Cambodia	5.60	122	7.13	63	6.24	116
Cameroon	5.04	141	5.76	144	5.34	150
Canada	8.95	13	7.81	14	8.47	13
Central African Republic	5.51	124	5.40	155	5.47	143

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Country/Territory	Personal freedom	PF rank	Economic freedom	EF rank	Human freedom	HF rank
Chad	4.96	145	5.55	152	5.20	153
Chile	8.41	34	7.56	33	8.06	32
China	4.47	154	6.27	116	5.22	152
Colombia	6.72	94	6.55	99	6.65	91
Comoros	5.34	129	6.31	115	5.75	128
Congo, Dem. Rep.	5.41	125	5.36	156	5.39	149
Congo, Rep.	5.88	118	5.08	158	5.55	136
Costa Rica	8.24	39	7.62	29	7.98	35
Côte d'Ivoire	6.79	92	6.01	132	6.47	105
Croatia	8.35	37	7.16	61	7.86	40
Cyprus	8.59	27	7.49	38	8.13	28
Czech Republic	8.75	21	7.75	17	8.33	18
Denmark	9.17	8	8.09	5	8.72	4
Djibouti	5.02	143	6.21	119	5.51	139
Dominican Republic	7.79	56	7.36	48	7.61	52
Ecuador	7.57	65	6.51	106	7.12	70
Egypt, Arab Rep.	3.32	162	5.61	150	4.28	161
El Salvador	6.31	104	7.12	64	6.65	91
Estonia	9.28	6	7.95	8	8.73	3
Eswatini	5.23	134	5.76	144	5.45	144
Ethiopia	5.31	131	5.58	151	5.42	148
Fiji	7.81	53	6.53	104	7.28	64
Finland	9.33	3	7.64	26	8.62	8
France	8.14	45	7.33	54	7.80	42
Gabon	7.27	74	5.72	146	6.62	94
Gambia, The	6.17	110	7.23	58	6.61	97
Georgia	7.67	59	7.78	15	7.71	43
Germany	8.81	18	7.65	25	8.33	18
Ghana	7.81	53	6.49	110	7.26	66
Greece	7.99	49	6.81	85	7.50	57
Guatemala	6.71	95	7.59	31	7.08	71
Guinea	5.16	136	5.84	141	5.45	144
Guinea-Bissau	7.18	79	5.64	149	6.54	101
Guyana	7.67	59	5.82	142	6.90	78
Haiti	6.93	86	6.57	96	6.78	82
Honduras	6.40	100	7.04	70	6.67	90
Hong Kong SAR, China	7.60	62	8.59	1	8.01	34
Hungary	7.19	78	7.24	57	7.21	67
Iceland	9.29	5	7.73	20	8.64	7
India	6.00	116	6.72	89	6.30	112
Indonesia	6.49	99	7.09	66	6.74	85
Iran, Islamic Rep.	3.76	160	4.96	159	4.26	162
Iraq	4.25	157	5.51	153	4.77	157
Ireland	9.30	4	7.86	10	8.70	5
Israel	7.36	73	7.35	49	7.36	62

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Italy	8.46	32	7.40	44	8.02	33
Jamaica	7.64	61	7.38	45	7.53	53
Japan	8.80	19	7.82	12	8.39	16
Jordan	5.69	121	7.37	46	6.39	108
Kazakhstan	5.82	119	7.35	49	6.46	107
Kenya	6.31	104	6.96	78	6.58	100
Korea, Rep.	8.60	26	7.42	43	8.11	30
Kuwait	5.92	117	6.73	88	6.25	113
Kyrgyz Republic	6.51	98	6.97	77	6.70	87
Lao PDR	4.69	151	6.50	109	5.44	146
Latvia	8.89	16	7.77	16	8.42	15
Lebanon	6.37	101	5.45	154	5.98	121
Lesotho	7.01	84	6.52	105	6.80	81
Liberia	6.70	96	6.51	106	6.62	94
Libya	4.94	146	4.95	160	4.95	155
Lithuania	8.71	24	7.82	12	8.34	17
Luxembourg	9.23	7	7.54	36	8.53	10
Madagascar	6.74	93	6.10	127	6.47	105
Malawi	7.55	66	5.98	133	6.89	79
Malaysia	6.37	101	7.35	49	6.78	82
Mali	6.12	111	5.85	140	6.01	119
Malta	8.54	28	7.72	21	8.20	24
Mauritania	5.12	139	6.13	125	5.54	138
Mauritius	7.45	70	7.88	9	7.63	50
Mexico	6.23	109	7.12	64	6.60	98
Moldova	7.75	57	7.05	69	7.46	59
Mongolia	7.85	52	7.30	56	7.62	51
Montenegro	7.44	71	7.46	40	7.45	60
Morocco	4.84	147	6.55	99	5.55	136
Mozambique	6.87	90	6.27	116	6.62	94
Myanmar	5.29	132	5.93	137	5.56	135
Namibia	8.14	45	6.57	96	7.49	58
Nepal	6.93	86	6.54	103	6.77	84
Netherlands	9.12	10	7.75	17	8.55	9
New Zealand	9.09	11	8.27	4	8.75	2
Nicaragua	5.33	130	6.84	82	5.96	123
Niger	6.59	97	5.97	135	6.33	110
Nigeria	5.38	126	6.70	92	5.93	124
North Macedonia	8.03	47	7.16	61	7.67	47
Norway	9.17	8	7.58	32	8.51	11
Oman	4.79	149	6.65	93	5.57	134
Pakistan	5.02	143	6.03	130	5.44	146
Panama	7.58	64	7.45	41	7.52	55
Papua New Guinea	7.55	66	6.17	122	6.98	75
Paraguay	7.07	83	6.96	78	7.03	72

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Peru	7.52	68	7.50	37	7.51	56
Philippines	6.11	112	7.09	66	6.52	103
Poland	8.18	42	6.93	80	7.66	49
Portugal	8.75	21	7.43	42	8.20	24
Qatar	4.82	148	6.99	76	5.73	129
Romania	8.00	48	7.74	19	7.89	38
Russian Federation	5.58	123	6.62	94	6.01	119
Rwanda	5.24	133	6.90	81	5.93	124
Saudi Arabia	2.98	163	6.78	86	4.56	159
Senegal	7.16	80	6.05	129	6.70	87
Serbia	7.41	72	6.82	84	7.16	69
Seychelles	8.18	42	7.01	72	7.70	44
Sierra Leone	6.92	88	5.98	133	6.53	102
Singapore	7.15	81	8.48	2	7.70	44
Slovak Republic	8.38	36	7.33	54	7.94	37
Slovenia	8.51	29	7.00	75	7.88	39
Somalia	3.71	161	6.03	130	4.67	158
South Africa	7.20	77	6.55	99	6.93	77
Spain	8.40	35	7.63	28	8.08	31
Sri Lanka	6.05	113	6.72	89	6.33	110
Sudan	4.38	155	4.21	164	4.31	160
Suriname	8.20	41	5.81	143	7.20	68
Sweden	9.45	1	7.56	33	8.66	6
Switzerland	9.35	2	8.37	3	8.94	1
Syrian Arab Republic	2.34	165	4.63	162	3.30	165
Taiwan	8.98	12	7.68	24	8.44	14
Tajikistan	4.70	150	6.60	95	5.49	141
Tanzania	6.01	115	6.55	99	6.24	116
Thailand	6.28	107	6.78	86	6.49	104
Timor-Leste	8.21	40	5.94	136	7.27	65
Togo	6.29	106	6.19	121	6.25	113
Trinidad and Tobago	7.90	50	7.01	72	7.53	53
Tunisia	6.36	103	6.09	128	6.25	113
Turkey	5.15	137	6.48	112	5.71	130
Uganda	5.38	126	7.18	60	6.13	118
Ukraine	7.09	82	6.11	126	6.68	89
United Arab Emirates	4.63	153	7.35	49	5.76	127
United Kingdom	8.72	23	7.71	22	8.30	20
United States	8.42	33	7.97	7	8.23	23
Uruguay	8.63	25	7.06	68	7.97	36
Venezuela, RB	4.65	152	3.32	165	4.09	163
Vietnam	5.08	140	6.42	113	5.64	132
Yemen, Rep.	2.71	164	5.67	147	3.94	164
Zambia	6.25	108	6.56	98	6.38	109
Zimbabwe	5.79	120	4.48	163	5.25	151

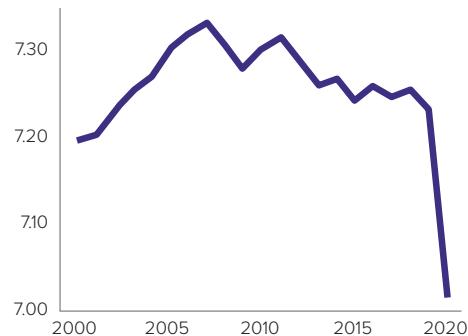
Note: SAR = Special Administrative Region; PDR = People's Democratic Republic; RB = Bolivarian Republic.

The top five jurisdictions in the *Human Freedom Index* for 2020 are Switzerland, New Zealand, Estonia, Denmark, and Ireland. The bottom five countries are, in descending order, Egypt, Iran, Venezuela, Yemen, and Syria. Other selected jurisdictions rank as follows: Canada (13), Taiwan (14), Japan (16), Germany (18), United Kingdom (20), United States (23), South Korea (30), Chile (32), France (42), Argentina (74), South Africa (77), Brazil (80), Ukraine (89), Mexico (98), India (112), Russia (119), Nigeria (124), Turkey (130), China (152), Saudi Arabia (159), Iran (162), Venezuela (163), and Syria (165).

Human freedom deteriorated sharply in the wake of the coronavirus pandemic. On a scale of 0 to 10, where 10 represents more freedom, the average human freedom rating for the 165 jurisdictions in this index representing 98.1 percent of the world's population fell from 7.03 in 2019 to 6.81 in 2020. Most areas of freedom fell, including significant declines in the rule of law and freedom of movement, expression, association and assembly, and freedom to trade. Based on that coverage, 94.3 percent of the world's population lives in jurisdictions that saw a fall in human freedom from 2019 to 2020, with many more jurisdictions decreasing their ratings (148) than increasing them (16).

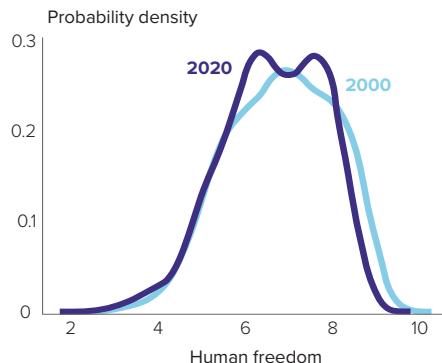
The sharp decline in freedom in 2020 comes after years of slow descent. In a comparison of the jurisdictions for which we have the same data available since 2000, a high point for freedom occurred in 2007, which then saw a steady

Figure 1
Human freedom score (2000–2020)



decline through 2019, a period during which 78.6 percent of the world's population experienced a fall in freedom (see Figure 1).²² The subsequent precipitous descent in 2020 affected every region of the world, including rich and poor countries and democracies and nondemocracies, setting global freedom to a level far below what it was in 2000, previously the lowest point in the past two decades. The policy responses to the pandemic varied greatly, and we do not analyze their effectiveness. Some policies may have saved lives, while others may have been ineffectual or worse, with many countries, be they relatively free or unfree, curtailing freedoms to varying degrees. There can be no doubt that the coronavirus pandemic was calamitous for overall human freedom. The key question in future years is whether governments will fully reverse COVID-related restrictions on freedom as the pandemic moderates or whether some will continue to exert the additional control and spending power

Figure 2
Density plot of human freedom, 2000 and 2020



Note: Based on a comparison of the same 123 jurisdictions for which we have data from 2000 through 2020.

they have appropriated to themselves during the pandemic. The HFI will provide an impartial monitoring going forward.

The data show that there is an unequal distribution of freedom in the world. Only 13.4 percent of the world's population lives in the top quartile of nations in the index, while 39.9 percent of the world's population lives in the bottom quartile of countries that have the lowest levels of freedom.²³ China, with its large population, plays a significant role in that disparity because it finds itself in the lowest freedom quartile of the index. Even so, more than 75 percent of the world's population lives in the bottom half of countries in the index. Figure 2 shows both the decrease in overall global freedom and the large inequality in global freedom over the past two decades.

Since 2007, the high point in human freedom, a minority of jurisdictions have increased their level

of freedom, but many of them, such as Myanmar, began from a very low base, and a majority experienced only minor improvements. The vast majority of jurisdictions saw declines. Among the countries and territories that deteriorated the most are Syria, Nicaragua, Hungary, Turkey, and Hong Kong (see Table 3).

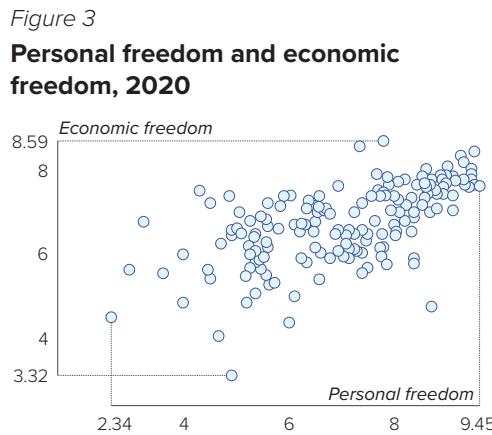
Other jurisdictions saw notable deteriorations during this time. The rating for France fell from 8.65 in 2007 to 7.8 in 2020, Brazil's rating decreased from 7.61 to 6.86, the United States' score dropped from 8.92 to 8.23, and Mexico's rating fell from 7.27 to 6.6.

The correlation between the personal and economic freedom ratings was 0.62 for 2020 (see Figure 3). Some countries ranked consistently high in the human freedom subindexes, including Switzerland and Estonia, which ranked in the top 10 in both personal and economic freedoms.

Table 3
Jurisdictions with most deteriorated freedom scores, 2007–2020

Country/Territory	Human freedom average (2007–2020)	Human freedom change (2007–2020)
Syrian Arab Republic	3.74	-1.48
Nicaragua	6.97	-1.45
Hungary	8.02	-1.24
Egypt, Arab Rep.	4.73	-1.22
Venezuela, RB	4.65	-1.19
Turkey	6.47	-1.15
El Salvador	7.44	-1.09
Burundi	5.27	-1.05
Bahrain	5.58	-1.02
Hong Kong SAR, China	8.72	-0.96

Note: RB = Bolivarian Republic; SAR = Special Administrative Region.



Sources: Authors' calculations; James Gwartney et al., *Economic Freedom of the World: 2022 Annual Report* (Vancouver: Fraser Institute, 2022).

By contrast, some countries that ranked high on personal freedom ranked significantly lower in economic freedom. For example, Sweden ranked 1st in personal freedom but fell to 33rd place in economic freedom, and Argentina ranked 29th in personal freedom but 161st in economic freedom.

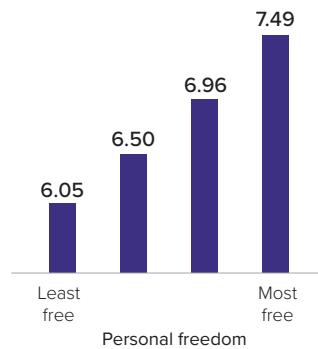
Similarly, some countries that ranked high in economic freedom found themselves significantly lower in personal freedom. For example, Singapore ranked 2nd in economic freedom while ranking 81st in personal freedom, Bahrain ranked 39th in economic freedom but 159th in personal freedom, and the United Arab Emirates ranked 49th in economic freedom but 153rd in personal freedom.

Figure 4 shows that nations in the top quartile of personal freedom saw a high economic freedom score of 7.49, compared with an economic freedom score of 6.05 for bottom-quartile nations.

Of the 12 major categories that make up the index, 9 saw some deterioration since 2019, with significant declines in freedom of movement, freedom to trade, the rule of law, freedom of association, regulation, and sound money. Since 2000 (comparing the 123 jurisdictions for which we have comparable data), most categories saw a decline. Freedom of movement, expression and information, and freedom to trade decreased the most since 2000, while sound money saw the largest improvement (see Figure 5).

Regional levels of freedom vary widely. The average ratings on the HFI by region were highest for Western Europe, North America (Canada and the United States), and Oceania; they were lowest for South Asia, sub-Saharan Africa, and the Middle East and North Africa.

Figure 4
Economic freedom by personal freedom quartiles, 2020



Sources: Authors' calculations; James Gwartney et al., *Economic Freedom of the World: 2022 Annual Report* (Vancouver: Fraser Institute, 2022).

Figure 5
Human freedom score by area (2020)
and changes (2000–2020)

Area	2000–2020	Change
Movement	8.35	-1.73
Expression	7.26	-0.57
Freedom to trade int'l	7.12	-0.41
Religion	8.57	-0.38
Assoc. & assembly	7.67	-0.37
Rule of law	5.59	-0.27
Size of government	6.64	-0.03
Safety & security	8.03	0.05
Relationships	7.68	0.08
Regulation	6.60	0.33
Legal system	5.25	0.34
Sound money	7.60	0.77

Sources: Authors' calculations; James Gwartney et al., *Economic Freedom of the World: 2022 Annual Report* (Vancouver: Fraser Institute, 2022).

Note: The changes in the areas' scores over time are based on a comparison of the same 123 jurisdictions for which we have continuous data from 2000 through 2020.

Freedom in all regions has deteriorated since 2019, with the largest falls occurring in North America, Western Europe, and Latin America and the Caribbean. Comparing the 123 jurisdictions for which we have continuous data from 2000 through 2020, we find that the largest improvement in freedom since 2000 occurred in Eastern Europe and sub-Saharan Africa, while the largest deterioration in freedom occurred in North America and Latin America and the Caribbean (see Figure 6). The regions that had greater overall levels of freedom also tended to exhibit higher ratings in personal freedom relative to economic freedom than did the

less free. That is consistent with the findings in Figure 4 that the jurisdictions with high levels of personal freedom also have high levels of economic freedom.

The personal freedom measure includes five indicators that relate to women-specific freedoms: freedom of movement for women, female-to-female relationships, divorce, inheritance rights, and female genital mutilation. Although they surely fall short of capturing a complete measure of women's freedoms, these measures cover a large range of important information and are likely correlated with other women-specific liberties not represented in cross-country data.

Here we have averaged the five components to calculate ratings by region of women-specific

Figure 6
Human freedom score by region (2020)
and changes (2000–2020)

Region	2000–2020	Change
North America	8.95	-0.60
LatAm & the Caribbean	7.48	-0.42
Western Europe	8.81	-0.40
Middle East & N. Africa	5.85	-0.36
Oceania	8.12	-0.24
East Asia	7.87	-0.23
Caucasus & Cent. Asia	6.87	-0.17
South Asia	6.36	0.02
Sub-Saharan Africa	6.27	0.03
Eastern Europe	7.63	0.12

Note: Jurisdictions that make up each region are listed in the section on regions in this report. The changes in the regions' scores over time are based on a comparison of the same 123 jurisdictions for which we have continuous data from 2000 through 2020.

personal freedom. Following that calculation, Figure 7 shows high levels of women-specific freedom in most regions of the world, with less freedom in South Asia, sub-Saharan Africa, and the Middle East and North Africa. Seven regions have seen some decline since 2019, with the largest fall in Eastern Europe. Slight improvements occurred in sub-Saharan Africa and the Caucasus and Central Asia. In comparison, the largest deteriorations in women-specific freedom since 2000 (based on the 123 jurisdictions for which we have data from 2000 through 2020) occurred in the least free region, the Middle East and North Africa (-0.79), followed by Eastern Europe (-0.13) and Western Europe (-0.07).

The fall in personal freedom that began in 2006 drove the steady decline in human freedom in the world until 2020, when both economic and personal freedom decreased dramatically. Since 2000, some indicators and some regions have seen

Figure 7
Average women-specific personal freedom score by region, 2020

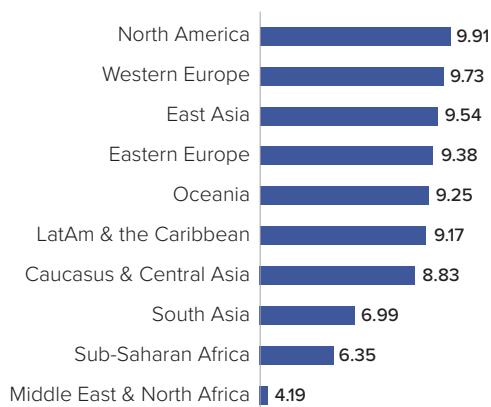
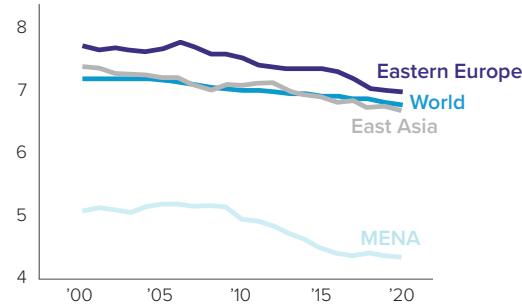


Figure 8
Freedom of expression, 2000–2020

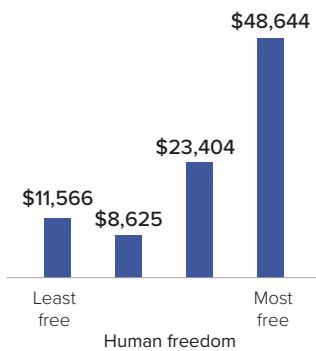


Note: The changes in the regions' scores over time are based on a comparison of the same 123 jurisdictions for which we have continuous data from 2000 through 2020. MENA = Middle East and North Africa.

especially marked deterioration. The weakening of the global rule of law ratings, for example, has for years been affected by its worsening performance in South Asia and Latin America and the Caribbean. Freedom of religion has suffered declines in every region, especially in East Asia and sub-Saharan Africa. All regions saw decreases in freedom of expression, the indicator that experienced the largest decline in our index after freedom of movement, confirming what some scholars have termed a global free speech recession.²⁴ The most notable drops in this area have occurred in the Middle East and North Africa, Eastern Europe, and East Asia. (See Figure 8.)

Does human freedom matter for development? There is a strong relationship between the level of freedom and income. Figure 9 shows that jurisdictions in the freest quartile enjoy more than twice the average per capita income (\$48,644) of those in the other quartiles (\$23,404

Figure 9
Income per capita by freedom quartiles, 2020



Sources: Authors' calculations; World Bank, World Development Indicators.

Note: Gross domestic product (GDP) per capita, purchasing power parity (constant 2017 international \$). Countries with no GDP per capita data were omitted from the calculations. Average human freedom score, 2000–2020. Based on a comparison of the same 123 jurisdictions for which we have continuous data from 2000 through 2020.

for the second freest). On average, the freest jurisdictions in the world have a much higher per capita income than those that are less free.

Figure 10 shows this relationship by region. The data, of course, do not establish a means of causation or even the direction of causation and provide only a snapshot in time. But the data do suggest the need to further explore the links between freedom and development and to test the contribution of freedom to prosperity and other indicators of human well-being, as has been done in the case of policies and institutions supportive of economic freedom.

Note that in Figure 10, the Middle East and North Africa region is an outlier, with a level of income beyond what might be expected

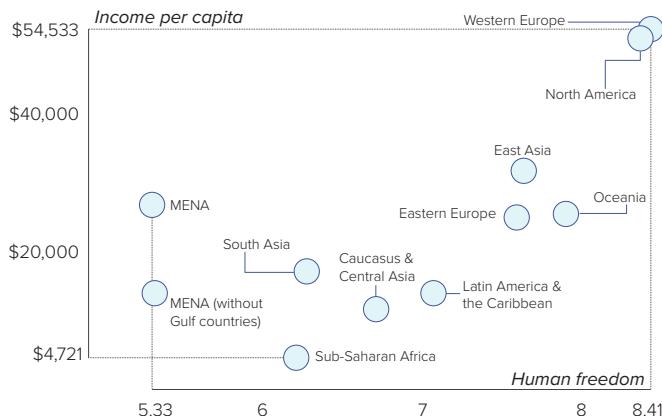
given its level of freedom. However, the picture is distorted by the presence of the Persian Gulf oil states. For illustration purposes, we also show the relationship with Gulf states removed.

What is the relationship between freedom and democracy? We use our index and the Democracy Index developed by the Economist Intelligence Unit (EIU) to see how political freedom and human freedom relate. The EIU constructs an index that produces a wide measure of democracy rather than a more limited measure of the existence of free and fair elections. The EIU's Democracy Index covers five areas, of which we use the following four: electoral process and pluralism, functioning of government, political participation, and political culture. That index also measures civil liberties, but we set those elements aside because that area is included in our freedom index.

There is a strong correlation of 0.87 between freedom and democracy (see Figure 11). The findings are not surprising, but they offer rich opportunities to empirically examine a complex relationship in which the direction of causation or support between the two variables, if any, may strengthen or weaken over time and may be influenced by numerous other factors, including the level of development.

Given the relationship between freedom and democracy, Hong Kong's outlier status may be somewhat unexpected. For many years, the territory maintained a high degree of freedom, ranking in the top 10 in our index through 2013,

Figure 10
Human freedom and income by region, 2020



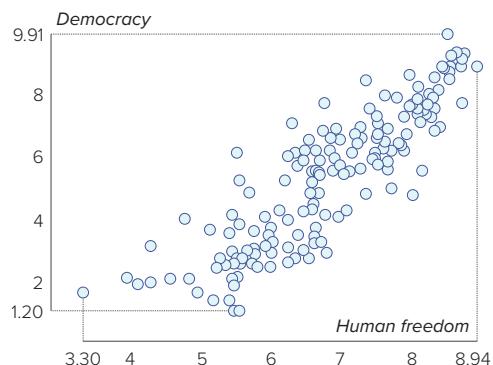
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though it was not a democracy. It then began a steady decline that has accelerated in recent years and that reflects the Chinese Communist Party's increasing interference in Hong Kong. In 2020,

the party's infringements on freedom led to the end of the city's autonomous status under the "one country, two systems" model. (See Box 1.) Given ongoing attacks on freedom in Hong Kong, we will be surprised if future reports do not show a continuing and pronounced degradation in the territory's ratings, including a noticeable decline in economic freedom.

Figure 11
Human freedom and democracy, 2020



Sources: Authors' calculations; Economist Intelligence Unit, Democracy Index 2020.

CONCLUSION: TOWARD A BETTER APPRECIATION OF FREEDOM

The *Human Freedom Index* provides a comprehensive measure of freedom for a large number of jurisdictions around the world.

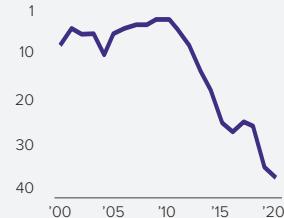
Devising an index of this kind is a complex task, both conceptually and methodologically, because the literature does not provide clear guidance,

Box 1**The fall of freedom in Hong Kong**

Freedom has suffered a precipitous decline in Hong Kong. The territory was once one of the freest places in the world, but the Chinese Communist Party's (CCP) escalating violations of Hong Kong's traditional liberties have caused its ranking in our index to fall from 3rd place in 2010 to 34th place in 2020, the most recent year in our report (see Figure 12).

Since our survey covers 2020, it reflects the CCP's imposition of a draconian security law that enabled its aggressive takeover of Hong Kong. Although the CCP's violation of the "one country, two systems" model that China had agreed to under international

Figure 12
Hong Kong ranking, human freedom



treaty has ended Hong Kong's autonomy, we intend to continue including the territory in our index because we believe its trajectory—from a former British colony to a special administrative region of China to its subjugation to CCP rule—is an extraordinary case study that deserves to be recorded.²⁵

Indeed, we have already been able to document notable deterioration in nearly every specific area of freedom. Among the areas that show the most pronounced declines are Hong Kong's rule of law, freedom of expression, and freedom of association and assembly ratings. For example, Hong Kong's ranking in freedom of expression fell from 25th in 2000 to 78th in 2020; in freedom of association and assembly, it dropped from 75th to 140th (see Figure 13).

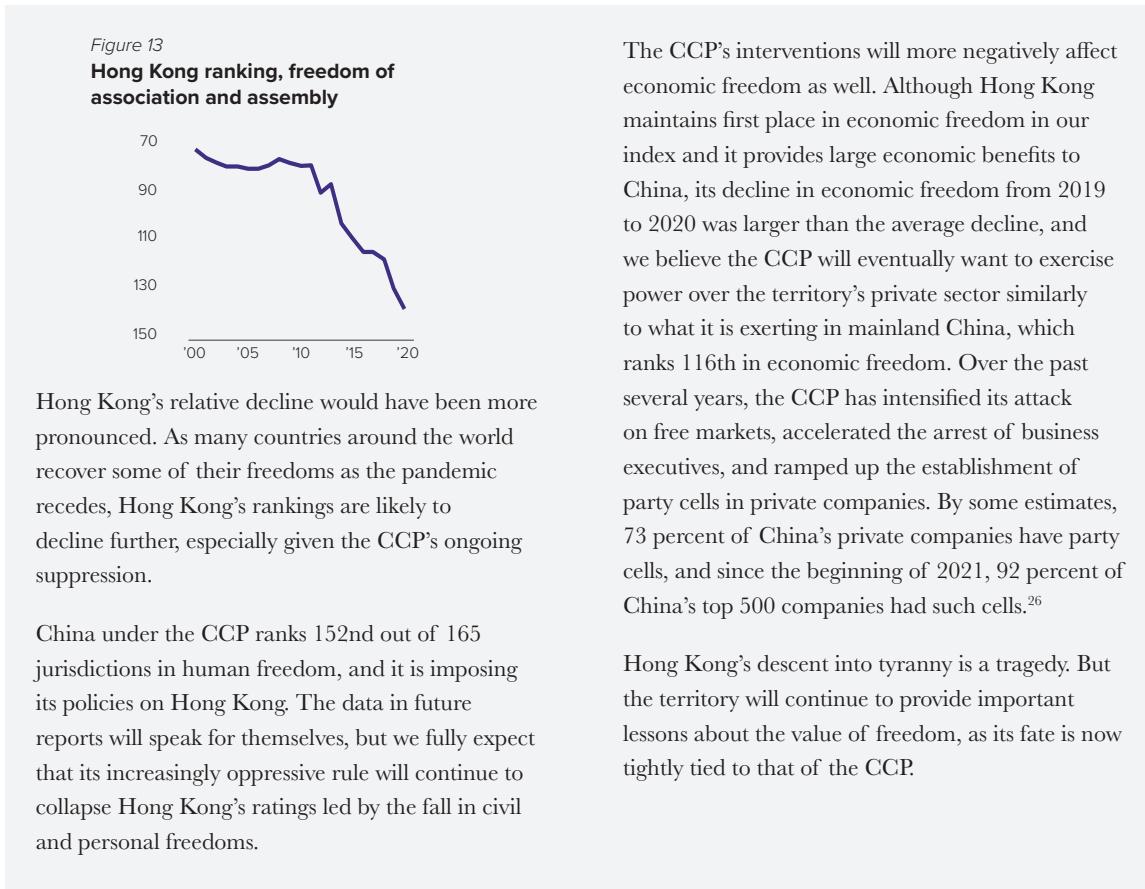
Given the sharp fall in Hong Kong's freedoms, we might have expected its overall and specific freedom rankings to show greater declines. Were 2020 not the height of the pandemic, in which so many countries curtailed their freedoms, we believe

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much less consensus, as to the relative importance of the many different elements that make up freedom or as to proper ways of measuring them. Reasonable people can disagree about the difficult but considered decisions we have made in terms of the structure and relative importance of the measures we have chosen. We invite them to use the data presented here to propose alternative weighting or structural approaches that seem more sensible to them. Because of the challenges

in putting together a broad measure of human freedom, this work in progress is certainly not the last word on the extent of freedom in countries around the world. However, we do think this index is quite reasonable and hope it will be useful in exploring and demonstrating the value of individual liberty and the ways in which it correlates with other aspects of various societies.

Even if this study confirms some of what we expected to observe, it is worth echoing Milton



Friedman when he referred to the creation of the economic freedom index: "What we have done is to acquire a set of data that can be used to explore just how the relation works, and what are the essential connections, and that will enable skeptics to test their views objectively."²⁷

The *Economic Freedom of the World* index has served just that purpose and more, producing abundant literature on the link between economic freedom and phenomena as diverse as foreign

aid, armed conflict, and happiness. The *Human Freedom Index* has the potential to do as much and looks increasingly important at a time when the world's leading market democracies struggle with political polarization and economic problems and when hybrid forms of authoritarianism are being sold as viable alternatives to liberalism. Over time, this index not only could track specific gains and losses of freedom—and indeed, the report has already been cited prominently to

that effect in the media²⁸—but also could help identify and explain what links may exist among the assortment of freedoms and other variables. What are the relationships among personal freedom, economic freedom, and democracy at different levels of development? Are some types of freedom, economic or personal, more conducive to the spread and sustenance of other freedoms? What is the relationship between

various measures of human well-being (including income) and changes in personal freedom? Under what conditions are increases or decreases in freedom likely to come about? Delving into those and innumerable other questions that the data may help us answer will surely lead to a better understanding of the role of freedom in human progress.

COUNTRIES BY REGION

CAUCASUS & CENTRAL ASIA

FREEDOM SCORE BY REGIONAL RANKING

Country/Territory	Freedom rank	Personal freedom	Economic freedom	Human freedom
1. Armenia	26	8.35	7.84	8.14
2. Georgia	43	7.67	7.78	7.71
3. Kyrgyz Republic	87	6.51	6.97	6.70
4. Kazakhstan	107	5.82	7.35	6.46
5. Azerbaijan	131	5.35	6.21	5.70
6. Tajikistan	141	4.70	6.60	5.49



MOST FREE II III LEAST FREE

EAST ASIA

FREEDOM SCORE BY REGIONAL RANKING

Country/Territory	Freedom rank	Personal freedom	Economic freedom	Human freedom
1. Taiwan	14	8.98	7.68	8.44
2. Japan	16	8.80	7.82	8.39
3. Korea, Rep.	30	8.60	7.42	8.11
4. Hong Kong SAR, China	34	7.60	8.59	8.01
5. Mongolia	51	7.85	7.30	7.62
6. China	152	4.47	6.27	5.22



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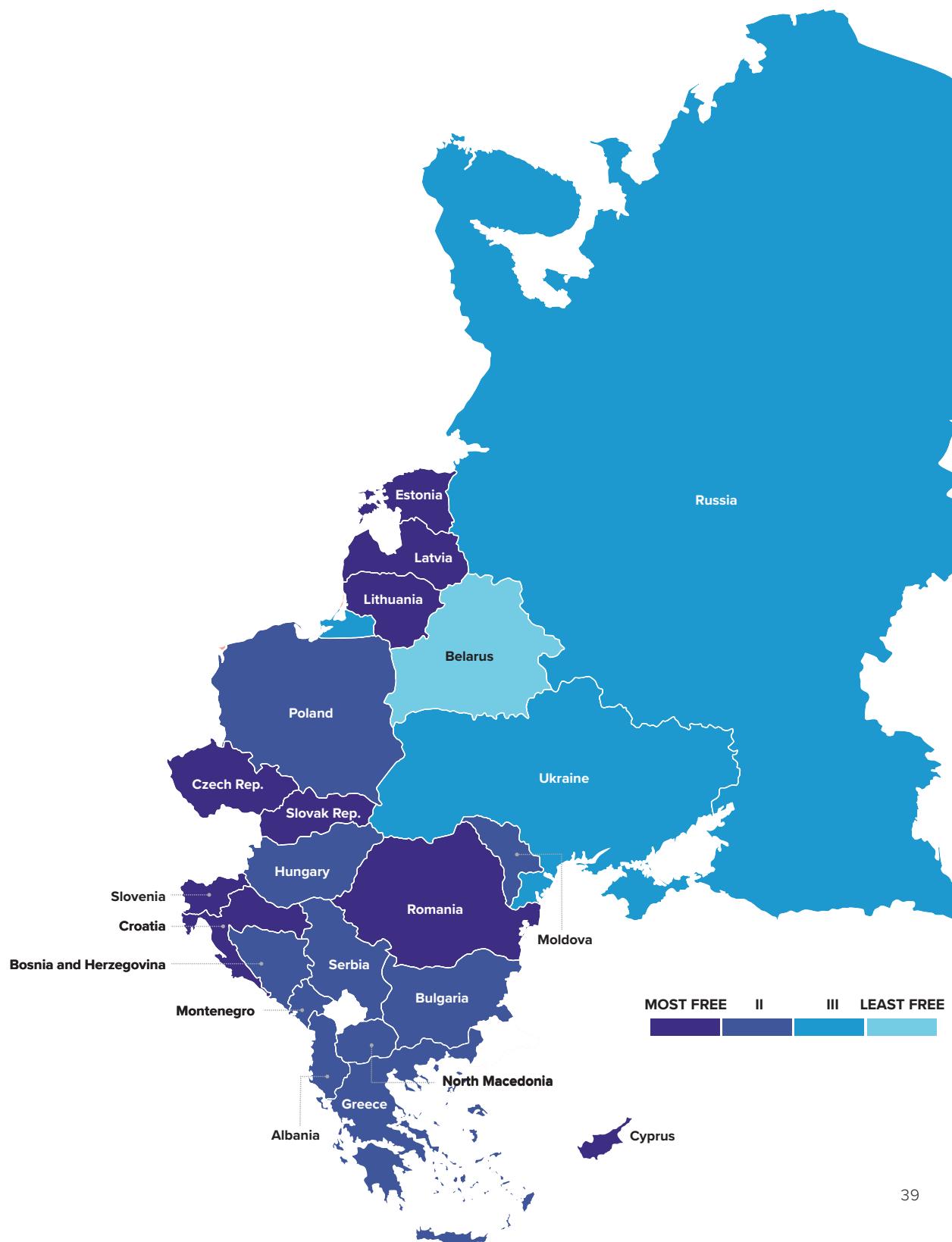
EASTERN EUROPE

FREEDOM SCORE BY REGIONAL RANKING

Country/Territory	Freedom rank	Personal freedom	Economic freedom	Human freedom
1. Estonia	3	9.28	7.95	8.73
2. Latvia	15	8.89	7.77	8.42
3. Lithuania	17	8.71	7.82	8.34
4. Czech Republic	18	8.75	7.75	8.33
5. Cyprus	28	8.59	7.49	8.13
6. Slovak Republic	37	8.38	7.33	7.94
7. Romania	38	8.00	7.74	7.89
8. Slovenia	39	8.51	7.00	7.88
9. Croatia	40	8.35	7.16	7.86
10. Bulgaria	41	7.90	7.69	7.81
11. Albania	47	7.69	7.64	7.67
11. North Macedonia	47	8.03	7.16	7.67
13. Poland	49	8.18	6.93	7.66
14. Greece	57	7.99	6.81	7.50
15. Moldova	59	7.75	7.05	7.46
16. Montenegro	60	7.44	7.46	7.45
17. Bosnia and Herzegovina	63	7.80	6.72	7.35
18. Hungary	67	7.19	7.24	7.21
19. Serbia	69	7.41	6.82	7.16
20. Ukraine	89	7.09	6.11	6.68
21. Russian Federation	119	5.58	6.62	6.01
22. Belarus	126	5.03	6.83	5.78

EASTERN EUROPE

FREEDOM SCORE BY REGIONAL RANKING



LATIN AMERICA & THE CARIBBEAN

FREEDOM SCORE BY REGIONAL RANKING

Country/Territory	Freedom rank	Personal freedom	Economic freedom	Human freedom
1. Bahamas, The	26	8.94	7.02	8.14
2. Chile	32	8.41	7.56	8.06
3. Costa Rica	35	8.24	7.62	7.98
4. Uruguay	36	8.63	7.06	7.97
5. Barbados	46	8.17	7.01	7.69
6. Dominican Republic	52	7.79	7.36	7.61
7. Jamaica	53	7.64	7.38	7.53
7. Trinidad and Tobago	53	7.90	7.01	7.53
9. Panama	55	7.58	7.45	7.52
10. Peru	56	7.52	7.50	7.51
11. Suriname	68	8.20	5.81	7.20
12. Ecuador	70	7.57	6.51	7.12
13. Guatemala	71	6.71	7.59	7.08
14. Paraguay	72	7.07	6.96	7.03
15. Belize	73	7.59	6.23	7.02
16. Argentina	74	8.51	4.87	6.99
17. Guyana	78	7.67	5.82	6.90
18. Brazil	80	7.24	6.33	6.86
19. Haiti	82	6.93	6.57	6.78
20. Honduras	90	6.40	7.04	6.67
21. Colombia	91	6.72	6.55	6.65
21. El Salvador	91	6.31	7.12	6.65
23. Bolivia	98	6.92	6.15	6.60
23. Mexico	98	6.23	7.12	6.60
25. Nicaragua	123	5.33	6.84	5.96
26. Venezuela, RB	163	4.65	3.32	4.09

LATIN AMERICA & THE CARIBBEAN

FREEDOM SCORE BY REGIONAL RANKING



MIDDLE EAST & NORTH AFRICA

FREEDOM SCORE BY REGIONAL RANKING

Country/Territory	Freedom rank	Personal freedom	Economic freedom	Human freedom
1. Israel	62	7.36	7.35	7.36
2. Jordan	108	5.69	7.37	6.39
3. Kuwait	113	5.92	6.73	6.25
3. Tunisia	113	6.36	6.09	6.25
5. Lebanon	121	6.37	5.45	5.98
6. United Arab Emirates	127	4.63	7.35	5.76
7. Qatar	129	4.82	6.99	5.73
8. Turkey	130	5.15	6.48	5.71
9. Oman	134	4.79	6.65	5.57
10. Morocco	136	4.84	6.55	5.55
11. Bahrain	141	4.07	7.47	5.49
12. Algeria	154	5.13	5.12	5.13
13. Libya	155	4.94	4.95	4.95
14. Iraq	157	4.25	5.51	4.77
15. Saudi Arabia	159	2.98	6.78	4.56
16. Egypt, Arab Rep.	161	3.32	5.61	4.28
17. Iran, Islamic Rep.	162	3.76	4.96	4.26
18. Yemen, Rep.	164	2.71	5.67	3.94
19. Syrian Arab Republic	165	2.34	4.63	3.30



NORTH AMERICA

FREEDOM SCORE BY REGIONAL RANKING

Country/Territory	Freedom rank	Personal freedom	Economic freedom	Human freedom
1. Canada	13	8.95	7.81	8.47
2. United States	23	8.42	7.97	8.23



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FREEDOM SCORE BY REGIONAL RANKING

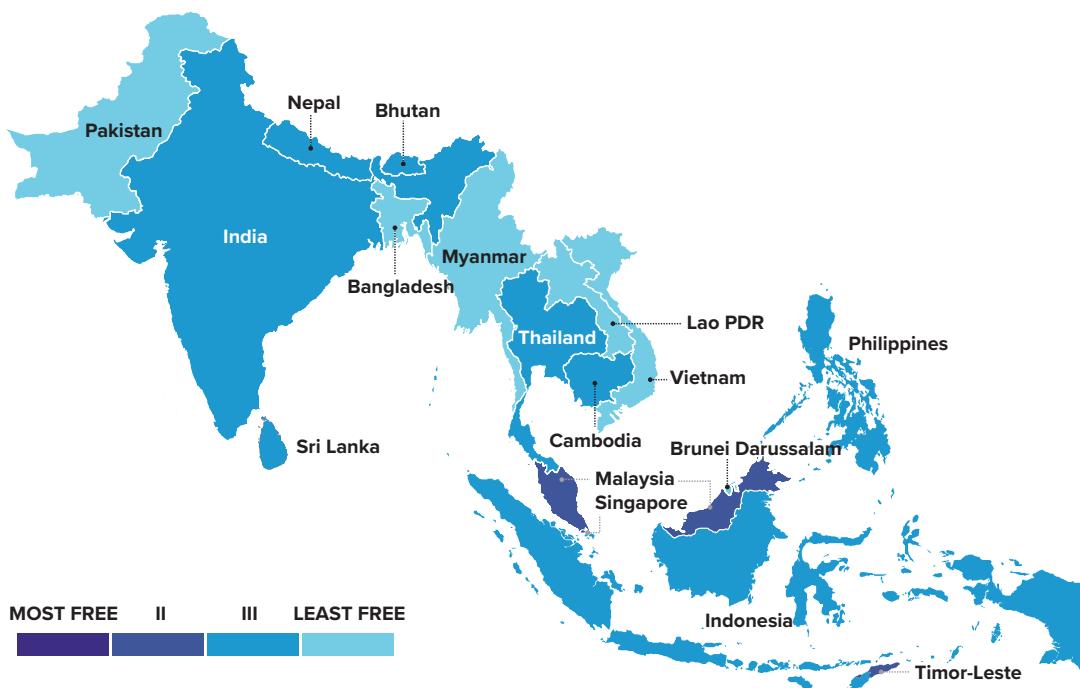
Country/Territory	Freedom rank	Personal freedom	Economic freedom	Human freedom
1. New Zealand	2	9.09	8.27	8.75
2. Australia	11	8.85	8.04	8.51
3. Fiji	64	7.81	6.53	7.28
4. Papua New Guinea	75	7.55	6.17	6.98



SOUTH ASIA

FREEDOM SCORE BY REGIONAL RANKING

Country/Territory	Freedom rank	Personal freedom	Economic freedom	Human freedom
1. Singapore	44	7.15	8.48	7.70
2. Timor-Leste	65	8.21	5.94	7.27
3. Malaysia	82	6.37	7.35	6.78
4. Nepal	84	6.93	6.54	6.77
5. Indonesia	85	6.49	7.09	6.74
6. Bhutan	86	6.86	6.49	6.71
7. Philippines	103	6.11	7.09	6.52
8. Thailand	104	6.28	6.78	6.49
9. Sri Lanka	110	6.05	6.72	6.33
10. India	112	6.00	6.72	6.30
11. Cambodia	116	5.60	7.13	6.24
12. Vietnam	132	5.08	6.42	5.64
13. Brunei Darussalam	133	4.29	7.21	5.62
14. Myanmar	135	5.29	5.93	5.56
15. Bangladesh	139	5.23	5.89	5.51
16. Lao PDR	146	4.69	6.50	5.44
16. Pakistan	146	5.02	6.03	5.44



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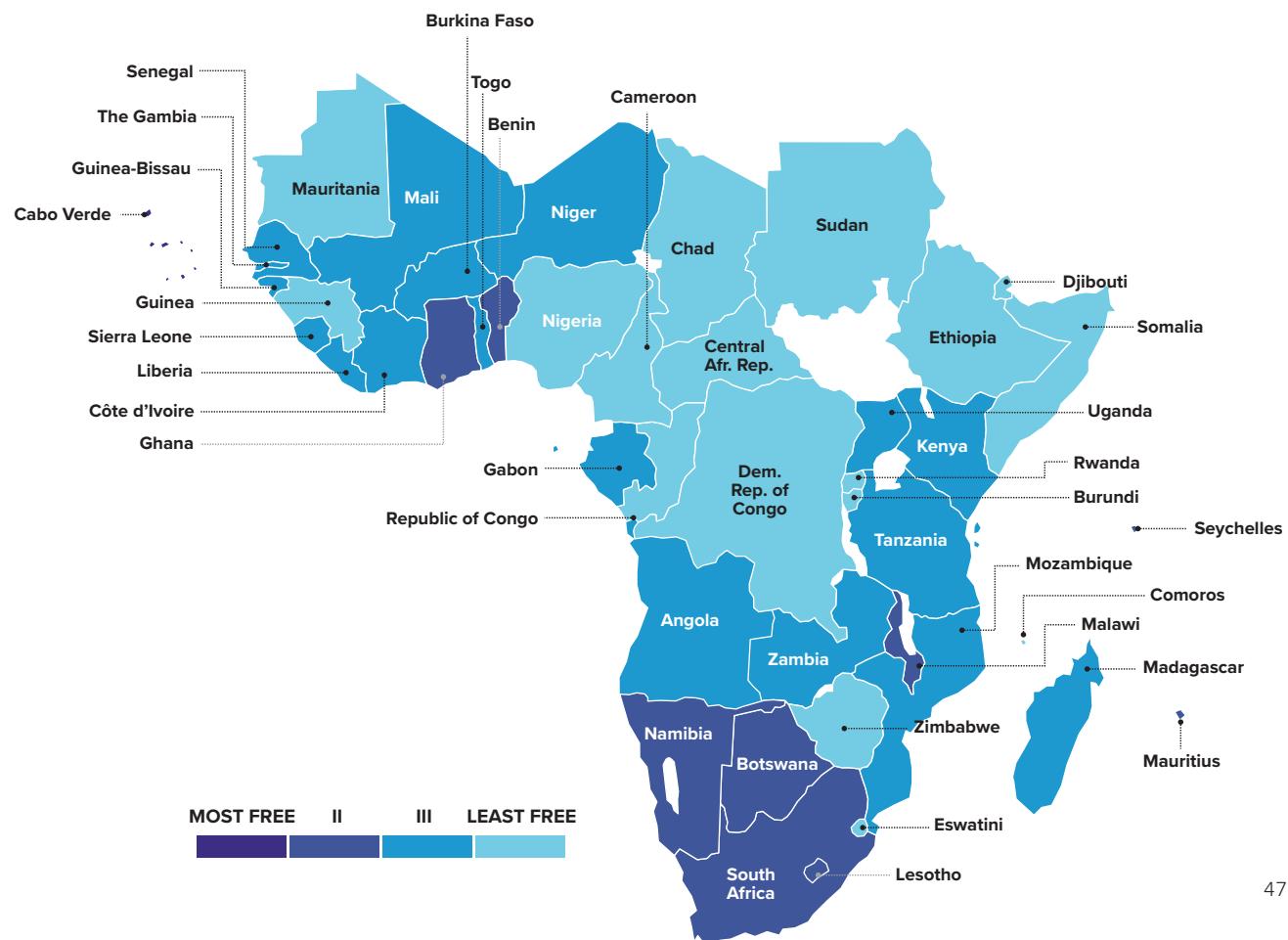
FREEDOM SCORE BY REGIONAL RANKING

Country/Territory	Freedom rank	Personal freedom	Economic freedom	Human freedom
1. Cabo Verde	29	8.49	7.60	8.12
2. Seychelles	44	8.18	7.01	7.70
3. Mauritius	50	7.45	7.88	7.63
4. Namibia	58	8.14	6.57	7.49
5. Botswana	61	7.50	7.35	7.44
6. Ghana	66	7.81	6.49	7.26
7. Benin	76	7.27	6.51	6.95
8. South Africa	77	7.20	6.55	6.93
9. Malawi	79	7.55	5.98	6.89
10. Lesotho	81	7.01	6.52	6.80
11. Senegal	87	7.16	6.05	6.70
12. Burkina Faso	93	6.98	6.15	6.63
13. Gabon	94	7.27	5.72	6.62
13. Liberia	94	6.70	6.51	6.62
13. Mozambique	94	6.87	6.27	6.62
16. Gambia, The	97	6.17	7.23	6.61
17. Kenya	100	6.31	6.96	6.58
18. Guinea-Bissau	101	7.18	5.64	6.54
19. Sierra Leone	102	6.92	5.98	6.53
20. Côte d'Ivoire	105	6.79	6.01	6.47
20. Madagascar	105	6.74	6.10	6.47
22. Zambia	109	6.25	6.56	6.38
23. Niger	110	6.59	5.97	6.33
24. Togo	113	6.29	6.19	6.25
25. Tanzania	116	6.01	6.55	6.24
26. Uganda	118	5.38	7.18	6.13
27. Mali	119	6.12	5.85	6.01
28. Angola	122	6.02	5.91	5.97
29. Nigeria	124	5.38	6.70	5.93
29. Rwanda	124	5.24	6.90	5.93
31. Comoros	128	5.34	6.31	5.75
32. Congo, Rep.	136	5.88	5.08	5.55
33. Mauritania	138	5.12	6.13	5.54

SUB-SAHARAN AFRICA

FREEDOM SCORE BY REGIONAL RANKING

Country/Territory	Freedom rank	Personal freedom	Economic freedom	Human freedom
34. Djibouti	139	5.02	6.21	5.51
35. Central African Rep.	143	5.51	5.40	5.47
36. Eswatini	144	5.23	5.76	5.45
36. Guinea	144	5.16	5.84	5.45
38. Ethiopia	148	5.31	5.58	5.42
39. Congo, Dem. Rep.	149	5.41	5.36	5.39
40. Cameroon	150	5.04	5.76	5.34
41. Zimbabwe	151	5.79	4.48	5.25
42. Chad	153	4.96	5.55	5.20
43. Burundi	156	4.22	5.67	4.82
44. Somalia	158	3.71	6.03	4.67
45. Sudan	160	4.38	4.21	4.31



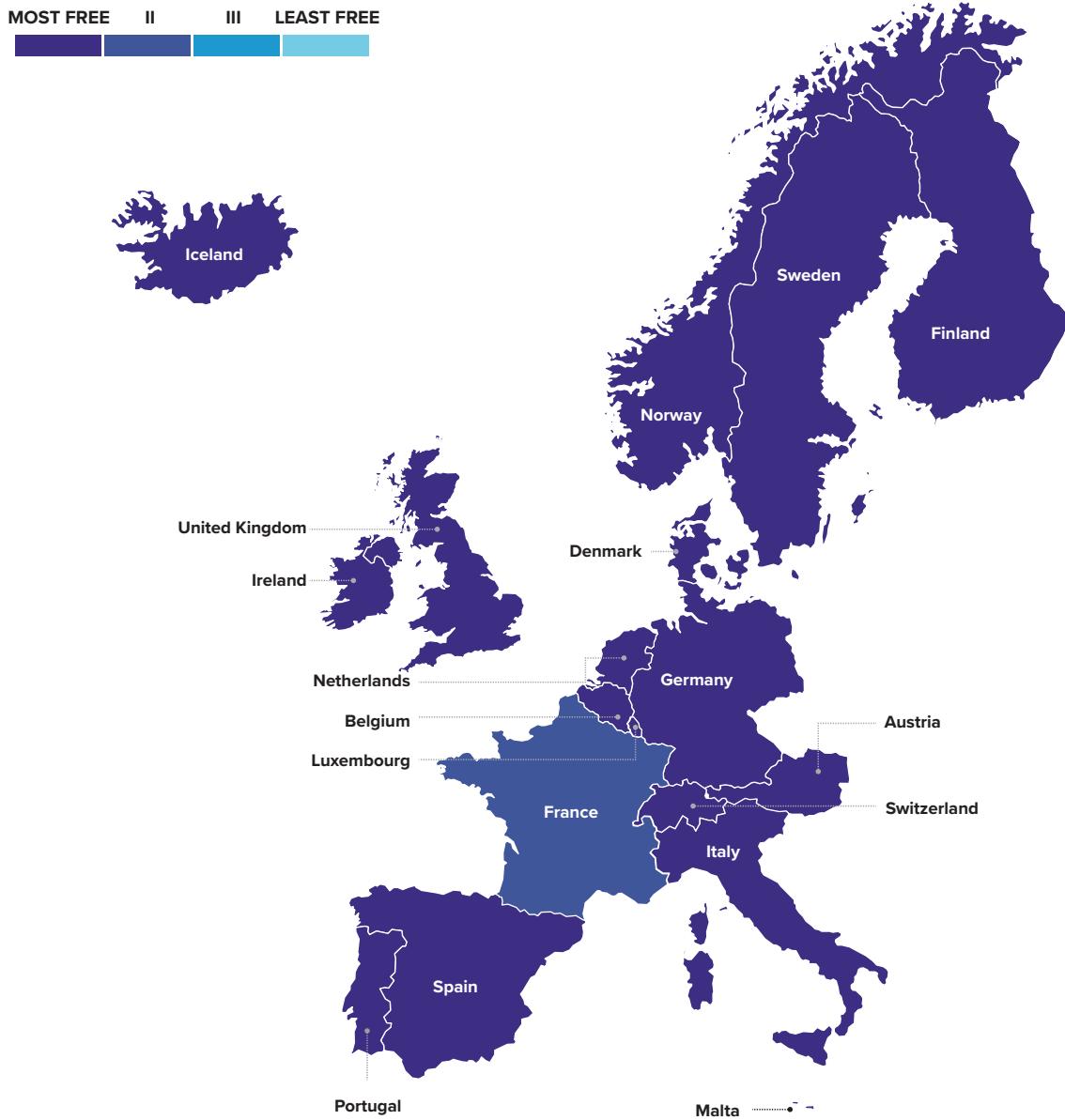
WESTERN EUROPE

FREEDOM SCORE BY REGIONAL RANKING

Country/Territory	Freedom rank	Personal freedom	Economic freedom	Human freedom
1. Switzerland	1	9.35	8.37	8.94
2. Denmark	4	9.17	8.09	8.72
3. Ireland	5	9.30	7.86	8.70
4. Sweden	6	9.45	7.56	8.66
5. Iceland	7	9.29	7.73	8.64
6. Finland	8	9.33	7.64	8.62
7. Netherlands	9	9.12	7.75	8.55
8. Luxembourg	10	9.23	7.54	8.53
9. Norway	11	9.17	7.58	8.51
10. Germany	18	8.81	7.65	8.33
11. United Kingdom	20	8.72	7.71	8.30
12. Belgium	21	8.92	7.37	8.27
13. Austria	22	8.76	7.56	8.26
14. Malta	24	8.54	7.72	8.20
14. Portugal	24	8.75	7.43	8.20
16. Spain	31	8.40	7.63	8.08
17. Italy	33	8.46	7.40	8.02
18. France	42	8.14	7.33	7.80

WESTERN EUROPE

FREEDOM SCORE BY REGIONAL RANKING



COUNTRY PROFILES



ALBANIA

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HUMAN FREEDOM

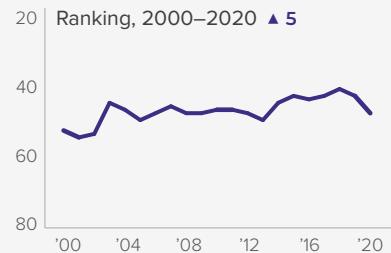
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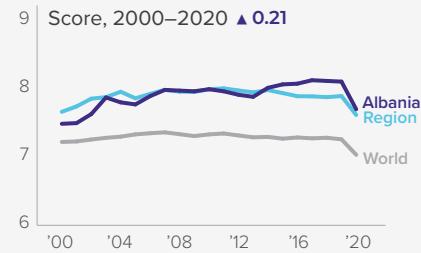
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Score, 2000–2020 ▲ 0.21



PERSONAL FREEDOM

Ranking
58/165

Score
7.69

Rule of law

Procedural justice	4.8
Civil justice	5.9
Criminal justice	4.7
Rule of law (V-Dem)	4.0
	7.2

Security and safety

Homicide	9.2
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	9.3

Movement

Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	6.6
Freedom of movement (CLD)	9.8

Religion

Freedom of religion	9.8
Religious organization repression	9.7

Association, assembly, civil society

Civil society entry and exit	8.7
Freedom of assembly	8.4
Freedom to form/run political parties	9.2
Civil society repression	8.9

Expression and information

Direct attacks on the press	6.1
Media and expression (V-Dem)	10.0
Media and expression (Freedom House)	5.5
Media and expression (BTI)	5.0
Media and expression (CLD)	6.7
	3.3

Relationships

Same-sex relationships	8.8
Divorce	10.0
Inheritance rights	7.5
Female genital mutilation	7.5
	10.0

ECONOMIC FREEDOM

Ranking
26/165

Score
7.64

Size of government

Government consumption	7.8
Transfers and subsidies	8.0
Government investment	7.0
Top marginal tax rate	7.5
State ownership of assets	8.0

Legal system and property rights

Judicial independence	5.3
Impartial courts	4.2
Protection of property rights	4.1
Military interference	3.8
Integrity of the legal system	8.3
Legal enforcement of contracts	5.4
Regulatory costs	3.9
Reliability of police	6.7

Sound money

Money growth	9.8
Standard deviation of inflation	9.8
Inflation: Most recent year	9.7
Freedom to own foreign currency	9.7

Freedom to trade internationally

Tariffs	8.2
Regulatory trade barriers	9.0
Black-market exchange rates	8.1
Movement of capital and people	10.0

Regulation

Credit market regulations	7.1
Labor market regulations	7.9
Business regulations	6.7

ALBANIA

EASTERN EUROPE

	2000	2002	2004	2006	2008	2010	2012	2014	2016	2018	2019	2020
Human freedom	7.46	7.60	7.77	7.86	7.94	7.96	7.88	7.98	8.04	8.08	8.07	7.67
Ranking	52	53	46	47	47	46	47	44	43	40	42	47
Economic freedom	6.52	6.94	7.21	7.27	7.28	7.33	7.47	7.67	7.75	7.76	7.79	7.64
Personal freedom	8.13	8.07	8.16	8.27	8.41	8.41	8.17	8.19	8.24	8.30	8.27	7.69
Rule of law	4.6	4.7	4.8	4.8	4.8	4.9	4.5	5.2	5.3	5.0	4.9	4.8
Procedural justice	-	-	-	-	5.7	5.7	5.0	6.1	6.7	6.0	5.9	5.9
Civil justice	-	-	-	-	5.1	5.1	5.0	4.8	4.5	4.8	4.7	4.7
Criminal justice	-	-	-	-	4.1	4.1	3.6	4.6	4.7	4.3	4.0	4.0
Rule of law (V-Dem)	6.5	6.8	6.9	6.9	6.9	7.0	7.1	7.3	7.3	7.2	7.4	7.2
Security and safety	9.1	8.7	9.1	9.3	9.3	9.2	9.0	9.2	9.5	9.5	9.4	9.2
Homicide	8.8	8.0	8.8	9.1	9.1	8.7	8.4	8.8	9.2	9.3	9.3	9.3
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	9.4	9.4	9.5	9.5	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.8	9.7	9.4	9.2
Movement	9.5	9.6	9.7	9.7	9.6	9.7	9.7	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.9	6.6
Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	9.0	9.2	9.4	9.4	9.3	9.3	9.5	9.6	9.6	9.5	9.7	9.8
Freedom of movement (CLD)	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	3.3
Religion	8.8	8.8	8.8	9.0	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.8	9.7	9.8
Freedom of religion	8.2	8.2	8.2	8.2	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.8	9.6	9.7
Religious organization repression	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8
Association, assembly, civil society	8.0	8.4	8.4	8.8	9.1	9.1	8.7	8.7	8.7	9.0	9.1	8.7
Civil society entry and exit	7.3	8.0	8.0	8.0	8.0	8.0	8.3	7.7	7.7	8.4	8.4	8.4
Freedom of assembly	8.5	8.5	8.5	8.5	9.6	9.6	8.5	9.3	9.3	9.6	10.0	9.2
Freedom to form/run political parties	8.5	9.4	9.3	9.3	9.4	9.4	9.4	9.1	9.1	9.1	9.1	8.9
Civil society repression	7.9	7.9	7.9	9.2	9.3	9.3	8.7	8.7	8.7	8.7	8.7	8.2
Expression and information	7.5	6.8	6.9	7.0	6.8	6.8	6.6	6.5	6.4	6.3	6.2	6.1
Direct attacks on the press	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Media and expression (V-Dem)	7.3	7.4	7.4	7.4	7.6	7.7	7.7	7.1	7.1	6.5	6.2	5.5
Media and expression (Freedom House)	4.7	4.3	4.8	5.2	5.3	5.2	5.3	5.3	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0
Media and expression (BTI)	8.9	8.9	8.9	8.9	7.8	7.8	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7
Media and expression (CLD)	6.7	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3
Relationships	9.4	9.4	9.4	9.4	9.4	9.4	8.8	8.1	8.1	8.8	8.8	8.8
Same-sex relationships	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Divorce	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5
Inheritance rights	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	7.5	5.0	5.0	7.5	7.5	7.5
Female genital mutilation	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0

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ALGERIA

MIDDLE EAST & NORTH AFRICA

HUMAN FREEDOM

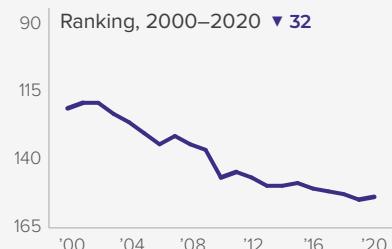
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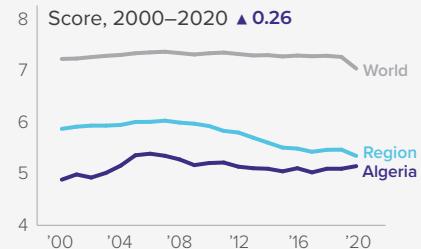
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PERSONAL FREEDOM

Ranking
138/165

Score
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Rule of law

Procedural justice	5.0
Civil justice	4.9
Criminal justice	5.5
Rule of law (V-Dem)	4.3
	5.5

Security and safety

Homicide	8.8
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	9.6

Movement

Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	5.9
Freedom of movement (CLD)	8.5

Religion

Freedom of religion	5.4
Religious organization repression	5.5

Association, assembly, civil society

Civil society entry and exit	3.9
Freedom of assembly	2.6
Freedom to form/run political parties	3.4
Civil society repression	6.6

Expression and information

Direct attacks on the press	4.4
Media and expression (V-Dem)	7.7
Media and expression (Freedom House)	4.0
Media and expression (BTI)	2.5
Media and expression (CLD)	4.4
	3.3

Relationships

Same-sex relationships	2.5
Divorce	0.0
Inheritance rights	0.0
Female genital mutilation	10.0

ECONOMIC FREEDOM

Ranking
157/165

Score
5.12

Size of government

Government consumption	4.4
Transfers and subsidies	3.1
Government investment	7.8
Top marginal tax rate	4.0
State ownership of assets	4.5
	2.6

Legal system and property rights

Judicial independence	4.1
Impartial courts	4.0
Protection of property rights	5.1
Military interference	3.3
Integrity of the legal system	4.8
Legal enforcement of contracts	4.4
Regulatory costs	6.6
Reliability of police	6.3

Sound money

Money growth	7.6
Standard deviation of inflation	8.0
Inflation: Most recent year	8.0
Freedom to own foreign currency	9.5
	5.0

Freedom to trade internationally

Tariffs	3.6
Regulatory trade barriers	6.9
Black-market exchange rates	2.5
Movement of capital and people	4.4
	0.8

Regulation

Credit market regulations	5.8
Labor market regulations	6.0
Business regulations	5.6
	5.7

ALGERIA

MIDDLE EAST & NORTH AFRICA

	2000	2002	2004	2006	2008	2010	2012	2014	2016	2018	2019	2020
Human freedom	4.87	4.91	5.14	5.37	5.26	5.19	5.12	5.08	5.09	5.08	5.08	5.13
Ranking	122	120	127	135	135	147	147	150	151	153	155	154
Economic freedom	4.88	4.74	4.95	5.44	5.19	5.12	4.92	5.04	5.04	4.87	4.86	5.12
Personal freedom	4.86	5.03	5.27	5.32	5.32	5.23	5.27	5.11	5.13	5.22	5.24	5.13
Rule of law	4.7	4.7	4.7	4.8	4.8	4.8	4.9	5.0	5.0	5.1	4.9	5.0
Procedural justice	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5.2	4.9	4.9
Civil justice	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5.6	5.5	5.5
Criminal justice	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4.3	4.3	4.3
Rule of law (V-Dem)	5.2	5.2	5.2	5.4	5.4	5.4	5.4	5.5	5.5	5.5	5.3	5.5
Security and safety	6.5	6.4	7.5	7.2	7.3	8.1	8.1	8.4	8.7	8.8	9.0	8.8
Homicide	9.4	9.4	9.6	9.7	9.7	9.8	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.6
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	3.5	3.4	5.5	4.7	5.0	6.3	6.6	7.1	7.8	8.0	8.3	8.1
Movement	5.1	5.1	6.8	7.2	7.3	5.6	5.7	5.7	5.9	5.8	5.9	5.9
Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	6.9	6.9	6.9	7.8	7.9	7.9	8.0	8.0	8.4	8.3	8.5	8.5
Freedom of movement (CLD)	3.3	3.3	6.7	6.7	6.7	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3
Religion	4.5	5.4	4.5	4.5	4.5	4.5	4.5	4.5	4.3	4.9	5.2	5.4
Freedom of religion	3.6	5.3	3.6	3.6	3.6	3.6	3.6	3.7	3.8	5.0	5.3	5.4
Religious organization repression	5.4	5.4	5.4	5.4	5.3	5.3	5.3	4.9	4.8	5.2	5.2	5.5
Association, assembly, civil society	5.1	4.7	4.7	4.7	4.5	4.5	4.5	4.4	4.3	4.4	4.6	3.9
Civil society entry and exit	3.8	3.8	3.8	3.8	3.4	3.3	3.3	2.9	2.6	2.8	3.2	2.6
Freedom of assembly	3.4	3.4	3.4	3.4	3.4	3.4	3.4	3.8	4.3	4.3	4.3	3.4
Freedom to form/run political parties	6.5	6.5	6.5	6.5	6.4	6.3	6.4	6.6	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.6
Civil society repression	6.7	5.0	5.0	5.0	4.8	4.8	4.8	4.3	3.8	3.9	4.1	2.9
Expression and information	4.3	5.1	4.9	5.0	5.0	5.5	5.5	5.4	5.2	5.1	4.6	4.4
Direct attacks on the press	5.5	9.1	8.3	8.9	8.9	10.0	10.0	9.7	9.7	8.8	8.3	7.7
Media and expression (V-Dem)	6.1	6.1	5.9	5.9	5.8	5.8	5.8	5.7	4.9	5.1	4.4	4.0
Media and expression (Freedom House)	2.3	2.7	2.5	2.7	2.7	2.7	2.8	2.8	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5
Media and expression (BTI)	4.4	4.4	4.4	4.4	4.4	5.6	5.6	5.6	5.6	5.6	4.4	4.4
Media and expression (CLD)	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3
Relationships	3.8	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5						
Same-sex relationships	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Divorce	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Inheritance rights	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Female genital mutilation	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0

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SUB-SAHARAN AFRICA

HUMAN FREEDOM

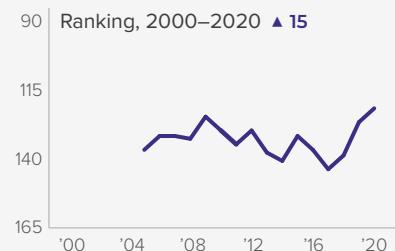
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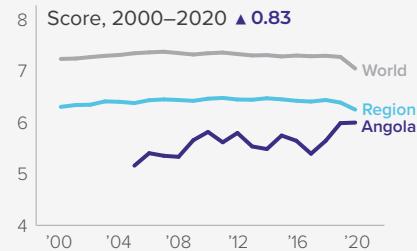
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5.97

Ranking, 2000–2020 ▲ 15



Score, 2000–2020 ▲ 0.83



PERSONAL FREEDOM

Ranking
114/165

Score
6.02

Rule of law

Procedural justice	3.6
Civil justice	2.8
Criminal justice	4.4
Rule of law (V-Dem)	3.5
	5.3

Security and safety

Homicide	8.5
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	8.6

Movement

Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	6.0
Freedom of movement (CLD)	8.6

Religion

Freedom of religion	6.7
Religious organization repression	6.6

Association, assembly, civil society

Civil society entry and exit	5.6
Freedom of assembly	3.9
Freedom to form/run political parties	5.4
Civil society repression	8.0

Expression and information

Direct attacks on the press	5.6
Media and expression (V-Dem)	10.0
Media and expression (Freedom House)	6.6
Media and expression (BTI)	2.5
Media and expression (CLD)	5.6
	3.3

Relationships

Same-sex relationships	6.3
Divorce	5.0
Inheritance rights	5.0
Female genital mutilation	10.0

ECONOMIC FREEDOM

Ranking
138/165

Score
5.91

Size of government

Government consumption	8.1
Transfers and subsidies	7.7
Government investment	9.7
Top marginal tax rate	9.3
State ownership of assets	9.5
	4.5

Legal system and property rights

Judicial independence	3.7
Impartial courts	4.1
Protection of property rights	3.4
Military interference	3.7
Integrity of the legal system	4.2
Legal enforcement of contracts	4.5
Regulatory costs	2.3
Reliability of police	5.5
	3.8

Sound money

Money growth	6.1
Standard deviation of inflation	7.0
Inflation: Most recent year	6.8
Freedom to own foreign currency	5.5
	5.0

Freedom to trade internationally

Tariffs	5.4
Regulatory trade barriers	7.1
Black-market exchange rates	3.6
Movement of capital and people	10.0
	0.8

Regulation

Credit market regulations	6.2
Labor market regulations	7.6
Business regulations	5.3
	5.7

ANGOLA

SUB-SAHARAN AFRICA

	2000	2002	2004	2006	2008	2010	2012	2014	2016	2018	2019	2020
Human freedom	-	-	-	5.38	5.31	5.79	5.77	5.46	5.62	5.62	5.96	5.97
Ranking	-	-	-	132	133	130	130	141	137	139	127	122
Economic freedom	-	-	-	4.57	4.50	5.42	5.47	5.07	5.39	4.86	5.55	5.91
Personal freedom	-	-	-	5.95	5.88	6.06	5.99	5.75	5.78	6.17	6.25	6.02
Rule of law	-	-	-	3.1	3.2	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.6	3.5	3.6
Procedural justice	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2.7	2.8	2.8
Civil justice	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4.4	4.4	4.4
Criminal justice	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3.6	3.5	3.5
Rule of law (V-Dem)	-	-	-	4.7	4.7	4.8	4.8	4.8	4.9	5.3	5.3	5.3
Security and safety	-	-	-	8.4	8.0	8.3	8.0	8.0	8.3	8.5	8.5	8.5
Homicide	-	-	-	8.7	8.7	8.7	8.6	8.6	8.6	8.6	8.6	8.6
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	-	-	-	8.0	7.3	8.0	7.3	7.3	8.0	8.4	8.3	8.4
Movement	-	-	-	7.3	7.3	7.4	7.4	7.5	7.5	7.6	7.6	6.0
Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	-	-	-	7.9	7.9	8.2	8.2	8.2	8.3	8.5	8.6	8.6
Freedom of movement (CLD)	-	-	-	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	3.3
Religion	-	-	-	7.2	7.3	8.1	8.1	7.0	7.0	6.7	6.7	6.7
Freedom of religion	-	-	-	7.1	7.3	8.9	8.9	7.3	7.3	6.8	6.6	6.6
Religious organization repression	-	-	-	7.3	7.3	7.3	7.3	6.6	6.6	6.5	6.9	6.9
Association, assembly, civil society	-	-	-	4.9	4.9	4.9	5.0	4.8	4.7	5.4	5.6	5.6
Civil society entry and exit	-	-	-	3.2	3.2	3.2	3.2	3.3	3.3	3.7	3.7	3.9
Freedom of assembly	-	-	-	3.8	3.8	3.4	3.8	3.1	2.7	4.6	5.4	5.4
Freedom to form/run political parties	-	-	-	8.4	8.3	8.4	8.4	8.2	8.2	8.5	8.5	8.0
Civil society repression	-	-	-	4.3	4.3	4.6	4.5	4.5	4.5	5.0	5.0	5.0
Expression and information	-	-	-	5.8	5.5	5.3	5.2	4.9	4.8	5.1	5.5	5.6
Direct attacks on the press	-	-	-	10.0	10.0	8.7	8.7	8.7	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Media and expression (V-Dem)	-	-	-	5.2	4.7	4.8	4.8	4.6	4.6	6.5	6.1	6.6
Media and expression (Freedom House)	-	-	-	4.7	4.9	4.3	3.5	3.1	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5
Media and expression (BTI)	-	-	-	2.2	4.4	5.6	5.6	4.4	3.3	3.3	5.6	5.6
Media and expression (CLD)	-	-	-	6.7	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3
Relationships	-	-	-	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	6.3	6.3	6.3
Same-sex relationships	-	-	-	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	5.0	5.0	5.0
Divorce	-	-	-	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0
Inheritance rights	-	-	-	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0
Female genital mutilation	-	-	-	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0

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ARGENTINA

LATIN AMERICA & THE CARIBBEAN

HUMAN FREEDOM

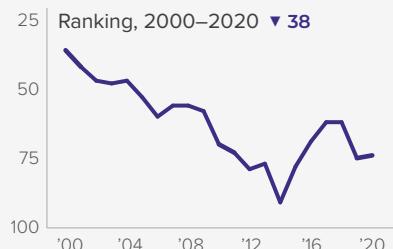
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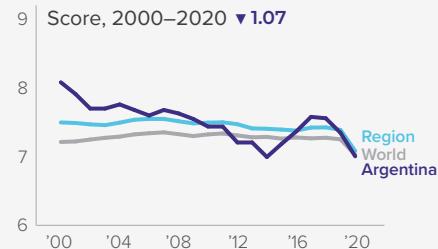
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Ranking, 2000–2020 ▾ 38



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PERSONAL FREEDOM

Ranking
29/165

Score
8.51

Rule of law

Procedural justice	5.7
Civil justice	6.8
Criminal justice	5.7
Rule of law (V-Dem)	4.2
	6.7

Security and safety

Homicide	8.5
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	8.5

Movement

Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	7.9
Freedom of movement (CLD)	9.0

Religion

Freedom of religion	9.9
Religious organization repression	9.9

Association, assembly, civil society

Civil society entry and exit	9.2
Freedom of assembly	8.9
Freedom to form/run political parties	9.7
Civil society repression	9.0

Expression and information

Direct attacks on the press	8.4
Media and expression (V-Dem)	10.0
Media and expression (Freedom House)	8.9
Media and expression (BTI)	7.5
Media and expression (CLD)	8.9
	6.7

Relationships

Same-sex relationships	10.0
Divorce	10.0
Inheritance rights	10.0
Female genital mutilation	10.0

ECONOMIC FREEDOM

Ranking
161/165

Score
4.87

Size of government

Government consumption	6.5
Transfers and subsidies	6.0
Government investment	6.5
Top marginal tax rate	8.7
State ownership of assets	4.0
	7.2

Legal system and property rights

Judicial independence	4.8
Impartial courts	4.7
Protection of property rights	4.0
Military interference	4.6
Integrity of the legal system	7.5
Legal enforcement of contracts	4.8
Regulatory costs	3.8
Reliability of police	6.9
	4.4

Sound money

Money growth	4.5
Standard deviation of inflation	5.1
Inflation: Most recent year	6.4
Freedom to own foreign currency	1.6
	5.0

Freedom to trade internationally

Tariffs	3.1
Regulatory trade barriers	6.0
Black-market exchange rates	5.4
Movement of capital and people	0.0
	0.9

Regulation

Credit market regulations	5.5
Labor market regulations	5.1
Business regulations	6.2

ARGENTINA

LATIN AMERICA & THE CARIBBEAN

	2000	2002	2004	2006	2008	2010	2012	2014	2016	2018	2019	2020
Human freedom	8.06	7.68	7.74	7.58	7.61	7.42	7.19	6.98	7.35	7.54	7.33	6.99
Ranking	36	47	47	60	56	70	79	91	69	62	75	74
Economic freedom	7.21	6.32	6.39	6.15	6.22	5.80	5.29	4.73	5.62	5.89	5.44	4.87
Personal freedom	8.66	8.65	8.70	8.60	8.61	8.58	8.56	8.59	8.59	8.73	8.68	8.51
Rule of law	5.1	5.2	5.4	5.4	5.3	5.3	5.3	5.5	5.7	5.7	5.6	5.7
Procedural justice	-	-	-	-	6.3	6.3	6.7	6.7	7.1	6.8	6.8	6.8
Civil justice	-	-	-	-	5.4	5.4	5.4	5.7	5.8	5.9	5.7	5.7
Criminal justice	-	-	-	-	4.3	4.3	3.7	4.3	4.3	4.4	4.2	4.2
Rule of law (V-Dem)	6.6	6.7	7.0	7.0	6.9	6.9	7.0	7.0	6.8	6.8	6.6	6.7
Security and safety	8.7	8.7	8.7	8.3	8.6	8.6	8.6	8.5	8.7	8.4	8.4	8.5
Homicide	7.8	7.8	7.8	7.8	7.8	7.8	7.8	7.8	8.3	8.5	8.5	8.5
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	9.6	9.6	9.6	8.7	9.3	9.3	9.3	9.3	9.1	8.4	8.3	8.5
Movement	9.9	9.8	9.9	9.8	7.9							
Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.9	9.9	9.6	9.8	9.5	9.0
Freedom of movement (CLD)	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	6.7
Religion	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.0	9.0	9.9	9.9	9.9
Freedom of religion	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.8	9.8	9.8	8.2	8.2	9.9	9.9	9.9
Religious organization repression	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.9
Association, assembly, civil society	9.6	9.3	9.3	9.3	9.2	9.1	9.1	9.1	9.3	9.0	9.0	9.2
Civil society entry and exit	9.0	9.0	8.7	8.7	8.5	8.5	8.5	8.5	8.6	9.0	9.0	9.2
Freedom of assembly	10.0	8.9	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	8.9	8.9	8.9
Freedom to form/run political parties	9.8	9.8	9.6	9.6	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.6	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7
Civil society repression	9.6	9.6	9.0	9.0	8.8	8.3	8.3	8.3	9.0	8.2	8.2	9.0
Expression and information	7.5	7.7	7.7	7.5	7.4	7.3	7.2	8.0	7.5	8.2	8.2	8.4
Direct attacks on the press	9.2	9.6	10.0	10.0	10.0	9.6	9.6	9.6	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Media and expression (V-Dem)	8.8	8.7	8.5	8.4	8.1	8.0	7.9	8.2	8.1	8.0	8.0	8.9
Media and expression (Freedom House)	5.0	5.6	5.8	4.7	4.5	4.4	4.2	4.4	5.0	7.5	7.5	7.5
Media and expression (BTI)	7.8	7.8	7.8	7.8	7.8	7.8	7.8	7.8	7.8	8.9	8.9	8.9
Media and expression (CLD)	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	10.0	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7
Relationships	10.0											
Same-sex relationships	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Divorce	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Inheritance rights	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Female genital mutilation	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0

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ARMENIA

CAUCASUS & CENTRAL ASIA

HUMAN FREEDOM

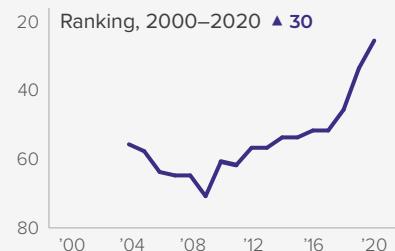
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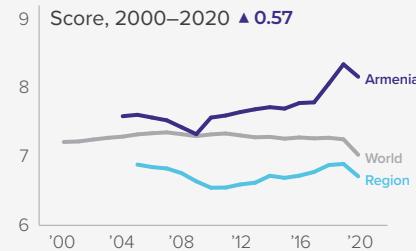
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Ranking, 2000–2020 ▲ 30



Score, 2000–2020 ▲ 0.57



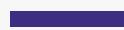
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Ranking
37/165

Score
8.35

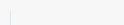
Rule of law

Procedural justice



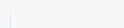
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Civil justice



-

Criminal justice



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Rule of law (V-Dem)



7.2

Security and safety

Homicide



9.4

Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism



9.3

Movement

Freedom of movement (V-Dem)



8.2

Freedom of movement (CLD)



6.7

Religion

Freedom of religion



8.4

Religious organization repression



9.4

Association, assembly, civil society

Civil society entry and exit



8.9

Freedom of assembly



9.4

Freedom to form/run political parties



7.7

Civil society repression



9.2

Expression and information

Direct attacks on the press



7.6

Media and expression (V-Dem)



10.0

Media and expression (Freedom House)



5.0

Media and expression (BTI)



8.9

Media and expression (CLD)



6.7

Relationships

Same-sex relationships



10.0

Divorce



7.5

Inheritance rights



7.5

Female genital mutilation



10.0

ECONOMIC FREEDOM

Ranking
11/165

Score
7.84

Size of government

Government consumption



8.0

Transfers and subsidies



6.6

Government investment



7.2

Top marginal tax rate



9.0

State ownership of assets



8.0

Legal system and property rights

Judicial independence



6.2

Impartial courts



5.5

Protection of property rights



6.4

Military interference



5.8

Integrity of the legal system



5.8

Legal enforcement of contracts



5.2

Regulatory costs



9.8

Reliability of police



6.7

Sound money

Money growth



9.6

Standard deviation of inflation



8.8

Inflation: Most recent year



9.7

Freedom to own foreign currency



9.8

Freedom to trade internationally

Tariffs



7.7

Regulatory trade barriers



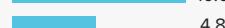
8.4

Black-market exchange rates



7.5

Movement of capital and people



10.0

Regulation

Credit market regulations



7.8

Labor market regulations



6.5

Business regulations



7.1

ARMENIA

CAUCASUS & CENTRAL ASIA

	2000	2002	2004	2006	2008	2010	2012	2014	2016	2018	2019	2020
Human freedom	-	-	7.57	7.55	7.41	7.55	7.63	7.70	7.76	8.04	8.32	8.14
Ranking	-	-	56	64	65	61	57	54	52	46	34	26
Economic freedom	-	-	7.65	7.66	7.67	7.67	7.74	7.78	7.67	7.95	7.98	7.84
Personal freedom	-	-	7.52	7.47	7.22	7.47	7.55	7.65	7.83	8.10	8.56	8.35
Rule of law	-	-	6.0	6.2	6.0	6.4	6.4	6.5	6.5	6.9	7.3	7.2
Procedural justice	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Civil justice	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Criminal justice	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Rule of law (V-Dem)	-	-	6.0	6.2	6.0	6.4	6.4	6.5	6.5	6.9	7.3	7.2
Security and safety	-	-	8.7	8.9	8.6	9.1	9.1	9.1	8.7	9.4	9.3	9.4
Homicide	-	-	9.2	9.2	9.0	9.4	9.3	9.3	9.1	9.5	9.3	9.5
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	-	-	8.3	8.6	8.2	8.9	8.9	8.9	8.3	9.2	9.2	9.3
Movement	-	-	8.2	8.2	8.1	8.2	8.2	8.1	9.8	9.8	9.8	8.2
Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	-	-	9.7	9.7	9.5	9.7	9.7	9.6	9.6	9.7	9.7	9.7
Freedom of movement (CLD)	-	-	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	10.0	10.0	10.0	6.7
Religion	-	-	7.8	8.1	8.3	8.4						
Freedom of religion	-	-	7.2	7.2	7.2	7.2	7.2	7.4	7.3	7.4	7.4	7.4
Religious organization repression	-	-	8.3	8.3	8.4	8.4	8.4	8.3	8.3	8.9	9.3	9.4
Association, assembly, civil society	-	-	6.9	7.0	6.5	6.9	7.1	6.7	6.8	7.8	8.8	8.9
Civil society entry and exit	-	-	7.9	7.9	6.8	7.7	7.7	6.9	8.1	8.8	8.8	9.4
Freedom of assembly	-	-	4.6	4.6	4.6	4.3	5.4	4.6	4.3	5.1	7.7	7.7
Freedom to form/run political parties	-	-	8.6	8.4	8.4	8.4	8.2	8.0	8.2	9.1	9.4	9.2
Civil society repression	-	-	6.6	6.8	6.1	7.1	7.1	7.0	6.8	8.2	9.4	9.4
Expression and information	-	-	5.6	4.9	4.2	4.5	4.8	5.9	5.8	5.9	7.6	7.6
Direct attacks on the press	-	-	10.0	5.9	5.0	5.0	5.8	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Media and expression (V-Dem)	-	-	6.1	6.2	5.5	6.3	6.2	6.3	6.2	7.0	7.5	7.3
Media and expression (Freedom House)	-	-	4.3	4.8	3.9	4.5	5.5	5.5	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0
Media and expression (BTI)	-	-	4.4	4.4	3.3	3.3	3.3	4.4	4.4	4.4	8.9	8.9
Media and expression (CLD)	-	-	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	6.7	6.7
Relationships	-	-	9.4	8.8	8.8	8.8						
Same-sex relationships	-	-	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Divorce	-	-	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5
Inheritance rights	-	-	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	7.5	7.5	7.5
Female genital mutilation	-	-	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0

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AUSTRALIA

OCEANIA

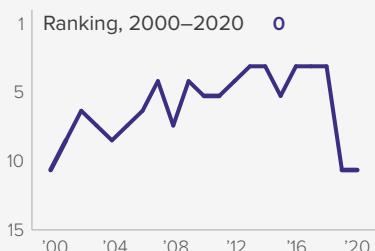
HUMAN FREEDOM

Ranking

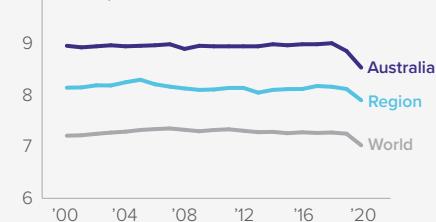
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Score

8.51



Score, 2000–2020 ▾ 0.42



PERSONAL FREEDOM

Ranking
17/165

Score
8.85

Rule of law

Procedural justice	7.4
Civil justice	8.2
Criminal justice	7.4
Rule of law (V-Dem)	7.2

Security and safety	9.8
Homicide	9.7
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	9.8

Movement

Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	6.4
Freedom of movement (CLD)	9.5

Religion

Freedom of religion	9.9
Religious organization repression	9.9

Association, assembly, civil society

Civil society entry and exit	9.4
Freedom of assembly	8.9
Freedom to form/run political parties	10.0
Civil society repression	9.7

Expression and information

Direct attacks on the press	9.1
Media and expression (V-Dem)	10.0
Media and expression (Freedom House)	8.9
Media and expression (BTI)	7.5
Media and expression (CLD)	-

Relationships

Same-sex relationships	10.0
Divorce	10.0
Inheritance rights	10.0
Female genital mutilation	10.0

ECONOMIC FREEDOM

Ranking
6/165

Score
8.04

Size of government

Government consumption	6.1
Transfers and subsidies	3.4
Government investment	5.8
Top marginal tax rate	9.2
State ownership of assets	4.5

Legal system and property rights

Judicial independence	8.3
Impartial courts	8.4
Protection of property rights	7.6
Military interference	8.4
Integrity of the legal system	10.0
Legal enforcement of contracts	8.9
Regulatory costs	6.8
Reliability of police	8.1

Sound money

Money growth	9.6
Standard deviation of inflation	9.1
Inflation: Most recent year	9.3
Freedom to own foreign currency	9.8

Freedom to trade internationally

Tariffs	7.9
Regulatory trade barriers	9.0
Black-market exchange rates	7.8
Movement of capital and people	10.0

Regulation

Credit market regulations	8.3
Labor market regulations	8.8
Business regulations	7.8

AUSTRALIA

OCEANIA

	2000	2002	2004	2006	2008	2010	2012	2014	2016	2018	2019	2020
Human freedom	8.93	8.92	8.92	8.94	8.87	8.92	8.92	8.96	8.96	8.98	8.83	8.51
Ranking	11	7	9	7	8	6	5	4	4	4	11	11
Economic freedom	8.18	8.18	8.16	8.21	8.18	8.11	8.14	8.23	8.25	8.29	8.17	8.04
Personal freedom	9.48	9.46	9.47	9.47	9.36	9.50	9.48	9.49	9.48	9.47	9.30	8.85
Rule of law	7.8	7.8	7.8	7.8	7.8	7.8	7.7	7.9	7.8	7.8	7.6	7.4
Procedural justice	-	-	-	-	8.8	8.8	8.5	8.5	8.4	8.4	8.2	8.2
Civil justice	-	-	-	-	7.2	7.2	7.3	7.7	7.5	7.6	7.4	7.4
Criminal justice	-	-	-	-	7.2	7.2	7.3	7.5	7.4	7.3	7.2	7.2
Rule of law (V-Dem)	8.7	8.7	8.7	8.7	8.7	8.6	8.6	8.4	8.4	8.2	8.2	8.0
Security and safety	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.7	9.8	9.7	9.7	9.8
Homicide	9.4	9.5	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.8	9.8	9.7	9.7	9.8
Movement	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.8	6.4
Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.6	9.5	9.5	9.4	9.4	9.5	9.5	9.5
Freedom of movement (CLD)	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	3.3
Religion	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.9							
Freedom of religion	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9
Religious organization repression	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.9
Association, assembly, civil society	9.6	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.5	9.6	9.1	9.4
Civil society entry and exit	9.4	9.0	9.0	9.0	9.1	9.1	9.1	9.5	9.5	9.5	8.5	8.9
Freedom of assembly	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Freedom to form/run political parties	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.6	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7
Civil society repression	9.4	9.4	9.4	9.4	9.4	9.7	9.7	9.2	8.8	9.1	8.4	9.0
Expression and information	9.8	9.7	9.8	9.7	8.9	9.8	9.8	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.0	9.1
Direct attacks on the press	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Media and expression (V-Dem)	9.2	9.2	9.2	9.2	9.1	9.1	9.1	8.7	8.8	8.6	8.4	8.9
Media and expression (Freedom House)	10.0	9.8	10.0	9.8	9.8	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	7.5	7.5
Media and expression (BTI)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Media and expression (CLD)	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	6.7	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Relationships	9.9	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0						
Same-sex relationships	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Divorce	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Inheritance rights	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Female genital mutilation	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0

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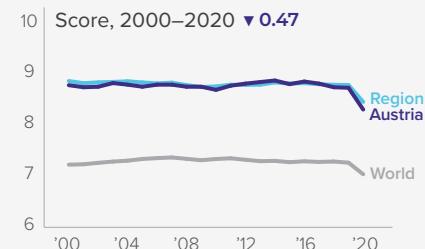
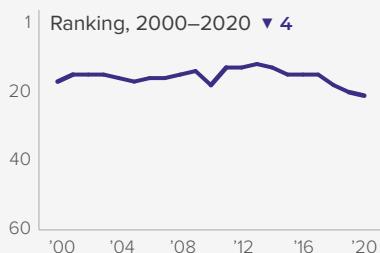
AUSTRIA

WESTERN EUROPE

HUMAN FREEDOM

Ranking
22

Score
8.26



PERSONAL FREEDOM

Ranking
20/165

Score
8.76

Rule of law

Procedural justice	8.2
Civil justice	9.2
Criminal justice	7.5
Rule of law (V-Dem)	8.0

Security and safety

Homicide	9.8
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	9.9

Movement

Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	6.2
Freedom of movement (CLD)	9.0

Religion

Freedom of religion	8.9
Religious organization repression	9.0

Association, assembly, civil society

Civil society entry and exit	9.3
Freedom of assembly	8.2
Freedom to form/run political parties	10.0
Civil society repression	9.4

Expression and information

Direct attacks on the press	9.0
Media and expression (V-Dem)	10.0
Media and expression (Freedom House)	8.5
Media and expression (BTI)	7.5
Media and expression (CLD)	-

Relationships

Same-sex relationships	10.0
Divorce	10.0
Inheritance rights	10.0
Female genital mutilation	10.0

ECONOMIC FREEDOM

Ranking
33/165

Score
7.56

Size of government

Government consumption	4.9
Transfers and subsidies	3.0
Government investment	1.7
Top marginal tax rate	10.0
State ownership of assets	3.5

Legal system and property rights

Judicial independence	8.4
Impartial courts	7.8
Protection of property rights	7.8
Military interference	8.6
Integrity of the legal system	10.0
Legal enforcement of contracts	9.2
Regulatory costs	7.0
Reliability of police	8.1

Sound money

Money growth	9.2
Standard deviation of inflation	7.2
Inflation: Most recent year	9.8
Freedom to own foreign currency	9.7

Freedom to trade internationally

Tariffs	8.1
Regulatory trade barriers	8.3
Black-market exchange rates	10.0
Movement of capital and people	6.0

Regulation

Credit market regulations	7.2
Labor market regulations	8.3
Business regulations	5.9

AUSTRIA

WESTERN EUROPE

	2000	2002	2004	2006	2008	2010	2012	2014	2016	2018	2019	2020
Human freedom	8.73	8.70	8.74	8.74	8.70	8.64	8.76	8.82	8.80	8.69	8.68	8.26
Ranking	18	16	17	17	16	19	14	14	16	19	21	22
Economic freedom	7.97	7.91	8.01	7.91	7.83	7.85	7.86	7.91	7.83	7.86	7.86	7.56
Personal freedom	9.26	9.26	9.27	9.33	9.33	9.21	9.40	9.48	9.50	9.28	9.27	8.76
Rule of law	7.6	7.6	7.6	7.6	7.7	7.7	8.2	8.6	8.2	8.2	8.2	8.2
Procedural justice	-	-	-	-	8.1	8.1	9.1	9.4	9.0	9.1	9.2	9.2
Civil justice	-	-	-	-	7.4	7.4	7.5	8.0	7.9	7.7	7.5	7.5
Criminal justice	-	-	-	-	7.5	7.5	8.1	8.3	7.7	8.0	8.0	8.0
Rule of law (V-Dem)	8.1	8.1	8.1	8.1	8.2	8.2	8.2	8.2	8.2	7.7	7.7	7.7
Security and safety	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.8	9.8	9.7	9.8	9.8	9.7	9.8	9.8
Homicide	9.7	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.7	9.8	9.8	9.7	9.8	9.8
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.8	9.7	9.8	9.9
Movement	9.9	9.8	9.7	6.2								
Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.6	9.5	9.0
Freedom of movement (CLD)	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	3.3
Religion	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.6	8.8	9.6	9.6	9.3	9.0	8.7	8.9
Freedom of religion	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.4	7.8	9.4	9.4	9.2	9.0	9.0	9.0
Religious organization repression	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.5	8.9	8.4	8.7
Association, assembly, civil society	9.0	9.0	9.0	9.4	9.4	9.4	9.4	9.4	9.2	9.4	9.3	
Civil society entry and exit	8.6	8.6	8.6	8.6	8.6	8.6	8.5	8.5	8.5	7.9	8.2	8.2
Freedom of assembly	8.3	8.3	8.3	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Freedom to form/run political parties	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.4
Civil society repression	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.4	9.8	9.4
Expression and information	9.0	8.9	9.0	9.0	9.0	9.0	9.0	9.0	9.8	9.0	9.0	9.0
Direct attacks on the press	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Media and expression (V-Dem)	9.3	9.3	9.3	9.3	9.3	9.2	9.3	9.3	9.3	8.5	8.5	8.5
Media and expression (Freedom House)	10.0	9.8	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	7.5	7.5	7.5
Media and expression (BTI)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Media and expression (CLD)	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Relationships	9.9	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0						
Same-sex relationships	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Divorce	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Inheritance rights	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Female genital mutilation	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0

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AZERBAIJAN

CAUCASUS & CENTRAL ASIA

HUMAN FREEDOM

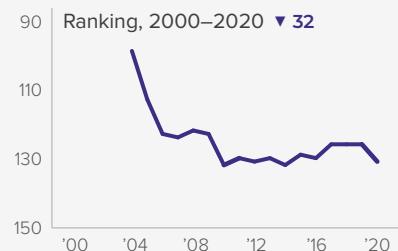
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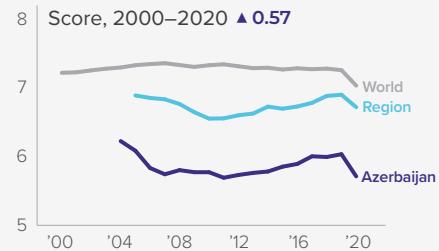
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Ranking, 2000–2020 ▼ 32



Score, 2000–2020 ▲ 0.57



PERSONAL FREEDOM

Ranking
128/165

Score
5.35

Rule of law

Procedural justice	-
Civil justice	-
Criminal justice	-
Rule of law (V-Dem)	4.5

Security and safety

Homicide	9.3
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	6.7

Movement

Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	7.6
Freedom of movement (CLD)	3.3

Religion

Freedom of religion	4.2
Religious organization repression	4.0

Association, assembly, civil society

Civil society entry and exit	2.4
Freedom of assembly	1.9
Freedom to form/run political parties	6.6
Civil society repression	2.7

Expression and information

Direct attacks on the press	5.0
Media and expression (V-Dem)	3.4
Media and expression (Freedom House)	0.0
Media and expression (BTI)	1.1
Media and expression (CLD)	3.3

Relationships

Same-sex relationships	10.0
Divorce	7.5
Inheritance rights	10.0
Female genital mutilation	10.0

ECONOMIC FREEDOM

Ranking
119/165

Score
6.21

Size of government

Government consumption	5.6
Transfers and subsidies	7.7
Government investment	0.0
Top marginal tax rate	6.5
State ownership of assets	2.9

Legal system and property rights

Judicial independence	4.0
Impartial courts	3.6
Protection of property rights	6.8
Military interference	5.0
Integrity of the legal system	4.1
Legal enforcement of contracts	7.3
Regulatory costs	7.6
Reliability of police	7.6

Sound money

Money growth	8.8
Standard deviation of inflation	5.9
Inflation: Most recent year	9.5
Freedom to own foreign currency	5.0

Freedom to trade internationally

Tariffs	7.6
Regulatory trade barriers	7.4
Black-market exchange rates	10.0
Movement of capital and people	3.1

Regulation

Credit market regulations	7.1
Labor market regulations	6.5
Business regulations	7.2

AZERBAIJAN

CAUCASUS & CENTRAL ASIA

	2000	2002	2004	2006	2008	2010	2012	2014	2016	2018	2019	2020
Human freedom	-	-	6.21	5.82	5.79	5.76	5.72	5.77	5.88	5.98	6.02	5.70
Ranking	-	-	99	123	122	132	131	132	130	126	126	131
Economic freedom	-	-	6.14	5.86	5.84	5.82	6.11	6.23	6.46	6.51	6.43	6.21
Personal freedom	-	-	6.25	5.79	5.75	5.72	5.44	5.44	5.48	5.60	5.73	5.35
Rule of law	-	-	4.5	4.5	4.5	4.4	4.4	4.5	4.3	4.4	4.5	4.5
Procedural justice	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Civil justice	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Criminal justice	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Rule of law (V-Dem)	-	-	4.5	4.5	4.5	4.4	4.4	4.5	4.3	4.4	4.5	4.5
Security and safety	-	-	8.6	8.3	8.4	8.7	8.5	8.5	8.1	8.7	8.9	8.0
Homicide	-	-	9.3	9.4	9.4	9.3	9.4	9.3	9.4	9.4	9.5	9.3
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	-	-	8.0	7.1	7.3	8.0	7.7	7.8	6.9	8.1	8.2	6.7
Movement	-	-	7.6	5.9	5.9	5.9	5.9	5.8	7.2	6.9	7.0	5.5
Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	-	-	8.5	8.5	8.5	8.5	8.5	8.3	7.8	7.2	7.3	7.6
Freedom of movement (CLD)	-	-	6.7	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	6.7	6.7	6.7	3.3
Religion	-	-	4.6	4.6	4.7	4.7	4.6	4.5	4.3	4.7	4.7	4.1
Freedom of religion	-	-	4.2	4.2	4.4	4.5	4.5	4.3	4.3	4.2	4.3	4.2
Religious organization repression	-	-	4.9	4.9	4.9	4.9	4.7	4.7	4.3	5.1	5.1	4.0
Association, assembly, civil society	-	-	3.9	3.9	3.6	3.3	3.3	3.2	3.1	2.9	3.4	3.4
Civil society entry and exit	-	-	2.1	2.1	1.7	1.5	1.5	2.5	1.5	1.3	1.3	2.4
Freedom of assembly	-	-	2.6	2.6	1.9	1.1	1.1	1.9	1.9	1.9	1.9	1.9
Freedom to form/run political parties	-	-	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.6	6.6	6.6	6.7	6.6
Civil society repression	-	-	4.0	4.0	4.0	3.9	3.8	2.6	2.6	1.8	3.6	2.7
Expression and information	-	-	5.3	4.1	3.9	3.6	3.2	2.8	2.5	2.3	2.3	2.6
Direct attacks on the press	-	-	7.0	3.2	3.2	3.3	1.7	3.4	3.5	3.5	3.5	5.0
Media and expression (V-Dem)	-	-	3.9	3.3	3.2	3.2	3.2	3.2	3.3	3.5	3.6	3.4
Media and expression (Freedom House)	-	-	10.0	8.3	6.7	6.1	4.4	1.7	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Media and expression (BTI)	-	-	2.2	2.2	3.3	2.2	3.3	2.2	2.2	1.1	1.1	1.1
Media and expression (CLD)	-	-	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3
Relationships	-	-	9.4	9.4	9.4	9.4	8.1	8.8	8.8	9.4	9.4	9.4
Same-sex relationships	-	-	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Divorce	-	-	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5
Inheritance rights	-	-	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	5.0	7.5	7.5	10.0	10.0	10.0
Female genital mutilation	-	-	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0

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HUMAN FREEDOM

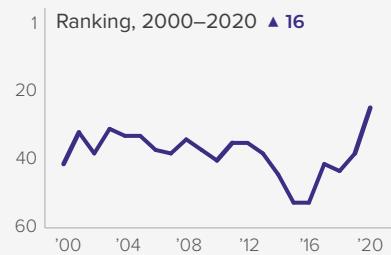
Ranking

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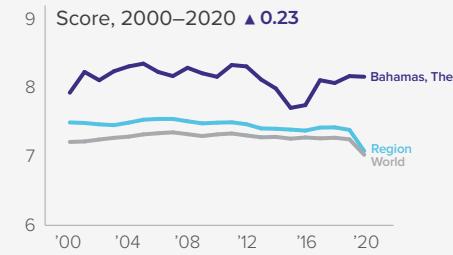
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Ranking, 2000–2020 ▲ 16



Score, 2000–2020 ▲ 0.23



PERSONAL FREEDOM

Ranking
14/165

Score
8.94

Rule of law

Procedural justice	6.1
Civil justice	6.7
Criminal justice	5.7
Rule of law (V-Dem)	6.0
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Security and safety

Homicide	7.3
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	4.6

Movement

Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	10.0
Freedom of movement (CLD)	10.0

Religion

Freedom of religion	10.0
Religious organization repression	-

Association, assembly, civil society

Civil society entry and exit	10.0
Freedom of assembly	-
Freedom to form/run political parties	10.0
Civil society repression	-

Expression and information

Direct attacks on the press	9.2
Media and expression (V-Dem)	10.0
Media and expression (Freedom House)	-
Media and expression (BTI)	7.5
Media and expression (CLD)	10.0

Relationships

Same-sex relationships	10.0
Divorce	10.0
Inheritance rights	10.0
Female genital mutilation	10.0

ECONOMIC FREEDOM

Ranking
71/165

Score
7.02

Size of government

Government consumption	8.6
Transfers and subsidies	6.0
Government investment	8.6
Top marginal tax rate	10.0
State ownership of assets	-

Legal system and property rights

Judicial independence	6.2
Impartial courts	7.1
Protection of property rights	-
Military interference	5.1
Integrity of the legal system	10.0
Legal enforcement of contracts	6.7
Regulatory costs	4.6
Reliability of police	3.8

Sound money

Money growth	6.8
Standard deviation of inflation	9.6
Inflation: Most recent year	7.6
Freedom to own foreign currency	10.0
	0.0

Freedom to trade internationally

Tariffs	5.2
Regulatory trade barriers	3.2
Black-market exchange rates	7.4
Movement of capital and people	10.0
	0.3

Regulation

Credit market regulations	8.2
Labor market regulations	8.5
Business regulations	8.4

BAHAMAS, THE

LATIN AMERICA & THE CARIBBEAN

	2000	2002	2004	2006	2008	2010	2012	2014	2016	2018	2019	2020
Human freedom	7.91	8.09	8.29	8.21	8.27	8.14	8.29	7.97	7.73	8.05	8.15	8.14
Ranking	42	39	34	38	35	41	36	45	53	44	39	26
Economic freedom	6.65	6.81	6.94	7.59	7.61	7.47	7.44	7.55	7.51	7.21	7.21	7.02
Personal freedom	8.96	9.15	9.42	8.72	8.82	8.70	8.99	8.27	7.88	8.66	8.82	8.94
Rule of law	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6.6	6.4	6.1	6.1	6.1
Procedural justice	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6.9	6.9	6.4	6.7	6.7
Civil justice	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6.2	6.0	5.7	5.7	5.7
Criminal justice	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6.8	6.3	6.1	6.0	6.0
Rule of law (V-Dem)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Security and safety	5.1	6.3	8.0	7.4	7.0	6.2	5.7	5.3	5.7	5.3	6.5	7.3
Homicide	2.8	5.1	6.0	4.7	3.9	2.4	1.3	0.6	1.5	0.7	2.9	4.6
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	7.5	7.5	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Movement	10.0											
Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Freedom of movement (CLD)	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Religion	10.0	10.0	10.0	6.7	6.7	6.7	10.0	6.7	6.7	10.0	10.0	10.0
Freedom of religion	10.0	10.0	10.0	6.7	6.7	6.7	10.0	6.7	6.7	10.0	10.0	10.0
Religious organization repression	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Association, assembly, civil society	10.0	8.3	10.0	10.0	10.0							
Civil society entry and exit	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Freedom of assembly	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	8.3	10.0	10.0	10.0
Freedom to form/run political parties	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Civil society repression	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Expression and information	8.6	8.6	8.5	8.3	9.3	9.3	8.3	9.3	8.1	9.2	9.2	9.2
Direct attacks on the press	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Media and expression (V-Dem)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Media and expression (Freedom House)	9.3	9.1	8.8	8.3	8.0	8.0	8.1	7.8	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5
Media and expression (BTI)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Media and expression (CLD)	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	10.0	10.0	6.7	10.0	6.7	10.0	10.0	10.0
Relationships	10.0											
Same-sex relationships	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Divorce	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Inheritance rights	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	10.0	10.0	10.0
Female genital mutilation	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0

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BAHRAIN

MIDDLE EAST & NORTH AFRICA

HUMAN FREEDOM

Ranking

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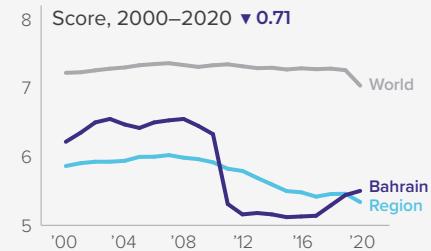
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Ranking, 2000–2020 ▾ 46



Score, 2000–2020 ▾ 0.71



PERSONAL FREEDOM

Ranking
159/165

Score
4.07

Rule of law

Procedural justice	-
Civil justice	-
Criminal justice	-
Rule of law (V-Dem)	4.1

Security and safety

Homicide	10.0
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	7.4

Movement

Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	6.2
Freedom of movement (CLD)	3.3

Religion

Freedom of religion	3.4
Religious organization repression	1.9

Association, assembly, civil society

Civil society entry and exit	1.2
Freedom of assembly	0.0
Freedom to form/run political parties	3.9
Civil society repression	1.8

Expression and information

Direct attacks on the press	5.0
Media and expression (V-Dem)	2.1
Media and expression (Freedom House)	0.0
Media and expression (BTI)	1.1
Media and expression (CLD)	0.0

Relationships

Same-sex relationships	10.0
Divorce	0.0
Inheritance rights	0.0
Female genital mutilation	10.0

ECONOMIC FREEDOM

Ranking
39/165

Score
7.47

Size of government

Government consumption	3.4
Transfers and subsidies	9.4
Government investment	10.0
Top marginal tax rate	10.0
State ownership of assets	2.6

Legal system and property rights

Judicial independence	5.4
Impartial courts	5.1
Protection of property rights	7.8
Military interference	5.0
Integrity of the legal system	5.0
Legal enforcement of contracts	4.8
Regulatory costs	9.4
Reliability of police	9.0

Sound money

Money growth	9.9
Standard deviation of inflation	8.2
Inflation: Most recent year	9.5
Freedom to own foreign currency	10.0

Freedom to trade internationally

Tariffs	8.4
Regulatory trade barriers	6.7
Black-market exchange rates	10.0
Movement of capital and people	7.9

Regulation

Credit market regulations	7.6
Labor market regulations	7.9
Business regulations	7.5

BAHRAIN

MIDDLE EAST & NORTH AFRICA

	2000	2002	2004	2006	2008	2010	2012	2014	2016	2018	2019	2020
Human freedom	6.20	6.48	6.45	6.48	6.53	6.31	5.15	5.15	5.12	5.28	5.43	5.49
Ranking	95	89	91	101	101	112	146	149	150	149	147	141
Economic freedom	7.11	6.93	6.93	7.19	7.27	7.10	7.13	7.24	7.14	7.37	7.43	7.47
Personal freedom	5.55	6.17	6.10	5.98	6.00	5.74	3.73	3.66	3.67	3.79	4.00	4.07
Rule of law	4.9	4.9	4.7	4.7	4.6	4.6	3.5	3.6	3.7	3.7	4.1	4.1
Procedural justice	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Civil justice	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Criminal justice	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Rule of law (V-Dem)	4.9	4.9	4.7	4.7	4.6	4.6	3.5	3.6	3.7	3.7	4.1	4.1
Security and safety	9.1	9.2	9.0	9.0	8.7	8.5	7.2	6.9	8.2	8.3	8.7	8.7
Homicide	9.6	9.7	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.7	9.9	9.8	9.8	9.8	10.0	10.0
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	8.6	8.7	8.3	8.2	7.6	7.3	4.5	3.9	6.6	6.8	7.4	7.4
Movement	5.1	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.6	4.4	4.5	4.5	4.5	4.6	4.8
Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	6.8	6.8	6.8	6.8	6.8	6.6	5.4	5.6	5.6	5.6	5.8	6.2
Freedom of movement (CLD)	3.3	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3
Religion	6.2	6.1	6.1	5.2	6.0	6.0	2.1	2.0	2.0	2.2	2.5	2.6
Freedom of religion	5.4	5.4	5.4	3.8	5.4	5.4	2.6	2.6	2.6	2.6	3.3	3.4
Religious organization repression	7.0	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	1.7	1.3	1.3	1.8	1.8	1.9
Association, assembly, civil society	2.7	4.9	5.0	5.0	4.8	4.6	3.0	2.8	1.7	1.3	1.5	1.7
Civil society entry and exit	3.7	4.7	4.7	4.7	4.7	4.7	2.4	2.0	1.0	0.6	1.2	1.2
Freedom of assembly	1.9	3.0	3.0	3.0	2.2	1.9	1.9	1.9	0.4	0.0	0.0	0.0
Freedom to form/run political parties	0.8	6.1	6.3	6.6	6.5	6.5	5.6	5.6	4.0	3.9	3.9	3.9
Civil society repression	4.4	6.0	6.0	5.8	5.5	5.5	2.2	1.8	1.5	0.7	1.0	1.8
Expression and information	4.7	5.1	5.0	5.0	4.9	3.6	0.9	0.9	0.7	1.6	1.6	1.6
Direct attacks on the press	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	5.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	5.0	5.0	5.0
Media and expression (V-Dem)	3.4	4.6	4.7	4.7	4.7	4.4	2.4	2.4	2.1	1.9	1.8	2.1
Media and expression (Freedom House)	3.3	4.4	3.6	3.6	3.1	2.9	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Media and expression (BTI)	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	2.2	2.2	2.2	1.1	1.1	1.1	1.1
Media and expression (CLD)	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Relationships	6.2	6.2	6.2	6.2	6.2	6.2	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0
Same-sex relationships	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Divorce	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Inheritance rights	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Female genital mutilation	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0

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BANGLADESH

SOUTH ASIA

HUMAN FREEDOM

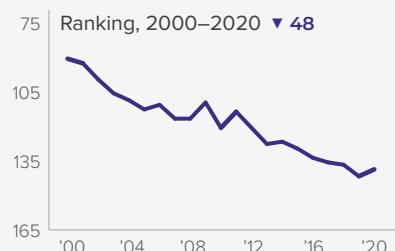
Ranking

139

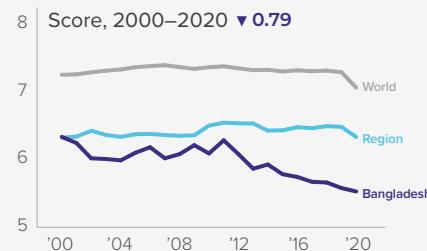
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Ranking, 2000–2020 ▾ 48



Score, 2000–2020 ▾ 0.79



PERSONAL FREEDOM

Ranking
134/165

Score
5.23

Rule of law

Procedural justice	2.9
Civil justice	1.8
Criminal justice	3.8
Rule of law (V-Dem)	3.2
	4.3

Security and safety

Homicide	7.4
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	9.3

Movement

Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	5.6
Freedom of movement (CLD)	7.8

Religion

Freedom of religion	7.2
Religious organization repression	5.9

Association, assembly, civil society

Civil society entry and exit	5.7
Freedom of assembly	7.2
Freedom to form/run political parties	3.9
Civil society repression	7.0

Expression and information

Direct attacks on the press	4.0
Media and expression (V-Dem)	8.9
Media and expression (Freedom House)	3.2
Media and expression (BTI)	2.5
Media and expression (CLD)	2.2

Relationships

Same-sex relationships	3.8
Divorce	5.0
Inheritance rights	0.0
Female genital mutilation	10.0

ECONOMIC FREEDOM

Ranking
139/165

Score
5.89

Size of government

Government consumption	8.2
Transfers and subsidies	9.3
Government investment	9.7
Top marginal tax rate	6.4
State ownership of assets	9.0

Legal system and property rights

Judicial independence	3.1
Impartial courts	3.6
Protection of property rights	4.3
Military interference	4.2
Integrity of the legal system	3.3
Legal enforcement of contracts	0.9
Regulatory costs	2.7
Reliability of police	4.2

Sound money

Money growth	6.9
Standard deviation of inflation	9.2
Inflation: Most recent year	9.5
Freedom to own foreign currency	8.9
	0.0

Freedom to trade internationally

Tariffs	4.9
Regulatory trade barriers	6.3
Black-market exchange rates	2.8
Movement of capital and people	10.0
	0.5

Regulation

Credit market regulations	6.6
Labor market regulations	7.8
Business regulations	7.1

BANGLADESH

SOUTH ASIA

	2000	2002	2004	2006	2008	2010	2012	2014	2016	2018	2019	2020
Human freedom	6.30	5.99	5.96	6.15	6.05	6.06	6.05	5.90	5.72	5.64	5.56	5.51
Ranking	91	100	109	111	117	121	121	127	134	137	142	139
Economic freedom	5.92	5.81	5.64	6.07	6.11	6.22	6.14	6.12	6.10	6.07	6.04	5.89
Personal freedom	6.56	6.12	6.20	6.22	6.01	5.95	5.99	5.74	5.44	5.33	5.21	5.23
Rule of law	4.1	3.8	3.7	3.7	3.6	3.5	3.0	3.1	3.1	3.1	2.9	2.9
Procedural justice	-	-	-	-	3.4	3.4	2.6	2.0	2.3	2.1	1.8	1.8
Civil justice	-	-	-	-	3.2	3.2	3.6	3.9	3.7	3.8	3.8	3.8
Criminal justice	-	-	-	-	3.8	3.8	2.9	3.3	3.4	3.3	3.2	3.2
Rule of law (V-Dem)	5.6	5.2	5.1	5.1	5.0	4.8	4.8	4.5	4.7	4.5	4.3	4.3
Security and safety	8.3	8.0	7.8	8.0	7.8	7.8	7.8	7.4	7.4	7.4	7.4	7.4
Homicide	9.3	9.3	9.2	9.2	9.2	9.2	9.2	9.2	9.4	9.3	9.3	9.3
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	7.3	6.8	6.4	6.8	6.4	6.3	6.3	5.6	5.5	5.6	5.5	5.5
Movement	7.8	5.9	7.5	7.5	7.5	5.9	5.8	5.8	5.8	5.7	5.5	5.6
Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	8.8	8.4	8.4	8.3	8.4	8.4	8.3	8.3	8.3	8.1	7.7	7.8
Freedom of movement (CLD)	6.7	3.3	6.7	6.7	6.7	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3
Religion	8.6	8.2	7.4	7.4	7.9	7.4	8.3	8.0	7.4	7.5	7.4	7.2
Freedom of religion	8.0	7.4	5.8	5.8	6.3	6.5	8.2	7.3	5.9	5.8	5.7	5.9
Religious organization repression	9.2	9.0	9.0	9.0	9.5	8.4	8.4	8.8	8.9	9.2	9.1	8.6
Association, assembly, civil society	7.4	7.0	7.2	7.2	6.1	7.7	7.6	6.9	6.3	5.6	5.5	5.7
Civil society entry and exit	7.0	7.0	6.9	6.9	5.7	7.6	7.2	7.6	7.2	6.3	6.3	7.2
Freedom of assembly	6.1	6.1	6.1	6.1	5.0	6.1	6.5	6.1	4.3	4.3	3.9	3.9
Freedom to form/run political parties	9.1	9.1	9.1	9.0	8.8	8.9	8.8	8.1	8.0	7.3	6.9	7.0
Civil society repression	7.6	5.9	6.9	6.9	5.1	8.0	8.0	5.9	5.7	4.5	4.9	4.9
Expression and information	6.1	6.2	6.0	6.0	5.3	5.7	5.6	5.1	4.2	4.2	4.0	4.0
Direct attacks on the press	9.5	9.1	8.7	8.9	8.9	9.5	9.5	8.9	7.9	8.0	8.5	8.9
Media and expression (V-Dem)	6.2	6.1	6.1	5.9	5.4	5.2	4.8	4.2	4.2	3.8	3.5	3.2
Media and expression (Freedom House)	1.3	2.2	1.7	1.9	2.3	3.7	3.9	3.7	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5
Media and expression (BTI)	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	5.6	3.3	3.3	2.2	2.2
Media and expression (CLD)	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3
Relationships	3.8											
Same-sex relationships	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0
Divorce	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Inheritance rights	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Female genital mutilation	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0

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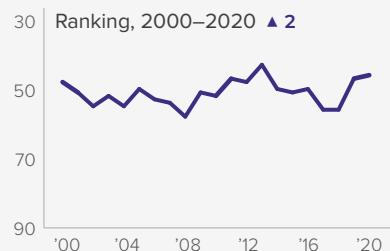
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HUMAN FREEDOM

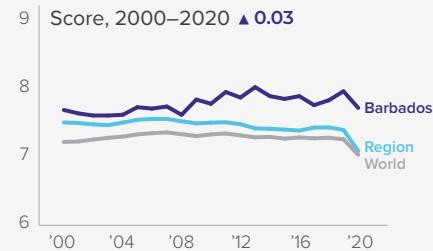
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Score
7.69

Ranking, 2000–2020 ▲ 2



Score, 2000–2020 ▲ 0.03



PERSONAL FREEDOM

Ranking
44/165

Score
8.17

Rule of law

Procedural justice	6.5
Civil justice	7.1
Criminal justice	6.4
Rule of law (V-Dem)	5.8
	7.4

Security and safety

Homicide	7.4
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	5.1

Movement

Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	8.2
Freedom of movement (CLD)	9.8

Religion

Freedom of religion	9.9
Religious organization repression	9.9

Association, assembly, civil society

Civil society entry and exit	9.3
Freedom of assembly	8.5
Freedom to form/run political parties	10.0
Civil society repression	9.7

Expression and information

Direct attacks on the press	8.3
Media and expression (V-Dem)	5.0
Media and expression (Freedom House)	8.4
Media and expression (BTI)	10.0
Media and expression (CLD)	-

Relationships

Same-sex relationships	0.0
Divorce	10.0
Inheritance rights	10.0
Female genital mutilation	10.0

ECONOMIC FREEDOM

Ranking
72/165

Score
7.01

Size of government

Government consumption	7.3
Transfers and subsidies	7.8
Government investment	6.6
Top marginal tax rate	10.0
State ownership of assets	5.5

Legal system and property rights

Judicial independence	7.2
Impartial courts	5.4
Protection of property rights	5.9
Military interference	-
Integrity of the legal system	7.7
Legal enforcement of contracts	3.8
Regulatory costs	7.6
Reliability of police	6.4

Sound money

Money growth	9.5
Standard deviation of inflation	8.8
Inflation: Most recent year	9.4
Freedom to own foreign currency	5.0

Freedom to trade internationally

Tariffs	7.2
Regulatory trade barriers	6.4
Black-market exchange rates	10.0
Movement of capital and people	0.5

Regulation

Credit market regulations	9.3
Labor market regulations	7.0
Business regulations	6.6

BARBADOS

LATIN AMERICA & THE CARIBBEAN

	2000	2002	2004	2006	2008	2010	2012	2014	2016	2018	2019	2020
Human freedom	7.66	7.58	7.59	7.68	7.59	7.75	7.84	7.86	7.86	7.80	7.93	7.69
Ranking	48	55	55	53	58	52	48	50	50	56	47	46
Economic freedom	6.41	6.20	6.19	6.39	6.20	6.51	6.62	6.73	6.74	6.56	7.05	7.01
Personal freedom	8.54	8.57	8.59	8.60	8.58	8.63	8.71	8.68	8.66	8.69	8.56	8.17
Rule of law	7.0	6.7	6.5	6.4	6.5							
Procedural justice	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	8.0	7.7	7.3	7.1	7.1
Civil justice	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6.8	6.5	6.4	6.4	6.4
Criminal justice	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6.1	5.9	5.7	5.8	5.8
Rule of law (V-Dem)	7.4	7.4	7.4	7.4	7.4	7.4	7.4	7.4	7.6	7.3	7.3	7.4
Security and safety	7.9	7.6	8.6	7.9	8.6	8.1	8.6	8.4	8.7	8.3	7.3	7.4
Homicide	7.8	7.3	7.7	6.3	7.6	6.8	7.7	7.4	7.8	7.2	5.1	5.1
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	7.9	7.9	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.4	9.6	9.5	9.5	9.7
Movement	9.9	8.2										
Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8
Freedom of movement (CLD)	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	6.7
Religion	9.8	9.9	9.9	9.9								
Freedom of religion	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.9	9.9	9.9
Religious organization repression	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.9	9.9	9.9
Association, assembly, civil society	9.0	9.4	9.2	9.3	9.3							
Civil society entry and exit	8.5	8.5	8.5	8.5	8.5	8.5	8.5	8.5	8.5	8.5	8.5	8.5
Freedom of assembly	8.3	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Freedom to form/run political parties	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7
Civil society repression	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.4	8.5	9.1	9.2
Expression and information	9.5	9.5	8.7	9.5	8.6	9.4	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.6	8.3
Direct attacks on the press	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	5.0
Media and expression (V-Dem)	8.0	8.0	8.0	8.0	8.0	8.0	8.0	8.0	8.0	8.2	8.3	8.4
Media and expression (Freedom House)	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	9.8	9.8	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Media and expression (BTI)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Media and expression (CLD)	10.0	10.0	6.7	10.0	6.7	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Relationships	6.7	7.5	7.5	7.5								
Same-sex relationships	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Divorce	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Inheritance rights	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	10.0	10.0	10.0
Female genital mutilation	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0

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BELARUS

EASTERN EUROPE

HUMAN FREEDOM

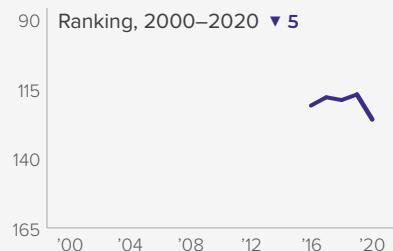
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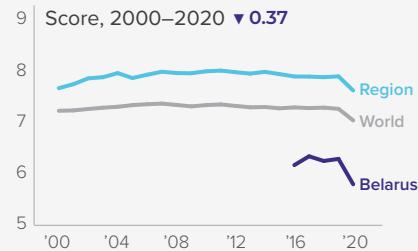
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PERSONAL FREEDOM

Ranking
142/165

Score
5.03

Rule of law

Procedural justice	2.7
Civil justice	3.5
Criminal justice	5.7
Rule of law (V-Dem)	4.3
	3.5

Security and safety

Homicide	7.9
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	9.3

Movement

Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	4.8
Freedom of movement (CLD)	6.3

Religion

Freedom of religion	4.5
Religious organization repression	4.7

Association, assembly, civil society

Civil society entry and exit	3.3
Freedom of assembly	2.8
Freedom to form/run political parties	0.7
Civil society repression	6.9

Expression and information

Direct attacks on the press	2.0
Media and expression (V-Dem)	5.0
Media and expression (Freedom House)	2.6
Media and expression (BTI)	0.0
Media and expression (CLD)	2.2

Relationships

Same-sex relationships	10.0
Divorce	10.0
Inheritance rights	10.0
Female genital mutilation	10.0

ECONOMIC FREEDOM

Ranking
83/165

Score
6.83

Size of government

Government consumption	5.2
Transfers and subsidies	4.5
Government investment	5.7
Top marginal tax rate	-
State ownership of assets	7.5

Legal system and property rights

Judicial independence	3.7
Impartial courts	5.1
Protection of property rights	-
Military interference	5.0
Integrity of the legal system	4.2
Legal enforcement of contracts	7.0
Regulatory costs	9.9
Reliability of police	-

Sound money

Money growth	8.4
Standard deviation of inflation	9.4
Inflation: Most recent year	8.9
Freedom to own foreign currency	10.0

Freedom to trade internationally

Tariffs	7.3
Regulatory trade barriers	7.9
Black-market exchange rates	7.9
Movement of capital and people	10.0

Regulation

Credit market regulations	6.7
Labor market regulations	7.2
Business regulations	7.1

BELARUS

EASTERN EUROPE

	2000	2002	2004	2006	2008	2010	2012	2014	2016	2018	2019	2020
Human freedom	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6.15	6.23	6.27	5.78
Ranking	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	121	119	117	126
Economic freedom	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6.08	6.34	6.48	6.83
Personal freedom	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6.20	6.15	6.12	5.03
Rule of law	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5.1	5.1	4.5	2.7
Procedural justice	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4.5	4.6	3.5	3.5
Civil justice	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5.9	6.0	5.7	5.7
Criminal justice	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5.0	4.7	4.3	4.3
Rule of law (V-Dem)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5.8	5.9	5.9	3.5
Security and safety	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	8.6	8.8	8.8	7.9
Homicide	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	9.0	9.3	9.3	9.3
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	8.2	8.4	8.4	6.4
Movement	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6.3	6.4	6.3	4.8
Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	9.3	9.4	9.3	6.3
Freedom of movement (CLD)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3
Religion	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5.7	5.7	5.7	4.5
Freedom of religion	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5.1	5.1	5.1	4.7
Religious organization repression	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6.2	6.2	6.2	4.4
Association, assembly, civil society	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4.2	4.1	4.2	3.3
Civil society entry and exit	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2.9	2.7	3.0	2.8
Freedom of assembly	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1.6	1.6	1.6	0.7
Freedom to form/run political parties	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6.9	6.7	7.0	6.9
Civil society repression	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5.4	5.4	5.4	2.7
Expression and information	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3.5	2.9	3.2	2.0
Direct attacks on the press	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	8.7	8.7	10.0	5.0
Media and expression (V-Dem)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4.0	3.8	3.7	2.6
Media and expression (Freedom House)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2.5	0.0	0.0	0.0
Media and expression (BTI)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2.2	2.2	2.2	2.2
Media and expression (CLD)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Relationships	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Same-sex relationships	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Divorce	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Inheritance rights	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Female genital mutilation	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0

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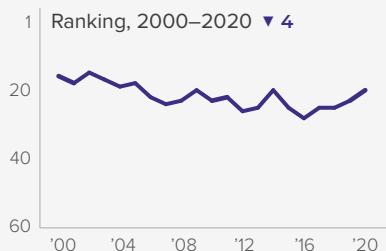
WESTERN EUROPE

HUMAN FREEDOM

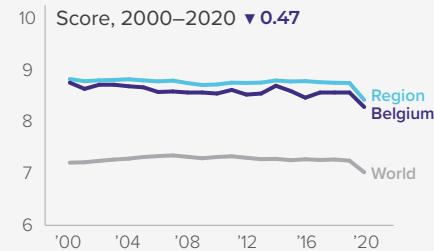
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Score
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Ranking, 2000–2020 ▾ 4



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PERSONAL FREEDOM

Ranking
15/165

Score
8.92

Rule of law

Procedural justice	7.6
Civil justice	8.7
Criminal justice	7.6
Rule of law (V-Dem)	7.0

Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	8.4
Homicide	9.5

Movement

Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	7.9
Freedom of movement (CLD)	9.2

Religion

Freedom of religion	8.9
Religious organization repression	8.0

Religious organization repression	9.9
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Civil society entry and exit	9.3
Freedom of assembly	7.6
Freedom to form/run political parties	10.0
Civil society repression	9.7

Civil society repression	9.8
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Expression and information

Media and expression (V-Dem)	9.0
Media and expression (Freedom House)	10.0
Media and expression (BTI)	9.2
Media and expression (CLD)	-

Media and expression (CLD)	6.7
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Relationships

Same-sex relationships	10.0
Divorce	10.0
Inheritance rights	10.0
Female genital mutilation	10.0

ECONOMIC FREEDOM

Ranking
46/165

Score
7.37

Size of government

Government consumption	4.3
Transfers and subsidies	2.0
Government investment	0.6
Top marginal tax rate	10.0
State ownership of assets	1.0

Legal system and property rights

Judicial independence	7.5
Impartial courts	7.7
Protection of property rights	7.2
Military interference	7.9
Integrity of the legal system	10.0
Legal enforcement of contracts	8.3
Regulatory costs	6.5
Reliability of police	4.9

Sound money

Money growth	9.2
Standard deviation of inflation	7.1
Inflation: Most recent year	9.9
Freedom to own foreign currency	9.9

Freedom to trade internationally

Tariffs	8.0
Regulatory trade barriers	7.8
Black-market exchange rates	10.0
Movement of capital and people	6.3

Regulation

Credit market regulations	7.8
Labor market regulations	8.1
Business regulations	7.4

BELGIUM

WESTERN EUROPE

	2000	2002	2004	2006	2008	2010	2012	2014	2016	2018	2019	2020
Human freedom	8.74	8.70	8.67	8.56	8.55	8.53	8.51	8.68	8.45	8.55	8.55	8.27
Ranking	17	16	20	23	24	24	27	21	29	26	24	21
Economic freedom	7.81	7.73	7.70	7.55	7.53	7.62	7.60	7.85	7.59	7.62	7.62	7.37
Personal freedom	9.41	9.39	9.37	9.28	9.28	9.17	9.16	9.28	9.07	9.22	9.22	8.92
Rule of law	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.4	8.1	7.8	7.8	7.8	7.6
Procedural justice	-	-	-	-	8.4	8.4	8.5	9.1	8.7	8.8	8.7	8.7
Civil justice	-	-	-	-	6.8	6.8	6.9	7.6	7.3	7.6	7.6	7.6
Criminal justice	-	-	-	-	7.2	7.2	6.7	7.6	7.2	7.1	7.0	7.0
Rule of law (V-Dem)	8.7	8.7	8.7	8.7	8.7	8.7	8.7	8.7	8.6	8.6	8.6	8.4
Security and safety	9.6	9.5	9.6	9.6	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.6	8.6	9.6	9.7	9.7
Homicide	9.4	9.1	9.3	9.4	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.6	9.5	9.5	9.5
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.8	7.7	9.7	9.9	9.9
Movement	9.9	7.9										
Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.2
Freedom of movement (CLD)	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	6.7
Religion	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.0	9.0	9.0	8.9	8.9	8.9	8.9
Freedom of religion	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	8.1	8.1	8.1	8.0	8.0	8.0	8.0
Religious organization repression	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.9
Association, assembly, civil society	9.3	9.3	9.1	9.3								
Civil society entry and exit	7.6	7.6	7.6	7.6	7.6	7.6	7.6	7.6	7.6	7.6	7.6	7.6
Freedom of assembly	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Freedom to form/run political parties	9.7	9.7	8.9	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7
Civil society repression	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8
Expression and information	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.0	9.0	9.0	9.1	9.1	9.1	9.0	9.0	9.0
Direct attacks on the press	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Media and expression (V-Dem)	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.4	9.4	9.2
Media and expression (Freedom House)	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	9.8	9.8	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Media and expression (BTI)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Media and expression (CLD)	10.0	10.0	10.0	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7
Relationships	9.9	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0						
Same-sex relationships	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Divorce	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Inheritance rights	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Female genital mutilation	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0

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BELIZE

LATIN AMERICA & THE CARIBBEAN

HUMAN FREEDOM

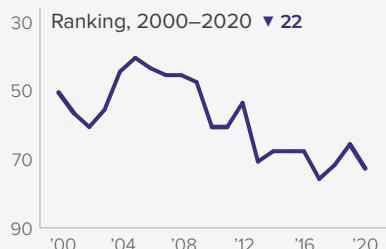
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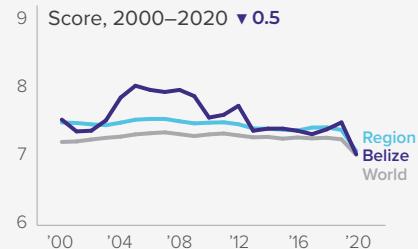
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PERSONAL FREEDOM

Ranking
63/165

Score
7.59

Rule of law

Procedural justice



4.6

Civil justice



4.9

Criminal justice



5.2

Rule of law (V-Dem)



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Security and safety

Homicide



6.3

Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism



2.5



10.0

Movement

Freedom of movement (V-Dem)



-

Freedom of movement (CLD)



3.3

Religion



10.0

Freedom of religion



10.0

Religious organization repression



-

Association, assembly, civil society



10.0

Civil society entry and exit



-

Freedom of assembly



10.0

Freedom to form/run political parties



-

Civil society repression



-

Expression and information



8.9

Direct attacks on the press



10.0

Media and expression (V-Dem)



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Media and expression (Freedom House)



10.0

Media and expression (BTI)



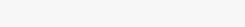
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Media and expression (CLD)



6.7

Relationships



10.0

Same-sex relationships



10.0

Divorce



10.0

Inheritance rights



10.0

Female genital mutilation



10.0

ECONOMIC FREEDOM

Ranking
118/165

Score
6.23

Size of government



6.1

Government consumption



4.9

Transfers and subsidies



8.4

Government investment



1.9

Top marginal tax rate



9.0

State ownership of assets

Legal system and property rights



5.0

Judicial independence



6.8

Impartial courts



3.7

Protection of property rights



7.4

Military interference



-

Integrity of the legal system



3.3

Legal enforcement of contracts



7.3

Regulatory costs



3.3

Sound money



7.1

Money growth



9.3

Standard deviation of inflation



9.0

Inflation: Most recent year



10.0

Freedom to own foreign currency

Freedom to trade internationally



5.5

Tariffs



6.4

Regulatory trade barriers



5.2

Black-market exchange rates



10.0

Movement of capital and people

Regulation



7.5

Credit market regulations



8.2

Labor market regulations



7.5

Business regulations

BELIZE

LATIN AMERICA & THE CARIBBEAN

	2000	2002	2004	2006	2008	2010	2012	2014	2016	2018	2019	2020
Human freedom	7.52	7.36	7.84	7.95	7.95	7.55	7.72	7.39	7.36	7.38	7.48	7.02
Ranking	51	61	45	44	46	61	54	68	68	72	66	73
Economic freedom	5.89	6.02	6.90	7.25	7.29	6.45	6.61	6.56	6.46	6.46	6.41	6.23
Personal freedom	8.88	8.48	8.62	8.54	8.49	8.46	8.65	7.99	8.01	8.03	8.24	7.59
Rule of law	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4.0	4.3	4.4	4.6	4.6
Procedural justice	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4.2	4.8	4.5	4.9	4.9
Civil justice	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4.7	4.7	5.1	5.2	5.2
Criminal justice	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3.2	3.3	3.6	3.7	3.7
Rule of law (V-Dem)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Security and safety	7.6	5.2	5.8	5.4	5.1	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	6.3
Homicide	5.2	0.4	1.7	0.8	0.2	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	2.5
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Movement	10.0	3.3										
Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Freedom of movement (CLD)	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	3.3
Religion	10.0											
Freedom of religion	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Religious organization repression	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Association, assembly, civil society	8.8	10.0	10.0									
Civil society entry and exit	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Freedom of assembly	8.8	8.8	8.8	8.8	8.8	8.8	8.8	8.8	8.8	8.8	10.0	10.0
Freedom to form/run political parties	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Civil society repression	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Expression and information	8.2	8.2	8.4	8.3	8.3	8.3	9.4	9.4	8.1	8.1	8.1	8.9
Direct attacks on the press	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Media and expression (V-Dem)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Media and expression (Freedom House)	7.9	7.9	8.6	8.4	8.4	8.2	8.2	8.2	7.5	7.5	7.5	10.0
Media and expression (BTI)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Media and expression (CLD)	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	10.0	10.0	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7
Relationships	8.8	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0							
Same-sex relationships	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Divorce	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Inheritance rights	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Female genital mutilation	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0

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BENIN

SUB-SAHARAN AFRICA

HUMAN FREEDOM

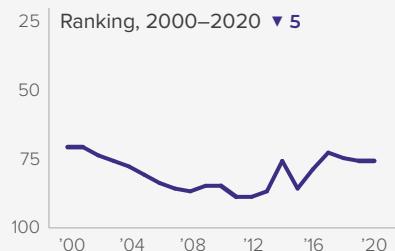
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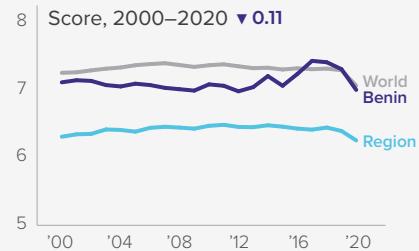
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PERSONAL FREEDOM

Ranking
74/165

Score
7.27

Rule of law

Procedural justice	4.0
Civil justice	3.8
Criminal justice	4.2
Rule of law (V-Dem)	6.9

Security and safety

Homicide	9.2
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	8.6

Movement

Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	6.5
Freedom of movement (CLD)	9.7

Religion

Freedom of religion	9.6
Religious organization repression	9.9

Association, assembly, civil society

Civil society entry and exit	7.4
Freedom of assembly	8.0
Freedom to form/run political parties	6.5
Civil society repression	7.8

Expression and information

Direct attacks on the press	6.3
Media and expression (V-Dem)	10.0
Media and expression (Freedom House)	6.5
Media and expression (BTI)	5.0
Media and expression (CLD)	6.7

Relationships

Same-sex relationships	7.9
Divorce	10.0
Inheritance rights	7.5
Female genital mutilation	5.0

ECONOMIC FREEDOM

Ranking
106/165

Score
6.51

Size of government

Government consumption	7.7
Transfers and subsidies	7.5
Government investment	9.8
Top marginal tax rate	9.0
State ownership of assets	3.5

Legal system and property rights

Judicial independence	4.8
Impartial courts	5.4
Protection of property rights	4.9
Military interference	-
Integrity of the legal system	4.9
Legal enforcement of contracts	6.0
Regulatory costs	2.0
Reliability of police	6.6

Sound money

Money growth	7.1
Standard deviation of inflation	9.6
Inflation: Most recent year	9.5
Freedom to own foreign currency	9.4
	0.0

Freedom to trade internationally

Tariffs	5.7
Regulatory trade barriers	6.8
Black-market exchange rates	5.1
Movement of capital and people	10.0

Regulation

Credit market regulations	7.2
Labor market regulations	8.3
Business regulations	6.3

BENIN

SUB-SAHARAN AFRICA

	2000	2002	2004	2006	2008	2010	2012	2014	2016	2018	2019	2020
Human freedom	7.06	7.08	7.00	7.02	6.96	7.03	6.93	7.15	7.18	7.35	7.25	6.95
Ranking	71	74	78	84	87	85	89	76	79	75	76	76
Economic freedom	5.95	5.96	5.85	5.98	5.87	6.12	5.89	6.23	6.19	6.48	6.66	6.51
Personal freedom	7.86	7.88	7.83	7.76	7.74	7.68	7.68	7.80	7.89	7.98	7.67	7.27
Rule of law	3.8	3.9	4.0	4.1	4.1	4.0						
Procedural justice	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4.0	3.8	3.8
Civil justice	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4.1	4.2	4.2
Criminal justice	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4.3	4.2	4.2
Rule of law (V-Dem)	7.0	7.0	7.0	7.0	7.0	7.0	7.0	7.2	7.4	7.6	7.0	6.9
Security and safety	8.6	8.6	8.6	8.6	8.7	7.8	8.2	8.6	8.7	9.5	9.1	9.2
Homicide	7.9	7.9	7.9	7.9	8.1	8.1	8.1	8.2	8.2	9.7	9.7	9.7
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	9.3	9.3	9.3	9.2	9.3	7.6	8.3	9.0	9.2	9.3	8.4	8.6
Movement	8.2	8.1	8.2	8.2	8.2	6.5						
Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.6	9.8	9.7	9.7	9.7
Freedom of movement (CLD)	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	3.3
Religion	9.6	9.8	9.9	9.6	9.6	9.6						
Freedom of religion	9.4	9.4	9.4	9.4	9.4	9.4	9.4	9.8	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9
Religious organization repression	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.3	9.3	9.3
Association, assembly, civil society	8.7	8.7	8.5	8.8	8.7	8.7	8.7	8.7	8.8	8.8	8.2	7.4
Civil society entry and exit	8.3	8.3	8.3	8.3	8.4	8.4	8.4	8.4	8.4	8.7	8.3	8.0
Freedom of assembly	8.1	8.1	6.9	8.1	8.1	8.1	8.1	8.5	8.5	9.6	7.6	6.5
Freedom to form/run political parties	9.3	9.3	9.3	9.4	9.3	9.3	9.3	9.3	9.5	8.2	8.1	7.8
Civil society repression	9.3	9.3	9.3	9.3	9.2	9.2	9.2	8.5	9.0	8.7	8.7	7.3
Expression and information	8.4	8.5	8.4	7.6	7.4	7.8	8.0	7.7	7.8	7.8	6.8	6.3
Direct attacks on the press	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Media and expression (V-Dem)	8.1	8.2	8.2	7.8	7.6	7.8	7.7	7.8	8.0	6.9	6.5	6.5
Media and expression (Freedom House)	8.2	8.6	8.2	8.2	8.1	7.7	7.7	7.3	7.5	7.5	7.5	5.0
Media and expression (BTI)	8.9	8.9	8.9	8.9	7.8	6.7	7.8	6.7	6.7	7.8	6.7	6.7
Media and expression (CLD)	6.7	6.7	6.7	3.3	3.3	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	3.3	3.3
Relationships	7.7	7.7	7.7	7.7	7.7	7.7	7.2	7.8	7.8	7.9	7.9	7.9
Same-sex relationships	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Divorce	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5
Inheritance rights	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	2.5	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0
Female genital mutilation	8.3	8.3	8.3	8.3	8.3	8.3	8.7	8.7	8.7	9.1	9.1	9.1

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BHUTAN

SOUTH ASIA

HUMAN FREEDOM

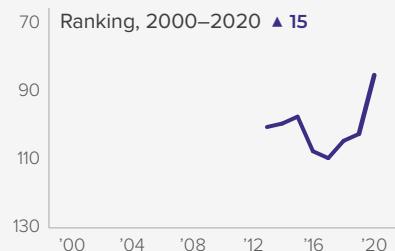
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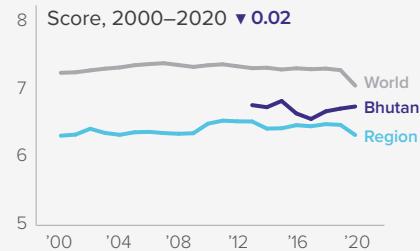
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Ranking, 2000–2020 ▲ 15



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PERSONAL FREEDOM

Ranking
91/165

Score
6.86

Rule of law

Procedural justice	-
Civil justice	-
Criminal justice	-
Rule of law (V-Dem)	6.5

Security and safety

Homicide	9.3
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	9.1

Movement

Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	8.1
Freedom of movement (CLD)	3.3

Religion

Freedom of religion	6.0
Religious organization repression	8.2

Association, assembly, civil society

Civil society entry and exit	6.2
Freedom of assembly	5.7
Freedom to form/run political parties	8.1
Civil society repression	7.9

Expression and information

Direct attacks on the press	10.0
Media and expression (V-Dem)	6.1
Media and expression (Freedom House)	5.0
Media and expression (BTI)	6.7
Media and expression (CLD)	6.7

Relationships

Same-sex relationships	0.0
Divorce	2.5
Inheritance rights	10.0
Female genital mutilation	10.0

ECONOMIC FREEDOM

Ranking
110/165

Score
6.49

Size of government

Government consumption	4.3
Transfers and subsidies	9.5
Government investment	5.0
Top marginal tax rate	7.5
State ownership of assets	5.3

Legal system and property rights

Judicial independence	6.5
Impartial courts	6.6
Protection of property rights	6.2
Military interference	-
Integrity of the legal system	7.4
Legal enforcement of contracts	7.4
Regulatory costs	6.9
Reliability of police	2.5

Sound money

Money growth	8.1
Standard deviation of inflation	9.0
Inflation: Most recent year	8.9
Freedom to own foreign currency	0.0

Freedom to trade internationally

Tariffs	6.3
Regulatory trade barriers	7.2
Black-market exchange rates	10.0
Movement of capital and people	0.5

Regulation

Credit market regulations	7.8
Labor market regulations	7.9
Business regulations	7.1

BHUTAN

SOUTH ASIA

	2000	2002	2004	2006	2008	2010	2012	2014	2016	2018	2019	2020
Human freedom	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6.70	6.61	6.64	6.68	6.71
Ranking	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100	108	105	103	86
Economic freedom	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6.76	6.89	6.49	6.52	6.49
Personal freedom	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6.65	6.41	6.75	6.80	6.86
Rule of law	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6.3	6.4	6.4	6.5	6.5
Procedural justice	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Civil justice	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Criminal justice	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Rule of law (V-Dem)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6.3	6.4	6.4	6.5	6.5
Security and safety	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	9.2	9.3	9.3	9.4	9.2
Homicide	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	9.6	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.3
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	8.9	8.9	9.0	9.1	9.1
Movement	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	7.6	5.9	6.0	6.0	5.7
Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	8.5	8.5	8.6	8.6	8.1
Freedom of movement (CLD)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6.7	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3
Religion	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6.3	6.2	6.9	7.0	7.1
Freedom of religion	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4.4	4.3	5.9	5.9	6.0
Religious organization repression	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	8.2	8.2	7.9	8.0	8.2
Association, assembly, civil society	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6.0	5.9	6.1	6.3	7.0
Civil society entry and exit	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3.3	3.2	3.3	3.2	6.2
Freedom of assembly	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5.7	5.7	5.7	5.7	5.7
Freedom to form/run political parties	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	8.2	8.2	8.2	8.2	8.1
Civil society repression	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6.6	6.6	7.3	7.9	7.9
Expression and information	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6.8	6.8	6.8	6.8	6.9
Direct attacks on the press	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Media and expression (V-Dem)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5.8	5.6	5.8	5.8	6.1
Media and expression (Freedom House)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4.8	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0
Media and expression (BTI)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7
Media and expression (CLD)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7
Relationships	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4.4	4.4	5.6	5.6	5.6
Same-sex relationships	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Divorce	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5
Inheritance rights	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5.0	5.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Female genital mutilation	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0

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BOLIVIA

LATIN AMERICA & THE CARIBBEAN

HUMAN FREEDOM

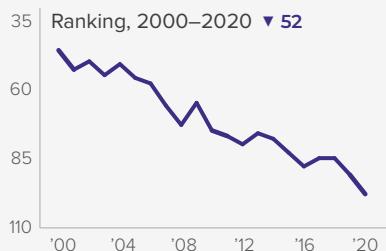
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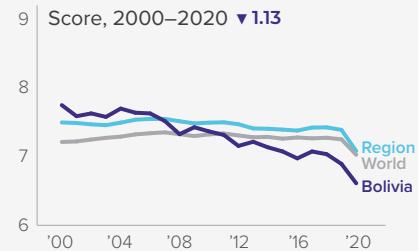
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PERSONAL FREEDOM

Ranking
88/165

Score
6.92

Rule of law

Procedural justice	2.9
Civil justice	3.9
Criminal justice	3.3
Rule of law (V-Dem)	2.2

Rule of law (V-Dem)	5.6
Homicide	8.5
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	8.0

Movement

Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	5.7
Freedom of movement (CLD)	8.1

Religion

Freedom of religion	8.0
Religious organization repression	7.9

Association, assembly, civil society	7.1
Civil society entry and exit	5.9
Freedom of assembly	6.9
Freedom to form/run political parties	9.1

Expression and information	6.9
Direct attacks on the press	10.0
Media and expression (V-Dem)	6.1
Media and expression (Freedom House)	5.0
Media and expression (BTI)	6.7

Relationships	9.4
Same-sex relationships	10.0
Divorce	10.0
Inheritance rights	7.5
Female genital mutilation	10.0

ECONOMIC FREEDOM

Ranking
123/165

Score
6.15

Size of government

Government consumption	6.0
Transfers and subsidies	5.2
Government investment	8.8
Top marginal tax rate	0.0
State ownership of assets	10.0

Legal system and property rights

Judicial independence	3.9
Impartial courts	3.1
Protection of property rights	2.5
Military interference	3.2
Integrity of the legal system	4.2
Legal enforcement of contracts	4.0
Regulatory costs	4.5
Reliability of police	6.8

Sound money

Money growth	9.5
Standard deviation of inflation	9.7
Inflation: Most recent year	8.6
Freedom to own foreign currency	9.8

Freedom to trade internationally

Tariffs	6.2
Regulatory trade barriers	7.7
Black-market exchange rates	4.0
Movement of capital and people	10.0

Regulation

Credit market regulations	5.2
Labor market regulations	7.6
Business regulations	3.8

BOLIVIA

LATIN AMERICA & THE CARIBBEAN

	2000	2002	2004	2006	2008	2010	2012	2014	2016	2018	2019	2020
Human freedom	7.73	7.61	7.68	7.61	7.31	7.35	7.14	7.12	6.96	7.02	6.88	6.60
Ranking	46	50	51	58	73	75	80	78	88	85	91	98
Economic freedom	6.92	6.69	6.63	6.54	6.27	6.40	6.38	6.25	6.30	6.35	6.32	6.15
Personal freedom	8.30	8.26	8.42	8.37	8.06	8.04	7.69	7.75	7.43	7.51	7.27	6.92
Rule of law	3.7	3.7	3.7	3.6	3.6	3.7	3.3	3.5	3.1	3.1	3.2	2.9
Procedural justice	-	-	-	-	4.4	4.4	4.2	4.6	3.7	3.8	3.9	3.9
Civil justice	-	-	-	-	3.8	3.8	3.4	3.5	3.4	3.3	3.3	3.3
Criminal justice	-	-	-	-	2.8	2.8	2.3	2.4	2.1	2.2	2.2	2.2
Rule of law (V-Dem)	6.3	6.3	6.3	6.1	6.1	6.2	6.2	6.2	6.3	6.0	5.6	
Security and safety	9.5	9.0	9.0	9.0	8.2	7.6	7.7	8.3	8.7	8.5	8.6	8.5
Homicide	-	8.5	8.5	8.5	7.5	6.3	6.5	7.4	8.2	8.6	8.0	8.0
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	8.9	8.9	8.8	9.2	9.2	8.3	9.2	9.0
Movement	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.6	9.6	9.6	7.9	9.6	7.9	7.9	7.7	5.7
Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.2	9.1	9.1	9.1	9.1	9.1	9.1	8.8	8.1
Freedom of movement (CLD)	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	6.7	10.0	6.7	6.7	6.7	3.3
Religion	8.5	9.3	9.3	9.4	9.4	9.8	9.8	9.0	9.0	8.8	8.1	8.0
Freedom of religion	7.7	9.3	9.3	9.5	9.5	9.8	9.8	8.2	8.2	8.2	7.9	7.9
Religious organization repression	9.3	9.3	9.3	9.3	9.3	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.5	8.3	8.1
Association, assembly, civil society	8.3	8.1	8.9	8.4	8.4	8.6	8.5	7.9	7.3	7.6	7.1	7.1
Civil society entry and exit	8.2	8.1	8.8	8.0	8.2	8.1	7.8	7.3	6.8	6.8	6.6	5.9
Freedom of assembly	7.3	8.4	8.4	7.3	7.3	8.4	8.8	7.7	6.2	6.9	6.1	6.9
Freedom to form/run political parties	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.6	9.6	9.7	9.6	9.4	9.2	9.1
Civil society repression	8.3	6.3	8.7	8.7	8.7	8.2	7.9	7.0	6.7	7.1	6.5	6.3
Expression and information	8.3	7.9	8.3	8.6	7.3	7.1	6.7	7.2	7.3	7.3	6.9	6.9
Direct attacks on the press	10.0	8.3	8.3	10.0	8.5	8.5	7.0	8.5	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Media and expression (V-Dem)	8.3	8.3	8.2	7.7	7.7	7.5	7.5	7.4	7.2	7.0	6.2	6.1
Media and expression (Freedom House)	8.5	8.4	7.2	7.6	6.8	6.0	5.6	5.8	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0
Media and expression (BTI)	7.8	7.8	7.8	7.8	6.7	6.7	6.7	7.8	7.8	7.8	6.7	6.7
Media and expression (CLD)	6.7	6.7	10.0	10.0	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7
Relationships	10.0	8.8	8.8	9.4	9.4	9.4						
Same-sex relationships	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Divorce	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Inheritance rights	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	5.0	5.0	7.5	7.5	7.5
Female genital mutilation	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0

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BOSNIA AND HERZEGOVINA

EASTERN EUROPE

HUMAN FREEDOM

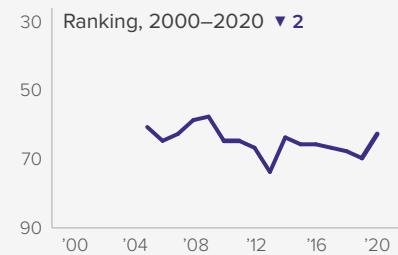
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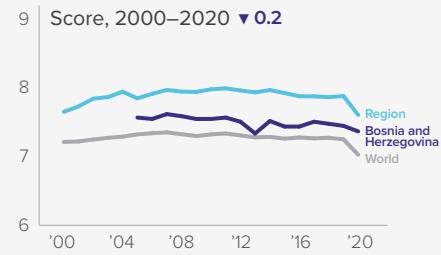
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PERSONAL FREEDOM

Ranking
55/165

Score
7.80

Rule of law

Procedural justice	5.1
Civil justice	6.1
Criminal justice	4.7
Rule of law (V-Dem)	4.6
	6.2

Security and safety

Homicide	9.2
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	8.7

Movement

Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	7.9
Freedom of movement (CLD)	9.2

Religion

Freedom of religion	8.5
Religious organization repression	7.5

Association, assembly, civil society

Civil society entry and exit	8.5
Freedom of assembly	9.3
Freedom to form/run political parties	6.9
Civil society repression	9.0

Expression and information

Direct attacks on the press	6.0
Media and expression (V-Dem)	10.0
Media and expression (Freedom House)	6.3
Media and expression (BTI)	5.0
Media and expression (CLD)	5.6

Relationships

Same-sex relationships	9.4
Divorce	10.0
Inheritance rights	10.0
Female genital mutilation	7.5

ECONOMIC FREEDOM

Ranking
89/165

Score
6.72

Size of government

Government consumption	6.6
Transfers and subsidies	5.3
Government investment	4.9
Top marginal tax rate	9.7
State ownership of assets	6.5

Legal system and property rights

Judicial independence	4.3
Impartial courts	4.1
Protection of property rights	3.5
Military interference	3.8
Integrity of the legal system	-
Legal enforcement of contracts	4.4
Regulatory costs	3.8
Reliability of police	7.7

Sound money

Money growth	8.3
Standard deviation of inflation	8.9
Inflation: Most recent year	9.6
Freedom to own foreign currency	9.8

Freedom to trade internationally

Tariffs	7.2
Regulatory trade barriers	8.4
Black-market exchange rates	7.9
Movement of capital and people	10.0

Regulation

Credit market regulations	9.1
Labor market regulations	7.2
Business regulations	5.0

BOSNIA AND HERZEGOVINA

EASTERN EUROPE

	2000	2002	2004	2006	2008	2010	2012	2014	2016	2018	2019	2020
Human freedom	-	-	-	7.53	7.57	7.53	7.49	7.50	7.42	7.46	7.43	7.35
Ranking	-	-	-	65	59	65	67	64	66	68	70	63
Economic freedom	-	-	-	6.51	6.68	6.65	6.87	6.92	6.85	6.99	6.94	6.72
Personal freedom	-	-	-	8.26	8.21	8.15	7.93	7.90	7.82	7.79	7.78	7.80
Rule of law	-	-	-	6.0	6.1	6.1	5.7	5.8	5.5	5.3	5.1	5.1
Procedural justice	-	-	-	-	7.0	7.0	6.9	6.9	6.3	6.2	6.1	6.1
Civil justice	-	-	-	-	5.0	5.0	4.8	5.0	5.0	4.8	4.7	4.7
Criminal justice	-	-	-	-	6.2	6.2	5.4	5.6	5.1	4.8	4.6	4.6
Rule of law (V-Dem)	-	-	-	6.7	6.8	6.7	6.7	6.8	6.7	6.2	6.3	6.2
Security and safety	-	-	-	9.5	9.1	9.3	9.4	9.3	9.3	9.1	9.2	9.2
Homicide	-	-	-	9.4	9.5	9.6	9.5	9.6	9.6	9.7	9.7	9.7
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	-	-	-	9.5	8.8	9.0	9.2	9.1	9.0	8.6	8.7	8.7
Movement	-	-	-	8.0	7.9	7.9	7.9	8.0	8.0	8.0	7.9	7.9
Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	-	-	-	9.3	9.2	9.2	9.2	9.4	9.3	9.3	9.1	9.2
Freedom of movement (CLD)	-	-	-	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7
Religion	-	-	-	8.7	8.7	8.7	8.7	8.5	8.5	8.5	8.5	8.5
Freedom of religion	-	-	-	8.0	8.0	8.0	8.0	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5
Religious organization repression	-	-	-	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5
Association, assembly, civil society	-	-	-	8.9	8.8	8.9	8.8	8.8	8.6	8.3	8.3	8.5
Civil society entry and exit	-	-	-	9.5	9.4	9.4	9.4	9.5	9.4	9.2	9.2	9.3
Freedom of assembly	-	-	-	7.7	7.7	7.7	7.3	7.3	7.3	7.3	6.9	6.9
Freedom to form/run political parties	-	-	-	9.2	9.1	9.4	9.5	9.3	8.9	8.5	8.9	9.0
Civil society repression	-	-	-	9.2	9.2	9.0	9.0	9.0	8.9	8.1	8.1	8.8
Expression and information	-	-	-	6.8	6.7	6.2	6.2	6.1	6.1	6.0	6.1	6.0
Direct attacks on the press	-	-	-	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Media and expression (V-Dem)	-	-	-	6.8	6.9	6.8	6.8	6.5	6.6	6.3	6.4	6.3
Media and expression (Freedom House)	-	-	-	5.8	5.5	5.3	5.3	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0
Media and expression (BTI)	-	-	-	7.8	7.8	5.6	5.6	5.6	5.6	5.6	5.6	5.6
Media and expression (CLD)	-	-	-	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3
Relationships	-	-	-	10.0	10.0	10.0	8.8	8.8	8.8	9.4	9.4	9.4
Same-sex relationships	-	-	-	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Divorce	-	-	-	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Inheritance rights	-	-	-	10.0	10.0	10.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	7.5	7.5	7.5
Female genital mutilation	-	-	-	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0

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BOTSWANA

SUB-SAHARAN AFRICA

HUMAN FREEDOM

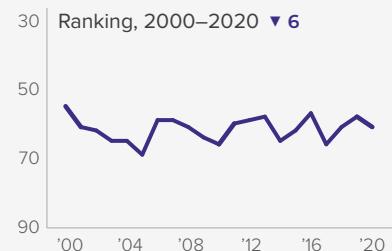
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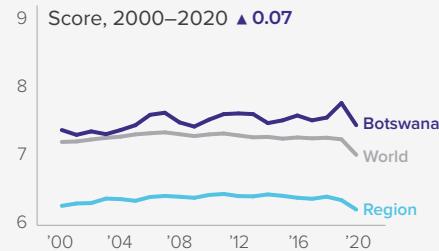
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PERSONAL FREEDOM

Ranking
69/165

Score
7.50

Rule of law

Procedural justice	5.7
Civil justice	5.3
Criminal justice	6.0
Rule of law (V-Dem)	5.8
	7.3

Security and safety

Homicide	7.6
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	5.6

Movement

Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	6.4
Freedom of movement (CLD)	9.6

Religion

Freedom of religion	8.3
Religious organization repression	7.8

Association, assembly, civil society

Civil society entry and exit	9.2
Freedom of assembly	8.5
Freedom to form/run political parties	9.3
Civil society repression	9.6

Expression and information

Direct attacks on the press	7.2
Media and expression (V-Dem)	10.0
Media and expression (Freedom House)	7.5
Media and expression (BTI)	5.0
Media and expression (CLD)	6.7

Relationships

Same-sex relationships	8.1
Divorce	10.0
Inheritance rights	5.0
Female genital mutilation	7.5

ECONOMIC FREEDOM

Ranking
49/165

Score
7.35

Size of government

Government consumption	6.6
Transfers and subsidies	0.0
Government investment	8.7
Top marginal tax rate	7.8
State ownership of assets	9.0

Legal system and property rights

Judicial independence	6.1
Impartial courts	6.8
Protection of property rights	6.4
Military interference	6.5
Integrity of the legal system	8.3
Legal enforcement of contracts	6.7
Regulatory costs	3.1
Reliability of police	7.8

Sound money

Money growth	9.3
Standard deviation of inflation	9.4
Inflation: Most recent year	8.2
Freedom to own foreign currency	9.6

Freedom to trade internationally

Tariffs	7.0
Regulatory trade barriers	5.7
Black-market exchange rates	7.4
Movement of capital and people	10.0

Regulation

Credit market regulations	7.7
Labor market regulations	8.1
Business regulations	7.4

BOTSWANA

SUB-SAHARAN AFRICA

	2000	2002	2004	2006	2008	2010	2012	2014	2016	2018	2019	2020
Human freedom	7.37	7.35	7.37	7.59	7.48	7.52	7.61	7.47	7.58	7.55	7.76	7.44
Ranking	55	62	65	59	61	66	59	65	57	61	58	61
Economic freedom	7.03	6.86	6.89	7.10	6.90	7.05	7.37	7.34	7.41	7.46	7.47	7.35
Personal freedom	7.61	7.70	7.71	7.93	7.89	7.85	7.78	7.57	7.71	7.62	7.97	7.50
Rule of law	6.1	6.1	6.1	6.1	6.1	6.2	5.7	5.2	5.6	5.7	5.7	5.7
Procedural justice	-	-	-	-	4.8	4.8	4.7	4.1	5.3	5.2	5.3	5.3
Civil justice	-	-	-	-	6.5	6.5	6.1	6.2	6.1	6.1	6.0	6.0
Criminal justice	-	-	-	-	7.2	7.2	6.3	5.2	5.5	5.9	5.8	5.8
Rule of law (V-Dem)	7.3	7.3	7.3	7.3	7.2	7.3	7.3	7.3	7.3	7.3	7.4	7.3
Security and safety	8.0	7.7	7.7	7.7	7.7	7.6	7.5	7.6	7.6	7.6	7.7	7.6
Homicide	6.5	5.8	5.9	6.0	5.8	5.6	5.6	5.6	5.6	5.6	5.6	5.6
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.6	9.5	9.4	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.7	9.6
Movement	8.1	8.1	8.1	9.8	9.7	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.7	9.8	9.8	6.4
Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.5	9.6	9.6	9.5	9.4	9.5	9.5	9.6
Freedom of movement (CLD)	6.7	6.7	6.7	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	3.3
Religion	8.9	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.7	9.7	9.7	8.6	9.5	8.8	8.6	8.3
Freedom of religion	8.0	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	8.1	9.7	8.2	7.7	7.8
Religious organization repression	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.2	9.2	9.4	9.4	8.8
Association, assembly, civil society	9.4	9.5	9.4	8.7	8.8	9.2						
Civil society entry and exit	9.0	9.0	9.0	9.0	8.9	8.9	8.9	9.2	9.6	7.8	7.5	8.5
Freedom of assembly	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.3	9.3	9.3	9.3
Freedom to form/run political parties	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.7	9.8	9.7	9.7	9.6
Civil society repression	9.4	9.4	9.4	9.4	9.4	9.4	9.4	9.4	9.0	8.0	8.8	9.3
Expression and information	7.7	7.8	7.9	7.7	7.6	7.3	7.3	7.3	7.1	7.2	7.2	7.2
Direct attacks on the press	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Media and expression (V-Dem)	7.8	7.8	8.0	8.0	7.9	7.7	7.8	7.3	7.3	7.5	7.6	7.5
Media and expression (Freedom House)	6.4	6.9	6.9	6.1	5.8	5.5	5.5	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0
Media and expression (BTI)	7.8	7.8	7.8	7.8	7.8	6.7	6.7	7.8	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7
Media and expression (CLD)	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7
Relationships	5.0	5.6	8.1	8.1								
Same-sex relationships	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	10.0	10.0
Divorce	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0
Inheritance rights	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	7.5	7.5	7.5
Female genital mutilation	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0

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BRAZIL

LATIN AMERICA & THE CARIBBEAN

HUMAN FREEDOM

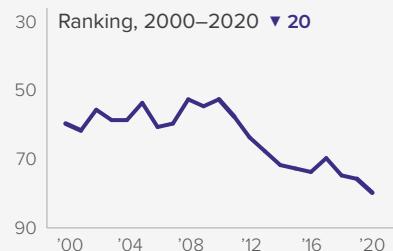
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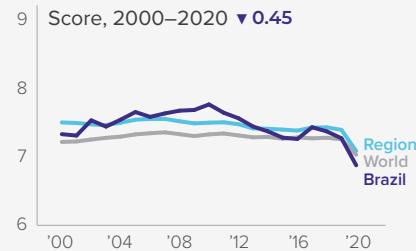
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PERSONAL FREEDOM

Ranking
76/165

Score
7.24

Rule of law

Procedural justice	4.1
Civil justice	4.1
Criminal justice	5.2
Rule of law (V-Dem)	3.3
	5.6

Security and safety

Homicide	3.9
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	8.1

Movement

Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	6.3
Freedom of movement (CLD)	9.3

Religion

Freedom of religion	8.4
Religious organization repression	7.2
	9.7

Association, assembly, civil society

Civil society entry and exit	8.6
Freedom of assembly	8.0
Freedom to form/run political parties	8.4
Civil society repression	9.8
	8.2

Expression and information

Direct attacks on the press	7.2
Media and expression (V-Dem)	9.5
Media and expression (Freedom House)	5.8
Media and expression (BTI)	7.5
Media and expression (CLD)	6.7
	6.7

Relationships

Same-sex relationships	10.0
Divorce	10.0
Inheritance rights	10.0
Female genital mutilation	10.0

ECONOMIC FREEDOM

Ranking
114/165

Score
6.33

Size of government

Government consumption	6.6
Transfers and subsidies	4.5
Government investment	5.3
Top marginal tax rate	10.0
State ownership of assets	5.0
	8.2

Legal system and property rights

Judicial independence	5.2
Impartial courts	5.3
Protection of property rights	4.7
Military interference	4.9
Integrity of the legal system	5.8
Legal enforcement of contracts	5.2
Regulatory costs	3.3
Reliability of police	8.2
	3.9

Sound money

Money growth	9.2
Standard deviation of inflation	8.5
Inflation: Most recent year	9.2
Freedom to own foreign currency	9.4
	10.0

Freedom to trade internationally

Tariffs	6.2
Regulatory trade barriers	7.4
Black-market exchange rates	6.0
Movement of capital and people	10.0
	1.3

Regulation

Credit market regulations	4.5
Labor market regulations	4.4
Business regulations	4.5
	4.6

BRAZIL

LATIN AMERICA & THE CARIBBEAN

	2000	2002	2004	2006	2008	2010	2012	2014	2016	2018	2019	2020
Human freedom	7.31	7.51	7.52	7.56	7.65	7.74	7.54	7.35	7.24	7.35	7.25	6.86
Ranking	60	56	59	61	53	53	64	72	74	75	76	80
Economic freedom	5.77	6.31	6.24	6.40	6.50	6.68	6.66	6.43	6.44	6.58	6.60	6.33
Personal freedom	8.41	8.36	8.43	8.39	8.47	8.50	8.17	8.00	7.81	7.91	7.71	7.24
Rule of law	5.4	5.4	5.4	5.5	5.5	5.5	4.7	4.8	4.7	4.4	4.2	4.1
Procedural justice	-	-	-	-	6.1	6.1	5.5	5.2	5.0	4.5	4.1	4.1
Civil justice	-	-	-	-	5.5	5.5	5.1	5.3	5.3	5.4	5.2	5.2
Criminal justice	-	-	-	-	4.9	4.9	3.7	3.9	3.7	3.4	3.3	3.3
Rule of law (V-Dem)	6.8	6.9	6.9	7.0	7.0	7.0	7.0	6.9	6.7	6.3	5.7	5.6
Security and safety	5.9	5.7	5.9	5.6	6.1	6.4	5.8	5.5	4.9	5.2	6.1	6.0
Homicide	3.1	2.6	3.0	3.1	3.1	3.6	2.3	1.9	1.4	2.0	3.9	3.9
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	8.8	8.8	8.8	8.2	9.2	9.2	9.2	9.2	8.5	8.4	8.3	8.1
Movement	9.9	9.6	6.3									
Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.8	9.8	9.7	9.2	9.3
Freedom of movement (CLD)	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	3.3
Religion	9.9	9.6	8.3	8.4								
Freedom of religion	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	9.8	6.9	7.2
Religious organization repression	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.7	9.7	9.7
Association, assembly, civil society	9.2	9.2	9.4	9.4	9.5	9.5	9.4	9.2	9.1	8.7	8.5	8.6
Civil society entry and exit	9.1	9.1	9.1	9.1	9.3	9.3	9.3	9.3	8.3	8.0	8.0	8.0
Freedom of assembly	7.7	7.7	8.8	8.8	8.8	8.8	8.8	7.7	8.8	8.8	8.4	8.4
Freedom to form/run political parties	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.8	9.8	9.8
Civil society repression	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.8	9.8	9.2	8.3	7.9	8.2
Expression and information	8.5	8.3	8.4	8.3	8.3	8.2	8.0	8.0	7.5	7.5	7.2	7.2
Direct attacks on the press	9.7	9.6	9.4	9.4	9.7	9.8	9.0	8.6	8.3	8.7	8.9	9.5
Media and expression (V-Dem)	8.5	8.4	8.4	8.7	8.7	8.7	8.7	8.8	7.4	6.9	6.5	5.8
Media and expression (Freedom House)	10.0	9.2	9.5	8.8	8.8	8.3	7.8	8.0	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5
Media and expression (BTI)	7.8	7.8	7.8	7.8	7.8	7.8	7.8	7.8	7.8	7.8	6.7	6.7
Media and expression (CLD)	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7
Relationships	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	9.4	8.8	8.8	10.0	10.0	10.0
Same-sex relationships	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Divorce	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Inheritance rights	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	7.5	5.0	5.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Female genital mutilation	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0

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BRUNEI DARUSSALAM

SOUTH ASIA

HUMAN FREEDOM

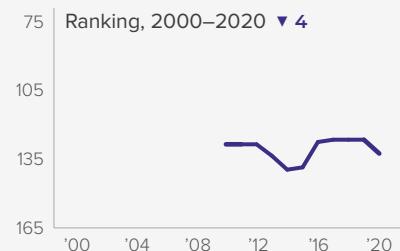
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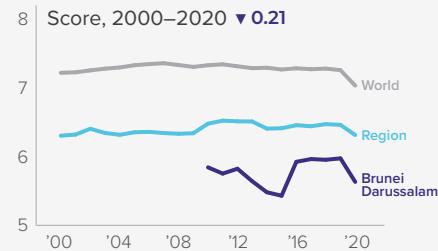
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PERSONAL FREEDOM

Ranking
156/165

Score
4.29

Rule of law

- Procedural justice
- Civil justice
- Criminal justice
- Rule of law (V-Dem)

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Security and safety

- Homicide
- Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism

9.9

9.9

10.0

Movement

- Freedom of movement (V-Dem)
- Freedom of movement (CLD)

3.3

-

3.3

Religion

- Freedom of religion
- Religious organization repression

3.3

3.3

-

Association, assembly, civil society

- Civil society entry and exit
- Freedom of assembly
- Freedom to form/run political parties
- Civil society repression

1.2

-

1.2

-

-

Expression and information

- Direct attacks on the press
- Media and expression (V-Dem)
- Media and expression (Freedom House)
- Media and expression (BTI)
- Media and expression (CLD)

4.2

10.0

-

2.5

-

0.0

Relationships

- Same-sex relationships
- Divorce
- Inheritance rights
- Female genital mutilation

3.8

5.0

0.0

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ECONOMIC FREEDOM

Ranking
59/165

Score
7.21

Size of government

- Government consumption
- Transfers and subsidies
- Government investment
- Top marginal tax rate
- State ownership of assets

6.7

0.0

-

10.0

10.0

-

Legal system and property rights

- Judicial independence
- Impartial courts
- Protection of property rights
- Military interference
- Integrity of the legal system
- Legal enforcement of contracts
- Regulatory costs
- Reliability of police

5.0

5.6

5.3

5.5

8.3

6.7

4.2

4.8

6.5

Sound money

- Money growth
- Standard deviation of inflation
- Inflation: Most recent year
- Freedom to own foreign currency

9.0

9.8

6.5

9.6

10.0

Freedom to trade internationally

- Tariffs
- Regulatory trade barriers
- Black-market exchange rates
- Movement of capital and people

6.6

9.6

3.7

10.0

3.1

Regulation

- Credit market regulations
- Labor market regulations
- Business regulations

8.8

9.3

8.8

8.2

BRUNEI DARUSSALAM

SOUTH ASIA

	2000	2002	2004	2006	2008	2010	2012	2014	2016	2018	2019	2020
Human freedom	-	-	-	-	-	5.83	5.81	5.47	5.91	5.94	5.96	5.62
Ranking	-	-	-	-	-	129	129	140	128	127	127	133
Economic freedom	-	-	-	-	-	7.00	6.97	6.88	7.18	7.26	7.30	7.21
Personal freedom	-	-	-	-	-	4.85	4.84	4.29	4.85	4.85	4.85	4.29
Rule of law	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Procedural justice	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Civil justice	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Criminal justice	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Rule of law (V-Dem)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Security and safety	-	-	-	-	-	10.0	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9
Homicide	-	-	-	-	-	9.9	9.7	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	-	-	-	-	-	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Movement	-	-	-	-	-	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	3.3
Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Freedom of movement (CLD)	-	-	-	-	-	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	3.3
Religion	-	-	-	-	-	3.3	3.3	0.0	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3
Freedom of religion	-	-	-	-	-	3.3	3.3	0.0	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3
Religious organization repression	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Association, assembly, civil society	-	-	-	-	-	1.2						
Civil society entry and exit	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Freedom of assembly	-	-	-	-	-	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2
Freedom to form/run political parties	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Civil society repression	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Expression and information	-	-	-	-	-	4.2						
Direct attacks on the press	-	-	-	-	-	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Media and expression (V-Dem)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Media and expression (Freedom House)	-	-	-	-	-	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5
Media and expression (BTI)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Media and expression (CLD)	-	-	-	-	-	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Relationships	-	-	-	-	-	3.8						
Same-sex relationships	-	-	-	-	-	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0
Divorce	-	-	-	-	-	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Inheritance rights	-	-	-	-	-	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Female genital mutilation	-	-	-	-	-	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0

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BULGARIA

EASTERN EUROPE

HUMAN FREEDOM

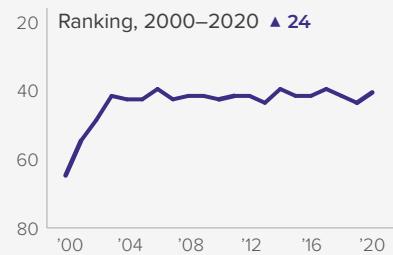
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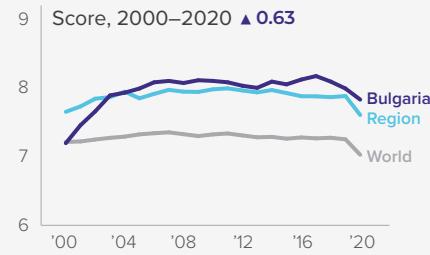
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Ranking, 2000–2020 ▲ 24



Score, 2000–2020 ▲ 0.63



PERSONAL FREEDOM

Ranking
50/165

Score
7.90

Rule of law

Procedural justice	5.1
Civil justice	5.3
Criminal justice	5.4
Rule of law (V-Dem)	4.4
	6.9

Security and safety

Homicide	9.6
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	9.7

Movement

Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	9.5
Freedom of movement (CLD)	6.7

Religion

Freedom of religion	7.8
Religious organization repression	8.9

Association, assembly, civil society

Civil society entry and exit	7.7
Freedom of assembly	8.9
Freedom to form/run political parties	9.2
Civil society repression	8.4

Expression and information

Direct attacks on the press	10.0
Media and expression (V-Dem)	6.9
Media and expression (Freedom House)	5.0
Media and expression (BTI)	5.6
Media and expression (CLD)	3.3

Relationships

Same-sex relationships	10.0
Divorce	7.5
Inheritance rights	10.0
Female genital mutilation	10.0

ECONOMIC FREEDOM

Ranking
23/165

Score
7.69

Size of government

Government consumption	4.4
Transfers and subsidies	5.9
Government investment	9.1
Top marginal tax rate	8.5
State ownership of assets	7.9

Legal system and property rights

Impartial courts	5.6
Protection of property rights	4.7
Military interference	4.9
Integrity of the legal system	8.3
Legal enforcement of contracts	5.6
Regulatory costs	5.1
Reliability of police	8.7

Sound money

Standard deviation of inflation	8.9
Inflation: Most recent year	9.6
Freedom to own foreign currency	9.7
	10.0

Freedom to trade internationally

Regulatory trade barriers	8.0
Black-market exchange rates	7.6
Movement of capital and people	10.0
	6.0

Regulation

Labor market regulations	9.9
Business regulations	7.2
	6.6

BULGARIA

EASTERN EUROPE

	2000	2002	2004	2006	2008	2010	2012	2014	2016	2018	2019	2020
Human freedom	7.18	7.64	7.91	8.06	8.05	8.08	8.01	8.07	8.10	8.07	7.97	7.81
Ranking	65	49	43	40	42	43	42	40	42	42	44	41
Economic freedom	5.64	6.67	6.96	7.35	7.41	7.60	7.60	7.67	7.86	7.89	7.79	7.69
Personal freedom	8.29	8.34	8.59	8.57	8.50	8.41	8.31	8.35	8.27	8.19	8.10	7.90
Rule of law	5.4	5.5	5.5	5.5	5.5	5.3	5.1	5.2	4.9	5.2	5.0	5.1
Procedural justice	-	-	-	-	6.3	6.3	5.9	5.8	5.0	5.4	5.3	5.3
Civil justice	-	-	-	-	5.7	5.7	5.3	5.7	5.6	5.6	5.4	5.4
Criminal justice	-	-	-	-	3.9	3.9	4.1	4.1	4.1	4.5	4.4	4.4
Rule of law (V-Dem)	7.2	7.4	7.4	7.4	7.4	7.1	7.1	7.0	6.9	6.8	6.8	6.9
Security and safety	9.1	9.3	9.4	9.5	9.5	9.6	9.1	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.6
Homicide	8.8	9.1	9.1	9.3	9.3	9.4	9.4	9.5	9.7	9.6	9.7	9.7
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	9.5	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.8	9.7	8.8	9.6	9.6	9.5	9.6	9.6
Movement	8.2	8.2	9.9	9.9	9.8	8.1						
Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5
Freedom of movement (CLD)	6.7	6.7	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	6.7
Religion	8.8	8.8	8.8	8.8	8.7	8.7	8.7	8.5	8.1	8.2	8.2	8.4
Freedom of religion	7.8	7.8	7.8	7.8	7.8	7.8	7.7	7.6	7.4	7.4	7.4	7.8
Religious organization repression	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.6	9.6	9.5	8.9	8.9	8.9	8.9
Association, assembly, civil society	8.8	8.8	9.1	8.8	8.8	8.8	8.8	8.7	8.5	8.5	8.6	8.6
Civil society entry and exit	7.8	7.8	7.8	7.8	7.8	7.8	7.8	7.8	7.8	7.8	7.8	7.7
Freedom of assembly	8.9	8.9	10.0	8.9	8.9	8.9	8.9	8.9	8.9	8.9	8.9	8.9
Freedom to form/run political parties	9.1	9.2	9.2	9.1	9.0	9.3	9.3	9.4	9.2	9.1	9.1	9.2
Civil society repression	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.4	9.4	8.6	8.1	8.0	8.8	8.4
Expression and information	8.3	8.4	8.2	8.3	7.7	7.3	7.2	7.3	7.6	6.9	6.1	6.2
Direct attacks on the press	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	8.0	6.0	6.0	8.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Media and expression (V-Dem)	7.9	7.9	7.9	7.9	7.8	7.8	7.6	7.3	7.2	6.9	6.8	6.9
Media and expression (Freedom House)	9.4	9.8	8.8	9.0	8.3	8.3	8.1	8.1	7.5	7.5	5.0	5.0
Media and expression (BTI)	7.8	7.8	7.8	7.8	7.8	7.8	7.8	6.7	6.7	6.7	5.6	5.6
Media and expression (CLD)	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	3.3	3.3	3.3
Relationships	9.4											
Same-sex relationships	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Divorce	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5
Inheritance rights	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Female genital mutilation	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0

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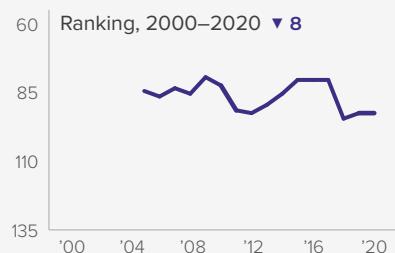
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HUMAN FREEDOM

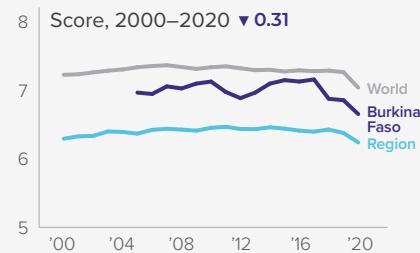
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Score
6.63

Ranking, 2000–2020 ▾ 8



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PERSONAL FREEDOM

Ranking
85/165

Score
6.98

Rule of law

Procedural justice	4.7
Civil justice	4.4
Criminal justice	4.6
Rule of law (V-Dem)	4.9
	6.0

Security and safety

Homicide	6.8
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	9.6

Movement

Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	5.8
Freedom of movement (CLD)	8.2

Religion

Freedom of religion	9.3
Religious organization repression	9.3

Association, assembly, civil society

Civil society entry and exit	8.2
Freedom of assembly	6.6
Freedom to form/run political parties	9.3
Civil society repression	8.6

Expression and information

Direct attacks on the press	7.3
Media and expression (V-Dem)	10.0
Media and expression (Freedom House)	7.9
Media and expression (BTI)	5.0
Media and expression (CLD)	6.7

Relationships

Same-sex relationships	6.9
Divorce	10.0
Inheritance rights	7.5
Female genital mutilation	7.5

ECONOMIC FREEDOM

Ranking
123/165

Score
6.15

Size of government

Government consumption	7.2
Transfers and subsidies	5.4
Government investment	9.5
Top marginal tax rate	7.0
State ownership of assets	6.5

Legal system and property rights

Judicial independence	4.1
Impartial courts	5.0
Protection of property rights	3.8
Military interference	4.6
Integrity of the legal system	3.3
Legal enforcement of contracts	6.2
Regulatory costs	2.1
Reliability of police	4.8

Sound money

Money growth	6.8
Standard deviation of inflation	8.7
Inflation: Most recent year	8.8
Freedom to own foreign currency	9.6
	0.0

Freedom to trade internationally

Tariffs	5.7
Regulatory trade barriers	7.4
Black-market exchange rates	4.5
Movement of capital and people	10.0
	0.8

Regulation

Credit market regulations	6.9
Labor market regulations	7.3
Business regulations	7.0

BURKINA FASO

SUB-SAHARAN AFRICA

	2000	2002	2004	2006	2008	2010	2012	2014	2016	2018	2019	2020
Human freedom	-	-	-	6.92	7.00	7.10	6.86	7.07	7.10	6.85	6.83	6.63
Ranking	-	-	-	87	86	83	93	86	81	95	93	93
Economic freedom	-	-	-	5.79	5.84	5.96	5.78	6.03	6.10	5.99	6.25	6.15
Personal freedom	-	-	-	7.73	7.83	7.91	7.63	7.81	7.81	7.47	7.24	6.98
Rule of law	-	-	-	4.9	4.9	4.9	4.5	4.4	4.9	4.7	4.6	4.7
Procedural justice	-	-	-	-	4.2	4.2	4.4	4.3	5.1	4.7	4.4	4.4
Civil justice	-	-	-	-	5.9	5.9	5.4	4.7	4.9	4.6	4.6	4.6
Criminal justice	-	-	-	-	4.5	4.5	3.8	4.3	4.5	4.9	4.9	4.9
Rule of law (V-Dem)	-	-	-	6.5	6.5	6.6	6.5	6.7	6.6	6.2	5.9	6.0
Security and safety	-	-	-	9.3	9.1	9.2	9.2	9.2	9.0	7.8	7.0	6.8
Homicide	-	-	-	9.9	9.7	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.7	9.6	9.6	9.6
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	-	-	-	8.7	8.6	8.6	8.6	8.6	8.3	6.0	4.4	4.1
Movement	-	-	-	9.7	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.7	9.6	7.6	7.4	5.8
Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	-	-	-	9.3	9.3	9.3	9.2	9.4	9.1	8.4	8.2	8.2
Freedom of movement (CLD)	-	-	-	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	6.7	6.7	3.3
Religion	-	-	-	9.3	9.3	9.3	9.2	9.3	9.1	9.3	9.3	9.3
Freedom of religion	-	-	-	9.3	9.3	9.6	9.6	9.8	9.8	9.3	9.3	9.3
Religious organization repression	-	-	-	9.2	9.2	9.0	8.8	8.8	8.4	9.3	9.3	9.3
Association, assembly, civil society	-	-	-	8.0	8.3	8.4	8.4	8.4	8.3	8.3	8.2	8.2
Civil society entry and exit	-	-	-	9.2	9.2	9.2	9.2	9.7	8.9	8.3	8.3	8.2
Freedom of assembly	-	-	-	4.6	5.7	5.7	5.7	5.7	6.6	6.9	6.6	6.6
Freedom to form/run political parties	-	-	-	9.0	9.0	9.1	9.1	9.1	9.1	9.3	9.3	9.3
Civil society repression	-	-	-	9.2	9.2	9.7	9.7	9.1	8.7	8.5	8.6	8.6
Expression and information	-	-	-	6.8	7.4	7.6	7.5	7.4	7.7	7.8	7.3	7.3
Direct attacks on the press	-	-	-	10.0	10.0	10.0	9.3	9.3	9.3	10.0	10.0	10.0
Media and expression (V-Dem)	-	-	-	7.3	7.3	7.4	7.4	7.7	8.2	8.0	8.0	7.9
Media and expression (Freedom House)	-	-	-	7.9	7.5	7.5	7.3	6.9	7.5	7.5	5.0	5.0
Media and expression (BTI)	-	-	-	5.6	5.6	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7
Media and expression (CLD)	-	-	-	3.3	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7
Relationships	-	-	-	6.2	6.2	6.2	5.0	6.2	6.2	6.9	6.9	6.9
Same-sex relationships	-	-	-	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Divorce	-	-	-	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5
Inheritance rights	-	-	-	5.0	5.0	5.0	0.0	5.0	5.0	7.5	7.5	7.5
Female genital mutilation	-	-	-	2.4	2.4	2.4	2.7	2.4	2.4	2.4	2.4	2.4

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BURUNDI

SUB-SAHARAN AFRICA

HUMAN FREEDOM

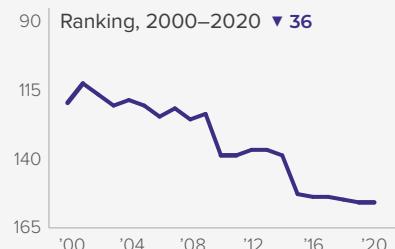
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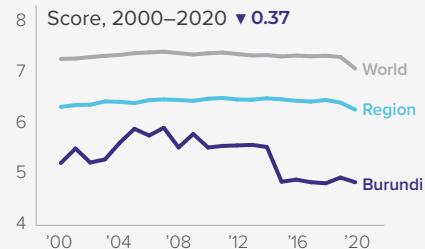
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Ranking, 2000–2020 ▼ 36



Score, 2000–2020 ▼ 0.37



PERSONAL FREEDOM

Ranking
158/165

Score
4.22

Rule of law

Procedural justice



3.4

Civil justice



-

Criminal justice



-

Rule of law (V-Dem)



3.4

Security and safety

Homicide



5.8

8.2

Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism



3.3

Movement

Freedom of movement (V-Dem)



4.3

5.4

Freedom of movement (CLD)



3.3

Religion

Freedom of religion



6.3

7.9

Religious organization repression



4.8

Association, assembly, civil society

Civil society entry and exit



2.0

0.4

Freedom of assembly



0.4

Freedom to form/run political parties



5.5

5.5

Civil society repression



1.6

Expression and information

Direct attacks on the press



1.8

5.0

Media and expression (V-Dem)



2.0

Media and expression (Freedom House)



0.0

Media and expression (BTI)



2.2

Media and expression (CLD)



0.0

Relationships

Same-sex relationships



5.8

0.0

Divorce



7.5

Inheritance rights



-

Female genital mutilation



10.0

ECONOMIC FREEDOM

Ranking
147/165

Score
5.67

Size of government

Government consumption



6.7

Transfers and subsidies



3.1

Government investment



10.0

Top marginal tax rate



9.4

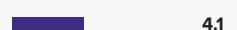
State ownership of assets



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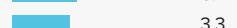
Legal system and property rights

Judicial independence



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Impartial courts



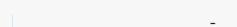
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Protection of property rights



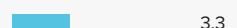
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Military interference



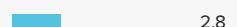
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Integrity of the legal system



3.3

Legal enforcement of contracts



2.8

Regulatory costs



8.5

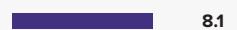
Reliability of police



5.4

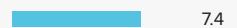
Sound money

Money growth



8.1

Standard deviation of inflation



6.6

Inflation: Most recent year



7.4

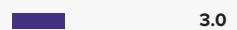
Freedom to own foreign currency



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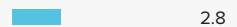
Freedom to trade internationally

Tariffs



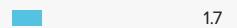
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Regulatory trade barriers



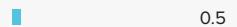
6.9

Black-market exchange rates



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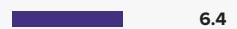
Movement of capital and people



1.7

Regulation

Credit market regulations



5.0

Labor market regulations



8.1

Business regulations



6.3

BURUNDI

SUB-SAHARAN AFRICA

	2000	2002	2004	2006	2008	2010	2012	2014	2016	2018	2019	2020
Human freedom	5.19	5.20	5.58	5.72	5.49	5.49	5.53	5.50	4.87	4.80	4.91	4.82
Ranking	120	117	119	125	126	139	137	139	154	155	156	156
Economic freedom	5.37	5.57	5.12	5.72	5.20	5.33	5.41	6.04	6.26	5.72	5.67	5.67
Personal freedom	5.07	4.93	5.91	5.71	5.69	5.60	5.62	5.11	3.88	4.15	4.38	4.22
Rule of law	4.4	4.3	4.3	4.2	4.1	4.0	4.1	3.6	2.9	2.9	3.3	3.4
Procedural justice	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Civil justice	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Criminal justice	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Rule of law (V-Dem)	4.4	4.3	4.3	4.2	4.1	4.0	4.1	3.6	2.9	2.9	3.3	3.4
Security and safety	3.0	1.0	6.1	5.9	5.8	6.7	7.3	7.1	5.1	5.6	5.9	5.8
Homicide	-	-	8.8	8.8	8.8	8.8	8.4	8.3	8.2	8.2	8.2	8.2
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	3.0	1.0	3.3	3.0	2.9	4.6	6.1	5.8	1.9	3.0	3.7	3.3
Movement	4.7	5.1	6.8	6.9	6.9	6.7	6.7	6.3	3.7	4.2	6.1	4.3
Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	6.1	6.9	6.9	7.1	7.1	6.8	6.8	6.0	4.0	5.1	5.5	5.4
Freedom of movement (CLD)	3.3	3.3	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	3.3	3.3	6.7	3.3
Religion	8.1	8.1	8.1	8.1	8.1	7.8	7.8	6.4	5.7	5.9	5.9	6.3
Freedom of religion	9.7	9.8	9.8	9.7	9.7	9.5	9.5	7.2	7.7	7.8	7.8	7.9
Religious organization repression	6.5	6.5	6.5	6.5	6.5	6.2	6.1	5.6	3.8	3.9	3.9	4.8
Association, assembly, civil society	5.3	5.4	5.3	5.2	5.0	4.4	4.8	3.6	2.2	2.0	1.9	2.0
Civil society entry and exit	4.5	4.5	4.4	4.6	4.3	4.4	4.4	2.3	1.3	0.4	0.4	0.4
Freedom of assembly	4.2	4.2	4.2	4.2	4.2	3.4	4.9	2.6	1.5	0.7	0.4	0.4
Freedom to form/run political parties	8.0	8.4	8.4	8.1	7.9	7.4	7.4	7.3	5.6	5.1	5.1	5.5
Civil society repression	4.4	4.4	4.4	4.1	3.8	2.3	2.3	2.0	0.5	1.7	1.7	1.6
Expression and information	4.5	4.9	5.1	4.0	4.2	3.9	4.4	3.8	2.6	2.6	1.8	1.8
Direct attacks on the press	8.0	10.0	10.0	5.2	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.9	7.2	8.5	4.3	5.0
Media and expression (V-Dem)	5.3	5.5	5.9	5.6	5.4	5.2	5.2	5.0	2.6	2.4	2.3	2.0
Media and expression (Freedom House)	1.2	1.3	1.7	1.3	1.5	1.4	1.5	1.3	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Media and expression (BTI)	4.4	4.4	4.4	4.4	5.6	4.4	3.3	3.3	3.3	2.2	2.2	2.2
Media and expression (CLD)	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	6.7	3.3	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Relationships	5.6	5.6	5.6	5.6	5.6	5.6	4.4	5.0	5.0	5.8	5.8	5.8
Same-sex relationships	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Divorce	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5
Inheritance rights	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	0.0	2.5	2.5	-	-	-
Female genital mutilation	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0

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CABO VERDE

SUB-SAHARAN AFRICA

HUMAN FREEDOM

Ranking

29

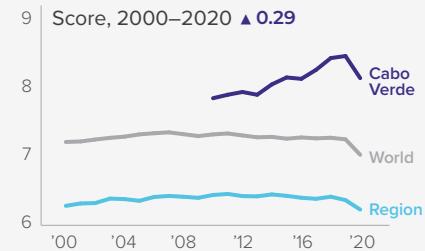
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Ranking, 2000–2020 ▲ 20



Score, 2000–2020 ▲ 0.29



PERSONAL FREEDOM

Ranking
31/165

Score
8.49

Rule of law

Procedural justice	-
Civil justice	-
Criminal justice	-
Rule of law (V-Dem)	7.1

Security and safety

Homicide	8.1
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	9.5

Movement

Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	9.7
Freedom of movement (CLD)	3.3

Religion

Freedom of religion	9.9
Religious organization repression	9.9

Association, assembly, civil society

Civil society entry and exit	8.7
Freedom of assembly	10.0
Freedom to form/run political parties	9.7
Civil society repression	9.8

Expression and information

Direct attacks on the press	10.0
Media and expression (V-Dem)	7.6
Media and expression (Freedom House)	10.0
Media and expression (BTI)	-
Media and expression (CLD)	10.0

Relationships

Same-sex relationships	10.0
Divorce	2.5
Inheritance rights	10.0
Female genital mutilation	10.0

ECONOMIC FREEDOM

Ranking
30/165

Score
7.60

Size of government

Government consumption	4.6
Transfers and subsidies	9.1
Government investment	10.0
Top marginal tax rate	6.0
State ownership of assets	7.7

Legal system and property rights

Judicial independence	6.6
Impartial courts	5.8
Protection of property rights	5.4
Military interference	-
Integrity of the legal system	7.4
Legal enforcement of contracts	6.1
Regulatory costs	8.9
Reliability of police	5.6

Sound money

Money growth	9.4
Standard deviation of inflation	9.6
Inflation: Most recent year	9.9
Freedom to own foreign currency	10.0

Freedom to trade internationally

Tariffs	6.8
Regulatory trade barriers	5.9
Black-market exchange rates	10.0
Movement of capital and people	6.0

Regulation

Credit market regulations	9.1
Labor market regulations	4.9
Business regulations	7.4

CABO VERDE

SUB-SAHARAN AFRICA

	2000	2002	2004	2006	2008	2010	2012	2014	2016	2018	2019	2020
Human freedom	-	-	-	-	-	7.83	7.92	8.03	8.11	8.41	8.44	8.12
Ranking	-	-	-	-	-	49	45	42	40	31	28	29
Economic freedom	-	-	-	-	-	6.46	6.76	7.06	7.25	7.72	7.65	7.60
Personal freedom	-	-	-	-	-	8.81	8.74	8.72	8.72	8.89	8.99	8.49
Rule of law	-	-	-	-	-	7.3	7.3	7.3	7.3	7.2	7.2	7.1
Procedural justice	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Civil justice	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Criminal justice	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Rule of law (V-Dem)	-	-	-	-	-	7.3	7.3	7.3	7.3	7.2	7.2	7.1
Security and safety	-	-	-	-	-	8.7	8.2	8.0	8.1	8.9	9.0	8.8
Homicide	-	-	-	-	-	7.7	6.8	6.4	6.7	8.0	8.2	8.1
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	-	-	-	-	-	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.7	9.7	9.5
Movement	-	-	-	-	-	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	6.5
Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	-	-	-	-	-	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7
Freedom of movement (CLD)	-	-	-	-	-	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	3.3
Religion	-	-	-	-	-	9.9						
Freedom of religion	-	-	-	-	-	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9
Religious organization repression	-	-	-	-	-	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9
Association, assembly, civil society	-	-	-	-	-	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.5	9.5	9.6
Civil society entry and exit	-	-	-	-	-	8.8	8.8	8.8	8.8	8.8	8.8	8.7
Freedom of assembly	-	-	-	-	-	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Freedom to form/run political parties	-	-	-	-	-	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.6	9.6	9.7
Civil society repression	-	-	-	-	-	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8
Expression and information	-	-	-	-	-	8.9	8.9	8.9	8.8	8.7	9.4	9.4
Direct attacks on the press	-	-	-	-	-	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Media and expression (V-Dem)	-	-	-	-	-	7.9	7.9	8.1	7.6	7.4	7.6	7.6
Media and expression (Freedom House)	-	-	-	-	-	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	10.0	10.0
Media and expression (BTI)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Media and expression (CLD)	-	-	-	-	-	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Relationships	-	-	-	-	-	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	8.1	8.1	8.1
Same-sex relationships	-	-	-	-	-	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Divorce	-	-	-	-	-	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5
Inheritance rights	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	10.0	10.0	10.0
Female genital mutilation	-	-	-	-	-	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0

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CAMBODIA

SOUTH ASIA

HUMAN FREEDOM

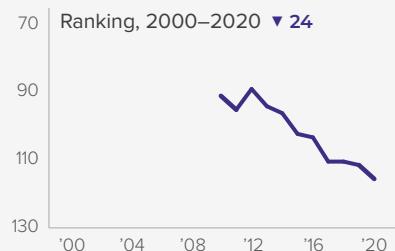
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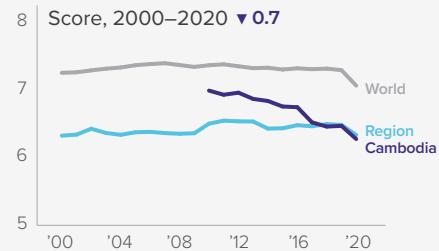
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Ranking, 2000–2020 ▾ 24



Score, 2000–2020 ▾ 0.7



PERSONAL FREEDOM

Ranking
122/165

Score
5.60

Rule of law

Procedural justice	2.4
Civil justice	2.1
Criminal justice	2.5
Rule of law (V-Dem)	4.2

Security and safety

Homicide	8.2
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	9.5

Movement

Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	6.7
Freedom of movement (CLD)	6.8

Religion

Freedom of religion	6.8
Religious organization repression	6.6

Association, assembly, civil society

Civil society entry and exit	3.1
Freedom of assembly	2.2
Freedom to form/run political parties	2.3
Civil society repression	5.1

Expression and information

Direct attacks on the press	3.3
Media and expression (V-Dem)	7.0
Media and expression (Freedom House)	2.7
Media and expression (BTI)	2.5
Media and expression (CLD)	1.1

Relationships

Same-sex relationships	8.8
Divorce	10.0
Inheritance rights	7.5
Female genital mutilation	7.5

ECONOMIC FREEDOM

Ranking
63/165

Score
7.13

Size of government

Government consumption	9.1
Transfers and subsidies	9.6
Government investment	9.1
Top marginal tax rate	8.8
State ownership of assets	10.0

Legal system and property rights

Judicial independence	3.7
Impartial courts	3.2
Protection of property rights	4.5
Military interference	-
Integrity of the legal system	2.0
Legal enforcement of contracts	1.8
Regulatory costs	7.5
Reliability of police	3.7

Sound money

Money growth	9.1
Standard deviation of inflation	7.8
Inflation: Most recent year	9.3
Freedom to own foreign currency	9.4
	10.0

Freedom to trade internationally

Tariffs	6.9
Regulatory trade barriers	7.8
Black-market exchange rates	4.8
Movement of capital and people	10.0

Regulation

Credit market regulations	6.8
Labor market regulations	8.9
Business regulations	6.5

CAMBODIA

SOUTH ASIA

	2000	2002	2004	2006	2008	2010	2012	2014	2016	2018	2019	2020
Human freedom	-	-	-	-	-	6.94	6.91	6.79	6.70	6.42	6.43	6.24
Ranking	-	-	-	-	-	92	90	97	104	111	112	116
Economic freedom	-	-	-	-	-	6.94	7.03	7.17	7.31	7.38	7.38	7.13
Personal freedom	-	-	-	-	-	6.95	6.82	6.51	6.27	5.74	5.75	5.60
Rule of law	-	-	-	-	-	3.8	3.4	2.7	2.6	2.5	2.4	2.4
Procedural justice	-	-	-	-	-	3.8	4.0	3.1	3.0	2.2	2.1	2.1
Civil justice	-	-	-	-	-	3.7	3.4	1.9	2.0	2.6	2.5	2.5
Criminal justice	-	-	-	-	-	4.0	2.9	3.0	2.7	2.6	2.5	2.5
Rule of law (V-Dem)	-	-	-	-	-	4.8	4.8	4.6	4.3	4.3	4.3	4.2
Security and safety	-	-	-	-	-	8.7	8.8	8.4	8.7	8.3	8.4	8.2
Homicide	-	-	-	-	-	9.3	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	-	-	-	-	-	8.1	8.1	7.3	7.9	7.2	7.3	6.9
Movement	-	-	-	-	-	9.4	9.4	9.0	8.7	7.1	7.2	6.7
Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	-	-	-	-	-	8.8	8.8	8.1	7.5	7.5	7.6	6.8
Freedom of movement (CLD)	-	-	-	-	-	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	6.7	6.7	6.7
Religion	-	-	-	-	-	7.7	7.7	7.6	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7
Freedom of religion	-	-	-	-	-	8.4	8.4	8.8	7.2	7.0	6.8	6.8
Religious organization repression	-	-	-	-	-	7.0	7.0	6.3	6.3	6.5	6.6	6.6
Association, assembly, civil society	-	-	-	-	-	5.1	5.0	4.7	4.1	3.4	3.2	3.1
Civil society entry and exit	-	-	-	-	-	5.0	4.8	4.3	2.8	2.2	2.2	2.2
Freedom of assembly	-	-	-	-	-	3.1	2.7	2.7	2.7	2.7	2.3	2.3
Freedom to form/run political parties	-	-	-	-	-	7.8	7.8	7.5	7.5	5.6	5.4	5.1
Civil society repression	-	-	-	-	-	4.8	4.6	4.5	3.2	2.9	2.9	2.9
Expression and information	-	-	-	-	-	4.5	4.1	3.8	3.7	3.5	3.6	3.3
Direct attacks on the press	-	-	-	-	-	6.3	6.2	6.2	6.2	6.5	8.5	7.0
Media and expression (V-Dem)	-	-	-	-	-	4.5	4.3	3.4	3.2	2.7	2.7	2.7
Media and expression (Freedom House)	-	-	-	-	-	3.8	3.3	2.7	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5
Media and expression (BTI)	-	-	-	-	-	4.4	3.3	3.3	3.3	2.2	1.1	1.1
Media and expression (CLD)	-	-	-	-	-	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3
Relationships	-	-	-	-	-	9.4	9.4	9.4	9.4	8.8	8.8	8.8
Same-sex relationships	-	-	-	-	-	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Divorce	-	-	-	-	-	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5
Inheritance rights	-	-	-	-	-	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	7.5	7.5	7.5
Female genital mutilation	-	-	-	-	-	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0

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CAMEROON

SUB-SAHARAN AFRICA

HUMAN FREEDOM

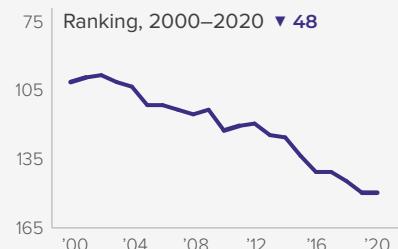
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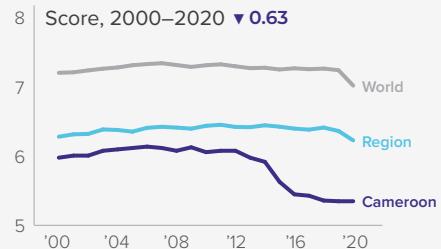
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PERSONAL FREEDOM

Ranking
141/165

Score
5.04

Rule of law

Procedural justice	2.8
Civil justice	1.9
Criminal justice	3.9
Rule of law (V-Dem)	2.5
	5.0

Security and safety

Homicide	6.4
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	9.6

Movement

Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	5.5
Freedom of movement (CLD)	7.6

Religion

Freedom of religion	7.5
Religious organization repression	7.9

Association, assembly, civil society

Civil society entry and exit	4.8
Freedom of assembly	5.9
Freedom to form/run political parties	2.2
Civil society repression	7.6

Expression and information

Direct attacks on the press	2.2
Media and expression (V-Dem)	4.4
Media and expression (Freedom House)	5.2
Media and expression (BTI)	0.0
Media and expression (CLD)	1.1

Relationships

Same-sex relationships	6.2
Divorce	0.0
Inheritance rights	7.5
Female genital mutilation	7.5

ECONOMIC FREEDOM

Ranking
144/165

Score
5.76

Size of government

Government consumption	7.2
Transfers and subsidies	7.5
Government investment	9.5
Top marginal tax rate	8.0
State ownership of assets	4.5

Legal system and property rights

Judicial independence	3.5
Impartial courts	3.1
Protection of property rights	4.3
Military interference	4.2
Integrity of the legal system	3.8
Legal enforcement of contracts	2.2
Regulatory costs	4.0
Reliability of police	5.1

Sound money

Money growth	7.2
Standard deviation of inflation	9.5
Inflation: Most recent year	9.6
Freedom to own foreign currency	9.5
	0.0

Freedom to trade internationally

Tariffs	5.1
Regulatory trade barriers	6.5
Black-market exchange rates	2.7
Movement of capital and people	10.0

Regulation

Credit market regulations	7.5
Labor market regulations	7.3
Business regulations	5.1

CAMEROON

SUB-SAHARAN AFRICA

	2000	2002	2004	2006	2008	2010	2012	2014	2016	2018	2019	2020
Human freedom	5.97	6.00	6.09	6.13	6.07	6.05	6.07	5.91	5.44	5.35	5.34	5.34
Ranking	102	99	104	112	116	123	120	126	141	145	150	150
Economic freedom	5.41	5.55	5.64	5.70	5.58	5.94	5.88	5.82	5.65	5.78	5.79	5.76
Personal freedom	6.37	6.32	6.41	6.44	6.41	6.12	6.21	5.98	5.29	5.04	5.02	5.04
Rule of law	3.5	3.4	3.4	3.4	3.4	3.4	3.4	3.1	3.0	2.8	2.8	2.8
Procedural justice	-	-	-	-	3.5	3.5	3.7	2.8	2.6	1.8	1.9	1.9
Civil justice	-	-	-	-	3.5	3.5	3.4	3.5	3.7	4.1	3.9	3.9
Criminal justice	-	-	-	-	3.2	3.2	3.1	3.0	2.8	2.4	2.5	2.5
Rule of law (V-Dem)	5.8	5.7	5.7	5.8	5.7	5.7	5.7	5.5	5.2	4.8	5.0	5.0
Security and safety	8.4	7.8	8.3	8.4	8.3	8.2	8.4	7.5	6.4	6.1	6.3	6.4
Homicide	9.1	8.1	8.2	8.2	8.8	8.5	8.8	9.7	9.7	9.6	9.6	9.6
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	7.7	7.5	8.3	8.5	7.9	7.9	7.9	5.3	3.2	2.6	3.0	3.1
Movement	8.2	8.2	8.2	8.2	8.2	6.5	6.5	6.4	5.8	5.3	5.5	5.5
Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.6	9.6	9.4	8.3	7.3	7.6	7.6
Freedom of movement (CLD)	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3
Religion	9.3	9.3	9.3	9.3	9.3	9.2	9.2	9.0	7.6	7.4	7.4	7.5
Freedom of religion	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.6	7.7	7.7	7.8	7.9
Religious organization repression	8.8	8.8	8.8	8.8	8.7	8.7	8.7	8.5	7.6	7.1	7.0	7.1
Association, assembly, civil society	5.9	5.9	5.9	5.9	5.9	5.9	5.8	5.6	5.0	5.0	4.8	4.8
Civil society entry and exit	6.8	6.8	6.8	6.8	6.8	6.8	6.8	6.2	5.3	5.8	5.8	5.9
Freedom of assembly	3.4	3.4	3.4	3.4	3.4	3.4	3.4	3.4	3.4	2.6	2.2	2.2
Freedom to form/run political parties	8.1	8.1	8.1	8.1	8.0	8.0	7.8	7.8	7.7	7.7	7.7	7.6
Civil society repression	5.2	5.2	5.2	5.2	5.1	5.1	5.1	4.8	3.6	3.9	3.6	3.5
Expression and information	4.3	4.5	4.7	4.8	4.7	4.5	4.6	4.7	3.5	2.4	2.1	2.2
Direct attacks on the press	7.5	8.4	9.3	9.3	8.0	7.4	7.4	8.2	7.9	5.0	4.4	4.4
Media and expression (V-Dem)	6.4	6.4	6.4	6.4	6.4	6.3	6.3	6.1	4.8	4.9	5.0	5.2
Media and expression (Freedom House)	1.9	2.2	2.2	2.5	2.6	2.4	2.5	2.5	2.5	0.0	0.0	0.0
Media and expression (BTI)	2.2	2.2	2.2	2.2	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	2.2	2.2	1.1	1.1
Media and expression (CLD)	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Relationships	5.1	5.1	5.1	5.1	5.1	5.1	5.6	5.6	5.6	6.2	6.2	6.2
Same-sex relationships	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Divorce	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5
Inheritance rights	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	7.5	7.5	7.5
Female genital mutilation	8.0	8.0	8.0	8.0	8.0	8.0	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9

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CANADA

NORTH AMERICA

HUMAN FREEDOM

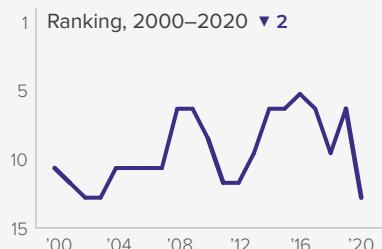
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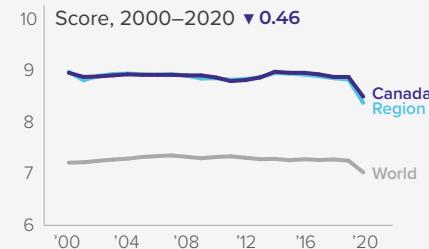
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Ranking, 2000–2020 ▾ 2



Score, 2000–2020 ▾ 0.46



PERSONAL FREEDOM

Ranking
13/165

Score
8.95

Rule of law

Procedural justice	7.6
Civil justice	8.7
Criminal justice	7.0
Rule of law (V-Dem)	7.3
	8.0

Security and safety

Homicide	9.6
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	9.4

Movement

Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	6.5
Freedom of movement (CLD)	9.6

Religion

Freedom of religion	9.6
Religious organization repression	9.8

Association, assembly, civil society

Civil society entry and exit	9.5
Freedom of assembly	9.4
Freedom to form/run political parties	10.0
Civil society repression	9.5

Expression and information

Direct attacks on the press	9.8
Media and expression (V-Dem)	10.0
Media and expression (Freedom House)	9.1
Media and expression (BTI)	-
Media and expression (CLD)	10.0

Relationships

Same-sex relationships	10.0
Divorce	10.0
Inheritance rights	10.0
Female genital mutilation	10.0

ECONOMIC FREEDOM

Ranking
14/165

Score
7.81

Size of government

Government consumption	5.8
Transfers and subsidies	3.5
Government investment	4.5
Top marginal tax rate	9.0
State ownership of assets	5.0

Legal system and property rights

Judicial independence	8.0
Impartial courts	7.7
Protection of property rights	7.8
Military interference	7.7
Integrity of the legal system	10.0
Legal enforcement of contracts	8.5
Regulatory costs	5.8
Reliability of police	8.7

Sound money

Money growth	9.5
Standard deviation of inflation	8.5
Inflation: Most recent year	9.7
Freedom to own foreign currency	9.9

Freedom to trade internationally

Tariffs	7.8
Regulatory trade barriers	7.9
Black-market exchange rates	10.0
Movement of capital and people	5.9

Regulation

Credit market regulations	8.0
Labor market regulations	8.1
Business regulations	8.1

CANADA

NORTH AMERICA

	2000	2002	2004	2006	2008	2010	2012	2014	2016	2018	2019	2020
Human freedom	8.93	8.86	8.90	8.89	8.88	8.84	8.79	8.95	8.93	8.85	8.85	8.47
Ranking	11	13	11	11	7	9	12	7	6	10	7	13
Economic freedom	8.29	8.21	8.27	8.27	8.20	8.08	8.02	8.28	8.27	8.11	8.05	7.81
Personal freedom	9.38	9.33	9.34	9.34	9.37	9.38	9.34	9.43	9.40	9.39	9.43	8.95
Rule of law	7.7	7.7	7.7	7.7	7.7	7.7	7.4	7.7	7.7	7.7	7.7	7.6
Procedural justice	-	-	-	-	8.3	8.3	7.9	8.5	8.6	8.7	8.7	8.7
Civil justice	-	-	-	-	7.2	7.2	7.2	7.2	7.2	7.0	7.0	7.0
Criminal justice	-	-	-	-	7.5	7.5	7.2	7.4	7.4	7.4	7.3	7.3
Rule of law (V-Dem)	8.2	8.2	8.2	8.2	8.2	8.2	8.2	8.4	8.4	8.3	8.0	8.0
Security and safety	9.5	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.7	9.6	9.5	9.6	9.6
Homicide	9.5	9.5	9.4	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.6	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.4
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	9.6	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.7	9.6	9.8	9.8
Movement	9.9	9.8	9.8	6.5								
Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.8	9.8	9.6	9.6	9.6
Freedom of movement (CLD)	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	3.3
Religion	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.6
Freedom of religion	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.7	9.7	9.9	9.9	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8
Religious organization repression	9.4	9.4	9.4	9.4	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.4	9.4	9.4	9.4
Association, assembly, civil society	9.5	9.1	9.2	9.3	9.5	9.5						
Civil society entry and exit	9.4	8.2	8.2	8.2	8.2	8.2	8.2	8.2	8.2	8.4	9.4	9.4
Freedom of assembly	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Freedom to form/run political parties	9.4	9.4	9.4	9.4	9.4	9.4	9.4	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5
Civil society repression	9.3	8.8	8.8	8.7	8.7	8.7	8.7	8.7	9.2	9.2	9.2	9.2
Expression and information	9.6	9.6	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.6	9.7	9.7	9.8	9.8	9.8
Direct attacks on the press	9.5	9.5	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Media and expression (V-Dem)	8.8	8.8	8.8	8.7	8.8	8.8	8.8	8.9	8.9	9.2	9.2	9.1
Media and expression (Freedom House)	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	9.8	9.8	9.6	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Media and expression (BTI)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Media and expression (CLD)	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Relationships	9.9	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0						
Same-sex relationships	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Divorce	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Inheritance rights	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Female genital mutilation	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0

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CENTRAL AFRICAN REPUBLIC

SUB-SAHARAN AFRICA

HUMAN FREEDOM

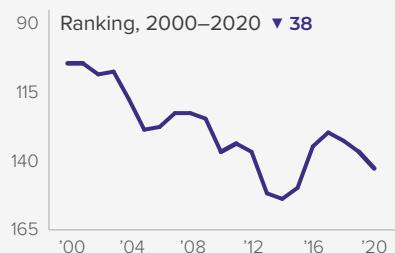
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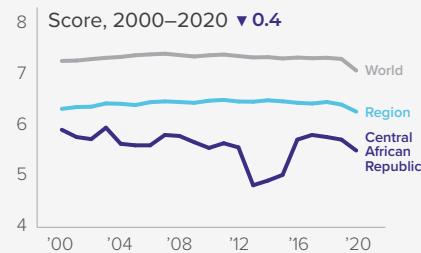
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Ranking, 2000–2020 ▾ 38



Score, 2000–2020 ▾ 0.4



PERSONAL FREEDOM

Ranking
124/165

Score
5.51

Rule of law

Procedural justice



4.2

Civil justice



-

Criminal justice



-

Rule of law (V-Dem)



4.2

Security and safety

Homicide



3.6

Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism



4.2

3.0

Movement

Freedom of movement (V-Dem)



5.0

Freedom of movement (CLD)



6.7

Religion

Freedom of religion



7.9

Religious organization repression



7.6

8.2

Association, assembly, civil society

Civil society entry and exit



5.2

Freedom of assembly



3.0

Freedom to form/run political parties



8.3

Civil society repression



4.3

Expression and information

Direct attacks on the press



4.5

Media and expression (V-Dem)



5.0

Media and expression (Freedom House)



6.2

Media and expression (BTI)



2.5

Media and expression (CLD)



5.6

Media and expression (CLD)



3.3

Relationships

Same-sex relationships



8.2

Divorce



10.0

Inheritance rights



7.5

Female genital mutilation



7.8

ECONOMIC FREEDOM

Ranking
155/165

Score
5.40

Size of government

Government consumption



7.0

Transfers and subsidies



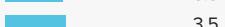
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Government investment



9.6

Top marginal tax rate



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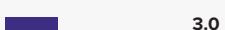
State ownership of assets



3.5

Legal system and property rights

Judicial independence



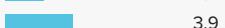
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Impartial courts



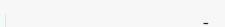
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Protection of property rights



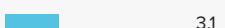
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Military interference



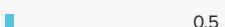
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Integrity of the legal system



3.1

Legal enforcement of contracts



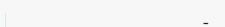
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Regulatory costs



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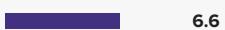
Reliability of police



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Sound money

Money growth



6.6

Standard deviation of inflation



8.2

Inflation: Most recent year



8.8

Freedom to own foreign currency

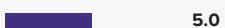


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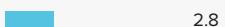
Freedom to trade internationally

Tariffs



5.0

Regulatory trade barriers



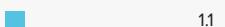
6.3

Black-market exchange rates



2.8

Movement of capital and people



10.0

1.1

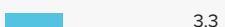
Regulation

Credit market regulations



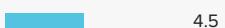
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Labor market regulations



3.3

Business regulations



4.5

CENTRAL AFRICAN REPUBLIC

SUB-SAHARAN AFRICA

	2000	2002	2004	2006	2008	2010	2012	2014	2016	2018	2019	2020
Human freedom	5.87	5.69	5.60	5.57	5.75	5.52	5.53	4.89	5.68	5.73	5.68	5.47
Ranking	105	109	118	128	123	137	137	154	135	133	137	143
Economic freedom	5.06	5.16	5.12	5.14	5.37	5.33	5.30	4.92	5.24	5.20	5.37	5.40
Personal freedom	6.44	6.08	5.94	5.87	6.01	5.66	5.69	4.88	5.99	6.11	5.90	5.51
Rule of law	4.7	4.7	4.3	4.3	4.3	4.2	4.1	3.7	4.2	4.3	4.3	4.2
Procedural justice	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Civil justice	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Criminal justice	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Rule of law (V-Dem)	4.7	4.7	4.3	4.3	4.3	4.2	4.1	3.7	4.2	4.3	4.3	4.2
Security and safety	8.2	6.6	6.1	5.4	6.0	3.9	4.1	3.6	4.0	3.6	3.6	3.6
Homicide	-	-	4.3	4.3	4.3	4.3	4.3	4.3	4.2	4.2	4.2	4.2
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	8.2	6.6	7.9	6.6	7.8	3.5	4.0	3.0	3.9	2.9	3.0	3.0
Movement	6.3	4.6	4.6	4.6	4.6	4.6	4.5	3.0	6.6	6.6	6.5	5.0
Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	5.9	5.9	5.9	5.9	5.9	5.9	5.8	5.9	6.6	6.5	6.4	6.7
Freedom of movement (CLD)	6.7	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	0.0	6.7	6.7	6.7	3.3
Religion	8.5	6.5	7.9	8.4	8.1	7.9						
Freedom of religion	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	4.4	7.1	7.6	7.9	7.6
Religious organization repression	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.5	9.5	9.5	8.7	8.7	9.2	8.3	8.2
Association, assembly, civil society	5.7	5.7	5.5	5.5	5.8	5.8	5.6	4.9	5.8	6.5	5.4	5.2
Civil society entry and exit	7.2	7.2	7.2	7.2	7.3	7.3	7.3	7.3	7.3	7.6	5.3	5.2
Freedom of assembly	3.0	3.0	3.0	3.0	4.1	4.1	3.3	1.5	4.1	4.1	4.1	3.0
Freedom to form/run political parties	7.9	7.9	7.9	7.9	7.9	7.8	7.8	8.1	8.3	8.5	8.1	8.3
Civil society repression	4.5	4.5	4.0	4.0	4.0	4.0	4.0	2.8	3.4	6.0	4.3	4.3
Expression and information	4.6	5.3	5.4	5.6	5.7	5.5	5.5	4.9	5.9	5.3	5.2	4.5
Direct attacks on the press	6.3	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	6.7	6.7	5.0	5.0	5.0
Media and expression (V-Dem)	6.3	6.3	6.1	6.1	6.1	6.1	6.1	6.5	6.9	6.9	6.2	6.2
Media and expression (Freedom House)	2.8	2.7	3.2	4.2	3.7	3.7	3.5	2.3	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5
Media and expression (BTI)	4.4	4.4	4.4	4.4	5.6	4.4	4.4	5.6	6.7	5.6	5.6	5.6
Media and expression (CLD)	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	6.7	6.7	6.7	3.3
Relationships	7.1	7.1	7.1	7.1	7.1	7.1	7.5	7.5	7.5	8.1	8.2	8.2
Same-sex relationships	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Divorce	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5
Inheritance rights	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	7.5	7.5	7.5
Female genital mutilation	6.0	6.0	6.0	6.0	6.0	6.0	7.4	7.6	7.6	7.6	7.8	7.8

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CHAD

SUB-SAHARAN AFRICA

HUMAN FREEDOM

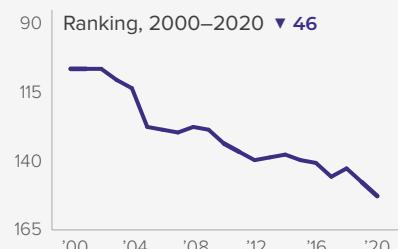
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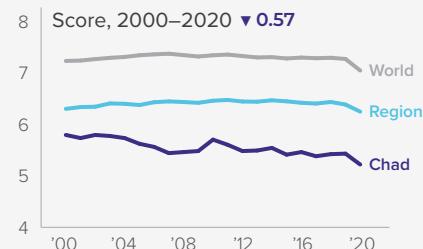
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PERSONAL FREEDOM

Ranking
145/165

Score
4.96

Rule of law

Procedural justice	-
Civil justice	-
Criminal justice	-
Rule of law (V-Dem)	4.1

Security and safety

Homicide	7.4
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	3.1

Movement

Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	7.0
Freedom of movement (CLD)	3.3

Religion

Freedom of religion	7.4
Religious organization repression	7.9

Association, assembly, civil society

Civil society entry and exit	3.4
Freedom of assembly	2.7
Freedom to form/run political parties	7.0
Civil society repression	3.7

Expression and information

Direct attacks on the press	8.3
Media and expression (V-Dem)	4.5
Media and expression (Freedom House)	2.5
Media and expression (BTI)	2.2
Media and expression (CLD)	3.3

Relationships

Same-sex relationships	0.0
Divorce	5.0
Inheritance rights	5.0
Female genital mutilation	6.6

ECONOMIC FREEDOM

Ranking
152/165

Score
5.55

Size of government

Government consumption	10.0
Transfers and subsidies	9.9
Government investment	4.0
Top marginal tax rate	8.0
State ownership of assets	7.9

Legal system and property rights

Judicial independence	3.2
Impartial courts	2.9
Protection of property rights	3.6
Military interference	-
Integrity of the legal system	2.7
Legal enforcement of contracts	2.2
Regulatory costs	6.8
Reliability of police	3.3

Sound money

Money growth	10.0
Standard deviation of inflation	8.2
Inflation: Most recent year	9.1
Freedom to own foreign currency	0.0

Freedom to trade internationally

Tariffs	6.3
Regulatory trade barriers	2.3
Black-market exchange rates	10.0
Movement of capital and people	1.1

Regulation

Credit market regulations	7.3
Labor market regulations	5.4
Business regulations	3.3

CHAD

SUB-SAHARAN AFRICA

	2000	2002	2004	2006	2008	2010	2012	2014	2016	2018	2019	2020
Human freedom	5.77	5.77	5.71	5.54	5.44	5.68	5.46	5.52	5.44	5.40	5.41	5.20
Ranking	107	107	114	129	128	134	140	138	141	143	148	153
Economic freedom	5.77	5.74	5.49	5.42	5.27	5.48	4.95	5.14	5.34	5.59	5.63	5.55
Personal freedom	5.78	5.80	5.87	5.63	5.56	5.83	5.82	5.80	5.52	5.27	5.25	4.96
Rule of law	4.2	4.2	4.2	4.2	4.2	4.3	4.3	4.1	4.1	4.0	4.2	4.1
Procedural justice	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Civil justice	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Criminal justice	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Rule of law (V-Dem)	4.2	4.2	4.2	4.2	4.2	4.3	4.3	4.1	4.1	4.0	4.2	4.1
Security and safety	5.7	5.8	6.5	5.0	5.4	6.8	6.9	6.9	5.8	5.5	5.4	5.2
Homicide	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.9	7.2	7.2	7.2	7.4	7.4	7.4	7.4	7.4
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	4.7	4.9	6.4	3.0	3.6	6.4	6.7	6.5	4.2	3.6	3.3	3.1
Movement	7.2	7.2	7.2	7.2	7.0	7.2	7.2	7.1	7.0	7.1	7.1	5.2
Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	7.7	7.7	7.7	7.7	7.3	7.7	7.7	7.6	7.4	7.5	7.5	7.0
Freedom of movement (CLD)	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	3.3
Religion	8.0	8.4	7.3	7.4	7.7	7.7						
Freedom of religion	7.7	7.7	7.7	7.7	7.7	7.7	7.7	8.6	6.9	6.9	7.4	7.4
Religious organization repression	8.3	8.3	8.3	8.3	8.3	8.3	8.3	8.1	7.7	7.9	7.9	7.9
Association, assembly, civil society	4.8	4.8	4.8	4.8	4.6	4.8	4.6	4.4	4.5	4.2	4.2	4.2
Civil society entry and exit	3.8	3.8	3.8	3.8	3.7	3.7	3.7	3.0	3.0	3.3	3.3	3.4
Freedom of assembly	3.8	3.8	3.8	3.8	3.1	3.8	3.1	3.1	3.1	3.1	2.7	2.7
Freedom to form/run political parties	7.4	7.4	7.4	7.4	7.4	7.4	7.4	7.4	7.4	6.9	7.0	7.0
Civil society repression	4.4	4.4	4.4	4.4	4.3	4.3	4.3	4.3	4.6	3.7	3.7	3.7
Expression and information	5.1	5.2	5.0	4.9	4.3	4.4	4.6	4.5	4.7	4.6	4.2	4.2
Direct attacks on the press	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	8.3	8.3
Media and expression (V-Dem)	5.6	5.6	5.6	5.4	5.4	5.5	5.4	5.6	5.6	4.8	4.6	4.5
Media and expression (Freedom House)	3.3	3.7	2.5	2.3	1.9	2.1	2.1	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5
Media and expression (BTI)	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	1.1	1.1	2.2	1.1	2.2	2.2	2.2	2.2
Media and expression (CLD)	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3
Relationships	5.4	5.4	5.4	5.4	5.4	5.4	5.1	5.2	5.2	4.0	4.1	4.1
Same-sex relationships	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Divorce	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0
Inheritance rights	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	5.0	5.0	5.0
Female genital mutilation	6.4	6.4	6.4	6.4	6.4	6.4	5.5	5.6	5.6	6.2	6.6	6.6

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CHILE

LATIN AMERICA & THE CARIBBEAN

HUMAN FREEDOM

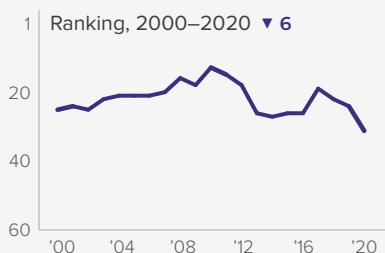
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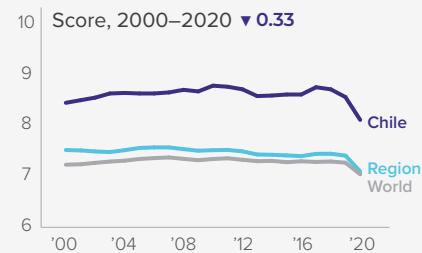
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Ranking, 2000–2020 ▾ 6



Score, 2000–2020 ▾ 0.33



PERSONAL FREEDOM

Ranking
34/165

Score
8.41

Rule of law

Procedural justice	6.0
Civil justice	7.4
Criminal justice	6.3
Rule of law (V-Dem)	5.5
	7.1

Security and safety

Homicide	8.9
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	8.9

Movement

Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	9.2
Freedom of movement (CLD)	3.3

Religion

Freedom of religion	9.8
Religious organization repression	9.9

Association, assembly, civil society

Civil society entry and exit	8.4
Freedom of assembly	9.2
Freedom to form/run political parties	9.5
Civil society repression	8.4

Expression and information

Direct attacks on the press	10.0
Media and expression (V-Dem)	8.3
Media and expression (Freedom House)	10.0
Media and expression (BTI)	10.0
Media and expression (CLD)	10.0

Relationships

Same-sex relationships	10.0
Divorce	7.5
Inheritance rights	10.0
Female genital mutilation	10.0

ECONOMIC FREEDOM

Ranking
33/165

Score
7.56

Size of government

Government consumption	5.5
Transfers and subsidies	8.5
Government investment	10.0
Top marginal tax rate	6.0
State ownership of assets	8.4

Legal system and property rights

Judicial independence	7.5
Impartial courts	6.9
Protection of property rights	7.2
Military interference	7.5
Integrity of the legal system	7.3
Legal enforcement of contracts	5.4
Regulatory costs	9.1
Reliability of police	7.8

Sound money

Money growth	9.1
Standard deviation of inflation	9.0
Inflation: Most recent year	9.4
Freedom to own foreign currency	10.0

Freedom to trade internationally

Tariffs	9.5
Regulatory trade barriers	6.9
Black-market exchange rates	10.0
Movement of capital and people	3.1

Regulation

Credit market regulations	7.9
Labor market regulations	5.0
Business regulations	7.2

CHILE

LATIN AMERICA & THE CARIBBEAN

	2000	2002	2004	2006	2008	2010	2012	2014	2016	2018	2019	2020
Human freedom	8.39	8.49	8.58	8.57	8.64	8.72	8.65	8.53	8.55	8.65	8.50	8.06
Ranking	26	26	22	22	17	14	19	28	27	23	25	32
Economic freedom	7.45	7.68	7.83	7.99	7.98	8.01	7.91	7.91	7.92	7.95	7.86	7.56
Personal freedom	9.06	9.07	9.11	8.98	9.11	9.23	9.18	8.97	9.00	9.15	8.95	8.41
Rule of law	6.6	6.6	6.6	6.6	6.7	6.7	6.5	6.7	6.5	6.5	6.4	6.0
Procedural justice	-	-	-	-	7.6	7.6	7.6	7.8	7.7	7.7	7.4	7.4
Civil justice	-	-	-	-	6.6	6.6	6.1	6.4	6.3	6.3	6.3	6.3
Criminal justice	-	-	-	-	6.0	6.0	5.7	5.8	5.6	5.6	5.5	5.5
Rule of law (V-Dem)	7.7	7.7	7.7	7.7	7.8	7.9	7.9	8.0	7.8	7.6	7.6	7.1
Security and safety	9.3	9.3	9.3	9.3	9.3	9.4	9.5	9.3	9.4	9.1	8.7	8.9
Homicide	9.1	9.1	9.1	8.9	9.0	9.1	9.3	8.9	9.0	8.7	8.9	8.9
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.6	9.7	9.4	8.6	8.9
Movement	10.0	6.3										
Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.2
Freedom of movement (CLD)	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	3.3
Religion	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.0	9.9							
Freedom of religion	9.8	9.8	9.8	8.1	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8
Religious organization repression	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9
Association, assembly, civil society	9.2	9.2	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.4	9.3	9.6	9.5	8.7	8.9
Civil society entry and exit	9.3	9.3	9.3	9.3	9.3	9.3	9.3	9.3	9.0	9.0	8.7	8.4
Freedom of assembly	8.1	8.1	9.2	9.2	9.2	9.2	8.8	8.8	10.0	10.0	8.3	9.2
Freedom to form/run political parties	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.8	9.8	9.7	9.5
Civil society repression	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.6	9.7	9.1	8.3	8.4
Expression and information	9.1	9.1	9.1	9.1	9.1	9.8	9.8	9.5	9.5	9.8	9.6	9.7
Direct attacks on the press	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Media and expression (V-Dem)	9.0	9.0	9.0	9.0	8.9	8.9	9.0	9.0	8.9	8.9	8.0	8.3
Media and expression (Freedom House)	9.8	9.8	10.0	9.8	10.0	10.0	9.8	9.8	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Media and expression (BTI)	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	8.9	8.9	10.0	10.0	10.0
Media and expression (CLD)	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Relationships	9.4	8.1	8.1	9.4	9.4	9.4						
Same-sex relationships	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Divorce	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5
Inheritance rights	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	5.0	5.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Female genital mutilation	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0

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CHINA

EAST ASIA

HUMAN FREEDOM

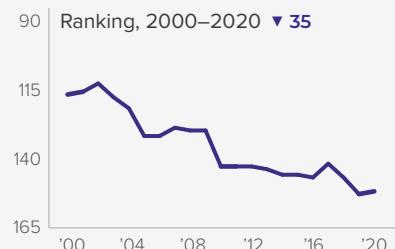
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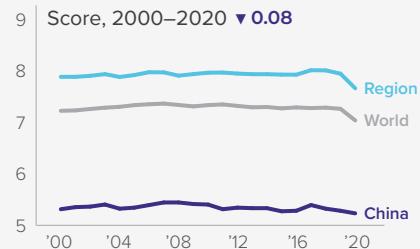
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Ranking, 2000–2020 ▼ 35



Score, 2000–2020 ▼ 0.08



PERSONAL FREEDOM

Ranking
154/165

Score
4.47

Rule of law

Procedural justice	4.2
Civil justice	3.3
Criminal justice	5.2
Rule of law (V-Dem)	4.5
	3.8

Security and safety

Homicide	8.5
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	9.8

Movement

Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	3.9
Freedom of movement (CLD)	4.5

Religion

Freedom of religion	1.3
Religious organization repression	0.6

Association, assembly, civil society	1.3
Civil society entry and exit	0.7
Freedom of assembly	1.2
Freedom to form/run political parties	1.2
Civil society repression	2.3

Expression and information

Direct attacks on the press	2.1
Media and expression (V-Dem)	8.0
Media and expression (Freedom House)	1.2
Media and expression (BTI)	0.0
Media and expression (CLD)	1.1
	0.0

Relationships

Same-sex relationships	10.0
Divorce	10.0
Inheritance rights	10.0
Female genital mutilation	10.0

ECONOMIC FREEDOM

Ranking
116/165

Score
6.27

Size of government

Government consumption	5.0
Transfers and subsidies	2.7
Government investment	8.3
Top marginal tax rate	3.9
State ownership of assets	6.0

Legal system and property rights

Judicial independence	5.1
Impartial courts	4.3
Protection of property rights	5.0
Military interference	6.0
Integrity of the legal system	5.0
Legal enforcement of contracts	4.3
Regulatory costs	4.7
Reliability of police	8.3

Sound money

Money growth	8.4
Standard deviation of inflation	9.8
Inflation: Most recent year	9.4
Freedom to own foreign currency	9.5

Freedom to trade internationally

Tariffs	6.6
Regulatory trade barriers	8.5
Black-market exchange rates	7.2
Movement of capital and people	10.0

Regulation

Credit market regulations	6.2
Labor market regulations	6.5
Business regulations	5.5

CHINA

EAST ASIA

	2000	2002	2004	2006	2008	2010	2012	2014	2016	2018	2019	2020
Human freedom	5.30	5.35	5.31	5.38	5.43	5.39	5.33	5.32	5.27	5.31	5.27	5.22
Ranking	117	113	122	132	130	143	143	146	147	147	153	152
Economic freedom	5.51	5.75	5.63	5.88	5.98	6.02	6.11	6.21	6.25	6.33	6.33	6.27
Personal freedom	5.16	5.07	5.08	5.03	5.04	4.95	4.77	4.68	4.57	4.59	4.52	4.47
Rule of law	4.5	4.7	4.7	4.7	4.7	4.7	4.1	4.7	4.7	4.4	4.3	4.2
Procedural justice	-	-	-	-	4.3	4.3	4.1	4.0	4.0	3.5	3.3	3.3
Civil justice	-	-	-	-	4.3	4.3	4.1	5.2	5.4	5.3	5.2	5.2
Criminal justice	-	-	-	-	5.4	5.4	4.3	4.7	4.8	4.5	4.5	4.5
Rule of law (V-Dem)	4.0	4.1	4.1	4.2	4.2	4.1	4.1	4.0	4.1	3.9	3.8	3.8
Security and safety	8.7	8.3	8.4	8.5	8.7	8.0	8.4	8.1	8.1	8.5	8.5	8.5
Homicide	9.4	9.4	9.5	9.6	9.7	9.7	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	8.1	7.3	7.4	7.4	7.7	6.3	7.0	6.5	6.3	7.1	7.2	7.1
Movement	4.5	4.4	4.5	4.4	4.3	3.9						
Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	5.6	5.6	5.6	5.6	5.6	5.7	5.7	5.5	5.6	5.5	5.2	4.5
Freedom of movement (CLD)	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3
Religion	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.4	2.4	2.3	2.2	1.7	1.3	1.1	1.3
Freedom of religion	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.5	1.1	1.1	1.0	1.1	0.9	0.3	0.3	0.6
Religious organization repression	4.0	4.0	4.0	3.5	3.7	3.8	3.7	3.2	2.5	2.2	1.9	2.0
Association, assembly, civil society	1.9	2.0	2.0	1.9	1.9	1.9	1.9	1.8	1.6	1.4	1.4	1.3
Civil society entry and exit	1.9	1.9	1.9	1.9	2.0	2.0	1.9	1.8	1.5	1.0	1.0	0.7
Freedom of assembly	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2
Freedom to form/run political parties	1.7	1.7	1.7	1.4	1.5	1.5	1.5	1.2	1.2	1.4	1.6	1.2
Civil society repression	2.8	3.2	3.2	3.2	3.0	3.1	3.1	3.2	2.4	2.1	1.8	2.3
Expression and information	4.0	3.6	3.5	3.1	3.1	3.1	3.3	2.8	2.7	2.1	2.1	2.1
Direct attacks on the press	8.9	8.6	8.3	8.3	8.5	8.6	8.7	8.4	8.3	8.0	8.0	8.0
Media and expression (V-Dem)	3.2	3.2	3.2	2.7	2.6	2.6	2.6	2.1	1.8	1.3	1.1	1.2
Media and expression (Freedom House)	6.7	4.9	4.9	3.7	3.1	3.1	4.3	2.5	2.5	0.0	0.0	0.0
Media and expression (BTI)	1.1	1.1	1.1	1.1	1.1	1.1	1.1	1.1	1.1	1.1	1.1	1.1
Media and expression (CLD)	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Relationships	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	8.8	8.8	8.8	10.0	10.0	10.0
Same-sex relationships	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Divorce	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Inheritance rights	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Female genital mutilation	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0

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COLOMBIA

LATIN AMERICA & THE CARIBBEAN

HUMAN FREEDOM

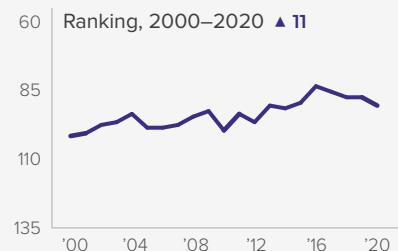
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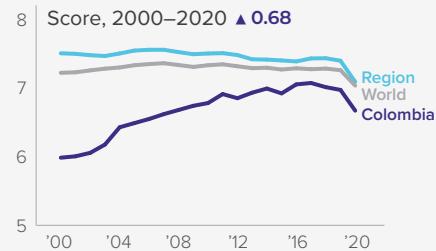
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PERSONAL FREEDOM

Ranking
94/165

Score
6.72

Rule of law

Procedural justice	4.0
Civil justice	4.5
Criminal justice	4.7
Rule of law (V-Dem)	3.2
	5.3

Security and safety

Homicide	3.4
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	4.6

Movement

Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	8.4
Freedom of movement (CLD)	3.3

Religion

Freedom of religion	7.7
Religious organization repression	9.0

Association, assembly, civil society

Civil society entry and exit	7.2
Freedom of assembly	7.2
Freedom to form/run political parties	9.7
Civil society repression	7.9

Expression and information

Direct attacks on the press	8.8
Media and expression (V-Dem)	6.9
Media and expression (Freedom House)	5.0
Media and expression (BTI)	6.7
Media and expression (CLD)	6.7

Relationships

Same-sex relationships	10.0
Divorce	10.0
Inheritance rights	10.0
Female genital mutilation	10.0

ECONOMIC FREEDOM

Ranking
99/165

Score
6.55

Size of government

Government consumption	6.9
Transfers and subsidies	5.8
Government investment	7.5
Top marginal tax rate	6.6
State ownership of assets	7.0
	7.6

Legal system and property rights

Judicial independence	5.4
Impartial courts	4.8
Protection of property rights	5.1
Military interference	4.2
Integrity of the legal system	4.6
Legal enforcement of contracts	3.1
Regulatory costs	9.1
Reliability of police	4.3

Sound money

Money growth	9.1
Standard deviation of inflation	9.3
Inflation: Most recent year	9.5
Freedom to own foreign currency	5.0

Freedom to trade internationally

Tariffs	8.2
Regulatory trade barriers	4.3
Black-market exchange rates	8.6
Movement of capital and people	2.2

Regulation

Credit market regulations	8.3
Labor market regulations	5.8
Business regulations	6.5

COLOMBIA

LATIN AMERICA & THE CARIBBEAN

	2000	2002	2004	2006	2008	2010	2012	2014	2016	2018	2019	2020
Human freedom	5.97	6.04	6.41	6.53	6.66	6.76	6.83	6.97	7.03	6.99	6.95	6.65
Ranking	102	98	94	99	95	100	97	92	84	88	88	91
Economic freedom	5.87	6.21	6.36	6.51	6.63	6.70	6.82	6.67	6.74	6.78	6.83	6.55
Personal freedom	6.05	5.92	6.44	6.55	6.68	6.81	6.85	7.18	7.24	7.14	7.03	6.72
Rule of law	4.2	4.2	4.4	4.4	4.4	4.6	4.5	4.5	4.4	4.3	4.1	4.0
Procedural justice	-	-	-	-	4.6	4.6	5.1	5.0	5.0	4.7	4.5	4.5
Civil justice	-	-	-	-	5.3	5.3	4.9	5.0	4.9	4.9	4.7	4.7
Criminal justice	-	-	-	-	4.3	4.3	3.5	3.4	3.4	3.4	3.2	3.2
Rule of law (V-Dem)	5.4	5.4	5.6	5.6	5.6	5.9	6.0	6.0	5.9	5.5	5.5	5.3
Security and safety	1.1	0.6	1.8	2.3	2.2	2.5	2.0	3.3	4.4	3.8	3.7	4.0
Homicide	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.2	0.0	1.9	2.6	2.6	3.0	3.4
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	2.3	1.1	3.6	4.7	4.4	4.8	4.0	4.8	6.2	5.0	4.4	4.6
Movement	5.7	5.7	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.6	7.7	7.8	7.8	7.9	7.6	5.9
Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	8.0	8.0	8.2	8.4	8.4	8.6	8.7	8.9	8.9	9.1	8.6	8.4
Freedom of movement (CLD)	3.3	3.3	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	3.3
Religion	9.0	9.6	8.7	8.8	8.6	8.3						
Freedom of religion	8.1	8.1	8.1	8.1	8.1	8.2	8.2	9.6	8.0	8.1	7.8	7.7
Religious organization repression	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.5	9.5	9.6	9.3	9.0
Association, assembly, civil society	6.8	6.5	7.0	7.0	7.4	7.6	8.2	8.7	8.7	8.5	8.6	8.0
Civil society entry and exit	6.5	6.9	6.0	6.0	6.9	6.9	7.8	9.0	9.0	8.2	9.0	7.2
Freedom of assembly	5.7	5.7	5.7	5.7	5.7	6.1	6.1	6.1	6.1	7.2	7.2	7.2
Freedom to form/run political parties	9.5	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.6	9.7
Civil society repression	5.5	3.7	6.6	6.6	7.4	7.5	8.9	9.8	9.8	8.8	8.5	7.9
Expression and information	5.5	5.4	5.4	5.5	6.2	6.3	6.5	6.4	6.7	6.6	6.6	6.8
Direct attacks on the press	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.1	8.0	7.4	7.4	7.4	7.5	7.8	8.2	8.8
Media and expression (V-Dem)	6.7	7.0	6.8	7.0	6.5	6.9	7.6	7.5	7.5	6.9	6.3	6.9
Media and expression (Freedom House)	4.6	4.0	4.0	4.4	4.2	4.8	5.4	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0
Media and expression (BTI)	4.4	4.4	4.4	4.4	5.6	5.6	5.6	5.6	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7
Media and expression (CLD)	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7
Relationships	10.0											
Same-sex relationships	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Divorce	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Inheritance rights	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Female genital mutilation	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0

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COMOROS

SUB-SAHARAN AFRICA

HUMAN FREEDOM

Ranking

128

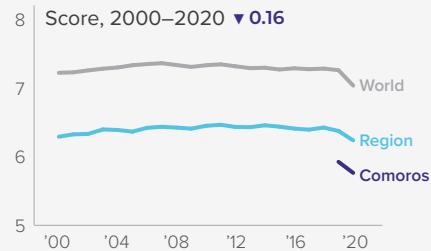
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PERSONAL FREEDOM

Ranking
129/165

Score
5.34

Rule of law

Procedural justice	-
Civil justice	-
Criminal justice	-
Rule of law (V-Dem)	5.1

Security and safety

Homicide	7.8
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	8.4

Movement

Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	7.5
Freedom of movement (CLD)	3.3

Religion

Freedom of religion	4.6
Religious organization repression	5.5

Association, assembly, civil society

Civil society entry and exit	6.6
Freedom of assembly	2.9
Freedom to form/run political parties	8.9
Civil society repression	6.4

Expression and information

Direct attacks on the press	5.0
Media and expression (V-Dem)	6.7
Media and expression (Freedom House)	2.5
Media and expression (BTI)	-
Media and expression (CLD)	3.3

Relationships

Same-sex relationships	0.0
Divorce	2.5
Inheritance rights	0.0
Female genital mutilation	10.0

ECONOMIC FREEDOM

Ranking
115/165

Score
6.31

Size of government

Government consumption	9.1
Transfers and subsidies	-
Government investment	3.0
Top marginal tax rate	7.5
State ownership of assets	7.6

Legal system and property rights

Judicial independence	5.1
Impartial courts	2.1
Protection of property rights	4.3
Military interference	-
Integrity of the legal system	5.0
Legal enforcement of contracts	1.6
Regulatory costs	6.9
Reliability of police	-

Sound money

Money growth	9.3
Standard deviation of inflation	9.4
Inflation: Most recent year	9.8
Freedom to own foreign currency	0.0

Freedom to trade internationally

Tariffs	3.4
Regulatory trade barriers	6.4
Black-market exchange rates	10.0
Movement of capital and people	5.3

Regulation

Credit market regulations	8.9
Labor market regulations	7.7
Business regulations	6.7

COMOROS

SUB-SAHARAN AFRICA

	2000	2002	2004	2006	2008	2010	2012	2014	2016	2018	2019	2020
Human freedom	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5.91	5.75
Ranking	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	130	128
Economic freedom	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6.33	6.31
Personal freedom	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5.62	5.34
 Rule of law	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5.1	5.1
Procedural justice	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Civil justice	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Criminal justice	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Rule of law (V-Dem)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5.1	5.1
 Security and safety	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	8.2	8.1
Homicide	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	7.8	7.8
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	8.7	8.4
 Movement	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	7.5	5.4
Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	8.3	7.5
Freedom of movement (CLD)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6.7	3.3
 Religion	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4.3	5.1
Freedom of religion	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4.3	4.6
Religious organization repression	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4.3	5.5
 Association, assembly, civil society	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6.6	6.2
Civil society entry and exit	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	7.2	6.6
Freedom of assembly	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2.9	2.9
Freedom to form/run political parties	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	8.9	8.9
Civil society repression	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	7.5	6.4
 Expression and information	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4.4	4.4
Direct attacks on the press	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5.0	5.0
Media and expression (V-Dem)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6.9	6.7
Media and expression (Freedom House)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2.5	2.5
Media and expression (BTI)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Media and expression (CLD)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3.3	3.3
 Relationships	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3.1	3.1
Same-sex relationships	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.0	0.0
Divorce	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2.5	2.5
Inheritance rights	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.0	0.0
Female genital mutilation	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	10.0	10.0

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SUB-SAHARAN AFRICA

HUMAN FREEDOM

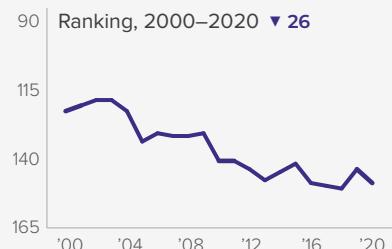
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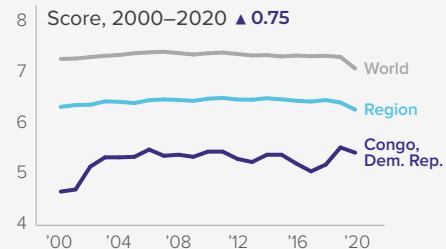
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Ranking, 2000–2020 ▼ 26



Score, 2000–2020 ▲ 0.75



PERSONAL FREEDOM

Ranking
125/165

Score
5.41

Rule of law

Procedural justice	2.3
Civil justice	3.6
Criminal justice	2.7
Rule of law (V-Dem)	4.4

Security and safety

Homicide	6.1
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	3.9

Movement

Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	7.4
Freedom of movement (CLD)	6.7

Religion

Freedom of religion	5.7
Religious organization repression	5.2

Association, assembly, civil society

Civil society entry and exit	6.5
Freedom of assembly	2.7
Freedom to form/run political parties	8.3
Civil society repression	4.8

Expression and information

Direct attacks on the press	8.6
Media and expression (V-Dem)	5.7
Media and expression (Freedom House)	2.5
Media and expression (BTI)	2.2
Media and expression (CLD)	3.3

Relationships

Same-sex relationships	10.0
Divorce	2.5
Inheritance rights	7.5
Female genital mutilation	10.0

ECONOMIC FREEDOM

Ranking
156/165

Score
5.36

Size of government

Government consumption	8.9
Transfers and subsidies	9.9
Government investment	10.0
Top marginal tax rate	3.5
State ownership of assets	5.9

Legal system and property rights

Judicial independence	3.5
Impartial courts	2.3
Protection of property rights	3.3
Military interference	2.5
Integrity of the legal system	2.8
Legal enforcement of contracts	1.0
Regulatory costs	6.0
Reliability of police	3.1

Sound money

Money growth	7.3
Standard deviation of inflation	2.7
Inflation: Most recent year	7.7
Freedom to own foreign currency	5.0

Freedom to trade internationally

Tariffs	8.2
Regulatory trade barriers	2.5
Black-market exchange rates	10.0
Movement of capital and people	0.8

Regulation

Credit market regulations	5.7
Labor market regulations	5.5
Business regulations	5.1

CONGO, DEM. REP.

SUB-SAHARAN AFRICA

	2000	2002	2004	2006	2008	2010	2012	2014	2016	2018	2019	2020
Human freedom	4.64	5.12	5.30	5.45	5.35	5.41	5.27	5.35	5.18	5.16	5.49	5.39
Ranking	123	119	123	131	132	141	144	145	149	151	144	149
Economic freedom	3.85	4.57	4.83	5.11	5.15	5.41	5.54	5.38	5.66	5.16	5.42	5.36
Personal freedom	5.21	5.50	5.64	5.69	5.49	5.42	5.08	5.33	4.83	5.15	5.54	5.41
Rule of law	2.5	2.5	2.6	2.6	2.6	2.7	2.7	2.8	2.8	2.7	2.9	2.9
Procedural justice	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2.2	2.3	2.3
Civil justice	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3.5	3.6	3.6
Criminal justice	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2.6	2.7	2.7
Rule of law (V-Dem)	3.7	3.6	3.7	3.7	3.7	3.9	3.9	3.9	4.0	4.1	4.4	4.4
Security and safety	5.2	6.4	5.9	6.1	5.5	5.7	4.6	5.0	5.2	4.9	5.3	5.0
Homicide	5.9	5.9	5.9	5.7	5.8	5.8	5.8	6.1	6.1	6.1	6.1	6.1
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	4.6	6.9	5.8	6.4	5.2	5.6	3.4	4.0	4.4	3.7	4.6	3.9
Movement	6.8	6.7	6.7	6.7	5.1	5.2	5.2	5.3	5.4	7.1	7.2	7.0
Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	6.9	6.8	6.8	6.8	6.8	7.1	7.1	7.3	7.4	7.6	7.7	7.4
Freedom of movement (CLD)	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	6.7	6.7	6.7
Religion	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.6	6.3	6.3	6.5	5.0	4.7	6.1	5.4
Freedom of religion	7.6	7.6	7.6	7.6	7.6	7.6	7.6	7.5	5.8	5.9	5.9	5.7
Religious organization repression	5.7	5.7	5.7	5.7	5.6	4.9	4.9	5.5	4.2	3.5	6.2	5.2
Association, assembly, civil society	3.4	4.3	5.3	5.4	5.8	5.5	5.6	5.8	5.0	4.8	5.6	5.6
Civil society entry and exit	5.8	5.8	6.6	6.6	6.6	6.6	6.6	6.9	6.5	6.5	6.7	6.5
Freedom of assembly	1.9	3.1	3.1	3.1	4.9	3.1	4.2	3.8	2.7	1.9	2.7	2.7
Freedom to form/run political parties	2.8	5.3	7.5	7.9	7.8	7.8	7.7	7.7	7.4	7.7	8.3	8.3
Civil society repression	3.1	3.1	4.0	4.0	4.0	4.4	3.8	4.8	3.3	3.3	4.5	4.8
Expression and information	3.8	3.9	4.4	4.5	4.7	4.5	4.3	5.1	3.6	4.3	4.2	4.5
Direct attacks on the press	7.6	7.9	9.0	9.3	8.7	8.4	8.1	8.3	8.2	7.8	8.3	8.6
Media and expression (V-Dem)	4.3	4.3	4.5	4.6	4.8	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	4.5	4.9	5.7
Media and expression (Freedom House)	1.7	1.7	2.8	2.8	2.5	2.5	1.9	6.7	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5
Media and expression (BTI)	2.2	2.2	2.2	2.2	4.4	3.3	3.3	2.2	2.2	3.3	2.2	2.2
Media and expression (CLD)	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	0.0	3.3	3.3	3.3
Relationships	8.0	8.0	8.0	8.0	8.0	8.0	6.9	6.9	6.9	7.5	7.5	7.5
Same-sex relationships	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Divorce	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5
Inheritance rights	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	7.5	7.5	7.5
Female genital mutilation	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0

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SUB-SAHARAN AFRICA

HUMAN FREEDOM

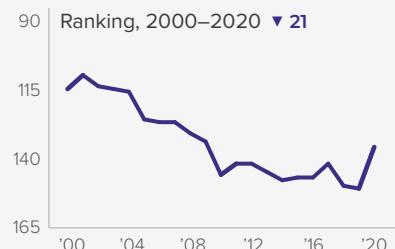
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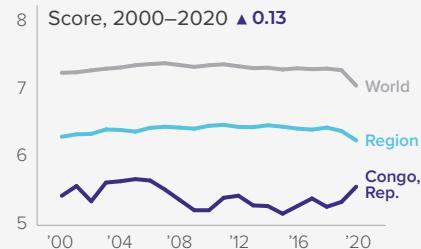
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Score, 2000–2020 ▲ 0.13



PERSONAL FREEDOM

Ranking
118/165

Score
5.88

Rule of law

Procedural justice	3.8
Civil justice	2.4
Criminal justice	4.4
Rule of law (V-Dem)	3.5
	3.8

Security and safety

Homicide	6.8
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	7.3

Movement

Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	5.9
Freedom of movement (CLD)	5.1

Religion

Freedom of religion	8.1
Religious organization repression	7.8

Association, assembly, civil society

Civil society entry and exit	4.1
Freedom of assembly	2.4
Freedom to form/run political parties	2.7
Civil society repression	7.9

Expression and information

Direct attacks on the press	3.8
Media and expression (V-Dem)	7.6
Media and expression (Freedom House)	3.4
Media and expression (BTI)	2.5
Media and expression (CLD)	2.2

Relationships

Same-sex relationships	8.8
Divorce	10.0
Inheritance rights	7.5
Female genital mutilation	7.5

ECONOMIC FREEDOM

Ranking
158/165

Score
5.08

Size of government

Government consumption	6.4
Transfers and subsidies	5.0
Government investment	9.0
Top marginal tax rate	10.0
State ownership of assets	4.0

Legal system and property rights

Judicial independence	3.0
Impartial courts	3.9
Protection of property rights	3.4
Military interference	3.7
Integrity of the legal system	5.0
Legal enforcement of contracts	2.9
Regulatory costs	3.0
Reliability of police	4.5
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Sound money

Money growth	5.7
Standard deviation of inflation	8.5
Inflation: Most recent year	4.5
Freedom to own foreign currency	9.6
	0.0

Freedom to trade internationally

Tariffs	5.3
Regulatory trade barriers	8.0
Black-market exchange rates	2.2
Movement of capital and people	10.0

Regulation

Credit market regulations	5.1
Labor market regulations	4.7
Business regulations	5.7

CONGO, REP.

SUB-SAHARAN AFRICA

	2000	2002	2004	2006	2008	2010	2012	2014	2016	2018	2019	2020
Human freedom	5.42	5.34	5.63	5.64	5.36	5.21	5.42	5.27	5.27	5.26	5.33	5.55
Ranking	115	114	116	127	131	146	142	148	147	150	151	136
Economic freedom	4.66	4.79	4.82	4.81	4.61	4.58	4.47	4.64	5.08	4.65	4.78	5.08
Personal freedom	5.96	5.73	6.21	6.23	5.89	5.67	6.10	5.71	5.40	5.71	5.72	5.88
Rule of law	3.8	3.8	3.8	3.8	3.8	3.7	3.7	3.6	3.6	3.8	3.4	3.8
Procedural justice	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2.4	2.4
Civil justice	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4.4	4.4
Criminal justice	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3.5	3.5
Rule of law (V-Dem)	3.8	3.8	3.8	3.8	3.8	3.8	3.8	3.7	3.6	3.8	3.5	3.8
Security and safety	6.6	5.1	7.0	7.1	5.9	7.1	7.1	6.8	5.7	6.7	6.7	6.8
Homicide	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.9	7.1	7.1	7.1	7.3	7.3	7.3	7.3	7.3
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	6.5	3.4	7.3	7.3	4.7	7.0	7.0	6.2	4.0	6.2	6.1	6.3
Movement	6.4	6.4	6.4	6.4	6.4	4.7	8.0	6.4	6.4	6.3	6.1	5.9
Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	6.2	6.2	6.2	6.2	6.2	6.1	6.1	6.2	6.1	5.9	5.6	5.1
Freedom of movement (CLD)	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	3.3	10.0	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7
Religion	7.9	7.9	7.9	7.9	8.0	8.0	8.0	7.2	6.9	6.9	7.9	8.1
Freedom of religion	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.4	7.4	7.4	7.4	7.8
Religious organization repression	8.4	8.4	8.4	8.4	8.4	8.4	8.4	7.0	6.4	6.4	8.4	8.3
Association, assembly, civil society	4.3	4.3	4.3	4.3	4.2	4.2	3.9	3.5	3.5	3.7	3.4	4.1
Civil society entry and exit	2.5	2.2	2.2	2.2	2.3	2.3	2.3	1.4	1.4	1.4	1.4	2.4
Freedom of assembly	4.6	4.6	4.6	4.6	4.2	4.2	3.1	3.1	2.7	2.7	2.7	2.7
Freedom to form/run political parties	8.2	8.2	8.2	8.2	8.2	8.1	8.1	7.9	7.9	7.9	7.9	7.9
Civil society repression	1.9	2.3	2.3	2.3	2.3	2.3	2.3	1.8	1.8	2.8	1.8	3.3
Expression and information	4.8	4.7	6.1	6.1	5.0	4.1	4.7	3.7	3.1	3.8	3.7	3.8
Direct attacks on the press	5.0	5.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	6.4	6.4	7.4	7.4	7.6	7.6	7.6
Media and expression (V-Dem)	4.3	4.2	4.2	4.2	4.2	4.2	4.2	3.4	3.4	3.4	2.9	3.4
Media and expression (Freedom House)	3.3	3.0	3.5	3.5	3.3	3.1	2.9	0.8	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5
Media and expression (BTI)	-	-	-	-	4.4	3.3	3.3	3.3	2.2	2.2	2.2	2.2
Media and expression (CLD)	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	3.3	3.3	6.7	3.3	0.0	3.3	3.3	3.3
Relationships	7.9	7.9	7.9	7.9	7.9	7.9	7.2	8.8	8.8	8.8	8.8	8.8
Same-sex relationships	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Divorce	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5
Inheritance rights	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	2.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5
Female genital mutilation	9.0	9.0	9.0	9.0	9.0	9.0	9.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0

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LATIN AMERICA & THE CARIBBEAN

HUMAN FREEDOM

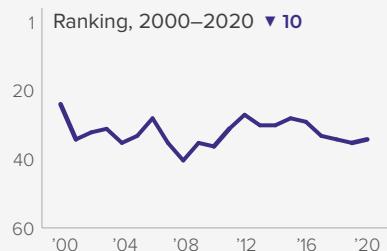
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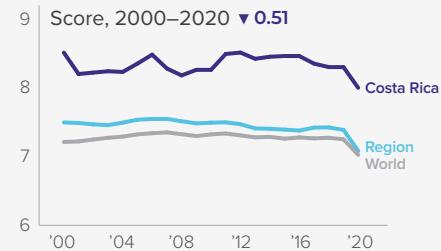
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PERSONAL FREEDOM

Ranking
39/165

Score
8.24

Rule of law

Procedural justice	6.7
Civil justice	8.2
Criminal justice	6.0
Rule of law (V-Dem)	5.7

Homicide	8.3
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	6.7

Movement

Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	9.7
Freedom of movement (CLD)	3.3

Religion

Freedom of religion	9.8
Religious organization repression	8.7

Association, assembly, civil society

Civil society entry and exit	9.5
Freedom of assembly	10.0
Freedom to form/run political parties	9.9
Civil society repression	9.6

Expression and information

Direct attacks on the press	10.0
Media and expression (V-Dem)	8.9
Media and expression (Freedom House)	10.0
Media and expression (BTI)	10.0
Media and expression (CLD)	10.0

Relationships

Same-sex relationships	10.0
Divorce	5.0
Inheritance rights	5.0
Female genital mutilation	10.0

ECONOMIC FREEDOM

Ranking
29/165

Score
7.62

Size of government

Government consumption	7.4
Transfers and subsidies	5.4
Government investment	8.5
Top marginal tax rate	9.3
State ownership of assets	6.5

Legal system and property rights

Impartial courts	7.3
Protection of property rights	6.1
Military interference	6.6
Integrity of the legal system	10.0
Legal enforcement of contracts	6.6
Regulatory costs	3.5
Reliability of police	8.7

Sound money

Standard deviation of inflation	9.5
Inflation: Most recent year	9.6
Freedom to own foreign currency	9.9
Money growth	10.0

Freedom to trade internationally

Regulatory trade barriers	8.0
Black-market exchange rates	6.2
Movement of capital and people	10.0
Tariffs	7.0

Regulation

Labor market regulations	6.2
Business regulations	6.0
Credit market regulations	7.1

COSTA RICA

LATIN AMERICA & THE CARIBBEAN

	2000	2002	2004	2006	2008	2010	2012	2014	2016	2018	2019	2020
Human freedom	8.49	8.20	8.21	8.46	8.16	8.24	8.49	8.43	8.44	8.28	8.28	7.98
Ranking	25	33	36	29	41	37	28	31	30	35	36	35
Economic freedom	7.74	7.17	7.10	7.65	7.36	7.40	7.71	7.64	7.76	7.70	7.67	7.62
Personal freedom	9.02	8.93	9.00	9.03	8.74	8.85	9.05	8.99	8.93	8.69	8.71	8.24
Rule of law	7.0	7.0	7.0	6.8	6.8	6.8	6.9	6.7	6.6	6.7	6.6	6.7
Procedural justice	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	8.4	8.1	8.2	8.2	8.2
Civil justice	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6.2	6.3	6.2	6.0	6.0
Criminal justice	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5.5	5.6	5.7	5.7	5.7
Rule of law (V-Dem)	8.4	8.4	8.4	8.1	8.1	8.1	8.3	8.2	8.3	7.8	8.1	8.1
Security and safety	9.0	9.0	8.9	8.7	8.2	8.2	8.7	8.5	8.2	8.1	8.3	8.3
Homicide	8.2	8.2	8.1	7.6	6.6	6.6	7.5	7.1	6.5	6.7	6.8	6.7
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.9	9.8	9.9	9.4	9.8	9.8
Movement	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	8.2	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.8	9.8	6.5
Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.8	9.7	9.7	9.7
Freedom of movement (CLD)	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	6.7	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	3.3
Religion	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	8.9	9.7	9.7	9.6	9.3	9.2	9.2
Freedom of religion	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	8.0	9.7	9.7	9.8	9.8	9.7	9.8
Religious organization repression	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.4	8.7	8.7	8.7
Association, assembly, civil society	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.6	9.7	9.7	9.7
Civil society entry and exit	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.5	9.5	9.5
Freedom of assembly	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	9.6	9.6	9.6	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Freedom to form/run political parties	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9
Civil society repression	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.5	8.8	9.3	9.6	9.6
Expression and information	9.1	8.4	9.0	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8
Direct attacks on the press	10.0	6.3	6.3	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Media and expression (V-Dem)	9.1	9.1	9.0	9.0	9.0	9.1	9.0	8.9	9.0	8.8	8.9	8.9
Media and expression (Freedom House)	9.6	10.0	9.6	9.3	9.4	9.6	9.6	9.8	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Media and expression (BTI)	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Media and expression (CLD)	6.7	6.7	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Relationships	8.8	7.5	7.5	7.5								
Same-sex relationships	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Divorce	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0
Inheritance rights	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	5.0	5.0	5.0
Female genital mutilation	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0

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SUB-SAHARAN AFRICA

HUMAN FREEDOM

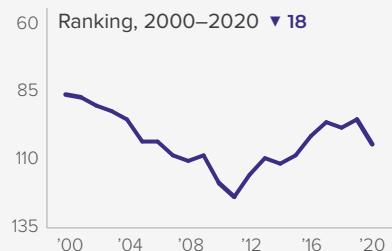
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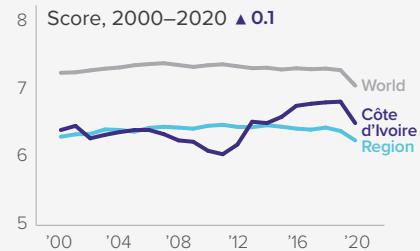
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Ranking, 2000–2020 ▼ 18



Score, 2000–2020 ▲ 0.1



PERSONAL FREEDOM

Ranking
92/165

Score
6.79

Rule of law

Procedural justice	3.5
Civil justice	2.5
Criminal justice	5.0
Rule of law (V-Dem)	3.6
	5.8

Security and safety

Homicide	7.4
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	6.6

Movement

Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	5.9
Freedom of movement (CLD)	8.5

Religion

Freedom of religion	9.4
Religious organization repression	9.6

Association, assembly, civil society

Civil society entry and exit	6.6
Freedom of assembly	6.0
Freedom to form/run political parties	4.5
Civil society repression	9.2

Expression and information

Direct attacks on the press	6.3
Media and expression (V-Dem)	10.0
Media and expression (Freedom House)	6.4
Media and expression (BTI)	5.0
Media and expression (CLD)	6.7

Relationships

Same-sex relationships	8.5
Divorce	10.0
Inheritance rights	10.0
Female genital mutilation	7.5

ECONOMIC FREEDOM

Ranking
132/165

Score
6.01

Size of government

Government consumption	6.5
Transfers and subsidies	7.7
Government investment	9.6
Top marginal tax rate	5.9
State ownership of assets	2.0

Legal system and property rights

Judicial independence	4.5
Impartial courts	4.6
Protection of property rights	4.3
Military interference	4.9
Integrity of the legal system	4.2
Legal enforcement of contracts	5.0
Regulatory costs	4.0
Reliability of police	6.9

Sound money

Money growth	7.1
Standard deviation of inflation	9.2
Inflation: Most recent year	9.6
Freedom to own foreign currency	9.5
	0.0

Freedom to trade internationally

Tariffs	5.2
Regulatory trade barriers	6.6
Black-market exchange rates	3.5
Movement of capital and people	10.0

Regulation

Credit market regulations	6.8
Labor market regulations	7.7
Business regulations	6.1

CÔTE D'IVOIRE

SUB-SAHARAN AFRICA

	2000	2002	2004	2006	2008	2010	2012	2014	2016	2018	2019	2020
Human freedom	6.37	6.25	6.34	6.37	6.22	6.07	6.16	6.47	6.72	6.77	6.78	6.47
Ranking	87	91	96	104	111	119	116	112	102	99	96	105
Economic freedom	5.86	5.69	5.90	5.78	5.46	5.57	5.55	5.83	6.10	6.10	6.17	6.01
Personal freedom	6.73	6.66	6.66	6.79	6.75	6.43	6.59	6.92	7.16	7.24	7.21	6.79
Rule of law	3.8	3.8	3.8	3.9	3.9	3.8	4.0	3.6	4.0	3.9	3.7	3.5
Procedural justice	-	-	-	-	2.7	2.7	3.0	2.1	3.0	2.7	2.5	2.5
Civil justice	-	-	-	-	5.1	5.1	4.8	5.1	5.2	5.4	5.0	5.0
Criminal justice	-	-	-	-	3.7	3.7	4.0	3.7	3.9	3.6	3.6	3.6
Rule of law (V-Dem)	5.9	5.9	5.9	6.0	5.9	5.8	6.1	6.6	6.6	6.3	6.2	5.8
Security and safety	6.4	5.6	6.2	6.5	6.8	6.5	6.8	7.2	7.4	7.6	7.6	7.4
Homicide	5.3	5.3	5.3	5.7	6.3	6.3	6.3	6.6	6.6	6.6	6.6	6.6
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	7.6	5.9	7.1	7.3	7.3	6.7	7.3	7.9	8.2	8.6	8.5	8.2
Movement	7.9	7.8	7.8	7.9	7.9	6.1	6.3	7.9	7.9	7.5	7.5	5.9
Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	9.0	9.0	9.0	9.2	9.2	8.9	9.2	9.1	9.2	8.4	8.4	8.5
Freedom of movement (CLD)	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	3.3	3.3	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	3.3
Religion	8.9	8.6	8.6	9.5	8.6	8.5	9.2	9.4	9.1	9.3	9.3	9.4
Freedom of religion	8.1	8.1	8.1	9.7	8.0	7.9	9.6	9.8	9.5	9.6	9.6	9.6
Religious organization repression	9.7	9.2	9.2	9.2	9.1	9.1	8.8	9.1	8.7	9.0	9.0	9.2
Association, assembly, civil society	7.8	8.1	7.7	7.4	7.5	7.2	7.7	7.3	7.6	7.6	7.6	6.6
Civil society entry and exit	8.7	8.7	8.7	8.7	8.8	8.5	8.8	8.8	8.8	8.2	8.2	6.0
Freedom of assembly	3.9	5.0	3.9	3.9	3.9	3.1	5.7	5.0	5.4	5.4	5.4	4.5
Freedom to form/run political parties	9.0	9.2	9.2	9.2	9.1	9.0	8.4	8.5	8.7	8.9	8.9	9.2
Civil society repression	9.6	9.3	8.9	7.8	8.3	8.2	8.0	7.0	7.5	8.0	8.0	6.6
Expression and information	4.7	5.0	4.7	4.6	4.9	5.3	4.3	5.1	6.1	6.3	6.3	6.3
Direct attacks on the press	7.5	10.0	8.3	8.3	8.5	9.4	5.6	6.3	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Media and expression (V-Dem)	7.7	7.5	7.6	7.0	7.0	6.9	6.8	6.6	6.7	6.5	6.3	6.4
Media and expression (Freedom House)	2.7	2.0	2.2	2.4	2.5	2.4	3.5	4.8	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0
Media and expression (BTI)	2.2	2.2	2.2	2.2	3.3	4.4	2.2	4.4	5.6	6.7	6.7	6.7
Media and expression (CLD)	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3
Relationships	7.6	7.6	7.6	7.6	7.6	7.6	7.9	7.9	7.9	8.5	8.5	8.5
Same-sex relationships	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Divorce	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Inheritance rights	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	7.5	7.5	7.5
Female genital mutilation	5.5	5.5	5.5	5.5	5.5	5.5	6.4	6.4	6.4	6.3	6.3	6.3

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CROATIA

EASTERN EUROPE

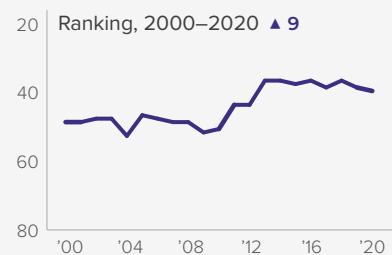
HUMAN FREEDOM

Ranking

40

Score

7.86



PERSONAL FREEDOM

Ranking
37/165

Score
8.35

Rule of law

Procedural justice	5.6
Civil justice	6.6
Criminal justice	5.7
Rule of law (V-Dem)	4.9

Rule of law (V-Dem)	6.8
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	9.7

Movement

Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	7.4
Freedom of movement (CLD)	8.2

Religion

Freedom of religion	9.6
Religious organization repression	9.5

Religious organization repression	9.7
Civil society entry and exit	8.7
Freedom of assembly	7.1
Freedom to form/run political parties	10.0
Civil society repression	9.6

Civil society repression	8.1
Expression and information	7.4
Direct attacks on the press	7.4
Media and expression (V-Dem)	10.0
Media and expression (Freedom House)	7.2

Media and expression (BTI)	7.5
Media and expression (CLD)	5.6
Media and expression (CLD)	6.7

Media and expression (CLD)	6.7
Relationships	10.0
Same-sex relationships	10.0
Divorce	10.0
Inheritance rights	10.0

ECONOMIC FREEDOM

Ranking
61/165

Score
7.16

Size of government

Government consumption	5.1
Transfers and subsidies	3.3
Government investment	5.5
Top marginal tax rate	7.1
State ownership of assets	3.0

Legal system and property rights

Judicial independence	6.1
Impartial courts	5.6
Protection of property rights	4.8
Military interference	4.6
Integrity of the legal system	8.3
Legal enforcement of contracts	7.2
Regulatory costs	4.6
Reliability of police	8.4

Sound money

Money growth	9.6
Standard deviation of inflation	8.9
Inflation: Most recent year	9.6
Freedom to own foreign currency	10.0

Freedom to trade internationally

Tariffs	7.9
Regulatory trade barriers	8.0
Black-market exchange rates	8.3
Movement of capital and people	10.0

Regulation

Credit market regulations	7.1
Labor market regulations	8.2
Business regulations	6.4

CROATIA

EASTERN EUROPE

	2000	2002	2004	2006	2008	2010	2012	2014	2016	2018	2019	2020
Human freedom	7.55	7.65	7.66	7.81	7.74	7.77	7.95	8.18	8.17	8.20	8.15	7.86
Ranking	49	48	53	48	49	51	44	37	37	37	39	40
Economic freedom	6.13	6.22	6.29	6.65	6.76	7.00	7.26	7.32	7.38	7.44	7.42	7.16
Personal freedom	8.56	8.68	8.64	8.64	8.43	8.33	8.44	8.79	8.73	8.74	8.67	8.35
Rule of law	5.4	5.4	5.4	5.4	5.4	5.6	5.4	5.8	5.7	5.8	5.7	5.6
Procedural justice	-	-	-	-	6.3	6.3	5.5	6.9	6.3	6.4	6.6	6.6
Civil justice	-	-	-	-	5.1	5.1	5.2	5.3	5.7	5.7	5.7	5.7
Criminal justice	-	-	-	-	5.3	5.3	5.5	5.4	5.1	5.1	4.9	4.9
Rule of law (V-Dem)	7.4	7.4	7.4	7.4	7.4	7.6	7.6	7.5	7.3	7.3	6.9	6.8
Security and safety	8.9	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.7	9.7	9.8	9.8	9.7	9.8	9.7	9.7
Homicide	9.3	9.5	9.4	9.5	9.5	9.6	9.7	9.8	9.7	9.8	9.8	9.7
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	8.5	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.8	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.8	9.7	9.7	9.7
Movement	8.2	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.6	7.4						
Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.9	9.9	9.8	9.2	8.2
Freedom of movement (CLD)	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	6.7
Religion	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	8.9	9.7	8.9	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.6
Freedom of religion	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	8.1	9.7	8.1	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5
Religious organization repression	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.7
Association, assembly, civil society	8.9	9.0	9.0	9.0	8.9	9.1	9.1	9.2	8.5	8.6	8.7	8.7
Civil society entry and exit	7.5	7.9	7.9	7.9	8.1	8.1	8.1	7.6	7.0	7.0	7.2	7.1
Freedom of assembly	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	8.9	8.9	8.9	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Freedom to form/run political parties	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.4	9.4	9.6
Civil society repression	8.6	8.6	8.6	8.6	9.1	9.7	9.7	9.4	7.2	7.9	8.2	8.1
Expression and information	8.7	8.7	8.6	8.5	7.1	6.8	6.9	7.8	7.6	7.6	7.4	7.4
Direct attacks on the press	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Media and expression (V-Dem)	8.3	8.4	8.2	8.0	8.2	8.1	8.4	8.1	7.4	7.0	7.0	7.2
Media and expression (Freedom House)	8.7	8.7	7.9	8.1	7.9	7.5	7.7	7.7	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5
Media and expression (BTI)	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	7.8	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	5.6	5.6
Media and expression (CLD)	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7
Relationships	10.0											
Same-sex relationships	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Divorce	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Inheritance rights	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Female genital mutilation	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0

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CYPRUS

EASTERN EUROPE

HUMAN FREEDOM

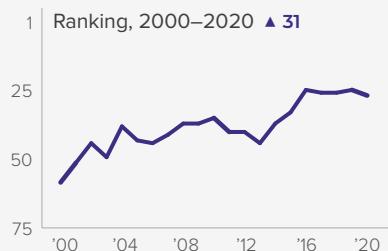
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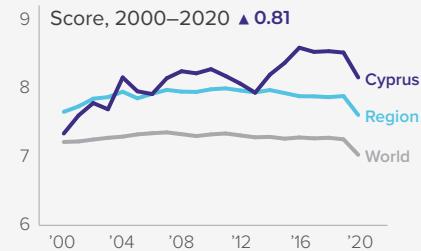
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Ranking, 2000–2020 ▲ 31



Score, 2000–2020 ▲ 0.81



PERSONAL FREEDOM

Ranking
27/165

Score
8.59

Rule of law

Procedural justice	7.3
Civil justice	8.4
Criminal justice	6.7
Rule of law (V-Dem)	7.1
	7.6

Security and safety

Homicide	9.6
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	9.5

Movement

Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	7.9
Freedom of movement (CLD)	9.2

Religion

Freedom of religion	7.8
Religious organization repression	9.3

Association, assembly, civil society

Civil society entry and exit	8.8
Freedom of assembly	10.0
Freedom to form/run political parties	9.7
Civil society repression	9.4

Expression and information

Direct attacks on the press	8.6
Media and expression (V-Dem)	10.0
Media and expression (Freedom House)	7.7
Media and expression (BTI)	-
Media and expression (CLD)	10.0

Relationships

Same-sex relationships	10.0
Divorce	5.0
Inheritance rights	10.0
Female genital mutilation	10.0

ECONOMIC FREEDOM

Ranking
38/165

Score
7.49

Size of government

Government consumption	6.7
Transfers and subsidies	4.7
Government investment	4.4
Top marginal tax rate	10.0
State ownership of assets	6.5
	7.7

Legal system and property rights

Judicial independence	6.8
Impartial courts	6.2
Protection of property rights	6.6
Military interference	8.3
Integrity of the legal system	8.1
Legal enforcement of contracts	4.0
Regulatory costs	7.3
Reliability of police	6.4

Sound money

Money growth	7.1
Standard deviation of inflation	9.5
Inflation: Most recent year	9.9
Freedom to own foreign currency	10.0

Freedom to trade internationally

Tariffs	8.0
Regulatory trade barriers	8.1
Black-market exchange rates	10.0
Movement of capital and people	6.8

Regulation

Credit market regulations	7.8
Labor market regulations	6.3
Business regulations	7.2

CYPRUS

EASTERN EUROPE

	2000	2002	2004	2006	2008	2010	2012	2014	2016	2018	2019	2020
Human freedom	7.32	7.76	8.13	7.89	8.22	8.25	8.04	8.17	8.56	8.51	8.49	8.13
Ranking	59	45	39	45	38	36	41	38	26	27	26	28
Economic freedom	6.52	6.98	7.68	7.49	7.85	7.83	7.55	7.43	7.85	7.89	7.89	7.49
Personal freedom	7.89	8.32	8.46	8.17	8.49	8.55	8.38	8.70	9.07	8.95	8.91	8.59
Rule of law	6.4	6.4	7.0	7.0	7.1	7.3	7.3	7.6	7.6	7.6	7.4	7.3
Procedural justice	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	8.4	8.4
Civil justice	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6.7	6.7
Criminal justice	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	71	71
Rule of law (V-Dem)	6.7	6.7	7.3	7.3	7.4	7.6	7.6	8.0	8.0	7.9	7.7	7.6
Security and safety	9.7	9.8	9.6	9.6	9.5	9.6	9.4	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.5	9.6
Homicide	9.8	9.9	9.5	9.6	9.8	9.8	9.4	9.7	9.7	9.6	9.6	9.6
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.3	9.3	9.3	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.4	9.5
Movement	5.5	7.1	7.8	6.1	7.8	7.8	7.8	8.1	9.7	9.7	9.7	7.9
Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	7.6	7.6	8.8	8.8	8.9	9.0	9.0	9.4	9.4	9.4	9.4	9.2
Freedom of movement (CLD)	3.3	6.7	6.7	3.3	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	10.0	10.0	10.0	6.7
Religion	9.2	9.2	8.6	8.6	8.7	8.7	8.7	8.6	9.5	8.7	8.7	8.5
Freedom of religion	8.7	8.7	7.5	7.5	7.6	7.7	7.7	7.7	9.3	7.9	7.9	7.8
Religious organization repression	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.3
Association, assembly, civil society	8.7	8.7	9.3	8.9	9.3	9.3	9.3	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5
Civil society entry and exit	8.9	8.9	8.9	8.9	8.9	8.9	8.9	8.9	8.9	8.9	8.9	8.8
Freedom of assembly	7.1	7.1	8.8	7.1	8.8	8.8	8.8	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Freedom to form/run political parties	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7
Civil society repression	8.9	8.9	9.7	9.7	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.5	9.6	9.5	9.5	9.4
Expression and information	7.4	8.7	8.7	8.7	8.7	8.8	8.7	8.7	8.8	8.7	8.7	8.6
Direct attacks on the press	5.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Media and expression (V-Dem)	8.1	8.0	8.2	8.2	8.1	8.4	8.4	8.4	8.5	8.3	8.3	7.7
Media and expression (Freedom House)	10.0	10.0	9.8	10.0	10.0	10.0	9.6	9.6	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Media and expression (BTI)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Media and expression (CLD)	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7
Relationships	8.3	8.3	8.3	8.3	8.3	8.3	7.5	8.8	8.8	8.8	8.8	8.8
Same-sex relationships	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	5.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Divorce	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0
Inheritance rights	-	-	-	-	-	-	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Female genital mutilation	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0

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CZECH REPUBLIC

EASTERN EUROPE

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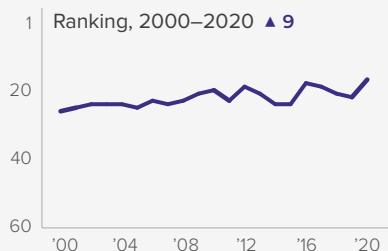
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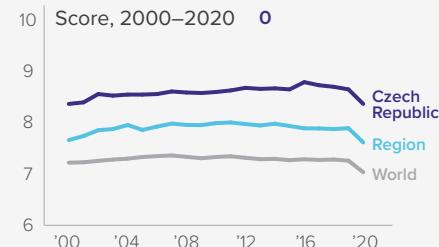
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Ranking, 2000–2020 ▲ 9



Score, 2000–2020 0



PERSONAL FREEDOM

Ranking
21/165

Score
8.75

Rule of law

Procedural justice	6.8
Civil justice	7.8
Criminal justice	6.3
Rule of law (V-Dem)	7.0
	7.7

Security and safety

Homicide	9.9
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	9.8

Movement

Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	7.8
Freedom of movement (CLD)	9.0

Religion

Freedom of religion	9.6
Religious organization repression	9.5

Association, assembly, civil society

Civil society entry and exit	9.4
Freedom of assembly	8.3
Freedom to form/run political parties	10.0
Civil society repression	9.2

Expression and information

Direct attacks on the press	8.5
Media and expression (V-Dem)	10.0
Media and expression (Freedom House)	8.3
Media and expression (BTI)	7.5
Media and expression (CLD)	10.0

Relationships

Same-sex relationships	9.4
Divorce	10.0
Inheritance rights	7.5
Female genital mutilation	10.0

ECONOMIC FREEDOM

Ranking
17/165

Score
7.75

Size of government

Government consumption	6.3
Transfers and subsidies	2.3
Government investment	4.1
Top marginal tax rate	9.6
State ownership of assets	7.0

Legal system and property rights

Judicial independence	6.8
Impartial courts	6.3
Protection of property rights	6.2
Military interference	10.0
Integrity of the legal system	7.9
Legal enforcement of contracts	4.3
Regulatory costs	8.2
Reliability of police	6.6

Sound money

Money growth	8.9
Standard deviation of inflation	9.4
Inflation: Most recent year	9.4
Freedom to own foreign currency	10.0

Freedom to trade internationally

Tariffs	8.1
Regulatory trade barriers	8.0
Black-market exchange rates	8.3
Movement of capital and people	10.0

Regulation

Credit market regulations	9.0
Labor market regulations	8.1
Business regulations	6.6

CZECH REPUBLIC

EASTERN EUROPE

	2000	2002	2004	2006	2008	2010	2012	2014	2016	2018	2019	2020
Human freedom	8.33	8.52	8.51	8.52	8.55	8.56	8.64	8.63	8.75	8.66	8.61	8.33
Ranking	27	25	25	24	24	21	20	25	19	22	23	18
Economic freedom	6.96	7.40	7.51	7.48	7.63	7.67	7.85	7.96	8.01	8.02	7.98	7.75
Personal freedom	9.31	9.32	9.23	9.27	9.21	9.19	9.20	9.11	9.27	9.11	9.06	8.75
Rule of law	7.1	7.1	7.1	7.3	7.3	7.3	7.3	7.6	7.8	7.5	7.1	6.8
Procedural justice	-	-	-	-	8.3	8.3	8.6	8.3	8.7	8.4	7.8	7.8
Civil justice	-	-	-	-	6.5	6.5	6.5	7.3	7.2	6.9	6.3	6.3
Criminal justice	-	-	-	-	7.0	7.0	6.7	7.3	7.4	7.1	7.0	7.0
Rule of law (V-Dem)	8.0	8.0	8.0	8.2	8.2	8.2	8.2	8.2	7.9	8.0	8.0	7.7
Security and safety	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.8	9.7	9.6	9.6	9.7	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.9
Homicide	9.5	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.7	9.8
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.7	9.6	9.6	9.5	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9
Movement	9.9	9.8	9.9	9.9	7.8							
Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.7	9.7	9.8	9.0
Freedom of movement (CLD)	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	6.7
Religion	9.9	9.1	9.5	9.4	9.5	9.6						
Freedom of religion	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	8.2	9.6	9.5	9.5	9.5
Religious organization repression	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.4	9.4	9.4	9.6
Association, assembly, civil society	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.2	9.1	9.1	9.1	9.3	9.3	9.3	9.4
Civil society entry and exit	8.3	8.3	8.3	8.3	8.1	8.1	8.1	8.1	8.1	8.1	8.1	8.3
Freedom of assembly	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	8.9	8.9	8.9	8.9	8.9	10.0	10.0	10.0
Freedom to form/run political parties	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.5	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.2	9.2	9.2
Civil society repression	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9
Expression and information	9.6	9.7	9.0	9.2	9.2	9.2	9.2	9.0	9.5	8.5	8.5	8.5
Direct attacks on the press	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Media and expression (V-Dem)	9.1	9.1	9.2	9.2	9.2	9.2	9.2	8.4	8.4	8.2	8.2	8.3
Media and expression (Freedom House)	9.1	9.4	9.2	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	7.5	7.5	7.5
Media and expression (BTI)	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	8.9	10.0	10.0	10.0
Media and expression (CLD)	10.0	10.0	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	10.0	6.7	6.7	6.7
Relationships	9.4											
Same-sex relationships	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Divorce	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5
Inheritance rights	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Female genital mutilation	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0

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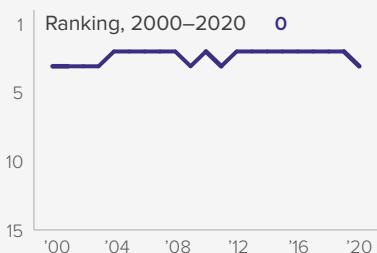
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WESTERN EUROPE

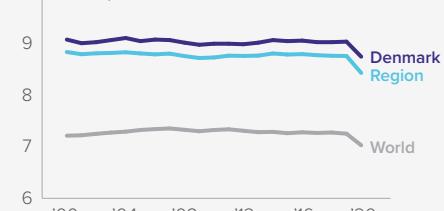
HUMAN FREEDOM

Ranking
4

Score
8.72



Score, 2000–2020 ▾ 0.33



PERSONAL FREEDOM

Ranking
8/165

Score
9.17

Rule of law

	Ranking	Score
Procedural justice	8.1	9.6
Civil justice		8.6
Criminal justice		8.3
Rule of law (V-Dem)		8.3

Security and safety

	Ranking	Score
Homicide	9.7	9.7
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism		9.8

Movement

	Ranking	Score
Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	7.8	9.0
Freedom of movement (CLD)		6.7

Religion

	Ranking	Score
Freedom of religion	9.5	9.4
Religious organization repression		9.5

Association, assembly, civil society

	Ranking	Score
Civil society entry and exit	9.7	9.4
Freedom of assembly		10.0
Freedom to form/run political parties		9.8
Civil society repression		9.7

Expression and information

	Ranking	Score
Direct attacks on the press	9.3	7.4
Media and expression (V-Dem)		9.6
Media and expression (Freedom House)		10.0
Media and expression (BTI)		-
Media and expression (CLD)		10.0

Relationships

	Ranking	Score
Same-sex relationships	10.0	10.0
Divorce		10.0
Inheritance rights		10.0
Female genital mutilation		10.0

ECONOMIC FREEDOM

Ranking
5/165

Score
8.09

Size of government

	Ranking	Score
Government consumption	5.2	1.5
Transfers and subsidies		5.0
Government investment		9.7
Top marginal tax rate		2.5
State ownership of assets		7.5

Legal system and property rights

	Ranking	Score
Judicial independence	8.7	8.5
Impartial courts		8.4
Protection of property rights		8.3
Military interference		10.0
Integrity of the legal system		9.6
Legal enforcement of contracts		6.6
Regulatory costs		9.7
Reliability of police		8.1

Sound money

	Ranking	Score
Money growth	9.7	9.3
Standard deviation of inflation		9.6
Inflation: Most recent year		9.9
Freedom to own foreign currency		10.0

Freedom to trade internationally

	Ranking	Score
Tariffs	8.4	8.0
Regulatory trade barriers		8.3
Black-market exchange rates		10.0
Movement of capital and people		7.3

Regulation

	Ranking	Score
Credit market regulations	8.4	9.9
Labor market regulations		7.3
Business regulations		8.1

DENMARK

WESTERN EUROPE

	2000	2002	2004	2006	2008	2010	2012	2014	2016	2018	2019	2020
Human freedom	9.05	9.00	9.08	9.05	8.99	8.97	8.96	9.04	9.03	9.00	9.01	8.72
Ranking	4	4	3	4								
Economic freedom	8.18	8.08	8.23	8.17	8.04	7.99	7.96	8.13	8.10	8.21	8.23	8.09
Personal freedom	9.67	9.66	9.68	9.68	9.67	9.67	9.67	9.68	9.69	9.57	9.57	9.17
Rule of law	8.6	8.7	8.7	8.8	8.8	8.1						
Procedural justice	-	-	-	-	9.4	9.4	9.3	9.6	9.3	9.5	9.6	9.6
Civil justice	-	-	-	-	7.9	7.9	8.2	8.4	8.6	8.6	8.6	8.6
Criminal justice	-	-	-	-	8.7	8.7	8.4	8.2	8.2	8.3	8.3	8.3
Rule of law (V-Dem)	9.3	9.3	9.3	9.3	9.3	9.3	9.3	9.1	9.2	9.1	9.0	8.3
Security and safety	9.8	9.8	9.9	9.9	9.8	9.9	9.8	9.7	9.7	9.8	9.7	9.7
Homicide	9.7	9.7	9.8	9.8	9.7	9.8	9.8	9.6	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.8	9.7	9.8	9.8	9.8
Movement	9.8	9.9	9.9	9.9	7.8							
Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.8	9.8	9.7	9.0
Freedom of movement (CLD)	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	6.7
Religion	9.9	9.5	9.5	9.5								
Freedom of religion	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.5	9.5	9.4
Religious organization repression	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.5	9.5	9.5
Association, assembly, civil society	9.7	9.8	9.8	9.7								
Civil society entry and exit	9.4	9.4	9.4	9.4	9.3	9.3	9.3	9.3	9.3	9.5	9.5	9.4
Freedom of assembly	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Freedom to form/run political parties	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8
Civil society repression	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.7
Expression and information	9.9	9.3	9.3	9.3								
Direct attacks on the press	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	7.4	7.4	7.4
Media and expression (V-Dem)	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.6
Media and expression (Freedom House)	10.0	9.7	10.0	9.8	10.0	9.8	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Media and expression (BTI)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Media and expression (CLD)	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Relationships	9.9	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0						
Same-sex relationships	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Divorce	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Inheritance rights	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Female genital mutilation	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0

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DJIBOUTI

SUB-SAHARAN AFRICA

HUMAN FREEDOM

Ranking

139

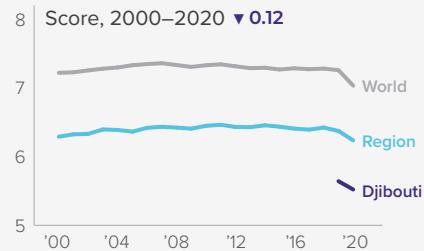
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PERSONAL FREEDOM

Ranking
143/165

Score
5.02

Rule of law

Procedural justice	-
Civil justice	-
Criminal justice	-
Rule of law (V-Dem)	4.9

Security and safety

Homicide	8.1
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	7.7

Movement

Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	6.7
Freedom of movement (CLD)	6.7

Religion

Freedom of religion	4.8
Religious organization repression	4.8

Association, assembly, civil society

Civil society entry and exit	5.1
Freedom of assembly	1.9
Freedom to form/run political parties	6.5
Civil society repression	5.5

Expression and information

Direct attacks on the press	10.0
Media and expression (V-Dem)	3.2
Media and expression (Freedom House)	0.0
Media and expression (BTI)	1.1
Media and expression (CLD)	0.0

Relationships

Same-sex relationships	10.0
Divorce	2.5
Inheritance rights	0.0
Female genital mutilation	0.6

ECONOMIC FREEDOM

Ranking
119/165

Score
6.21

Size of government

Government consumption	4.2
Transfers and subsidies	-
Government investment	5.6
Top marginal tax rate	6.0
State ownership of assets	4.7

Legal system and property rights

Judicial independence	6.1
Impartial courts	4.0
Protection of property rights	4.3
Military interference	-
Integrity of the legal system	4.3
Legal enforcement of contracts	3.2
Regulatory costs	7.7
Reliability of police	-

Sound money

Money growth	0.0
Standard deviation of inflation	9.5
Inflation: Most recent year	9.6
Freedom to own foreign currency	10.0

Freedom to trade internationally

Tariffs	6.2
Regulatory trade barriers	4.6
Black-market exchange rates	10.0
Movement of capital and people	6.9

Regulation

Credit market regulations	9.3
Labor market regulations	6.8
Business regulations	6.7

DJIBOUTI

SUB-SAHARAN AFRICA

	2000	2002	2004	2006	2008	2010	2012	2014	2016	2018	2019	2020
Human freedom	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5.63	5.51
Ranking	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	140	139
Economic freedom	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6.45	6.21
Personal freedom	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5.05	5.02
Rule of law	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4.9	4.9
Procedural justice	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Civil justice	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Criminal justice	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Rule of law (V-Dem)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4.9	4.9
Security and safety	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	7.9	7.9
Homicide	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	8.1	8.1
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	7.7	7.7
Movement	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6.7	6.7
Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6.8	6.7
Freedom of movement (CLD)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6.7	6.7
Religion	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4.9	4.8
Freedom of religion	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4.9	4.8
Religious organization repression	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4.9	4.8
Association, assembly, civil society	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4.8	4.7
Civil society entry and exit	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5.3	5.1
Freedom of assembly	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1.9	1.9
Freedom to form/run political parties	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6.5	6.5
Civil society repression	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5.5	5.5
Expression and information	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2.9	2.9
Direct attacks on the press	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	10.0	10.0
Media and expression (V-Dem)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3.3	3.2
Media and expression (Freedom House)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.0	0.0
Media and expression (BTI)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1.1	1.1
Media and expression (CLD)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.0	0.0
Relationships	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3.3	3.3
Same-sex relationships	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	10.0	10.0
Divorce	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2.5	2.5
Inheritance rights	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.0	0.0
Female genital mutilation	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.6	0.6

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DOMINICAN REPUBLIC

LATIN AMERICA & THE CARIBBEAN

HUMAN FREEDOM

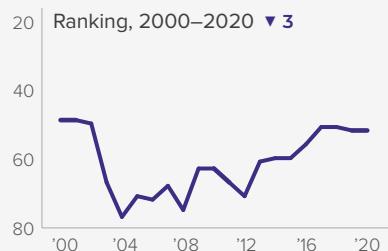
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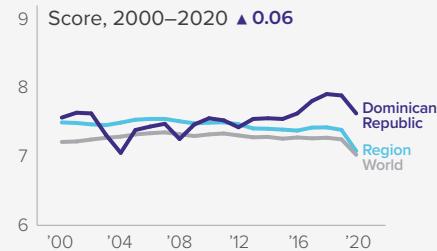
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PERSONAL FREEDOM

Ranking
56/165

Score
7.79

Rule of law

Procedural justice	4.8
Civil justice	5.2
Criminal justice	4.4
Rule of law (V-Dem)	3.6

Rule of law (V-Dem)	6.6
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Security and safety

Homicide	8.3
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	7.4

Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	9.3
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Movement

Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	6.4
Freedom of movement (CLD)	9.5

Freedom of movement (CLD)	3.3
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Religion

Freedom of religion	9.7
Religious organization repression	9.7

Religious organization repression	9.7
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Association, assembly, civil society

Civil society entry and exit	9.1
Freedom of assembly	8.6

Freedom of assembly	8.8
Freedom to form/run political parties	9.4

Freedom to form/run political parties	9.4
Civil society repression	9.8

Expression and information

Direct attacks on the press	6.8
Media and expression (V-Dem)	7.2

Media and expression (V-Dem)	8.4
Media and expression (Freedom House)	5.0

Media and expression (Freedom House)	6.7
Media and expression (BTI)	6.7

Media and expression (BTI)	6.7
Media and expression (CLD)	6.7

Relationships

Same-sex relationships	9.4
Divorce	10.0

Divorce	7.5
Inheritance rights	10.0

Inheritance rights	10.0
Female genital mutilation	10.0

ECONOMIC FREEDOM

Ranking
48/165

Score
7.36

Size of government

Government consumption	8.7
Transfers and subsidies	7.3
Government investment	9.6
Top marginal tax rate	10.0
State ownership of assets	8.0

Legal system and property rights

Judicial independence	5.0
Impartial courts	4.8
Protection of property rights	4.5
Military interference	5.5
Integrity of the legal system	5.0
Legal enforcement of contracts	5.2
Regulatory costs	3.5
Reliability of police	8.3

Sound money

Money growth	9.4
Standard deviation of inflation	8.8
Inflation: Most recent year	9.4
Freedom to own foreign currency	9.2

Freedom to trade internationally

Tariffs	7.2
Regulatory trade barriers	7.2
Black-market exchange rates	10.0
Movement of capital and people	4.0

Regulation

Credit market regulations	6.5
Labor market regulations	7.2
Business regulations	6.1

DOMINICAN REPUBLIC

LATIN AMERICA & THE CARIBBEAN

	2000	2002	2004	2006	2008	2010	2012	2014	2016	2018	2019	2020
Human freedom	7.55	7.61	7.04	7.42	7.24	7.54	7.41	7.54	7.61	7.89	7.87	7.61
Ranking	49	50	77	72	75	63	71	60	56	51	52	52
Economic freedom	6.57	6.71	5.77	6.64	6.73	7.41	7.22	7.52	7.50	7.57	7.60	7.36
Personal freedom	8.25	8.25	7.94	7.97	7.59	7.63	7.54	7.55	7.69	8.11	8.07	7.79
Rule of law	5.3	5.2	5.1	5.1	5.1	5.1	4.5	4.5	4.4	4.4	4.4	4.8
Procedural justice	-	-	-	-	5.6	5.6	4.9	5.5	5.2	5.2	5.2	5.2
Civil justice	-	-	-	-	5.1	5.1	4.8	4.6	4.5	4.5	4.4	4.4
Criminal justice	-	-	-	-	4.7	4.7	3.7	3.4	3.3	3.6	3.6	3.6
Rule of law (V-Dem)	6.4	6.3	6.2	6.2	6.2	6.2	6.2	6.1	6.2	6.1	6.1	6.6
Security and safety	7.6	7.6	6.1	6.3	6.1	5.9	6.3	7.0	7.3	8.2	8.2	8.3
Homicide	5.9	5.8	2.8	3.3	2.8	2.7	3.5	4.9	5.5	7.1	7.2	7.4
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	9.3	9.3	9.3	9.3	9.4	9.1	9.1	9.1	9.1	9.2	9.1	9.3
Movement	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	8.1	8.1	8.1	8.1	9.8	9.8	9.8	6.4
Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	9.4	9.4	9.4	9.4	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.5
Freedom of movement (CLD)	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	10.0	10.0	10.0	3.3
Religion	9.7	8.9	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.7						
Freedom of religion	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	8.0	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7
Religious organization repression	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.7
Association, assembly, civil society	8.5	8.5	8.5	8.6	8.6	8.7	8.6	8.6	8.5	8.7	8.7	9.1
Civil society entry and exit	8.4	8.4	8.4	8.4	8.5	8.5	8.5	8.5	8.7	8.7	8.7	8.6
Freedom of assembly	7.7	7.7	7.7	7.7	7.7	7.7	7.7	7.7	7.7	8.8	8.8	8.8
Freedom to form/run political parties	9.0	9.0	9.0	9.0	9.0	9.0	9.0	8.9	8.9	8.6	8.7	9.4
Civil society repression	9.0	9.0	9.0	9.1	9.0	9.4	9.3	9.3	8.6	8.6	8.6	9.8
Expression and information	7.6	7.6	7.0	7.0	6.2	6.5	6.2	6.4	6.6	6.8	6.4	6.8
Direct attacks on the press	10.0	10.0	8.3	8.3	6.8	8.4	6.9	8.5	10.0	7.2	7.2	7.2
Media and expression (V-Dem)	7.6	7.6	7.6	7.6	7.7	7.6	7.6	7.5	7.0	7.2	6.6	8.4
Media and expression (Freedom House)	6.8	7.1	5.9	5.4	5.3	5.3	5.3	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0
Media and expression (BTI)	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	7.8	7.8	7.8	7.8	7.8	7.8	6.7	6.7
Media and expression (CLD)	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	6.7	6.7	6.7
Relationships	9.4											
Same-sex relationships	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Divorce	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5
Inheritance rights	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Female genital mutilation	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0

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HUMAN FREEDOM

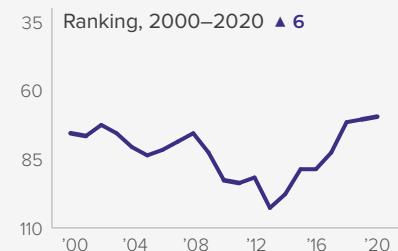
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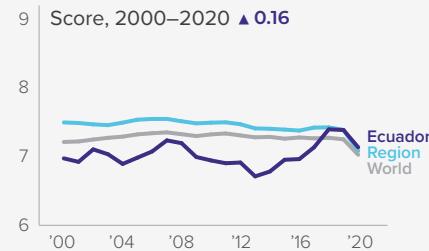
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PERSONAL FREEDOM

Ranking
65/165

Score
7.57

Rule of law

Procedural justice	4.3
Civil justice	4.5
Criminal justice	4.9
Rule of law (V-Dem)	3.6
	6.9

Security and safety

Homicide	8.6
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	7.7

Movement

Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	6.4
Freedom of movement (CLD)	9.5

Religion

Freedom of religion	9.8
Religious organization repression	9.8

Association, assembly, civil society

Civil society entry and exit	7.4
Freedom of assembly	6.5
Freedom to form/run political parties	7.7
Civil society repression	9.1

Expression and information

Direct attacks on the press	7.7
Media and expression (V-Dem)	9.3
Media and expression (Freedom House)	7.3
Media and expression (BTI)	7.5
Media and expression (CLD)	7.8

Relationships

Same-sex relationships	8.8
Divorce	10.0
Inheritance rights	7.5
Female genital mutilation	7.5

ECONOMIC FREEDOM

Ranking
106/165

Score
6.51

Size of government

Government consumption	7.1
Transfers and subsidies	6.0
Government investment	9.6
Top marginal tax rate	8.3
State ownership of assets	5.5

Legal system and property rights

Judicial independence	3.9
Impartial courts	3.7
Protection of property rights	4.5
Military interference	2.5
Integrity of the legal system	5.0

Sound money

Money growth	9.9
Standard deviation of inflation	9.5
Inflation: Most recent year	9.9
Freedom to own foreign currency	5.0

Freedom to trade internationally

Tariffs	6.3
Regulatory trade barriers	4.6
Black-market exchange rates	10.0
Movement of capital and people	2.8

Regulation

Credit market regulations	8.5
Labor market regulations	5.0
Business regulations	5.1

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	2000	2002	2004	2006	2008	2010	2012	2014	2016	2018	2019	2020
Human freedom	6.96	7.09	6.88	7.06	7.18	6.93	6.90	6.77	6.95	7.38	7.37	7.12
Ranking	76	73	81	82	76	93	92	98	89	72	71	70
Economic freedom	5.82	6.19	5.87	6.24	6.36	6.27	6.26	5.99	6.42	6.61	6.68	6.51
Personal freedom	7.77	7.74	7.61	7.65	7.76	7.40	7.36	7.32	7.33	7.94	7.87	7.57
Rule of law	4.4	4.4	4.4	4.5	4.7	4.6	4.0	4.2	4.3	4.4	4.3	4.3
Procedural justice	-	-	-	-	5.3	5.3	4.6	4.6	4.4	4.6	4.5	4.5
Civil justice	-	-	-	-	4.2	4.2	4.1	4.4	4.6	4.9	4.9	4.9
Criminal justice	-	-	-	-	4.4	4.4	3.3	3.6	3.8	3.6	3.6	3.6
Rule of law (V-Dem)	6.4	6.4	6.4	6.4	6.7	6.6	6.6	6.6	6.6	6.9	6.8	6.9
Security and safety	7.5	7.5	6.7	7.2	6.9	6.9	7.6	8.2	8.7	8.7	8.5	8.6
Homicide	5.8	5.8	4.9	5.0	4.8	4.9	6.4	7.6	8.3	8.3	8.0	7.7
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	9.3	9.3	8.5	9.4	8.9	8.9	8.9	8.8	9.2	9.0	9.1	9.4
Movement	8.0	8.0	8.0	8.0	9.8	6.4						
Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	9.3	9.3	9.3	9.3	9.6	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.6	9.6	9.5
Freedom of movement (CLD)	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	3.3
Religion	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.8	9.6	9.8
Freedom of religion	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.8	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.8	9.4	9.8
Religious organization repression	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.8	9.8	9.8
Association, assembly, civil society	8.0	7.9	7.9	7.8	7.2	6.0	6.0	5.2	4.9	7.5	6.8	7.4
Civil society entry and exit	8.4	8.0	8.0	7.8	7.3	4.6	4.6	3.1	2.8	7.8	6.5	6.5
Freedom of assembly	6.5	6.5	6.5	6.5	6.9	6.9	6.5	5.4	4.6	6.6	6.9	7.7
Freedom to form/run political parties	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.0	9.0	9.0	9.0	9.0	9.5	9.5	9.1
Civil society repression	7.2	7.2	7.2	7.3	5.5	3.6	3.8	3.2	3.2	6.3	4.6	6.2
Expression and information	7.4	7.3	7.2	7.0	6.8	5.6	5.2	5.0	4.7	6.7	7.2	7.7
Direct attacks on the press	10.0	10.0	10.0	8.9	8.1	9.2	8.2	9.0	9.0	9.3	9.3	9.3
Media and expression (V-Dem)	6.8	6.8	6.8	7.0	6.1	5.6	5.6	5.3	5.2	8.0	7.4	7.3
Media and expression (Freedom House)	7.0	6.5	6.1	5.9	5.6	4.3	3.2	2.7	2.5	5.0	5.0	7.5
Media and expression (BTI)	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	7.8	5.6	5.6	4.4	3.3	4.4	7.8	7.8
Media and expression (CLD)	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	6.7	6.7	6.7
Relationships	9.4	8.8	8.8	8.8								
Same-sex relationships	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Divorce	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5
Inheritance rights	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	7.5	7.5	7.5
Female genital mutilation	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0

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EGYPT, ARAB REP.

MIDDLE EAST & NORTH AFRICA

HUMAN FREEDOM

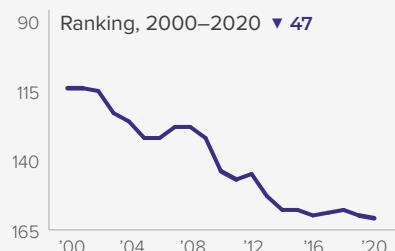
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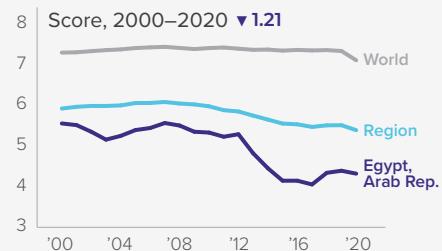
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Ranking, 2000–2020 ▾ 47



Score, 2000–2020 ▾ 1.21



PERSONAL FREEDOM

Ranking
162/165

Score
3.32

Rule of law

Procedural justice	3.2
Civil justice	2.1
Criminal justice	3.7
Rule of law (V-Dem)	3.4

Rule of law (V-Dem)	4.2
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Security and safety

Homicide	6.9
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	9.3

Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	4.6
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Movement

Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	4.9
Freedom of movement (CLD)	6.4

Freedom of movement (CLD)	3.3
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Religion

Freedom of religion	2.9
Religious organization repression	4.5

Religious organization repression	1.2
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Association, assembly, civil society

Civil society entry and exit	2.7
Freedom of assembly	1.8

Freedom of assembly	1.9
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Freedom to form/run political parties	4.4
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Civil society repression	2.5
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Expression and information

Direct attacks on the press	2.4
Media and expression (V-Dem)	5.0

Media and expression (V-Dem)	2.5
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Media and expression (Freedom House)	0.0
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Media and expression (BTI)	0.0
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Media and expression (CLD)	1.1
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Media and expression (CLD)	3.3
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Relationships

Same-sex relationships	0.3
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Divorce	0.0
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Inheritance rights	0.0
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Female genital mutilation	1.3
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ECONOMIC FREEDOM

Ranking
150/165

Score
5.61

Size of government

Government consumption	5.3
Transfers and subsidies	9.3
Government investment	7.1
Top marginal tax rate	0.0
State ownership of assets	7.0

State ownership of assets	3.1
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Legal system and property rights

Judicial independence	3.6
Impartial courts	5.6
Protection of property rights	4.3
Military interference	6.9
Integrity of the legal system	1.7
Legal enforcement of contracts	4.7
Regulatory costs	3.3
Reliability of police	8.2

Reliability of police	6.4
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Sound money

Money growth	8.5
Standard deviation of inflation	8.1
Inflation: Most recent year	6.8
Freedom to own foreign currency	9.0
Freedom to own foreign currency	10.0

Freedom to own foreign currency	2.9
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Freedom to trade internationally

Tariffs	5.4
Regulatory trade barriers	4.8
Black-market exchange rates	3.9
Movement of capital and people	10.0
Movement of capital and people	2.9

Movement of capital and people	5.6
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Regulation

Credit market regulations	5.3
Labor market regulations	5.0
Business regulations	5.2

Business regulations	5.6
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EGYPT, ARAB REP.

MIDDLE EAST & NORTH AFRICA

	2000	2002	2004	2006	2008	2010	2012	2014	2016	2018	2019	2020
Human freedom	5.49	5.29	5.19	5.38	5.44	5.27	5.23	4.41	4.11	4.30	4.35	4.28
Ranking	114	115	126	132	128	144	145	158	160	158	160	161
Economic freedom	6.20	5.88	5.88	6.18	6.27	6.11	6.01	5.56	5.19	5.56	5.74	5.61
Personal freedom	4.97	4.87	4.69	4.81	4.84	4.66	4.67	3.59	3.35	3.40	3.36	3.32
Rule of law	4.3	4.2	4.2	4.2	4.2	4.2	3.7	3.5	3.6	3.4	3.1	3.2
Procedural justice	-	-	-	-	3.3	3.3	3.1	2.4	2.9	2.5	2.1	2.1
Civil justice	-	-	-	-	4.7	4.7	3.9	3.8	3.8	3.9	3.7	3.7
Criminal justice	-	-	-	-	4.5	4.5	4.1	4.3	4.2	3.7	3.4	3.4
Rule of law (V-Dem)	4.6	4.5	4.5	4.5	4.5	4.5	4.4	4.0	4.0	4.0	4.0	4.2
Security and safety	8.6	8.2	8.0	8.5	8.3	8.2	8.2	6.6	5.9	6.8	6.8	6.9
Homicide	9.8	9.8	9.9	9.8	9.7	9.4	9.3	9.3	9.3	9.3	9.3	9.3
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	7.4	6.5	6.1	7.1	7.0	7.1	7.1	4.0	2.5	4.4	4.3	4.6
Movement	7.0	7.0	5.3	5.3	5.2	5.2	5.0	4.7	5.1	4.7	4.9	4.9
Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	7.3	7.3	7.3	7.3	7.1	7.1	6.7	6.1	6.9	6.2	6.4	6.4
Freedom of movement (CLD)	6.7	6.7	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3
Religion	4.6	4.6	4.6	4.6	4.6	4.3	5.3	2.5	2.4	2.7	2.8	2.9
Freedom of religion	4.6	4.6	4.6	4.6	4.6	4.5	4.6	4.1	4.0	3.9	3.9	4.5
Religious organization repression	4.5	4.5	4.5	4.5	4.6	4.0	6.1	1.0	0.8	1.4	1.7	1.2
Association, assembly, civil society	3.8	3.8	3.9	3.9	4.0	3.9	4.6	3.5	3.2	2.9	2.8	2.7
Civil society entry and exit	3.2	3.2	3.0	3.0	2.9	2.6	3.4	2.5	2.5	2.2	2.2	1.8
Freedom of assembly	3.1	3.1	3.1	3.1	3.4	3.4	3.1	3.8	2.7	1.9	1.9	1.9
Freedom to form/run political parties	5.4	5.4	5.4	5.4	5.4	5.4	8.3	4.8	4.7	4.4	4.3	4.4
Civil society repression	3.8	3.8	4.3	4.3	4.3	4.2	3.7	3.0	2.8	3.0	3.0	2.5
Expression and information	5.0	4.8	5.4	5.7	6.0	5.3	5.6	4.0	3.0	3.0	2.8	2.4
Direct attacks on the press	9.6	9.3	9.5	9.7	9.5	8.9	8.4	5.4	3.5	4.8	5.0	5.0
Media and expression (V-Dem)	3.9	3.9	3.9	3.9	3.9	3.8	5.4	2.4	2.5	2.3	2.2	2.5
Media and expression (Freedom House)	4.7	4.3	6.8	8.3	9.0	7.2	7.6	3.6	2.5	2.5	2.5	0.0
Media and expression (BTI)	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	4.4	3.3	3.3	5.6	3.3	2.2	1.1	1.1
Media and expression (CLD)	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3
Relationships	1.5	1.5	1.5	1.5	1.5	1.5	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.3	0.3	0.3
Same-sex relationships	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Divorce	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Inheritance rights	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Female genital mutilation	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	0.9	0.9	0.9	1.3	1.3	1.3

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LATIN AMERICA & THE CARIBBEAN

HUMAN FREEDOM

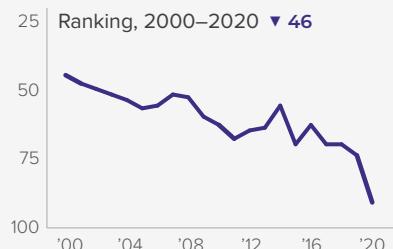
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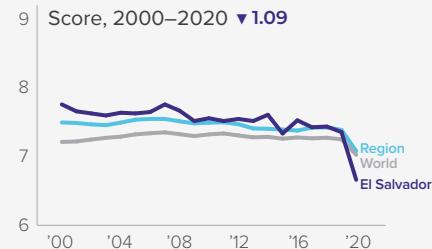
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Ranking, 2000–2020 ▾ 46



Score, 2000–2020 ▾ 1.09



PERSONAL FREEDOM

Ranking
104/165

Score
6.31

Rule of law

Procedural justice	3.8
Civil justice	4.6
Criminal justice	5.0
Rule of law (V-Dem)	3.0
	4.9

Security and safety

Homicide	3.9
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	0.0
	7.8

Movement

Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	5.1
Freedom of movement (CLD)	6.8
	3.3

Religion

Freedom of religion	8.8
Religious organization repression	9.8
	7.8

Association, assembly, civil society

Civil society entry and exit	7.3
Freedom of assembly	6.6
Freedom to form/run political parties	6.2
Civil society repression	9.7
	6.6

Expression and information

Direct attacks on the press	5.9
Media and expression (V-Dem)	7.7
Media and expression (Freedom House)	5.6
Media and expression (BTI)	5.0
Media and expression (CLD)	7.8
	3.3

Relationships

Same-sex relationships	9.4
Divorce	10.0
Inheritance rights	10.0
Female genital mutilation	7.5
	10.0

ECONOMIC FREEDOM

Ranking
64/165

Score
7.12

Size of government

Government consumption	8.5
Transfers and subsidies	6.1
Government investment	9.3
Top marginal tax rate	10.0
State ownership of assets	8.0
	9.0

Legal system and property rights

Judicial independence	4.4
Impartial courts	4.7
Protection of property rights	3.5
Military interference	4.4
Integrity of the legal system	4.2
Legal enforcement of contracts	4.3
Regulatory costs	3.3
Reliability of police	8.2
	2.6

Sound money

Money growth	9.6
Standard deviation of inflation	8.7
Inflation: Most recent year	9.7
Freedom to own foreign currency	9.9
	10.0

Freedom to trade internationally

Tariffs	7.1
Regulatory trade barriers	8.2
Black-market exchange rates	6.9
Movement of capital and people	10.0
	3.4

Regulation

Credit market regulations	6.0
Labor market regulations	7.8
Business regulations	4.5
	5.8

EL SALVADOR

LATIN AMERICA & THE CARIBBEAN

	2000	2002	2004	2006	2008	2010	2012	2014	2016	2018	2019	2020
Human freedom	7.74	7.61	7.62	7.63	7.65	7.54	7.53	7.59	7.51	7.42	7.34	6.65
Ranking	45	50	54	56	53	63	65	56	63	70	74	91
Economic freedom	7.80	7.52	7.67	7.68	7.76	7.49	7.31	7.43	7.32	7.31	7.34	7.12
Personal freedom	7.71	7.66	7.58	7.59	7.58	7.58	7.69	7.70	7.64	7.50	7.35	6.31
Rule of law	3.8	3.8	3.9	3.9	3.9	3.9	4.7	4.5	4.4	4.5	4.2	3.8
Procedural justice	-	-	-	-	4.4	4.4	6.1	5.4	5.1	5.0	4.6	4.6
Civil justice	-	-	-	-	4.9	4.9	4.7	4.8	5.0	5.3	5.0	5.0
Criminal justice	-	-	-	-	2.5	2.5	3.1	3.4	3.0	3.1	3.0	3.0
Rule of law (V-Dem)	5.6	5.5	5.6	5.7	5.7	5.7	5.7	5.6	5.6	5.4	4.9	
Security and safety	4.5	4.5	4.6	4.6	4.5	4.5	4.5	4.5	4.5	4.0	4.0	3.9
Homicide	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	9.1	9.1	9.2	9.2	8.9	8.9	8.9	8.9	8.9	7.9	8.0	7.8
Movement	9.8	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.6	9.6	9.5	9.4	5.1
Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	9.5	9.4	9.4	9.4	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.2	9.3	9.0	8.8	6.8
Freedom of movement (CLD)	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	3.3
Religion	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.5	9.6	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.3	8.8
Freedom of religion	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.7	9.7	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8
Religious organization repression	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.4	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	8.8	7.8
Association, assembly, civil society	8.4	8.2	8.2	8.2	8.1	8.7	8.9	8.7	8.4	8.7	8.4	7.3
Civil society entry and exit	7.6	7.6	7.6	7.6	7.3	8.2	8.2	8.2	8.2	8.8	8.0	6.6
Freedom of assembly	8.1	6.9	6.9	6.9	6.9	7.7	8.4	8.4	7.3	7.3	7.3	6.2
Freedom to form/run political parties	9.4	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.7	9.7	9.8	9.8	9.7	9.7	9.7
Civil society repression	8.6	8.6	8.6	8.6	8.4	9.2	9.2	8.4	8.4	9.1	8.6	6.6
Expression and information	7.8	7.8	7.1	7.1	7.3	6.7	6.5	7.0	6.9	6.8	6.7	5.9
Direct attacks on the press	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	7.6	5.2	7.6	7.7	7.7	7.7	7.7
Media and expression (V-Dem)	7.2	7.2	7.2	7.2	7.2	7.7	7.6	7.4	7.6	7.0	6.4	5.6
Media and expression (Freedom House)	5.1	5.1	5.1	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.1	5.4	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0
Media and expression (BTI)	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	7.8	6.7	7.8	7.8	7.8	7.8	7.8	7.8
Media and expression (CLD)	10.0	10.0	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	3.3
Relationships	10.0	9.4	9.4	9.4								
Same-sex relationships	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Divorce	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Inheritance rights	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	7.5	7.5	7.5
Female genital mutilation	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0

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ESTONIA

EASTERN EUROPE

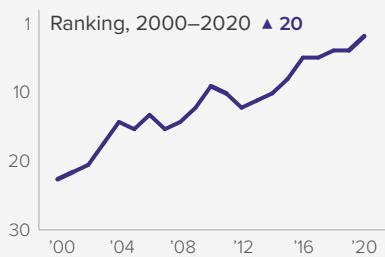
HUMAN FREEDOM

Ranking

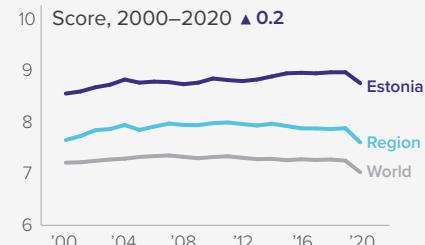
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Score

8.73



Score, 2000–2020 ▲ 0.2



PERSONAL FREEDOM

Ranking
6/165

Score
9.28

Rule of law

Procedural justice	8.0
Civil justice	8.7
Criminal justice	8.0
Rule of law (V-Dem)	7.2
	8.3

Security and safety

Homicide	9.5
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	9.1

Movement

Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	8.2
Freedom of movement (CLD)	9.8

Religion

Freedom of religion	9.6
Religious organization repression	9.4

Association, assembly, civil society

Civil society entry and exit	9.7
Freedom of assembly	9.5
Freedom to form/run political parties	10.0
Civil society repression	9.6

Expression and information

Direct attacks on the press	9.8
Media and expression (V-Dem)	10.0
Media and expression (Freedom House)	9.2
Media and expression (BTI)	10.0
Media and expression (CLD)	10.0

Relationships

Same-sex relationships	10.0
Divorce	10.0
Inheritance rights	10.0
Female genital mutilation	10.0

ECONOMIC FREEDOM

Ranking
8/165

Score
7.95

Size of government

Government consumption	6.3
Transfers and subsidies	3.0
Government investment	4.8
Top marginal tax rate	8.9
State ownership of assets	7.0

Legal system and property rights

Judicial independence	7.8
Impartial courts	7.2
Protection of property rights	7.4
Military interference	8.3
Integrity of the legal system	7.7
Legal enforcement of contracts	6.0
Regulatory costs	9.5
Reliability of police	8.3

Sound money

Money growth	9.2
Standard deviation of inflation	7.5
Inflation: Most recent year	9.2
Freedom to own foreign currency	9.9

Freedom to trade internationally

Tariffs	8.3
Regulatory trade barriers	8.5
Black-market exchange rates	10.0
Movement of capital and people	6.8

Regulation

Credit market regulations	8.2
Labor market regulations	9.7
Business regulations	6.3

ESTONIA

EASTERN EUROPE

	2000	2002	2004	2006	2008	2010	2012	2014	2016	2018	2019	2020
Human freedom	8.53	8.65	8.80	8.76	8.71	8.82	8.77	8.86	8.93	8.94	8.94	8.73
Ranking	23	21	15	14	15	10	13	11	6	5	5	3
Economic freedom	7.70	7.85	8.11	8.00	7.84	8.05	7.90	8.05	8.10	8.08	8.11	7.95
Personal freedom	9.12	9.22	9.30	9.30	9.34	9.36	9.39	9.44	9.53	9.56	9.54	9.28
Rule of law	7.2	7.3	7.3	7.4	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.6	7.8	8.0	8.0	8.0
Procedural justice	-	-	-	-	8.0	8.0	8.2	8.0	8.8	8.8	8.7	8.7
Civil justice	-	-	-	-	7.1	7.1	7.2	7.7	7.8	8.0	8.0	8.0
Criminal justice	-	-	-	-	7.5	7.5	7.2	7.0	6.8	7.1	7.2	7.2
Rule of law (V-Dem)	8.0	8.1	8.1	8.1	8.2	8.3	8.3	8.4	8.4	8.4	8.2	8.3
Security and safety	8.4	8.4	8.9	8.9	9.0	9.2	9.2	9.5	9.6	9.6	9.7	9.5
Homicide	7.0	7.0	8.1	8.0	8.1	8.5	8.6	9.1	9.3	9.4	9.5	9.1
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9
Movement	9.9	8.2										
Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8
Freedom of movement (CLD)	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	6.7
Religion	9.1	9.8	9.7	9.6								
Freedom of religion	9.3	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.5	9.4
Religious organization repression	8.9	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8
Association, assembly, civil society	9.3	9.3	9.3	9.3	9.4	9.4	9.4	9.5	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7
Civil society entry and exit	9.2	9.2	9.2	9.2	9.4	9.4	9.4	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.5
Freedom of assembly	8.9	8.9	8.9	8.9	8.9	8.9	8.9	8.9	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Freedom to form/run political parties	9.4	9.4	9.4	9.4	9.4	9.4	9.4	9.5	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.6
Civil society repression	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8
Expression and information	9.8	9.7	9.7	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.9	9.8	9.9	9.9	9.8	9.8
Direct attacks on the press	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Media and expression (V-Dem)	9.1	9.1	9.1	9.1	9.2	9.3	9.3	9.2	9.5	9.3	8.9	9.2
Media and expression (Freedom House)	10.0	9.6	9.6	9.8	10.0	9.6	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Media and expression (BTI)	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Media and expression (CLD)	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Relationships	10.0											
Same-sex relationships	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Divorce	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Inheritance rights	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Female genital mutilation	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0

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SUB-SAHARAN AFRICA

HUMAN FREEDOM

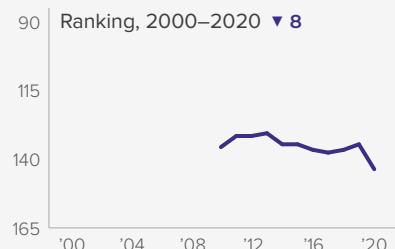
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144

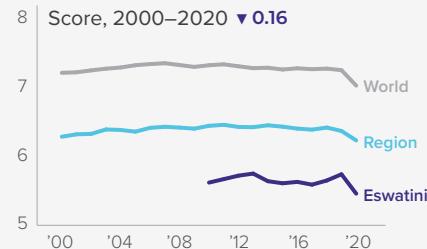
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Score, 2000–2020 ▼ 0.16



PERSONAL FREEDOM

Ranking
134/165

Score
5.23

Rule of law

Procedural justice	-
Civil justice	-
Criminal justice	-
Rule of law (V-Dem)	4.7

Security and safety

Homicide	6.6
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	8.2

Movement

Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	7.9
Freedom of movement (CLD)	3.3

Religion

Freedom of religion	7.3
Religious organization repression	8.2

Association, assembly, civil society

Civil society entry and exit	1.3
Freedom of assembly	2.7
Freedom to form/run political parties	1.4
Civil society repression	3.5

Expression and information

Direct attacks on the press	10.0
Media and expression (V-Dem)	3.0
Media and expression (Freedom House)	2.5
Media and expression (BTI)	1.1
Media and expression (CLD)	3.3

Relationships

Same-sex relationships	5.0
Divorce	2.5
Inheritance rights	2.5
Female genital mutilation	10.0

ECONOMIC FREEDOM

Ranking
144/165

Score
5.76

Size of government

Government consumption	4.2
Transfers and subsidies	9.8
Government investment	0.0
Top marginal tax rate	7.0
State ownership of assets	3.8

Legal system and property rights

Judicial independence	4.4
Impartial courts	5.2
Protection of property rights	6.0
Military interference	-
Integrity of the legal system	4.2
Legal enforcement of contracts	1.6
Regulatory costs	7.2
Reliability of police	6.5

Sound money

Money growth	9.3
Standard deviation of inflation	7.9
Inflation: Most recent year	9.2
Freedom to own foreign currency	5.0

Freedom to trade internationally

Tariffs	4.8
Regulatory trade barriers	4.5
Black-market exchange rates	10.0
Movement of capital and people	0.8

Regulation

Credit market regulations	7.8
Labor market regulations	7.6
Business regulations	5.9

ESWATINI

SUB-SAHARAN AFRICA

	2000	2002	2004	2006	2008	2010	2012	2014	2016	2018	2019	2020
Human freedom	-	-	-	-	-	5.61	5.71	5.63	5.62	5.64	5.73	5.45
Ranking	-	-	-	-	-	136	132	135	137	137	135	144
Economic freedom	-	-	-	-	-	6.04	6.10	6.24	6.16	6.10	6.14	5.76
Personal freedom	-	-	-	-	-	5.31	5.42	5.19	5.23	5.32	5.44	5.23
Rule of law	-	-	-	-	-	4.2	4.3	4.3	4.3	4.7	4.7	4.7
Procedural justice	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Civil justice	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Criminal justice	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Rule of law (V-Dem)	-	-	-	-	-	4.2	4.3	4.3	4.3	4.7	4.7	4.7
Security and safety	-	-	-	-	-	6.8	7.8	7.9	7.9	7.7	7.6	7.4
Homicide	-	-	-	-	-	5.0	7.6	6.9	7.0	6.6	6.6	6.6
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	-	-	-	-	-	8.7	8.1	8.9	8.9	8.9	8.5	8.2
Movement	-	-	-	-	-	6.6	6.6	6.6	6.6	6.9	7.0	5.6
Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	-	-	-	-	-	6.5	6.5	6.5	6.5	7.1	7.4	7.9
Freedom of movement (CLD)	-	-	-	-	-	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	3.3
Religion	-	-	-	-	-	7.3	7.3	7.4	7.4	7.4	7.6	7.7
Freedom of religion	-	-	-	-	-	6.6	6.6	6.6	6.6	6.6	6.9	7.3
Religious organization repression	-	-	-	-	-	8.0	8.0	8.1	8.1	8.2	8.2	8.2
Association, assembly, civil society	-	-	-	-	-	1.6	2.0	1.5	2.0	2.1	2.2	2.2
Civil society entry and exit	-	-	-	-	-	1.4	1.4	1.4	1.4	1.7	1.7	1.3
Freedom of assembly	-	-	-	-	-	0.0	1.7	0.0	1.7	1.7	2.7	2.7
Freedom to form/run political parties	-	-	-	-	-	1.5	1.6	1.7	1.7	1.7	1.3	1.4
Civil society repression	-	-	-	-	-	3.5	3.3	3.1	3.1	3.3	3.3	3.5
Expression and information	-	-	-	-	-	5.0	4.9	3.6	3.5	3.4	4.0	4.0
Direct attacks on the press	-	-	-	-	-	10.0	10.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	10.0	10.0
Media and expression (V-Dem)	-	-	-	-	-	2.7	2.6	3.0	3.0	2.8	3.1	3.0
Media and expression (Freedom House)	-	-	-	-	-	3.8	3.5	3.3	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5
Media and expression (BTI)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1.1	1.1
Media and expression (CLD)	-	-	-	-	-	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3
Relationships	-	-	-	-	-	5.6	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0
Same-sex relationships	-	-	-	-	-	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0
Divorce	-	-	-	-	-	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5
Inheritance rights	-	-	-	-	-	5.0	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5
Female genital mutilation	-	-	-	-	-	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0

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ETHIOPIA

SUB-SAHARAN AFRICA

HUMAN FREEDOM

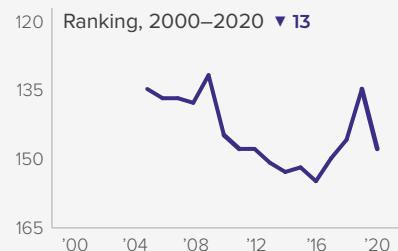
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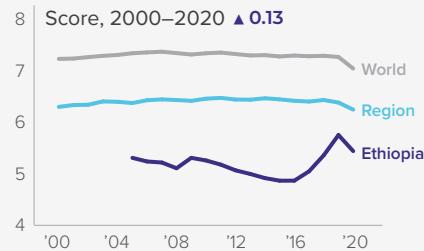
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PERSONAL FREEDOM

Ranking
131/165

Score
5.31

Rule of law

Procedural justice	3.3
Civil justice	2.5
Criminal justice	4.3
Rule of law (V-Dem)	3.5
	5.3

Security and safety

Homicide	6.8
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	7.8

Movement

Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	5.2
Freedom of movement (CLD)	7.0

Religion

Freedom of religion	6.8
Religious organization repression	7.0

Association, assembly, civil society

Civil society entry and exit	6.3
Freedom of assembly	6.4
Freedom to form/run political parties	4.5
Civil society repression	7.6

Expression and information

Direct attacks on the press	4.2
Media and expression (V-Dem)	6.7
Media and expression (Freedom House)	6.2
Media and expression (BTI)	2.5
Media and expression (CLD)	2.2
	3.3

Relationships

Same-sex relationships	4.6
Divorce	0.0
Inheritance rights	7.5
Female genital mutilation	7.5
	3.5

ECONOMIC FREEDOM

Ranking
151/165

Score
5.58

Size of government

Government consumption	6.4
Transfers and subsidies	8.4
Government investment	8.7
Top marginal tax rate	6.0
State ownership of assets	5.0
	4.0

Legal system and property rights

Judicial independence	4.5
Impartial courts	4.0
Protection of property rights	4.2
Military interference	4.1
Integrity of the legal system	3.3
Legal enforcement of contracts	5.7
Regulatory costs	5.5
Reliability of police	7.0
	3.9

Sound money

Money growth	5.5
Standard deviation of inflation	8.0
Inflation: Most recent year	8.2
Freedom to own foreign currency	5.9
	0.0

Freedom to trade internationally

Tariffs	4.7
Regulatory trade barriers	6.2
Black-market exchange rates	7.1
Movement of capital and people	4.8
	0.5

Regulation

Credit market regulations	6.9
Labor market regulations	7.0
Business regulations	6.9
	6.6

ETHIOPIA

SUB-SAHARAN AFRICA

	2000	2002	2004	2006	2008	2010	2012	2014	2016	2018	2019	2020
Human freedom	-	-	-	5.22	5.09	5.24	5.05	4.90	4.85	5.34	5.73	5.42
Ranking	-	-	-	137	138	145	148	153	155	146	135	148
Economic freedom	-	-	-	5.40	5.10	5.38	5.25	5.31	5.51	5.64	5.82	5.58
Personal freedom	-	-	-	5.10	5.09	5.14	4.91	4.61	4.38	5.12	5.67	5.31
Rule of law	-	-	-	4.4	4.5	4.5	3.8	3.0	3.3	3.4	3.4	3.3
Procedural justice	-	-	-	-	4.0	4.0	3.0	2.1	2.6	2.6	2.5	2.5
Civil justice	-	-	-	-	4.6	4.6	3.9	3.7	3.9	4.2	4.3	4.3
Criminal justice	-	-	-	-	4.9	4.9	4.5	3.3	3.4	3.4	3.5	3.5
Rule of law (V-Dem)	-	-	-	4.9	5.0	5.0	4.9	4.8	5.5	5.5	5.5	5.3
Security and safety	-	-	-	6.6	6.9	7.1	7.1	7.2	6.6	7.3	7.3	6.8
Homicide	-	-	-	7.3	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.8	7.8	7.8	7.8	7.8
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	-	-	-	5.9	6.3	6.6	6.7	6.6	5.4	6.8	6.8	5.7
Movement	-	-	-	6.9	7.0	7.0	7.0	7.0	6.9	6.9	7.0	5.2
Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	-	-	-	7.2	7.4	7.4	7.4	7.3	7.0	7.1	7.4	7.0
Freedom of movement (CLD)	-	-	-	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	3.3
Religion	-	-	-	6.7	6.7	6.8	5.8	5.4	5.1	6.6	7.4	6.8
Freedom of religion	-	-	-	8.0	8.0	8.0	6.1	5.4	5.1	7.3	7.5	7.0
Religious organization repression	-	-	-	5.4	5.5	5.7	5.6	5.4	5.2	6.0	7.2	6.7
Association, assembly, civil society	-	-	-	3.7	3.6	3.4	3.5	3.2	3.2	3.8	5.8	6.3
Civil society entry and exit	-	-	-	2.5	2.6	2.4	2.4	1.8	1.8	1.2	5.3	6.4
Freedom of assembly	-	-	-	2.6	2.2	1.9	1.9	0.4	0.7	2.3	3.4	4.5
Freedom to form/run political parties	-	-	-	6.6	6.7	6.6	6.6	6.7	6.4	7.8	7.8	7.6
Civil society repression	-	-	-	3.1	3.0	2.9	3.0	3.9	3.9	3.8	6.8	6.6
Expression and information	-	-	-	3.7	3.2	3.6	3.4	2.7	1.8	3.3	4.1	4.2
Direct attacks on the press	-	-	-	5.0	5.0	5.5	6.8	5.0	5.0	5.0	6.2	6.7
Media and expression (V-Dem)	-	-	-	3.2	3.2	3.0	3.0	3.1	2.9	4.5	6.5	6.2
Media and expression (Freedom House)	-	-	-	3.7	3.3	2.6	1.5	1.1	0.0	2.5	2.5	2.5
Media and expression (BTI)	-	-	-	3.3	1.1	3.3	2.2	1.1	1.1	1.1	2.2	2.2
Media and expression (CLD)	-	-	-	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	0.0	3.3	3.3	3.3
Relationships	-	-	-	3.6	3.6	3.6	3.8	3.8	3.8	4.6	4.6	4.6
Same-sex relationships	-	-	-	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Divorce	-	-	-	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5
Inheritance rights	-	-	-	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	7.5	7.5	7.5
Female genital mutilation	-	-	-	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.6	2.6	2.6	3.5	3.5	3.5

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OCEANIA

HUMAN FREEDOM

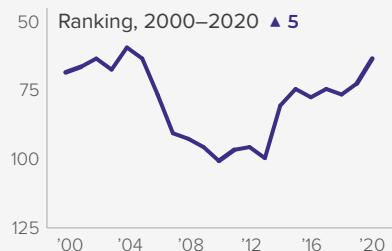
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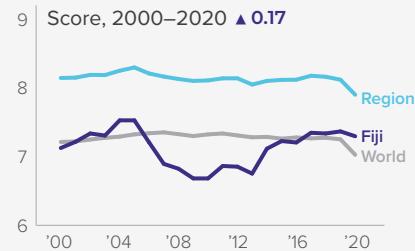
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PERSONAL FREEDOM

Ranking
53/165

Score
7.81

Rule of law

Procedural justice	-
Civil justice	-
Criminal justice	-
Rule of law (V-Dem)	5.9

Security and safety

Homicide	9.4
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	9.1

Movement

Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	9.0
Freedom of movement (CLD)	6.7

Religion

Freedom of religion	9.2
Religious organization repression	7.9

Association, assembly, civil society

Civil society entry and exit	6.9
Freedom of assembly	5.8
Freedom to form/run political parties	8.5
Civil society repression	7.3

Expression and information

Direct attacks on the press	10.0
Media and expression (V-Dem)	4.8
Media and expression (Freedom House)	5.0
Media and expression (BTI)	-
Media and expression (CLD)	6.7

Relationships

Same-sex relationships	10.0
Divorce	10.0
Inheritance rights	7.5
Female genital mutilation	10.0

ECONOMIC FREEDOM

Ranking
104/165

Score
6.53

Size of government

Government consumption	4.6
Transfers and subsidies	9.5
Government investment	7.9
Top marginal tax rate	5.0
State ownership of assets	6.5

Legal system and property rights

Judicial independence	4.2
Impartial courts	6.0
Protection of property rights	4.4
Military interference	-
Integrity of the legal system	6.5
Legal enforcement of contracts	4.9
Regulatory costs	7.7
Reliability of police	-

Sound money

Money growth	9.6
Standard deviation of inflation	8.8
Inflation: Most recent year	9.5
Freedom to own foreign currency	0.0

Freedom to trade internationally

Tariffs	4.9
Regulatory trade barriers	6.2
Black-market exchange rates	10.0
Movement of capital and people	0.5

Regulation

Credit market regulations	9.6
Labor market regulations	8.0
Business regulations	6.8

FIJI

OCEANIA

	2000	2002	2004	2006	2008	2010	2012	2014	2016	2018	2019	2020
Human freedom	7.11	7.32	7.51	7.19	6.81	6.67	6.84	7.10	7.19	7.32	7.35	7.28
Ranking	69	64	60	77	93	101	96	81	78	77	73	64
Economic freedom	6.81	6.74	6.86	6.90	6.96	6.86	6.85	6.79	6.48	6.17	6.36	6.53
Personal freedom	7.32	7.74	7.96	7.40	6.71	6.54	6.83	7.33	7.69	8.14	8.07	7.81
Rule of law	6.2	6.4	6.4	6.3	5.5	5.7	5.7	6.0	6.1	6.1	6.1	5.9
Procedural justice	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Civil justice	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Criminal justice	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Rule of law (V-Dem)	6.2	6.4	6.4	6.3	5.5	5.7	5.7	6.0	6.1	6.1	6.1	5.9
Security and safety	7.5	9.2	9.3	9.1	9.1	9.2	9.2	9.2	9.3	9.3	9.2	9.2
Homicide	9.1	9.1	9.2	9.2	9.4	9.3	9.3	9.3	9.3	9.3	9.4	9.4
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	5.9	9.4	9.4	9.1	8.8	9.0	9.0	9.1	9.2	9.2	9.1	9.1
Movement	7.9	7.9	9.6	7.7	7.7	7.7	7.7	7.8	7.6	9.5	9.5	7.8
Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	9.2	9.2	9.2	8.7	8.7	8.7	8.8	9.0	8.6	9.0	9.0	9.0
Freedom of movement (CLD)	6.7	6.7	10.0	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	10.0	10.0	6.7
Religion	9.4	9.4	9.4	9.3	7.6	7.4	7.6	7.9	9.1	8.8	8.6	8.6
Freedom of religion	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.4	7.6	7.4	7.5	7.6	9.6	9.1	9.3	9.2
Religious organization repression	9.1	9.1	9.1	9.1	7.6	7.3	7.7	8.2	8.6	8.6	7.9	7.9
Association, assembly, civil society	6.4	6.4	6.4	5.9	4.2	4.4	4.9	6.4	6.4	7.3	7.1	7.1
Civil society entry and exit	5.9	5.9	5.9	5.8	3.2	3.7	4.0	5.8	7.2	6.3	6.2	6.9
Freedom of assembly	2.9	2.9	2.9	1.2	1.2	1.2	2.9	4.2	2.9	7.1	5.8	5.8
Freedom to form/run political parties	7.9	7.9	7.9	7.9	7.4	6.9	7.0	7.8	8.4	8.4	8.5	8.5
Civil society repression	8.8	8.8	8.8	8.7	4.8	5.6	5.6	7.7	7.3	7.3	7.8	7.3
Expression and information	6.4	7.4	7.3	6.0	5.3	4.0	4.0	5.2	6.6	6.6	6.6	6.6
Direct attacks on the press	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Media and expression (V-Dem)	5.1	5.5	5.5	5.4	3.0	3.0	3.1	3.9	4.6	4.8	4.8	4.8
Media and expression (Freedom House)	7.1	7.4	6.9	5.2	5.0	2.9	3.1	3.7	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0
Media and expression (BTI)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Media and expression (CLD)	3.3	6.7	6.7	3.3	3.3	0.0	0.0	3.3	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7
Relationships	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	8.8	8.8	8.8	9.4	9.4	9.4
Same-sex relationships	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Divorce	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Inheritance rights	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	7.5	7.5	7.5
Female genital mutilation	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0

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FINLAND

WESTERN EUROPE

HUMAN FREEDOM

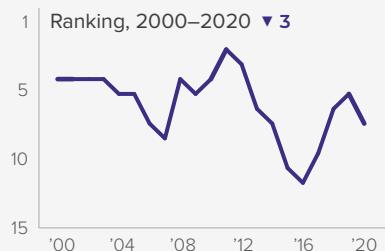
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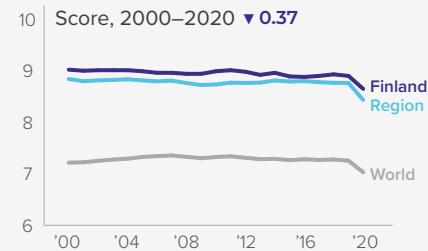
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PERSONAL FREEDOM

Ranking
3/165

Score
9.33

Rule of law

Procedural justice	8.6
Civil justice	9.5
Criminal justice	8.2
Rule of law (V-Dem)	8.4
	8.8

Security and safety

Homicide	9.6
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	9.5

Movement

Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	8.3
Freedom of movement (CLD)	9.8

Religion

Freedom of religion	9.8
Religious organization repression	9.9

Association, assembly, civil society

Civil society entry and exit	9.2
Freedom of assembly	7.7
Freedom to form/run political parties	10.0
Civil society repression	9.5

Expression and information

Direct attacks on the press	9.9
Media and expression (V-Dem)	10.0
Media and expression (Freedom House)	9.5
Media and expression (BTI)	-
Media and expression (CLD)	10.0

Relationships

Same-sex relationships	10.0
Divorce	10.0
Inheritance rights	10.0
Female genital mutilation	10.0

ECONOMIC FREEDOM

Ranking
26/165

Score
7.64

Size of government

Government consumption	4.7
Transfers and subsidies	2.3
Government investment	3.5
Top marginal tax rate	8.5
State ownership of assets	2.5

Legal system and property rights

Judicial independence	8.7
Impartial courts	8.6
Protection of property rights	8.7
Military interference	9.3
Integrity of the legal system	10.0
Legal enforcement of contracts	9.6
Regulatory costs	6.3
Reliability of police	7.5

Sound money

Money growth	9.2
Standard deviation of inflation	7.1
Inflation: Most recent year	9.8
Freedom to own foreign currency	9.9

Freedom to trade internationally

Tariffs	7.9
Regulatory trade barriers	8.0
Black-market exchange rates	8.5
Movement of capital and people	10.0

Regulation

Credit market regulations	7.7
Labor market regulations	9.3
Business regulations	5.3

FINLAND

WESTERN EUROPE

	2000	2002	2004	2006	2008	2010	2012	2014	2016	2018	2019	2020
Human freedom	8.99	8.98	8.98	8.93	8.91	8.96	8.95	8.93	8.85	8.90	8.87	8.62
Ranking	5	5	6	8	5	5	4	8	12	7	6	8
Economic freedom	8.10	8.05	8.06	7.93	7.90	7.99	7.98	7.92	7.82	7.92	7.92	7.64
Personal freedom	9.63	9.64	9.64	9.65	9.64	9.64	9.63	9.65	9.59	9.61	9.56	9.33
Rule of law	8.7	8.7	8.7	8.7	8.7	8.7	8.6	8.7	8.6	8.7	8.7	8.6
Procedural justice	-	-	-	-	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.5	9.5	9.6	9.5	9.5
Civil justice	-	-	-	-	7.9	7.9	7.5	8.0	8.0	8.1	8.2	8.2
Criminal justice	-	-	-	-	8.7	8.7	8.5	8.5	8.5	8.3	8.4	8.4
Rule of law (V-Dem)	9.0	9.0	9.0	9.0	9.0	9.0	9.0	8.9	8.9	8.9	8.9	8.8
Security and safety	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.7	9.7	9.8	9.7	9.6	9.6
Homicide	9.2	9.3	9.2	9.3	9.3	9.4	9.5	9.5	9.6	9.5	9.5	9.5
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.7	9.7
Movement	9.9	8.3										
Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.8
Freedom of movement (CLD)	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	6.7
Religion	9.8	9.6	9.8									
Freedom of religion	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.6	9.9
Religious organization repression	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7
Association, assembly, civil society	9.5	9.2	9.2	9.2	9.2							
Civil society entry and exit	8.9	8.9	8.9	8.9	8.9	8.9	8.9	8.9	7.8	7.8	7.8	7.7
Freedom of assembly	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Freedom to form/run political parties	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5
Civil society repression	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.6
Expression and information	9.8	9.9	9.7	9.9	9.8	9.9						
Direct attacks on the press	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Media and expression (V-Dem)	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.6	8.9	9.5	9.3	9.5
Media and expression (Freedom House)	9.8	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Media and expression (BTI)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Media and expression (CLD)	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Relationships	10.0											
Same-sex relationships	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Divorce	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Inheritance rights	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Female genital mutilation	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0

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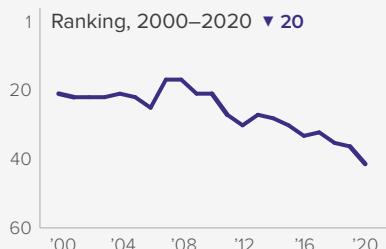
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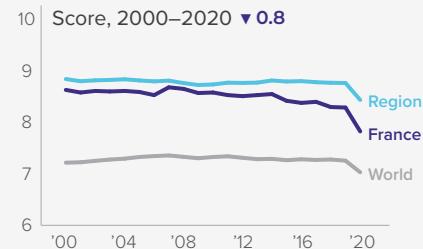
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Score, 2000–2020 ▾ 0.8



PERSONAL FREEDOM

Ranking
45/165

Score
8.14

Rule of law

Procedural justice	6.4
Civil justice	6.8
Criminal justice	7.0
Rule of law (V-Dem)	6.1
	7.9

Security and safety

Homicide	9.6
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	9.6

Movement

Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	6.4
Freedom of movement (CLD)	9.6

Religion

Freedom of religion	8.0
Religious organization repression	7.9

Association, assembly, civil society

Civil society entry and exit	8.2
Freedom of assembly	7.5
Freedom to form/run political parties	7.1
Civil society repression	9.8

Expression and information

Direct attacks on the press	9.0
Media and expression (V-Dem)	10.0
Media and expression (Freedom House)	9.3
Media and expression (BTI)	10.0
Media and expression (CLD)	-

Relationships

Same-sex relationships	9.4
Divorce	10.0
Inheritance rights	10.0
Female genital mutilation	7.5

ECONOMIC FREEDOM

Ranking
54/165

Score
7.33

Size of government

Government consumption	4.9
Transfers and subsidies	2.3
Government investment	2.4
Top marginal tax rate	9.6
State ownership of assets	3.0

Legal system and property rights

Judicial independence	7.2
Impartial courts	7.1
Protection of property rights	7.3
Military interference	7.0
Integrity of the legal system	8.3
Legal enforcement of contracts	8.2
Regulatory costs	5.6
Reliability of police	6.8

Sound money

Money growth	9.2
Standard deviation of inflation	7.1
Inflation: Most recent year	9.7
Freedom to own foreign currency	9.9

Freedom to trade internationally

Tariffs	8.2
Regulatory trade barriers	8.0
Black-market exchange rates	8.0
Movement of capital and people	10.0

Regulation

Credit market regulations	7.2
Labor market regulations	5.9
Business regulations	7.8

FRANCE

WESTERN EUROPE

	2000	2002	2004	2006	2008	2010	2012	2014	2016	2018	2019	2020
Human freedom	8.60	8.58	8.58	8.50	8.62	8.55	8.48	8.52	8.35	8.27	8.26	7.80
Ranking	22	23	22	26	18	22	31	29	34	36	37	42
Economic freedom	7.67	7.62	7.61	7.58	7.74	7.74	7.60	7.72	7.60	7.53	7.55	7.33
Personal freedom	9.27	9.27	9.27	9.16	9.24	9.12	9.11	9.09	8.89	8.80	8.77	8.14
Rule of law	7.0	7.0	7.0	7.0	7.0	7.0	6.9	6.9	6.8	6.8	6.6	6.4
Procedural justice	-	-	-	-	7.4	7.4	7.3	7.2	6.8	7.3	6.8	6.8
Civil justice	-	-	-	-	6.8	6.8	6.9	7.1	7.0	7.1	7.0	7.0
Criminal justice	-	-	-	-	6.9	6.9	6.5	6.5	6.5	6.2	6.1	6.1
Rule of law (V-Dem)	8.5	8.5	8.5	8.5	8.5	8.5	8.4	8.4	8.3	8.3	8.3	7.9
Security and safety	9.6	9.6	9.7	9.7	9.5	9.6	9.5	9.5	9.1	9.7	9.7	9.6
Homicide	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.6	9.5	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.7	9.6	9.6
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.5	9.5	9.4	9.4	8.6	9.7	9.7	9.6
Movement	9.9	6.4										
Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.6
Freedom of movement (CLD)	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	3.3
Religion	8.9	8.9	8.9	8.9	9.7	8.9	8.9	8.7	8.7	8.7	8.7	8.0
Freedom of religion	8.2	8.2	8.2	8.2	9.8	8.1	8.1	7.7	7.7	7.7	7.7	7.9
Religious organization repression	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.6	8.1
Association, assembly, civil society	9.6	9.3	8.6	8.6	8.2							
Civil society entry and exit	8.8	8.8	8.8	8.8	9.0	9.0	9.0	8.8	8.8	8.8	8.8	7.5
Freedom of assembly	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	8.8	7.1	7.1	7.1
Freedom to form/run political parties	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.8
Civil society repression	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	8.8	8.8	8.3
Expression and information	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.0	9.0	9.0	9.0	9.0	8.5	8.5	8.5	9.0
Direct attacks on the press	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	8.0	8.0	8.0	10.0
Media and expression (V-Dem)	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.4	9.4	9.4	9.4	9.3	9.3	9.4	9.3
Media and expression (Freedom House)	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	9.8	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Media and expression (BTI)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Media and expression (CLD)	10.0	10.0	10.0	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7
Relationships	9.9	10.0	10.0	9.4	9.4	9.4						
Same-sex relationships	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Divorce	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Inheritance rights	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	7.5	7.5	7.5
Female genital mutilation	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0

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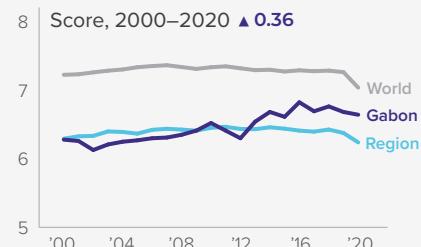
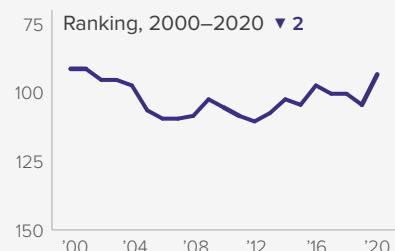
HUMAN FREEDOM

Ranking

94

Score

6.62



PERSONAL FREEDOM

Ranking
74/165

Score
7.27

Rule of law

Procedural justice	-
Civil justice	-
Criminal justice	-
Rule of law (V-Dem)	6.8

Security and safety

Homicide	7.7
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	8.7

Movement

Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	8.9
Freedom of movement (CLD)	3.3

Religion

Freedom of religion	9.1
Religious organization repression	9.6

Association, assembly, civil society

Civil society entry and exit	7.2
Freedom of assembly	3.1
Freedom to form/run political parties	8.2
Civil society repression	7.5

Expression and information

Direct attacks on the press	10.0
Media and expression (V-Dem)	6.6
Media and expression (Freedom House)	2.5
Media and expression (BTI)	3.3
Media and expression (CLD)	3.3

Relationships

Same-sex relationships	10.0
Divorce	7.5
Inheritance rights	7.5
Female genital mutilation	10.0

ECONOMIC FREEDOM

Ranking
146/165

Score
5.72

Size of government

Government consumption	4.7
Transfers and subsidies	9.4
Government investment	10.0
Top marginal tax rate	3.5
State ownership of assets	5.4

Legal system and property rights

Judicial independence	4.2
Impartial courts	3.3
Protection of property rights	4.2
Military interference	3.3
Integrity of the legal system	5.1
Legal enforcement of contracts	2.9
Regulatory costs	4.9
Reliability of police	2.8

Sound money

Money growth	9.6
Standard deviation of inflation	7.4
Inflation: Most recent year	9.8
Freedom to own foreign currency	0.0

Freedom to trade internationally

Tariffs	6.7
Regulatory trade barriers	3.9
Black-market exchange rates	10.0
Movement of capital and people	1.1

Regulation

Credit market regulations	8.3
Labor market regulations	7.3
Business regulations	5.8

GABON

SUB-SAHARAN AFRICA

	2000	2002	2004	2006	2008	2010	2012	2014	2016	2018	2019	2020
Human freedom	6.26	6.11	6.23	6.28	6.33	6.50	6.28	6.66	6.80	6.74	6.66	6.62
Ranking	92	96	98	110	109	106	111	103	98	101	105	94
Economic freedom	5.53	5.52	5.67	5.74	5.82	5.44	5.16	5.43	5.70	5.77	5.83	5.72
Personal freedom	6.78	6.53	6.62	6.66	6.69	7.26	7.09	7.53	7.59	7.42	7.26	7.27
Rule of law	6.6	6.6	6.6	6.6	6.6	6.7	6.7	7.0	7.0	7.0	7.0	6.8
Procedural justice	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Civil justice	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Criminal justice	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Rule of law (V-Dem)	6.6	6.6	6.6	6.6	6.6	6.7	6.7	7.0	7.0	7.0	7.0	6.8
Security and safety	8.1	8.1	8.1	8.1	8.3	8.2	8.1	8.3	8.0	8.3	8.2	8.2
Homicide	6.8	6.8	6.8	6.8	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.7	7.7	7.7	7.7	7.7
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	9.3	9.3	9.3	9.3	9.1	8.9	8.8	9.0	8.3	8.9	8.7	8.7
Movement	8.1	6.4	6.4	6.4	6.4	8.1	8.1	8.1	9.7	8.1	8.1	6.1
Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	8.9
Freedom of movement (CLD)	6.7	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	6.7	6.7	6.7	10.0	6.7	6.7	3.3
Religion	8.5	8.5	8.5	8.5	8.5	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.6	9.4
Freedom of religion	8.2	8.2	8.2	8.2	8.2	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.6	9.6	9.1
Religious organization repression	8.9	8.9	8.9	8.9	8.9	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.8	9.6	9.6
Association, assembly, civil society	7.0	7.0	6.6	7.0	7.0	7.2	7.0	6.7	6.7	7.0	6.6	6.5
Civil society entry and exit	6.9	6.9	6.9	6.9	6.9	7.5	6.7	7.4	7.4	8.0	7.3	7.2
Freedom of assembly	4.6	4.6	2.9	4.6	4.6	4.6	4.6	2.9	2.9	2.9	3.1	3.1
Freedom to form/run political parties	8.2	8.2	8.2	8.2	8.1	8.1	8.3	8.3	8.3	8.5	8.4	8.2
Civil society repression	8.3	8.3	8.3	8.3	8.3	8.4	8.4	8.4	8.4	8.4	7.6	7.5
Expression and information	4.9	4.8	5.8	5.7	5.7	6.6	5.6	6.6	5.7	5.7	5.2	5.2
Direct attacks on the press	5.0	5.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Media and expression (V-Dem)	6.7	6.8	6.8	6.8	6.8	6.9	6.7	7.1	7.1	6.9	6.8	6.6
Media and expression (Freedom House)	4.6	4.0	3.2	2.8	2.8	2.8	2.5	2.7	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5
Media and expression (BTI)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3.3	3.3
Media and expression (CLD)	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	6.7	3.3	6.7	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3
Relationships	4.4	6.2	6.2	6.2	6.2	8.8						
Same-sex relationships	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	10.0
Divorce	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5
Inheritance rights	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5
Female genital mutilation	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0

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GAMBIA, THE

SUB-SAHARAN AFRICA

HUMAN FREEDOM

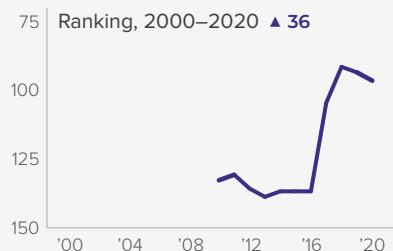
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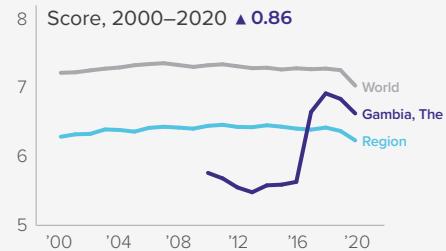
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Ranking, 2000–2020 ▲ **36**



Score, 2000–2020 ▲ **0.86**



PERSONAL FREEDOM

Ranking
110/165

Score
6.17

Rule of law

Procedural justice	4.3
Civil justice	3.9
Criminal justice	5.0
Rule of law (V-Dem)	3.9
	7.0

Security and safety

Homicide	8.2
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	7.3

Movement

Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	6.4
Freedom of movement (CLD)	9.4

Religion

Freedom of religion	9.6
Religious organization repression	9.7

Association, assembly, civil society

Civil society entry and exit	7.9
Freedom of assembly	6.1
Freedom to form/run political parties	8.2
Civil society repression	9.3

Expression and information

Direct attacks on the press	6.1
Media and expression (V-Dem)	5.0
Media and expression (Freedom House)	7.4
Media and expression (BTI)	5.0
Media and expression (CLD)	6.7

Relationships

Same-sex relationships	0.6
Divorce	0.0
Inheritance rights	0.0
Female genital mutilation	2.4

ECONOMIC FREEDOM

Ranking
58/165

Score
7.23

Size of government

Government consumption	7.2
Transfers and subsidies	8.9
Government investment	9.6
Top marginal tax rate	1.2
State ownership of assets	9.0

Legal system and property rights

Judicial independence	5.1
Impartial courts	6.1
Protection of property rights	5.6
Military interference	5.0
Integrity of the legal system	3.3
Legal enforcement of contracts	6.5
Regulatory costs	3.8
Reliability of police	6.1

Sound money

Money growth	9.3
Standard deviation of inflation	8.7
Inflation: Most recent year	9.6
Freedom to own foreign currency	8.8

Freedom to trade internationally

Tariffs	6.7
Regulatory trade barriers	7.2
Black-market exchange rates	5.1
Movement of capital and people	8.5

Regulation

Credit market regulations	7.9
Labor market regulations	9.1
Business regulations	7.9

GAMBIA, THE

SUB-SAHARAN AFRICA

	2000	2002	2004	2006	2008	2010	2012	2014	2016	2018	2019	2020
Human freedom	-	-	-	-	-	5.75	5.54	5.57	5.62	6.90	6.82	6.61
Ranking	-	-	-	-	-	133	136	137	137	92	94	97
Economic freedom	-	-	-	-	-	7.06	6.86	7.21	7.28	7.24	7.06	7.23
Personal freedom	-	-	-	-	-	4.82	4.59	4.39	4.43	6.65	6.65	6.17
Rule of law	-	-	-	-	-	3.1	3.1	3.0	3.0	4.6	4.3	4.3
Procedural justice	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4.3	3.9	3.9
Civil justice	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5.2	5.0	5.0
Criminal justice	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4.2	3.9	3.9
Rule of law (V-Dem)	-	-	-	-	-	4.7	4.7	4.5	4.5	6.8	6.8	7.0
Security and safety	-	-	-	-	-	6.9	6.9	6.4	6.8	8.0	8.2	8.2
Homicide	-	-	-	-	-	7.1	7.1	7.3	7.3	7.3	7.3	7.3
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	-	-	-	-	-	6.6	6.6	5.5	6.2	8.7	9.1	9.1
Movement	-	-	-	-	-	7.5	7.5	7.4	7.4	9.7	9.6	6.4
Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	-	-	-	-	-	8.2	8.2	8.1	8.1	9.4	9.3	9.4
Freedom of movement (CLD)	-	-	-	-	-	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	10.0	10.0	3.3
Religion	-	-	-	-	-	8.1	8.1	6.8	6.8	9.7	9.7	9.6
Freedom of religion	-	-	-	-	-	9.1	9.1	7.0	7.0	9.6	9.6	9.7
Religious organization repression	-	-	-	-	-	7.2	7.2	6.7	6.7	9.7	9.7	9.6
Association, assembly, civil society	-	-	-	-	-	4.3	4.3	4.4	4.5	7.9	8.0	7.9
Civil society entry and exit	-	-	-	-	-	3.3	3.3	3.2	3.2	7.7	7.9	7.9
Freedom of assembly	-	-	-	-	-	1.7	1.7	1.7	1.7	5.8	6.1	6.1
Freedom to form/run political parties	-	-	-	-	-	8.0	7.9	7.9	7.9	9.3	9.1	8.2
Civil society repression	-	-	-	-	-	4.4	4.4	5.0	5.3	8.8	8.8	9.3
Expression and information	-	-	-	-	-	1.8	1.7	2.0	1.9	6.1	6.2	6.1
Direct attacks on the press	-	-	-	-	-	0.0	0.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0
Media and expression (V-Dem)	-	-	-	-	-	3.2	3.2	2.6	2.6	7.6	7.5	7.4
Media and expression (Freedom House)	-	-	-	-	-	0.6	0.2	0.6	0.0	5.0	5.0	5.0
Media and expression (BTI)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6.7	6.7
Media and expression (CLD)	-	-	-	-	-	3.3	3.3	0.0	0.0	6.7	6.7	6.7
Relationships	-	-	-	-	-	2.0	0.5	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.6
Same-sex relationships	-	-	-	-	-	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Divorce	-	-	-	-	-	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Inheritance rights	-	-	-	-	-	5.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Female genital mutilation	-	-	-	-	-	3.0	2.2	2.4	2.4	2.4	2.4	2.4

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GEORGIA

CAUCASUS & CENTRAL ASIA

HUMAN FREEDOM

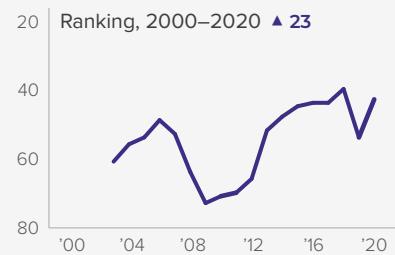
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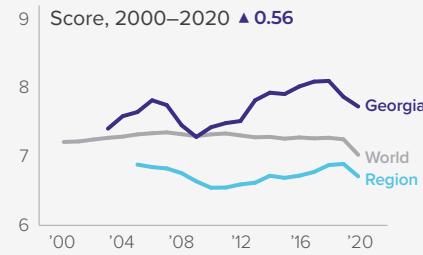
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Ranking, 2000–2020 ▲ 23



Score, 2000–2020 ▲ 0.56



PERSONAL FREEDOM

Ranking
59/165

Score
7.67

Rule of law

Procedural justice	5.6
Civil justice	6.2
Criminal justice	5.4
Rule of law (V-Dem)	5.3
	6.9

Security and safety

Homicide	6.7
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	4.4
	9.0

Movement

Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	8.2
Freedom of movement (CLD)	9.7
	6.7

Religion

Freedom of religion	8.6
Religious organization repression	7.5
	9.8

Association, assembly, civil society

Civil society entry and exit	8.4
Freedom of assembly	8.9
Freedom to form/run political parties	5.7
Civil society repression	9.3
	9.9

Expression and information

Direct attacks on the press	7.4
Media and expression (V-Dem)	10.0
Media and expression (Freedom House)	7.7
Media and expression (BTI)	5.0
Media and expression (CLD)	7.8
	6.7

Relationships

Same-sex relationships	8.8
Divorce	10.0
Inheritance rights	7.5
Female genital mutilation	7.5
	10.0

ECONOMIC FREEDOM

Ranking
15/165

Score
7.78

Size of government

Government consumption	7.3
Transfers and subsidies	7.2
Government investment	6.2
Top marginal tax rate	5.7
State ownership of assets	10.0
	7.4

Legal system and property rights

Judicial independence	6.8
Impartial courts	5.5
Protection of property rights	5.7
Military interference	-
Integrity of the legal system	6.3
Legal enforcement of contracts	6.5
Regulatory costs	6.8
Reliability of police	9.9
	7.1

Sound money

Money growth	9.1
Standard deviation of inflation	7.8
Inflation: Most recent year	9.5
Freedom to own foreign currency	9.0
	10.0

Freedom to trade internationally

Tariffs	8.3
Regulatory trade barriers	9.4
Black-market exchange rates	8.0
Movement of capital and people	10.0
	5.6

Regulation

Credit market regulations	7.4
Labor market regulations	7.5
Business regulations	6.6

GEORGIA

CAUCASUS & CENTRAL ASIA

	2000	2002	2004	2006	2008	2010	2012	2014	2016	2018	2019	2020
Human freedom	7.15	-	7.57	7.80	7.44	7.41	7.50	7.91	8.00	8.08	7.85	7.71
Ranking	66	-	56	49	64	71	66	48	44	40	54	43
Economic freedom	6.86	-	7.48	7.77	7.56	7.60	8.00	8.29	8.16	8.20	8.16	7.78
Personal freedom	7.32	-	7.64	7.82	7.35	7.28	7.14	7.64	7.87	8.00	7.62	7.67
Rule of law	5.2	-	6.0	6.1	5.9	6.0	5.3	6.0	5.4	5.4	5.6	5.6
Procedural justice	-	-	-	-	5.3	5.3	4.9	6.1	5.6	5.8	6.2	6.2
Civil justice	-	-	-	-	6.1	6.1	5.9	6.1	5.4	5.3	5.4	5.4
Criminal justice	-	-	-	-	6.6	6.6	5.1	5.6	5.1	5.2	5.3	5.3
Rule of law (V-Dem)	5.4	-	6.2	6.3	6.2	6.2	6.3	6.5	7.0	7.1	7.0	6.9
Security and safety	7.8	-	8.0	8.0	6.0	7.5	8.4	8.8	9.1	9.1	6.6	6.7
Homicide	8.5	-	8.1	7.9	8.2	8.7	9.2	9.2	9.7	9.4	4.4	4.4
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	7.0	-	8.0	8.1	3.8	6.2	7.6	8.3	8.5	8.8	8.9	9.0
Movement	8.1	-	8.1	8.1	8.0	6.5	6.5	6.5	8.2	8.2	8.2	8.2
Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	9.5	-	9.5	9.5	9.3	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7
Freedom of movement (CLD)	6.7	-	6.7	6.7	6.7	3.3	3.3	3.3	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7
Religion	7.6	-	8.4	8.6	8.5	8.5	8.5	8.6	8.5	8.5	8.3	8.6
Freedom of religion	6.1	-	7.7	7.7	7.7	7.7	7.7	7.6	7.6	7.5	7.5	7.5
Religious organization repression	9.1	-	9.1	9.5	9.3	9.3	9.3	9.7	9.4	9.5	9.2	9.8
Association, assembly, civil society	7.9	-	8.3	8.6	8.5	8.1	7.9	8.2	8.3	8.6	8.4	8.4
Civil society entry and exit	7.6	-	8.6	8.5	8.1	8.1	7.4	8.2	7.6	8.9	8.8	8.9
Freedom of assembly	7.3	-	6.2	7.3	7.7	5.8	5.8	6.2	6.6	6.6	5.7	5.7
Freedom to form/run political parties	8.8	-	9.1	9.1	9.0	8.9	8.8	9.2	9.4	9.4	9.2	9.3
Civil society repression	8.1	-	9.3	9.3	9.2	9.5	9.5	9.2	9.6	9.4	9.8	9.9
Expression and information	5.3	-	5.3	6.0	5.1	5.1	5.2	7.4	7.6	7.5	7.5	7.4
Direct attacks on the press	6.5	-	6.3	10.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Media and expression (V-Dem)	6.7	-	7.2	7.2	7.0	7.0	7.0	8.3	8.4	8.1	8.0	7.7
Media and expression (Freedom House)	4.3	-	4.0	4.0	3.5	4.7	5.3	5.3	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0
Media and expression (BTI)	5.6	-	5.6	5.6	6.7	5.6	5.6	6.7	7.8	7.8	7.8	7.8
Media and expression (CLD)	3.3	-	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7
Relationships	9.4	-	9.4	9.4	9.4	9.4	8.1	8.1	8.1	8.8	8.8	8.8
Same-sex relationships	10.0	-	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Divorce	7.5	-	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5
Inheritance rights	10.0	-	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	5.0	5.0	7.5	7.5	7.5
Female genital mutilation	10.0	-	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0

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GERMANY

WESTERN EUROPE

HUMAN FREEDOM

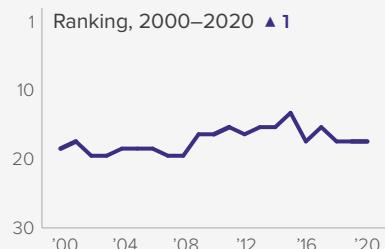
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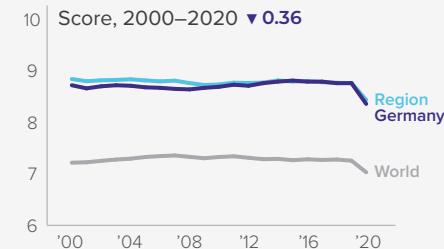
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PERSONAL FREEDOM

Ranking
18/165

Score
8.81

Rule of law

Procedural justice		8.2
Civil justice		8.7
Criminal justice		8.4
Rule of law (V-Dem)		7.9
		9.0

Security and safety

Homicide		9.8
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism		9.7

Movement

Freedom of movement (V-Dem)		6.6
Freedom of movement (CLD)		9.9

Religion

Freedom of religion		8.8
Religious organization repression		8.1

Association, assembly, civil society

Civil society entry and exit		8.6
Freedom of assembly		6.8
Freedom to form/run political parties		8.3
Civil society repression		9.5

Expression and information

Direct attacks on the press		9.7
Media and expression (V-Dem)		10.0
Media and expression (Freedom House)		8.8
Media and expression (BTI)		10.0
Media and expression (CLD)		-

Relationships

Same-sex relationships		10.0
Divorce		10.0
Inheritance rights		10.0
Female genital mutilation		10.0

ECONOMIC FREEDOM

Ranking
25/165

Score
7.65

Size of government

Government consumption		5.6
Transfers and subsidies		2.8
Government investment		1.8
Top marginal tax rate		10.0
State ownership of assets		5.0

Legal system and property rights

Judicial independence		7.8
Impartial courts		7.9
Protection of property rights		7.2
Military interference		10.0
Integrity of the legal system		8.6
Legal enforcement of contracts		7.0
Regulatory costs		6.8
Reliability of police		6.8

Sound money

Money growth		9.2
Standard deviation of inflation		7.2
Inflation: Most recent year		9.9
Freedom to own foreign currency		9.9

Freedom to trade internationally

Tariffs		8.0
Regulatory trade barriers		7.9
Black-market exchange rates		10.0
Movement of capital and people		6.0

Regulation

Credit market regulations		7.7
Labor market regulations		7.5
Business regulations		7.9

GERMANY

WESTERN EUROPE

	2000	2002	2004	2006	2008	2010	2012	2014	2016	2018	2019	2020
Human freedom	8.69	8.67	8.68	8.64	8.61	8.66	8.68	8.76	8.76	8.73	8.73	8.33
Ranking	19	20	19	19	20	17	17	16	18	18	18	18
Economic freedom	7.94	7.86	7.90	7.78	7.70	7.84	7.89	7.96	8.00	7.92	7.89	7.65
Personal freedom	9.23	9.24	9.24	9.25	9.26	9.25	9.25	9.32	9.30	9.31	9.32	8.81
Rule of law	7.9	7.9	7.9	7.9	7.9	7.9	7.8	8.3	8.3	8.3	8.3	8.2
Procedural justice	-	-	-	-	8.1	8.1	8.2	8.6	8.6	8.6	8.7	8.7
Civil justice	-	-	-	-	8.0	8.0	8.2	8.6	8.5	8.5	8.4	8.4
Criminal justice	-	-	-	-	7.6	7.6	7.1	7.7	7.7	7.9	7.9	7.9
Rule of law (V-Dem)	9.3	9.3	9.3	9.3	9.3	9.3	9.3	9.2	9.2	9.2	9.2	9.0
Security and safety	9.8	9.6	9.8	9.8	9.8							
Homicide	9.6	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.8	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.8	9.7
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.8	9.6	9.8	9.8	9.8
Movement	9.9	6.6										
Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9
Freedom of movement (CLD)	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	3.3
Religion	8.7	8.8	8.8	8.8	8.8							
Freedom of religion	8.1	8.1	8.1	8.1	8.1	8.1	8.1	8.1	8.1	8.1	8.1	8.1
Religious organization repression	9.4	9.4	9.4	9.4	9.4	9.4	9.4	9.4	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5
Association, assembly, civil society	8.6											
Civil society entry and exit	6.8	6.8	6.8	6.8	6.9	6.9	6.9	6.9	6.9	6.9	6.9	6.8
Freedom of assembly	8.3	8.3	8.3	8.3	8.3	8.3	8.3	8.3	8.3	8.3	8.3	8.3
Freedom to form/run political parties	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5
Civil society repression	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.9	9.8
Expression and information	9.8	9.9	9.8	9.7	9.7	9.7						
Direct attacks on the press	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Media and expression (V-Dem)	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.3	9.0	9.0	8.8
Media and expression (Freedom House)	9.6	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Media and expression (BTI)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Media and expression (CLD)	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Relationships	9.9	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0						
Same-sex relationships	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Divorce	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Inheritance rights	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Female genital mutilation	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0

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GHANA

SUB-SAHARAN AFRICA

HUMAN FREEDOM

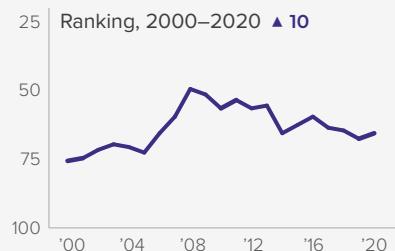
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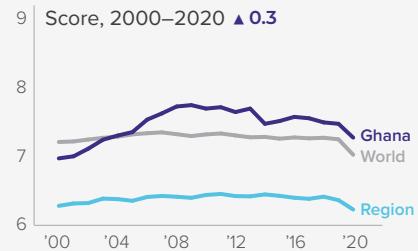
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PERSONAL FREEDOM

Ranking
53/165

Score
7.81

Rule of law

Procedural justice	5.0
Civil justice	4.6
Criminal justice	5.7
Rule of law (V-Dem)	4.6
	7.2

Security and safety

Homicide	9.3
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	9.4

Movement

Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	8.2
Freedom of movement (CLD)	9.7

Religion

Freedom of religion	9.9
Religious organization repression	9.9

Association, assembly, civil society

Civil society entry and exit	9.5
Freedom of assembly	9.8
Freedom to form/run political parties	9.6
Civil society repression	9.5

Expression and information

Direct attacks on the press	7.9
Media and expression (V-Dem)	9.5
Media and expression (Freedom House)	7.8
Media and expression (BTI)	7.5
Media and expression (CLD)	7.8

Relationships

Same-sex relationships	4.9
Divorce	5.0
Inheritance rights	2.5
Female genital mutilation	2.5

ECONOMIC FREEDOM

Ranking
110/165

Score
6.49

Size of government

Government consumption	8.5
Transfers and subsidies	9.0
Government investment	9.2
Top marginal tax rate	10.0
State ownership of assets	6.0

Legal system and property rights

Judicial independence	5.2
Impartial courts	6.1
Protection of property rights	4.4
Military interference	5.4
Integrity of the legal system	5.0
Legal enforcement of contracts	6.0
Regulatory costs	3.7
Reliability of police	7.4

Sound money

Money growth	6.1
Standard deviation of inflation	7.8
Inflation: Most recent year	8.4
Freedom to own foreign currency	8.0
	0.0

Freedom to trade internationally

Tariffs	6.0
Regulatory trade barriers	7.8
Black-market exchange rates	4.8
Movement of capital and people	10.0

Regulation

Credit market regulations	6.7
Labor market regulations	7.2
Business regulations	6.4

GHANA

SUB-SAHARAN AFRICA

	2000	2002	2004	2006	2008	2010	2012	2014	2016	2018	2019	2020
Human freedom	6.96	7.10	7.29	7.52	7.71	7.68	7.63	7.46	7.56	7.48	7.46	7.26
Ranking	76	72	71	66	50	57	57	66	60	65	68	66
Economic freedom	5.70	6.06	6.31	7.02	6.98	6.93	6.72	6.34	6.57	6.62	6.72	6.49
Personal freedom	7.85	7.84	7.98	7.87	8.24	8.22	8.28	8.25	8.28	8.10	7.99	7.81
Rule of law	5.3	5.3	5.4	5.4	5.4	5.4	5.4	5.3	5.7	5.3	5.0	5.0
Procedural justice	-	-	-	-	5.8	5.8	5.9	5.1	5.8	5.1	4.6	4.6
Civil justice	-	-	-	-	6.1	6.1	5.9	6.1	6.2	5.9	5.7	5.7
Criminal justice	-	-	-	-	4.5	4.5	4.4	4.7	5.1	4.9	4.6	4.6
Rule of law (V-Dem)	7.3	7.3	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.3	7.4	7.2	7.1	7.2	7.2
Security and safety	9.5	9.6	9.5	9.6	9.4	9.5	9.4	9.4	9.4	9.3	9.3	9.3
Homicide	9.4	9.4	9.4	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.4	9.4	9.4	9.4	9.4	9.4
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.4	9.4	9.4	9.3	9.3	9.3	9.2	9.2
Movement	8.2	8.2	8.2	8.2	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.8	9.9	8.2
Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.6	9.7	9.7
Freedom of movement (CLD)	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	6.7
Religion	9.1	9.1	9.9	9.1	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.7	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.9
Freedom of religion	8.2	8.2	9.9	8.2	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9
Religious organization repression	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.5	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.9
Association, assembly, civil society	9.4	9.7	9.6	9.5	9.2	9.5						
Civil society entry and exit	9.2	9.2	9.2	9.2	9.1	9.1	9.1	9.5	9.7	9.3	9.3	9.8
Freedom of assembly	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.6	10.0	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.6
Freedom to form/run political parties	9.3	9.3	9.3	9.3	9.2	9.2	9.2	9.3	9.3	9.4	9.4	9.5
Civil society repression	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	8.4	9.1
Expression and information	8.3	8.2	8.2	8.2	8.5	8.2	8.4	8.3	7.9	7.9	7.8	7.9
Direct attacks on the press	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	9.5	9.5	9.0	9.5
Media and expression (V-Dem)	8.3	8.3	8.3	8.3	8.3	8.4	8.4	7.9	8.3	8.3	7.8	7.8
Media and expression (Freedom House)	8.6	8.2	8.4	8.4	8.4	8.4	8.2	8.2	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5
Media and expression (BTI)	7.8	7.8	7.8	7.8	8.9	7.8	8.9	8.9	7.8	7.8	7.8	7.8
Media and expression (CLD)	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7
Relationships	5.1	5.1	5.1	5.1	5.1	5.1	5.5	5.5	5.5	4.9	4.9	4.9
Same-sex relationships	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0
Divorce	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5
Inheritance rights	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	2.5	2.5	2.5
Female genital mutilation	8.0	8.0	8.0	8.0	8.0	8.0	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.8	9.8	9.8

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GREECE

EASTERN EUROPE

HUMAN FREEDOM

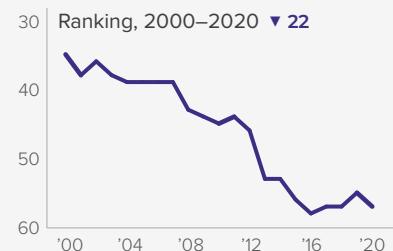
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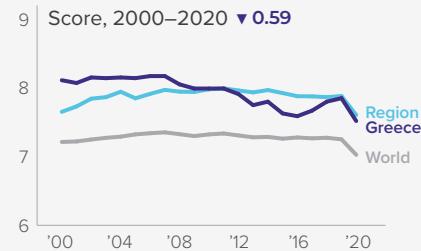
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PERSONAL FREEDOM

Ranking
49/165

Score
7.99

Rule of law

Procedural justice	5.9
Civil justice	6.5
Criminal justice	6.0
Rule of law (V-Dem)	5.0
	7.8

Security and safety

Homicide	9.4
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	9.8

Movement

Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	8.2
Freedom of movement (CLD)	9.8

Religion

Freedom of religion	8.0
Religious organization repression	7.0

Association, assembly, civil society

Civil society entry and exit	8.9
Freedom of assembly	9.2
Freedom to form/run political parties	7.1
Civil society repression	9.5

Expression and information

Direct attacks on the press	8.0
Media and expression (V-Dem)	10.0
Media and expression (Freedom House)	7.8
Media and expression (BTI)	7.5
Media and expression (CLD)	-

Relationships

Same-sex relationships	7.5
Divorce	10.0
Inheritance rights	5.0
Female genital mutilation	5.0

ECONOMIC FREEDOM

Ranking
85/165

Score
6.81

Size of government

Government consumption	4.9
Transfers and subsidies	4.5
Government investment	2.7
Top marginal tax rate	6.9
State ownership of assets	2.5

Legal system and property rights

Judicial independence	6.0
Impartial courts	6.2
Protection of property rights	4.7
Military interference	5.0
Integrity of the legal system	8.3
Legal enforcement of contracts	7.4
Regulatory costs	3.1
Reliability of police	7.9

Sound money

Money growth	9.1
Standard deviation of inflation	6.8
Inflation: Most recent year	9.7
Freedom to own foreign currency	9.8

Freedom to trade internationally

Tariffs	8.2
Regulatory trade barriers	8.0
Black-market exchange rates	7.8
Movement of capital and people	10.0

Regulation

Credit market regulations	6.0
Labor market regulations	6.3
Business regulations	5.0

GREECE

EASTERN EUROPE

	2000	2002	2004	2006	2008	2010	2012	2014	2016	2018	2019	2020
Human freedom	8.09	8.13	8.13	8.15	8.03	7.97	7.89	7.78	7.57	7.78	7.83	7.50
Ranking	35	36	39	39	43	45	46	53	58	57	55	57
Economic freedom	7.30	7.36	7.38	7.40	7.19	7.12	7.08	7.17	6.71	7.06	7.19	6.81
Personal freedom	8.66	8.69	8.66	8.68	8.63	8.58	8.48	8.23	8.19	8.29	8.28	7.99
Rule of law	6.2	6.2	6.2	6.2	6.2	6.2	5.8	5.9	5.8	5.8	5.8	5.9
Procedural justice	-	-	-	-	7.2	7.2	6.7	7.1	6.4	6.6	6.5	6.5
Civil justice	-	-	-	-	6.1	6.1	6.1	5.7	5.7	5.9	6.0	6.0
Criminal justice	-	-	-	-	5.0	5.0	4.6	5.1	5.3	5.0	5.0	5.0
Rule of law (V-Dem)	8.0	8.0	8.0	8.0	8.0	8.0	8.0	7.9	7.9	7.6	7.7	7.8
Security and safety	9.7	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.6	9.5	9.5	9.4	8.7	9.3	9.4	9.4
Homicide	9.7	9.8	9.7	9.7	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.7	9.8	9.7	9.8	9.8
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	9.8	9.9	9.8	9.8	9.5	9.4	9.5	9.1	7.7	8.9	9.1	9.1
Movement	9.9	8.2										
Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8
Freedom of movement (CLD)	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	6.7
Religion	8.3	8.3	8.3	8.3	8.3	8.4	8.4	8.2	8.2	8.2	8.0	8.0
Freedom of religion	7.7	7.7	7.7	7.7	7.8	7.6	7.6	7.2	7.3	7.6	7.1	7.0
Religious organization repression	8.8	8.8	8.8	8.8	8.9	9.2	9.2	9.2	9.2	8.9	8.9	8.9
Association, assembly, civil society	9.0	9.3	9.3	8.9								
Civil society entry and exit	9.2	9.2	9.2	9.2	9.2	9.2	9.2	9.2	9.2	9.2	9.2	9.2
Freedom of assembly	7.1	7.1	7.1	7.1	7.1	7.1	7.1	7.1	7.1	8.3	8.3	7.1
Freedom to form/run political parties	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.5
Civil society repression	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8
Expression and information	8.8	8.9	8.8	8.9	8.8	8.4	8.0	7.6	8.2	8.0	8.1	8.0
Direct attacks on the press	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	8.7	8.7	8.7	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Media and expression (V-Dem)	9.1	9.1	9.1	9.1	9.1	9.3	9.3	9.1	8.6	7.8	8.1	7.8
Media and expression (Freedom House)	9.5	9.9	9.5	9.9	9.3	9.0	7.5	6.2	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5
Media and expression (BTI)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Media and expression (CLD)	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7
Relationships	8.8	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5						
Same-sex relationships	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Divorce	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0
Inheritance rights	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0
Female genital mutilation	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0

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HUMAN FREEDOM

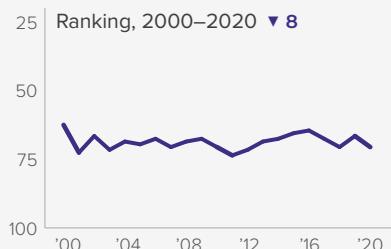
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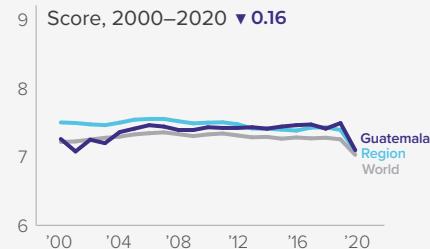
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PERSONAL FREEDOM

Ranking
95/165

Score
6.71

Rule of law

Procedural justice	3.8
Civil justice	5.1
Criminal justice	3.6
Rule of law (V-Dem)	2.9
	5.3

Security and safety

Homicide	5.3
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	2.4

Movement

Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	5.9
Freedom of movement (CLD)	8.5

Religion

Freedom of religion	9.6
Religious organization repression	9.7

Association, assembly, civil society

Civil society entry and exit	7.3
Freedom of assembly	7.6
Freedom to form/run political parties	5.4
Civil society repression	9.6

Expression and information

Direct attacks on the press	5.6
Media and expression (V-Dem)	8.3
Media and expression (Freedom House)	7.1
Media and expression (BTI)	5.0
Media and expression (CLD)	4.4
	3.3

Relationships

Same-sex relationships	9.4
Divorce	10.0
Inheritance rights	10.0
Female genital mutilation	7.5

ECONOMIC FREEDOM

Ranking
31/165

Score
7.59

Size of government

Government consumption	9.2
Transfers and subsidies	8.2
Government investment	9.0
Top marginal tax rate	10.0
State ownership of assets	9.5

Legal system and property rights

Judicial independence	4.9
Impartial courts	5.1
Protection of property rights	3.7
Military interference	5.3
Integrity of the legal system	6.7
Legal enforcement of contracts	4.8
Regulatory costs	3.4
Reliability of police	8.4

Sound money

Money growth	9.5
Standard deviation of inflation	8.8
Inflation: Most recent year	9.8
Freedom to own foreign currency	9.4

Freedom to trade internationally

Tariffs	7.6
Regulatory trade barriers	8.6
Black-market exchange rates	6.0
Movement of capital and people	10.0

Regulation

Credit market regulations	6.8
Labor market regulations	9.1
Business regulations	5.0

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LATIN AMERICA & THE CARIBBEAN

	2000	2002	2004	2006	2008	2010	2012	2014	2016	2018	2019	2020
Human freedom	7.24	7.23	7.34	7.44	7.37	7.41	7.40	7.39	7.44	7.39	7.47	7.08
Ranking	63	67	69	68	69	71	72	68	65	71	67	71
Economic freedom	6.88	7.15	7.27	7.48	7.45	7.44	7.58	7.76	7.76	7.71	7.78	7.59
Personal freedom	7.50	7.28	7.39	7.42	7.31	7.39	7.27	7.12	7.21	7.16	7.25	6.71
Rule of law	4.4	4.5	4.5	4.5	4.5	4.6	4.1	3.9	4.0	4.0	3.9	3.8
Procedural justice	-	-	-	-	5.9	5.9	5.5	5.6	5.4	5.3	5.1	5.1
Civil justice	-	-	-	-	4.1	4.1	3.6	3.3	3.5	3.7	3.6	3.6
Criminal justice	-	-	-	-	3.7	3.7	3.0	2.9	3.0	3.0	2.9	2.9
Rule of law (V-Dem)	5.2	5.3	5.3	5.3	5.3	5.4	5.4	5.4	5.4	5.4	5.4	5.3
Security and safety	5.2	4.5	4.3	4.3	4.2	4.1	4.1	4.5	5.1	4.4	5.3	5.3
Homicide	2.8	1.4	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.2	0.9	2.1	0.6	2.4	2.4
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	7.6	7.7	8.6	8.6	8.5	8.1	8.1	8.1	8.1	8.1	8.2	8.2
Movement	9.4	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	5.9						
Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	8.8	8.8	8.8	8.8	8.8	8.8	8.8	8.9	8.9	9.0	9.0	8.5
Freedom of movement (CLD)	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	3.3
Religion	9.3	8.5	9.3	9.3	8.5	9.3	9.3	8.8	8.8	9.6	9.6	9.6
Freedom of religion	9.6	7.9	9.6	9.6	7.9	9.5	9.5	7.9	7.9	9.5	9.5	9.6
Religious organization repression	9.1	9.1	9.1	9.1	9.1	9.1	9.1	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.7
Association, assembly, civil society	8.1	8.1	8.4	8.1	8.1	8.4	8.0	7.8	7.8	7.7	7.9	7.3
Civil society entry and exit	8.8	8.8	8.8	8.8	8.8	8.8	8.8	8.2	8.2	8.3	8.8	7.6
Freedom of assembly	5.7	5.7	6.9	5.7	5.7	6.9	5.7	5.4	5.4	5.4	5.4	5.4
Freedom to form/run political parties	9.4	9.4	9.4	9.4	9.4	9.4	9.3	9.4	9.4	9.3	9.6	9.6
Civil society repression	8.4	8.4	8.4	8.4	8.3	8.3	8.3	8.3	8.3	8.0	8.0	6.5
Expression and information	6.0	5.9	5.8	6.3	6.4	6.0	5.9	5.4	5.3	5.4	5.1	5.6
Direct attacks on the press	7.3	7.5	6.3	8.8	7.8	5.7	5.0	7.0	5.2	6.4	6.4	8.3
Media and expression (V-Dem)	7.2	7.2	7.2	7.2	7.2	7.3	7.2	7.2	7.5	6.7	6.6	7.1
Media and expression (Freedom House)	4.6	3.9	4.6	4.6	4.8	5.0	5.0	4.8	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0
Media and expression (BTI)	4.4	4.4	4.4	4.4	5.6	5.6	5.6	4.4	5.6	5.6	4.4	4.4
Media and expression (CLD)	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3
Relationships	10.0	9.4	9.4	9.4								
Same-sex relationships	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Divorce	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Inheritance rights	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	7.5	7.5	7.5
Female genital mutilation	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0

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HUMAN FREEDOM

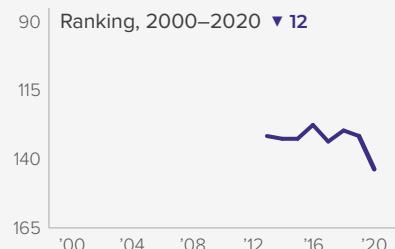
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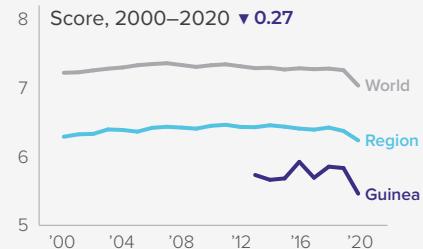
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PERSONAL FREEDOM

Ranking
136/165

Score
5.16

Rule of law

Procedural justice	3.1
Civil justice	3.4
Criminal justice	4.1
Rule of law (V-Dem)	3.1
	4.0

Security and safety

Homicide	7.5
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	7.4

Movement

Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	5.1
Freedom of movement (CLD)	6.8

Religion

Freedom of religion	8.8
Religious organization repression	9.3

Association, assembly, civil society

Civil society entry and exit	5.6
Freedom of assembly	5.3
Freedom to form/run political parties	3.8
Civil society repression	7.4

Expression and information

Direct attacks on the press	5.3
Media and expression (V-Dem)	8.7
Media and expression (Freedom House)	5.1
Media and expression (BTI)	5.0
Media and expression (CLD)	4.4
	3.3

Relationships

Same-sex relationships	0.8
Divorce	0.0
Inheritance rights	0.0
Female genital mutilation	2.5
	0.6

ECONOMIC FREEDOM

Ranking
141/165

Score
5.84

Size of government

Government consumption	6.0
Transfers and subsidies	6.2
Government investment	-
Top marginal tax rate	8.3
State ownership of assets	3.5
	5.9

Legal system and property rights

Judicial independence	4.0
Impartial courts	4.3
Protection of property rights	3.6
Military interference	4.0
Integrity of the legal system	0.8
Legal enforcement of contracts	4.0
Regulatory costs	5.4
Reliability of police	7.6
	5.3

Sound money

Money growth	7.1
Standard deviation of inflation	8.0
Inflation: Most recent year	7.6
Freedom to own foreign currency	7.9
	5.0

Freedom to trade internationally

Tariffs	5.3
Regulatory trade barriers	8.0
Black-market exchange rates	3.0
Movement of capital and people	10.0
	0.3

Regulation

Credit market regulations	6.8
Labor market regulations	9.4
Business regulations	5.6

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SUB-SAHARAN AFRICA

	2000	2002	2004	2006	2008	2010	2012	2014	2016	2018	2019	2020
Human freedom	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5.65	5.91	5.84	5.82	5.45
Ranking	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	133	128	130	132	144
Economic freedom	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5.15	5.83	5.87	5.94	5.84
Personal freedom	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6.01	5.97	5.82	5.74	5.16
Rule of law	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3.7	3.8	3.6	3.5	3.1
Procedural justice	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3.6	3.4	3.4
Civil justice	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4.1	4.1	4.1
Criminal justice	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3.1	3.1	3.1
Rule of law (V-Dem)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4.7	4.8	4.8	4.5	4.0
Security and safety	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	7.9	7.9	7.9	7.8	7.5
Homicide	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	7.4	7.4	7.4	7.4	7.4
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	8.4	8.4	8.3	8.2	7.6
Movement	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	7.7	7.7	7.9	7.6	5.1
Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	8.7	8.8	9.1	8.5	6.8
Freedom of movement (CLD)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	3.3
Religion	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	9.4	9.4	9.4	9.0	8.8
Freedom of religion	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.4	9.3
Religious organization repression	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	9.0	9.0	9.1	8.6	8.3
Association, assembly, civil society	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6.4	6.4	6.2	6.0	5.6
Civil society entry and exit	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5.5	5.5	5.3	5.1	5.3
Freedom of assembly	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3.8	3.8	3.8	3.8	3.8
Freedom to form/run political parties	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	8.9	8.9	8.9	8.6	7.4
Civil society repression	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	7.3	7.3	6.7	6.5	5.8
Expression and information	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5.1	4.6	5.0	5.5	5.3
Direct attacks on the press	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6.0	5.0	5.0	8.7	8.7
Media and expression (V-Dem)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6.4	6.4	6.2	6.0	5.1
Media and expression (Freedom House)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2.8	2.5	5.0	5.0	5.0
Media and expression (BTI)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6.7	5.6	5.6	4.4	4.4
Media and expression (CLD)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3
Relationships	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2.0	2.0	0.8	0.8	0.8
Same-sex relationships	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Divorce	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Inheritance rights	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	7.5	7.5	2.5	2.5	2.5
Female genital mutilation	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.4	0.4	0.6	0.6	0.6

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SUB-SAHARAN AFRICA

HUMAN FREEDOM

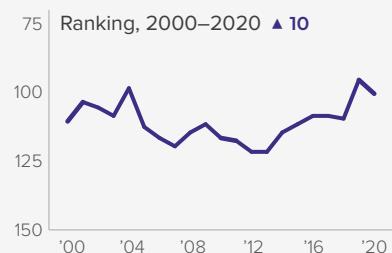
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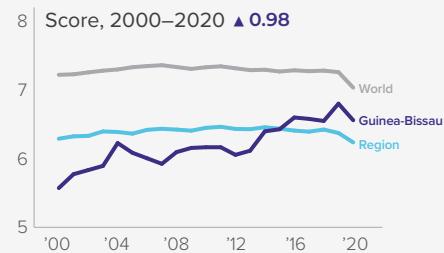
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Ranking, 2000–2020 ▲ 10



Score, 2000–2020 ▲ 0.98



PERSONAL FREEDOM

Ranking
79/165

Score
7.18

Rule of law

Procedural justice	-
Civil justice	-
Criminal justice	-
Rule of law (V-Dem)	6.0

Security and safety

Homicide	9.7
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	8.7

Movement

Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	9.0
Freedom of movement (CLD)	6.7

Religion

Freedom of religion	9.8
Religious organization repression	9.4

Association, assembly, civil society

Civil society entry and exit	6.3
Freedom of assembly	4.2
Freedom to form/run political parties	8.9
Civil society repression	6.8

Expression and information

Direct attacks on the press	10.0
Media and expression (V-Dem)	6.5
Media and expression (Freedom House)	2.5
Media and expression (BTI)	5.6
Media and expression (CLD)	3.3

Relationships

Same-sex relationships	10.0
Divorce	5.0
Inheritance rights	2.5
Female genital mutilation	4.8

ECONOMIC FREEDOM

Ranking
149/165

Score
5.64

Size of government

Government consumption	6.8
Transfers and subsidies	9.5
Government investment	3.0
Top marginal tax rate	9.0
State ownership of assets	6.0

Legal system and property rights

Judicial independence	4.0
Impartial courts	3.0
Protection of property rights	1.5
Military interference	4.2
Integrity of the legal system	4.7
Legal enforcement of contracts	3.3
Regulatory costs	7.3
Reliability of police	-

Sound money

Money growth	9.6
Standard deviation of inflation	8.3
Inflation: Most recent year	9.7
Freedom to own foreign currency	0.0

Freedom to trade internationally

Tariffs	7.1
Regulatory trade barriers	5.0
Black-market exchange rates	10.0
Movement of capital and people	0.8

Regulation

Credit market regulations	7.2
Labor market regulations	4.8
Business regulations	5.6

GUINEA-BISSAU

SUB-SAHARAN AFRICA

	2000	2002	2004	2006	2008	2010	2012	2014	2016	2018	2019	2020
Human freedom	5.56	5.82	6.21	5.99	6.08	6.15	6.04	6.38	6.58	6.53	6.78	6.54
Ranking	111	106	99	117	115	117	122	115	109	110	96	101
Economic freedom	4.59	5.14	5.05	5.06	4.72	5.05	5.71	5.10	5.33	5.18	5.70	5.64
Personal freedom	6.24	6.30	7.03	6.66	7.05	6.93	6.28	7.29	7.48	7.50	7.55	7.18
Rule of law	4.9	5.2	5.3	5.3	5.3	5.3	5.1	5.6	5.7	5.7	5.9	6.0
Procedural justice	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Civil justice	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Criminal justice	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Rule of law (V-Dem)	4.9	5.2	5.3	5.3	5.3	5.3	5.1	5.6	5.7	5.7	5.9	6.0
Security and safety	7.2	7.4	7.4	6.1	7.7	7.3	7.1	8.2	8.6	9.0	9.2	9.2
Homicide	6.2	6.2	6.2	6.6	7.0	7.0	7.0	8.9	9.0	9.7	9.7	9.7
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	8.2	8.5	8.5	5.6	8.5	7.7	7.3	7.4	8.3	8.3	8.7	8.7
Movement	7.4	7.6	9.3	9.3	9.3	9.3	7.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	7.8
Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	8.1	8.5	8.5	8.5	8.6	8.6	8.4	9.0	9.0	8.9	9.0	9.0
Freedom of movement (CLD)	6.7	6.7	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	6.7	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	6.7
Religion	8.0	7.9	9.2	8.6	9.4	9.5	9.5	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.6
Freedom of religion	7.4	7.6	9.2	7.9	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8
Religious organization repression	8.6	8.3	9.2	9.2	9.3	9.4	9.4	9.4	9.4	9.4	9.4	9.4
Association, assembly, civil society	5.7	5.5	6.6	6.6	6.2	6.6	6.1	6.9	6.9	6.9	7.0	6.5
Civil society entry and exit	5.9	5.9	5.9	5.9	6.0	6.0	6.0	6.4	6.4	6.4	6.4	6.3
Freedom of assembly	4.6	2.9	4.6	4.6	2.9	4.6	2.9	4.6	4.6	4.6	6.1	4.2
Freedom to form/run political parties	8.4	8.4	8.4	8.4	8.2	8.2	8.2	8.9	8.9	8.7	8.7	8.9
Civil society repression	4.1	4.9	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.4	7.8	7.8	7.8	6.8	6.8
Expression and information	5.5	5.5	6.5	5.8	6.5	5.6	5.3	5.6	6.4	6.2	6.0	5.6
Direct attacks on the press	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Media and expression (V-Dem)	5.8	6.2	6.4	6.4	6.3	6.3	6.3	6.5	6.4	6.3	6.2	6.5
Media and expression (Freedom House)	2.9	2.4	2.9	3.5	3.0	2.6	1.6	2.5	2.5	5.0	5.0	2.5
Media and expression (BTI)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5.6	5.6
Media and expression (CLD)	3.3	3.3	6.7	3.3	6.7	3.3	3.3	3.3	6.7	3.3	3.3	3.3
Relationships	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	3.2	5.6	5.6	5.8	5.6	5.6
Same-sex relationships	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	0.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Divorce	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0
Inheritance rights	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5
Female genital mutilation	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.5	5.0	5.0	5.5	4.8	4.8

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HUMAN FREEDOM

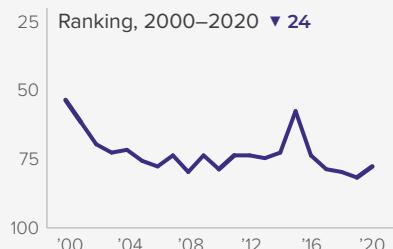
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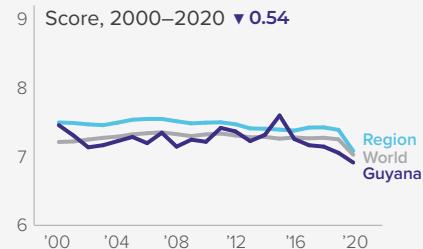
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PERSONAL FREEDOM

Ranking
59/165

Score
7.67

Rule of law

Procedural justice	4.8
Civil justice	4.8
Criminal justice	5.3
Rule of law (V-Dem)	4.0

Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	6.8
Homicide	4.2

Movement

Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	6.3
Freedom of movement (CLD)	9.3

Religion

Religious organization repression	9.8
Freedom of religion	9.8

Association, assembly, civil society

Civil society entry and exit	9.3
Freedom of assembly	8.8
Freedom to form/run political parties	10.0
Civil society repression	9.5

Expression and information

Media and expression (V-Dem)	7.9
Media and expression (Freedom House)	7.6
Media and expression (BTI)	7.5
Media and expression (CLD)	-
Direct attacks on the press	10.0

Relationships

Female genital mutilation	8.8
Same-sex relationships	5.0
Divorce	10.0
Inheritance rights	10.0
Female genital mutilation	10.0

ECONOMIC FREEDOM

Ranking
142/165

Score
5.82

Size of government

Government consumption	4.0
Transfers and subsidies	5.5
Government investment	-
Top marginal tax rate	0.0
State ownership of assets	4.0

Legal system and property rights

Judicial independence	5.4
Impartial courts	5.6
Protection of property rights	5.1
Military interference	4.4
Integrity of the legal system	6.7
Legal enforcement of contracts	4.6
Regulatory costs	4.4
Reliability of police	7.6

Sound money

Money growth	7.3
Standard deviation of inflation	9.9
Inflation: Most recent year	4.6
Freedom to own foreign currency	9.8
Freedom to own foreign currency	5.0

Freedom to trade internationally

Tariffs	5.9
Regulatory trade barriers	6.2
Black-market exchange rates	3.0
Movement of capital and people	10.0
Movement of capital and people	4.2

Regulation

Credit market regulations	6.6
Labor market regulations	6.3
Business regulations	7.1

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	2000	2002	2004	2006	2008	2010	2012	2014	2016	2018	2019	2020
Human freedom	7.44	7.12	7.21	7.18	7.13	7.20	7.35	7.30	7.24	7.13	7.04	6.90
Ranking	54	70	72	78	80	79	74	73	74	80	82	78
Economic freedom	6.57	6.40	6.14	6.37	6.54	6.52	6.50	6.53	6.31	5.87	5.81	5.82
Personal freedom	8.06	7.63	7.98	7.75	7.55	7.69	7.96	7.85	7.91	8.03	7.92	7.67
Rule of law	4.2	4.2	4.2	4.2	4.2	4.3	4.3	4.3	4.7	4.6	4.7	4.8
Procedural justice	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4.5	4.9	4.6	4.8	4.8
Civil justice	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4.8	5.1	5.3	5.3	5.3
Criminal justice	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3.5	4.0	3.8	4.0	4.0
Rule of law (V-Dem)	6.1	6.1	6.1	6.1	6.1	6.2	6.2	6.2	6.9	6.7	6.6	6.8
Security and safety	7.8	5.1	6.7	5.5	4.9	6.5	6.6	6.4	7.0	7.6	7.1	6.8
Homicide	7.1	4.5	4.9	4.1	3.8	4.5	4.6	4.3	4.7	5.9	5.0	4.2
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	8.5	5.8	8.5	6.9	5.9	8.5	8.5	8.5	9.3	9.3	9.2	9.4
Movement	9.8	9.8	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.8	9.7	9.7	8.1	8.0	8.0	6.3
Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.3	9.3	9.3
Freedom of movement (CLD)	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	6.7	6.7	6.7	3.3
Religion	9.4	9.4	9.4	9.4	9.3	8.5	9.6	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.8
Freedom of religion	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	8.2	9.9	9.9	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8
Religious organization repression	8.8	8.8	8.8	8.8	8.8	8.8	9.3	9.4	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.7
Association, assembly, civil society	8.5	8.0	8.7	8.7	8.7	8.7	8.4	9.0	9.2	9.6	9.3	9.3
Civil society entry and exit	9.1	9.1	9.1	9.1	9.0	9.0	9.1	9.2	9.0	9.2	8.7	8.8
Freedom of assembly	8.8	7.1	8.8	8.8	8.8	8.8	7.1	8.8	8.8	10.0	10.0	10.0
Freedom to form/run political parties	9.4	9.4	9.4	9.4	9.3	9.4	9.4	9.4	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.5
Civil society repression	6.6	6.6	7.7	7.7	7.8	7.8	8.0	8.7	9.5	9.5	8.9	8.9
Expression and information	8.1	8.2	8.3	8.0	7.2	7.2	7.1	7.1	7.9	8.0	7.9	7.9
Direct attacks on the press	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Media and expression (V-Dem)	5.8	6.0	6.7	6.6	6.7	6.7	6.8	7.0	7.6	7.9	7.6	7.6
Media and expression (Freedom House)	10.0	10.0	10.0	8.9	8.9	8.9	8.3	7.9	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5
Media and expression (BTI)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Media and expression (CLD)	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7
Relationships	8.8	8.8	8.8	8.8	8.8	8.8	10.0	8.8	8.8	8.8	8.8	8.8
Same-sex relationships	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	10.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0
Divorce	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Inheritance rights	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Female genital mutilation	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0

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HUMAN FREEDOM

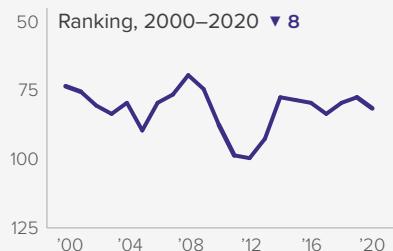
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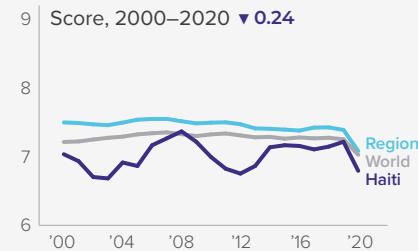
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Score, 2000–2020 ▾ 0.24



PERSONAL FREEDOM

Ranking
86/165

Score
6.93

Rule of law

Procedural justice	3.4
Civil justice	3.3
Criminal justice	4.1
Rule of law (V-Dem)	2.8
	4.8

Security and safety

Homicide	8.1
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	8.1

Movement

Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	6.1
Freedom of movement (CLD)	9.0

Religion

Freedom of religion	8.2
Religious organization repression	7.9

Association, assembly, civil society

Civil society entry and exit	6.5
Freedom of assembly	7.0
Freedom to form/run political parties	5.3
Civil society repression	8.2

Expression and information

Direct attacks on the press	6.7
Media and expression (V-Dem)	8.7
Media and expression (Freedom House)	6.5
Media and expression (BTI)	5.0
Media and expression (CLD)	6.7

Relationships

Same-sex relationships	9.4
Divorce	10.0
Inheritance rights	10.0
Female genital mutilation	7.5

ECONOMIC FREEDOM

Ranking
96/165

Score
6.57

Size of government

Government consumption	8.6
Transfers and subsidies	9.7
Government investment	9.9
Top marginal tax rate	8.9
State ownership of assets	6.0

Legal system and property rights

Judicial independence	2.4
Impartial courts	3.8
Protection of property rights	2.9
Military interference	2.7
Integrity of the legal system	0.0
Legal enforcement of contracts	2.7
Regulatory costs	3.9
Reliability of police	2.8

Sound money

Money growth	6.9
Standard deviation of inflation	8.4
Inflation: Most recent year	8.6
Freedom to own foreign currency	5.4
	5.0

Freedom to trade internationally

Tariffs	8.1
Regulatory trade barriers	8.2
Black-market exchange rates	5.5
Movement of capital and people	10.0

Regulation

Credit market regulations	6.9
Labor market regulations	8.0
Business regulations	8.0

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	2000	2002	2004	2006	2008	2010	2012	2014	2016	2018	2019	2020
Human freedom	7.02	6.69	6.90	7.15	7.35	6.98	6.74	7.12	7.14	7.13	7.20	6.78
Ranking	74	81	80	80	70	88	100	78	80	80	78	82
Economic freedom	6.85	6.69	6.78	6.77	6.94	6.41	6.16	6.82	6.53	6.42	6.68	6.57
Personal freedom	7.14	6.69	6.99	7.42	7.63	7.38	7.16	7.33	7.57	7.64	7.57	6.93
Rule of law	4.0	3.9	3.6	3.5	3.7	3.7	3.7	3.7	3.7	3.4	3.4	3.4
Procedural justice	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3.3	3.3
Civil justice	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4.1	4.1
Criminal justice	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2.8	2.8
Rule of law (V-Dem)	5.6	5.4	5.1	4.8	5.2	5.2	5.2	5.1	5.2	4.8	4.8	4.8
Security and safety	9.0	8.3	7.1	8.6	8.8	8.3	7.8	7.8	7.8	8.1	8.1	8.1
Homicide	-	-	8.5	8.5	8.5	8.0	7.1	7.1	7.2	8.1	8.1	8.1
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	9.0	8.3	5.7	8.8	9.0	8.6	8.6	8.5	8.3	8.2	8.1	8.1
Movement	7.9	7.9	9.3	9.4	9.7	8.0	8.0	7.9	9.6	9.3	9.5	6.1
Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	9.0	9.0	8.6	8.9	9.3	9.3	9.3	9.2	9.3	8.6	8.9	9.0
Freedom of movement (CLD)	6.7	6.7	10.0	10.0	10.0	6.7	6.7	6.7	10.0	10.0	10.0	3.3
Religion	9.2	8.4	9.2	9.2	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.6	8.8	8.8	8.8	8.2
Freedom of religion	9.6	7.9	9.6	9.4	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	8.0	7.8	7.9	7.9
Religious organization repression	8.9	8.9	8.9	8.9	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.7	9.7	8.5
Association, assembly, civil society	6.3	5.3	5.9	6.9	7.4	7.3	7.3	7.3	7.3	7.4	7.0	6.5
Civil society entry and exit	6.8	5.9	6.6	8.0	8.8	8.8	8.8	8.8	8.8	8.8	8.8	7.0
Freedom of assembly	5.7	4.6	4.6	5.7	6.1	6.1	6.1	6.1	6.1	6.1	5.3	5.3
Freedom to form/run political parties	8.8	8.8	8.8	8.8	9.0	8.8	8.9	8.9	8.9	9.1	9.0	8.2
Civil society repression	4.1	1.9	3.7	4.9	5.5	5.5	5.5	5.5	5.5	5.5	4.9	5.7
Expression and information	4.8	4.3	4.9	5.7	5.6	5.9	6.2	6.3	7.0	7.1	6.8	6.7
Direct attacks on the press	8.2	6.5	5.0	6.7	5.2	8.4	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	8.7	8.7
Media and expression (V-Dem)	7.2	7.0	6.9	7.5	7.9	7.9	7.5	7.2	7.5	7.1	7.2	6.5
Media and expression (Freedom House)	1.8	1.3	2.8	4.0	4.8	5.5	5.5	5.3	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0
Media and expression (BTI)	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	4.4	4.4	5.6	5.6	6.7	6.7	6.7
Media and expression (CLD)	3.3	3.3	6.7	6.7	6.7	3.3	3.3	3.3	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7
Relationships	8.8	8.8	8.8	8.8	8.8	8.8	7.5	8.8	8.8	9.4	9.4	9.4
Same-sex relationships	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	5.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Divorce	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Inheritance rights	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	7.5	7.5	7.5
Female genital mutilation	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0

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HUMAN FREEDOM

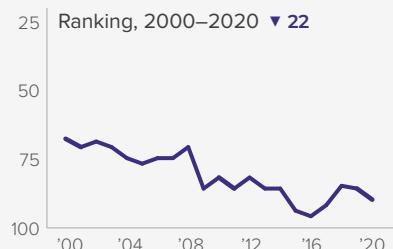
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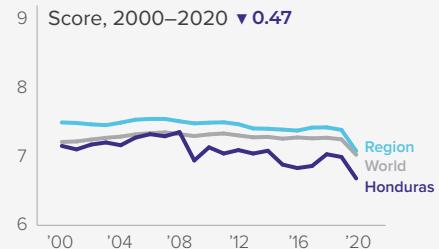
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Ranking, 2000–2020 ▾ 22



Score, 2000–2020 ▾ 0.47



PERSONAL FREEDOM

Ranking
100/165

Score
6.40

Rule of law

Procedural justice	2.7
Civil justice	4.0
Criminal justice	2.5
Rule of law (V-Dem)	5.6

Security and safety

Homicide	0.0
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	8.3

Movement

Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	9.2
Freedom of movement (CLD)	3.3

Religion

Freedom of religion	9.7
Religious organization repression	9.7

Association, assembly, civil society

Civil society entry and exit	8.8
Freedom of assembly	3.4
Freedom to form/run political parties	9.0
Civil society repression	8.9

Expression and information

Direct attacks on the press	3.7
Media and expression (V-Dem)	6.7
Media and expression (Freedom House)	2.5
Media and expression (BTI)	4.4
Media and expression (CLD)	3.3

Relationships

Same-sex relationships	10.0
Divorce	10.0
Inheritance rights	10.0
Female genital mutilation	10.0

ECONOMIC FREEDOM

Ranking
70/165

Score
7.04

Size of government

Government consumption	7.2
Transfers and subsidies	10.0
Government investment	9.7
Top marginal tax rate	9.0
State ownership of assets	8.5

Legal system and property rights

Judicial independence	4.7
Impartial courts	3.6
Protection of property rights	4.4
Military interference	4.2
Integrity of the legal system	4.3
Legal enforcement of contracts	2.6
Regulatory costs	7.6
Reliability of police	3.5

Sound money

Money growth	8.4
Standard deviation of inflation	9.5
Inflation: Most recent year	9.3
Freedom to own foreign currency	10.0

Freedom to trade internationally

Tariffs	8.3
Regulatory trade barriers	4.6
Black-market exchange rates	10.0
Movement of capital and people	1.3

Regulation

Credit market regulations	9.0
Labor market regulations	5.1
Business regulations	6.1

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	2000	2002	2004	2006	2008	2010	2012	2014	2016	2018	2019	2020
Human freedom	7.14	7.16	7.15	7.31	7.34	7.12	7.08	7.07	6.82	7.02	6.98	6.67
Ranking	68	69	75	75	71	82	82	86	96	85	86	90
Economic freedom	6.73	6.95	7.02	7.33	7.31	7.26	7.13	7.24	7.19	7.24	7.24	7.04
Personal freedom	7.44	7.32	7.25	7.30	7.36	7.03	7.05	6.95	6.56	6.87	6.79	6.40
Rule of law	3.3	3.4	3.4	3.4	3.4	3.2	3.3	3.3	3.2	3.1	3.1	3.0
Procedural justice	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3.0	3.1	2.6	2.7	2.7
Civil justice	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4.3	4.1	4.1	4.0	4.0
Criminal justice	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2.5	2.4	2.6	2.5	2.5
Rule of law (V-Dem)	5.6	5.7	5.7	5.8	5.8	5.3	5.5	5.7	5.6	5.7	5.6	5.6
Security and safety	4.3	4.4	3.7	4.1	4.0	3.7	4.1	4.4	4.3	4.4	4.3	4.2
Homicide	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	8.6	8.8	7.5	8.1	8.0	7.4	8.1	8.7	8.5	8.8	8.6	8.3
Movement	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.6	9.7	9.7	7.9	7.9	7.9	6.3
Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	9.4	9.4	9.4	9.4	9.4	9.1	9.4	9.4	9.1	9.1	9.1	9.2
Freedom of movement (CLD)	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	6.7	6.7	6.7	3.3
Religion	9.7	8.8	8.8	8.8	9.7	9.6	9.6	9.6	8.8	9.7	9.7	9.7
Freedom of religion	9.7	8.0	8.0	8.0	9.7	9.6	9.6	9.6	8.0	9.6	9.6	9.7
Religious organization repression	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7
Association, assembly, civil society	7.9	7.9	8.1	8.1	8.1	7.5	7.6	7.7	7.7	7.9	7.8	7.5
Civil society entry and exit	8.1	8.1	8.1	8.1	8.1	7.2	7.7	7.7	7.7	8.8	8.8	8.8
Freedom of assembly	6.5	6.5	6.5	6.5	6.5	6.5	6.1	6.5	6.5	4.9	4.5	3.4
Freedom to form/run political parties	9.4	9.4	9.4	9.4	9.4	9.3	9.3	9.3	9.3	9.1	9.0	9.0
Civil society repression	7.8	7.8	8.4	8.4	8.4	7.1	7.4	7.4	7.4	8.9	8.9	8.9
Expression and information	7.2	7.0	7.0	7.0	6.6	5.6	5.7	5.2	5.3	5.0	4.8	4.1
Direct attacks on the press	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	8.1	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	3.7	3.7
Media and expression (V-Dem)	7.4	7.4	7.7	7.8	7.8	6.4	6.9	6.8	6.6	6.6	6.5	6.7
Media and expression (Freedom House)	6.3	5.5	5.4	5.2	5.0	3.5	3.3	2.1	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5
Media and expression (BTI)	5.6	5.6	5.6	5.6	5.6	6.7	6.7	5.6	5.6	4.4	4.4	4.4
Media and expression (CLD)	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	3.3
Relationships	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	9.4	8.8	8.8	10.0	10.0	10.0
Same-sex relationships	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Divorce	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Inheritance rights	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	7.5	5.0	5.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Female genital mutilation	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0

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HONG KONG SAR, CHINA

EAST ASIA

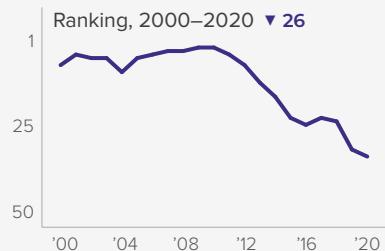
HUMAN FREEDOM

Ranking

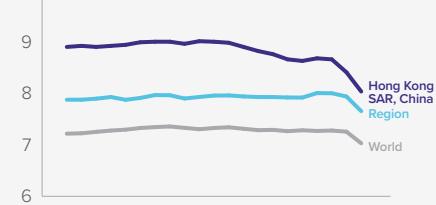
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Score

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Score, 2000–2020 ▾ 0.86



PERSONAL FREEDOM

Ranking
62/165

Score
7.60

Rule of law

Procedural justice	6.2
Civil justice	5.7
Criminal justice	7.5
Rule of law (V-Dem)	7.1
	6.2

Security and safety

Homicide	9.4
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	9.9

Movement

Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	9.0
Freedom of movement (CLD)	-

Religion

Freedom of religion	7.8
Religious organization repression	7.7

Association, assembly, civil society

Civil society entry and exit	4.1
Freedom of assembly	3.1
Freedom to form/run political parties	2.5
Civil society repression	6.9

Direct attacks on the press	6.7
Media and expression (V-Dem)	10.0
Media and expression (Freedom House)	5.1
Media and expression (BTI)	5.0
Media and expression (CLD)	-

Relationships

Same-sex relationships	10.0
Divorce	10.0
Inheritance rights	10.0
Female genital mutilation	10.0

ECONOMIC FREEDOM

Ranking
1/165

Score
8.59

Size of government

Government consumption	8.2
Transfers and subsidies	7.0
Government investment	9.1
Top marginal tax rate	7.4
State ownership of assets	10.0
	7.7

Legal system and property rights

Judicial independence	7.5
Impartial courts	7.4
Protection of property rights	8.6
Military interference	8.7
Integrity of the legal system	6.7
Legal enforcement of contracts	6.1
Regulatory costs	6.9
Reliability of police	8.9

Sound money

Money growth	9.7
Standard deviation of inflation	9.1
Inflation: Most recent year	9.5
Freedom to own foreign currency	9.9

Freedom to trade internationally

Tariffs	8.7
Regulatory trade barriers	10.0
Black-market exchange rates	9.0
Movement of capital and people	10.0
	5.9

Regulation

Credit market regulations	8.8
Labor market regulations	9.4
Business regulations	8.4

HONG KONG SAR, CHINA

EAST ASIA

	2000	2002	2004	2006	2008	2010	2012	2014	2016	2018	2019	2020
Human freedom	8.87	8.87	8.91	8.97	8.93	8.97	8.87	8.73	8.60	8.63	8.38	8.01
Ranking	8	6	10	5	4	3	8	17	25	24	32	34
Economic freedom	8.81	8.79	8.88	9.04	9.07	9.10	9.01	8.97	8.97	9.01	8.87	8.59
Personal freedom	8.91	8.94	8.94	8.92	8.83	8.88	8.78	8.56	8.35	8.36	8.03	7.60
Rule of law	7.6	7.6	7.6	7.6	7.6	7.5	7.4	7.8	7.1	7.1	6.7	6.2
Procedural justice	-	-	-	-	7.9	7.9	7.6	7.6	6.5	6.3	5.7	5.7
Civil justice	-	-	-	-	7.1	7.1	7.2	7.7	7.7	7.7	7.5	7.5
Criminal justice	-	-	-	-	7.6	7.6	7.3	8.0	7.2	7.2	7.1	7.1
Rule of law (V-Dem)	8.3	8.3	8.2	8.2	8.2	8.2	8.1	7.8	7.8	7.4	6.8	6.2
Security and safety	9.5	9.7	9.7	9.8	9.2	9.8	9.8	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.4	9.4
Homicide	9.8	9.7	9.8	9.9	9.8	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.8	9.9	9.9
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	9.2	9.7	9.7	9.7	8.5	9.7	9.7	9.6	9.6	9.6	8.8	8.9
Movement	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.5	9.6	9.0
Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.5	9.6	9.0
Freedom of movement (CLD)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Religion	9.1	9.1	9.1	9.1	9.1	9.0	9.0	8.9	8.9	8.9	8.5	7.8
Freedom of religion	8.8	8.8	8.8	8.8	8.8	8.5	8.5	8.5	8.5	8.5	8.5	7.8
Religious organization repression	9.4	9.4	9.4	9.4	9.4	9.4	9.4	9.3	9.3	9.3	8.6	7.7
Association, assembly, civil society	8.1	8.1	8.1	8.1	8.1	8.1	7.8	7.0	6.3	6.0	4.9	4.1
Civil society entry and exit	7.2	7.2	7.2	7.2	7.2	7.3	7.0	6.2	5.3	4.7	3.8	3.1
Freedom of assembly	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	5.0	5.0	5.0	2.5	2.5
Freedom to form/run political parties	9.3	9.3	9.3	9.3	9.4	9.2	9.2	9.1	8.3	8.1	7.8	6.9
Civil society repression	8.4	8.4	8.4	8.4	8.5	8.4	7.7	7.5	6.5	6.1	5.4	3.7
Expression and information	8.3	8.3	8.3	8.2	8.1	8.1	7.8	7.5	7.4	7.4	7.1	6.7
Direct attacks on the press	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Media and expression (V-Dem)	7.8	7.8	7.8	7.8	7.6	7.5	7.3	7.1	7.1	7.1	6.2	5.1
Media and expression (Freedom House)	7.1	7.1	7.1	6.8	6.7	6.7	6.2	5.3	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0
Media and expression (BTI)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Media and expression (CLD)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Relationships	10.0	9.4	9.4	10.0	10.0	10.0						
Same-sex relationships	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Divorce	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Inheritance rights	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	7.5	7.5	10.0	10.0	10.0
Female genital mutilation	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0

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EASTERN EUROPE

HUMAN FREEDOM

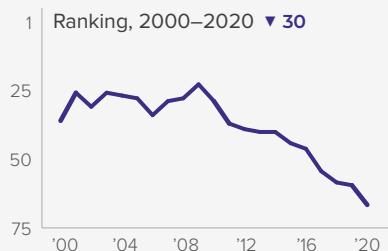
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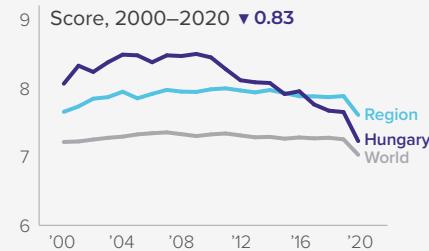
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Score, 2000–2020 ▾ 0.83



PERSONAL FREEDOM

Ranking
78/165

Score
7.19

Rule of law

Procedural justice	5.0
Civil justice	6.4
Criminal justice	4.5
Rule of law (V-Dem)	4.6
	7.0

Security and safety

Homicide	9.6
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	9.8

Movement

Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	6.4
Freedom of movement (CLD)	9.4

Religion

Freedom of religion	8.2
Religious organization repression	7.8

Association, assembly, civil society

Civil society entry and exit	6.6
Freedom of assembly	4.1
Freedom to form/run political parties	7.8
Civil society repression	8.9

Expression and information

Direct attacks on the press	5.7
Media and expression (V-Dem)	10.0
Media and expression (Freedom House)	5.8
Media and expression (BTI)	5.0
Media and expression (CLD)	4.4
	3.3

Relationships

Same-sex relationships	8.8
Divorce	10.0
Inheritance rights	10.0
Female genital mutilation	5.0

ECONOMIC FREEDOM

Ranking
57/165

Score
7.24

Size of government

Government consumption	5.9
Transfers and subsidies	3.0
Government investment	6.0
Top marginal tax rate	7.4
State ownership of assets	7.5

Legal system and property rights

Judicial independence	6.3
Impartial courts	5.4
Protection of property rights	5.6
Military interference	4.9
Integrity of the legal system	10.0
Legal enforcement of contracts	6.3
Regulatory costs	4.6
Reliability of police	8.0

Sound money

Money growth	9.3
Standard deviation of inflation	8.4
Inflation: Most recent year	9.3
Freedom to own foreign currency	9.3

Freedom to trade internationally

Tariffs	7.6
Regulatory trade barriers	8.0
Black-market exchange rates	7.8
Movement of capital and people	10.0

Regulation

Credit market regulations	7.1
Labor market regulations	8.0
Business regulations	6.7

HUNGARY

EASTERN EUROPE

	2000	2002	2004	2006	2008	2010	2012	2014	2016	2018	2019	2020
Human freedom	8.04	8.21	8.46	8.35	8.44	8.42	8.09	8.05	7.93	7.65	7.63	7.21
Ranking	37	32	28	35	29	30	40	41	47	59	60	67
Economic freedom	6.99	7.25	7.44	7.35	7.43	7.58	7.58	7.60	7.61	7.49	7.51	7.24
Personal freedom	8.79	8.89	9.19	9.07	9.16	9.02	8.46	8.38	8.17	7.77	7.72	7.19
Rule of law	6.9	6.9	6.9	6.6	6.8	6.5	5.7	5.9	5.4	5.4	5.2	5.0
Procedural justice	-	-	-	-	7.4	7.4	6.8	6.9	6.6	6.8	6.4	6.4
Civil justice	-	-	-	-	5.5	5.5	4.9	5.2	5.0	4.5	4.5	4.5
Criminal justice	-	-	-	-	6.4	6.4	5.3	5.4	4.7	4.7	4.6	4.6
Rule of law (V-Dem)	8.0	8.0	8.0	7.6	7.9	7.6	7.5	7.2	7.2	7.1	7.2	7.0
Security and safety	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.4	9.5	9.5	9.4	9.3	9.6	9.6	9.6
Homicide	9.4	9.4	9.4	9.5	9.5	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.4	9.7	9.8	9.8
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.5	9.3	9.4	9.4	9.3	9.3	9.4	9.4	9.5
Movement	8.3	8.3	9.9	6.4								
Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.4
Freedom of movement (CLD)	6.7	6.7	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	3.3
Religion	9.1	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	8.4	8.4	8.3	8.2	8.2	8.2
Freedom of religion	8.3	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	7.9	7.9	7.9	7.9	7.9	7.8
Religious organization repression	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	9.8	8.9	8.9	8.7	8.6	8.6	8.6
Association, assembly, civil society	9.1	9.1	8.9	8.3	8.9	8.6	8.2	7.7	7.4	6.6	6.6	6.6
Civil society entry and exit	7.1	7.1	7.1	5.8	7.1	6.6	6.4	5.7	5.5	4.3	4.5	4.1
Freedom of assembly	10.0	10.0	8.9	8.9	8.9	10.0	9.6	8.5	7.8	7.8	7.8	7.8
Freedom to form/run political parties	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	8.5	8.5	8.9
Civil society repression	9.7	9.7	9.7	8.8	9.6	8.0	7.3	7.1	6.5	5.7	5.7	5.7
Expression and information	8.7	8.6	9.3	9.3	9.3	8.9	7.6	7.3	6.8	6.0	5.7	5.7
Direct attacks on the press	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Media and expression (V-Dem)	9.0	9.1	9.1	9.1	9.2	8.3	7.9	7.4	7.0	6.1	5.9	5.8
Media and expression (Freedom House)	7.8	7.2	7.4	7.4	7.2	6.2	5.6	5.6	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0
Media and expression (BTI)	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	7.8	6.7	5.6	5.6	4.4	4.4
Media and expression (CLD)	6.7	6.7	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	6.7	6.7	6.7	3.3	3.3	3.3
Relationships	9.9	10.0	10.0	8.8	8.8	8.8						
Same-sex relationships	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Divorce	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Inheritance rights	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	5.0	5.0	5.0
Female genital mutilation	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0

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WESTERN EUROPE

HUMAN FREEDOM

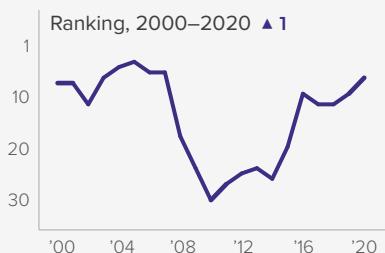
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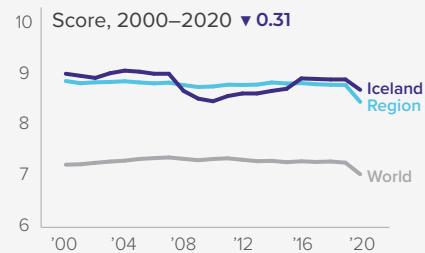
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Score, 2000–2020 ▼ 0.31



PERSONAL FREEDOM

Ranking
5/165

Score
9.29

Rule of law

Procedural justice	-
Civil justice	-
Criminal justice	-
Rule of law (V-Dem)	8.4

Security and safety

Homicide	9.6
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	10.0

Movement

Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	9.8
Freedom of movement (CLD)	6.7

Religion

Freedom of religion	9.8
Religious organization repression	9.8

Association, assembly, civil society

Civil society entry and exit	9.8
Freedom of assembly	10.0
Freedom to form/run political parties	9.7
Civil society repression	9.8

Expression and information

Direct attacks on the press	10.0
Media and expression (V-Dem)	8.5
Media and expression (Freedom House)	7.5
Media and expression (BTI)	-
Media and expression (CLD)	10.0

Relationships

Same-sex relationships	10.0
Divorce	10.0
Inheritance rights	10.0
Female genital mutilation	10.0

ECONOMIC FREEDOM

Ranking
20/165

Score
7.73

Size of government

Government consumption	1.4
Transfers and subsidies	6.8
Government investment	9.8
Top marginal tax rate	3.5
State ownership of assets	7.2

Legal system and property rights

Judicial independence	7.9
Impartial courts	8.4
Protection of property rights	8.2
Military interference	10.0
Integrity of the legal system	9.1
Legal enforcement of contracts	6.8
Regulatory costs	8.8
Reliability of police	9.0

Sound money

Money growth	9.4
Standard deviation of inflation	9.4
Inflation: Most recent year	9.4
Freedom to own foreign currency	10.0

Freedom to trade internationally

Tariffs	7.9
Regulatory trade barriers	7.1
Black-market exchange rates	10.0
Movement of capital and people	6.0

Regulation

Credit market regulations	5.7
Labor market regulations	7.6
Business regulations	8.0

ICELAND

WESTERN EUROPE

	2000	2002	2004	2006	2008	2010	2012	2014	2016	2018	2019	2020
Human freedom	8.95	8.87	9.01	8.95	8.62	8.42	8.57	8.62	8.86	8.84	8.84	8.64
Ranking	8	12	5	6	18	30	25	26	10	12	10	7
Economic freedom	7.99	7.87	8.13	7.96	7.17	6.73	7.08	7.31	7.86	7.87	7.91	7.73
Personal freedom	9.63	9.58	9.65	9.67	9.65	9.63	9.63	9.56	9.58	9.53	9.50	9.29
Rule of law	8.5	8.5	8.5	8.5	8.4	8.5	8.5	8.4	8.4	8.5	8.5	8.4
Procedural justice	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Civil justice	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Criminal justice	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Rule of law (V-Dem)	8.5	8.5	8.5	8.5	8.4	8.5	8.5	8.4	8.4	8.5	8.5	8.4
Security and safety	9.7	9.8	9.8	10.0	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.8	9.9	9.8
Homicide	9.5	9.6	9.7	10.0	9.9	9.8	9.9	9.8	9.9	9.7	9.9	9.6
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	10.0
Movement	9.9	8.2										
Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.8
Freedom of movement (CLD)	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	6.7
Religion	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.8	9.8	9.6	9.6	9.8	9.8	9.8
Freedom of religion	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.8	9.8	9.4	9.4	9.7	9.7	9.8
Religious organization repression	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8
Association, assembly, civil society	9.7	9.3	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.5	9.8
Civil society entry and exit	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.0	9.0	9.0	9.0	9.0	8.6	9.8
Freedom of assembly	10.0	8.3	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Freedom to form/run political parties	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7
Civil society repression	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8
Expression and information	9.7	9.6	9.6	9.1	9.0	9.0						
Direct attacks on the press	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Media and expression (V-Dem)	8.9	8.9	8.9	8.8	8.9	8.9	8.8	8.5	8.5	8.9	8.4	8.5
Media and expression (Freedom House)	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	9.8	9.8	10.0	7.5	7.5	7.5
Media and expression (BTI)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Media and expression (CLD)	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Relationships	10.0											
Same-sex relationships	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Divorce	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Inheritance rights	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Female genital mutilation	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0

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INDIA

SOUTH ASIA

HUMAN FREEDOM

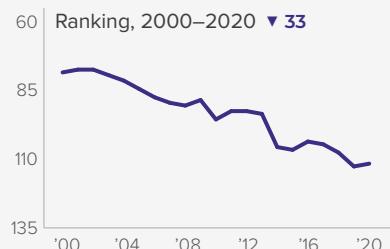
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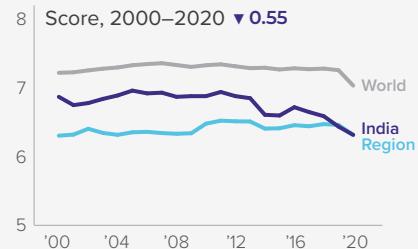
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Ranking, 2000–2020 ▼ 33



Score, 2000–2020 ▼ 0.55



PERSONAL FREEDOM

Ranking
116/165

Score
6.00

Rule of law

Procedural justice	4.1
Civil justice	4.2
Criminal justice	4.4
Rule of law (V-Dem)	3.9

Rule of law (V-Dem)	5.7
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Security and safety

Homicide	8.2
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	9.1

Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	7.2
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Movement

Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	5.9
Freedom of movement (CLD)	8.5

Freedom of movement (CLD)	3.3
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Religion

Freedom of religion	5.9
Religious organization repression	4.6

Religious organization repression	7.2
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Association, assembly, civil society

Civil society entry and exit	4.8
Freedom of assembly	2.7

Freedom of assembly	4.6
Freedom to form/run political parties	8.7

Freedom to form/run political parties	8.7
Civil society repression	3.2

Expression and information

Direct attacks on the press	5.6
Media and expression (V-Dem)	9.7

Media and expression (V-Dem)	4.4
Media and expression (Freedom House)	5.0

Media and expression (Freedom House)	5.0
Media and expression (BTI)	5.6

Media and expression (BTI)	5.6
Media and expression (CLD)	3.3

Relationships

Same-sex relationships	7.5
Divorce	10.0

Divorce	5.0
Inheritance rights	5.0

Inheritance rights	10.0
Female genital mutilation	10.0

ECONOMIC FREEDOM

Ranking
89/165

Score
6.72

Size of government

Government consumption	7.5
Transfers and subsidies	6.6
Government investment	8.2
Top marginal tax rate	7.4
State ownership of assets	7.0

Legal system and property rights

Judicial independence	5.6
Impartial courts	6.2
Protection of property rights	5.8
Military interference	5.7
Integrity of the legal system	6.7
Legal enforcement of contracts	6.9
Regulatory costs	4.4
Reliability of police	6.3

Sound money

Money growth	8.1
Standard deviation of inflation	9.1
Inflation: Most recent year	9.7
Freedom to own foreign currency	8.7

Freedom to trade internationally

Tariffs	5.9
Regulatory trade barriers	6.6
Black-market exchange rates	6.6
Movement of capital and people	10.0

Regulation

Credit market regulations	6.5
Labor market regulations	6.6
Business regulations	7.1

INDIA

SOUTH ASIA

	2000	2002	2004	2006	2008	2010	2012	2014	2016	2018	2019	2020
Human freedom	6.85	6.76	6.87	6.90	6.85	6.86	6.86	6.59	6.70	6.57	6.42	6.30
Ranking	79	78	82	88	91	96	93	106	104	108	113	112
Economic freedom	6.20	6.22	6.27	6.37	6.33	6.32	6.47	6.19	6.58	6.72	6.76	6.72
Personal freedom	7.31	7.15	7.30	7.27	7.23	7.24	7.14	6.87	6.79	6.46	6.18	6.00
Rule of law	4.3	4.3	4.3	4.3	4.3	4.3	4.1	4.2	4.3	4.3	4.1	4.1
Procedural justice	-	-	-	-	4.1	4.1	4.0	4.2	4.5	4.5	4.2	4.2
Civil justice	-	-	-	-	4.5	4.5	3.9	4.3	4.2	4.5	4.4	4.4
Criminal justice	-	-	-	-	4.4	4.4	4.4	4.1	4.2	4.0	3.9	3.9
Rule of law (V-Dem)	6.0	6.0	5.9	6.0	6.0	6.0	6.0	6.2	6.0	6.0	5.8	5.7
Security and safety	8.1	7.8	7.8	7.7	7.7	7.7	7.8	7.8	8.2	8.2	8.2	8.2
Homicide	8.6	8.7	8.8	8.9	8.9	8.9	8.9	8.9	9.1	9.1	9.1	9.1
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	7.7	6.9	6.9	6.6	6.5	6.6	6.7	6.7	7.3	7.4	7.3	7.2
Movement	7.8	7.8	7.8	7.8	7.7	7.7	7.7	7.9	7.8	7.8	7.4	5.9
Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	8.9	8.9	8.9	8.9	8.7	8.7	8.7	9.1	8.9	8.9	8.2	8.5
Freedom of movement (CLD)	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	3.3
Religion	8.0	7.2	8.1	8.1	8.1	8.1	7.9	6.4	6.7	5.6	5.3	5.9
Freedom of religion	7.2	5.6	7.4	7.5	7.5	7.4	7.4	5.5	6.7	4.9	4.7	4.6
Religious organization repression	8.8	8.8	8.8	8.8	8.7	8.7	8.4	7.3	6.7	6.2	6.0	7.2
Association, assembly, civil society	8.5	8.6	8.5	8.1	8.2	8.2	7.9	7.8	7.0	5.8	5.0	4.8
Civil society entry and exit	7.7	7.7	7.7	6.2	6.3	6.3	6.0	5.5	4.3	3.2	2.6	2.7
Freedom of assembly	8.9	8.9	8.9	8.9	8.9	8.9	8.9	8.9	8.5	6.7	4.6	4.6
Freedom to form/run political parties	9.3	9.3	9.3	9.3	9.2	9.1	9.2	9.1	9.1	9.0	8.8	8.7
Civil society repression	8.1	8.5	8.0	8.2	8.4	8.4	7.8	7.6	6.1	4.5	3.9	3.2
Expression and information	8.2	8.1	8.4	8.5	8.4	8.4	8.2	7.8	7.2	6.0	5.6	5.6
Direct attacks on the press	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.8	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7
Media and expression (V-Dem)	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.8	7.6	7.6	7.3	6.9	5.7	5.2	4.6	4.4
Media and expression (Freedom House)	8.0	7.5	8.9	9.4	8.9	9.1	8.4	8.0	7.5	5.0	5.0	5.0
Media and expression (BTI)	8.9	8.9	8.9	8.9	8.9	8.9	8.9	7.8	6.7	6.7	5.6	5.6
Media and expression (CLD)	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	3.3	3.3	3.3
Relationships	6.2	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5							
Same-sex relationships	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Divorce	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0
Inheritance rights	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0
Female genital mutilation	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0

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INDONESIA

SOUTH ASIA

HUMAN FREEDOM

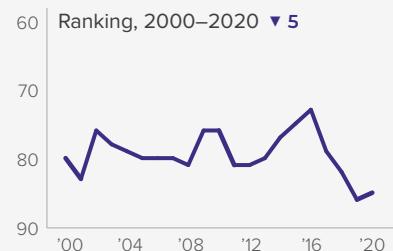
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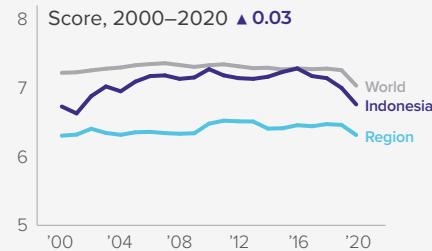
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Ranking, 2000–2020 ▼ 5



Score, 2000–2020 ▲ 0.03



PERSONAL FREEDOM

Ranking
99/165

Score
6.49

Rule of law

Procedural justice	4.1
Civil justice	4.2
Criminal justice	4.5
Rule of law (V-Dem)	3.8
	5.9

Security and safety

Homicide	9.3
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	9.9

Movement

Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	6.1
Freedom of movement (CLD)	9.0

Religion

Freedom of religion	5.8
Religious organization repression	4.8

Association, assembly, civil society

Civil society entry and exit	7.2
Freedom of assembly	7.3
Freedom to form/run political parties	5.7
Civil society repression	8.2

Expression and information

Direct attacks on the press	7.3
Media and expression (V-Dem)	10.0
Media and expression (Freedom House)	6.8
Media and expression (BTI)	7.5
Media and expression (CLD)	5.6

Relationships

Same-sex relationships	5.6
Divorce	5.0
Inheritance rights	7.5
Female genital mutilation	0.0

ECONOMIC FREEDOM

Ranking
66/165

Score
7.09

Size of government

Government consumption	7.9
Transfers and subsidies	7.8
Government investment	9.6
Top marginal tax rate	10.0
State ownership of assets	7.5

Legal system and property rights

Judicial independence	4.9
Impartial courts	5.8
Protection of property rights	4.9
Military interference	6.2
Integrity of the legal system	4.2
Legal enforcement of contracts	5.3
Regulatory costs	4.3
Reliability of police	6.7

Sound money

Money growth	9.6
Standard deviation of inflation	9.5
Inflation: Most recent year	9.2
Freedom to own foreign currency	9.6

Freedom to trade internationally

Tariffs	6.6
Regulatory trade barriers	9.5
Black-market exchange rates	5.0
Movement of capital and people	10.0

Regulation

Credit market regulations	6.5
Labor market regulations	7.7
Business regulations	4.7

INDONESIA

SOUTH ASIA

	2000	2002	2004	2006	2008	2010	2012	2014	2016	2018	2019	2020
Human freedom	6.71	6.86	6.93	7.15	7.11	7.25	7.12	7.14	7.26	7.12	6.98	6.74
Ranking	80	76	79	80	81	76	81	77	73	82	86	85
Economic freedom	6.09	6.13	6.32	6.59	6.63	6.97	6.94	7.06	7.26	7.33	7.26	7.09
Personal freedom	7.15	7.39	7.36	7.54	7.46	7.45	7.26	7.20	7.27	6.98	6.78	6.49
Rule of law	4.7	4.7	4.7	4.6	4.6	4.6	4.2	4.1	4.1	4.3	4.2	4.1
Procedural justice	-	-	-	-	4.5	4.5	4.4	4.2	4.2	4.4	4.2	4.2
Civil justice	-	-	-	-	4.9	4.9	4.7	4.3	4.5	4.6	4.5	4.5
Criminal justice	-	-	-	-	4.5	4.5	3.7	3.8	3.5	3.9	3.8	3.8
Rule of law (V-Dem)	6.0	6.1	6.0	5.9	5.9	6.0	6.0	5.9	6.2	6.0	6.1	5.9
Security and safety	8.3	8.1	8.3	9.4	9.3	9.3	9.3	8.9	9.3	9.3	9.4	9.3
Homicide	9.7	9.7	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.9	9.8	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	6.8	6.6	6.9	8.9	8.7	8.7	8.7	8.0	8.8	8.7	8.8	8.8
Movement	6.1	7.8	7.8	7.8	7.7	7.8	7.7	7.7	7.7	7.7	7.7	6.1
Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	8.9	8.9	8.9	8.9	8.7	8.8	8.7	8.8	8.8	8.6	8.6	9.0
Freedom of movement (CLD)	3.3	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	3.3
Religion	7.8	7.8	7.5	7.7	7.4	7.0	7.1	7.5	7.5	7.2	6.1	5.8
Freedom of religion	7.0	7.0	6.4	6.4	6.1	6.0	6.1	6.3	6.5	6.5	4.9	4.8
Religious organization repression	8.7	8.7	8.7	8.9	8.8	8.1	8.1	8.8	8.6	7.8	7.3	6.7
Association, assembly, civil society	8.2	8.2	8.1	8.1	8.2	8.2	8.1	7.9	7.9	7.4	7.3	7.2
Civil society entry and exit	8.2	8.2	8.2	8.2	8.2	8.2	8.2	8.2	8.2	7.1	7.5	7.3
Freedom of assembly	6.5	6.5	6.5	6.5	6.5	6.5	6.1	6.1	6.1	6.1	5.7	5.7
Freedom to form/run political parties	8.8	8.8	8.6	8.6	8.6	8.7	8.7	8.7	8.4	8.4	8.4	8.2
Civil society repression	9.2	9.2	9.2	9.2	9.3	9.3	9.3	8.6	8.6	8.0	7.4	7.4
Expression and information	7.1	7.2	7.2	7.4	7.1	7.4	7.6	7.3	7.4	7.3	7.3	7.3
Direct attacks on the press	9.5	9.9	9.9	9.8	9.9	9.6	9.6	9.7	9.9	10.0	10.0	10.0
Media and expression (V-Dem)	7.6	7.6	7.4	7.4	7.3	7.3	7.3	7.2	7.4	7.0	6.9	6.8
Media and expression (Freedom House)	5.1	5.1	5.3	6.3	6.3	6.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5
Media and expression (BTI)	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	5.6	6.7	6.7	5.6	5.6	5.6	5.6	5.6
Media and expression (CLD)	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7
Relationships	7.9	7.9	7.9	7.9	7.9	7.9	6.9	6.9	6.9	5.6	5.6	5.6
Same-sex relationships	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0
Divorce	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5
Inheritance rights	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Female genital mutilation	9.0	9.0	9.0	9.0	9.0	9.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0

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IRAN, ISLAMIC REP.

MIDDLE EAST & NORTH AFRICA

HUMAN FREEDOM

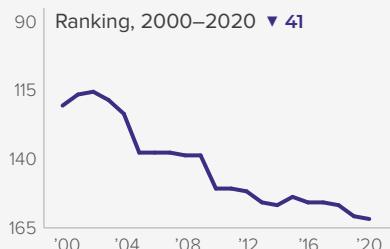
Ranking

162

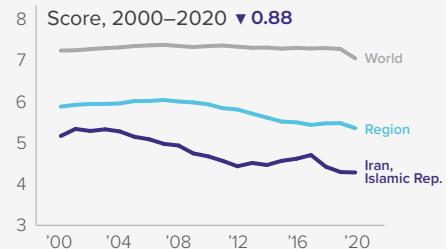
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Ranking, 2000–2020 ▾ 41



Score, 2000–2020 ▾ 0.88



PERSONAL FREEDOM

Ranking
160/165

Score
3.76

Rule of law

Procedural justice	3.9
Civil justice	2.4
Criminal justice	5.4
Rule of law (V-Dem)	3.6
	4.8

Security and safety

Homicide	7.7
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	9.3

Movement

Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	4.9
Freedom of movement (CLD)	6.4

Religion

Freedom of religion	3.7
Religious organization repression	3.0

Association, assembly, civil society

Civil society entry and exit	2.0
Freedom of assembly	1.9
Freedom to form/run political parties	0.4
Civil society repression	3.7

Expression and information

Direct attacks on the press	1.7
Media and expression (V-Dem)	4.5
Media and expression (Freedom House)	3.1
Media and expression (BTI)	0.0
Media and expression (CLD)	1.1

Relationships

Same-sex relationships	2.5
Divorce	0.0
Inheritance rights	0.0
Female genital mutilation	10.0

ECONOMIC FREEDOM

Ranking
159/165

Score
4.96

Size of government

Government consumption	7.0
Transfers and subsidies	6.4
Government investment	8.0
Top marginal tax rate	9.4
State ownership of assets	7.0

Legal system and property rights

Judicial independence	3.6
Impartial courts	3.5
Protection of property rights	4.2
Military interference	3.0
Integrity of the legal system	6.7
Legal enforcement of contracts	5.0
Regulatory costs	4.6
Reliability of police	8.2

Sound money

Money growth	6.2
Standard deviation of inflation	8.6
Inflation: Most recent year	3.4
Freedom to own foreign currency	2.7

Freedom to trade internationally

Tariffs	2.6
Regulatory trade barriers	5.4
Black-market exchange rates	4.7
Movement of capital and people	0.0

Regulation

Credit market regulations	5.5
Labor market regulations	6.4
Business regulations	4.7

IRAN, ISLAMIC REP.

MIDDLE EAST & NORTH AFRICA

	2000	2002	2004	2006	2008	2010	2012	2014	2016	2018	2019	2020
Human freedom	5.14	5.26	5.25	5.06	4.91	4.65	4.41	4.44	4.59	4.40	4.27	4.26
Ranking	121	116	124	138	139	151	152	157	156	157	161	162
Economic freedom	5.73	6.03	6.03	6.13	5.95	5.75	5.26	5.26	5.58	5.19	5.02	4.96
Personal freedom	4.72	4.71	4.68	4.29	4.17	3.86	3.80	3.86	3.87	3.84	3.73	3.76
Rule of law	4.7	4.7	4.7	4.4	4.4	4.2	3.8	4.3	4.4	3.9	3.8	3.9
Procedural justice	-	-	-	-	2.2	2.2	1.9	3.1	3.4	2.5	2.4	2.4
Civil justice	-	-	-	-	6.2	6.2	5.6	5.5	5.2	5.5	5.4	5.4
Criminal justice	-	-	-	-	4.5	4.5	3.8	4.3	4.5	3.7	3.6	3.6
Rule of law (V-Dem)	4.9	4.9	4.9	4.6	4.6	4.4	4.5	4.8	4.8	4.7	4.7	4.8
Security and safety	8.2	8.2	8.5	7.8	7.4	6.5	7.2	7.4	7.4	7.6	7.7	7.7
Homicide	9.2	9.2	9.2	9.2	9.1	9.1	9.2	9.3	9.3	9.3	9.3	9.3
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	7.1	7.3	7.8	6.5	5.7	3.8	5.1	5.5	5.5	5.9	6.0	6.0
Movement	5.0	4.9	4.9	4.8	4.8	4.9						
Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.5	6.5	6.3	6.3	6.4
Freedom of movement (CLD)	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3
Religion	3.6	3.6	3.6	3.6	3.6	3.7	3.9	3.9	3.9	3.6	3.5	3.7
Freedom of religion	3.0	3.0	3.0	3.0	3.0	3.0	3.0	3.0	3.0	3.0	3.0	3.0
Religious organization repression	4.1	4.1	4.1	4.1	4.2	4.4	4.7	4.7	4.7	4.1	3.9	4.4
Association, assembly, civil society	4.2	4.2	4.2	2.5	2.4	1.9	2.0	2.5	2.5	2.1	2.0	2.0
Civil society entry and exit	4.5	4.5	4.5	1.7	1.7	1.4	1.4	2.5	2.6	1.8	1.8	1.9
Freedom of assembly	1.5	1.5	1.5	1.5	1.1	1.1	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.4	0.4
Freedom to form/run political parties	4.3	4.3	4.3	4.2	4.2	3.4	3.4	3.6	3.5	3.6	3.6	3.7
Civil society repression	6.7	6.7	6.7	2.8	2.8	1.9	2.5	3.0	3.0	2.4	2.1	2.1
Expression and information	3.6	3.4	3.0	3.0	2.6	1.9	1.6	1.5	1.6	2.4	1.9	1.7
Direct attacks on the press	7.5	7.2	6.7	8.0	6.2	4.8	4.6	4.8	4.8	5.0	5.0	4.5
Media and expression (V-Dem)	3.9	3.9	3.9	2.8	2.8	2.5	2.5	2.8	3.0	3.2	3.1	3.1
Media and expression (Freedom House)	3.1	2.5	1.4	0.8	0.8	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	2.5	0.0	0.0
Media and expression (BTI)	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	2.2	1.1	0.0	0.0	1.1	1.1	1.1
Media and expression (CLD)	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Relationships	3.8	3.8	3.8	3.8	3.8	3.8	3.1	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5
Same-sex relationships	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Divorce	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Inheritance rights	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	2.5	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Female genital mutilation	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0

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IRAQ

MIDDLE EAST & NORTH AFRICA

HUMAN FREEDOM

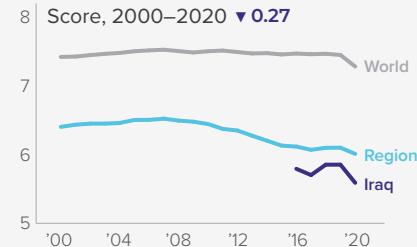
Ranking
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Score
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Ranking, 2000–2020 ▼ 5



Score, 2000–2020 ▼ 0.27



PERSONAL FREEDOM

Ranking
157/165

Score
4.25

Rule of law

Procedural justice	-
Civil justice	-
Criminal justice	-
Rule of law (V-Dem)	4.1

Security and safety

Homicide	7.1
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	1.0

Movement

Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	7.1
Freedom of movement (CLD)	3.3

Religion

Freedom of religion	3.8
Religious organization repression	7.4

Association, assembly, civil society

Civil society entry and exit	4.8
Freedom of assembly	3.3
Freedom to form/run political parties	7.8
Civil society repression	5.2

Expression and information

Direct attacks on the press	3.5
Media and expression (V-Dem)	4.7
Media and expression (Freedom House)	2.5
Media and expression (BTI)	2.2
Media and expression (CLD)	3.3

Relationships

Same-sex relationships	0.0
Divorce	0.0
Inheritance rights	0.0
Female genital mutilation	9.3

ECONOMIC FREEDOM

Ranking
153/165

Score
5.51

Size of government

Government consumption	3.7
Transfers and subsidies	7.9
Government investment	0.4
Top marginal tax rate	9.0
State ownership of assets	4.5

Legal system and property rights

Judicial independence	4.9
Impartial courts	2.6
Protection of property rights	-
Military interference	2.5
Integrity of the legal system	3.4
Legal enforcement of contracts	4.8
Regulatory costs	6.6
Reliability of police	-

Sound money

Money growth	8.6
Standard deviation of inflation	4.1
Inflation: Most recent year	9.9
Freedom to own foreign currency	10.0

Freedom to trade internationally

Tariffs	3.2
Regulatory trade barriers	3.0
Black-market exchange rates	10.0
Movement of capital and people	1.2

Regulation

Credit market regulations	9.5
Labor market regulations	6.1
Business regulations	5.0

IRAQ

MIDDLE EAST & NORTH AFRICA

	2000	2002	2004	2006	2008	2010	2012	2014	2016	2018	2019	2020
Human freedom	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5.04	5.12	5.12	4.77
Ranking	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	152	152	154	157
Economic freedom	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5.73	5.25	5.41	5.51
Personal freedom	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4.55	5.03	4.91	4.25
Rule of law	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4.3	4.4	4.2	4.1
Procedural justice	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Civil justice	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Criminal justice	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Rule of law (V-Dem)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4.3	4.4	4.2	4.1
Security and safety	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3.9	4.1	4.1	4.1
Homicide	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	7.1	7.1	7.1	7.1
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.7	1.1	1.2	1.0
Movement	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5.3	7.1	7.1	5.2
Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	7.4	7.5	7.5	7.1
Freedom of movement (CLD)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3.3	6.7	6.7	3.3
Religion	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5.9	7.2	7.1	5.6
Freedom of religion	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3.5	6.0	5.7	3.8
Religious organization repression	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	8.3	8.5	8.6	7.4
Association, assembly, civil society	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6.5	6.5	6.1	5.3
Civil society entry and exit	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6.3	6.2	5.3	4.8
Freedom of assembly	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4.3	3.8	3.3	3.3
Freedom to form/run political parties	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	8.1	8.2	7.7	7.8
Civil society repression	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	7.5	7.9	7.9	5.2
Expression and information	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3.6	3.6	3.4	3.2
Direct attacks on the press	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4.6	4.7	4.4	3.5
Media and expression (V-Dem)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5.2	5.2	4.8	4.7
Media and expression (Freedom House)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5
Media and expression (BTI)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2.2	2.2	2.2	2.2
Media and expression (CLD)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3
Relationships	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2.3	2.3	2.3	2.3
Same-sex relationships	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Divorce	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Inheritance rights	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Female genital mutilation	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	9.2	9.3	9.3	9.3

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IRELAND

WESTERN EUROPE

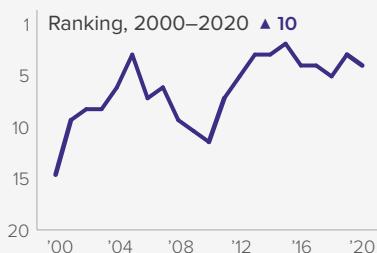
HUMAN FREEDOM

Ranking

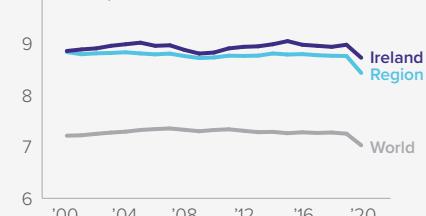
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Score

8.70



Score, 2000–2020 ▼ 0.13



PERSONAL FREEDOM

Ranking
4/165

Score
9.30

Rule of law

Procedural justice	7.8
Civil justice	8.6
Criminal justice	7.4
Rule of law (V-Dem)	7.2
	8.4

Security and safety

Homicide	9.8
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	9.8

Movement

Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	8.2
Freedom of movement (CLD)	9.8

Religion

Freedom of religion	9.8
Religious organization repression	9.8

Association, assembly, civil society

Civil society entry and exit	9.6
Freedom of assembly	8.8
Freedom to form/run political parties	10.0
Civil society repression	9.8

Expression and information

Direct attacks on the press	9.9
Media and expression (V-Dem)	10.0
Media and expression (Freedom House)	9.4
Media and expression (BTI)	10.0
Media and expression (CLD)	-
	10.0

Relationships

Same-sex relationships	10.0
Divorce	10.0
Inheritance rights	10.0
Female genital mutilation	10.0

ECONOMIC FREEDOM

Ranking
10/165

Score
7.86

Size of government

Government consumption	6.2
Transfers and subsidies	1.9
Government investment	6.9
Top marginal tax rate	10.0
State ownership of assets	4.5
	7.6

Legal system and property rights

Judicial independence	7.7
Impartial courts	7.8
Protection of property rights	7.1
Military interference	7.9
Integrity of the legal system	10.0
Legal enforcement of contracts	9.2
Regulatory costs	4.7
Reliability of police	7.3
	7.8

Sound money

Money growth	9.3
Standard deviation of inflation	8.1
Inflation: Most recent year	9.2
Freedom to own foreign currency	9.9
	10.0

Freedom to trade internationally

Tariffs	8.0
Regulatory trade barriers	7.9
Black-market exchange rates	10.0
Movement of capital and people	5.9

Regulation

Credit market regulations	8.6
Labor market regulations	7.9
Business regulations	7.9

IRELAND

WESTERN EUROPE

	2000	2002	2004	2006	2008	2010	2012	2014	2016	2018	2019	2020
Human freedom	8.83	8.88	8.96	8.93	8.85	8.80	8.91	8.96	8.95	8.91	8.95	8.70
Ranking	15	9	7	8	10	12	6	4	5	6	4	5
Economic freedom	8.14	8.08	8.24	8.21	8.03	7.93	8.13	8.24	8.23	8.16	8.19	7.86
Personal freedom	9.32	9.45	9.47	9.45	9.44	9.43	9.46	9.47	9.47	9.44	9.49	9.30
Rule of law	7.5	7.6	7.6	7.6	7.8	7.8						
Procedural justice	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	8.6	8.6
Civil justice	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	7.4	7.4
Criminal justice	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	7.2	7.2
Rule of law (V-Dem)	8.1	8.1	8.1	8.1	8.1	8.1	8.1	8.2	8.2	8.1	8.4	8.4
Security and safety	9.7	9.7	9.8	9.6	9.6	9.4	9.6	9.6	9.5	9.5	9.7	9.8
Homicide	9.7	9.6	9.8	9.6	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.7	9.5	9.2	9.5	9.5	9.3	9.3	9.5	9.9
Movement	9.9	9.8	9.9	8.2								
Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.7	9.8	9.8
Freedom of movement (CLD)	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	6.7
Religion	9.8	9.6	9.6	9.8								
Freedom of religion	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.8	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.5	9.5	9.8
Religious organization repression	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8
Association, assembly, civil society	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.7	9.7	9.6
Civil society entry and exit	8.6	8.6	8.6	8.6	8.7	8.7	8.7	8.7	8.7	9.3	9.3	8.8
Freedom of assembly	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Freedom to form/run political parties	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.8
Civil society repression	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8
Expression and information	8.8	9.8	9.9	9.8	9.9	9.8	9.8	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.8	9.9
Direct attacks on the press	5.9	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Media and expression (V-Dem)	9.4	9.4	9.4	9.4	9.4	9.4	9.4	9.4	9.4	9.4	9.3	9.4
Media and expression (Freedom House)	10.0	9.8	10.0	9.8	10.0	9.8	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Media and expression (BTI)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Media and expression (CLD)	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Relationships	10.0											
Same-sex relationships	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Divorce	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Inheritance rights	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Female genital mutilation	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0

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ISRAEL

MIDDLE EAST & NORTH AFRICA

HUMAN FREEDOM

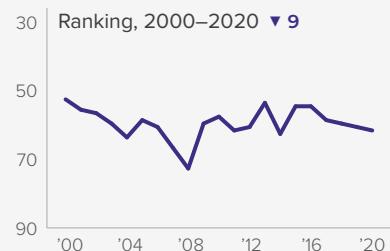
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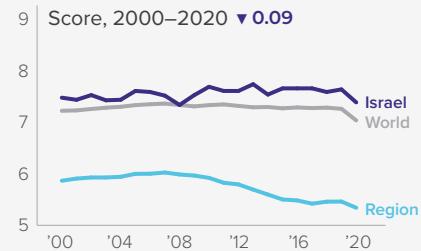
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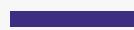
PERSONAL FREEDOM

Ranking
73/165

Score
7.36

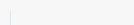
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Procedural justice



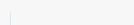
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Civil justice



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Criminal justice



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Rule of law (V-Dem)



7.3

Security and safety

Homicide

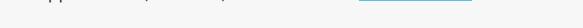


8.1

Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism



9.6



6.6

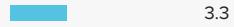
Movement

Freedom of movement (V-Dem)



6.2

Freedom of movement (CLD)



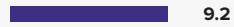
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3.3

Religion

Freedom of religion



9.2

Religious organization repression



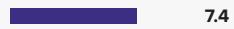
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8.6

Association, assembly, civil society

Civil society entry and exit

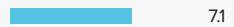


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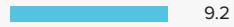
Freedom of assembly



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Freedom to form/run political parties



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Civil society repression

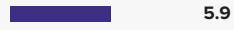


7.5



Expression and information

Direct attacks on the press



5.9



1.7

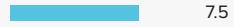
Media and expression (V-Dem)



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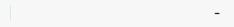
Media and expression (Freedom House)



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Media and expression (BTI)



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Media and expression (CLD)



6.7



Relationships

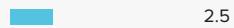
Same-sex relationships



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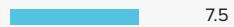
Divorce



2.5



Inheritance rights



7.5



Female genital mutilation



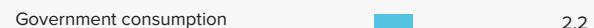
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ECONOMIC FREEDOM

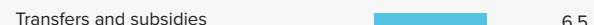
Ranking
49/165

Score
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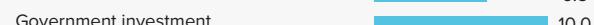
Size of government



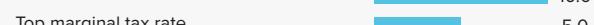
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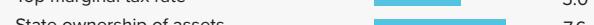
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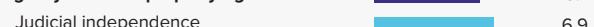


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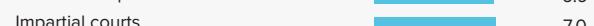


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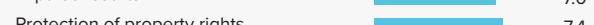
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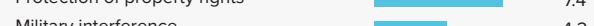
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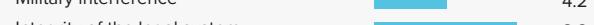
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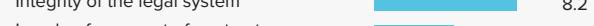
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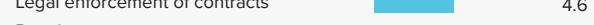
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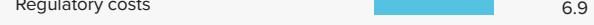
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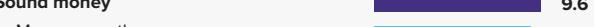


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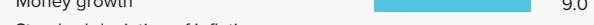


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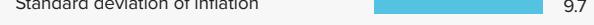
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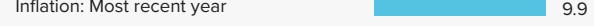
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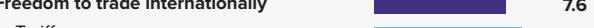


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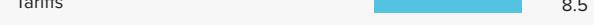


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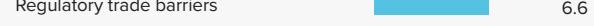
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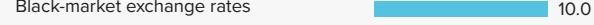
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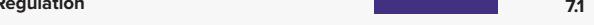


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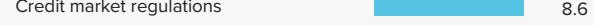


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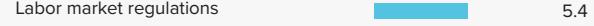
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ISRAEL

MIDDLE EAST & NORTH AFRICA

	2000	2002	2004	2006	2008	2010	2012	2014	2016	2018	2019	2020
Human freedom	7.45	7.50	7.41	7.56	7.31	7.66	7.58	7.51	7.63	7.56	7.61	7.36
Ranking	53	57	64	61	73	58	61	63	55	60	61	62
Economic freedom	6.76	7.23	7.32	7.36	7.33	7.51	7.49	7.60	7.64	7.64	7.63	7.35
Personal freedom	7.94	7.69	7.48	7.71	7.29	7.77	7.65	7.45	7.63	7.50	7.60	7.36
Rule of law	7.4	7.4	7.4	7.4	7.4	7.3	7.3	7.3	7.2	7.1	7.1	7.3
Procedural justice	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Civil justice	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Criminal justice	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Rule of law (V-Dem)	7.4	7.4	7.4	7.4	7.4	7.3	7.3	7.3	7.2	7.1	7.1	7.3
Security and safety	7.3	6.7	6.8	6.8	7.0	8.8	7.9	6.9	8.3	8.3	8.3	8.1
Homicide	9.3	8.9	9.2	9.2	9.4	9.4	9.5	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.6
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	5.4	4.5	4.5	4.5	4.5	8.1	6.3	4.2	7.0	7.0	7.0	6.6
Movement	7.8	7.8	6.1	7.8	6.1	7.8	7.8	7.8	7.8	7.7	7.7	6.2
Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	8.9	8.9	8.9	8.9	8.9	8.9	8.9	8.9	8.8	8.7	8.7	9.0
Freedom of movement (CLD)	6.7	6.7	3.3	6.7	3.3	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	3.3
Religion	9.1	9.0	9.0	9.1	9.2	9.2						
Freedom of religion	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.3	9.3	9.5	9.8	9.8
Religious organization repression	8.6	8.6	8.6	8.6	8.6	8.6	8.6	8.6	8.6	8.6	8.6	8.6
Association, assembly, civil society	8.1	8.1	8.1	8.1	8.1	8.0	8.0	7.7	7.7	7.4	7.5	7.4
Civil society entry and exit	7.4	6.8	6.8	6.8	6.9	6.4	6.4	6.4	6.4	6.2	6.2	5.9
Freedom of assembly	6.7	8.3	8.3	8.3	8.3	8.3	8.3	7.1	7.1	7.1	7.1	7.1
Freedom to form/run political parties	9.3	9.3	9.3	9.3	9.3	9.3	9.3	9.3	9.3	9.0	9.4	9.2
Civil society repression	9.0	7.9	7.9	7.9	7.9	7.9	7.9	7.9	7.9	7.5	7.5	7.5
Expression and information	7.9	6.8	6.9	6.8	5.4	5.4	5.4	5.4	5.4	5.4	5.8	5.9
Direct attacks on the press	10.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.7	1.7
Media and expression (V-Dem)	7.6	7.6	7.6	7.6	7.6	7.6	7.6	7.4	7.4	7.2	7.6	7.6
Media and expression (Freedom House)	7.5	8.0	8.2	8.0	7.3	7.5	7.5	7.7	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5
Media and expression (BTI)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Media and expression (CLD)	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7
Relationships	8.0	8.1	8.1	7.5	7.5	7.5						
Same-sex relationships	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Divorce	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5
Inheritance rights	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	7.5	7.5	7.5
Female genital mutilation	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0

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ITALY

WESTERN EUROPE

HUMAN FREEDOM

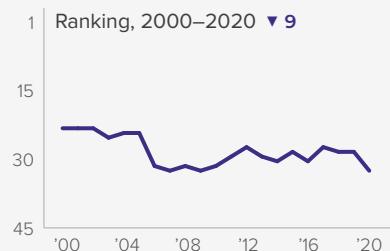
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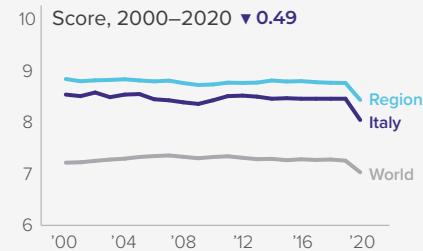
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Ranking, 2000–2020 ▾ 9



Score, 2000–2020 ▾ 0.49



PERSONAL FREEDOM

Ranking
32/165

Score
8.46

Rule of law

Procedural justice	6.5
Civil justice	7.9
Criminal justice	5.6
Rule of law (V-Dem)	6.4
	7.7

Security and safety

Homicide	9.7
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	9.9

Movement

Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	6.3
Freedom of movement (CLD)	9.2

Religion

Freedom of religion	9.0
Religious organization repression	8.2

Association, assembly, civil society

Civil society entry and exit	9.5
Freedom of assembly	8.7
Freedom to form/run political parties	10.0
Civil society repression	9.7

Expression and information

Direct attacks on the press	8.2
Media and expression (V-Dem)	10.0
Media and expression (Freedom House)	8.6
Media and expression (BTI)	7.5
Media and expression (CLD)	-

Relationships

Same-sex relationships	10.0
Divorce	10.0
Inheritance rights	10.0
Female genital mutilation	10.0

ECONOMIC FREEDOM

Ranking
44/165

Score
7.40

Size of government

Government consumption	5.3
Transfers and subsidies	4.0
Government investment	2.3
Top marginal tax rate	10.0
State ownership of assets	2.5

Legal system and property rights

Judicial independence	6.5
Impartial courts	6.2
Protection of property rights	5.0
Military interference	5.6
Integrity of the legal system	10.0
Legal enforcement of contracts	7.1
Regulatory costs	3.5
Reliability of police	8.3

Sound money

Money growth	9.2
Standard deviation of inflation	6.9
Inflation: Most recent year	9.9
Freedom to own foreign currency	10.0

Freedom to trade internationally

Tariffs	8.3
Regulatory trade barriers	8.0
Black-market exchange rates	8.0
Movement of capital and people	10.0

Regulation

Credit market regulations	7.7
Labor market regulations	9.5
Business regulations	6.8

ITALY

WESTERN EUROPE

	2000	2002	2004	2006	2008	2010	2012	2014	2016	2018	2019	2020
Human freedom	8.51	8.55	8.51	8.42	8.36	8.40	8.49	8.43	8.43	8.43	8.43	8.02
Ranking	24	24	25	32	32	32	28	31	31	29	29	33
Economic freedom	7.72	7.70	7.70	7.56	7.46	7.56	7.60	7.67	7.64	7.61	7.61	7.40
Personal freedom	9.08	9.15	9.09	9.03	9.00	9.00	9.12	8.97	8.99	9.01	9.02	8.46
Rule of law	6.7	6.6	6.5	6.6	6.6	6.5						
Procedural justice	-	-	-	-	7.8	7.8	8.0	7.6	7.5	7.9	7.9	7.9
Civil justice	-	-	-	-	5.6	5.6	5.8	5.7	5.6	5.6	5.6	5.6
Criminal justice	-	-	-	-	6.7	6.7	6.3	6.4	6.4	6.4	6.4	6.4
Rule of law (V-Dem)	7.8	7.8	7.8	7.8	7.8	7.8	7.8	7.8	7.8	7.9	7.9	7.7
Security and safety	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.6	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7
Homicide	9.6	9.7	9.6	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.9
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.7	9.6	9.7	9.5	9.5	9.6	9.6	9.6
Movement	10.0	9.9	10.0	6.3								
Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.8	9.9	9.2
Freedom of movement (CLD)	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	3.3
Religion	9.7	9.7	9.7	8.9	8.9	8.9	9.7	8.9	8.9	8.9	9.0	9.0
Freedom of religion	9.8	9.8	9.8	8.2	8.2	8.2	9.8	8.2	8.2	8.2	8.2	8.2
Religious organization repression	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.7	9.8	9.9
Association, assembly, civil society	9.1	9.6	9.6	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.6	9.8	9.6	9.6	9.5
Civil society entry and exit	8.7	8.7	8.7	9.6	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	8.7
Freedom of assembly	8.3	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Freedom to form/run political parties	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.6	9.6	9.7
Civil society repression	9.5	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.3	9.9	9.4	9.4	9.7
Expression and information	8.6	8.5	8.2	8.3	8.2	8.1	8.1	8.1	8.1	8.3	8.2	8.2
Direct attacks on the press	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	9.8	9.6	9.6	10.0	10.0	10.0
Media and expression (V-Dem)	8.8	8.6	8.6	8.7	8.5	8.5	8.7	8.8	8.8	8.9	8.7	8.6
Media and expression (Freedom House)	9.1	8.9	7.5	7.9	7.5	7.1	7.3	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5
Media and expression (BTI)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Media and expression (CLD)	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7
Relationships	9.9	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0						
Same-sex relationships	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Divorce	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Inheritance rights	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Female genital mutilation	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0

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JAMAICA

LATIN AMERICA & THE CARIBBEAN

HUMAN FREEDOM

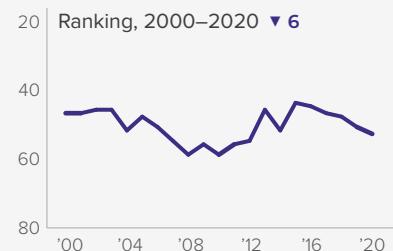
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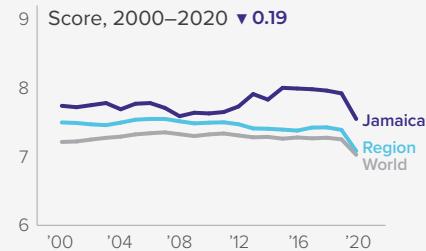
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Ranking, 2000–2020 ▾ 6



Score, 2000–2020 ▾ 0.19



PERSONAL FREEDOM

Ranking
61/165

Score
7.64

Rule of law

Procedural justice	5.2
Civil justice	5.6
Criminal justice	5.3
Rule of law (V-Dem)	4.8
	6.8

Security and safety

Homicide	4.5
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	0.0
	9.1

Movement

Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	6.5
Freedom of movement (CLD)	9.6
	3.3

Religion

Freedom of religion	9.8
Religious organization repression	9.9

Association, assembly, civil society

Civil society entry and exit	9.6
Freedom of assembly	9.3
Freedom to form/run political parties	10.0
Civil society repression	9.4
	9.5

Expression and information

Direct attacks on the press	9.7
Media and expression (V-Dem)	10.0
Media and expression (Freedom House)	8.7
Media and expression (BTI)	10.0
Media and expression (CLD)	10.0

Relationships

Same-sex relationships	8.1
Divorce	5.0
Inheritance rights	7.5
Female genital mutilation	10.0
	10.0

ECONOMIC FREEDOM

Ranking
45/165

Score
7.38

Size of government

Government consumption	8.1
Transfers and subsidies	7.3
Government investment	8.4
Top marginal tax rate	10.0
State ownership of assets	6.5

Legal system and property rights

Judicial independence	5.9
Impartial courts	6.7
Protection of property rights	5.7
Military interference	5.7
Integrity of the legal system	8.3
Legal enforcement of contracts	3.3
Regulatory costs	8.7
Reliability of police	4.2

Sound money

Money growth	9.1
Standard deviation of inflation	8.0
Inflation: Most recent year	9.3
Freedom to own foreign currency	9.0
	10.0

Freedom to trade internationally

Tariffs	5.8
Regulatory trade barriers	5.4
Black-market exchange rates	5.9
Movement of capital and people	10.0
	1.9

Regulation

Credit market regulations	8.0
Labor market regulations	9.2
Business regulations	7.9
	7.0

JAMAICA

LATIN AMERICA & THE CARIBBEAN

	2000	2002	2004	2006	2008	2010	2012	2014	2016	2018	2019	2020
Human freedom	7.72	7.73	7.67	7.76	7.57	7.61	7.71	7.81	7.97	7.94	7.90	7.53
Ranking	47	46	52	51	59	59	55	52	45	48	51	53
Economic freedom	7.44	7.40	7.42	7.57	7.16	7.25	7.47	7.60	7.74	7.67	7.61	7.38
Personal freedom	7.91	7.97	7.84	7.91	7.87	7.87	7.87	7.95	8.13	8.13	8.10	7.64
Rule of law	4.5	4.5	4.5	4.5	4.5	4.6	4.6	5.2	5.4	5.4	5.2	5.2
Procedural justice	-	-	-	-	4.4	4.4	4.8	5.6	5.8	5.9	5.6	5.6
Civil justice	-	-	-	-	5.1	5.1	4.7	5.4	5.4	5.1	5.3	5.3
Criminal justice	-	-	-	-	4.2	4.2	4.2	4.5	5.0	5.0	4.8	4.8
Rule of law (V-Dem)	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.8	6.9	6.9	6.9	6.8	6.8
Security and safety	4.8	4.7	4.3	4.7	4.4	4.4	4.4	4.3	4.5	4.5	4.5	4.5
Homicide	0.3	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	9.3	9.3	8.5	9.3	8.7	8.8	8.8	8.6	9.0	9.1	9.1	9.1
Movement	9.9	6.5										
Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.6
Freedom of movement (CLD)	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	3.3
Religion	9.7	9.0	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8						
Freedom of religion	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.6	9.6	9.6	8.2	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8
Religious organization repression	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9
Association, assembly, civil society	9.4	9.3	9.6									
Civil society entry and exit	9.3	9.3	9.3	9.3	9.4	9.4	9.4	9.4	9.4	9.4	9.4	9.3
Freedom of assembly	9.2	9.2	9.2	9.2	9.2	9.2	9.2	9.2	9.2	9.2	9.2	10.0
Freedom to form/run political parties	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.3	9.4
Civil society repression	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5
Expression and information	8.9	9.5	9.0	9.0	9.0	9.0	9.0	9.7	9.7	9.8	9.8	9.7
Direct attacks on the press	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Media and expression (V-Dem)	8.3	8.3	8.3	8.4	8.4	8.4	8.4	8.7	8.7	8.8	8.8	8.7
Media and expression (Freedom House)	9.6	9.1	10.0	10.0	10.0	9.8	9.8	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Media and expression (BTI)	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Media and expression (CLD)	6.7	10.0	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Relationships	8.1											
Same-sex relationships	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0
Divorce	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5
Inheritance rights	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Female genital mutilation	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0

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JAPAN

EAST ASIA

HUMAN FREEDOM

Ranking

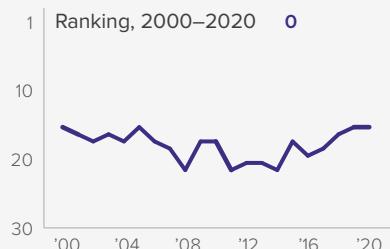
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Score

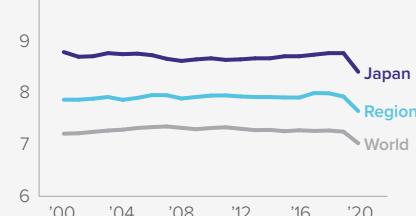
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PERSONAL FREEDOM

Ranking
19/165

Score
8.80

Rule of law

	Ranking	Score
Procedural justice	7.8	8.5
Civil justice	7.7	7.7
Criminal justice	7.7	7.7
Rule of law (V-Dem)	8.0	8.0

Security and safety

	Ranking	Score
Homicide	9.9	9.9
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	9.9	9.8

Movement

	Ranking	Score
Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	6.3	9.2
Freedom of movement (CLD)	-	3.3

Religion

	Ranking	Score
Freedom of religion	9.7	9.9
Religious organization repression	9.7	9.4

Association, assembly, civil society

	Ranking	Score
Civil society entry and exit	9.7	9.6
Freedom of assembly	9.7	10.0
Freedom to form/run political parties	9.7	9.5
Civil society repression	9.7	9.8

Expression and information

	Ranking	Score
Direct attacks on the press	8.9	10.0
Media and expression (V-Dem)	8.9	8.1
Media and expression (Freedom House)	8.9	7.5
Media and expression (BTI)	-	-
Media and expression (CLD)	8.9	10.0

Relationships

	Ranking	Score
Same-sex relationships	9.4	10.0
Divorce	9.4	7.5
Inheritance rights	9.4	10.0
Female genital mutilation	9.4	10.0

ECONOMIC FREEDOM

Ranking
12/165

Score
7.82

Size of government

	Ranking	Score
Government consumption	16	5.6
Transfers and subsidies	16	3.4
Government investment	16	4.1
Top marginal tax rate	16	8.3
State ownership of assets	16	3.0

Legal system and property rights

	Ranking	Score
Judicial independence	16	7.7
Impartial courts	16	7.8
Protection of property rights	16	8.7
Military interference	16	8.3
Integrity of the legal system	16	8.6
Legal enforcement of contracts	16	5.5
Regulatory costs	16	8.0
Reliability of police	16	8.7

Sound money

	Ranking	Score
Money growth	16	9.8
Standard deviation of inflation	16	9.5
Inflation: Most recent year	16	9.8
Freedom to own foreign currency	16	10.0

Freedom to trade internationally

	Ranking	Score
Tariffs	16	7.8
Regulatory trade barriers	16	7.5
Black-market exchange rates	16	7.5
Movement of capital and people	16	10.0

Regulation

	Ranking	Score
Credit market regulations	16	8.1
Labor market regulations	16	8.2
Business regulations	16	8.2

JAPAN

EAST ASIA

	2000	2002	2004	2006	2008	2010	2012	2014	2016	2018	2019	2020
Human freedom	8.77	8.69	8.73	8.71	8.60	8.65	8.63	8.65	8.69	8.75	8.75	8.39
Ranking	16	18	18	18	22	18	21	22	20	17	16	16
Economic freedom	8.06	7.88	8.04	7.99	7.90	7.85	7.84	7.85	7.95	7.98	7.97	7.82
Personal freedom	9.27	9.26	9.23	9.22	9.09	9.23	9.19	9.22	9.22	9.31	9.31	8.80
Rule of law	7.3	7.3	7.3	7.3	7.3	7.3	7.2	7.6	7.6	7.9	8.0	7.8
Procedural justice	-	-	-	-	7.3	7.3	7.5	7.7	7.7	8.3	8.5	8.5
Civil justice	-	-	-	-	7.7	7.7	7.3	8.2	7.9	7.9	7.7	7.7
Criminal justice	-	-	-	-	6.8	6.8	6.9	6.8	7.4	7.6	7.7	7.7
Rule of law (V-Dem)	8.3	8.3	8.3	8.3	8.3	8.3	8.3	8.2	8.2	8.2	8.2	8.0
Security and safety	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.8	9.9	9.9	9.9
Homicide	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8
Movement	9.9	6.3										
Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.7	9.7	9.2
Freedom of movement (CLD)	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	3.3
Religion	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.6	9.7						
Freedom of religion	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.9
Religious organization repression	9.4	9.4	9.4	9.4	9.3	9.3	9.3	9.3	9.3	9.3	9.3	9.4
Association, assembly, civil society	9.3	9.3	9.3	9.3	9.3	9.4	9.3	9.3	9.4	9.7	9.7	9.7
Civil society entry and exit	8.7	8.7	8.7	8.7	8.6	8.6	8.6	8.6	8.8	9.4	9.4	9.6
Freedom of assembly	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Freedom to form/run political parties	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.7	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.4	9.5
Civil society repression	8.9	8.9	8.9	8.9	9.1	9.3	9.1	9.1	9.1	9.8	9.8	9.8
Expression and information	9.6	9.5	9.3	9.2	8.4	9.3	9.1	9.0	8.9	8.9	8.9	8.9
Direct attacks on the press	10.0	10.0	9.9	9.9	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Media and expression (V-Dem)	8.5	8.5	8.5	8.5	8.5	8.5	8.5	8.1	8.1	8.0	7.9	8.1
Media and expression (Freedom House)	9.8	9.6	8.7	8.6	8.6	8.6	8.0	7.9	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5
Media and expression (BTI)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Media and expression (CLD)	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	6.7	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Relationships	9.4											
Same-sex relationships	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Divorce	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5
Inheritance rights	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Female genital mutilation	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0

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JORDAN

MIDDLE EAST & NORTH AFRICA

HUMAN FREEDOM

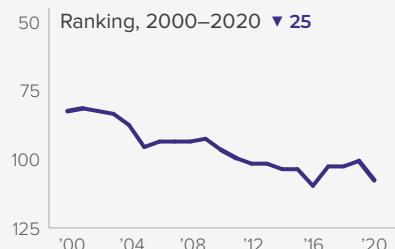
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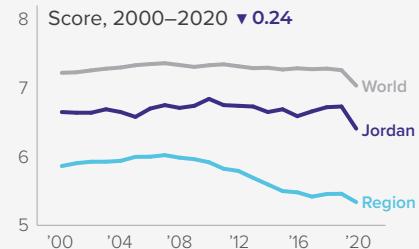
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PERSONAL FREEDOM

Ranking
121/165

Score
5.69

Rule of law

Procedural justice	5.5
Civil justice	5.1
Criminal justice	6.1
Rule of law (V-Dem)	5.6

Security and safety

Homicide	9.1
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	8.4

Movement

Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	5.6
Freedom of movement (CLD)	7.9

Religion

Freedom of religion	4.8
Religious organization repression	4.3

Association, assembly, civil society

Civil society entry and exit	5.3
Freedom of assembly	5.0
Freedom to form/run political parties	2.6
Civil society repression	7.7

Expression and information

Direct attacks on the press	4.5
Media and expression (V-Dem)	8.8
Media and expression (Freedom House)	4.7
Media and expression (BTI)	2.5
Media and expression (CLD)	3.3

Relationships

Same-sex relationships	5.0
Divorce	10.0
Inheritance rights	0.0
Female genital mutilation	10.0

ECONOMIC FREEDOM

Ranking
46/165

Score
7.37

Size of government

Government consumption	7.4
Transfers and subsidies	6.6
Government investment	8.3
Top marginal tax rate	7.1
State ownership of assets	7.0

Legal system and property rights

Judicial independence	4.5
Impartial courts	5.7
Protection of property rights	5.9
Military interference	6.7
Integrity of the legal system	5.8
Legal enforcement of contracts	6.4
Regulatory costs	3.7
Reliability of police	6.7

Sound money

Money growth	9.9
Standard deviation of inflation	9.9
Inflation: Most recent year	9.9
Freedom to own foreign currency	10.0

Freedom to trade internationally

Tariffs	7.2
Regulatory trade barriers	7.1
Black-market exchange rates	6.3
Movement of capital and people	10.0

Regulation

Credit market regulations	7.9
Labor market regulations	8.7
Business regulations	7.7

JORDAN

MIDDLE EAST & NORTH AFRICA

	2000	2002	2004	2006	2008	2010	2012	2014	2016	2018	2019	2020
Human freedom	6.63	6.62	6.63	6.68	6.69	6.82	6.72	6.63	6.57	6.70	6.71	6.39
Ranking	83	83	88	94	94	97	102	104	110	103	101	108
Economic freedom	7.17	7.18	7.07	7.19	7.16	7.45	7.46	7.41	7.47	7.52	7.51	7.37
Personal freedom	6.24	6.22	6.32	6.32	6.35	6.38	6.20	6.08	5.92	6.12	6.15	5.69
Rule of law	5.3	5.3	5.3	5.2	5.2	5.2	5.4	5.7	5.8	5.6	5.6	5.5
Procedural justice	-	-	-	-	4.2	4.2	4.3	5.0	5.2	5.0	5.1	5.1
Civil justice	-	-	-	-	6.5	6.5	6.2	6.3	6.2	6.2	6.1	6.1
Criminal justice	-	-	-	-	5.2	5.2	5.6	5.9	6.0	5.7	5.6	5.6
Rule of law (V-Dem)	5.9	5.9	5.9	5.8	5.8	5.9	5.9	6.0	5.9	6.0	6.1	6.0
Security and safety	8.8	9.3	9.3	9.1	9.2	9.3	9.1	9.0	8.1	9.1	9.0	9.1
Homicide	-	9.7	9.7	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.4	9.4	9.6	9.6	9.7	9.7
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	8.8	8.9	8.9	8.7	9.0	9.0	8.8	8.7	6.7	8.6	8.4	8.4
Movement	7.3	7.1	7.2	7.4	5.6							
Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	8.0	8.0	8.0	8.0	8.0	8.0	8.0	7.9	7.6	7.7	8.1	7.9
Freedom of movement (CLD)	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	3.3
Religion	5.9	5.4	5.9	5.9	6.0	6.1	6.1	5.4	5.4	5.3	5.5	4.8
Freedom of religion	7.0	7.0	6.5	6.5	6.5	6.6	6.5	5.0	5.0	4.8	4.8	4.3
Religious organization repression	4.7	3.7	5.3	5.3	5.5	5.7	5.7	5.8	5.8	5.9	6.3	5.4
Association, assembly, civil society	5.3	5.3	5.3	5.6	5.6	5.7	5.7	5.8	5.8	5.8	5.7	5.3
Civil society entry and exit	4.2	4.2	4.2	5.0	5.1	5.1	5.1	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0
Freedom of assembly	3.1	3.1	3.1	3.1	3.1	3.4	3.4	3.4	3.4	3.4	3.4	2.6
Freedom to form/run political parties	8.3	8.3	8.3	8.3	8.2	8.2	8.2	8.1	8.1	8.2	8.1	7.7
Civil society repression	5.5	5.5	5.5	5.9	5.9	5.9	5.9	6.5	6.5	6.5	6.2	5.8
Expression and information	5.0	4.9	5.1	5.1	5.1	4.9	5.0	4.3	4.2	4.8	4.8	4.5
Direct attacks on the press	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	7.1	7.1	10.0	10.0	8.8
Media and expression (V-Dem)	4.6	4.5	4.5	4.5	4.5	4.8	5.0	4.9	4.9	4.8	4.8	4.7
Media and expression (Freedom House)	2.3	2.2	3.2	3.3	3.0	3.2	3.2	2.8	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5
Media and expression (BTI)	4.4	4.4	4.4	4.4	4.4	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3
Media and expression (CLD)	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3
Relationships	6.1	6.1	6.1	6.1	6.1	6.1	4.9	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0
Same-sex relationships	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Divorce	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Inheritance rights	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Female genital mutilation	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0

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CAUCASUS & CENTRAL ASIA

HUMAN FREEDOM

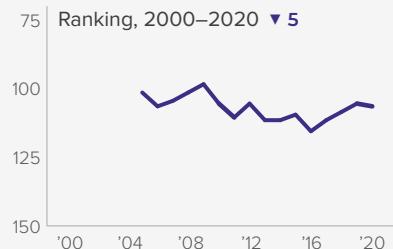
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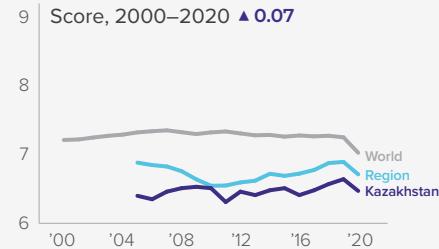
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PERSONAL FREEDOM

Ranking
119/165

Score
5.82

Rule of law

Procedural justice	5.0
Civil justice	4.1
Criminal justice	6.2
Rule of law (V-Dem)	4.5
	5.4

Security and safety

Homicide	8.5
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	9.1

Movement

Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	6.0
Freedom of movement (CLD)	8.7

Religion

Freedom of religion	4.5
Religious organization repression	4.4

Association, assembly, civil society

Civil society entry and exit	4.1
Freedom of assembly	3.1
Freedom to form/run political parties	2.7
Civil society repression	5.4

Expression and information

Direct attacks on the press	2.7
Media and expression (V-Dem)	5.3
Media and expression (Freedom House)	3.6
Media and expression (BTI)	0.0
Media and expression (CLD)	1.1

Relationships

Same-sex relationships	10.0
Divorce	10.0
Inheritance rights	10.0
Female genital mutilation	10.0

ECONOMIC FREEDOM

Ranking
49/165

Score
7.35

Size of government

Government consumption	7.7
Transfers and subsidies	6.1
Government investment	8.1
Top marginal tax rate	10.0
State ownership of assets	9.0

Legal system and property rights

Judicial independence	5.6
Impartial courts	4.3
Protection of property rights	4.2
Military interference	5.6
Integrity of the legal system	8.3
Legal enforcement of contracts	5.2
Regulatory costs	9.9
Reliability of police	5.0

Sound money

Money growth	9.2
Standard deviation of inflation	9.6
Inflation: Most recent year	8.6
Freedom to own foreign currency	8.7

Freedom to trade internationally

Tariffs	6.5
Regulatory trade barriers	7.7
Black-market exchange rates	5.3
Movement of capital and people	10.0

Regulation

Credit market regulations	7.7
Labor market regulations	8.5
Business regulations	7.6

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	2000	2002	2004	2006	2008	2010	2012	2014	2016	2018	2019	2020
Human freedom	-	-	-	6.34	6.50	6.50	6.45	6.47	6.40	6.56	6.63	6.46
Ranking	-	-	-	107	102	106	106	112	116	109	106	107
Economic freedom	-	-	-	6.49	6.68	6.79	7.03	7.11	7.09	7.42	7.60	7.35
Personal freedom	-	-	-	6.24	6.38	6.29	6.03	6.02	5.91	5.95	5.95	5.82
Rule of law	-	-	-	4.6	4.6	4.6	4.5	4.5	4.5	5.1	4.9	5.0
Procedural justice	-	-	-	-	4.2	4.2	4.9	4.1	3.9	4.4	4.1	4.1
Civil justice	-	-	-	-	4.9	4.9	4.7	5.5	5.6	6.2	6.2	6.2
Criminal justice	-	-	-	-	4.6	4.6	4.0	4.1	4.1	4.6	4.5	4.5
Rule of law (V-Dem)	-	-	-	5.6	5.6	5.6	5.5	5.4	5.4	5.2	5.4	5.4
Security and safety	-	-	-	7.1	7.5	8.0	8.1	8.2	8.2	8.2	8.3	8.5
Homicide	-	-	-	6.0	6.7	7.5	7.8	8.5	8.6	8.5	8.5	9.1
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	-	-	-	8.1	8.3	8.4	8.3	8.0	7.8	8.0	8.1	8.0
Movement	-	-	-	7.9	7.8	7.8	7.8	7.8	7.6	7.4	7.4	6.0
Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	-	-	-	9.1	9.0	9.0	9.0	8.9	8.6	8.1	8.1	8.7
Freedom of movement (CLD)	-	-	-	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	3.3
Religion	-	-	-	6.0	6.0	5.5	4.2	3.9	4.0	4.4	4.4	4.5
Freedom of religion	-	-	-	6.4	6.3	6.3	3.9	3.6	3.6	4.1	4.1	4.5
Religious organization repression	-	-	-	5.7	5.8	4.8	4.6	4.3	4.3	4.6	4.6	4.4
Association, assembly, civil society	-	-	-	4.3	4.3	4.3	4.1	4.0	3.5	3.5	3.9	4.1
Civil society entry and exit	-	-	-	3.8	4.0	3.9	3.7	3.5	2.8	2.9	3.4	3.1
Freedom of assembly	-	-	-	3.1	3.1	3.1	3.1	2.7	1.9	1.9	2.7	2.7
Freedom to form/run political parties	-	-	-	5.5	5.5	5.3	4.8	4.8	4.7	4.5	4.7	5.4
Civil society repression	-	-	-	4.7	4.7	5.0	4.8	5.2	4.8	4.6	4.6	5.3
Expression and information	-	-	-	3.8	4.3	3.8	3.5	3.6	3.5	3.1	2.8	2.7
Direct attacks on the press	-	-	-	8.4	10.0	7.6	6.8	8.5	7.9	6.6	5.9	5.3
Media and expression (V-Dem)	-	-	-	4.2	4.2	4.1	4.0	4.0	4.0	3.4	3.4	3.6
Media and expression (Freedom House)	-	-	-	1.1	0.8	0.7	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Media and expression (BTI)	-	-	-	2.2	3.3	3.3	3.3	2.2	2.2	2.2	1.1	1.1
Media and expression (CLD)	-	-	-	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3
Relationships	-	-	-	10.0								
Same-sex relationships	-	-	-	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Divorce	-	-	-	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Inheritance rights	-	-	-	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Female genital mutilation	-	-	-	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0

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KENYA

SUB-SAHARAN AFRICA

HUMAN FREEDOM

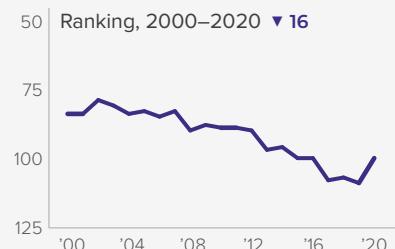
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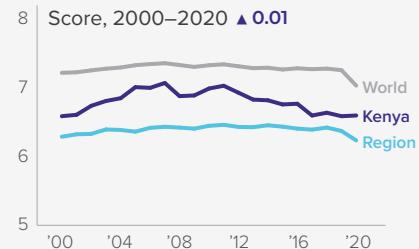
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Ranking, 2000–2020 ▼ 16



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PERSONAL FREEDOM

Ranking
104/165

Score
6.31

Rule of law

Procedural justice	4.1
Civil justice	3.2
Criminal justice	4.7
Rule of law (V-Dem)	3.9
	5.8

Security and safety

Homicide	7.6
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	8.8

Movement

Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	7.5
Freedom of movement (CLD)	8.3

Religion

Freedom of religion	7.5
Religious organization repression	6.4

Association, assembly, civil society

Civil society entry and exit	6.3
Freedom of assembly	6.0
Freedom to form/run political parties	4.3
Civil society repression	8.7

Expression and information

Direct attacks on the press	6.1
Media and expression (V-Dem)	10.0
Media and expression (Freedom House)	7.6
Media and expression (BTI)	5.0
Media and expression (CLD)	4.4

Relationships

Same-sex relationships	5.1
Divorce	5.0
Inheritance rights	2.5
Female genital mutilation	7.9

ECONOMIC FREEDOM

Ranking
78/165

Score
6.96

Size of government

Government consumption	7.3
Transfers and subsidies	7.5
Government investment	9.7
Top marginal tax rate	2.3
State ownership of assets	9.0

Legal system and property rights

Judicial independence	5.0
Impartial courts	5.3
Protection of property rights	4.3
Military interference	5.0
Integrity of the legal system	5.8
Legal enforcement of contracts	5.5
Regulatory costs	4.4
Reliability of police	7.2

Sound money

Money growth	9.3
Standard deviation of inflation	9.3
Inflation: Most recent year	9.0
Freedom to own foreign currency	8.9

Freedom to trade internationally

Tariffs	6.3
Regulatory trade barriers	6.2
Black-market exchange rates	5.3
Movement of capital and people	10.0

Regulation

Credit market regulations	6.9
Labor market regulations	6.8
Business regulations	7.1

KENYA

SUB-SAHARAN AFRICA

	2000	2002	2004	2006	2008	2010	2012	2014	2016	2018	2019	2020
Human freedom	6.57	6.72	6.83	6.98	6.86	6.97	6.91	6.80	6.75	6.62	6.57	6.58
Ranking	84	79	84	85	90	89	90	96	100	107	109	100
Economic freedom	6.63	6.70	6.81	7.15	6.98	7.14	7.17	7.20	7.02	7.06	7.00	6.96
Personal freedom	6.52	6.74	6.85	6.86	6.78	6.84	6.73	6.51	6.55	6.30	6.26	6.31
Rule of law	3.7	3.9	4.1	4.1	4.1	4.3	3.6	3.7	4.0	3.9	3.9	4.1
Procedural justice	-	-	-	-	4.1	4.1	2.9	3.1	3.5	3.1	3.2	3.2
Civil justice	-	-	-	-	4.7	4.7	4.4	4.3	4.6	4.6	4.7	4.7
Criminal justice	-	-	-	-	4.0	4.0	3.3	3.5	3.8	3.8	3.9	3.9
Rule of law (V-Dem)	4.9	5.2	5.4	5.4	5.4	5.6	5.6	5.7	5.7	5.6	5.6	5.8
Security and safety	8.2	8.4	8.6	8.5	7.5	7.7	6.7	6.6	7.6	7.5	7.5	7.6
Homicide	9.0	9.0	9.0	9.1	9.1	8.6	8.4	8.5	8.6	8.6	8.6	8.8
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	7.4	7.7	8.2	8.0	5.9	6.8	4.9	4.6	6.5	6.5	6.5	6.4
Movement	7.1	7.3	7.3	7.3	7.3	7.4	7.4	7.6	7.6	7.5	7.5	7.5
Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	7.6	8.0	8.0	8.0	7.9	8.2	8.2	8.6	8.6	8.3	8.3	8.3
Freedom of movement (CLD)	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7
Religion	8.6	8.6	8.3	8.3	8.3	8.6	8.6	7.2	7.2	7.4	7.4	7.5
Freedom of religion	7.8	8.0	8.0	8.0	8.0	8.0	8.0	6.2	6.2	6.2	6.2	6.4
Religious organization repression	9.3	9.3	8.6	8.6	8.6	9.2	9.2	8.1	8.1	8.6	8.6	8.6
Association, assembly, civil society	6.9	7.2	7.6	7.6	7.7	7.7	7.8	7.6	6.9	6.4	6.4	6.3
Civil society entry and exit	6.3	6.5	6.9	6.9	6.8	7.0	7.0	6.7	5.6	6.0	6.0	6.0
Freedom of assembly	6.6	6.6	6.6	6.6	7.3	6.2	6.9	6.9	5.4	4.3	4.3	4.3
Freedom to form/run political parties	8.3	8.8	8.8	8.8	8.9	8.9	8.9	9.3	9.3	8.9	9.0	8.7
Civil society repression	6.3	6.8	8.1	8.1	8.0	8.6	8.6	7.4	7.4	6.3	6.3	6.2
Expression and information	6.0	6.5	6.9	6.9	7.3	7.0	7.5	7.4	7.1	6.4	6.0	6.1
Direct attacks on the press	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	9.6	9.3	9.3	9.7	9.4	9.7	9.7	10.0
Media and expression (V-Dem)	6.7	6.7	7.5	7.5	7.4	7.7	7.7	7.6	7.6	7.3	7.3	7.6
Media and expression (Freedom House)	4.2	3.5	4.8	5.0	4.8	5.8	6.1	5.2	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0
Media and expression (BTI)	5.6	5.6	5.6	5.6	7.8	5.6	7.8	7.8	6.7	6.7	4.4	4.4
Media and expression (CLD)	3.3	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	3.3	3.3	3.3
Relationships	5.2	5.2	5.2	5.2	5.2	5.2	5.6	5.6	5.6	5.1	5.1	5.1
Same-sex relationships	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0
Divorce	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0
Inheritance rights	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	2.5	2.5	2.5
Female genital mutilation	6.0	6.0	6.0	6.0	6.0	6.0	7.3	7.3	7.3	7.9	7.9	7.9

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KOREA, REP.

EAST ASIA

HUMAN FREEDOM

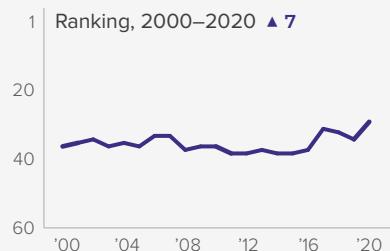
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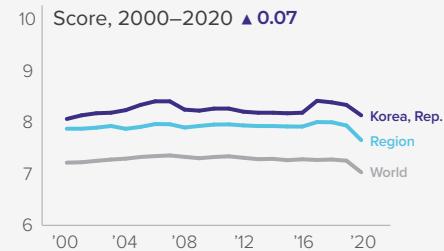
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Score, 2000–2020 ▲ 0.07



PERSONAL FREEDOM

Ranking
26/165

Score
8.60

Rule of law

Procedural justice	7.8
Civil justice	8.7
Criminal justice	7.7
Rule of law (V-Dem)	7.1
	7.9

Security and safety

Homicide	9.7
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	9.8

Movement

Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	6.4
Freedom of movement (CLD)	9.4

Religion

Freedom of religion	9.9
Religious organization repression	9.9

Association, assembly, civil society

Civil society entry and exit	8.5
Freedom of assembly	6.8
Freedom to form/run political parties	7.8
Civil society repression	9.6

Expression and information

Direct attacks on the press	8.0
Media and expression (V-Dem)	10.0
Media and expression (Freedom House)	8.1
Media and expression (BTI)	7.5
Media and expression (CLD)	7.8
	6.7

Relationships

Same-sex relationships	10.0
Divorce	10.0
Inheritance rights	10.0
Female genital mutilation	10.0

ECONOMIC FREEDOM

Ranking
43/165

Score
7.42

Size of government

Government consumption	6.3
Transfers and subsidies	3.5
Government investment	6.5
Top marginal tax rate	9.5
State ownership of assets	5.0
	7.2

Legal system and property rights

Judicial independence	6.7
Impartial courts	6.1
Protection of property rights	6.7
Military interference	6.7
Integrity of the legal system	8.0
Legal enforcement of contracts	6.9
Regulatory costs	8.2
Reliability of police	7.2

Sound money

Money growth	9.7
Standard deviation of inflation	9.2
Inflation: Most recent year	9.5
Freedom to own foreign currency	9.9

Freedom to trade internationally

Tariffs	7.2
Regulatory trade barriers	5.6
Black-market exchange rates	7.6
Movement of capital and people	10.0
	5.4

Regulation

Credit market regulations	7.3
Labor market regulations	9.1
Business regulations	4.8
	8.1

KOREA, REP.

EAST ASIA

	2000	2002	2004	2006	2008	2010	2012	2014	2016	2018	2019	2020
Human freedom	8.04	8.15	8.21	8.38	8.22	8.24	8.18	8.16	8.16	8.36	8.31	8.11
Ranking	37	35	36	34	38	37	39	39	38	33	35	30
Economic freedom	6.90	7.15	7.26	7.65	7.49	7.60	7.63	7.65	7.70	7.69	7.62	7.42
Personal freedom	8.85	8.87	8.88	8.90	8.74	8.70	8.57	8.52	8.49	8.84	8.81	8.60
Rule of law	7.6	7.6	7.6	7.6	7.5	7.5	7.6	7.6	7.4	7.7	7.8	7.8
Procedural justice	-	-	-	-	7.7	7.7	7.8	7.6	7.9	8.4	8.7	8.7
Civil justice	-	-	-	-	7.2	7.2	7.4	8.1	7.4	7.6	7.7	7.7
Criminal justice	-	-	-	-	7.6	7.6	7.6	7.1	7.0	7.1	7.1	7.1
Rule of law (V-Dem)	8.1	8.1	8.1	8.1	7.9	7.9	7.9	7.8	7.7	8.0	7.9	7.9
Security and safety	9.4	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.7	9.7	9.7
Homicide	-	-	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	9.4	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.4	9.4	9.4	9.4	9.4	9.5	9.5	9.5
Movement	8.1	6.4										
Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.4
Freedom of movement (CLD)	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	3.3
Religion	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.0	8.8	8.8	9.9	9.9
Freedom of religion	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	8.3	8.3	8.3	9.9	9.9	9.9
Religious organization repression	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.4	9.4	9.8	9.8	9.9
Association, assembly, civil society	8.4	8.4	8.4	8.4	8.1	8.1	8.1	8.0	8.0	8.7	8.2	8.5
Civil society entry and exit	7.6	7.6	7.6	7.6	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.4	7.4	8.5	6.9	6.8
Freedom of assembly	8.1	8.1	8.1	8.1	8.1	8.1	8.1	8.1	7.8	7.8	7.8	7.8
Freedom to form/run political parties	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.4	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.6
Civil society repression	8.0	8.0	8.0	8.0	7.0	7.0	7.0	7.0	7.0	8.9	8.3	9.6
Expression and information	8.6	8.4	8.4	8.6	8.2	7.9	7.7	7.5	7.5	7.9	8.1	8.0
Direct attacks on the press	9.2	8.4	9.2	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Media and expression (V-Dem)	8.7	8.7	8.7	8.7	7.2	7.2	7.2	6.5	6.6	8.4	8.4	8.1
Media and expression (Freedom House)	9.6	9.0	8.6	8.5	8.3	7.9	8.1	7.7	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5
Media and expression (BTI)	8.9	8.9	8.9	8.9	8.9	7.8	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	7.8	7.8
Media and expression (CLD)	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7
Relationships	10.0											
Same-sex relationships	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Divorce	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Inheritance rights	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Female genital mutilation	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0

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KUWAIT

MIDDLE EAST & NORTH AFRICA

HUMAN FREEDOM

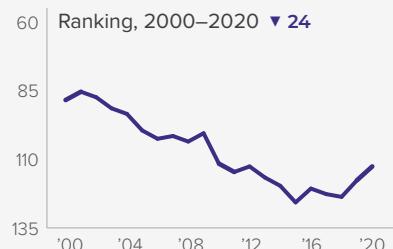
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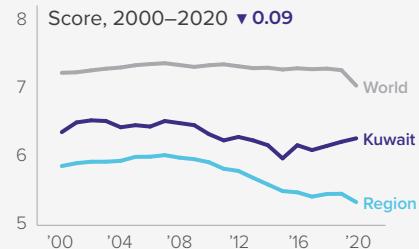
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PERSONAL FREEDOM

Ranking
117/165

Score
5.92

Rule of law

Procedural justice	-
Civil justice	-
Criminal justice	-
Rule of law (V-Dem)	5.9

Security and safety

Homicide	9.5
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	8.7

Movement

Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	8.4
Freedom of movement (CLD)	6.7

Religion

Freedom of religion	4.8
Religious organization repression	6.9

Association, assembly, civil society

Civil society entry and exit	4.2
Freedom of assembly	3.1
Freedom to form/run political parties	2.1
Civil society repression	5.6

Expression and information

Direct attacks on the press	10.0
Media and expression (V-Dem)	5.5
Media and expression (Freedom House)	2.5
Media and expression (BTI)	3.3
Media and expression (CLD)	3.3

Relationships

Same-sex relationships	5.0
Divorce	2.5
Inheritance rights	0.0
Female genital mutilation	10.0

ECONOMIC FREEDOM

Ranking
88/165

Score
6.73

Size of government

Government consumption	0.9
Transfers and subsidies	6.9
Government investment	6.5
Top marginal tax rate	10.0
State ownership of assets	5.4

Legal system and property rights

Judicial independence	6.1
Impartial courts	6.0
Protection of property rights	5.7
Military interference	8.3
Integrity of the legal system	6.7
Legal enforcement of contracts	5.1
Regulatory costs	9.5
Reliability of police	6.6

Sound money

Money growth	9.6
Standard deviation of inflation	5.2
Inflation: Most recent year	9.6
Freedom to own foreign currency	10.0

Freedom to trade internationally

Tariffs	8.8
Regulatory trade barriers	4.7
Black-market exchange rates	10.0
Movement of capital and people	3.6

Regulation

Credit market regulations	10.0
Labor market regulations	5.5
Business regulations	6.6

KUWAIT

MIDDLE EAST & NORTH AFRICA

	2000	2002	2004	2006	2008	2010	2012	2014	2016	2018	2019	2020
Human freedom	6.34	6.51	6.41	6.42	6.47	6.31	6.27	6.15	6.15	6.14	6.20	6.25
Ranking	89	88	94	103	104	112	113	120	121	124	118	113
Economic freedom	6.75	7.18	6.94	7.12	6.92	6.73	6.80	6.75	6.78	6.68	6.74	6.73
Personal freedom	6.04	6.02	6.04	5.93	6.14	6.02	5.89	5.73	5.71	5.75	5.82	5.92
Rule of law	5.8	5.9										
Procedural justice	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Civil justice	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Criminal justice	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Rule of law (V-Dem)	5.8	5.8	5.8	5.8	5.8	5.8	5.8	5.8	5.8	5.8	5.8	5.9
Security and safety	9.2	9.1	9.2	9.2	9.3	9.1	9.1	8.8	9.1	9.1	9.1	9.1
Homicide	9.5	9.7	9.4	9.4	9.6	9.4	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	8.9	8.4	8.9	8.9	9.1	8.7	8.8	8.1	8.7	8.7	8.7	8.7
Movement	7.5											
Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	8.3	8.3	8.3	8.3	8.3	8.3	8.3	8.3	8.3	8.3	8.4	8.4
Freedom of movement (CLD)	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7
Religion	6.4	6.4	6.4	5.5	5.5	5.5	5.5	5.5	5.5	5.8	5.8	5.9
Freedom of religion	6.3	6.3	6.3	4.6	4.6	4.6	4.6	4.6	4.6	4.6	4.6	4.8
Religious organization repression	6.5	6.5	6.5	6.5	6.4	6.4	6.4	6.4	6.4	6.9	6.9	6.9
Association, assembly, civil society	3.6	3.6	3.6	3.6	3.7	3.7	3.8	3.8	3.6	3.9	3.8	3.8
Civil society entry and exit	3.5	3.5	3.5	3.5	3.5	3.5	3.5	3.7	3.6	4.4	4.2	4.2
Freedom of assembly	2.9	2.9	2.9	2.9	3.4	3.8	3.8	3.8	3.1	3.1	3.1	3.1
Freedom to form/run political parties	2.3	2.3	2.3	2.3	2.3	2.1	2.1	2.1	2.1	2.1	2.1	2.1
Civil society repression	5.5	5.5	5.5	5.5	5.5	5.4	5.7	5.7	5.7	5.9	5.9	5.6
Expression and information	4.3	4.3	4.3	4.3	5.6	4.9	4.6	4.4	4.2	3.9	4.3	4.9
Direct attacks on the press	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	10.0	5.9	5.9	5.0	5.0	5.0	6.8	10.0
Media and expression (V-Dem)	6.0	6.1	6.0	5.8	5.9	5.8	5.7	5.6	5.5	5.2	5.5	5.5
Media and expression (Freedom House)	2.9	2.9	2.8	3.1	3.2	2.9	2.6	2.6	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5
Media and expression (BTI)	-	-	-	-	5.6	6.7	5.6	5.6	4.4	3.3	3.3	3.3
Media and expression (CLD)	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3
Relationships	5.6	5.6	5.6	5.6	5.6	5.6	5.0	4.4	4.4	4.4	4.4	4.4
Same-sex relationships	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0
Divorce	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5
Inheritance rights	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	2.5	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Female genital mutilation	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0

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KYRGYZ REPUBLIC

CAUCASUS & CENTRAL ASIA

HUMAN FREEDOM

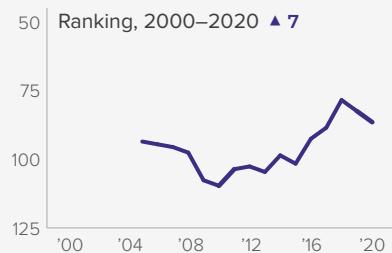
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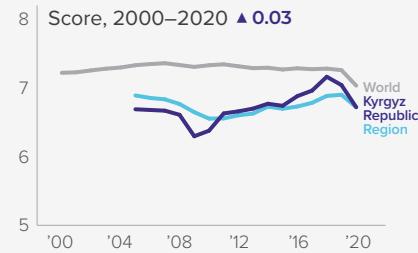
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PERSONAL FREEDOM

Ranking
98/165

Score
6.51

Rule of law

Procedural justice	3.6
Civil justice	3.5
Criminal justice	4.7
Rule of law (V-Dem)	3.2
	5.6

Security and safety

Homicide	8.5
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	9.4

Movement

Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	5.8
Freedom of movement (CLD)	8.3

Religion

Freedom of religion	7.0
Religious organization repression	7.5

Association, assembly, civil society

Civil society entry and exit	6.2
Freedom of assembly	5.7
Freedom to form/run political parties	4.2
Civil society repression	8.6

Expression and information

Direct attacks on the press	5.0
Media and expression (V-Dem)	6.2
Media and expression (Freedom House)	5.0
Media and expression (BTI)	5.6
Media and expression (CLD)	3.3

Relationships

Same-sex relationships	9.4
Divorce	10.0
Inheritance rights	10.0
Female genital mutilation	7.5

ECONOMIC FREEDOM

Ranking
77/165

Score
6.97

Size of government

Government consumption	7.2
Transfers and subsidies	6.1
Government investment	7.1
Top marginal tax rate	-
State ownership of assets	8.5

Legal system and property rights

Judicial independence	4.9
Impartial courts	4.5
Protection of property rights	3.6
Military interference	4.3
Integrity of the legal system	-
Legal enforcement of contracts	5.7
Regulatory costs	4.2
Reliability of police	9.9

Sound money

Money growth	8.9
Standard deviation of inflation	8.1
Inflation: Most recent year	8.9
Freedom to own foreign currency	8.7

Freedom to trade internationally

Tariffs	6.8
Regulatory trade barriers	8.0
Black-market exchange rates	5.6
Movement of capital and people	10.0

Regulation

Credit market regulations	8.7
Labor market regulations	5.9
Business regulations	6.4

KYRGYZ REPUBLIC

CAUCASUS & CENTRAL ASIA

	2000	2002	2004	2006	2008	2010	2012	2014	2016	2018	2019	2020
Human freedom	-	-	-	6.66	6.59	6.36	6.64	6.75	6.86	7.14	7.02	6.70
Ranking	-	-	-	95	98	110	103	99	93	79	83	87
Economic freedom	-	-	-	6.76	6.76	6.78	6.73	7.10	7.17	7.16	7.17	6.97
Personal freedom	-	-	-	6.60	6.46	6.07	6.57	6.49	6.64	7.13	6.92	6.51
Rule of law	-	-	-	3.7	3.7	3.8	3.8	4.0	3.8	4.1	3.8	3.6
Procedural justice	-	-	-	-	3.9	3.9	3.9	4.3	-	4.0	3.5	3.5
Civil justice	-	-	-	-	4.6	4.6	4.2	4.3	-	4.9	4.7	4.7
Criminal justice	-	-	-	-	3.5	3.5	3.3	3.4	-	3.3	3.2	3.2
Rule of law (V-Dem)	-	-	-	5.4	5.3	5.5	5.7	5.7	5.7	6.1	5.9	5.6
Security and safety	-	-	-	7.9	7.9	5.8	7.1	7.3	8.1	8.7	8.6	8.5
Homicide	-	-	-	7.6	7.6	4.3	8.0	8.4	8.7	9.4	9.4	9.4
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	-	-	-	8.2	8.2	7.3	6.2	6.3	7.5	7.9	7.8	7.7
Movement	-	-	-	7.7	7.7	7.7	7.6	7.5	7.8	7.7	5.8	
Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	-	-	-	8.8	8.7	8.7	8.7	8.5	8.4	8.9	8.8	8.3
Freedom of movement (CLD)	-	-	-	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	3.3
Religion	-	-	-	6.1	6.1	5.8	6.1	6.0	5.6	6.9	7.0	7.0
Freedom of religion	-	-	-	6.8	6.7	5.5	5.8	5.7	5.3	7.4	7.5	7.5
Religious organization repression	-	-	-	5.4	5.4	6.2	6.4	6.2	5.9	6.5	6.5	6.6
Association, assembly, civil society	-	-	-	6.5	6.0	6.7	7.2	6.5	6.7	7.3	6.9	6.2
Civil society entry and exit	-	-	-	5.3	5.0	6.7	6.9	6.5	6.4	7.3	6.3	5.7
Freedom of assembly	-	-	-	5.7	5.4	3.9	5.0	4.2	5.3	5.3	6.1	4.2
Freedom to form/run political parties	-	-	-	8.3	8.4	9.1	9.0	8.9	8.6	8.9	8.6	8.6
Civil society repression	-	-	-	6.5	5.2	7.3	7.9	6.6	6.3	7.6	6.7	6.4
Expression and information	-	-	-	5.4	5.2	3.9	5.3	5.3	6.0	5.9	5.1	5.0
Direct attacks on the press	-	-	-	10.0	7.2	2.7	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0
Media and expression (V-Dem)	-	-	-	5.5	5.0	5.8	7.1	6.5	6.6	7.1	6.5	6.2
Media and expression (Freedom House)	-	-	-	5.0	3.7	4.2	4.5	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0
Media and expression (BTI)	-	-	-	3.3	6.7	3.3	6.7	6.7	6.7	5.6	5.6	5.6
Media and expression (CLD)	-	-	-	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	6.7	6.7	3.3	3.3
Relationships	-	-	-	8.8	8.8	8.8	8.8	8.8	8.8	9.4	9.4	9.4
Same-sex relationships	-	-	-	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Divorce	-	-	-	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Inheritance rights	-	-	-	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	7.5	7.5	7.5
Female genital mutilation	-	-	-	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0

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SOUTH ASIA

HUMAN FREEDOM

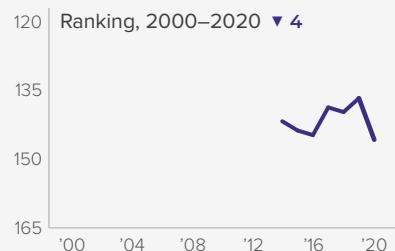
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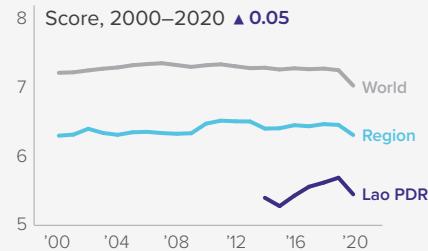
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PERSONAL FREEDOM

Ranking
151/165

Score
4.69

Rule of law

Procedural justice	-
Civil justice	-
Criminal justice	-
Rule of law (V-Dem)	3.6

Security and safety

Homicide	8.0
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	7.3

Movement

Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	5.2
Freedom of movement (CLD)	3.3

Religion

Freedom of religion	4.3
Religious organization repression	4.7

Association, assembly, civil society

Civil society entry and exit	1.5
Freedom of assembly	1.1
Freedom to form/run political parties	1.2
Civil society repression	3.1

Expression and information

Direct attacks on the press	10.0
Media and expression (V-Dem)	1.9
Media and expression (Freedom House)	0.0
Media and expression (BTI)	0.0
Media and expression (CLD)	0.0

Relationships

Same-sex relationships	10.0
Divorce	7.5
Inheritance rights	7.5
Female genital mutilation	10.0

ECONOMIC FREEDOM

Ranking
109/165

Score
6.50

Size of government

Government consumption	7.2
Transfers and subsidies	6.8
Government investment	9.9
Top marginal tax rate	7.4
State ownership of assets	9.0

Legal system and property rights

Judicial independence	5.1
Impartial courts	3.9
Protection of property rights	4.6
Military interference	-
Integrity of the legal system	3.5
Legal enforcement of contracts	3.1
Regulatory costs	8.5
Reliability of police	5.4

Sound money

Money growth	6.4
Standard deviation of inflation	9.5
Inflation: Most recent year	9.0
Freedom to own foreign currency	5.0

Freedom to trade internationally

Tariffs	8.1
Regulatory trade barriers	6.5
Black-market exchange rates	10.0
Movement of capital and people	1.1

Regulation

Credit market regulations	9.1
Labor market regulations	4.8
Business regulations	5.7

LAO PDR

SOUTH ASIA

	2000	2002	2004	2006	2008	2010	2012	2014	2016	2018	2019	2020
Human freedom	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5.39	5.42	5.61	5.68	5.44
Ranking	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	142	145	140	137	146
Economic freedom	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6.51	6.49	6.67	6.65	6.50
Personal freedom	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4.60	4.65	4.85	4.99	4.69
Rule of law	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3.2	3.2	3.4	3.6	3.6
Procedural justice	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Civil justice	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Criminal justice	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Rule of law (V-Dem)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3.2	3.2	3.4	3.6	3.6
Security and safety	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	7.3	7.4	7.6	7.6	7.6
Homicide	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	8.0	8.0	8.0	8.0	8.0
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6.5	6.9	7.3	7.3	7.3
Movement	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5.8	5.8	5.8	6.2	4.2
Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4.9	4.9	4.9	5.7	5.2
Freedom of movement (CLD)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	3.3
Religion	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4.2	4.2	4.2	4.5	4.5
Freedom of religion	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3.7	3.7	3.7	4.6	4.3
Religious organization repression	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4.6	4.6	4.6	4.4	4.7
Association, assembly, civil society	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1.3	1.6	1.9	1.9	1.7
Civil society entry and exit	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1.1	1.1	1.4	1.4	1.5
Freedom of assembly	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.0	1.1	1.1	1.1	1.1
Freedom to form/run political parties	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1.2	1.2	1.6	2.1	1.2
Civil society repression	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2.8	2.8	3.5	3.2	3.1
Expression and information	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2.4	2.4	2.3	2.3	2.4
Direct attacks on the press	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Media and expression (V-Dem)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2.0	1.8	1.6	1.7	1.9
Media and expression (Freedom House)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Media and expression (BTI)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Media and expression (CLD)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Relationships	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	8.1	8.1	8.8	8.8	8.8
Same-sex relationships	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Divorce	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5
Inheritance rights	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5.0	5.0	7.5	7.5	7.5
Female genital mutilation	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0

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EASTERN EUROPE

HUMAN FREEDOM

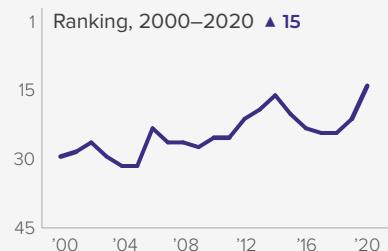
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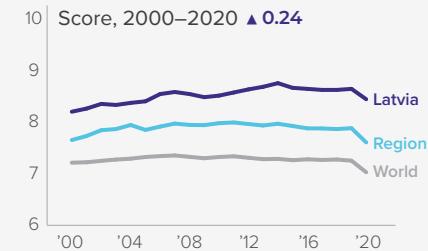
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Score, 2000–2020 ▲ 0.24



PERSONAL FREEDOM

Ranking
16/165

Score
8.89

Rule of law

Procedural justice	7.0
Civil justice	7.7
Criminal justice	6.6
Rule of law (V-Dem)	6.5

Rule of law

7.0

Procedural justice

7.7

Civil justice

6.6

Criminal justice

6.5

Rule of law (V-Dem)

7.9

Security and safety

Homicide	9.6
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	9.2

Security and safety

9.6

Homicide

9.2

Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism

9.9

Movement

Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	8.2
Freedom of movement (CLD)	9.8

Movement

8.2

Freedom of movement (V-Dem)

9.8

Freedom of movement (CLD)

6.7

Religion

Freedom of religion	9.7
Religious organization repression	9.8

Religion

9.7

Freedom of religion

9.8

Religious organization repression

9.6

Association, assembly, civil society

Civil society entry and exit	9.6
Freedom of assembly	9.2
Freedom to form/run political parties	10.0
Civil society repression	9.5

Association, assembly, civil society

9.6

Civil society entry and exit

9.2

Freedom of assembly

10.0

Freedom to form/run political parties

9.5

Civil society repression

9.7

Expression and information

Direct attacks on the press	8.2
Media and expression (V-Dem)	10.0
Media and expression (Freedom House)	8.8
Media and expression (BTI)	7.5
Media and expression (CLD)	7.8
Media and expression (CLD)	6.7

Expression and information

8.2

Direct attacks on the press

10.0

Media and expression (V-Dem)

8.8

Media and expression (Freedom House)

7.5

Media and expression (BTI)

7.8

Media and expression (CLD)

6.7

Relationships

Same-sex relationships	10.0
Divorce	10.0
Inheritance rights	10.0
Female genital mutilation	10.0

Relationships

10.0

Same-sex relationships

10.0

Divorce

10.0

Inheritance rights

10.0

Female genital mutilation

10.0

ECONOMIC FREEDOM

Ranking
16/165

Score
7.77

Size of government

Government consumption	6.2
Transfers and subsidies	4.0
Government investment	5.8
Top marginal tax rate	7.6
State ownership of assets	5.5

Size of government

6.2

Government consumption

4.0

Transfers and subsidies

5.8

Government investment

7.6

Top marginal tax rate

5.5

State ownership of assets

8.1

Legal system and property rights

Judicial independence	7.1
Impartial courts	6.9
Protection of property rights	6.0
Military interference	6.2
Integrity of the legal system	8.3
Legal enforcement of contracts	8.2
Regulatory costs	5.5
Reliability of police	9.0

Legal system and property rights

7.1

Judicial independence

6.9

Impartial courts

6.0

Protection of property rights

6.2

Military interference

8.3

Integrity of the legal system

8.2

Legal enforcement of contracts

5.5

Regulatory costs

9.0

Reliability of police

6.2

Sound money

Money growth	9.2
Standard deviation of inflation	7.5
Inflation: Most recent year	9.3
Freedom to own foreign currency	10.0

Sound money

9.2

Money growth

7.5

Standard deviation of inflation

9.3

Inflation: Most recent year

10.0

Freedom to own foreign currency

10.0

Freedom to trade internationally

Tariffs	8.4
Regulatory trade barriers	8.1
Black-market exchange rates	10.0
Movement of capital and people	7.3

Freedom to trade internationally

8.4

Tariffs

8.0

Regulatory trade barriers

8.1

Black-market exchange rates

10.0

Movement of capital and people

7.3

Regulation

Credit market regulations	8.1
Labor market regulations	7.6
Business regulations	7.7

Regulation

8.1

Credit market regulations

8.8

Labor market regulations

7.6

Business regulations

7.7

LATVIA

EASTERN EUROPE

	2000	2002	2004	2006	2008	2010	2012	2014	2016	2018	2019	2020
Human freedom	8.18	8.33	8.35	8.52	8.52	8.49	8.61	8.73	8.62	8.60	8.62	8.42
Ranking	30	27	32	24	27	26	22	17	24	25	22	15
Economic freedom	7.45	7.83	7.82	7.91	7.88	7.73	7.88	8.12	8.02	7.93	7.94	7.77
Personal freedom	8.70	8.69	8.72	8.95	8.97	9.03	9.13	9.16	9.06	9.08	9.10	8.89
Rule of law	6.9	6.9	6.9	6.9	7.0	7.1	7.2	7.1	6.7	7.0	7.0	7.0
Procedural justice	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	7.7	7.7
Civil justice	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6.6	6.6
Criminal justice	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6.5	6.5
Rule of law (V-Dem)	7.7	7.7	7.7	7.7	7.8	8.0	8.1	8.0	7.6	7.8	7.8	7.9
Security and safety	7.5	8.5	8.6	9.0	9.0	9.4	9.4	9.5	9.4	9.2	9.3	9.6
Homicide	7.1	7.3	7.7	8.3	8.7	9.0	9.0	9.1	9.0	8.7	8.9	9.2
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	7.8	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.4	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.7	9.7	9.8	9.9
Movement	9.9	9.8	9.9	9.9	8.2							
Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.6	9.8	9.8	9.8
Freedom of movement (CLD)	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	6.7
Religion	8.8	8.8	8.8	8.8	8.8	8.9	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7
Freedom of religion	8.1	8.1	8.1	8.1	8.1	8.1	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8
Religious organization repression	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.6
Association, assembly, civil society	9.2	9.2	9.2	9.4	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.6
Civil society entry and exit	8.6	8.6	8.6	8.6	8.6	8.6	8.6	9.2	9.2	9.2	9.2	9.2
Freedom of assembly	8.9	8.9	8.9	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Freedom to form/run political parties	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5
Civil society repression	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7
Expression and information	8.8	7.7	7.7	8.7	8.6	8.5	8.3	8.3	8.2	8.2	8.2	8.2
Direct attacks on the press	10.0	5.0	5.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Media and expression (V-Dem)	8.7	8.7	8.7	8.7	8.7	8.7	8.7	8.9	8.9	9.0	9.3	8.8
Media and expression (Freedom House)	8.4	8.0	8.1	8.0	7.7	7.2	7.0	7.2	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5
Media and expression (BTI)	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	8.9	8.9	7.8	7.8	7.8	7.8
Media and expression (CLD)	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7
Relationships	10.0											
Same-sex relationships	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Divorce	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Inheritance rights	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Female genital mutilation	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0

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MIDDLE EAST & NORTH AFRICA

HUMAN FREEDOM

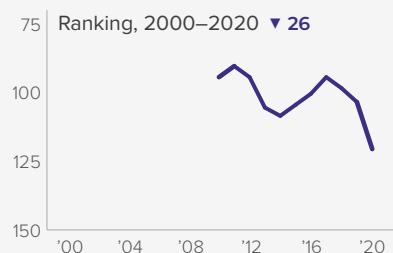
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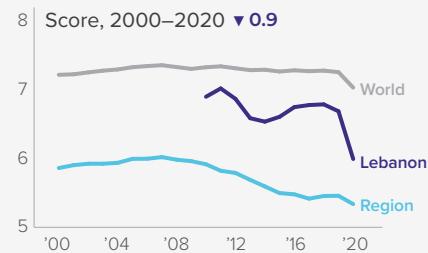
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Score, 2000–2020 ▾ 0.9



PERSONAL FREEDOM

Ranking
101/165

Score
6.37

Rule of law

Procedural justice	4.0
Civil justice	4.6
Criminal justice	4.2
Rule of law (V-Dem)	3.5

Rule of law (V-Dem)	5.5
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Security and safety

Homicide	8.2
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	9.5

Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	7.0
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Movement

Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	5.8
Freedom of movement (CLD)	8.3

Freedom of movement (CLD)	3.3
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Religion

Freedom of religion	8.7
Religious organization repression	7.7

Religious organization repression	9.7
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Association, assembly, civil society

Civil society entry and exit	7.7
Freedom of assembly	8.1

Freedom of assembly	7.3
Freedom to form/run political parties	8.5

Freedom to form/run political parties	7.0
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Association, assembly, civil society

Expression and information

Direct attacks on the press	5.7
Media and expression (V-Dem)	8.2

Media and expression (V-Dem)	6.5
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Media and expression (Freedom House)	5.0
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Media and expression (BTI)	5.6
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Media and expression (CLD)	3.3
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Relationships

Same-sex relationships	4.4
Divorce	5.0

Divorce	0.0
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Inheritance rights	2.5
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Female genital mutilation	10.0
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ECONOMIC FREEDOM

Ranking
154/165

Score
5.45

Size of government

Government consumption	8.2
Transfers and subsidies	9.4
Government investment	8.2
Top marginal tax rate	7.8
State ownership of assets	9.0

Legal system and property rights

Judicial independence	4.1
Impartial courts	4.7
Protection of property rights	3.6
Military interference	5.1
Integrity of the legal system	3.3
Legal enforcement of contracts	4.5
Regulatory costs	3.2
Reliability of police	7.3

Sound money

Money growth	5.0
Standard deviation of inflation	9.9
Inflation: Most recent year	0.0
Freedom to own foreign currency	0.0

Freedom to trade internationally

Tariffs	3.5
Regulatory trade barriers	7.9
Black-market exchange rates	4.0
Movement of capital and people	0.0

Regulation

Credit market regulations	6.4
Labor market regulations	6.7
Business regulations	7.5

LEBANON

MIDDLE EAST & NORTH AFRICA

	2000	2002	2004	2006	2008	2010	2012	2014	2016	2018	2019	2020
Human freedom	-	-	-	-	-	6.88	6.85	6.52	6.73	6.77	6.67	5.98
Ranking	-	-	-	-	-	95	95	109	101	99	104	121
Economic freedom	-	-	-	-	-	7.18	7.13	7.12	7.15	7.03	6.85	5.45
Personal freedom	-	-	-	-	-	6.67	6.65	6.09	6.43	6.58	6.54	6.37
Rule of law	-	-	-	-	-	5.3	4.9	4.1	4.3	4.2	4.1	4.0
Procedural justice	-	-	-	-	-	6.4	6.1	4.4	4.6	4.8	4.6	4.6
Civil justice	-	-	-	-	-	4.5	4.5	4.8	4.7	4.2	4.2	4.2
Criminal justice	-	-	-	-	-	4.9	4.2	3.1	3.7	3.5	3.5	3.5
Rule of law (V-Dem)	-	-	-	-	-	5.5	5.5	5.5	5.6	5.6	5.6	5.5
Security and safety	-	-	-	-	-	8.3	7.5	5.9	7.4	8.3	8.0	8.2
Homicide	-	-	-	-	-	8.9	8.9	8.8	9.0	9.3	9.2	9.5
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	-	-	-	-	-	7.6	6.1	3.0	5.8	7.3	6.9	7.0
Movement	-	-	-	-	-	7.6	7.6	7.5	7.7	7.5	7.5	5.8
Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	-	-	-	-	-	8.5	8.4	8.4	8.7	8.4	8.4	8.3
Freedom of movement (CLD)	-	-	-	-	-	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	3.3
Religion	-	-	-	-	-	8.7	8.9	8.8	8.6	8.5	8.6	8.7
Freedom of religion	-	-	-	-	-	7.7	8.0	8.0	7.5	7.6	7.6	7.7
Religious organization repression	-	-	-	-	-	9.8	9.8	9.6	9.6	9.5	9.7	9.7
Association, assembly, civil society	-	-	-	-	-	7.6	7.9	7.6	7.4	7.3	7.4	7.7
Civil society entry and exit	-	-	-	-	-	8.2	8.6	7.7	7.8	6.8	7.2	8.1
Freedom of assembly	-	-	-	-	-	6.1	6.5	6.5	6.1	7.3	7.3	7.3
Freedom to form/run political parties	-	-	-	-	-	8.7	8.8	8.8	8.8	8.8	8.4	8.5
Civil society repression	-	-	-	-	-	7.5	7.6	7.2	7.1	6.5	6.8	7.0
Expression and information	-	-	-	-	-	5.4	6.1	5.1	5.8	5.9	5.7	5.7
Direct attacks on the press	-	-	-	-	-	5.0	5.0	5.0	7.3	8.2	8.2	8.2
Media and expression (V-Dem)	-	-	-	-	-	6.8	6.7	6.8	6.6	6.2	6.2	6.5
Media and expression (Freedom House)	-	-	-	-	-	5.4	5.4	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0
Media and expression (BTI)	-	-	-	-	-	6.7	6.7	5.6	6.7	6.7	5.6	5.6
Media and expression (CLD)	-	-	-	-	-	3.3	6.7	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3
Relationships	-	-	-	-	-	3.8	3.8	3.8	3.8	4.4	4.4	4.4
Same-sex relationships	-	-	-	-	-	0.0	0.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0
Divorce	-	-	-	-	-	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Inheritance rights	-	-	-	-	-	5.0	5.0	0.0	0.0	2.5	2.5	2.5
Female genital mutilation	-	-	-	-	-	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0

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SUB-SAHARAN AFRICA

HUMAN FREEDOM

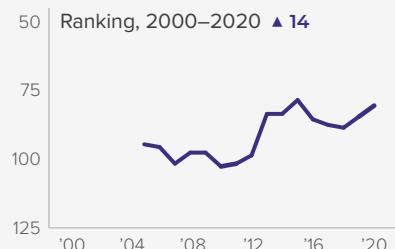
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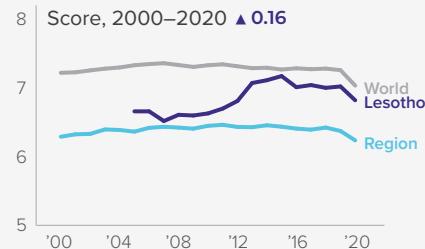
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Score, 2000–2020 ▲ 0.16



PERSONAL FREEDOM

Ranking
84/165

Score
7.01

Rule of law

Procedural justice	-
Civil justice	-
Criminal justice	-
Rule of law (V-Dem)	6.7

Security and safety

Homicide	0.0
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	8.4

Movement

Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	9.4
Freedom of movement (CLD)	3.3

Religion

Freedom of religion	9.8
Religious organization repression	9.7

Association, assembly, civil society

Civil society entry and exit	8.8
Freedom of assembly	6.9
Freedom to form/run political parties	9.5
Civil society repression	8.4

Expression and information

Direct attacks on the press	10.0
Media and expression (V-Dem)	7.2
Media and expression (Freedom House)	5.0
Media and expression (BTI)	5.6
Media and expression (CLD)	3.3

Relationships

Same-sex relationships	10.0
Divorce	5.0
Inheritance rights	5.0
Female genital mutilation	10.0

ECONOMIC FREEDOM

Ranking
105/165

Score
6.52

Size of government

Government consumption	3.2
Transfers and subsidies	7.8
Government investment	0.0
Top marginal tax rate	8.0
State ownership of assets	7.3

Legal system and property rights

Judicial independence	5.9
Impartial courts	4.5
Protection of property rights	4.1
Military interference	-
Integrity of the legal system	6.7
Legal enforcement of contracts	3.9
Regulatory costs	6.5
Reliability of police	6.4

Sound money

Money growth	8.0
Standard deviation of inflation	8.5
Inflation: Most recent year	9.3
Freedom to own foreign currency	5.0

Freedom to trade internationally

Tariffs	7.9
Regulatory trade barriers	6.6
Black-market exchange rates	10.0
Movement of capital and people	1.1

Regulation

Credit market regulations	10.0
Labor market regulations	6.6
Business regulations	6.4

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SUB-SAHARAN AFRICA

	2000	2002	2004	2006	2008	2010	2012	2014	2016	2018	2019	2020
Human freedom	-	-	-	6.64	6.59	6.61	6.79	7.09	6.99	6.98	7.00	6.80
Ranking	-	-	-	96	98	103	99	84	86	89	85	81
Economic freedom	-	-	-	6.24	6.22	6.15	6.29	6.60	6.60	6.52	6.46	6.52
Personal freedom	-	-	-	6.93	6.86	6.94	7.14	7.43	7.27	7.31	7.38	7.01
Rule of law	-	-	-	6.5	6.5	6.7	6.7	6.4	6.0	6.2	6.3	6.7
Procedural justice	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Civil justice	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Criminal justice	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Rule of law (V-Dem)	-	-	-	6.5	6.5	6.7	6.7	6.4	6.0	6.2	6.3	6.7
Security and safety	-	-	-	4.4	4.5	4.4	4.9	4.2	3.6	4.1	4.0	4.2
Homicide	-	-	-	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	-	-	-	8.8	9.0	8.8	8.8	8.3	7.3	8.2	8.0	8.4
Movement	-	-	-	9.5	9.6	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.6	9.5	6.4
Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	-	-	-	9.1	9.2	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.1	9.1	9.4
Freedom of movement (CLD)	-	-	-	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	3.3
Religion	-	-	-	9.4	9.3	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.8	9.8
Freedom of religion	-	-	-	9.7	9.7	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.9	9.8
Religious organization repression	-	-	-	9.0	9.0	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.7	9.7	9.7
Association, assembly, civil society	-	-	-	8.4	7.9	7.9	8.2	8.3	8.3	8.2	8.3	8.4
Civil society entry and exit	-	-	-	8.7	8.8	8.8	8.8	8.8	8.8	8.7	8.9	8.8
Freedom of assembly	-	-	-	7.5	5.8	5.7	6.9	7.2	7.2	6.9	6.9	6.9
Freedom to form/run political parties	-	-	-	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5
Civil society repression	-	-	-	7.9	7.7	7.7	7.7	7.7	7.7	7.6	8.1	8.4
Expression and information	-	-	-	6.6	6.4	6.4	6.4	6.3	6.1	6.0	6.3	6.2
Direct attacks on the press	-	-	-	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Media and expression (V-Dem)	-	-	-	6.9	6.8	6.9	6.9	7.0	6.4	7.1	7.4	7.2
Media and expression (Freedom House)	-	-	-	6.2	5.3	5.3	5.3	5.5	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0
Media and expression (BTI)	-	-	-	-	-	3.3	3.3	5.6	5.6	4.4	5.6	5.6
Media and expression (CLD)	-	-	-	3.3	3.3	6.7	6.7	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3
Relationships	-	-	-	3.8	3.8	3.8	4.4	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5
Same-sex relationships	-	-	-	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Divorce	-	-	-	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0
Inheritance rights	-	-	-	0.0	0.0	0.0	2.5	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0
Female genital mutilation	-	-	-	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0

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LIBERIA

SUB-SAHARAN AFRICA

HUMAN FREEDOM

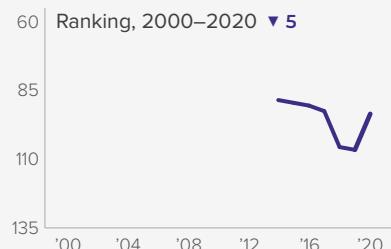
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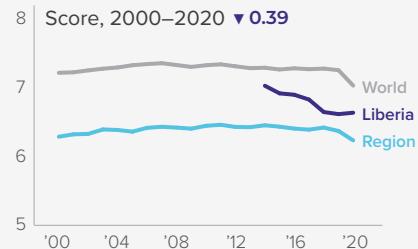
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Score, 2000–2020 ▼ 0.39



PERSONAL FREEDOM

Ranking
96/165

Score
6.70

Rule of law

Procedural justice	3.9
Civil justice	4.2
Criminal justice	4.3
Rule of law (V-Dem)	3.1
	6.3

Security and safety

Homicide	9.0
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	9.0

Movement

Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	6.5
Freedom of movement (CLD)	9.6

Religion

Freedom of religion	8.4
Religious organization repression	7.5

Religious organization repression	9.3
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Association, assembly, civil society

Civil society entry and exit	8.7
Freedom of assembly	9.1
Freedom to form/run political parties	7.2
Civil society repression	9.3

Civil society repression	9.0
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Expression and information

Direct attacks on the press	7.2
Media and expression (V-Dem)	10.0
Media and expression (Freedom House)	7.5
Media and expression (BTI)	5.0
Media and expression (CLD)	6.7
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Relationships

Same-sex relationships	3.3
Divorce	0.0
Inheritance rights	2.5
Female genital mutilation	5.0
	5.6

ECONOMIC FREEDOM

Ranking
106/165

Score
6.51

Size of government

Government consumption	7.0
Transfers and subsidies	7.4
Government investment	8.6
Top marginal tax rate	4.1
State ownership of assets	8.0
	7.1

Legal system and property rights

Judicial independence	4.3
Impartial courts	5.6
Protection of property rights	3.2
Military interference	4.2
Integrity of the legal system	5.0
Legal enforcement of contracts	4.5
Regulatory costs	2.9
Reliability of police	4.8
	4.4

Sound money

Money growth	8.8
Standard deviation of inflation	9.9
Inflation: Most recent year	8.8
Freedom to own foreign currency	6.6
	10.0

Freedom to trade internationally

Tariffs	6.2
Regulatory trade barriers	7.0
Black-market exchange rates	2.5
Movement of capital and people	10.0
	5.2

Regulation

Credit market regulations	6.2
Labor market regulations	5.7
Business regulations	6.5
	6.4

LIBERIA

SUB-SAHARAN AFRICA

	2000	2002	2004	2006	2008	2010	2012	2014	2016	2018	2019	2020
Human freedom	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	7.01	6.88	6.63	6.60	6.62
Ranking	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	89	91	106	107	94
Economic freedom	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	7.02	6.65	6.11	6.16	6.51
Personal freedom	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	7.01	7.05	7.00	6.93	6.70
Rule of law	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3.7	3.8	4.0	3.8	3.9
Procedural justice	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4.0	4.0	4.5	4.2	4.2
Civil justice	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4.5	4.3	4.4	4.3	4.3
Criminal justice	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2.6	3.1	3.1	3.1	3.1
Rule of law (V-Dem)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6.4	6.4	6.6	6.3	6.3
Security and safety	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	9.0	9.0	9.0	9.0	9.0
Homicide	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	9.1	9.1	9.1	9.1	9.1
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	8.9	8.9	9.0	8.9	9.0
Movement	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	8.2	8.2	8.1	8.1	6.5
Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	9.7	9.7	9.6	9.6	9.6
Freedom of movement (CLD)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	3.3
Religion	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	9.5	9.5	8.4	8.4	8.4
Freedom of religion	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	9.6	9.6	7.5	7.5	7.5
Religious organization repression	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	9.3	9.3	9.3	9.3	9.3
Association, assembly, civil society	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	8.8	9.0	9.0	8.6	8.7
Civil society entry and exit	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	9.3	9.3	9.3	9.1	9.1
Freedom of assembly	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	7.6	8.4	8.4	7.2	7.2
Freedom to form/run political parties	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	9.3	9.3	9.3	9.3	9.3
Civil society repression	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	9.1	9.0	9.0	8.9	9.0
Expression and information	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	7.0	7.0	7.2	7.2	7.2
Direct attacks on the press	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Media and expression (V-Dem)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	7.7	7.9	7.6	7.8	7.5
Media and expression (Freedom House)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0
Media and expression (BTI)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5.6	5.6	6.7	6.7	6.7
Media and expression (CLD)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7
Relationships	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2.9	2.9	3.3	3.3	3.3
Same-sex relationships	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Divorce	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5
Inheritance rights	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0
Female genital mutilation	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4.2	4.2	5.6	5.6	5.6

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LIBYA

MIDDLE EAST & NORTH AFRICA

HUMAN FREEDOM

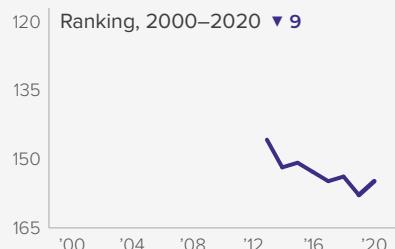
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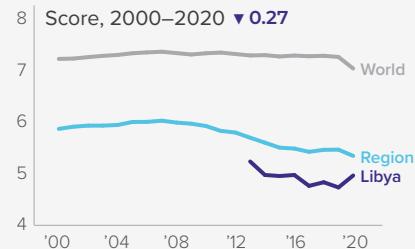
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PERSONAL FREEDOM

Ranking
146/165

Score
4.94

Rule of law

Procedural justice	-
Civil justice	-
Criminal justice	-
Rule of law (V-Dem)	2.9

Security and safety

Homicide	9.3
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	1.9

Movement

Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	5.3
Freedom of movement (CLD)	3.3

Religion

Freedom of religion	2.9
Religious organization repression	7.1

Association, assembly, civil society

Civil society entry and exit	8.0
Freedom of assembly	2.7
Freedom to form/run political parties	7.7
Civil society repression	7.8

Expression and information

Direct attacks on the press	5.0
Media and expression (V-Dem)	5.6
Media and expression (Freedom House)	2.5
Media and expression (BTI)	3.3
Media and expression (CLD)	3.3

Relationships

Same-sex relationships	0.0
Divorce	7.5
Inheritance rights	7.5
Female genital mutilation	10.0

ECONOMIC FREEDOM

Ranking
160/165

Score
4.95

Size of government

Government consumption	0.0
Transfers and subsidies	-
Government investment	-
Top marginal tax rate	9.5
State ownership of assets	5.4

Legal system and property rights

Judicial independence	4.5
Impartial courts	2.1
Protection of property rights	3.3
Military interference	5.0
Integrity of the legal system	5.2
Legal enforcement of contracts	3.6
Regulatory costs	-
Reliability of police	4.7

Sound money

Money growth	9.3
Standard deviation of inflation	2.8
Inflation: Most recent year	9.4
Freedom to own foreign currency	10.0

Freedom to trade internationally

Tariffs	0.0
Regulatory trade barriers	3.9
Black-market exchange rates	7.6
Movement of capital and people	0.8

Regulation

Credit market regulations	7.0
Labor market regulations	6.4
Business regulations	2.8

LIBYA

MIDDLE EAST & NORTH AFRICA

	2000	2002	2004	2006	2008	2010	2012	2014	2016	2018	2019	2020
Human freedom	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4.96	4.96	4.82	4.72	4.95
Ranking	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	152	153	154	158	155
Economic freedom	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5.11	5.04	4.46	4.47	4.95
Personal freedom	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4.86	4.90	5.07	4.90	4.94
Rule of law	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3.2	3.2	2.9	2.9	2.9
Procedural justice	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Civil justice	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Criminal justice	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Rule of law (V-Dem)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3.2	3.2	2.9	2.9	2.9
Security and safety	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5.3	5.6	6.0	5.6	5.6
Homicide	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	9.3	9.3	9.3	9.3	9.3
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1.3	2.0	2.8	1.9	1.9
Movement	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4.4	4.4	4.5	4.4	4.3
Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5.5	5.4	5.6	5.4	5.3
Freedom of movement (CLD)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3
Religion	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5.3	5.3	5.1	4.9	5.0
Freedom of religion	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2.9	3.0	2.9	2.9	2.9
Religious organization repression	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	7.6	7.6	7.4	6.8	7.1
Association, assembly, civil society	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	7.0	6.9	6.7	6.5	6.6
Civil society entry and exit	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	8.3	8.1	8.1	7.7	8.0
Freedom of assembly	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4.5	3.1	3.1	2.7	2.7
Freedom to form/run political parties	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	7.6	7.9	7.8	7.8	7.7
Civil society repression	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	7.5	8.5	8.0	7.7	7.8
Expression and information	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4.5	4.5	4.0	3.9	3.9
Direct attacks on the press	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0
Media and expression (V-Dem)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6.2	6.3	5.7	5.4	5.6
Media and expression (Freedom House)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3.1	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5
Media and expression (BTI)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6.7	5.6	3.3	3.3	3.3
Media and expression (CLD)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3
Relationships	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4.4	4.4	6.2	6.2	6.2
Same-sex relationships	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Divorce	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5
Inheritance rights	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.0	0.0	7.5	7.5	7.5
Female genital mutilation	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0

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LITHUANIA

EASTERN EUROPE

HUMAN FREEDOM

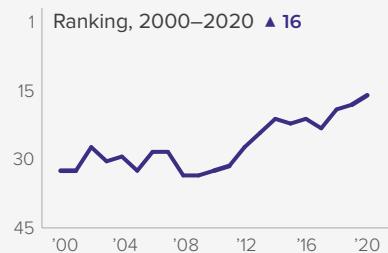
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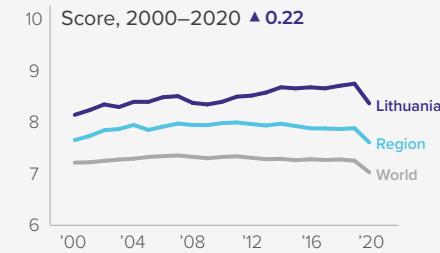
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PERSONAL FREEDOM

Ranking
24/165

Score
8.71

Rule of law

Procedural justice	7.3
Civil justice	7.6
Criminal justice	7.8
Rule of law (V-Dem)	6.8
	7.7

Security and safety

Homicide	9.4
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	8.9

Movement

Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	8.1
Freedom of movement (CLD)	9.5

Religion

Freedom of religion	9.8
Religious organization repression	9.7

Association, assembly, civil society

Civil society entry and exit	8.7
Freedom of assembly	7.4
Freedom to form/run political parties	8.9
Civil society repression	9.3

Expression and information

Direct attacks on the press	8.3
Media and expression (V-Dem)	10.0
Media and expression (Freedom House)	8.7
Media and expression (BTI)	7.5
Media and expression (CLD)	8.9

Relationships

Same-sex relationships	9.4
Divorce	10.0
Inheritance rights	7.5
Female genital mutilation	10.0

ECONOMIC FREEDOM

Ranking
12/165

Score
7.82

Size of government

Government consumption	6.6
Transfers and subsidies	4.7
Government investment	4.8
Top marginal tax rate	8.8
State ownership of assets	6.5

Legal system and property rights

Judicial independence	7.2
Impartial courts	7.2
Protection of property rights	6.1
Military interference	6.2
Integrity of the legal system	8.3
Legal enforcement of contracts	7.3
Regulatory costs	6.2
Reliability of police	9.7

Sound money

Money growth	9.2
Standard deviation of inflation	7.6
Inflation: Most recent year	9.5
Freedom to own foreign currency	9.8

Freedom to trade internationally

Tariffs	8.3
Regulatory trade barriers	8.0
Black-market exchange rates	8.0
Movement of capital and people	10.0

Regulation

Credit market regulations	7.7
Labor market regulations	8.5
Business regulations	6.7

LITHUANIA

EASTERN EUROPE

	2000	2002	2004	2006	2008	2010	2012	2014	2016	2018	2019	2020
Human freedom	8.12	8.32	8.37	8.46	8.35	8.37	8.49	8.65	8.65	8.68	8.72	8.34
Ranking	33	28	30	29	34	33	28	22	22	20	19	17
Economic freedom	7.02	7.55	7.69	7.69	7.50	7.54	7.64	8.08	8.06	8.13	8.22	7.82
Personal freedom	8.91	8.87	8.86	9.01	8.96	8.96	9.09	9.06	9.07	9.07	9.08	8.71
Rule of law	7.2	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.7	7.7	7.7	7.6	7.6	7.5	7.4	7.3
Procedural justice	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	7.6	7.6
Civil justice	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	7.8	7.8
Criminal justice	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6.8	6.8
Rule of law (V-Dem)	7.6	7.9	7.9	7.9	8.1	8.1	8.1	8.0	8.0	7.9	7.8	7.7
Security and safety	8.3	8.6	8.4	8.6	8.6	8.9	9.0	9.1	9.2	9.3	9.4	9.4
Homicide	6.9	7.5	7.1	7.5	7.3	8.0	8.1	8.4	8.5	8.7	9.0	8.9
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.7	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9
Movement	9.8	8.1	9.8	9.8	9.9	8.1						
Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.5
Freedom of movement (CLD)	10.0	6.7	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	6.7
Religion	9.0	9.8	9.0	9.0	9.0	9.0	9.9	9.9	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.8
Freedom of religion	8.1	9.8	8.1	8.3	8.2	8.2	9.9	9.9	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7
Religious organization repression	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8
Association, assembly, civil society	8.9	8.8	8.8	8.7								
Civil society entry and exit	7.7	7.7	7.7	7.7	7.6	7.6	7.6	7.6	7.6	7.5	7.5	7.4
Freedom of assembly	8.9	8.9	8.9	8.9	8.9	8.9	8.9	8.9	8.9	8.9	8.9	8.9
Freedom to form/run political parties	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.3
Civil society repression	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.4	9.4	9.4	9.4	9.4
Expression and information	9.8	9.8	9.1	9.8	9.2	8.9	8.9	8.8	8.9	8.9	8.9	8.3
Direct attacks on the press	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Media and expression (V-Dem)	8.8	8.8	9.0	9.1	9.1	9.3	9.2	8.8	9.0	8.8	8.8	8.7
Media and expression (Freedom House)	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	9.6	9.6	9.4	10.0	10.0	10.0	7.5
Media and expression (BTI)	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	8.9	8.9	8.9	8.9	8.9	8.9	8.9
Media and expression (CLD)	10.0	10.0	6.7	10.0	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7
Relationships	9.4											
Same-sex relationships	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Divorce	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5
Inheritance rights	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Female genital mutilation	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0

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LUXEMBOURG

WESTERN EUROPE

HUMAN FREEDOM

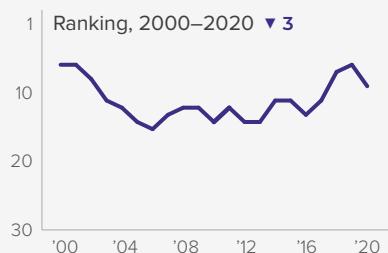
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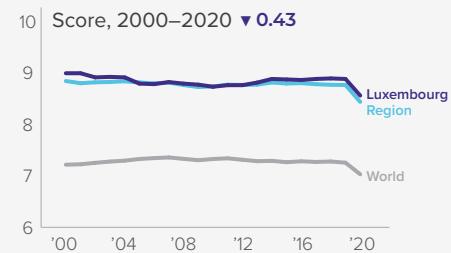
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Ranking, 2000–2020 ▾ 3



Score, 2000–2020 ▾ 0.43



PERSONAL FREEDOM

Ranking
7/165

Score
9.23

Rule of law

Procedural justice	7.8
Civil justice	9.1
Criminal justice	7.9
Rule of law (V-Dem)	7.3
	8.2

Security and safety

Homicide	9.9
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	10.0

Movement

Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	7.7
Freedom of movement (CLD)	8.8

Religion

Freedom of religion	9.8
Religious organization repression	9.7

Association, assembly, civil society

Civil society entry and exit	9.7
Freedom of assembly	9.4
Freedom to form/run political parties	10.0
Civil society repression	9.5

Expression and information

Direct attacks on the press	9.7
Media and expression (V-Dem)	10.0
Media and expression (Freedom House)	9.0
Media and expression (BTI)	-
Media and expression (CLD)	10.0

Relationships

Same-sex relationships	10.0
Divorce	10.0
Inheritance rights	10.0
Female genital mutilation	10.0

ECONOMIC FREEDOM

Ranking
36/165

Score
7.54

Size of government

Government consumption	4.9
Transfers and subsidies	0.8
Government investment	4.1
Top marginal tax rate	6.2
State ownership of assets	5.0

Legal system and property rights

Judicial independence	8.2
Impartial courts	8.3
Protection of property rights	7.8
Military interference	8.5
Integrity of the legal system	10.0

Sound money

Money growth	9.1
Standard deviation of inflation	7.4
Inflation: Most recent year	9.1
Regulatory costs	9.8
Freedom to own foreign currency	10.0

Freedom to trade internationally

Tariffs	7.8
Regulatory trade barriers	8.0
Black-market exchange rates	8.7
Movement of capital and people	10.0

Regulation

Credit market regulations	7.7
Labor market regulations	8.4
Business regulations	6.5

LUXEMBOURG

WESTERN EUROPE

	2000	2002	2004	2006	2008	2010	2012	2014	2016	2018	2019	2020
Human freedom	8.96	8.88	8.88	8.75	8.76	8.70	8.73	8.85	8.83	8.86	8.85	8.53
Ranking	7	9	13	16	13	15	15	12	14	8	7	10
Economic freedom	8.13	7.92	7.90	7.60	7.70	7.54	7.57	7.87	7.82	7.89	7.89	7.54
Personal freedom	9.56	9.56	9.58	9.57	9.51	9.53	9.56	9.55	9.55	9.56	9.53	9.23
Rule of law	8.2	8.1	7.8									
Procedural justice	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	9.1	9.1
Civil justice	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	7.9	7.9
Criminal justice	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	7.3	7.3
Rule of law (V-Dem)	8.6	8.6	8.6	8.6	8.6	8.6	8.6	8.6	8.6	8.6	8.5	8.2
Security and safety	9.8	9.7	9.8	9.7	9.4	9.5	9.8	9.7	9.7	9.8	9.7	9.9
Homicide	9.7	9.6	9.9	9.6	9.5	9.4	9.9	9.8	9.7	9.9	9.8	10.0
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.4	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.8
Movement	9.9	7.7										
Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	8.8
Freedom of movement (CLD)	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	6.7
Religion	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.7	9.8						
Freedom of religion	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.7
Religious organization repression	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8
Association, assembly, civil society	9.7											
Civil society entry and exit	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.4	9.4
Freedom of assembly	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Freedom to form/run political parties	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5
Civil society repression	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7
Expression and information	9.6	9.7										
Direct attacks on the press	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Media and expression (V-Dem)	9.0	9.0	9.0	9.0	8.9	8.9	8.9	8.9	8.9	8.9	8.9	9.0
Media and expression (Freedom House)	9.5	9.7	9.7	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Media and expression (BTI)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Media and expression (CLD)	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Relationships	10.0											
Same-sex relationships	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Divorce	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Inheritance rights	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Female genital mutilation	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0

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SUB-SAHARAN AFRICA

HUMAN FREEDOM

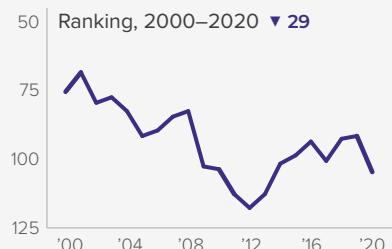
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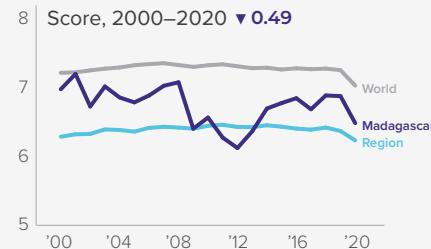
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Ranking, 2000–2020 ▾ 29



Score, 2000–2020 ▾ 0.49



PERSONAL FREEDOM

Ranking
93/165

Score
6.74

Rule of law

Procedural justice	3.6
Civil justice	3.2
Criminal justice	4.5
Rule of law (V-Dem)	3.3

Rule of law (V-Dem)	5.5
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Security and safety

Homicide	8.2
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	7.8

Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	8.7
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Movement

Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	5.9
Freedom of movement (CLD)	8.4

Freedom of movement (CLD)	3.3
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Religion

Freedom of religion	8.3
Religious organization repression	7.5

Religious organization repression	9.1
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Association, assembly, civil society

Civil society entry and exit	8.0
Freedom of assembly	9.4

Freedom of assembly	4.3
Freedom to form/run political parties	9.2

Freedom to form/run political parties	9.2
Civil society repression	9.0

Expression and information

Direct attacks on the press	5.7
Media and expression (V-Dem)	10.0

Media and expression (V-Dem)	6.7
Media and expression (Freedom House)	5.0

Media and expression (Freedom House)	5.0
Media and expression (BTI)	3.3

Media and expression (BTI)	3.3
Media and expression (CLD)	3.3

Relationships

Same-sex relationships	7.5
Divorce	10.0

Divorce	2.5
Inheritance rights	7.5

Inheritance rights	10.0
Female genital mutilation	10.0

ECONOMIC FREEDOM

Ranking
127/165

Score
6.10

Size of government

Government consumption	7.7
Transfers and subsidies	6.1
Government investment	9.2
Top marginal tax rate	7.8
State ownership of assets	8.5

State ownership of assets	7.1
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Legal system and property rights

Judicial independence	3.0
Impartial courts	4.1
Protection of property rights	3.2
Military interference	3.7
Integrity of the legal system	1.7
Legal enforcement of contracts	4.3
Regulatory costs	3.0
Reliability of police	5.2

Reliability of police	2.5
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Sound money

Money growth	8.0
Standard deviation of inflation	8.5
Inflation: Most recent year	9.4
Freedom to own foreign currency	9.2
Freedom to own foreign currency	5.0

Freedom to own foreign currency	0.8
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Freedom to trade internationally

Tariffs	5.9
Regulatory trade barriers	7.6
Black-market exchange rates	5.0
Movement of capital and people	10.0

Movement of capital and people	0.8
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Regulation

Credit market regulations	5.8
Labor market regulations	7.0
Business regulations	4.6

Business regulations	5.8
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SUB-SAHARAN AFRICA

	2000	2002	2004	2006	2008	2010	2012	2014	2016	2018	2019	2020
Human freedom	6.96	6.71	6.84	6.87	7.06	6.55	6.11	6.68	6.83	6.87	6.86	6.47
Ranking	76	80	83	90	83	104	118	102	94	93	92	105
Economic freedom	5.83	5.95	5.85	5.90	6.15	6.19	6.28	6.40	6.24	6.29	6.32	6.10
Personal freedom	7.77	7.26	7.55	7.57	7.70	6.80	5.99	6.88	7.25	7.29	7.26	6.74
Rule of law	5.7	5.4	5.8	5.8	5.9	4.8	3.5	3.7	3.6	3.7	3.6	3.6
Procedural justice	-	-	-	-	4.3	4.3	2.9	3.1	3.3	3.2	3.2	3.2
Civil justice	-	-	-	-	5.3	5.3	4.1	4.1	3.9	4.3	4.5	4.5
Criminal justice	-	-	-	-	4.9	4.9	3.5	4.0	3.6	3.6	3.3	3.3
Rule of law (V-Dem)	5.6	5.2	5.7	5.7	5.8	4.7	4.8	5.3	5.4	5.4	5.5	5.5
Security and safety	7.8	7.0	7.9	8.1	7.8	7.3	7.6	8.1	7.9	8.2	8.2	8.2
Homicide	6.7	6.7	6.7	7.1	7.3	7.3	7.3	7.8	7.8	7.8	7.8	7.8
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	8.9	7.3	9.1	9.1	8.2	7.3	7.9	8.4	8.1	8.6	8.7	8.7
Movement	9.4	7.4	9.2	9.2	9.2	8.8	7.2	7.5	9.3	9.3	9.3	5.9
Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	8.7	8.1	8.4	8.4	8.5	7.7	7.7	8.4	8.7	8.7	8.6	8.4
Freedom of movement (CLD)	10.0	6.7	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	6.7	6.7	10.0	10.0	10.0	3.3
Religion	7.4	8.1	7.3	7.3	8.1	5.8	5.8	8.3	8.3	8.6	8.3	8.3
Freedom of religion	6.7	8.4	6.7	6.7	8.4	6.3	6.3	7.7	7.7	7.7	7.5	7.5
Religious organization repression	8.1	7.8	7.8	7.8	7.8	5.2	5.2	9.0	9.0	9.5	9.2	9.1
Association, assembly, civil society	8.0	7.8	7.8	7.8	8.0	7.2	6.9	7.9	8.3	7.9	8.1	8.0
Civil society entry and exit	8.2	8.2	8.2	8.2	8.1	8.3	8.3	8.9	9.4	9.4	9.1	9.4
Freedom of assembly	6.4	5.3	5.3	5.3	6.0	4.5	3.4	4.6	5.4	4.3	5.1	4.3
Freedom to form/run political parties	9.5	9.3	9.3	9.3	9.4	8.8	8.8	9.3	9.3	9.3	9.1	9.2
Civil society repression	7.8	8.3	8.3	8.3	8.4	6.9	6.9	9.0	9.0	8.8	9.0	9.0
Expression and information	8.0	7.1	6.7	6.7	6.9	5.6	5.3	5.6	6.4	5.8	5.7	5.7
Direct attacks on the press	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	9.3	9.3	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Media and expression (V-Dem)	6.9	6.8	7.0	7.0	6.9	6.3	6.3	6.8	7.1	7.1	6.7	6.7
Media and expression (Freedom House)	10.0	8.5	6.7	6.5	6.3	3.5	3.3	4.8	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0
Media and expression (BTI)	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	7.8	5.6	4.4	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3
Media and expression (CLD)	6.7	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	6.7	3.3	3.3	3.3
Relationships	8.1	8.1	8.1	8.1	8.1	8.1	5.6	6.9	6.9	7.5	7.5	7.5
Same-sex relationships	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Divorce	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5
Inheritance rights	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	0.0	5.0	5.0	7.5	7.5	7.5
Female genital mutilation	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0

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MALAWI

SUB-SAHARAN AFRICA

HUMAN FREEDOM

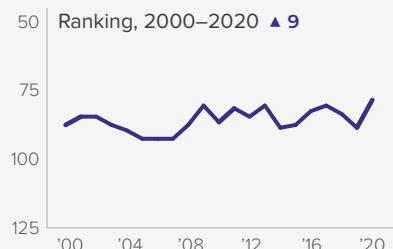
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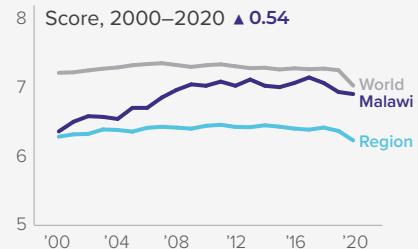
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Ranking, 2000–2020 ▲ 9



Score, 2000–2020 ▲ 0.54



PERSONAL FREEDOM

Ranking
66/165

Score
7.55

Rule of law

Procedural justice	5.3
Civil justice	5.0
Criminal justice	5.6
Rule of law (V-Dem)	4.4

Ranking
5.3

Score
5.0

Ranking
5.6

Score
4.4

Ranking
7.1

Security and safety

Homicide	9.2
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	9.5

Ranking
9.2

Score
9.5

Ranking
8.9

Movement

Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	8.1
Freedom of movement (CLD)	9.6

Ranking
8.1

Score
9.6

Ranking
6.7

Religion

Freedom of religion	9.5
Religious organization repression	9.6

Ranking
9.5

Score
9.6

Ranking
9.4

Association, assembly, civil society

Civil society entry and exit	8.0
Freedom of assembly	7.5
Freedom to form/run political parties	7.3
Civil society repression	9.0

Ranking
8.0

Score
7.5

Ranking
7.3

Ranking
9.0

Ranking
8.2

Expression and information

Direct attacks on the press	7.1
Media and expression (V-Dem)	10.0
Media and expression (Freedom House)	7.3
Media and expression (BTI)	5.0
Media and expression (CLD)	6.7

Ranking
7.1

Score
10.0

Ranking
7.3

Ranking
5.0

Ranking
6.7

Ranking
6.7

Relationships

Same-sex relationships	5.6
Divorce	0.0
Inheritance rights	7.5
Female genital mutilation	5.0

Ranking
5.6

Score
0.0

Ranking
7.5

Ranking
5.0

Ranking
10.0

ECONOMIC FREEDOM

Ranking
133/165

Score
5.98

Size of government

Government consumption	6.6
Transfers and subsidies	8.8
Government investment	9.6
Top marginal tax rate	1.3
State ownership of assets	5.5

Ranking
6.6

Score
8.8

Ranking
9.6

Score
1.3

Ranking
5.5

Ranking
7.5

Legal system and property rights

Judicial independence	4.9
Impartial courts	5.4
Protection of property rights	4.2
Military interference	4.9
Integrity of the legal system	5.8
Legal enforcement of contracts	6.3
Regulatory costs	2.3
Reliability of police	8.6

Ranking
4.9

Score
5.4

Ranking
4.2

Score
4.2

Ranking
4.9

Ranking
5.8

Ranking
6.3

Ranking
2.3

Ranking
8.6

Score
4.3

Ranking
4.3

Sound money

Money growth	7.2
Standard deviation of inflation	7.3
Inflation: Most recent year	8.1
Freedom to own foreign currency	8.3

Ranking
7.2

Score
7.3

Ranking
8.1

Score
8.1

Ranking
8.3

Score
5.0

Freedom to trade internationally

Tariffs	4.6
Regulatory trade barriers	7.3
Black-market exchange rates	5.4
Movement of capital and people	4.7

Ranking
4.6

Score
7.3

Ranking
5.4

Score
5.4

Ranking
4.7

Score
0.8

Regulation

Credit market regulations	6.7
Labor market regulations	6.9
Business regulations	6.4

Ranking
6.7

Score
6.7

Ranking
6.9

Score
6.9

Ranking
6.4

Score
6.4

MALAWI

SUB-SAHARAN AFRICA

	2000	2002	2004	2006	2008	2010	2012	2014	2016	2018	2019	2020
Human freedom	6.35	6.57	6.53	6.69	6.95	7.01	7.01	7.01	7.05	7.05	6.92	6.89
Ranking	88	85	90	93	88	87	85	89	83	84	89	79
Economic freedom	5.07	5.34	5.06	5.50	6.09	6.14	6.07	5.95	6.00	5.94	5.94	5.98
Personal freedom	7.26	7.45	7.58	7.54	7.55	7.63	7.69	7.77	7.80	7.84	7.63	7.55
Rule of law	4.5	4.8	4.8	4.8	4.8	4.9	5.2	4.9	4.9	5.1	5.0	5.3
Procedural justice	-	-	-	-	4.0	4.0	4.8	4.9	5.1	5.2	5.0	5.0
Civil justice	-	-	-	-	5.9	5.9	6.0	5.4	5.4	5.6	5.6	5.6
Criminal justice	-	-	-	-	4.5	4.5	4.8	4.4	4.3	4.6	4.4	4.4
Rule of law (V-Dem)	5.8	6.1	6.2	6.2	6.2	6.2	6.3	6.5	6.7	6.7	7.1	
Security and safety	8.2	8.4	8.7	8.5	8.4	8.8	9.0	9.0	9.1	9.2	9.0	9.2
Homicide	8.2	8.6	9.1	8.2	8.4	9.0	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	8.1	8.1	8.3	8.7	8.5	8.5	8.6	8.7	8.9	8.6	8.6	8.9
Movement	9.3	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	8.1	9.8	9.5	9.6	9.7	8.1
Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	8.6	9.7	9.7	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.0	9.3	9.4	9.6
Freedom of movement (CLD)	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	6.7	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	6.7
Religion	9.0	9.4	9.4	9.3	9.4	9.6	9.6	9.3	9.4	9.5	9.5	9.5
Freedom of religion	8.9	9.7	9.7	9.4	9.6	9.7	9.7	9.8	9.8	9.6	9.6	9.6
Religious organization repression	9.1	9.1	9.1	9.1	9.1	9.5	9.5	8.8	9.0	9.4	9.4	9.4
Association, assembly, civil society	7.2	7.2	7.6	7.6	7.7	7.5	7.5	8.2	8.4	8.2	7.4	8.0
Civil society entry and exit	7.5	7.5	8.1	8.1	8.1	8.0	8.1	8.2	8.7	8.6	7.5	7.5
Freedom of assembly	6.1	6.1	6.1	6.1	6.5	6.1	5.7	6.5	7.3	7.3	6.5	7.3
Freedom to form/run political parties	9.1	9.1	9.3	9.3	9.2	9.3	9.3	9.2	9.2	8.7	8.6	9.0
Civil society repression	5.9	5.9	7.0	7.0	7.0	6.5	6.9	8.7	8.3	8.1	7.3	8.2
Expression and information	6.2	6.1	6.3	6.4	6.3	6.5	6.4	7.5	7.6	7.6	7.1	7.1
Direct attacks on the press	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Media and expression (V-Dem)	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.8	6.8	6.6	6.8	7.5	7.4	7.3	7.1	7.3
Media and expression (Freedom House)	5.3	5.1	5.8	6.2	5.8	6.0	6.2	6.9	7.5	7.5	5.0	5.0
Media and expression (BTI)	5.6	5.6	5.6	5.6	5.6	6.7	5.6	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7
Media and expression (CLD)	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7
Relationships	6.4	6.4	6.4	6.4	6.4	6.4	8.0	5.6	5.6	5.6	5.6	5.6
Same-sex relationships	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Divorce	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5
Inheritance rights	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	10.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0
Female genital mutilation	8.2	8.2	8.2	8.2	8.2	8.2	9.5	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0

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MALAYSIA

SOUTH ASIA

HUMAN FREEDOM

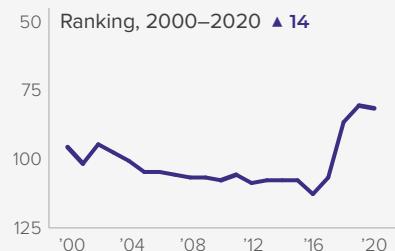
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82

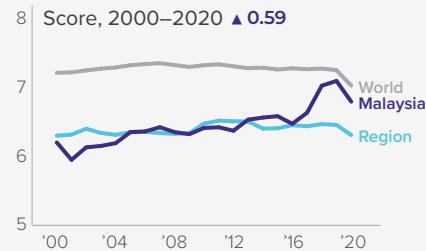
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6.78

Ranking, 2000–2020 ▲ 14



Score, 2000–2020 ▲ 0.59



PERSONAL FREEDOM

Ranking
101/165

Score
6.37

Rule of law

Procedural justice	5.6
Civil justice	5.1
Criminal justice	6.4
Rule of law (V-Dem)	5.5
	6.0

Security and safety

Homicide	8.9
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	9.4

Movement

Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	6.0
Freedom of movement (CLD)	8.7

Religion

Freedom of religion	7.0
Religious organization repression	6.2

Association, assembly, civil society

Civil society entry and exit	6.7
Freedom of assembly	5.4
Freedom to form/run political parties	5.4
Civil society repression	8.5

Expression and information

Direct attacks on the press	6.6
Media and expression (V-Dem)	10.0
Media and expression (Freedom House)	5.7
Media and expression (BTI)	5.0
Media and expression (CLD)	5.6

Relationships

Same-sex relationships	3.8
Divorce	0.0
Inheritance rights	0.0
Female genital mutilation	5.0

ECONOMIC FREEDOM

Ranking
49/165

Score
7.35

Size of government

Government consumption	7.1
Transfers and subsidies	6.6
Government investment	8.0
Top marginal tax rate	7.1
State ownership of assets	9.0

Legal system and property rights

Judicial independence	5.9
Impartial courts	6.3
Protection of property rights	6.7
Military interference	7.5
Integrity of the legal system	8.3

Sound money

Regulatory costs	8.3
Reliability of police	6.4
Money growth	5.7
Standard deviation of inflation	8.6
Inflation: Most recent year	7.4

Freedom to trade internationally

Tariffs	7.0
Regulatory trade barriers	7.7
Black-market exchange rates	7.7
Movement of capital and people	10.0

Regulation

Credit market regulations	8.5
Labor market regulations	9.3
Business regulations	8.0

MALAYSIA

SOUTH ASIA

	2000	2002	2004	2006	2008	2010	2012	2014	2016	2018	2019	2020
Human freedom	6.19	6.12	6.18	6.35	6.34	6.40	6.36	6.55	6.46	7.01	7.08	6.78
Ranking	96	95	101	105	107	108	109	108	113	87	81	82
Economic freedom	6.47	6.15	6.19	6.51	6.45	6.63	6.68	7.40	7.30	7.48	7.52	7.35
Personal freedom	5.99	6.09	6.18	6.23	6.26	6.23	6.14	5.94	5.86	6.67	6.77	6.37
Rule of law	5.6	5.6	5.7	5.8	5.8	5.8	5.2	5.4	5.4	5.7	5.6	5.6
Procedural justice	-	-	-	-	5.6	5.6	4.6	5.1	5.2	5.1	5.1	5.1
Civil justice	-	-	-	-	5.7	5.7	5.7	5.6	5.6	6.3	6.4	6.4
Criminal justice	-	-	-	-	6.1	6.1	5.3	5.6	5.5	5.6	5.5	5.5
Rule of law (V-Dem)	5.3	5.3	5.3	5.4	5.4	5.4	5.4	5.3	5.3	5.9	5.9	6.0
Security and safety	8.7	9.1	9.2	9.2	9.3	9.3	9.3	9.2	9.2	8.9	8.9	8.9
Homicide	9.3	9.3	9.4	9.3	9.4	9.4	9.4	9.4	9.4	9.4	9.4	9.4
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	8.1	8.9	9.0	9.0	9.2	9.2	9.1	9.1	9.0	8.4	8.5	8.5
Movement	7.6	7.6	7.6	7.7	7.7	7.7	7.6	7.5	7.7	7.7	7.7	6.0
Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	8.6	8.6	8.6	8.7	8.7	8.7	8.7	8.6	8.3	8.7	8.7	8.7
Freedom of movement (CLD)	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	3.3
Religion	5.6	5.6	5.9	5.9	5.8	5.8	5.8	5.7	5.7	7.2	7.2	7.0
Freedom of religion	3.9	3.9	4.5	4.5	4.3	4.3	4.3	4.1	4.1	6.2	6.2	6.2
Religious organization repression	7.3	7.3	7.3	7.3	7.2	7.2	7.2	7.2	7.2	8.2	8.2	7.7
Association, assembly, civil society	5.6	5.6	5.6	5.7	5.7	5.6	5.6	5.5	5.5	6.8	6.9	6.7
Civil society entry and exit	4.8	4.8	4.8	5.0	4.9	4.7	4.5	4.6	4.6	6.4	6.4	5.4
Freedom of assembly	4.3	4.3	4.3	4.3	4.3	4.3	4.3	3.9	3.9	5.0	5.4	5.4
Freedom to form/run political parties	8.2	8.2	8.2	8.2	8.3	8.3	8.3	8.2	8.2	8.9	8.9	8.5
Civil society repression	5.2	5.2	5.2	5.3	5.3	5.3	5.3	5.2	5.2	7.1	7.1	7.4
Expression and information	5.0	5.3	5.5	5.6	5.9	5.7	5.7	5.7	5.2	6.7	7.3	6.6
Direct attacks on the press	8.9	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Media and expression (V-Dem)	3.8	4.3	4.8	4.8	4.8	4.6	4.6	4.6	4.5	5.8	6.7	5.7
Media and expression (Freedom House)	4.7	4.4	4.7	5.6	6.0	6.3	6.3	6.0	5.0	7.5	7.5	5.0
Media and expression (BTI)	4.4	4.4	4.4	4.4	5.6	4.4	4.4	4.4	3.3	3.3	5.6	5.6
Media and expression (CLD)	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	6.7	6.7	6.7
Relationships	3.8	2.5	2.5	3.8	3.8	3.8						
Same-sex relationships	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Divorce	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Inheritance rights	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	0.0	0.0	5.0	5.0	5.0
Female genital mutilation	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0

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SUB-SAHARAN AFRICA

HUMAN FREEDOM

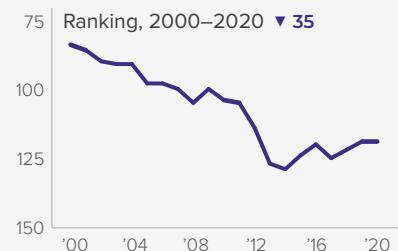
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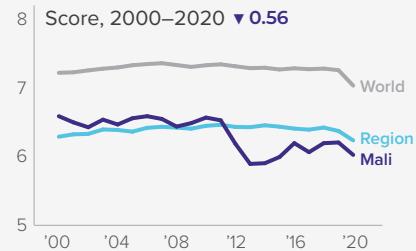
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Score, 2000–2020 ▾ 0.56



PERSONAL FREEDOM

Ranking
111/165

Score
6.12

Rule of law

Procedural justice	3.6
Civil justice	3.6
Criminal justice	4.2
Rule of law (V-Dem)	2.9
	5.6

Security and safety

Homicide	4.5
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	6.8

Movement

Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	6.1
Freedom of movement (CLD)	8.8

Religion

Freedom of religion	9.0
Religious organization repression	8.6

Association, assembly, civil society

Civil society entry and exit	7.8
Freedom of assembly	8.4
Freedom to form/run political parties	6.1
Civil society repression	9.1

Expression and information

Direct attacks on the press	6.5
Media and expression (V-Dem)	8.8
Media and expression (Freedom House)	6.6
Media and expression (BTI)	5.0
Media and expression (CLD)	5.6

Relationships

Same-sex relationships	5.3
Divorce	10.0
Inheritance rights	5.0
Female genital mutilation	5.0

ECONOMIC FREEDOM

Ranking
140/165

Score
5.85

Size of government

Government consumption	6.4
Transfers and subsidies	6.6
Government investment	9.7
Top marginal tax rate	4.9
State ownership of assets	3.5

Legal system and property rights

Judicial independence	3.5
Impartial courts	5.3
Protection of property rights	3.6
Military interference	4.0
Integrity of the legal system	3.3
Legal enforcement of contracts	5.6
Regulatory costs	2.6
Reliability of police	5.8

Sound money

Money growth	7.1
Standard deviation of inflation	8.7
Inflation: Most recent year	9.8
Freedom to own foreign currency	9.9
	0.0

Freedom to trade internationally

Tariffs	5.8
Regulatory trade barriers	7.6
Black-market exchange rates	4.9
Movement of capital and people	10.0

Regulation

Credit market regulations	6.3
Labor market regulations	7.7
Business regulations	5.2

MALI

SUB-SAHARAN AFRICA

	2000	2002	2004	2006	2008	2010	2012	2014	2016	2018	2019	2020
Human freedom	6.57	6.41	6.45	6.57	6.42	6.55	6.17	5.89	6.18	6.18	6.19	6.01
Ranking	84	90	91	98	105	104	114	129	120	122	119	119
Economic freedom	5.92	5.44	5.52	5.85	5.80	5.95	5.95	5.78	5.83	5.85	5.90	5.85
Personal freedom	7.04	7.10	7.12	7.08	6.87	6.98	6.34	5.96	6.43	6.41	6.39	6.12
Rule of law	3.9	3.9	3.8	3.8	3.8	3.9	3.8	3.7	3.7	3.6	3.6	3.6
Procedural justice	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3.6	3.6	3.6
Civil justice	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4.2	4.2	4.2
Criminal justice	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3.0	2.9	2.9
Rule of law (V-Dem)	6.0	6.0	6.0	6.0	6.0	6.1	6.0	5.8	5.8	5.4	5.5	5.6
Security and safety	7.6	7.6	7.6	7.7	6.3	7.3	6.5	5.3	5.5	4.6	4.5	4.5
Homicide	6.3	6.3	6.3	6.3	6.5	6.5	6.5	6.8	6.8	6.8	6.8	6.8
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	9.0	9.0	9.0	9.0	6.2	8.1	6.6	3.7	4.2	2.3	2.3	2.2
Movement	7.9	7.9	7.9	7.9	7.9	7.9	6.3	6.1	7.8	7.7	7.7	6.1
Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	9.2	9.2	9.2	9.2	9.2	9.2	9.2	9.0	9.0	8.8	8.8	8.8
Freedom of movement (CLD)	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	3.3	3.3	6.7	6.7	6.7	3.3
Religion	9.0	8.1	7.9	7.9	9.1	9.0						
Freedom of religion	8.4	8.4	8.4	8.4	8.3	8.3	6.6	7.1	7.1	8.5	8.5	8.6
Religious organization repression	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.7	9.7	9.7	8.8	8.8	9.6	9.6	9.4
Association, assembly, civil society	8.4	8.7	8.8	8.5	8.5	8.4	8.4	7.3	7.6	7.7	7.7	7.8
Civil society entry and exit	9.2	9.2	9.2	9.2	9.2	9.2	9.2	7.6	7.6	8.3	8.3	8.4
Freedom of assembly	7.2	8.3	8.3	7.2	7.2	6.9	6.9	5.0	6.5	6.5	6.1	6.1
Freedom to form/run political parties	8.6	8.7	8.7	8.7	8.7	8.7	8.7	8.9	8.9	8.8	9.1	9.1
Civil society repression	8.5	8.5	9.0	9.0	9.0	9.0	8.8	7.5	7.5	7.4	7.4	7.5
Expression and information	8.5	8.7	8.7	8.7	8.6	8.5	7.1	6.1	7.1	6.9	6.8	6.5
Direct attacks on the press	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	8.2	8.2	10.0	10.0	8.8
Media and expression (V-Dem)	7.5	8.0	8.0	8.0	8.1	8.2	8.1	7.1	6.7	6.2	6.9	6.6
Media and expression (Freedom House)	9.6	9.8	10.0	9.7	9.3	9.7	6.1	7.5	7.5	5.0	5.0	5.0
Media and expression (BTI)	8.9	8.9	8.9	8.9	8.9	7.8	7.8	4.4	6.7	6.7	5.6	5.6
Media and expression (CLD)	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	3.3	3.3	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7
Relationships	3.9	3.9	3.9	3.9	3.9	3.9	4.1	5.3	5.3	5.3	5.3	5.3
Same-sex relationships	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Divorce	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0
Inheritance rights	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0
Female genital mutilation	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.6	1.5	1.1	1.1	1.1	1.1	1.1

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WESTERN EUROPE

HUMAN FREEDOM

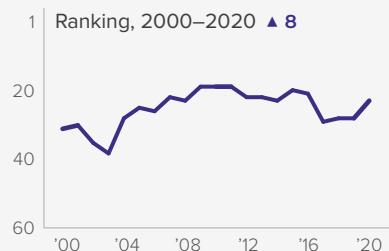
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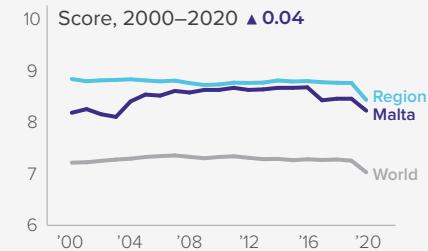
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PERSONAL FREEDOM

Ranking
28/165

Score
8.54

Rule of law

Procedural justice	6.9
Civil justice	7.7
Criminal justice	6.1
Rule of law (V-Dem)	6.3
	7.3

Security and safety

Homicide	9.6
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	9.5

Movement

Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	8.0
Freedom of movement (CLD)	9.3

Religion

Freedom of religion	9.7
Religious organization repression	9.8

Association, assembly, civil society

Civil society entry and exit	9.6
Freedom of assembly	9.3
Freedom to form/run political parties	10.0
Civil society repression	9.8

Expression and information

Direct attacks on the press	6.6
Media and expression (V-Dem)	5.0
Media and expression (Freedom House)	7.4
Media and expression (BTI)	7.5
Media and expression (CLD)	-
	6.7

Relationships

Same-sex relationships	9.4
Divorce	10.0
Inheritance rights	7.5
Female genital mutilation	10.0

ECONOMIC FREEDOM

Ranking
21/165

Score
7.72

Size of government

Government consumption	6.4
Transfers and subsidies	2.2
Government investment	6.0
Top marginal tax rate	10.0
State ownership of assets	7.0
	6.8

Legal system and property rights

Judicial independence	6.5
Impartial courts	6.7
Protection of property rights	6.4
Military interference	6.8
Integrity of the legal system	10.0
Legal enforcement of contracts	7.8
Regulatory costs	5.4
Reliability of police	5.2
	5.3

Sound money

Money growth	9.3
Standard deviation of inflation	7.6
Inflation: Most recent year	9.8
Freedom to own foreign currency	9.9
	10.0

Freedom to trade internationally

Tariffs	8.4
Regulatory trade barriers	8.0
Black-market exchange rates	8.0
Movement of capital and people	10.0
	7.6

Regulation

Credit market regulations	8.0
Labor market regulations	8.6
Business regulations	8.0
	7.4

MALTA

WESTERN EUROPE

	2000	2002	2004	2006	2008	2010	2012	2014	2016	2018	2019	2020
Human freedom	8.16	8.13	8.38	8.49	8.55	8.60	8.60	8.64	8.65	8.43	8.43	8.20
Ranking	32	36	29	27	24	20	23	24	22	29	29	24
Economic freedom	6.88	6.82	7.29	7.48	7.71	7.77	7.85	7.97	8.01	8.01	8.02	7.72
Personal freedom	9.07	9.06	9.17	9.21	9.15	9.19	9.14	9.13	9.10	8.72	8.73	8.54
Rule of law	7.3	7.1	6.9	6.7	6.7	6.9						
Procedural justice	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	7.7	7.7
Civil justice	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6.1	6.1
Criminal justice	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6.3	6.3
Rule of law (V-Dem)	7.7	7.7	7.7	7.7	7.7	7.7	7.7	7.5	7.3	7.1	7.1	7.3
Security and safety	8.9	8.8	9.6	9.9	9.7	9.7	9.5	9.7	9.7	9.4	9.5	9.6
Homicide	9.7	9.6	9.5	10.0	9.6	9.7	9.2	9.6	9.7	9.5	9.7	9.5
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	8.1	8.1	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.3	9.3	9.6
Movement	9.6	8.0										
Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	9.3	9.3	9.3	9.3	9.3	9.3	9.3	9.3	9.3	9.3	9.3	9.3
Freedom of movement (CLD)	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	6.7
Religion	9.8	9.7										
Freedom of religion	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7
Religious organization repression	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8
Association, assembly, civil society	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.6	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.6	9.6	9.6
Civil society entry and exit	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.3	9.3	9.3
Freedom of assembly	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Freedom to form/run political parties	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8
Civil society repression	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.1	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.1	9.1	9.2
Expression and information	8.7	8.7	8.7	8.7	8.6	8.7	8.7	8.5	8.5	6.6	6.6	6.6
Direct attacks on the press	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	5.0	5.0	5.0
Media and expression (V-Dem)	8.3	8.3	8.3	8.3	7.9	8.2	8.0	7.4	7.4	7.3	7.3	7.4
Media and expression (Freedom House)	10.0	10.0	9.8	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	7.5	7.5	7.5
Media and expression (BTI)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Media and expression (CLD)	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7
Relationships	9.4											
Same-sex relationships	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Divorce	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5
Inheritance rights	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Female genital mutilation	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0

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MAURITANIA

SUB-SAHARAN AFRICA

HUMAN FREEDOM

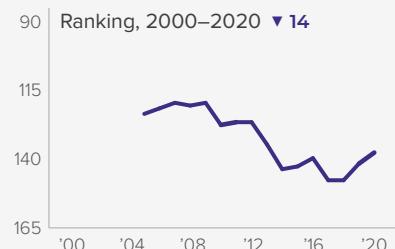
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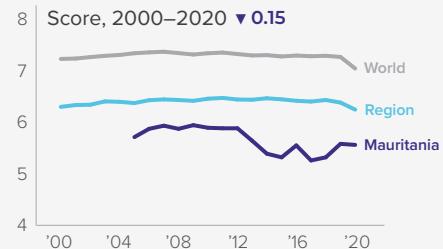
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Ranking, 2000–2020 ▼ 14



Score, 2000–2020 ▼ 0.15



PERSONAL FREEDOM

Ranking
139/165

Score
5.12

Rule of law

Procedural justice	3.5
Civil justice	4.0
Criminal justice	3.9
Rule of law (V-Dem)	2.9
	4.9

Security and safety

Homicide	7.7
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	7.1

Movement

Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	6.0
Freedom of movement (CLD)	8.6

Religion

Freedom of religion	7.1
Religious organization repression	5.3

Association, assembly, civil society

Civil society entry and exit	5.8
Freedom of assembly	5.9
Freedom to form/run political parties	4.9
Civil society repression	6.3

Expression and information

Direct attacks on the press	5.0
Media and expression (V-Dem)	6.3
Media and expression (Freedom House)	5.0
Media and expression (BTI)	5.6
Media and expression (CLD)	3.3

Relationships

Same-sex relationships	0.8
Divorce	0.0
Inheritance rights	0.0
Female genital mutilation	3.3

ECONOMIC FREEDOM

Ranking
125/165

Score
6.13

Size of government

Government consumption	5.7
Transfers and subsidies	6.4
Government investment	0.0
Top marginal tax rate	10.0
State ownership of assets	5.0
	7.3

Legal system and property rights

Judicial independence	3.5
Impartial courts	3.6
Protection of property rights	2.8
Military interference	3.2
Integrity of the legal system	-
Legal enforcement of contracts	3.7
Regulatory costs	6.3
Reliability of police	7.6
	6.2

Sound money

Money growth	8.3
Standard deviation of inflation	9.1
Inflation: Most recent year	9.7
Freedom to own foreign currency	9.5
	5.0

Freedom to trade internationally

Tariffs	5.8
Regulatory trade barriers	7.4
Black-market exchange rates	4.4
Movement of capital and people	10.0
	1.6

Regulation

Credit market regulations	7.2
Labor market regulations	9.7
Business regulations	6.0
	6.0

MAURITANIA

SUB-SAHARAN AFRICA

	2000	2002	2004	2006	2008	2010	2012	2014	2016	2018	2019	2020
Human freedom	-	-	-	5.85	5.85	5.87	5.86	5.37	5.53	5.30	5.56	5.54
Ranking	-	-	-	122	121	128	127	144	140	148	142	138
Economic freedom	-	-	-	5.62	5.70	5.90	6.03	5.95	6.33	6.33	6.55	6.13
Personal freedom	-	-	-	6.02	5.96	5.84	5.74	4.95	4.96	4.56	4.86	5.12
Rule of law	-	-	-	4.4	4.5	4.5	4.5	3.5	3.5	3.6	3.6	3.5
Procedural justice	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4.0	4.0	4.0
Civil justice	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3.6	3.9	3.9
Criminal justice	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3.0	2.9	2.9
Rule of law (V-Dem)	-	-	-	5.7	5.9	5.9	5.9	4.5	4.6	4.6	5.0	4.9
Security and safety	-	-	-	7.9	7.2	7.4	7.4	7.2	7.6	7.4	7.8	7.7
Homicide	-	-	-	6.4	6.8	6.8	6.8	7.1	7.1	7.1	7.1	7.1
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	-	-	-	9.3	7.6	8.1	8.1	7.4	8.1	7.7	8.6	8.3
Movement	-	-	-	7.8	7.9	7.9	7.9	5.9	5.9	5.3	5.8	6.0
Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	-	-	-	8.9	9.2	9.2	9.2	8.4	8.4	7.3	8.3	8.6
Freedom of movement (CLD)	-	-	-	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3
Religion	-	-	-	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	5.6	5.6	4.3	4.8	7.1
Freedom of religion	-	-	-	4.4	4.4	4.4	4.4	2.0	2.0	2.7	4.0	5.3
Religious organization repression	-	-	-	9.0	8.9	8.9	8.9	9.2	9.2	5.9	5.6	8.8
Association, assembly, civil society	-	-	-	6.8	6.7	6.7	6.9	5.8	5.9	5.4	5.9	5.8
Civil society entry and exit	-	-	-	8.4	7.3	7.3	7.3	5.8	5.8	4.7	5.9	5.9
Freedom of assembly	-	-	-	2.9	3.8	3.8	4.5	4.2	4.9	4.9	4.9	4.9
Freedom to form/run political parties	-	-	-	7.8	8.2	8.2	8.2	7.3	7.3	6.9	6.9	6.3
Civil society repression	-	-	-	8.1	7.4	7.4	7.4	5.8	5.8	5.2	6.1	5.9
Expression and information	-	-	-	6.6	6.7	5.7	6.1	6.0	5.5	5.0	5.1	5.0
Direct attacks on the press	-	-	-	10.0	10.0	6.4	6.4	6.9	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0
Media and expression (V-Dem)	-	-	-	8.1	8.0	7.9	7.9	7.7	7.4	6.2	6.8	6.3
Media and expression (Freedom House)	-	-	-	4.8	4.4	5.2	6.1	5.4	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0
Media and expression (BTI)	-	-	-	-	7.8	5.6	6.7	6.7	6.7	5.6	5.6	5.6
Media and expression (CLD)	-	-	-	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3
Relationships	-	-	-	2.0	2.0	2.0	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.8	0.8	0.8
Same-sex relationships	-	-	-	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Divorce	-	-	-	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Inheritance rights	-	-	-	5.0	5.0	5.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Female genital mutilation	-	-	-	2.9	2.9	2.9	2.8	2.8	2.8	3.3	3.3	3.3

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SUB-SAHARAN AFRICA

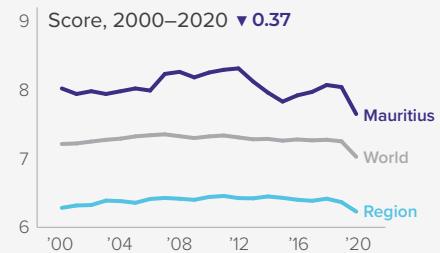
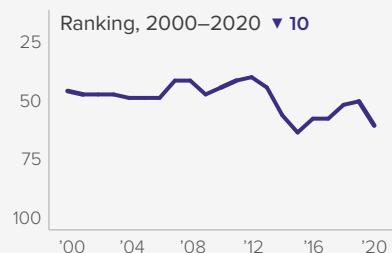
HUMAN FREEDOM

Ranking

50

Score

7.63



PERSONAL FREEDOM

Ranking
70/165

Score
7.45

Rule of law

Procedural justice	5.4
Civil justice	6.0
Criminal justice	6.3
Rule of law (V-Dem)	5.4
	6.5

Security and safety

Homicide	9.2
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	9.3

Movement

Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	7.9
Freedom of movement (CLD)	6.7

Religion

Freedom of religion	8.8
Religious organization repression	9.6

Association, assembly, civil society

Civil society entry and exit	9.0
Freedom of assembly	8.9
Freedom to form/run political parties	9.6
Civil society repression	9.1

Expression and information

Direct attacks on the press	7.6
Media and expression (V-Dem)	10.0
Media and expression (Freedom House)	7.1
Media and expression (BTI)	7.5
Media and expression (CLD)	6.7

Relationships

Same-sex relationships	4.4
Divorce	0.0
Inheritance rights	2.5
Female genital mutilation	5.0

ECONOMIC FREEDOM

Ranking
9/165

Score
7.88

Size of government

Government consumption	7.9
Transfers and subsidies	5.9
Government investment	8.4
Top marginal tax rate	7.4
State ownership of assets	10.0

Legal system and property rights

Judicial independence	6.9
Impartial courts	6.8
Protection of property rights	6.4
Military interference	7.2
Integrity of the legal system	-
Legal enforcement of contracts	7.3
Regulatory costs	5.3
Reliability of police	9.5

Sound money

Money growth	9.5
Standard deviation of inflation	8.6
Inflation: Most recent year	9.8
Freedom to own foreign currency	9.5

Freedom to trade internationally

Tariffs	7.7
Regulatory trade barriers	9.4
Black-market exchange rates	7.5
Movement of capital and people	10.0

Regulation

Credit market regulations	7.4
Labor market regulations	6.5
Business regulations	7.9

MAURITIUS

SUB-SAHARAN AFRICA

	2000	2002	2004	2006	2008	2010	2012	2014	2016	2018	2019	2020
Human freedom	8.00	7.96	7.96	7.97	8.24	8.23	8.29	7.94	7.90	8.05	8.02	7.63
Ranking	40	41	42	42	37	39	36	47	48	44	43	50
Economic freedom	7.26	7.19	7.22	7.47	7.93	7.98	8.02	7.91	8.05	8.26	8.20	7.88
Personal freedom	8.52	8.51	8.49	8.33	8.47	8.40	8.48	7.95	7.79	7.90	7.88	7.45
Rule of law	6.3	6.3	6.3	6.3	6.3	6.4	6.4	6.2	6.1	6.0	5.9	5.4
Procedural justice	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6.2	6.0	6.0
Civil justice	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6.4	6.3	6.3
Criminal justice	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5.3	5.4	5.4
Rule of law (V-Dem)	7.4	7.4	7.4	7.4	7.4	7.5	7.6	7.3	7.2	7.1	7.1	6.5
Security and safety	9.5	9.5	9.4	9.2	9.2	9.4	9.5	9.6	9.6	9.4	9.4	9.2
Homicide	9.4	9.4	9.2	8.8	8.9	9.2	9.3	9.6	9.5	9.2	9.2	9.2
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.7	9.6	9.7	9.6	9.6	9.3
Movement	9.7	8.1	9.7	9.7	7.9							
Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	9.4	9.4	9.4	9.4	9.4	9.4	9.4	9.4	9.6	9.5	9.4	9.2
Freedom of movement (CLD)	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	6.7
Religion	9.5	9.5	9.5	8.6	9.5	8.8	9.6	8.8	9.3	8.8	8.8	8.8
Freedom of religion	9.4	9.4	9.4	7.8	9.5	8.1	9.7	8.1	9.1	8.0	8.0	8.0
Religious organization repression	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.6	9.6	9.6
Association, assembly, civil society	9.4	9.4	9.4	9.3	9.4	9.3	9.2	9.0	9.2	9.2	9.2	9.0
Civil society entry and exit	9.4	9.4	9.4	9.1	9.2	9.2	9.2	9.0	9.0	9.0	8.9	8.9
Freedom of assembly	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.6	10.0	9.6	9.3	8.5	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.6
Freedom to form/run political parties	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.1
Civil society repression	8.7	8.7	8.7	8.7	8.7	8.7	8.7	8.7	8.7	8.7	8.7	8.2
Expression and information	8.4	8.3	8.3	8.3	8.3	8.3	8.0	8.0	7.8	7.8	7.8	7.6
Direct attacks on the press	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Media and expression (V-Dem)	8.3	8.3	8.3	8.2	8.2	8.3	8.3	8.2	8.1	8.3	8.1	7.1
Media and expression (Freedom House)	8.1	7.8	7.7	7.8	7.8	7.7	7.3	7.3	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5
Media and expression (BTI)	8.9	8.9	8.9	8.9	8.9	8.9	7.8	7.8	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7
Media and expression (CLD)	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7
Relationships	6.9	4.4	4.4	4.4	4.4	4.4						
Same-sex relationships	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Divorce	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5
Inheritance rights	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0
Female genital mutilation	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0

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MEXICO

LATIN AMERICA & THE CARIBBEAN

HUMAN FREEDOM

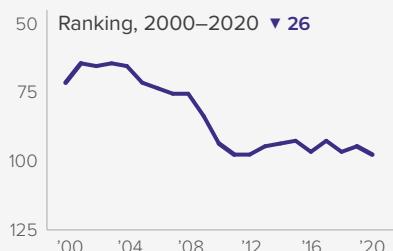
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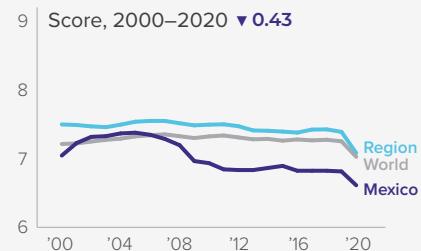
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PERSONAL FREEDOM

Ranking
109/165

Score
6.23

Rule of law

Procedural justice	3.5
Civil justice	4.0
Criminal justice	3.7
Rule of law (V-Dem)	2.9

Rule of law (V-Dem)	5.6
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Security and safety

Homicide	4.2
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	1.8

Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	6.7
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Movement

Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	6.5
Freedom of movement (CLD)	9.7

Freedom of movement (CLD)	3.3
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Religion

Freedom of religion	8.3
Religious organization repression	7.7

Religious organization repression	8.9
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Association, assembly, civil society

Civil society entry and exit	8.3
Freedom of assembly	8.6

Freedom of assembly	8.1
Freedom to form/run political parties	9.0

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Civil society repression	7.7

Expression and information

Direct attacks on the press	5.8
Media and expression (V-Dem)	6.2

Media and expression (V-Dem)	6.7
Media and expression (Freedom House)	5.0

Media and expression (Freedom House)	5.0
Media and expression (BTI)	4.4

Media and expression (BTI)	4.4
Media and expression (CLD)	6.7

Relationships

Same-sex relationships	6.9
Divorce	10.0

Divorce	0.0
Inheritance rights	7.5

Inheritance rights	10.0
Female genital mutilation	10.0

ECONOMIC FREEDOM

Ranking
64/165

Score
7.12

Size of government

Government consumption	8.1
Transfers and subsidies	6.8
Government investment	8.4
Top marginal tax rate	10.0
State ownership of assets	8.0

Legal system and property rights

Judicial independence	4.7
Impartial courts	4.8
Protection of property rights	4.0
Military interference	5.2
Integrity of the legal system	5.0
Legal enforcement of contracts	3.9
Regulatory costs	5.1
Reliability of police	7.3

Sound money

Money growth	8.2
Standard deviation of inflation	8.8
Inflation: Most recent year	9.5
Freedom to own foreign currency	9.3
Freedom to trade internationally	5.0

Freedom to trade internationally

Tariffs	7.7
Regulatory trade barriers	8.1
Black-market exchange rates	7.3
Movement of capital and people	10.0

Regulation

Credit market regulations	8.7
Labor market regulations	5.6
Business regulations	6.7

MEXICO

LATIN AMERICA & THE CARIBBEAN

	2000	2002	2004	2006	2008	2010	2012	2014	2016	2018	2019	2020
Human freedom	7.03	7.30	7.35	7.33	7.18	6.92	6.82	6.85	6.81	6.81	6.80	6.60
Ranking	72	66	66	74	76	94	98	94	97	97	95	98
Economic freedom	6.66	6.82	6.89	6.95	6.88	6.93	6.95	7.10	7.07	7.17	7.20	7.12
Personal freedom	7.30	7.64	7.67	7.61	7.40	6.91	6.73	6.67	6.63	6.55	6.51	6.23
Rule of law	4.2	4.2	4.2	4.2	4.2	4.2	3.5	3.8	3.9	3.8	3.5	3.5
Procedural justice	-	-	-	-	5.0	5.0	4.2	4.5	4.7	4.6	4.0	4.0
Civil justice	-	-	-	-	4.0	4.0	3.9	4.1	4.0	3.9	3.7	3.7
Criminal justice	-	-	-	-	3.5	3.5	2.5	2.9	3.0	3.0	2.9	2.9
Rule of law (V-Dem)	5.5	5.5	5.5	5.5	5.5	5.4	5.4	5.5	5.5	5.6	5.6	5.6
Security and safety	7.3	7.4	7.6	7.4	6.9	5.6	5.2	6.1	5.6	4.1	4.2	4.2
Homicide	6.9	7.2	7.5	7.2	6.4	3.6	3.8	5.3	4.4	1.5	1.6	1.8
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	7.7	7.6	7.6	7.5	7.4	7.5	6.7	6.8	6.8	6.7	6.7	6.7
Movement	7.9	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.6	7.9	8.0	8.0	8.0	8.2	8.2	6.5
Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	9.1	9.1	9.1	9.1	9.2	9.2	9.3	9.3	9.3	9.7	9.7	9.7
Freedom of movement (CLD)	6.7	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	3.3
Religion	8.4	8.3	8.3	8.3	8.3	8.3						
Freedom of religion	7.7	7.7	7.7	7.7	7.7	7.7	7.7	7.7	7.7	7.7	7.7	7.7
Religious organization repression	9.2	9.2	9.2	9.2	9.1	9.1	9.1	8.9	8.9	8.9	8.9	8.9
Association, assembly, civil society	8.2	8.5	8.5	8.4	8.1	8.4	8.5	8.1	8.1	8.6	8.7	8.3
Civil society entry and exit	6.9	8.1	8.1	8.1	8.1	8.3	8.3	7.3	7.3	8.7	9.2	8.6
Freedom of assembly	8.4	8.4	8.4	8.4	7.3	8.4	8.4	8.4	8.1	8.1	8.1	8.1
Freedom to form/run political parties	8.9	8.9	8.9	8.9	8.9	8.9	8.9	8.8	9.0	8.7	9.1	9.0
Civil society repression	8.6	8.6	8.6	8.2	8.2	8.1	8.2	8.0	8.0	8.8	8.5	7.7
Expression and information	7.6	8.0	8.0	7.9	7.2	6.5	6.1	6.1	6.2	6.0	5.8	5.8
Direct attacks on the press	9.2	9.5	9.4	9.0	8.0	6.2	5.1	6.1	6.7	6.3	6.2	6.2
Media and expression (V-Dem)	7.4	7.4	7.4	7.4	7.2	7.2	7.2	6.9	7.2	7.4	6.7	6.7
Media and expression (Freedom House)	8.2	9.5	10.0	9.6	7.4	5.6	5.9	5.3	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0
Media and expression (BTI)	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	5.6	5.6	5.6	4.4	4.4	4.4
Media and expression (CLD)	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7
Relationships	7.4	6.2	6.2	6.9	6.9	6.9						
Same-sex relationships	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Divorce	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Inheritance rights	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	5.0	5.0	7.5	7.5	7.5
Female genital mutilation	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0

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MOLDOVA

EASTERN EUROPE

HUMAN FREEDOM

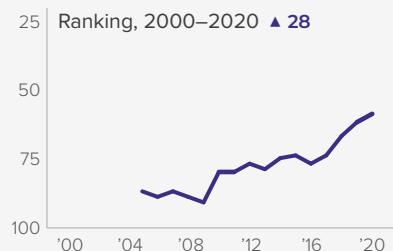
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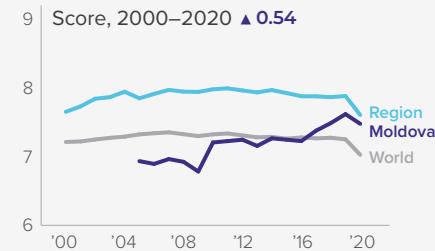
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Ranking, 2000–2020 ▲ 28



Score, 2000–2020 ▲ 0.54



PERSONAL FREEDOM

Ranking
57/165

Score
7.75

Rule of law

Procedural justice	4.6
Civil justice	5.6
Criminal justice	5.0
Rule of law (V-Dem)	3.9
	6.4

Security and safety

Homicide	8.8
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	8.9

Movement

Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	7.5
Freedom of movement (CLD)	8.4

Religion

Freedom of religion	8.2
Religious organization repression	8.0

Association, assembly, civil society

Civil society entry and exit	8.2
Freedom of assembly	7.9
Freedom to form/run political parties	6.9
Civil society repression	9.3

Expression and information

Direct attacks on the press	6.9
Media and expression (V-Dem)	10.0
Media and expression (Freedom House)	7.2
Media and expression (BTI)	5.0
Media and expression (CLD)	5.6
	6.7

Relationships

Same-sex relationships	10.0
Divorce	10.0
Inheritance rights	10.0
Female genital mutilation	10.0

ECONOMIC FREEDOM

Ranking
69/165

Score
7.05

Size of government

Government consumption	7.5
Transfers and subsidies	6.8
Government investment	6.0
Top marginal tax rate	10.0
State ownership of assets	7.5

Legal system and property rights

Judicial independence	5.7
Impartial courts	5.0
Protection of property rights	4.4
Military interference	4.9
Integrity of the legal system	6.7
Legal enforcement of contracts	6.2
Regulatory costs	4.3
Reliability of police	9.6

Sound money

Money growth	8.1
Standard deviation of inflation	8.6
Inflation: Most recent year	9.7
Freedom to own foreign currency	9.2

Freedom to trade internationally

Tariffs	6.7
Regulatory trade barriers	8.7
Black-market exchange rates	7.5
Movement of capital and people	10.0

Regulation

Credit market regulations	7.2
Labor market regulations	9.0
Business regulations	5.6

MOLDOVA

EASTERN EUROPE

	2000	2002	2004	2006	2008	2010	2012	2014	2016	2018	2019	2020
Human freedom	-	-	-	6.88	6.91	7.19	7.23	7.25	7.21	7.47	7.60	7.46
Ranking	-	-	-	89	89	80	77	75	77	67	62	59
Economic freedom	-	-	-	6.53	6.60	6.72	6.87	7.00	6.99	7.25	7.32	7.05
Personal freedom	-	-	-	7.12	7.14	7.53	7.48	7.43	7.37	7.63	7.79	7.75
Rule of law	-	-	-	3.8	3.8	4.2	3.9	4.5	4.5	4.6	4.8	4.6
Procedural justice	-	-	-	-	4.5	4.5	4.4	5.0	5.1	5.3	5.6	5.6
Civil justice	-	-	-	-	4.2	4.2	4.1	4.6	4.7	4.8	5.0	5.0
Criminal justice	-	-	-	-	4.0	4.0	3.3	3.8	3.6	3.6	3.9	3.9
Rule of law (V-Dem)	-	-	-	6.3	6.3	7.0	6.9	6.5	6.6	6.6	6.6	6.4
Security and safety	-	-	-	8.2	8.4	8.5	8.6	8.8	8.6	8.7	8.8	8.8
Homicide	-	-	-	8.2	8.3	8.1	8.4	9.1	8.6	8.8	8.9	8.9
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	-	-	-	8.3	8.5	8.8	8.7	8.5	8.7	8.7	8.7	8.7
Movement	-	-	-	8.1	8.0	8.1	8.1	8.0	8.1	8.1	8.1	7.5
Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	-	-	-	9.5	9.2	9.5	9.5	9.3	9.4	9.4	9.4	8.4
Freedom of movement (CLD)	-	-	-	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7
Religion	-	-	-	7.5	7.2	7.8	8.0	7.7	7.5	8.0	8.0	8.2
Freedom of religion	-	-	-	7.3	7.0	7.4	7.7	7.3	7.3	7.3	7.3	8.0
Religious organization repression	-	-	-	7.8	7.5	8.2	8.2	8.2	7.6	8.7	8.7	8.4
Association, assembly, civil society	-	-	-	6.4	6.6	7.9	8.0	7.8	7.3	7.3	8.1	8.2
Civil society entry and exit	-	-	-	4.9	4.9	7.1	7.4	6.7	5.8	5.8	7.1	7.9
Freedom of assembly	-	-	-	5.8	6.2	5.8	5.8	6.9	7.3	7.3	6.9	6.9
Freedom to form/run political parties	-	-	-	8.6	8.7	9.7	9.5	9.1	8.8	8.6	9.1	9.3
Civil society repression	-	-	-	6.4	6.7	9.1	9.1	8.6	7.3	7.3	9.1	8.9
Expression and information	-	-	-	5.8	5.9	6.2	6.5	6.4	6.9	6.8	6.9	6.9
Direct attacks on the press	-	-	-	10.0	10.0	5.7	5.7	5.7	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Media and expression (V-Dem)	-	-	-	6.3	6.1	7.6	7.7	7.5	6.4	6.8	7.2	7.2
Media and expression (Freedom House)	-	-	-	3.7	3.5	5.4	5.8	5.4	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0
Media and expression (BTI)	-	-	-	5.6	6.7	5.6	6.7	6.7	6.7	5.6	5.6	5.6
Media and expression (CLD)	-	-	-	3.3	3.3	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7
Relationships	-	-	-	10.0	10.0	10.0	9.4	8.8	8.8	10.0	10.0	10.0
Same-sex relationships	-	-	-	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Divorce	-	-	-	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Inheritance rights	-	-	-	10.0	10.0	10.0	7.5	5.0	5.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Female genital mutilation	-	-	-	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0

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MONGOLIA

EAST ASIA

HUMAN FREEDOM

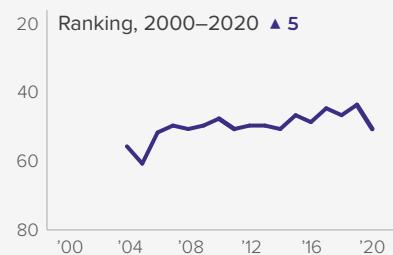
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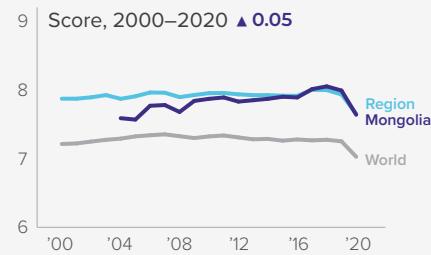
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PERSONAL FREEDOM

Ranking
52/165

Score
7.85

Rule of law

Procedural justice	5.2
Civil justice	5.4
Criminal justice	5.5
Rule of law (V-Dem)	4.9
	6.7

Security and safety

Homicide	8.9
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	8.3

Movement

Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	6.2
Freedom of movement (CLD)	9.2

Religion

Freedom of religion	8.6
Religious organization repression	7.7

Association, assembly, civil society

Civil society entry and exit	9.0
Freedom of assembly	8.8
Freedom to form/run political parties	9.6
Civil society repression	9.4

Expression and information

Direct attacks on the press	7.7
Media and expression (V-Dem)	10.0
Media and expression (Freedom House)	7.8
Media and expression (BTI)	7.5
Media and expression (CLD)	6.7

Relationships

Same-sex relationships	9.4
Divorce	10.0
Inheritance rights	7.5
Female genital mutilation	10.0

ECONOMIC FREEDOM

Ranking
56/165

Score
7.30

Size of government

Government consumption	7.1
Transfers and subsidies	5.7
Government investment	7.5
Top marginal tax rate	6.9
State ownership of assets	8.5

Legal system and property rights

Judicial independence	6.1
Impartial courts	5.3
Protection of property rights	4.3
Military interference	4.3
Integrity of the legal system	8.3
Legal enforcement of contracts	6.0
Regulatory costs	6.3
Reliability of police	9.1

Sound money

Money growth	8.9
Standard deviation of inflation	8.0
Inflation: Most recent year	8.5
Freedom to own foreign currency	9.3
	10.0

Freedom to trade internationally

Tariffs	6.4
Regulatory trade barriers	8.9
Black-market exchange rates	3.8
Movement of capital and people	10.0

Regulation

Credit market regulations	7.9
Labor market regulations	10.0
Business regulations	6.6

MONGOLIA

EAST ASIA

	2000	2002	2004	2006	2008	2010	2012	2014	2016	2018	2019	2020
Human freedom	-	-	7.57	7.75	7.66	7.85	7.81	7.85	7.87	8.03	7.97	7.62
Ranking	-	-	56	52	51	48	50	51	49	47	44	51
Economic freedom	-	-	6.91	7.07	6.85	7.21	7.06	7.23	7.18	7.56	7.42	7.30
Personal freedom	-	-	8.05	8.24	8.25	8.31	8.35	8.29	8.36	8.38	8.36	7.85
Rule of law	-	-	5.3	5.3	5.3	5.3	5.2	5.3	5.3	5.2	5.3	5.2
Procedural justice	-	-	-	-	5.2	5.2	5.5	5.7	5.4	5.3	5.4	5.4
Civil justice	-	-	-	-	5.3	5.3	5.2	5.4	5.3	5.3	5.5	5.5
Criminal justice	-	-	-	-	5.4	5.4	4.8	4.8	5.0	4.9	4.9	4.9
Rule of law (V-Dem)	-	-	7.1	7.1	7.1	7.1	7.1	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.8	6.7
Security and safety	-	-	7.8	7.9	8.2	8.3	8.6	8.7	8.9	8.8	8.8	8.9
Homicide	-	-	6.1	6.2	7.7	7.4	7.9	7.9	8.4	8.2	8.2	8.3
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	-	-	9.5	9.5	8.8	9.2	9.2	9.4	9.4	9.4	9.4	9.5
Movement	-	-	8.2	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	6.2
Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	-	-	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.4	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.2
Freedom of movement (CLD)	-	-	6.7	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	3.3
Religion	-	-	8.7	8.7	8.7	8.7	8.7	8.6	8.7	8.7	8.7	8.6
Freedom of religion	-	-	8.1	8.1	8.1	8.1	8.1	7.8	8.1	8.1	7.9	7.7
Religious organization repression	-	-	9.3	9.3	9.4	9.4	9.4	9.4	9.4	9.4	9.4	9.5
Association, assembly, civil society	-	-	9.2	9.0	8.9	9.1	9.2	8.9	9.0	9.1	8.9	9.0
Civil society entry and exit	-	-	9.2	9.2	8.9	8.9	8.9	8.6	8.7	8.6	8.6	8.8
Freedom of assembly	-	-	9.3	8.1	8.1	9.3	9.3	9.3	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.6
Freedom to form/run political parties	-	-	9.5	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.4	9.4	9.4	9.4
Civil society repression	-	-	8.9	8.9	8.8	8.8	8.9	8.3	8.5	9.0	8.2	8.2
Expression and information	-	-	7.6	7.5	7.3	7.4	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.7	7.7	7.7
Direct attacks on the press	-	-	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Media and expression (V-Dem)	-	-	8.0	8.0	7.8	7.7	7.7	7.6	7.7	7.6	7.8	7.8
Media and expression (Freedom House)	-	-	7.9	7.5	6.7	7.1	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5
Media and expression (BTI)	-	-	5.6	5.6	5.6	5.6	5.6	5.6	5.6	6.7	6.7	6.7
Media and expression (CLD)	-	-	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7
Relationships	-	-	9.4									
Same-sex relationships	-	-	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Divorce	-	-	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5
Inheritance rights	-	-	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Female genital mutilation	-	-	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0

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MONTENEGRO

EASTERN EUROPE

HUMAN FREEDOM

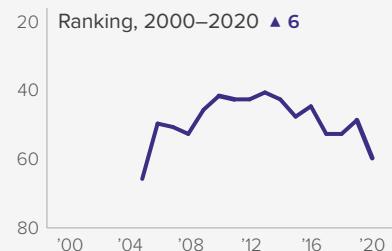
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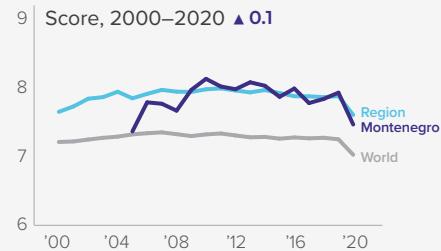
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Score, 2000–2020 ▲ 0.1



PERSONAL FREEDOM

Ranking
71/165

Score
7.44

Rule of law

Procedural justice	-
Civil justice	-
Criminal justice	-
Rule of law (V-Dem)	6.1

Security and safety

Homicide	9.2
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	9.0

Movement

Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	7.1
Freedom of movement (CLD)	6.7

Religion

Freedom of religion	7.3
Religious organization repression	7.0

Association, assembly, civil society

Civil society entry and exit	8.3
Freedom of assembly	7.3
Freedom to form/run political parties	9.5
Civil society repression	8.8

Expression and information

Direct attacks on the press	5.0
Media and expression (V-Dem)	6.4
Media and expression (Freedom House)	5.0
Media and expression (BTI)	5.6
Media and expression (CLD)	3.3

Relationships

Same-sex relationships	10.0
Divorce	10.0
Inheritance rights	7.5
Female genital mutilation	10.0

ECONOMIC FREEDOM

Ranking
40/165

Score
7.46

Size of government

Government consumption	5.4
Transfers and subsidies	-
Government investment	5.2
Top marginal tax rate	7.5
State ownership of assets	7.6

Legal system and property rights

Judicial independence	6.1
Impartial courts	5.6
Protection of property rights	5.6
Military interference	-
Integrity of the legal system	6.7
Legal enforcement of contracts	4.8
Regulatory costs	7.7
Reliability of police	5.9

Sound money

Money growth	9.8
Standard deviation of inflation	9.2
Inflation: Most recent year	9.9
Freedom to own foreign currency	10.0

Freedom to trade internationally

Tariffs	8.3
Regulatory trade barriers	7.5
Black-market exchange rates	10.0
Movement of capital and people	3.1

Regulation

Credit market regulations	9.5
Labor market regulations	7.7
Business regulations	7.1

MONTENEGRO

EASTERN EUROPE

	2000	2002	2004	2006	2008	2010	2012	2014	2016	2018	2019	2020
Human freedom	-	-	-	7.77	7.65	8.11	7.96	8.01	7.97	7.82	7.91	7.45
Ranking	-	-	-	50	53	42	43	43	45	53	49	60
Economic freedom	-	-	-	6.76	6.80	7.26	7.32	7.40	7.31	7.45	7.63	7.46
Personal freedom	-	-	-	8.50	8.25	8.71	8.42	8.45	8.45	8.08	8.11	7.44
Rule of law	-	-	-	6.6	6.7	6.7	6.8	6.9	6.9	6.6	6.5	6.1
Procedural justice	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Civil justice	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Criminal justice	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Rule of law (V-Dem)	-	-	-	6.6	6.7	6.7	6.8	6.9	6.9	6.6	6.5	6.1
Security and safety	-	-	-	9.0	8.9	9.1	9.1	9.1	8.9	8.8	8.9	9.1
Homicide	-	-	-	8.8	8.9	9.3	9.2	9.1	8.7	9.4	8.9	9.2
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	-	-	-	9.2	8.9	9.0	9.0	9.0	9.0	8.2	8.8	9.0
Movement	-	-	-	9.8	8.1	9.8	9.8	9.9	9.9	9.7	9.7	6.9
Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	-	-	-	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.8	9.8	9.4	9.4	7.1
Freedom of movement (CLD)	-	-	-	10.0	6.7	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	6.7
Religion	-	-	-	9.4	9.4	9.4	8.6	8.7	9.6	8.4	8.1	7.2
Freedom of religion	-	-	-	9.5	9.5	9.5	7.8	8.2	9.8	8.2	7.6	7.3
Religious organization repression	-	-	-	9.4	9.3	9.3	9.3	9.3	9.3	8.7	8.7	7.0
Association, assembly, civil society	-	-	-	8.6	8.5	8.8	8.4	8.4	8.2	8.0	8.5	8.5
Civil society entry and exit	-	-	-	8.0	8.8	8.8	8.8	8.8	8.8	8.8	8.8	8.3
Freedom of assembly	-	-	-	10.0	8.5	10.0	8.5	8.5	7.7	7.3	7.3	7.3
Freedom to form/run political parties	-	-	-	9.1	9.2	9.2	9.2	9.3	9.3	9.3	9.3	9.5
Civil society repression	-	-	-	7.2	7.7	7.4	7.4	7.1	7.1	6.7	8.6	8.8
Expression and information	-	-	-	6.0	6.1	7.1	6.2	6.2	5.7	5.7	5.7	5.1
Direct attacks on the press	-	-	-	5.0	5.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0
Media and expression (V-Dem)	-	-	-	6.5	6.4	6.4	6.4	6.3	6.3	6.2	6.2	6.4
Media and expression (Freedom House)	-	-	-	5.8	5.8	5.8	6.0	5.6	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0
Media and expression (BTI)	-	-	-	-	6.7	6.7	5.6	5.6	5.6	5.6	5.6	5.6
Media and expression (CLD)	-	-	-	6.7	6.7	6.7	3.3	3.3	6.7	6.7	6.7	3.3
Relationships	-	-	-	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	9.4	9.4	9.4
Same-sex relationships	-	-	-	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Divorce	-	-	-	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Inheritance rights	-	-	-	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	-	-	7.5	7.5	7.5
Female genital mutilation	-	-	-	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0

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MIDDLE EAST & NORTH AFRICA

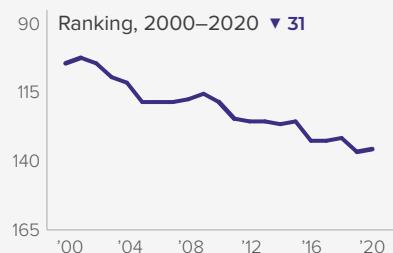
HUMAN FREEDOM

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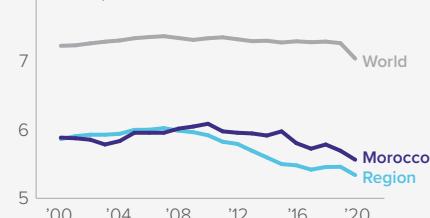
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Score

5.55



Score, 2000–2020 ▾ 0.32



PERSONAL FREEDOM

Ranking
147/165

Score
4.84

Rule of law

Procedural justice	4.0
Civil justice	3.2
Criminal justice	5.3
Rule of law (V-Dem)	3.6
	5.9

Security and safety

Homicide	9.0
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	9.6

Movement

Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	5.7
Freedom of movement (CLD)	8.0

Religion

Freedom of religion	3.3
Religious organization repression	3.6

Association, assembly, civil society

Civil society entry and exit	5.0
Freedom of assembly	4.0
Freedom to form/run political parties	3.8
Civil society repression	8.0

Expression and information

Direct attacks on the press	3.7
Media and expression (V-Dem)	5.0
Media and expression (Freedom House)	5.3
Media and expression (BTI)	2.5
Media and expression (CLD)	2.2

Relationships

Same-sex relationships	3.1
Divorce	0.0
Inheritance rights	2.5
Female genital mutilation	0.0

ECONOMIC FREEDOM

Ranking
99/165

Score
6.55

Size of government

Government consumption	6.6
Transfers and subsidies	4.0
Government investment	8.2
Top marginal tax rate	9.6
State ownership of assets	4.0

Legal system and property rights

Judicial independence	6.0
Impartial courts	5.4
Protection of property rights	7.2
Military interference	6.7
Integrity of the legal system	6.3
Legal enforcement of contracts	4.9
Regulatory costs	7.5
Reliability of police	8.1

Sound money

Money growth	7.3
Standard deviation of inflation	9.5
Inflation: Most recent year	9.9
Freedom to own foreign currency	9.9
	0.0

Freedom to trade internationally

Tariffs	6.2
Regulatory trade barriers	6.7
Black-market exchange rates	7.4
Movement of capital and people	10.0
	0.8

Regulation

Credit market regulations	6.8
Labor market regulations	8.4
Business regulations	4.9

MOROCCO

MIDDLE EAST & NORTH AFRICA

	2000	2002	2004	2006	2008	2010	2012	2014	2016	2018	2019	2020
Human freedom	5.87	5.84	5.82	5.94	6.00	6.07	5.94	5.90	5.79	5.77	5.68	5.55
Ranking	105	105	112	119	118	119	126	127	133	132	137	136
Economic freedom	5.89	5.81	5.95	6.17	6.24	6.43	6.44	6.45	6.59	6.78	6.74	6.55
Personal freedom	5.86	5.87	5.72	5.77	5.82	5.80	5.58	5.51	5.22	5.05	4.93	4.84
Rule of law	3.9	3.9	3.9	3.9	3.9	3.9	3.7	4.0	4.2	4.1	4.0	4.0
Procedural justice	-	-	-	-	2.9	2.9	2.7	2.9	3.4	3.3	3.2	3.2
Civil justice	-	-	-	-	5.4	5.4	5.0	5.3	5.4	5.4	5.3	5.3
Criminal justice	-	-	-	-	3.5	3.5	3.5	3.7	3.7	3.8	3.6	3.6
Rule of law (V-Dem)	5.8	5.8	5.8	5.8	5.8	5.8	5.9	5.8	5.7	5.9	5.9	5.9
Security and safety	9.2	9.2	8.8	9.2	9.0	9.0	9.0	8.7	9.0	9.1	9.0	9.0
Homicide	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.6	9.6	9.7	9.7	9.5	9.6	9.5	9.6
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	8.8	8.8	8.0	8.8	8.3	8.3	8.3	7.7	8.4	8.6	8.6	8.5
Movement	7.3	7.3	7.3	7.3	7.3	7.2	7.2	7.2	5.6	5.6	5.6	5.7
Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	8.0	8.0	8.0	8.0	7.9	7.8	7.8	7.7	7.9	7.9	7.9	8.0
Freedom of movement (CLD)	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3
Religion	4.8	4.8	4.6	4.6	4.9	4.9	5.0	4.6	3.7	4.0	3.6	3.3
Freedom of religion	4.9	4.9	4.9	4.9	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	3.3	4.0	4.0	3.6
Religious organization repression	4.7	4.7	4.3	4.2	4.8	4.8	4.9	4.3	4.1	4.0	3.2	3.1
Association, assembly, civil society	6.2	6.2	6.2	6.2	6.3	6.1	6.3	6.4	6.3	5.3	5.2	5.0
Civil society entry and exit	5.4	5.4	5.4	5.4	5.5	5.3	5.8	5.6	5.4	4.0	4.0	4.0
Freedom of assembly	5.7	5.7	5.7	5.7	5.4	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	4.2	3.8	3.8
Freedom to form/run political parties	8.0	8.0	8.0	7.9	7.9	8.0	8.1	8.2	8.4	8.4	8.4	8.0
Civil society repression	5.7	5.7	5.7	5.7	6.3	6.3	6.4	6.6	6.4	4.6	4.6	4.2
Expression and information	5.2	5.3	4.9	4.9	5.1	5.1	4.7	4.6	4.7	4.1	3.9	3.7
Direct attacks on the press	10.0	9.6	8.4	8.4	9.2	9.6	8.1	7.8	8.2	6.6	5.6	5.0
Media and expression (V-Dem)	5.2	5.3	5.3	5.3	5.7	6.1	6.1	6.0	6.0	5.8	5.8	5.3
Media and expression (Freedom House)	3.2	3.6	2.8	3.0	2.7	2.2	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5
Media and expression (BTI)	4.4	4.4	4.4	4.4	4.4	4.4	3.3	3.3	3.3	2.2	2.2	2.2
Media and expression (CLD)	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3
Relationships	4.4	4.4	4.4	4.4	4.4	4.4	3.1	3.1	3.1	3.1	3.1	3.1
Same-sex relationships	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Divorce	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5
Inheritance rights	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Female genital mutilation	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0

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MOZAMBIQUE

SUB-SAHARAN AFRICA

HUMAN FREEDOM

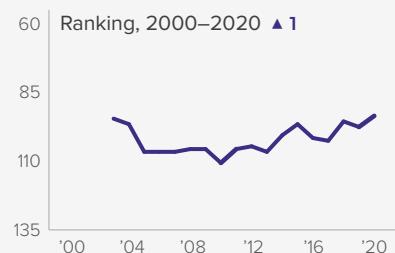
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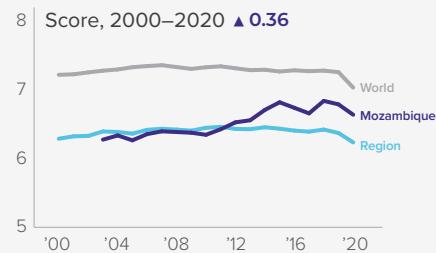
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Score, 2000–2020 ▲ 0.36



PERSONAL FREEDOM

Ranking
90/165

Score
6.87

Rule of law

Procedural justice	3.3
Civil justice	2.5
Criminal justice	4.4
Rule of law (V-Dem)	3.2
	5.2

Security and safety

Homicide	6.8
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	9.0

Movement

Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	7.6
Freedom of movement (CLD)	8.6

Religion

Freedom of religion	8.7
Religious organization repression	7.8

Association, assembly, civil society

Civil society entry and exit	6.7
Freedom of assembly	6.9
Freedom to form/run political parties	5.0
Civil society repression	8.7

Expression and information

Direct attacks on the press	5.5
Media and expression (V-Dem)	10.0
Media and expression (Freedom House)	6.1
Media and expression (BTI)	5.0
Media and expression (CLD)	3.3

Relationships

Same-sex relationships	9.4
Divorce	10.0
Inheritance rights	10.0
Female genital mutilation	7.5

ECONOMIC FREEDOM

Ranking
116/165

Score
6.27

Size of government

Government consumption	6.8
Transfers and subsidies	4.6
Government investment	9.5
Top marginal tax rate	8.4
State ownership of assets	6.0

Legal system and property rights

Judicial independence	4.5
Impartial courts	4.6
Protection of property rights	3.6
Military interference	3.8
Integrity of the legal system	7.5
Legal enforcement of contracts	5.4
Regulatory costs	1.8
Reliability of police	7.5

Sound money

Money growth	7.8
Standard deviation of inflation	8.9
Inflation: Most recent year	7.9
Freedom to own foreign currency	9.4
	5.0

Freedom to trade internationally

Tariffs	6.1
Regulatory trade barriers	8.0
Black-market exchange rates	5.7
Movement of capital and people	10.0
	0.5

Regulation

Credit market regulations	6.2
Labor market regulations	9.6
Business regulations	3.1

MOZAMBIQUE

SUB-SAHARAN AFRICA

	2000	2002	2004	2006	2008	2010	2012	2014	2016	2018	2019	2020
Human freedom	-	-	6.32	6.34	6.37	6.33	6.51	6.69	6.72	6.82	6.77	6.62
Ranking	-	-	97	107	106	111	105	101	102	96	98	94
Economic freedom	-	-	5.63	5.58	5.76	5.53	5.85	5.62	5.62	6.42	6.47	6.27
Personal freedom	-	-	6.81	6.88	6.81	6.90	6.98	7.44	7.51	7.10	6.98	6.87
Rule of law	-	-	3.9	3.8	3.8	3.9	3.9	3.8	3.7	3.5	3.4	3.3
Procedural justice	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2.5	2.5	2.5
Civil justice	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4.6	4.4	4.4
Criminal justice	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3.3	3.2	3.2
Rule of law (V-Dem)	-	-	5.9	5.9	5.9	5.9	5.9	5.9	5.6	5.3	5.2	5.2
Security and safety	-	-	8.7	8.9	8.6	8.7	8.7	8.3	7.7	7.7	7.0	6.8
Homicide	-	-	8.4	8.8	8.7	8.9	9.0	9.0	9.0	9.0	9.0	9.0
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	-	-	9.0	9.0	8.4	8.4	8.4	7.6	6.3	6.3	5.0	4.6
Movement	-	-	7.8	7.8	7.8	7.9	7.9	7.9	9.5	7.6	7.6	7.6
Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	-	-	8.9	8.9	8.9	9.2	9.2	9.2	9.1	8.5	8.6	8.6
Freedom of movement (CLD)	-	-	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	10.0	6.7	6.7	6.7
Religion	-	-	8.7	8.7	8.7	8.7	8.7	9.6	9.5	8.7	8.7	8.7
Freedom of religion	-	-	8.1	8.1	8.1	8.1	8.0	9.8	9.6	8.0	7.8	7.8
Religious organization repression	-	-	9.3	9.3	9.4	9.4	9.4	9.4	9.4	9.4	9.6	9.6
Association, assembly, civil society	-	-	7.3	7.3	7.1	7.1	7.4	7.1	7.2	7.1	7.2	6.7
Civil society entry and exit	-	-	8.2	8.2	8.3	8.3	8.3	8.3	7.6	7.9	8.1	6.9
Freedom of assembly	-	-	5.7	5.7	5.0	5.0	6.1	5.0	5.7	5.4	5.0	5.0
Freedom to form/run political parties	-	-	9.1	9.1	9.1	9.0	9.0	9.2	9.1	8.9	8.9	8.7
Civil society repression	-	-	6.2	6.2	6.2	6.2	6.2	6.1	6.2	6.2	6.8	6.2
Expression and information	-	-	6.3	6.7	6.6	7.0	7.3	6.6	6.3	5.8	5.6	5.5
Direct attacks on the press	-	-	9.2	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Media and expression (V-Dem)	-	-	7.1	7.2	7.2	7.2	7.2	7.2	7.4	6.3	6.2	6.1
Media and expression (Freedom House)	-	-	5.5	6.2	6.0	5.5	6.0	5.7	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0
Media and expression (BTI)	-	-	6.7	6.7	6.7	5.6	6.7	6.7	5.6	4.4	3.3	3.3
Media and expression (CLD)	-	-	3.3	3.3	3.3	6.7	6.7	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3
Relationships	-	-	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	8.8	8.8	9.4	9.4	9.4
Same-sex relationships	-	-	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Divorce	-	-	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Inheritance rights	-	-	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	5.0	5.0	7.5	7.5	7.5
Female genital mutilation	-	-	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0

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MYANMAR

SOUTH ASIA

HUMAN FREEDOM

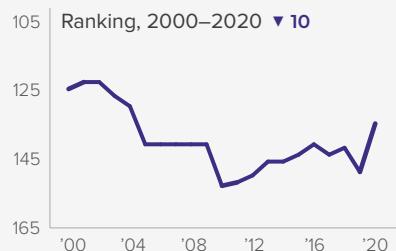
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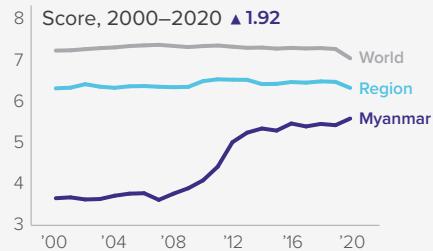
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PERSONAL FREEDOM

Ranking
132/165

Score
5.29

Rule of law

Procedural justice	2.6
Civil justice	1.4
Criminal justice	3.5
Rule of law (V-Dem)	2.6
Rule of law (CLD)	5.1

Security and safety

Homicide	7.0
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	9.3

Movement

Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	4.8
Freedom of movement (CLD)	6.3

Religion

Freedom of religion	5.6
Religious organization repression	4.5

Association, assembly, civil society

Civil society entry and exit	6.1
Freedom of assembly	5.3
Freedom to form/run political parties	3.1
Civil society repression	8.1

Expression and information

Direct attacks on the press	4.7
Media and expression (V-Dem)	7.6
Media and expression (Freedom House)	6.6
Media and expression (BTI)	2.5
Media and expression (CLD)	3.3

Relationships

Same-sex relationships	6.2
Divorce	5.0
Inheritance rights	2.5
Female genital mutilation	7.5

ECONOMIC FREEDOM

Ranking
137/165

Score
5.93

Size of government

Government consumption	7.5
Transfers and subsidies	4.7
Government investment	9.9
Top marginal tax rate	7.9
State ownership of assets	9.0

Legal system and property rights

Judicial independence	3.8
Impartial courts	4.3
Protection of property rights	3.8
Military interference	3.2
Integrity of the legal system	3.3
Legal enforcement of contracts	5.6
Regulatory costs	1.9
Reliability of police	7.4

Sound money

Money growth	6.7
Standard deviation of inflation	8.5
Inflation: Most recent year	9.2
Freedom to own foreign currency	8.9
	0.0

Freedom to trade internationally

Tariffs	5.5
Regulatory trade barriers	8.5
Black-market exchange rates	3.0
Movement of capital and people	10.0
	0.3

Regulation

Credit market regulations	6.2
Labor market regulations	5.9
Business regulations	5.4

MYANMAR

SOUTH ASIA

	2000	2002	2004	2006	2008	2010	2012	2014	2016	2018	2019	2020
Human freedom	3.64	3.61	3.70	3.76	3.75	4.07	4.99	5.32	5.44	5.43	5.40	5.56
Ranking	125	123	130	141	141	153	150	146	141	142	149	135
Economic freedom	3.75	3.35	3.49	3.69	3.63	3.92	5.28	5.69	5.75	5.54	5.56	5.93
Personal freedom	3.55	3.79	3.85	3.82	3.84	4.18	4.79	5.05	5.22	5.35	5.28	5.29
Rule of law	2.1	2.1	2.1	2.1	2.1	2.7	3.1	3.2	3.0	2.7	2.5	2.6
Procedural justice	-	-	-	-	-	-	2.1	2.3	2.4	1.7	1.4	1.4
Civil justice	-	-	-	-	-	-	3.9	4.2	3.7	3.7	3.5	3.5
Criminal justice	-	-	-	-	-	-	3.2	3.2	2.9	2.7	2.6	2.6
Rule of law (V-Dem)	2.8	2.8	2.8	2.8	2.8	3.6	4.2	4.4	4.8	4.9	5.0	5.1
Security and safety	7.3	7.3	7.6	7.4	7.3	7.4	7.1	7.8	8.0	7.9	7.4	7.0
Homicide	9.3	9.5	9.6	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.2	9.3	9.3	9.3	9.3	9.3
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	5.3	5.2	5.6	5.2	5.0	5.3	5.0	6.3	6.7	6.4	5.5	4.7
Movement	2.0	3.6	3.6	3.6	3.6	4.0	4.4	4.4	4.7	4.8	4.8	4.8
Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	3.9	3.9	3.9	3.9	3.9	4.7	5.5	5.4	6.0	6.2	6.2	6.3
Freedom of movement (CLD)	0.0	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3
Religion	3.5	3.5	3.5	3.5	3.7	4.0	4.9	4.9	5.0	5.7	5.6	5.6
Freedom of religion	4.2	4.2	4.2	4.2	4.1	4.3	3.9	4.1	4.3	4.5	4.4	4.5
Religious organization repression	2.8	2.8	2.8	2.8	3.3	3.8	6.0	5.8	5.8	6.8	6.8	6.7
Association, assembly, civil society	2.1	2.1	2.1	2.1	2.1	3.0	4.5	5.3	6.0	6.1	6.0	6.1
Civil society entry and exit	0.8	0.8	0.8	0.8	0.8	1.8	4.5	4.3	5.3	5.3	5.3	5.3
Freedom of assembly	0.8	0.8	0.8	0.8	0.8	0.8	1.2	3.1	3.9	4.3	3.9	3.1
Freedom to form/run political parties	4.8	4.8	4.8	4.8	5.1	6.5	7.7	8.6	8.5	8.2	8.4	8.1
Civil society repression	1.9	1.9	1.9	1.9	1.9	2.9	4.8	5.2	6.4	6.5	6.5	7.9
Expression and information	1.1	1.1	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.3	3.2	4.7	4.9	4.1	4.4	4.7
Direct attacks on the press	4.4	4.4	5.0	5.0	4.7	4.7	5.0	4.7	5.5	4.2	6.5	7.6
Media and expression (V-Dem)	0.9	0.9	0.9	1.0	1.1	1.8	4.5	5.1	6.1	6.1	6.5	6.6
Media and expression (Freedom House)	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	6.7	5.7	5.0	2.5	2.5	2.5
Media and expression (BTI)	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	4.4	4.4	4.4	3.3	3.3
Media and expression (CLD)	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3
Relationships	6.9	6.9	6.9	6.9	6.9	6.9	6.2	5.0	5.0	6.2	6.2	6.2
Same-sex relationships	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0
Divorce	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5
Inheritance rights	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	7.5	2.5	2.5	7.5	7.5	7.5
Female genital mutilation	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0

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NAMIBIA

SUB-SAHARAN AFRICA

HUMAN FREEDOM

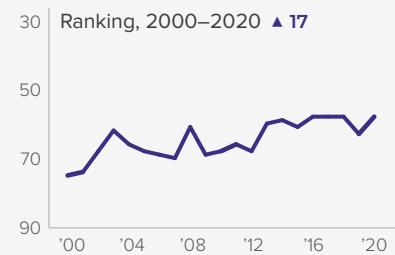
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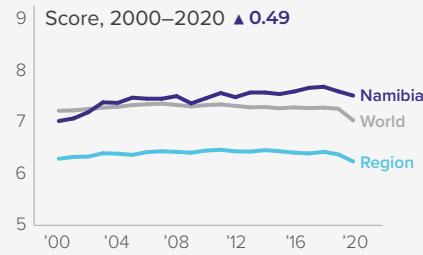
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Ranking, 2000–2020 ▲ 17



Score, 2000–2020 ▲ 0.49



PERSONAL FREEDOM

Ranking
45/165

Score
8.14

Rule of law

Procedural justice		6.0
Civil justice		6.2
Criminal justice		6.4
Rule of law (V-Dem)		5.5
		7.1

Security and safety

Homicide		6.5
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism		9.1

Movement

Freedom of movement (V-Dem)		9.5
Freedom of movement (CLD)		6.7

Religion

Freedom of religion		9.9
Religious organization repression		9.8

Association, assembly, civil society

Civil society entry and exit		9.2
Freedom of assembly		8.4
Freedom to form/run political parties		9.3
Civil society repression		9.6

Expression and information

Direct attacks on the press		10.0
Media and expression (V-Dem)		7.7
Media and expression (Freedom House)		7.5
Media and expression (BTI)		7.8
Media and expression (CLD)		10.0

Relationships

Same-sex relationships		5.0
Divorce		7.5
Inheritance rights		7.5
Female genital mutilation		10.0

ECONOMIC FREEDOM

Ranking
96/165

Score
6.57

Size of government

Government consumption		3.6
Transfers and subsidies		8.7
Government investment		9.3
Top marginal tax rate		6.0
State ownership of assets		7.0

Legal system and property rights

Judicial independence		6.9
Impartial courts		6.1
Protection of property rights		6.7
Military interference		10.0
Integrity of the legal system		7.7
Legal enforcement of contracts		4.8
Regulatory costs		4.6
Reliability of police		5.4

Sound money

Money growth		8.7
Standard deviation of inflation		9.0
Inflation: Most recent year		9.6
Freedom to own foreign currency		0.0

Freedom to trade internationally

Tariffs		4.5
Regulatory trade barriers		5.3
Black-market exchange rates		10.0
Movement of capital and people		0.8

Regulation

Credit market regulations		7.9
Labor market regulations		8.2
Business regulations		6.8

NAMIBIA

SUB-SAHARAN AFRICA

	2000	2002	2004	2006	2008	2010	2012	2014	2016	2018	2019	2020
Human freedom	7.00	7.17	7.35	7.43	7.48	7.44	7.46	7.55	7.57	7.66	7.57	7.49
Ranking	75	68	66	69	61	68	68	59	58	58	63	58
Economic freedom	6.49	6.43	6.36	6.57	6.75	6.65	6.61	6.66	6.79	6.83	6.75	6.57
Personal freedom	7.37	7.71	8.05	8.04	8.01	8.00	8.07	8.18	8.13	8.25	8.16	8.14
Rule of law	6.1	6.1	6.1	6.1	6.1	6.2	6.2	6.2	6.1	6.1	6.0	6.0
Procedural justice	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6.2	6.2	6.2
Civil justice	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6.7	6.4	6.4
Criminal justice	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5.5	5.5	5.5
Rule of law (V-Dem)	6.9	7.0	7.0	7.0	7.0	7.0	7.0	7.0	7.0	7.0	7.1	7.1
Security and safety	4.7	6.7	7.2	7.2	7.2	7.5	7.0	7.0	7.0	7.0	7.0	7.8
Homicide	4.2	4.9	4.9	4.9	5.1	5.8	4.9	4.9	4.9	4.9	4.9	6.5
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	5.1	8.6	9.4	9.4	9.2	9.2	9.2	9.2	9.2	9.1	9.1	9.1
Movement	8.1	8.1	9.7	9.8	9.8	8.1						
Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5
Freedom of movement (CLD)	6.7	6.7	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	6.7
Religion	9.9	9.7	9.8	9.6	9.8							
Freedom of religion	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.6	9.8	9.8	9.9
Religious organization repression	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.3	9.8
Association, assembly, civil society	9.2	9.4	9.5	9.5	9.3	9.2	9.3	9.5	9.5	9.0	8.8	9.1
Civil society entry and exit	9.0	9.0	9.3	9.3	9.4	9.4	9.4	9.4	9.4	9.0	8.7	9.2
Freedom of assembly	8.5	9.6	9.6	9.6	8.5	8.1	8.5	9.3	9.3	8.4	8.4	8.4
Freedom to form/run political parties	9.6	9.5	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.2	8.8	9.3
Civil society repression	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.3	9.1	9.6
Expression and information	8.2	8.1	8.3	8.3	8.3	7.9	7.5	8.1	8.0	8.6	8.5	8.6
Direct attacks on the press	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Media and expression (V-Dem)	7.7	7.7	7.7	7.7	7.7	7.7	7.7	7.9	7.6	7.3	7.7	
Media and expression (Freedom House)	7.5	7.3	8.4	8.2	8.2	7.3	7.7	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5
Media and expression (BTI)	8.9	8.9	8.9	8.9	8.9	7.8	8.9	8.9	7.8	7.8	7.8	7.8
Media and expression (CLD)	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	3.3	6.7	6.7	10.0	10.0	10.0
Relationships	5.6	5.6	5.6	5.6	5.6	5.6	6.9	6.9	6.9	7.5	7.5	7.5
Same-sex relationships	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0
Divorce	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5
Inheritance rights	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	7.5	7.5	7.5
Female genital mutilation	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0

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NEPAL

SOUTH ASIA

HUMAN FREEDOM

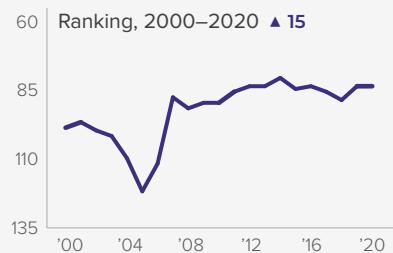
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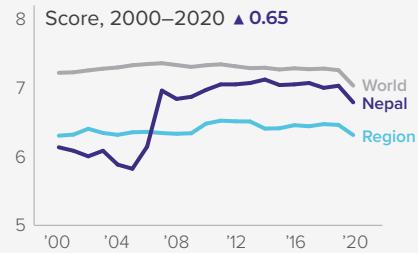
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Score, 2000–2020 ▲ 0.65



PERSONAL FREEDOM

Ranking
86/165

Score
6.93

Rule of law

Procedural justice	4.3
Civil justice	3.8
Criminal justice	4.6
Rule of law (V-Dem)	4.4
	6.1

Security and safety

Homicide	9.0
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	9.3
	8.6

Movement

Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	5.9
Freedom of movement (CLD)	8.5
	3.3

Religion

Freedom of religion	8.1
Religious organization repression	7.3
	8.9

Association, assembly, civil society

Civil society entry and exit	7.8
Freedom of assembly	6.9
Freedom to form/run political parties	6.9
Civil society repression	9.5
	8.0

Expression and information

Direct attacks on the press	6.6
Media and expression (V-Dem)	9.6
Media and expression (Freedom House)	7.3
Media and expression (BTI)	5.0
Media and expression (CLD)	7.8
	3.3

Relationships

Same-sex relationships	6.9
Divorce	10.0
Inheritance rights	0.0
Female genital mutilation	7.5
	10.0

ECONOMIC FREEDOM

Ranking
103/165

Score
6.54

Size of government

Government consumption	8.0
Transfers and subsidies	8.9
Government investment	9.3
Top marginal tax rate	9.0
State ownership of assets	5.0
	7.7

Legal system and property rights

Judicial independence	5.1
Impartial courts	5.2
Protection of property rights	3.6
Military interference	4.7
Integrity of the legal system	-
Legal enforcement of contracts	6.6
Regulatory costs	3.3
Reliability of police	8.0
	5.1

Sound money

Money growth	6.6
Standard deviation of inflation	8.1
Inflation: Most recent year	9.3
Freedom to own foreign currency	9.0
	0.0

Freedom to trade internationally

Tariffs	5.7
Regulatory trade barriers	5.9
Black-market exchange rates	6.4
Movement of capital and people	10.0
	0.5

Regulation

Credit market regulations	7.3
Labor market regulations	8.8
Business regulations	6.5
	6.7

NEPAL

SOUTH ASIA

	2000	2002	2004	2006	2008	2010	2012	2014	2016	2018	2019	2020
Human freedom	6.12	5.99	5.87	6.13	6.82	6.95	7.03	7.10	7.03	6.98	7.01	6.77
Ranking	99	100	110	112	92	90	84	81	84	89	84	84
Economic freedom	6.25	6.57	6.46	6.78	6.47	6.56	6.54	6.76	6.65	6.69	6.73	6.54
Personal freedom	6.03	5.57	5.45	5.66	7.07	7.23	7.39	7.34	7.30	7.19	7.20	6.93
Rule of law	4.1	4.0	4.0	4.5	5.0	5.1	4.4	4.2	4.3	4.3	4.3	4.3
Procedural justice	-	-	-	-	5.5	5.5	4.9	3.9	3.9	3.8	3.8	3.8
Civil justice	-	-	-	-	4.3	4.3	4.2	4.1	4.7	4.8	4.6	4.6
Criminal justice	-	-	-	-	5.4	5.4	4.3	4.4	4.3	4.4	4.4	4.4
Rule of law (V-Dem)	5.3	5.2	5.2	5.8	6.4	6.6	6.6	6.2	6.3	6.2	6.1	6.1
Security and safety	6.5	5.6	5.2	6.4	8.0	8.9	9.1	9.1	8.7	9.1	9.0	9.0
Homicide	9.2	9.0	8.9	9.3	9.0	9.1	9.3	9.4	9.3	9.3	9.3	9.3
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	3.8	2.2	1.5	3.5	7.0	8.7	8.8	8.8	8.0	8.9	8.7	8.6
Movement	7.2	7.1	7.2	5.8	7.9	7.9	8.0	7.7	7.8	7.6	7.5	5.9
Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	7.7	7.5	7.8	8.4	9.1	9.2	9.3	8.7	8.9	8.5	8.2	8.5
Freedom of movement (CLD)	6.7	6.7	6.7	3.3	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	3.3
Religion	7.9	7.8	7.8	8.2	8.8	8.9	8.8	8.6	8.4	8.4	8.3	8.1
Freedom of religion	7.4	7.4	7.4	7.4	7.9	8.1	8.0	7.6	7.5	7.5	7.3	7.3
Religious organization repression	8.3	8.3	8.3	9.1	9.7	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.2	9.3	9.3	8.9
Association, assembly, civil society	7.2	6.4	6.4	6.9	8.3	8.2	8.4	8.3	8.0	7.6	7.9	7.8
Civil society entry and exit	5.7	5.7	5.7	6.4	8.4	7.8	8.6	8.2	8.0	7.5	7.2	6.9
Freedom of assembly	5.7	4.6	4.6	5.7	5.7	6.1	6.1	6.1	5.3	5.7	6.9	6.9
Freedom to form/run political parties	9.4	8.6	8.6	8.8	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.8	9.6	9.5
Civil society repression	7.7	6.6	6.6	6.8	9.3	9.3	9.3	9.3	8.9	7.5	7.9	8.0
Expression and information	5.7	4.3	3.7	4.0	5.2	5.4	5.5	6.0	6.5	6.5	6.6	6.6
Direct attacks on the press	9.0	4.4	2.6	2.1	5.2	6.1	6.7	7.8	9.4	10.0	10.0	9.6
Media and expression (V-Dem)	6.9	6.3	4.9	5.5	8.2	8.1	8.1	7.5	7.9	7.4	6.9	7.3
Media and expression (Freedom House)	3.5	2.0	2.2	3.7	3.9	3.7	3.9	4.4	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0
Media and expression (BTI)	5.6	5.6	5.6	5.6	5.6	5.6	5.6	6.7	6.7	6.7	7.8	7.8
Media and expression (CLD)	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3
Relationships	3.8	3.8	3.8	3.8	6.2	6.2	7.5	7.5	7.5	6.9	6.9	6.9
Same-sex relationships	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Divorce	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Inheritance rights	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	7.5	7.5	7.5
Female genital mutilation	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0

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NETHERLANDS

WESTERN EUROPE

HUMAN FREEDOM

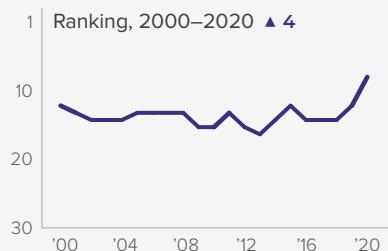
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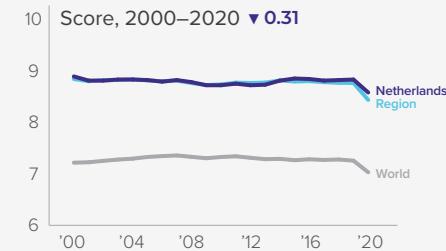
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Ranking, 2000–2020 ▲ 4



Score, 2000–2020 ▼ 0.31



PERSONAL FREEDOM

Ranking
10/165

Score
9.12

Rule of law

	Ranking	Score
Procedural justice	8.0	8.6
Civil justice	8.0	8.3
Criminal justice	8.0	7.5
Rule of law (V-Dem)	8.1	8.1

Security and safety

	Ranking	Score
Homicide	9.8	9.8
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	9.8	9.8

Movement

	Ranking	Score
Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	8.1	9.5
Freedom of movement (CLD)	8.1	6.7

Religion

	Ranking	Score
Freedom of religion	9.7	9.9
Religious organization repression	9.7	9.4

Association, assembly, civil society

	Ranking	Score
Civil society entry and exit	9.4	8.6
Freedom of assembly	9.4	10.0
Freedom to form/run political parties	9.4	9.8
Civil society repression	9.4	9.1

Expression and information

	Ranking	Score
Direct attacks on the press	9.6	10.0
Media and expression (V-Dem)	9.6	8.4
Media and expression (Freedom House)	9.6	10.0
Media and expression (BTI)	9.6	-
Media and expression (CLD)	9.6	10.0

Relationships

	Ranking	Score
Same-sex relationships	9.4	10.0
Divorce	9.4	7.5
Inheritance rights	9.4	10.0
Female genital mutilation	9.4	10.0

ECONOMIC FREEDOM

Ranking
17/165

Score
7.75

Size of government

	Ranking	Score
Government consumption	17	4.9
Transfers and subsidies	17	0.5
Government investment	17	2.5
Top marginal tax rate	17	9.5
State ownership of assets	17	4.0
		7.8

Legal system and property rights

	Ranking	Score
Judicial independence	17	8.4
Impartial courts	17	8.0
Protection of property rights	17	8.2
Military interference	17	8.5
Integrity of the legal system	17	10.0
Legal enforcement of contracts	17	9.2
Regulatory costs	17	6.6
Reliability of police	17	7.9
		8.3

Sound money

	Ranking	Score
Money growth	17	9.1
Standard deviation of inflation	17	7.2
Inflation: Most recent year	17	9.6
Freedom to own foreign currency	17	9.7
		10.0

Freedom to trade internationally

	Ranking	Score
Tariffs	17	8.6
Regulatory trade barriers	17	8.0
Black-market exchange rates	17	8.6
Movement of capital and people	17	10.0
		7.8

Regulation

	Ranking	Score
Credit market regulations	17	7.8
Labor market regulations	17	7.6
Business regulations	17	7.9

NETHERLANDS

WESTERN EUROPE

	2000	2002	2004	2006	2008	2010	2012	2014	2016	2018	2019	2020
Human freedom	8.86	8.78	8.80	8.76	8.75	8.69	8.69	8.78	8.81	8.79	8.80	8.55
Ranking	13	15	15	14	14	16	16	15	15	15	13	9
Economic freedom	8.12	7.94	7.97	7.88	7.88	7.79	7.81	7.94	7.95	7.92	7.96	7.75
Personal freedom	9.39	9.38	9.39	9.39	9.37	9.34	9.32	9.39	9.42	9.42	9.41	9.12
Rule of law	8.3	8.3	8.3	8.3	8.3	8.3	8.2	8.5	8.5	8.2	8.1	8.0
Procedural justice	-	-	-	-	8.9	8.9	8.7	8.7	8.9	8.6	8.6	8.6
Civil justice	-	-	-	-	8.0	8.0	8.4	8.8	8.7	8.5	8.3	8.3
Criminal justice	-	-	-	-	8.0	8.0	7.5	8.0	8.0	7.6	7.5	7.5
Rule of law (V-Dem)	8.5	8.5	8.5	8.5	8.5	8.5	8.4	8.2	8.2	8.1	8.2	8.1
Security and safety	9.8	9.8	9.7	9.8	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.7	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8
Homicide	9.7	9.6	9.7	9.8	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	9.9	9.9	9.8	9.9	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.9	9.8	9.8	9.8
Movement	9.9	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	8.1						
Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.7	9.5
Freedom of movement (CLD)	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	6.7
Religion	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.7	9.7	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.7
Freedom of religion	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9
Religious organization repression	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.6	9.6	9.4	9.4	9.4	9.4	9.4
Association, assembly, civil society	9.0	9.0	9.0	9.0	9.1	9.1	9.0	9.1	9.1	9.4	9.4	9.4
Civil society entry and exit	7.3	7.3	7.3	7.3	7.3	7.3	7.3	7.3	7.3	8.6	8.6	8.6
Freedom of assembly	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Freedom to form/run political parties	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8
Civil society repression	9.1	9.1	9.1	9.1	9.2	9.2	8.8	9.2	9.2	9.2	9.2	9.1
Expression and information	9.6	9.6	9.7	9.6	9.6	9.5	9.6	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.6
Direct attacks on the press	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Media and expression (V-Dem)	8.9	8.9	8.9	8.9	8.8	8.7	8.7	8.7	8.7	8.7	8.7	8.4
Media and expression (Freedom House)	9.5	9.5	9.8	9.5	9.5	9.3	9.8	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Media and expression (BTI)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Media and expression (CLD)	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Relationships	9.2	9.4	9.4	9.4	9.4	9.4						
Same-sex relationships	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Divorce	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5
Inheritance rights	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Female genital mutilation	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0

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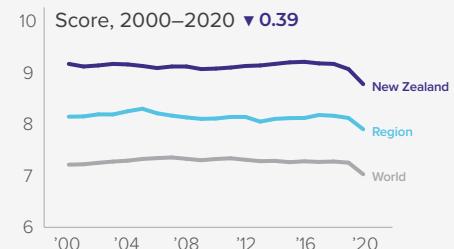
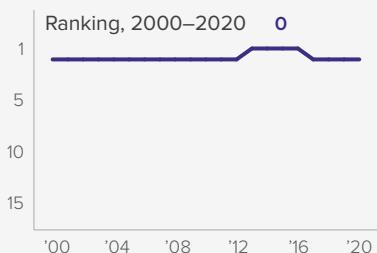
NEW ZEALAND

OCEANIA

HUMAN FREEDOM

Ranking
2

Score
8.75



PERSONAL FREEDOM

Ranking
11/165

Score
9.09

Rule of law

Procedural justice	7.7
Civil justice	8.3
Criminal justice	7.8
Rule of law (V-Dem)	7.4
	8.4

Security and safety

Homicide	8.5
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	9.8

Movement

Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	8.1
Freedom of movement (CLD)	9.5

Religion

Freedom of religion	9.9
Religious organization repression	9.9

Association, assembly, civil society

Civil society entry and exit	9.7
Freedom of assembly	9.2
Freedom to form/run political parties	10.0
Civil society repression	9.8

Expression and information

Direct attacks on the press	9.7
Media and expression (V-Dem)	10.0
Media and expression (Freedom House)	9.0
Media and expression (BTI)	10.0
Media and expression (CLD)	-

Relationships

Same-sex relationships	10.0
Divorce	10.0
Inheritance rights	10.0
Female genital mutilation	10.0

ECONOMIC FREEDOM

Ranking
4/165

Score
8.27

Size of government

Government consumption	6.3
Transfers and subsidies	4.2
Government investment	4.9
Top marginal tax rate	7.9
State ownership of assets	7.0

Legal system and property rights

Judicial independence	8.7
Impartial courts	8.5
Protection of property rights	8.1
Military interference	10.0
Integrity of the legal system	8.8
Legal enforcement of contracts	7.2
Regulatory costs	9.9
Reliability of police	8.7

Sound money

Money growth	9.6
Standard deviation of inflation	9.3
Inflation: Most recent year	9.4
Freedom to own foreign currency	9.7

Freedom to trade internationally

Tariffs	8.2
Regulatory trade barriers	9.0
Black-market exchange rates	8.1
Movement of capital and people	10.0

Regulation

Credit market regulations	8.6
Labor market regulations	8.6
Business regulations	8.5

NEW ZEALAND

OCEANIA

	2000	2002	2004	2006	2008	2010	2012	2014	2016	2018	2019	2020
Human freedom	9.14	9.11	9.13	9.06	9.09	9.05	9.10	9.14	9.18	9.14	9.04	8.75
Ranking	2	1	1	2	2	2						
Economic freedom	8.51	8.44	8.49	8.32	8.37	8.28	8.48	8.56	8.66	8.55	8.56	8.27
Personal freedom	9.59	9.58	9.59	9.59	9.59	9.60	9.55	9.55	9.56	9.56	9.38	9.09
Rule of law	8.1	8.1	8.1	8.1	8.1	8.1	7.7	7.8	7.9	7.8	7.9	7.7
Procedural justice	-	-	-	-	8.7	8.7	8.5	8.1	8.4	8.3	8.3	8.3
Civil justice	-	-	-	-	7.6	7.6	7.4	7.8	7.9	7.8	7.8	7.8
Criminal justice	-	-	-	-	7.9	7.9	7.2	7.5	7.4	7.2	7.4	7.4
Rule of law (V-Dem)	8.5	8.5	8.5	8.5	8.5	8.5	8.5	8.5	8.5	8.4	8.5	8.4
Security and safety	9.8	9.7	9.8	9.9	8.5	8.5						
Homicide	9.6	9.6	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.8	9.8	9.8
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	7.2	7.2
Movement	9.9	8.1										
Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.5
Freedom of movement (CLD)	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	6.7
Religion	9.9											
Freedom of religion	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9
Religious organization repression	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.9
Association, assembly, civil society	9.7											
Civil society entry and exit	9.2	9.2	9.2	9.2	9.4	9.4	9.4	9.4	9.4	9.4	9.4	9.2
Freedom of assembly	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Freedom to form/run political parties	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8
Civil society repression	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.6
Expression and information	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.7	9.8	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.8	9.7
Direct attacks on the press	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Media and expression (V-Dem)	9.0	9.0	9.0	9.0	9.0	9.0	9.0	8.7	8.8	9.0	9.1	9.0
Media and expression (Freedom House)	10.0	10.0	10.0	9.8	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Media and expression (BTI)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Media and expression (CLD)	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Relationships	10.0											
Same-sex relationships	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Divorce	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Inheritance rights	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Female genital mutilation	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0

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HUMAN FREEDOM

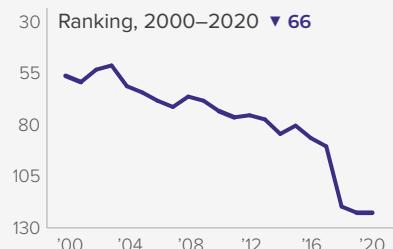
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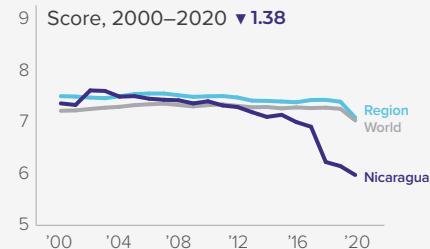
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PERSONAL FREEDOM

Ranking
130/165

Score
5.33

Rule of law

Procedural justice	2.0
Civil justice	3.6
Criminal justice	2.8
Rule of law (V-Dem)	3.8

Security and safety

Homicide	7.7
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	6.5

Movement

Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	6.0
Freedom of movement (CLD)	3.3

Religion

Freedom of religion	5.5
Religious organization repression	5.8

Association, assembly, civil society

Civil society entry and exit	2.5
Freedom of assembly	1.5
Freedom to form/run political parties	6.9
Civil society repression	2.1

Expression and information

Direct attacks on the press	7.7
Media and expression (V-Dem)	2.1
Media and expression (Freedom House)	2.5
Media and expression (BTI)	3.3
Media and expression (CLD)	3.3

Relationships

Same-sex relationships	10.0
Divorce	10.0
Inheritance rights	10.0
Female genital mutilation	10.0

ECONOMIC FREEDOM

Ranking
82/165

Score
6.84

Size of government

Government consumption	6.0
Transfers and subsidies	6.3
Government investment	10.0
Top marginal tax rate	2.3
State ownership of assets	5.5

Legal system and property rights

Judicial independence	2.9
Impartial courts	2.5
Protection of property rights	4.0
Military interference	4.2
Integrity of the legal system	3.2
Legal enforcement of contracts	5.1
Regulatory costs	7.0
Reliability of police	5.1

Sound money

Money growth	9.7
Standard deviation of inflation	9.8
Inflation: Most recent year	9.6
Freedom to own foreign currency	9.3

Freedom to trade internationally

Tariffs	8.5
Regulatory trade barriers	5.6
Black-market exchange rates	10.0
Movement of capital and people	5.1

Regulation

Credit market regulations	9.4
Labor market regulations	5.9
Business regulations	5.5

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LATIN AMERICA & THE CARIBBEAN

	2000	2002	2004	2006	2008	2010	2012	2014	2016	2018	2019	2020
Human freedom	7.34	7.59	7.47	7.43	7.40	7.38	7.27	7.08	6.98	6.21	6.13	5.96
Ranking	57	54	62	69	67	74	76	85	87	120	123	123
Economic freedom	7.00	7.29	7.31	7.44	7.23	7.28	7.35	7.26	7.21	7.10	7.04	6.84
Personal freedom	7.59	7.79	7.59	7.42	7.52	7.46	7.21	6.95	6.81	5.57	5.47	5.33
Rule of law	4.6	4.6	4.6	4.6	4.4	4.3	3.8	3.4	3.8	3.1	2.8	2.8
Procedural justice	-	-	-	-	4.5	4.5	4.0	3.4	4.0	2.6	2.0	2.0
Civil justice	-	-	-	-	4.2	4.2	3.7	3.7	3.9	3.8	3.6	3.6
Criminal justice	-	-	-	-	4.2	4.2	3.5	3.2	3.4	2.9	2.8	2.8
Rule of law (V-Dem)	6.2	6.2	6.2	6.2	6.0	5.8	5.8	6.0	6.0	4.0	3.9	3.8
Security and safety	8.3	8.1	7.9	7.8	7.6	7.5	7.8	7.8	8.4	6.5	7.1	7.1
Homicide	7.2	6.9	6.5	6.1	6.2	6.0	6.7	7.5	7.9	6.9	7.7	7.7
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	9.3	9.4	9.4	9.4	9.1	9.0	9.0	8.2	9.0	6.1	6.6	6.5
Movement	8.0	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.6	9.6	9.6	8.0	6.4	6.3	4.7
Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	9.3	9.3	9.3	9.3	9.3	9.3	9.3	9.3	9.3	6.1	6.0	6.0
Freedom of movement (CLD)	6.7	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	6.7	6.7	3.3
Religion	9.3	9.3	9.3	8.9	9.1	8.3	8.3	8.3	8.2	5.5	5.3	5.6
Freedom of religion	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	8.1	8.1	8.1	8.0	5.6	5.4	5.5
Religious organization repression	8.9	8.9	8.9	8.0	8.5	8.5	8.5	8.5	8.5	5.3	5.3	5.8
Association, assembly, civil society	8.3	8.3	8.1	7.7	6.7	6.7	6.5	5.1	5.0	3.3	2.8	3.3
Civil society entry and exit	7.3	7.3	6.9	6.4	5.7	5.7	5.7	3.5	3.3	1.6	1.6	2.5
Freedom of assembly	7.6	7.6	7.6	7.6	6.5	6.1	6.1	5.0	5.0	3.0	1.5	1.5
Freedom to form/run political parties	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.4	8.9	8.9	8.9	8.0	7.6	7.2	6.9	6.9
Civil society repression	8.5	8.5	8.5	7.3	5.9	5.9	5.3	4.0	4.0	1.4	1.4	2.1
Expression and information	7.1	7.1	5.9	5.9	5.0	5.8	5.7	5.6	5.6	4.2	3.9	3.8
Direct attacks on the press	10.0	10.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	7.7	7.7	7.7
Media and expression (V-Dem)	8.0	8.1	8.1	7.7	5.8	5.7	5.6	5.4	5.3	2.0	2.4	2.1
Media and expression (Freedom House)	4.4	3.9	3.3	3.4	3.1	3.2	3.0	2.8	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5
Media and expression (BTI)	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	7.8	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	5.6	3.3	3.3
Media and expression (CLD)	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3
Relationships	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	10.0	10.0	8.8	8.8	8.8	10.0	10.0	10.0
Same-sex relationships	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Divorce	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Inheritance rights	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Female genital mutilation	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0

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HUMAN FREEDOM

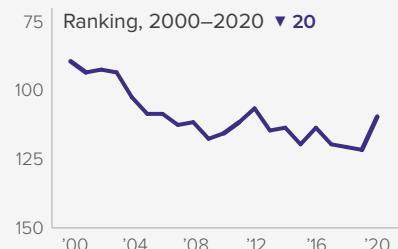
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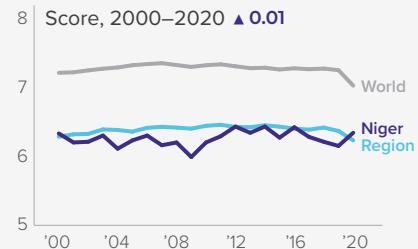
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PERSONAL FREEDOM

Ranking
97/165

Score
6.59

Rule of law

Procedural justice	3.8
Civil justice	3.5
Criminal justice	4.5
Rule of law (V-Dem)	3.7
	6.3

Security and safety

Homicide	7.5
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	8.7

Movement

Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	7.8
Freedom of movement (CLD)	9.0

Religion

Freedom of religion	8.5
Religious organization repression	9.1

Association, assembly, civil society	7.2
Civil society entry and exit	7.8
Freedom of assembly	4.6
Freedom to form/run political parties	9.2

Expression and information	6.4
Direct attacks on the press	9.4
Media and expression (V-Dem)	7.4
Media and expression (Freedom House)	5.0
Media and expression (BTI)	6.7
Media and expression (CLD)	3.3

Relationships

Same-sex relationships	5.0
Divorce	10.0
Inheritance rights	0.0
Female genital mutilation	9.8

ECONOMIC FREEDOM

Ranking
135/165

Score
5.97

Size of government

Government consumption	6.8
Transfers and subsidies	6.3
Government investment	9.8
Top marginal tax rate	4.6
State ownership of assets	5.0

Legal system and property rights

Judicial independence	3.7
Impartial courts	5.4
Protection of property rights	4.3
Military interference	4.2
Integrity of the legal system	3.3
Legal enforcement of contracts	4.5
Regulatory costs	4.4
Reliability of police	-

Sound money

Money growth	7.2
Standard deviation of inflation	9.9
Inflation: Most recent year	9.5
Freedom to own foreign currency	9.4
	0.0

Freedom to trade internationally

Tariffs	5.7
Regulatory trade barriers	6.1
Black-market exchange rates	5.9
Movement of capital and people	10.0

Regulation

Credit market regulations	6.5
Labor market regulations	7.2
Business regulations	5.1

NIGER

SUB-SAHARAN AFRICA

	2000	2002	2004	2006	2008	2010	2012	2014	2016	2018	2019	2020
Human freedom	6.32	6.20	6.10	6.29	6.19	6.19	6.42	6.42	6.41	6.20	6.14	6.33
Ranking	90	93	103	109	112	116	107	114	114	121	122	110
Economic freedom	5.44	5.23	5.11	5.37	5.31	5.65	5.39	5.62	5.90	5.53	5.62	5.97
Personal freedom	6.95	6.89	6.81	6.94	6.81	6.58	7.15	6.98	6.77	6.67	6.52	6.59
Rule of law	3.7	3.7	3.7	3.7	3.7	3.8	3.7	3.8	3.8	3.9	3.9	3.8
Procedural justice	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3.5	3.5	3.5
Civil justice	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4.5	4.5	4.5
Criminal justice	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3.8	3.7	3.7
Rule of law (V-Dem)	6.4	6.4	6.4	6.4	6.5	6.6	6.5	6.6	6.7	6.5	6.4	6.3
Security and safety	9.3	9.3	8.9	8.9	8.3	8.6	8.7	8.4	6.9	7.8	7.0	7.5
Homicide	-	-	8.6	8.6	8.6	8.6	8.7	8.7	8.7	8.7	8.7	8.7
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	9.3	9.3	9.3	9.3	8.1	8.6	8.6	8.1	5.1	6.9	5.4	6.2
Movement	7.7	7.7	7.7	7.7	7.7	6.2	7.9	7.9	7.9	7.5	8.0	7.8
Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	8.8	8.8	8.8	8.8	8.8	9.1	9.2	9.1	9.1	8.4	9.3	9.0
Freedom of movement (CLD)	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	3.3	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7
Religion	8.1	8.1	8.1	9.0	9.0	8.2	8.9	8.3	9.0	8.8	8.4	8.5
Freedom of religion	7.0	7.0	7.0	8.7	8.7	7.1	8.7	7.7	9.3	9.3	9.1	9.1
Religious organization repression	9.2	9.2	9.2	9.2	9.2	9.3	9.0	9.0	8.6	8.3	7.7	7.9
Association, assembly, civil society	7.8	7.7	7.7	7.9	7.7	8.0	8.2	8.5	8.1	7.3	7.0	7.2
Civil society entry and exit	7.3	7.3	7.3	8.1	7.5	7.7	7.9	9.2	9.0	7.8	7.8	7.8
Freedom of assembly	6.2	6.2	6.2	6.2	5.8	5.8	6.6	6.6	5.7	5.0	4.6	4.6
Freedom to form/run political parties	9.3	9.3	9.3	9.3	9.3	9.3	9.2	9.1	9.2	9.0	9.3	9.2
Civil society repression	8.2	8.0	8.0	8.0	8.1	9.0	9.0	9.3	8.5	7.4	6.2	7.0
Expression and information	5.9	5.5	5.3	5.2	5.0	5.1	7.8	7.0	6.8	6.4	6.4	6.4
Direct attacks on the press	8.9	7.9	7.0	7.1	7.4	8.3	10.0	10.0	10.0	9.4	9.4	9.4
Media and expression (V-Dem)	7.4	7.4	7.1	7.1	7.1	7.9	7.9	7.7	7.7	7.4	7.6	7.4
Media and expression (Freedom House)	5.2	4.5	4.7	4.0	2.9	3.8	5.3	5.2	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0
Media and expression (BTI)	4.4	4.4	4.4	4.4	4.4	2.2	8.9	8.9	7.8	6.7	6.7	6.7
Media and expression (CLD)	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	6.7	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3
Relationships	6.2	6.2	6.2	6.2	6.2	6.2	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0
Same-sex relationships	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Divorce	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Inheritance rights	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Female genital mutilation	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8

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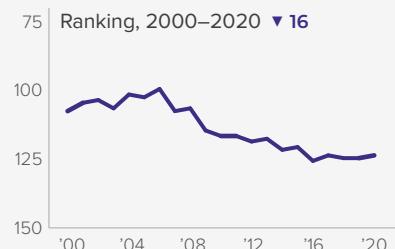
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HUMAN FREEDOM

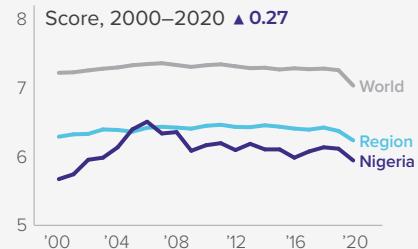
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Score
5.93

Ranking, 2000–2020 ▼ 16



Score, 2000–2020 ▲ 0.27



PERSONAL FREEDOM

Ranking
126/165

Score
5.38

Rule of law

Procedural justice	3.8
Civil justice	2.9
Criminal justice	4.8
Rule of law (V-Dem)	4.0
	5.9

Security and safety

Homicide	2.0
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	0.0
	4.1

Movement

Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	6.3
Freedom of movement (CLD)	9.2
	3.3

Religion

Freedom of religion	7.5
Religious organization repression	6.0
	9.1

Association, assembly, civil society

Civil society entry and exit	7.2
Freedom of assembly	7.6
Freedom to form/run political parties	5.3
Civil society repression	9.3
	6.7

Expression and information

Direct attacks on the press	6.9
Media and expression (V-Dem)	9.6
Media and expression (Freedom House)	7.9
Media and expression (BTI)	5.0
Media and expression (CLD)	5.6
	6.7

Relationships

Same-sex relationships	3.9
Divorce	0.0
Inheritance rights	5.0
Female genital mutilation	2.5
	8.1

ECONOMIC FREEDOM

Ranking
92/165

Score
6.70

Size of government

Government consumption	8.5
Transfers and subsidies	8.5
Government investment	9.9
Top marginal tax rate	10.0
State ownership of assets	7.0
	7.0

Legal system and property rights

Judicial independence	3.7
Impartial courts	5.0
Protection of property rights	3.3
Military interference	4.0
Integrity of the legal system	3.3
Legal enforcement of contracts	4.5
Regulatory costs	5.1
Reliability of police	4.6
	3.0

Sound money

Money growth	9.0
Standard deviation of inflation	9.1
Inflation: Most recent year	9.5
Freedom to own foreign currency	7.4
	10.0

Freedom to trade internationally

Tariffs	4.5
Regulatory trade barriers	7.3
Black-market exchange rates	3.4
Movement of capital and people	4.5
	2.8

Regulation

Credit market regulations	7.8
Labor market regulations	8.8
Business regulations	9.0
	5.6

NIGERIA

SUB-SAHARAN AFRICA

	2000	2002	2004	2006	2008	2010	2012	2014	2016	2018	2019	2020
Human freedom	5.66	5.94	6.12	6.49	6.34	6.15	6.08	6.09	5.97	6.12	6.10	5.93
Ranking	108	104	102	100	107	117	119	122	126	125	125	124
Economic freedom	4.94	5.44	5.61	6.41	6.07	6.16	6.39	6.61	6.89	6.99	7.03	6.70
Personal freedom	6.18	6.30	6.50	6.54	6.54	6.13	5.86	5.72	5.31	5.49	5.44	5.38
Rule of law	3.6	4.2	4.3	4.1	3.9	3.8						
Procedural justice	-	-	-	-	2.8	2.8	2.7	3.7	3.8	3.3	2.9	2.9
Civil justice	-	-	-	-	5.3	5.3	5.0	4.8	5.0	5.0	4.8	4.8
Criminal justice	-	-	-	-	2.8	2.8	3.1	4.2	4.2	4.0	4.0	4.0
Rule of law (V-Dem)	5.8	5.8	5.8	5.8	5.8	5.8	5.9	5.9	6.0	6.0	6.0	5.9
Security and safety	6.8	7.2	6.7	7.1	7.1	6.2	5.4	4.3	1.6	2.2	2.4	2.0
Homicide	6.3	6.3	6.3	6.6	6.9	6.9	6.9	7.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	7.3	8.1	7.1	7.6	7.4	5.4	3.9	1.5	3.1	4.5	4.7	4.1
Movement	6.2	6.2	7.9	7.9	7.7	6.0	6.0	5.9	6.0	6.1	6.0	6.3
Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	9.1	9.1	9.1	9.1	8.8	8.8	8.8	8.5	8.7	8.8	8.8	9.2
Freedom of movement (CLD)	3.3	3.3	6.7	6.7	6.7	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3
Religion	7.7	7.7	7.7	7.7	7.6	7.6	7.6	7.8	7.5	7.5	7.4	7.5
Freedom of religion	6.3	6.3	6.3	6.3	6.3	6.3	6.3	6.3	5.9	5.9	5.9	6.0
Religious organization repression	9.1	9.1	9.1	9.1	9.0	9.0	8.9	9.4	9.1	9.1	8.9	9.1
Association, assembly, civil society	7.8	7.8	7.8	7.8	8.0	8.0	7.7	7.6	7.8	7.6	7.6	7.2
Civil society entry and exit	7.9	7.9	7.9	7.9	8.0	8.0	7.9	8.1	8.1	8.1	8.1	7.6
Freedom of assembly	6.1	6.1	6.1	6.1	6.5	6.5	5.4	5.4	6.1	6.1	6.1	5.3
Freedom to form/run political parties	9.0	9.0	9.0	9.2	9.1	9.3	9.2	9.2	9.3	9.4	9.3	9.3
Civil society repression	8.1	8.1	8.1	8.1	8.3	8.2	8.1	7.7	7.5	6.8	6.8	6.7
Expression and information	6.6	7.1	7.2	7.2	7.2	7.0	7.1	7.1	7.0	7.0	7.0	6.9
Direct attacks on the press	7.3	9.3	10.0	9.9	9.7	9.4	9.2	9.4	9.6	9.7	9.6	9.6
Media and expression (V-Dem)	7.9	7.9	7.9	7.9	7.9	8.1	8.1	8.2	8.0	8.0	8.0	7.9
Media and expression (Freedom House)	4.5	4.8	5.0	4.6	4.8	5.2	5.0	4.8	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0
Media and expression (BTI)	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	5.6	6.7	6.7	5.6	5.6	5.6	5.6
Media and expression (CLD)	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7
Relationships	4.5	4.5	4.5	4.5	4.5	4.5	3.6	3.0	3.0	3.9	3.9	3.9
Same-sex relationships	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Divorce	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0
Inheritance rights	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	2.5	0.0	0.0	2.5	2.5	2.5
Female genital mutilation	8.1	8.1	8.1	8.1	8.1	8.1	7.0	7.0	7.0	8.1	8.1	8.1

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NORTH MACEDONIA

EASTERN EUROPE

HUMAN FREEDOM

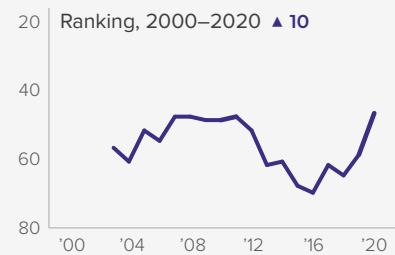
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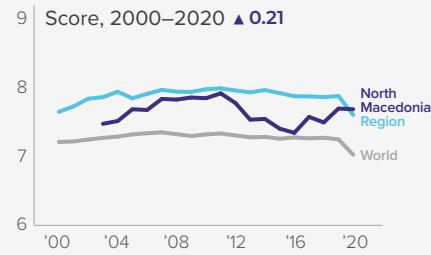
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PERSONAL FREEDOM

Ranking
47/165

Score
8.03

Rule of law

Procedural justice	5.1
Civil justice	5.7
Criminal justice	5.3
Rule of law (V-Dem)	4.5
	6.4

Security and safety

Homicide	9.4
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	9.7

Movement

Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	7.9
Freedom of movement (CLD)	9.2

Religion

Freedom of religion	7.7
Religious organization repression	8.8

Association, assembly, civil society

Civil society entry and exit	8.8
Freedom of assembly	8.1
Freedom to form/run political parties	8.8
Civil society repression	8.9

Expression and information

Direct attacks on the press	7.3
Media and expression (V-Dem)	10.0
Media and expression (Freedom House)	7.0
Media and expression (BTI)	7.5
Media and expression (CLD)	5.6
	6.7

Relationships

Same-sex relationships	10.0
Divorce	10.0
Inheritance rights	7.5
Female genital mutilation	10.0

ECONOMIC FREEDOM

Ranking
61/165

Score
7.16

Size of government

Government consumption	7.1
Transfers and subsidies	5.8
Government investment	5.1
Top marginal tax rate	8.4
State ownership of assets	8.5

Legal system and property rights

Judicial independence	3.6
Impartial courts	3.8
Protection of property rights	4.3
Military interference	-
Integrity of the legal system	5.5
Legal enforcement of contracts	3.9
Regulatory costs	8.4
Reliability of police	3.9

Sound money

Money growth	9.0
Standard deviation of inflation	9.1
Inflation: Most recent year	9.8
Freedom to own foreign currency	5.0

Freedom to trade internationally

Tariffs	8.3
Regulatory trade barriers	7.3
Black-market exchange rates	10.0
Movement of capital and people	5.4

Regulation

Credit market regulations	9.8
Labor market regulations	7.1
Business regulations	7.3

NORTH MACEDONIA

EASTERN EUROPE

	2000	2002	2004	2006	2008	2010	2012	2014	2016	2018	2019	2020
Human freedom	-	-	7.50	7.66	7.81	7.83	7.76	7.53	7.33	7.48	7.68	7.67
Ranking	-	-	61	55	48	49	52	61	70	65	59	47
Economic freedom	-	-	6.72	7.10	7.30	7.34	7.40	7.54	7.26	7.23	7.17	7.16
Personal freedom	-	-	8.06	8.06	8.18	8.18	8.02	7.52	7.37	7.65	8.04	8.03
Rule of law	-	-	5.5	5.6	5.5	5.6	5.5	5.1	5.0	5.2	5.2	5.1
Procedural justice	-	-	-	-	6.0	6.0	6.1	4.6	4.7	5.5	5.7	5.7
Civil justice	-	-	-	-	5.3	5.3	5.4	5.6	5.6	5.5	5.3	5.3
Criminal justice	-	-	-	-	5.3	5.3	5.0	5.1	4.7	4.5	4.5	4.5
Rule of law (V-Dem)	-	-	6.7	6.8	6.7	6.9	6.7	6.3	6.2	6.2	6.5	6.4
Security and safety	-	-	9.3	9.4	8.9	9.3	9.0	9.0	9.0	9.1	9.2	9.4
Homicide	-	-	9.3	9.4	9.5	9.4	9.6	9.5	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	-	-	9.3	9.4	8.2	9.2	8.4	8.5	8.3	8.6	8.8	9.1
Movement	-	-	8.1	8.1	9.8	9.8	9.7	9.7	9.6	7.9	8.0	7.9
Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	-	-	9.4	9.4	9.6	9.6	9.5	9.3	9.1	9.2	9.3	9.2
Freedom of movement (CLD)	-	-	6.7	6.7	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	6.7	6.7	6.7
Religion	-	-	8.1	8.0	8.1	8.1	7.9	7.7	7.9	8.1	8.2	8.2
Freedom of religion	-	-	7.4	7.4	7.6	7.6	7.5	7.4	7.4	7.4	7.6	7.7
Religious organization repression	-	-	8.8	8.6	8.7	8.6	8.3	8.0	8.3	8.8	8.8	8.8
Association, assembly, civil society	-	-	8.8	8.5	8.4	8.1	7.9	7.5	6.9	8.4	8.9	8.8
Civil society entry and exit	-	-	7.3	7.3	7.7	6.9	6.8	7.0	5.6	6.6	8.1	8.1
Freedom of assembly	-	-	8.8	8.8	8.8	9.2	8.4	7.3	6.9	8.1	8.8	8.8
Freedom to form/run political parties	-	-	9.4	9.4	9.0	8.9	8.8	8.8	8.8	9.2	9.3	8.9
Civil society repression	-	-	9.6	8.5	8.1	7.5	7.5	6.9	6.4	9.8	9.6	9.6
Expression and information	-	-	7.9	8.2	7.8	7.5	6.1	4.9	4.5	5.5	7.4	7.3
Direct attacks on the press	-	-	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	10.0	10.0
Media and expression (V-Dem)	-	-	7.1	6.8	6.7	6.5	5.7	5.6	5.7	7.4	7.1	7.0
Media and expression (Freedom House)	-	-	7.1	8.5	8.1	7.8	6.2	6.2	5.0	5.0	7.5	7.5
Media and expression (BTI)	-	-	8.9	8.9	7.8	6.7	5.6	4.4	3.3	3.3	5.6	5.6
Media and expression (CLD)	-	-	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	3.3	3.3	3.3	6.7	6.7	6.7
Relationships	-	-	8.8	8.8	8.8	8.8	10.0	8.8	8.8	9.4	9.4	9.4
Same-sex relationships	-	-	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Divorce	-	-	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Inheritance rights	-	-	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	10.0	5.0	5.0	7.5	7.5	7.5
Female genital mutilation	-	-	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0

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NORWAY

WESTERN EUROPE

HUMAN FREEDOM

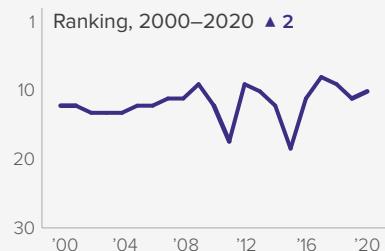
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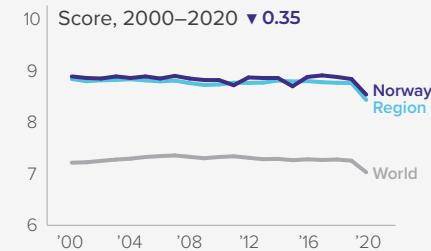
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PERSONAL FREEDOM

Ranking
8/165

Score
9.17

Rule of law

	Ranking	Score
Procedural justice	8.3	9.3
Civil justice	8.3	8.5
Criminal justice	8.3	8.5
Rule of law (V-Dem)	8.3	7.9

Security and safety

	Ranking	Score
Homicide	9.8	9.8
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	9.8	9.8

Movement

	Ranking	Score
Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	7.4	8.2
Freedom of movement (CLD)	7.4	6.7

Religion

	Ranking	Score
Freedom of religion	9.6	9.9
Religious organization repression	9.6	9.3

Association, assembly, civil society

	Ranking	Score
Civil society entry and exit	9.7	9.6
Freedom of assembly	9.7	10.0
Freedom to form/run political parties	9.7	9.6
Civil society repression	9.7	9.8

Expression and information

	Ranking	Score
Direct attacks on the press	9.8	10.0
Media and expression (V-Dem)	9.8	9.3
Media and expression (Freedom House)	9.8	10.0
Media and expression (BTI)	9.8	-
Media and expression (CLD)	9.8	10.0

Relationships

	Ranking	Score
Same-sex relationships	9.4	10.0
Divorce	9.4	7.5
Inheritance rights	9.4	10.0
Female genital mutilation	9.4	10.0

ECONOMIC FREEDOM

Ranking
32/165

Score
7.58

Size of government

	Ranking	Score
Government consumption	4.7	0.7
Transfers and subsidies	4.7	3.9
Government investment	4.7	7.5
Top marginal tax rate	4.7	4.5
State ownership of assets	4.7	7.1

Legal system and property rights

	Ranking	Score
Judicial independence	8.6	8.5
Impartial courts	8.6	8.3
Protection of property rights	8.6	7.9
Military interference	8.6	10.0
Integrity of the legal system	8.6	9.5
Legal enforcement of contracts	8.6	7.3
Regulatory costs	8.6	9.1
Reliability of police	8.6	8.0

Sound money

	Ranking	Score
Money growth	9.3	9.2
Standard deviation of inflation	9.3	8.5
Inflation: Most recent year	9.3	9.7
Freedom to own foreign currency	9.3	10.0

Freedom to trade internationally

	Ranking	Score
Tariffs	7.6	6.2
Regulatory trade barriers	7.6	7.6
Black-market exchange rates	7.6	10.0
Movement of capital and people	7.6	6.5

Regulation

	Ranking	Score
Credit market regulations	7.7	9.4
Labor market regulations	7.7	5.4
Business regulations	7.7	8.2

NORWAY

WESTERN EUROPE

	2000	2002	2004	2006	2008	2010	2012	2014	2016	2018	2019	2020
Human freedom	8.86	8.82	8.83	8.82	8.82	8.79	8.84	8.83	8.85	8.85	8.81	8.51
Ranking	13	14	14	13	12	13	10	13	12	10	12	11
Economic freedom	7.85	7.73	7.75	7.75	7.72	7.66	7.79	7.79	7.84	7.79	7.75	7.58
Personal freedom	9.57	9.60	9.60	9.59	9.60	9.59	9.59	9.57	9.58	9.60	9.56	9.17
Rule of law	8.7	8.6	8.6	8.6	8.8	8.3						
Procedural justice	-	-	-	-	9.4	9.4	9.2	9.0	8.9	9.1	9.3	9.3
Civil justice	-	-	-	-	8.2	8.2	8.6	8.5	8.5	8.5	8.5	8.5
Criminal justice	-	-	-	-	8.5	8.5	8.3	8.3	8.3	8.3	8.5	8.5
Rule of law (V-Dem)	8.9	8.9	8.9	8.9	8.9	8.9	8.9	8.9	8.9	8.8	8.3	7.9
Security and safety	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.9	9.8	9.9	9.8	9.7	9.8	9.9	9.8	9.8
Homicide	9.7	9.7	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.6	9.5	9.7	9.9	9.8	9.8
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.8	9.8
Movement	9.9	9.8	7.4									
Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.6	8.2
Freedom of movement (CLD)	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	6.7
Religion	9.9	9.6	9.6									
Freedom of religion	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9
Religious organization repression	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.8	9.8	9.3	9.3
Association, assembly, civil society	9.8	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.7	9.7						
Civil society entry and exit	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.7	9.7	9.4	9.4	9.6
Freedom of assembly	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Freedom to form/run political parties	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.4	9.4	9.4	9.6	9.6
Civil society repression	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.5	9.5	9.8	9.8	9.8
Expression and information	9.7	9.8	9.8	9.7	9.8	9.7	9.8	9.8	9.9	9.8	9.8	9.8
Direct attacks on the press	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Media and expression (V-Dem)	9.4	9.4	9.4	9.3	9.3	9.3	9.3	9.5	9.5	9.4	9.4	9.3
Media and expression (Freedom House)	9.3	10.0	9.8	9.7	9.8	9.7	9.8	9.8	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Media and expression (BTI)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Media and expression (CLD)	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Relationships	9.2	9.4	9.4	9.4	9.4	9.4						
Same-sex relationships	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Divorce	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5
Inheritance rights	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Female genital mutilation	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0

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MIDDLE EAST & NORTH AFRICA

HUMAN FREEDOM

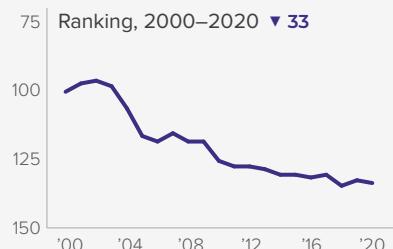
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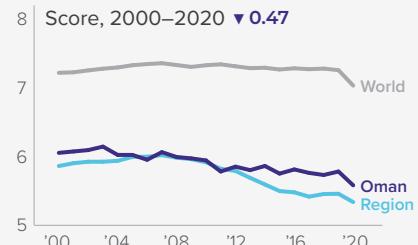
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PERSONAL FREEDOM

Ranking
149/165

Score
4.79

Rule of law

Procedural justice	-
Civil justice	-
Criminal justice	-
Rule of law (V-Dem)	5.5

Security and safety

Homicide	9.9
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	8.7

Movement

Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	7.5
Freedom of movement (CLD)	3.3

Religion

Freedom of religion	4.9
Religious organization repression	5.6

Association, assembly, civil society

Civil society entry and exit	1.9
Freedom of assembly	1.5
Freedom to form/run political parties	1.4
Civil society repression	3.0

Expression and information

Direct attacks on the press	10.0
Media and expression (V-Dem)	2.5
Media and expression (Freedom House)	2.5
Media and expression (BTI)	0.0
Media and expression (CLD)	3.3

Relationships

Same-sex relationships	0.0
Divorce	0.0
Inheritance rights	0.0
Female genital mutilation	10.0

ECONOMIC FREEDOM

Ranking
93/165

Score
6.65

Size of government

Government consumption	0.2
Transfers and subsidies	8.1
Government investment	0.0
Top marginal tax rate	10.0
State ownership of assets	4.9

Legal system and property rights

Judicial independence	6.1
Impartial courts	6.9
Protection of property rights	7.7
Military interference	8.3
Integrity of the legal system	7.0
Legal enforcement of contracts	5.0
Regulatory costs	7.7
Reliability of police	8.6

Sound money

Money growth	9.4
Standard deviation of inflation	5.9
Inflation: Most recent year	9.8
Freedom to own foreign currency	10.0

Freedom to trade internationally

Tariffs	7.8
Regulatory trade barriers	7.3
Black-market exchange rates	10.0
Movement of capital and people	5.1

Regulation

Credit market regulations	6.7
Labor market regulations	6.7
Business regulations	7.6

OMAN

MIDDLE EAST & NORTH AFRICA

	2000	2002	2004	2006	2008	2010	2012	2014	2016	2018	2019	2020
Human freedom	6.04	6.08	6.01	5.94	5.98	5.93	5.84	5.85	5.80	5.72	5.77	5.57
Ranking	101	97	107	119	119	126	128	131	132	135	133	134
Economic freedom	7.07	7.20	7.04	6.97	6.95	6.87	6.93	6.98	6.73	6.70	6.77	6.65
Personal freedom	5.30	5.28	5.27	5.21	5.29	5.26	5.06	5.05	5.14	5.03	5.06	4.79
Rule of law	5.4	5.5	5.5	5.5	5.5	5.5	5.5	5.6	5.6	5.5	5.5	5.5
Procedural justice	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Civil justice	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Criminal justice	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Rule of law (V-Dem)	5.4	5.5	5.5	5.5	5.5	5.5	5.5	5.6	5.6	5.5	5.5	5.5
Security and safety	9.2	9.2	9.2	8.7	9.3	9.1	8.8	8.9	9.3	9.3	9.3	9.3
Homicide	9.7	9.7	9.5	8.6	9.5	9.5	9.7	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	8.8	8.8	8.8	8.8	9.0	8.6	7.9	7.9	8.6	8.7	8.8	8.7
Movement	6.9	7.1	7.2	7.2	7.2	5.4						
Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	7.2	7.6	7.6	7.6	7.4	7.4	7.5	7.6	7.6	7.6	7.6	7.5
Freedom of movement (CLD)	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	3.3
Religion	5.8	5.8	5.8	5.8	5.7	5.7	5.7	5.7	5.7	5.1	5.2	5.2
Freedom of religion	4.7	4.7	4.7	4.7	4.7	4.7	4.7	4.7	4.7	4.5	4.8	4.9
Religious organization repression	6.8	6.8	6.8	6.8	6.8	6.8	6.7	6.7	6.7	5.6	5.6	5.6
Association, assembly, civil society	1.6	1.6	1.6	1.6	1.9	1.9	1.9	1.7	2.0	2.0	2.0	1.9
Civil society entry and exit	1.8	1.8	1.8	1.8	1.8	1.8	1.9	1.9	1.9	1.9	1.9	1.9
Freedom of assembly	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.1	1.1	1.1	0.4	1.5	1.5	1.5	1.5
Freedom to form/run political parties	1.4	1.4	1.4	1.4	1.3	1.3	1.3	1.3	1.3	1.3	1.3	1.4
Civil society repression	3.2	3.2	3.2	3.2	3.2	3.2	3.4	3.4	3.4	3.1	3.1	3.0
Expression and information	4.6	4.3	4.3	4.3	4.1	4.1	4.2	3.8	3.8	3.7	3.7	3.7
Direct attacks on the press	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Media and expression (V-Dem)	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.3	1.8	1.9	1.9	2.6	2.6	2.5
Media and expression (Freedom House)	4.1	2.7	2.7	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5
Media and expression (BTI)	-	-	-	-	3.3	3.3	3.3	1.1	1.1	0.0	0.0	0.0
Media and expression (CLD)	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3
Relationships	3.5	3.5	3.5	3.5	3.5	3.5	2.2	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5
Same-sex relationships	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Divorce	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Inheritance rights	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Female genital mutilation	9.0	9.0	9.0	9.0	9.0	9.0	9.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0

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PAKISTAN

SOUTH ASIA

HUMAN FREEDOM

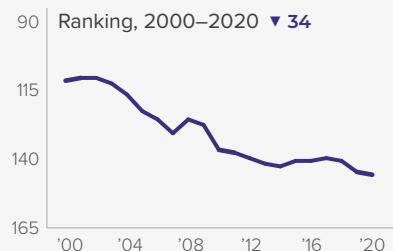
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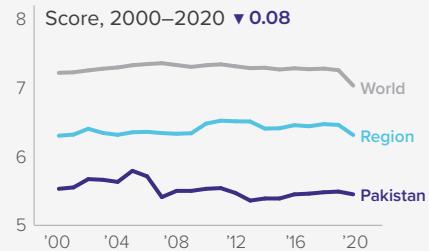
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PERSONAL FREEDOM

Ranking
143/165

Score
5.02

Rule of law

Procedural justice	3.3
Civil justice	2.6
Criminal justice	4.0
Rule of law (V-Dem)	3.5
	4.1

Security and safety

Homicide	6.8
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	8.9

Movement

Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	4.9
Freedom of movement (CLD)	6.4

Religion

Freedom of religion	5.7
Religious organization repression	3.3

Association, assembly, civil society

Civil society entry and exit	5.8
Freedom of assembly	5.7
Freedom to form/run political parties	4.7
Civil society repression	7.9

Expression and information

Direct attacks on the press	4.3
Media and expression (V-Dem)	9.3
Media and expression (Freedom House)	3.9
Media and expression (BTI)	2.5
Media and expression (CLD)	2.2

Relationships

Same-sex relationships	4.4
Divorce	5.0
Inheritance rights	2.5
Female genital mutilation	0.0

ECONOMIC FREEDOM

Ranking
130/165

Score
6.03

Size of government

Government consumption	8.1
Transfers and subsidies	7.7
Government investment	9.2
Top marginal tax rate	9.3
State ownership of assets	7.0

Legal system and property rights

Judicial independence	3.8
Impartial courts	5.3
Protection of property rights	3.3
Military interference	4.7
Integrity of the legal system	2.5
Legal enforcement of contracts	4.9
Regulatory costs	3.5
Reliability of police	6.6

Sound money

Money growth	6.3
Standard deviation of inflation	8.8
Inflation: Most recent year	8.4
Freedom to own foreign currency	8.1
	0.0

Freedom to trade internationally

Tariffs	5.6
Regulatory trade barriers	7.0
Black-market exchange rates	4.7
Movement of capital and people	10.0
	0.8

Regulation

Credit market regulations	6.3
Labor market regulations	7.8
Business regulations	5.1

PAKISTAN

SOUTH ASIA

	2000	2002	2004	2006	2008	2010	2012	2014	2016	2018	2019	2020
Human freedom	5.52	5.66	5.62	5.70	5.49	5.52	5.46	5.38	5.44	5.47	5.48	5.44
Ranking	112	111	117	126	126	137	140	143	141	141	145	146
Economic freedom	5.26	5.68	5.62	5.93	5.74	6.02	6.01	5.84	6.00	6.11	6.00	6.03
Personal freedom	5.70	5.65	5.61	5.54	5.31	5.15	5.07	5.05	5.03	5.01	5.10	5.02
Rule of law	3.3	3.3	3.4	3.4	3.4	3.5	3.2	3.5	3.5	3.3	3.4	3.3
Procedural justice	-	-	-	-	2.6	2.6	2.4	3.0	3.0	2.4	2.6	2.6
Civil justice	-	-	-	-	3.9	3.9	3.6	3.7	3.7	3.8	4.0	4.0
Criminal justice	-	-	-	-	3.9	3.9	3.7	3.8	3.8	3.5	3.5	3.5
Rule of law (V-Dem)	4.2	4.1	4.3	4.3	4.3	4.4	4.3	4.2	4.2	4.3	4.2	4.1
Security and safety	7.2	7.6	6.9	6.4	4.5	4.5	4.6	4.7	5.9	6.4	6.7	6.8
Homicide	8.1	8.1	8.1	8.1	7.9	7.8	7.7	7.9	8.8	8.9	8.9	8.9
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	6.3	7.1	5.6	4.6	1.1	1.3	1.6	1.5	2.9	4.0	4.5	4.7
Movement	7.2	7.1	7.1	7.1	7.2	5.6	5.6	5.5	5.2	5.3	5.2	4.9
Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	7.7	7.6	7.6	7.6	7.7	7.9	7.9	7.6	7.1	7.3	7.0	6.4
Freedom of movement (CLD)	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3
Religion	6.5	6.0	6.0	6.0	6.2	6.1	6.0	6.2	6.1	5.5	5.8	5.7
Freedom of religion	3.7	3.7	3.7	3.7	4.0	3.7	3.6	3.6	3.7	3.6	3.8	3.3
Religious organization repression	9.2	8.3	8.3	8.3	8.4	8.4	8.4	8.8	8.5	7.4	7.9	8.2
Association, assembly, civil society	5.9	5.7	6.1	6.2	6.2	6.9	6.8	6.7	6.1	5.9	5.9	5.8
Civil society entry and exit	4.3	3.8	4.5	5.2	6.2	6.7	6.7	6.0	5.2	5.4	5.4	5.7
Freedom of assembly	4.3	4.3	4.3	4.3	4.3	4.3	4.3	5.1	5.1	4.7	4.7	4.7
Freedom to form/run political parties	7.3	7.3	8.1	8.1	8.7	8.8	8.6	9.3	8.9	8.8	8.6	7.9
Civil society repression	7.6	7.6	7.6	7.2	5.8	7.8	7.8	6.5	5.2	4.7	5.1	5.0
Expression and information	5.6	5.6	5.5	5.4	5.3	5.2	4.7	4.4	4.1	4.2	4.3	4.3
Direct attacks on the press	9.6	9.5	9.3	9.1	8.6	7.3	6.3	6.3	7.7	8.6	9.2	9.3
Media and expression (V-Dem)	6.9	6.9	6.9	6.8	7.3	6.8	7.0	6.4	4.8	4.4	4.2	3.9
Media and expression (Freedom House)	3.9	3.7	3.5	3.2	3.0	3.2	2.7	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5
Media and expression (BTI)	4.4	4.4	4.4	4.4	4.4	5.6	4.4	3.3	2.2	2.2	2.2	2.2
Media and expression (CLD)	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3
Relationships	4.2	4.2	4.2	4.2	4.2	4.2	4.4	4.4	4.4	4.4	4.4	4.4
Same-sex relationships	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0
Divorce	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5
Inheritance rights	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Female genital mutilation	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0

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PANAMA

LATIN AMERICA & THE CARIBBEAN

HUMAN FREEDOM

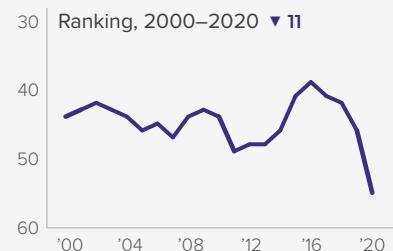
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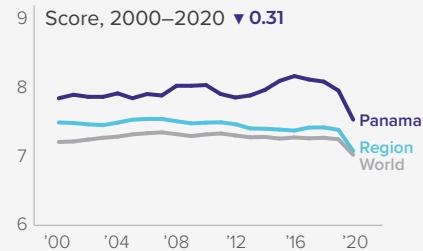
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PERSONAL FREEDOM

Ranking
64/165

Score
7.58

Rule of law

Procedural justice	3.8
Civil justice	4.1
Criminal justice	4.4
Rule of law (V-Dem)	2.8
	6.6

Security and safety

Homicide	8.0
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	6.8

Movement

Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	6.2
Freedom of movement (CLD)	9.1

Religion

Freedom of religion	9.0
Religious organization repression	8.1

Association, assembly, civil society

Civil society entry and exit	9.0
Freedom of assembly	8.2
Freedom to form/run political parties	9.3
Civil society repression	9.7

Expression and information

Direct attacks on the press	7.1
Media and expression (V-Dem)	7.0
Media and expression (Freedom House)	7.7
Media and expression (BTI)	7.5
Media and expression (CLD)	6.7

Relationships

Same-sex relationships	10.0
Divorce	10.0
Inheritance rights	10.0
Female genital mutilation	10.0

ECONOMIC FREEDOM

Ranking
41/165

Score
7.45

Size of government

Government consumption	7.6
Transfers and subsidies	4.8
Government investment	9.1
Top marginal tax rate	10.0
State ownership of assets	6.5

Legal system and property rights

Judicial independence	5.6
Impartial courts	4.7
Protection of property rights	4.6
Military interference	5.8
Integrity of the legal system	8.3
Legal enforcement of contracts	5.4
Regulatory costs	2.7
Reliability of police	8.8

Sound money

Money growth	9.4
Standard deviation of inflation	8.5
Inflation: Most recent year	9.4
Freedom to own foreign currency	9.7
	10.0

Freedom to trade internationally

Tariffs	8.1
Regulatory trade barriers	8.3
Black-market exchange rates	7.4
Movement of capital and people	10.0

Regulation

Credit market regulations	6.6
Labor market regulations	8.1
Business regulations	5.0

PANAMA

LATIN AMERICA & THE CARIBBEAN

	2000	2002	2004	2006	2008	2010	2012	2014	2016	2018	2019	2020
Human freedom	7.83	7.85	7.90	7.89	8.01	8.02	7.84	7.95	8.15	8.07	7.94	7.52
Ranking	44	42	44	45	44	44	48	46	39	42	46	55
Economic freedom	7.61	7.69	7.79	7.66	7.44	7.52	7.44	7.65	7.78	7.76	7.74	7.45
Personal freedom	7.98	7.96	7.99	8.05	8.41	8.38	8.12	8.17	8.41	8.29	8.09	7.58
Rule of law	4.7	4.7	4.9	4.9	4.9	4.9	4.6	4.4	4.4	4.7	3.8	3.8
Procedural justice	-	-	-	-	5.8	5.8	5.6	5.5	5.1	6.0	4.1	4.1
Civil justice	-	-	-	-	5.1	5.1	4.5	4.8	4.8	4.8	4.4	4.4
Criminal justice	-	-	-	-	3.8	3.8	3.8	2.9	3.3	3.3	2.8	2.8
Rule of law (V-Dem)	6.8	6.8	7.0	7.0	7.0	7.0	7.0	7.2	7.2	6.7	6.6	6.6
Security and safety	8.4	8.1	8.4	8.9	7.8	7.6	7.4	7.6	8.4	8.5	8.0	8.0
Homicide	7.1	6.5	7.3	8.1	5.9	6.3	5.1	5.5	7.1	7.3	6.7	6.8
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.7	9.0	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.6	9.2	9.2
Movement	9.8	9.5	9.5	6.2								
Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	9.5	9.5	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.1	9.1	9.1
Freedom of movement (CLD)	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	3.3
Religion	9.7	9.8	9.8	9.0	9.0	9.0						
Freedom of religion	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.7	9.7	8.1	8.1	8.1
Religious organization repression	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8
Association, assembly, civil society	8.6	8.9	8.9	8.9	9.0	9.0	8.6	8.8	9.3	9.2	9.2	9.0
Civil society entry and exit	7.2	8.5	8.5	8.5	8.5	8.5	8.5	9.0	9.0	9.0	9.0	8.2
Freedom of assembly	9.3	9.3	9.3	9.3	9.3	9.6	8.1	8.1	9.3	9.3	9.3	9.3
Freedom to form/run political parties	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7
Civil society repression	8.4	8.4	8.4	8.4	8.5	8.0	8.0	8.4	9.1	8.7	8.8	8.8
Expression and information	8.2	8.0	7.7	7.7	7.9	7.8	6.7	6.8	7.2	7.1	7.1	7.1
Direct attacks on the press	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	6.0	6.0	7.0	7.0	7.0	7.0
Media and expression (V-Dem)	8.1	8.1	8.1	8.1	8.2	7.8	7.8	7.9	8.1	7.9	7.9	7.7
Media and expression (Freedom House)	9.5	8.6	7.0	7.0	6.8	6.8	6.6	6.6	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5
Media and expression (BTI)	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	7.8	7.8	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7
Media and expression (CLD)	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7
Relationships	6.5	6.5	6.5	6.5	9.8	9.8	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Same-sex relationships	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Divorce	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Inheritance rights	-	-	-	-	-	-	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Female genital mutilation	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0

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OCEANIA

HUMAN FREEDOM

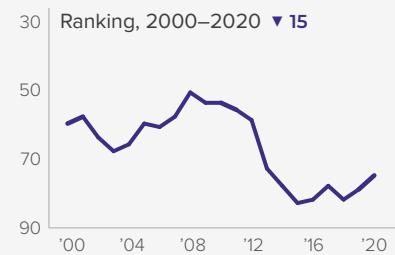
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6.98

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Score, 2000–2020 ▼ 0.33



PERSONAL FREEDOM

Ranking
66/165

Score
7.55

Rule of law

Procedural justice	-
Civil justice	-
Criminal justice	-
Rule of law (V-Dem)	6.0

Security and safety

Homicide	7.1
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	8.9

Movement

Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	9.2
Freedom of movement (CLD)	3.3

Religion

Freedom of religion	9.6
Religious organization repression	9.8

Association, assembly, civil society

Civil society entry and exit	9.1
Freedom of assembly	7.7
Freedom to form/run political parties	9.2
Civil society repression	9.1

Expression and information

Direct attacks on the press	10.0
Media and expression (V-Dem)	7.4
Media and expression (Freedom House)	7.5
Media and expression (BTI)	7.8
Media and expression (CLD)	6.7

Relationships

Same-sex relationships	5.0
Divorce	5.0
Inheritance rights	5.0
Female genital mutilation	10.0

ECONOMIC FREEDOM

Ranking
122/165

Score
6.17

Size of government

Government consumption	3.5
Transfers and subsidies	8.0
Government investment	-
Top marginal tax rate	5.0
State ownership of assets	6.0

Legal system and property rights

Judicial independence	5.7
Impartial courts	4.9
Protection of property rights	3.6
Military interference	7.5
Integrity of the legal system	5.4
Legal enforcement of contracts	1.0
Regulatory costs	6.9
Reliability of police	5.6

Sound money

Money growth	9.4
Standard deviation of inflation	9.0
Inflation: Most recent year	9.0
Freedom to own foreign currency	0.0

Freedom to trade internationally

Tariffs	7.3
Regulatory trade barriers	5.6
Black-market exchange rates	10.0
Movement of capital and people	3.6

Regulation

Credit market regulations	8.2
Labor market regulations	7.5
Business regulations	5.7

PAPUA NEW GUINEA

OCEANIA

	2000	2002	2004	2006	2008	2010	2012	2014	2016	2018	2019	2020
Human freedom	7.31	7.32	7.35	7.56	7.66	7.71	7.61	7.12	7.06	7.12	7.17	6.98
Ranking	60	64	66	61	51	54	59	78	82	82	79	75
Economic freedom	5.79	5.86	5.95	6.50	6.72	6.93	7.00	6.03	5.90	5.90	6.01	6.17
Personal freedom	8.39	8.37	8.35	8.32	8.33	8.27	8.05	7.89	7.89	7.99	8.00	7.55
Rule of law	6.0	6.0	6.0	6.0	6.0	5.9	5.9	5.9	5.9	5.9	5.9	6.0
Procedural justice	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Civil justice	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Criminal justice	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Rule of law (V-Dem)	6.0	6.0	6.0	6.0	6.0	5.9	5.9	5.9	5.9	5.9	5.9	6.0
Security and safety	8.4	8.4	8.4	8.2	8.3	8.0						
Homicide	7.6	7.6	7.6	7.3	7.4	7.1	7.1	7.1	7.1	7.1	7.1	7.1
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	9.1	9.1	9.1	9.1	9.3	8.9	8.8	8.8	8.8	8.9	8.9	8.9
Movement	9.6	6.3										
Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	9.3	9.3	9.3	9.3	9.2	9.2	9.2	9.2	9.2	9.1	9.1	9.2
Freedom of movement (CLD)	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	3.3
Religion	9.7	8.9	8.9	9.7	9.7	9.7						
Freedom of religion	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.6	8.0	8.0	9.6	9.6	9.6
Religious organization repression	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8
Association, assembly, civil society	8.8	8.8	8.8	8.8	8.8	8.7	8.7	8.7	8.7	8.8	8.8	8.8
Civil society entry and exit	8.9	8.9	8.9	8.9	8.9	8.8	8.7	8.7	8.7	9.1	9.1	9.1
Freedom of assembly	8.1	8.1	8.1	8.1	8.1	8.1	8.1	8.1	8.1	7.7	7.7	7.7
Freedom to form/run political parties	9.4	9.4	9.4	9.4	9.4	9.4	9.4	9.4	9.4	9.4	9.4	9.2
Civil society repression	8.8	8.8	8.8	8.8	8.8	8.8	8.7	8.7	8.7	9.1	9.1	9.1
Expression and information	8.7	8.6	8.4	8.4	8.4	8.4	8.3	8.0	8.0	7.7	7.8	7.9
Direct attacks on the press	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Media and expression (V-Dem)	7.4	7.4	7.4	7.4	7.2	7.2	7.0	7.0	7.0	6.7	6.9	7.4
Media and expression (Freedom House)	9.4	8.7	8.0	7.8	8.2	8.4	7.8	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5
Media and expression (BTI)	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	8.9	8.9	7.8	7.8	7.8
Media and expression (CLD)	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7
Relationships	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	6.2	6.2	6.2	6.2	6.2	6.2
Same-sex relationships	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0
Divorce	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0
Inheritance rights	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0
Female genital mutilation	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0

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HUMAN FREEDOM

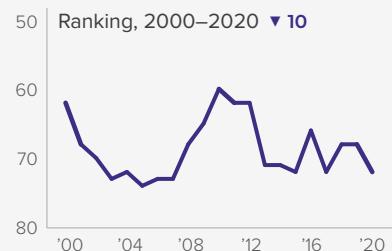
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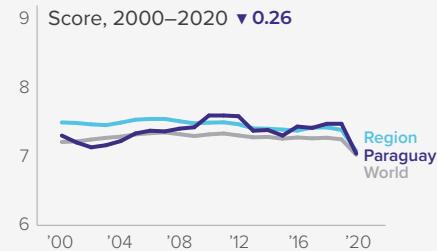
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PERSONAL FREEDOM

Ranking
83/165

Score
7.07

Rule of law

Procedural justice	4.5
Civil justice	6.0
Criminal justice	4.7
Rule of law (V-Dem)	3.3
	6.2

Security and safety

Homicide	8.2
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	7.7

Movement

Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	6.1
Freedom of movement (CLD)	8.9

Religion

Freedom of religion	8.8
Religious organization repression	8.2

Association, assembly, civil society

Civil society entry and exit	8.3
Freedom of assembly	8.1
Freedom to form/run political parties	8.4
Civil society repression	8.9

Expression and information

Direct attacks on the press	6.0
Media and expression (V-Dem)	5.8
Media and expression (Freedom House)	7.1
Media and expression (BTI)	5.0
Media and expression (CLD)	5.6
	6.7

Relationships

Same-sex relationships	7.5
Divorce	10.0
Inheritance rights	5.0
Female genital mutilation	5.0
	10.0

ECONOMIC FREEDOM

Ranking
78/165

Score
6.96

Size of government

Government consumption	8.0
Transfers and subsidies	6.9
Government investment	8.6
Top marginal tax rate	7.5
State ownership of assets	8.5

Legal system and property rights

Judicial independence	4.5
Impartial courts	4.3
Protection of property rights	3.5
Military interference	5.3
Integrity of the legal system	2.5
Legal enforcement of contracts	4.7
Regulatory costs	4.1
Reliability of police	8.5

Sound money

Money growth	9.5
Standard deviation of inflation	8.8
Inflation: Most recent year	9.5
Freedom to own foreign currency	9.6

Freedom to trade internationally

Tariffs	6.7
Regulatory trade barriers	8.0
Black-market exchange rates	5.9
Movement of capital and people	10.0

Regulation

Credit market regulations	6.2
Labor market regulations	8.0
Business regulations	4.5

PARAGUAY

LATIN AMERICA & THE CARIBBEAN

	2000	2002	2004	2006	2008	2010	2012	2014	2016	2018	2019	2020
Human freedom	7.29	7.12	7.21	7.36	7.39	7.58	7.57	7.37	7.42	7.46	7.46	7.03
Ranking	62	70	72	73	68	60	62	71	66	68	68	72
Economic freedom	6.96	6.86	6.90	6.95	6.95	7.03	7.04	6.98	7.06	7.22	7.11	6.96
Personal freedom	7.52	7.31	7.44	7.65	7.69	7.97	7.95	7.65	7.68	7.63	7.70	7.07
Rule of law	4.6	4.6	4.6	4.6	4.7	4.7	4.7	4.7	4.8	4.7	4.7	4.5
Procedural justice	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6.0	6.0
Civil justice	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4.7	4.7
Criminal justice	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3.3	3.3
Rule of law (V-Dem)	6.4	6.4	6.4	6.4	6.5	6.5	6.5	6.4	6.6	6.4	6.4	6.2
Security and safety	6.9	6.0	6.6	7.4	7.6	7.5	7.9	8.0	7.8	8.4	8.3	8.2
Homicide	4.5	2.8	3.8	6.3	6.0	6.5	7.0	7.4	7.1	7.9	7.7	7.7
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	9.2	9.3	9.3	8.5	9.1	8.6	8.7	8.6	8.5	8.8	8.9	8.7
Movement	8.2	8.2	8.2	8.2	8.2	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	6.1
Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.6	8.9
Freedom of movement (CLD)	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	3.3
Religion	8.9	8.9	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.6	8.8	8.8	8.8
Freedom of religion	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	8.2	8.2	8.2
Religious organization repression	8.2	8.2	9.4	9.4	9.4	9.4	9.4	9.4	9.4	9.4	9.4	9.4
Association, assembly, civil society	8.3	8.3	8.0	8.3	8.5	8.7	8.3	8.2	8.4	8.4	8.4	8.3
Civil society entry and exit	8.3	8.3	8.3	8.3	8.4	8.4	7.8	8.1	8.1	8.1	8.1	8.1
Freedom of assembly	7.3	7.3	6.2	7.3	7.3	7.3	7.3	7.3	8.4	8.4	8.4	8.4
Freedom to form/run political parties	9.4	9.4	9.4	9.4	9.4	9.5	9.4	9.4	9.2	9.2	9.2	8.9
Civil society repression	8.0	8.0	8.0	8.0	9.0	9.6	8.8	7.9	8.0	8.0	8.0	7.9
Expression and information	7.0	6.4	6.4	6.8	6.6	6.6	6.5	5.8	5.8	5.9	6.4	6.0
Direct attacks on the press	10.0	7.3	7.3	10.0	7.5	7.5	7.7	5.0	5.0	5.0	7.8	5.8
Media and expression (V-Dem)	6.9	6.9	7.3	7.3	7.5	7.7	7.3	7.0	7.0	7.1	7.1	7.1
Media and expression (Freedom House)	6.0	5.6	5.4	4.6	4.8	4.6	4.4	4.8	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0
Media and expression (BTI)	5.6	5.6	5.6	5.6	6.7	6.7	6.7	5.6	5.6	5.6	5.6	5.6
Media and expression (CLD)	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7
Relationships	8.8	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5						
Same-sex relationships	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Divorce	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0
Inheritance rights	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0
Female genital mutilation	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0

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HUMAN FREEDOM

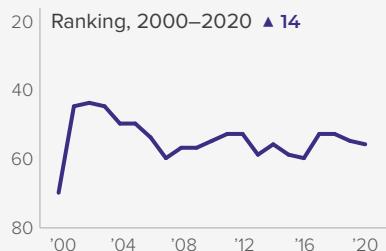
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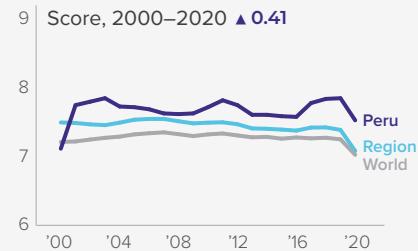
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PERSONAL FREEDOM

Ranking
68/165

Score
7.52

Rule of law

Procedural justice	4.4
Civil justice	6.1
Criminal justice	4.3
Rule of law (V-Dem)	3.2

Rule of law (V-Dem)	6.4
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Security and safety

Homicide	8.4
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	7.8

Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	9.1
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Movement

Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	6.0
Freedom of movement (CLD)	8.8

Freedom of movement (CLD)	3.3
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Religion

Freedom of religion	9.8
Religious organization repression	9.7

Religious organization repression	9.7
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Association, assembly, civil society

Civil society entry and exit	8.5
Freedom of assembly	8.8
Freedom to form/run political parties	7.3
Civil society repression	9.3

Civil society repression	8.7
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Expression and information

Direct attacks on the press	8.0
Media and expression (V-Dem)	9.5
Media and expression (Freedom House)	8.5
Media and expression (BTI)	7.5
Media and expression (CLD)	7.8

Media and expression (CLD)	6.7
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Relationships

Same-sex relationships	7.5
Divorce	10.0
Inheritance rights	2.5
Female genital mutilation	7.5

Female genital mutilation	10.0
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ECONOMIC FREEDOM

Ranking
37/165

Score
7.50

Size of government

Government consumption	7.6
Transfers and subsidies	5.9
Government investment	9.6
Top marginal tax rate	7.8
State ownership of assets	5.5

State ownership of assets	9.0
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Legal system and property rights

Judicial independence	5.3
Impartial courts	3.8
Protection of property rights	4.2
Military interference	7.5
Integrity of the legal system	5.7

Legal enforcement of contracts	4.7
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Regulatory costs	8.5
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Reliability of police	3.0
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Sound money

Money growth	9.7
Standard deviation of inflation	9.7
Inflation: Most recent year	9.5
Freedom to own foreign currency	9.6

Freedom to own foreign currency	10.0
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Freedom to trade internationally

Tariffs	7.9
Regulatory trade barriers	9.2
Black-market exchange rates	6.1
Movement of capital and people	10.0

Movement of capital and people	6.2
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Regulation

Credit market regulations	7.0
Labor market regulations	7.5
Business regulations	6.9

Business regulations	6.7
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LATIN AMERICA & THE CARIBBEAN

	2000	2002	2004	2006	2008	2010	2012	2014	2016	2018	2019	2020
Human freedom	7.10	7.78	7.71	7.67	7.60	7.70	7.73	7.59	7.56	7.82	7.83	7.51
Ranking	70	44	50	54	57	55	53	56	60	53	55	56
Economic freedom	7.47	7.71	7.69	7.66	7.69	7.81	7.80	7.76	7.71	7.77	7.78	7.50
Personal freedom	6.83	7.83	7.71	7.67	7.53	7.62	7.69	7.48	7.46	7.86	7.87	7.52
Rule of law	3.8	5.4	5.4	5.4	5.4	5.4	4.8	4.6	4.7	4.6	4.5	4.4
Procedural justice	-	-	-	-	7.4	7.4	6.7	5.9	6.2	6.1	6.1	6.1
Civil justice	-	-	-	-	4.3	4.3	3.9	4.4	4.4	4.5	4.3	4.3
Criminal justice	-	-	-	-	4.5	4.5	3.7	3.4	3.6	3.3	3.2	3.2
Rule of law (V-Dem)	4.5	6.4	6.4	6.4	6.4	6.4	6.5	6.5	6.6	6.6	6.6	6.4
Security and safety	7.2	9.1	8.8	8.9	8.3	8.7	8.5	8.5	8.4	8.4	8.5	8.4
Homicide	-	-	8.4	8.4	8.4	8.4	8.1	8.1	7.7	7.8	7.8	7.8
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	7.2	9.1	9.3	9.3	8.3	9.0	9.0	9.0	9.1	9.1	9.2	9.1
Movement	7.3	7.9	7.9	7.9	7.9	8.0	8.0	8.1	8.1	8.1	8.1	6.0
Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	8.0	9.2	9.2	9.2	9.2	9.4	9.4	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	8.8
Freedom of movement (CLD)	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	3.3
Religion	8.8	8.9	8.9	8.9	8.9	9.0	9.0	8.9	8.9	9.8	9.8	9.8
Freedom of religion	7.8	8.2	8.2	8.2	8.2	8.2	8.2	8.2	8.2	9.8	9.8	9.8
Religious organization repression	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.6	9.6	9.9	9.9	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7
Association, assembly, civil society	7.5	8.7	8.7	8.6	8.5	8.2	8.3	8.5	8.1	8.7	8.7	8.5
Civil society entry and exit	6.8	8.4	8.4	8.4	8.5	8.5	8.5	9.0	7.9	8.8	8.9	8.8
Freedom of assembly	7.7	7.7	7.7	7.7	7.3	6.2	6.2	6.2	6.2	7.3	7.3	7.3
Freedom to form/run political parties	8.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.4	9.4	9.4	9.4	9.3	9.4	9.4	9.3
Civil society repression	7.1	9.3	9.3	8.9	8.8	8.7	9.0	9.3	8.9	9.1	9.1	8.7
Expression and information	6.5	8.0	7.4	7.3	6.9	7.2	7.0	6.9	7.2	7.9	8.0	8.0
Direct attacks on the press	5.0	7.6	8.9	8.9	7.5	8.6	7.6	7.5	8.5	9.0	9.5	9.5
Media and expression (V-Dem)	6.4	8.7	8.7	8.5	8.5	8.6	8.7	8.6	8.6	8.7	8.7	8.5
Media and expression (Freedom House)	10.0	9.1	8.4	8.0	7.5	7.7	7.7	7.0	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5
Media and expression (BTI)	7.8	7.8	7.8	7.8	7.8	7.8	7.8	7.8	7.8	7.8	7.8	7.8
Media and expression (CLD)	3.3	6.7	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	6.7	6.7	6.7
Relationships	6.8	6.8	6.8	6.8	6.8	6.8	8.1	6.9	6.9	7.5	7.5	7.5
Same-sex relationships	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Divorce	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5
Inheritance rights	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	5.0	5.0	7.5	7.5	7.5
Female genital mutilation	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0

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SOUTH ASIA

HUMAN FREEDOM

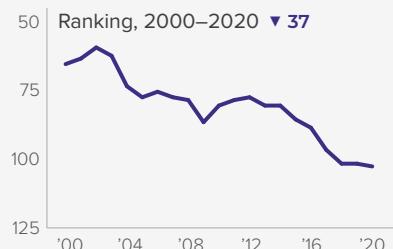
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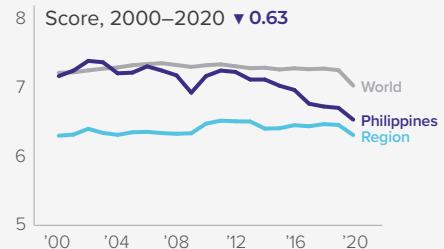
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Ranking, 2000–2020 ▼ 37



Score, 2000–2020 ▼ 0.63



PERSONAL FREEDOM

Ranking
112/165

Score
6.11

Rule of law

Procedural justice	3.3
Civil justice	2.3
Criminal justice	4.5
Rule of law (V-Dem)	3.1
	5.2

Security and safety

Homicide	6.7
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	8.7

Movement

Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	7.6
Freedom of movement (CLD)	8.6

Religion

Freedom of religion	7.5
Religious organization repression	7.3

Association, assembly, civil society

Civil society entry and exit	6.6
Freedom of assembly	7.6
Freedom to form/run political parties	5.0
Civil society repression	8.1

Expression and information

Direct attacks on the press	4.8
Media and expression (V-Dem)	8.2
Media and expression (Freedom House)	5.4
Media and expression (BTI)	2.5
Media and expression (CLD)	4.4

Relationships

Same-sex relationships	6.2
Divorce	10.0
Inheritance rights	0.0
Female genital mutilation	5.0

ECONOMIC FREEDOM

Ranking
66/165

Score
7.09

Size of government

Government consumption	7.9
Transfers and subsidies	6.8
Government investment	9.1
Top marginal tax rate	8.8
State ownership of assets	7.0

Legal system and property rights

Judicial independence	4.4
Impartial courts	4.9
Protection of property rights	3.8
Military interference	5.8
Integrity of the legal system	4.2
Legal enforcement of contracts	4.8
Regulatory costs	4.2
Reliability of police	7.9

Sound money

Money growth	9.6
Standard deviation of inflation	9.3
Inflation: Most recent year	9.6
Freedom to own foreign currency	9.5
	10.0

Freedom to trade internationally

Tariffs	6.2
Regulatory trade barriers	7.6
Black-market exchange rates	5.5
Movement of capital and people	10.0

Regulation

Credit market regulations	7.3
Labor market regulations	8.6
Business regulations	7.1

PHILIPPINES

SOUTH ASIA

	2000	2002	2004	2006	2008	2010	2012	2014	2016	2018	2019	2020
Human freedom	7.15	7.37	7.19	7.29	7.16	7.15	7.21	7.10	6.95	6.71	6.69	6.52
Ranking	66	60	74	76	79	81	78	81	89	102	102	103
Economic freedom	6.96	7.04	6.91	6.96	6.83	7.12	7.29	7.42	7.37	7.29	7.34	7.09
Personal freedom	7.29	7.61	7.39	7.53	7.40	7.16	7.15	6.88	6.65	6.29	6.23	6.11
Rule of law	4.0	4.0	4.0	4.0	4.0	4.2	3.7	3.9	3.4	3.4	3.3	3.3
Procedural justice	-	-	-	-	4.1	4.1	3.6	3.6	2.5	2.5	2.3	2.3
Civil justice	-	-	-	-	4.3	4.3	4.0	4.5	4.7	4.6	4.5	4.5
Criminal justice	-	-	-	-	4.2	4.2	3.6	3.6	3.1	3.1	3.1	3.1
Rule of law (V-Dem)	5.7	5.7	5.7	5.7	5.7	6.0	6.0	6.0	5.7	5.3	5.2	5.2
Security and safety	5.5	6.2	7.1	6.9	6.7	6.6	6.6	5.6	5.9	6.4	6.6	6.7
Homicide	7.9	7.7	7.8	7.9	8.1	7.2	7.5	7.2	6.8	8.5	8.7	8.7
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	3.1	4.8	6.3	5.8	5.3	6.0	5.7	3.9	5.1	4.4	4.5	4.6
Movement	7.8	9.5	7.9	9.5	9.5	8.0	8.0	7.9	8.0	7.6	7.6	7.6
Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	9.0	9.0	9.1	9.1	8.9	9.4	9.4	9.2	9.3	8.5	8.5	8.6
Freedom of movement (CLD)	6.7	10.0	6.7	10.0	10.0	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7
Religion	9.8	9.6	9.2	7.2	7.2	7.5						
Freedom of religion	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.9	9.7	9.7	9.6	9.1	7.3	7.3	7.3
Religious organization repression	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.6	9.4	7.2	7.2	7.8
Association, assembly, civil society	8.7	8.6	8.4	8.4	8.2	8.4	8.7	8.7	8.4	7.7	7.4	6.6
Civil society entry and exit	9.1	8.8	8.8	8.8	8.8	9.2	9.2	9.2	9.0	8.0	7.6	7.6
Freedom of assembly	8.1	8.1	8.1	8.1	6.9	6.6	7.7	7.7	7.7	7.3	6.9	5.0
Freedom to form/run political parties	8.2	8.2	8.2	8.2	8.2	8.2	8.2	8.2	8.3	8.1	8.1	8.1
Civil society repression	9.4	9.4	8.8	8.8	8.8	9.6	9.6	9.6	8.8	7.3	6.9	5.9
Expression and information	7.7	7.7	7.1	6.6	6.1	5.7	5.8	6.2	5.3	5.4	5.3	4.8
Direct attacks on the press	9.0	9.0	6.9	6.3	6.1	4.7	4.9	6.0	5.8	7.3	7.7	8.2
Media and expression (V-Dem)	7.7	7.6	7.5	7.2	7.2	7.6	7.7	7.7	6.7	5.8	5.9	5.4
Media and expression (Freedom House)	7.5	7.4	6.5	4.8	5.0	4.8	5.2	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	2.5
Media and expression (BTI)	7.8	7.8	7.8	7.8	5.6	4.4	4.4	5.6	5.6	5.6	4.4	4.4
Media and expression (CLD)	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3
Relationships	7.5	6.2	6.2	6.2	6.2	6.2						
Same-sex relationships	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Divorce	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Inheritance rights	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0
Female genital mutilation	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0

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POLAND

EASTERN EUROPE

HUMAN FREEDOM

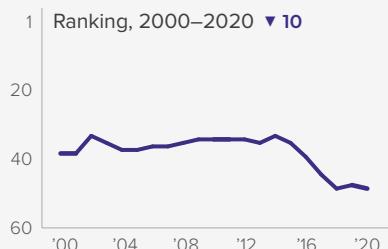
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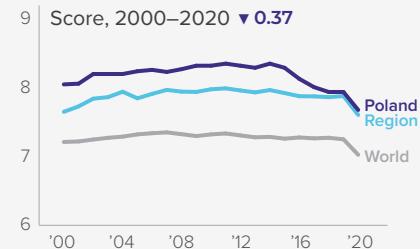
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PERSONAL FREEDOM

Ranking
42/165

Score
8.18

Rule of law

Procedural justice	5.9
Civil justice	6.2
Criminal justice	6.1
Rule of law (V-Dem)	5.8

Rule of law (V-Dem)	6.6
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Security and safety	9.5
Homicide	9.8
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	9.2

Security and safety	9.5
Homicide	9.8

Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	9.2
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Movement

Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	8.0
Freedom of movement (CLD)	9.3

Freedom of movement (CLD)	6.7
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Religion	8.6
Freedom of religion	7.8
Religious organization repression	9.4

Religious organization repression	9.4
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Association, assembly, civil society

Civil society entry and exit	7.8
Freedom of assembly	6.9

Freedom of assembly	7.7
Freedom to form/run political parties	9.6

Freedom to form/run political parties	9.6
Civil society repression	7.1

Expression and information

Direct attacks on the press	7.5
Media and expression (V-Dem)	10.0

Media and expression (V-Dem)	6.7
Media and expression (Freedom House)	7.5

Media and expression (Freedom House)	7.5
Media and expression (BTI)	6.7

Media and expression (BTI)	6.7
Media and expression (CLD)	6.7

Relationships

Same-sex relationships	10.0
Divorce	10.0

Divorce	10.0
Inheritance rights	10.0

Inheritance rights	10.0
Female genital mutilation	10.0

ECONOMIC FREEDOM

Ranking
80/165

Score
6.93

Size of government

Government consumption	5.6
Transfers and subsidies	4.3
Government investment	4.0
Top marginal tax rate	6.6
State ownership of assets	6.9

Judicial independence	6.2
Impartial courts	4.8
Protection of property rights	6.1
Military interference	5.1
Integrity of the legal system	10.0

Legal enforcement of contracts	6.3
Regulatory costs	4.6
Reliability of police	7.3
Sound money	5.1

Money growth	8.2
Standard deviation of inflation	9.0
Inflation: Most recent year	9.4
Freedom to own foreign currency	9.3
Sound money	5.0

Tariffs	7.7
Regulatory trade barriers	8.0
Black-market exchange rates	7.9
Movement of capital and people	10.0
Regulation	4.8

Credit market regulations	7.1
Labor market regulations	7.2
Business regulations	6.9

POLAND

EASTERN EUROPE

	2000	2002	2004	2006	2008	2010	2012	2014	2016	2018	2019	2020
Human freedom	8.03	8.18	8.18	8.24	8.25	8.30	8.30	8.33	8.11	7.92	7.92	7.66
Ranking	39	34	38	37	36	35	35	34	40	49	48	49
Economic freedom	6.30	6.65	6.72	6.81	6.83	6.91	7.09	7.29	7.23	7.11	7.22	6.93
Personal freedom	9.26	9.27	9.23	9.25	9.27	9.30	9.16	9.07	8.73	8.50	8.43	8.18
Rule of law	7.4	7.4	7.4	7.4	7.5	7.5	6.9	7.1	6.4	6.3	6.1	5.9
Procedural justice	-	-	-	-	9.0	9.0	7.4	7.7	6.6	6.6	6.2	6.2
Civil justice	-	-	-	-	6.3	6.3	6.2	6.6	6.4	6.3	6.1	6.1
Criminal justice	-	-	-	-	7.3	7.3	6.9	6.9	6.2	6.0	5.8	5.8
Rule of law (V-Dem)	7.9	7.9	7.9	7.9	8.1	8.1	8.1	7.9	7.2	6.8	6.8	6.6
Security and safety	9.6	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.6	9.5	9.5	9.5
Homicide	9.4	9.5	9.5	9.6	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.8	9.3	9.3	9.3	9.2
Movement	9.8	9.7	9.7	8.0								
Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.3	9.3	9.3
Freedom of movement (CLD)	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	6.7
Religion	9.7	8.9	8.7	8.7	8.6	8.6						
Freedom of religion	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	8.2	8.0	7.9	7.7	7.8
Religious organization repression	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.4	9.4	9.4	9.4
Association, assembly, civil society	9.4	9.4	9.2	9.4	9.4	9.4	9.2	9.2	8.5	7.7	7.7	7.8
Civil society entry and exit	8.3	8.3	8.3	8.5	8.4	8.4	8.4	8.4	7.4	6.9	6.8	6.9
Freedom of assembly	10.0	10.0	8.9	10.0	10.0	10.0	8.9	8.9	8.9	7.7	7.7	7.7
Freedom to form/run political parties	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.5	9.6	9.6
Civil society repression	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.3	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	8.0	6.8	6.8	7.1
Expression and information	8.9	8.9	8.9	8.8	8.6	8.8	8.7	8.7	8.1	7.6	7.4	7.5
Direct attacks on the press	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	9.6	9.6	9.6	10.0
Media and expression (V-Dem)	9.2	9.2	9.2	8.9	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.3	6.9	6.7	6.6	6.7
Media and expression (Freedom House)	9.8	10.0	9.8	9.4	9.0	8.8	8.6	8.6	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5
Media and expression (BTI)	8.9	8.9	8.9	8.9	7.8	8.9	8.9	8.9	10.0	7.8	6.7	6.7
Media and expression (CLD)	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7
Relationships	10.0											
Same-sex relationships	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Divorce	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Inheritance rights	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Female genital mutilation	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0

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PORTUGAL

WESTERN EUROPE

HUMAN FREEDOM

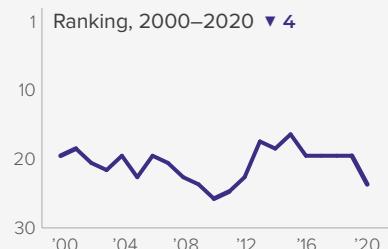
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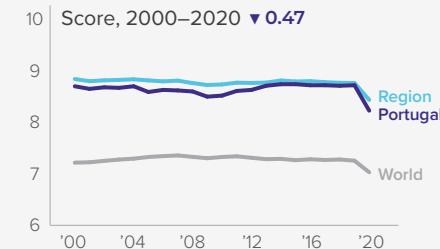
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Score, 2000–2020 ▼ 0.47



PERSONAL FREEDOM

Ranking
21/165

Score
8.75

Rule of law

Procedural justice	6.1
Civil justice	7.7
Criminal justice	6.8
Rule of law (V-Dem)	5.9

Rule of law (V-Dem)	7.4
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Security and safety

Homicide	9.7
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	9.6

Movement

Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	9.8
Freedom of movement (CLD)	3.3

Religion

Freedom of religion	9.7
Religious organization repression	9.9

Association, assembly, civil society

Civil society entry and exit	8.0
Freedom of assembly	10.0
Freedom to form/run political parties	9.6
Civil society repression	9.8

Expression and information

Direct attacks on the press	10.0
Media and expression (V-Dem)	9.2
Media and expression (Freedom House)	10.0
Media and expression (BTI)	-
Media and expression (CLD)	10.0

Relationships

Same-sex relationships	10.0
Divorce	10.0
Inheritance rights	10.0
Female genital mutilation	10.0

ECONOMIC FREEDOM

Ranking
42/165

Score
7.43

Size of government

Government consumption	6.0
Transfers and subsidies	5.0
Government investment	4.1
Top marginal tax rate	10.0
State ownership of assets	2.5

Legal system and property rights

Judicial independence	7.1
Impartial courts	6.2
Protection of property rights	6.5
Military interference	10.0
Integrity of the legal system	8.0
Legal enforcement of contracts	4.2
Regulatory costs	7.4
Reliability of police	8.0

Sound money

Money growth	7.0
Standard deviation of inflation	9.9
Inflation: Most recent year	10.0
Freedom to own foreign currency	10.0

Freedom to trade internationally

Tariffs	8.0
Regulatory trade barriers	8.7
Black-market exchange rates	10.0
Movement of capital and people	7.1

Regulation

Credit market regulations	5.9
Labor market regulations	5.8
Business regulations	7.1

PORTUGAL

WESTERN EUROPE

	2000	2002	2004	2006	2008	2010	2012	2014	2016	2018	2019	2020
Human freedom	8.67	8.65	8.67	8.60	8.57	8.49	8.60	8.71	8.69	8.68	8.69	8.20
Ranking	20	21	20	20	23	26	23	19	20	20	20	24
Economic freedom	7.70	7.64	7.70	7.54	7.47	7.28	7.56	7.70	7.64	7.66	7.77	7.43
Personal freedom	9.37	9.36	9.37	9.35	9.35	9.36	9.34	9.43	9.43	9.42	9.35	8.75
Rule of law	6.8	6.8	6.8	6.7	6.7	6.6	6.5	7.2	7.2	6.9	6.8	6.1
Procedural justice	-	-	-	-	7.4	7.4	7.3	8.1	8.2	7.9	7.7	7.7
Civil justice	-	-	-	-	6.2	6.2	6.2	6.6	6.9	6.8	6.8	6.8
Criminal justice	-	-	-	-	6.2	6.2	5.9	6.7	6.4	5.9	5.9	5.9
Rule of law (V-Dem)	8.5	8.5	8.5	8.4	8.4	8.3	8.3	8.0	8.2	8.3	8.2	7.4
Security and safety	9.8	9.8	9.7	9.7	9.8	9.7						
Homicide	9.7	9.7	9.6	9.6	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.8	9.8	9.7	9.7
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.6
Movement	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	9.9	6.5						
Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.8
Freedom of movement (CLD)	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	3.3
Religion	9.9	9.8	9.8									
Freedom of religion	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.7
Religious organization repression	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.6	9.9
Association, assembly, civil society	9.4	9.4	9.4	9.4	9.4	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.4	9.5	9.3	9.3
Civil society entry and exit	8.3	8.3	8.3	8.3	8.2	8.7	8.7	8.7	8.2	8.8	8.2	8.0
Freedom of assembly	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Freedom to form/run political parties	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.4	9.4	9.4	9.4	9.4	9.4	9.6
Civil society repression	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.7	9.9	9.9	9.5	9.8
Expression and information	9.8	9.7	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.7	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8
Direct attacks on the press	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Media and expression (V-Dem)	9.3	9.3	9.3	9.3	9.2	9.2	9.2	9.1	9.1	9.3	9.2	9.2
Media and expression (Freedom House)	9.8	9.6	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	9.8	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Media and expression (BTI)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Media and expression (CLD)	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Relationships	10.0											
Same-sex relationships	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Divorce	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Inheritance rights	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Female genital mutilation	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0

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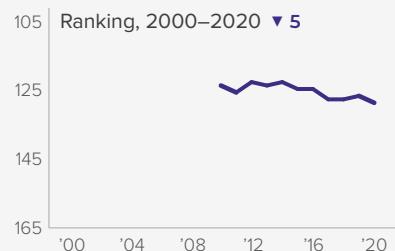
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HUMAN FREEDOM

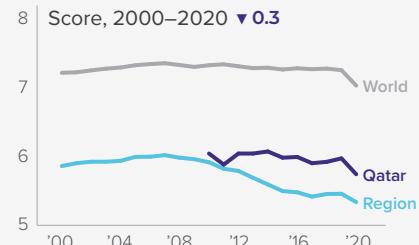
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Score
5.73

Ranking, 2000–2020 ▼ 5



Score, 2000–2020 ▼ 0.3



PERSONAL FREEDOM

Ranking
148/165

Score
4.82

Rule of law

Procedural justice	-
Civil justice	-
Criminal justice	-
Rule of law (V-Dem)	5.2

Security and safety

Homicide	9.9
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	9.4

Movement

Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	6.7
Freedom of movement (CLD)	3.3

Religion

Freedom of religion	3.1
Religious organization repression	6.5

Association, assembly, civil society

Civil society entry and exit	1.7
Freedom of assembly	1.2
Freedom to form/run political parties	1.7
Civil society repression	4.3

Expression and information

Direct attacks on the press	10.0
Media and expression (V-Dem)	2.9
Media and expression (Freedom House)	2.5
Media and expression (BTI)	3.3
Media and expression (CLD)	3.3

Relationships

Same-sex relationships	0.0
Divorce	0.0
Inheritance rights	0.0
Female genital mutilation	10.0

ECONOMIC FREEDOM

Ranking
76/165

Score
6.99

Size of government

Government consumption	0.0
Transfers and subsidies	9.6
Government investment	-
Top marginal tax rate	10.0
State ownership of assets	4.1

Legal system and property rights

Judicial independence	6.0
Impartial courts	7.1
Protection of property rights	7.4
Military interference	6.7
Integrity of the legal system	7.0
Legal enforcement of contracts	4.9
Regulatory costs	9.9
Reliability of police	7.9

Sound money

Money growth	9.7
Standard deviation of inflation	5.3
Inflation: Most recent year	9.5
Freedom to own foreign currency	10.0

Freedom to trade internationally

Tariffs	8.3
Regulatory trade barriers	7.1
Black-market exchange rates	10.0
Movement of capital and people	4.9

Regulation

Credit market regulations	8.3
Labor market regulations	6.0
Business regulations	7.9

QATAR

MIDDLE EAST & NORTH AFRICA

	2000	2002	2004	2006	2008	2010	2012	2014	2016	2018	2019	2020
Human freedom	-	-	-	-	-	6.03	6.03	6.06	5.98	5.91	5.96	5.73
Ranking	-	-	-	-	-	124	123	123	125	128	127	129
Economic freedom	-	-	-	-	-	7.18	7.18	7.33	7.13	7.04	7.11	6.99
Personal freedom	-	-	-	-	-	5.21	5.21	5.15	5.15	5.10	5.13	4.82
Rule of law	-	-	-	-	-	5.3	5.3	5.2	5.2	5.2	5.2	5.2
Procedural justice	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Civil justice	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Criminal justice	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Rule of law (V-Dem)	-	-	-	-	-	5.3	5.3	5.2	5.2	5.2	5.2	5.2
Security and safety	-	-	-	-	-	9.7	9.7	9.3	9.6	9.7	9.7	9.7
Homicide	-	-	-	-	-	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	-	-	-	-	-	9.4	9.4	8.6	9.4	9.5	9.5	9.4
Movement	-	-	-	-	-	6.9	7.0	6.6	6.7	6.7	6.7	5.0
Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	-	-	-	-	-	7.2	7.2	6.6	6.7	6.8	6.7	6.7
Freedom of movement (CLD)	-	-	-	-	-	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	3.3
Religion	-	-	-	-	-	5.0	5.0	4.9	4.9	4.7	5.0	4.8
Freedom of religion	-	-	-	-	-	4.0	4.0	4.0	4.0	3.1	3.4	3.1
Religious organization repression	-	-	-	-	-	6.0	6.0	5.8	5.8	6.2	6.5	6.5
Association, assembly, civil society	-	-	-	-	-	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.4	2.4	2.2
Civil society entry and exit	-	-	-	-	-	1.8	1.8	2.1	2.1	2.1	2.1	1.7
Freedom of assembly	-	-	-	-	-	1.9	1.9	1.6	1.6	1.2	1.2	1.2
Freedom to form/run political parties	-	-	-	-	-	1.7	1.7	1.7	1.7	1.7	1.7	1.7
Civil society repression	-	-	-	-	-	4.7	4.7	4.5	4.7	4.7	4.7	4.3
Expression and information	-	-	-	-	-	5.3	5.3	5.0	4.6	4.5	4.4	4.4
Direct attacks on the press	-	-	-	-	-	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Media and expression (V-Dem)	-	-	-	-	-	3.1	3.3	3.3	3.0	3.2	3.0	2.9
Media and expression (Freedom House)	-	-	-	-	-	3.2	3.0	3.0	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5
Media and expression (BTI)	-	-	-	-	-	6.7	6.7	5.6	4.4	3.3	3.3	3.3
Media and expression (CLD)	-	-	-	-	-	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3
Relationships	-	-	-	-	-	1.8	1.8	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5
Same-sex relationships	-	-	-	-	-	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Divorce	-	-	-	-	-	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Inheritance rights	-	-	-	-	-	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Female genital mutilation	-	-	-	-	-	7.0	7.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0

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ROMANIA

EASTERN EUROPE

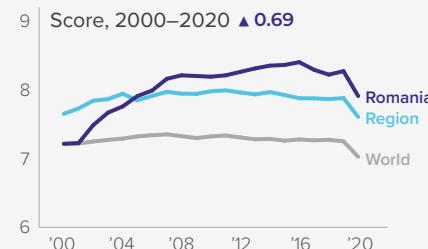
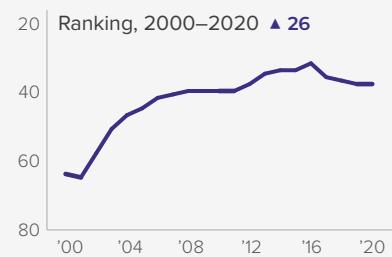
HUMAN FREEDOM

Ranking

38

Score

7.89



PERSONAL FREEDOM

Ranking
48/165

Score
8.00

Rule of law

Procedural justice	5.8
Civil justice	6.4
Criminal justice	6.3
Rule of law (V-Dem)	5.3
	6.5

Security and safety

Homicide	9.6
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	9.6

Movement

Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	8.7
Freedom of movement (CLD)	3.3

Religion

Freedom of religion	7.8
Religious organization repression	9.7

Association, assembly, civil society

Civil society entry and exit	8.0
Freedom of assembly	8.1
Freedom to form/run political parties	9.3
Civil society repression	9.2

Expression and information

Direct attacks on the press	10.0
Media and expression (V-Dem)	8.2
Media and expression (Freedom House)	7.5
Media and expression (BTI)	6.7
Media and expression (CLD)	6.7

Relationships

Same-sex relationships	10.0
Divorce	7.5
Inheritance rights	10.0
Female genital mutilation	10.0

ECONOMIC FREEDOM

Ranking
19/165

Score
7.74

Size of government

Government consumption	7.0
Transfers and subsidies	4.8
Government investment	5.7
Top marginal tax rate	10.0
State ownership of assets	7.0
	7.3

Legal system and property rights

Judicial independence	6.6
Impartial courts	6.4
Protection of property rights	5.1
Military interference	6.1
Integrity of the legal system	8.3
Legal enforcement of contracts	6.3
Regulatory costs	5.0
Reliability of police	9.3
	6.6

Sound money

Money growth	8.7
Standard deviation of inflation	9.3
Inflation: Most recent year	9.5
Freedom to own foreign currency	10.0

Freedom to trade internationally

Tariffs	8.0
Regulatory trade barriers	8.1
Black-market exchange rates	10.0
Movement of capital and people	7.8

Regulation

Credit market regulations	7.7
Labor market regulations	7.4
Business regulations	6.6

ROMANIA

EASTERN EUROPE

	2000	2002	2004	2006	2008	2010	2012	2014	2016	2018	2019	2020
Human freedom	7.20	7.47	7.74	7.97	8.19	8.17	8.24	8.33	8.38	8.20	8.25	7.89
Ranking	64	58	47	42	40	40	38	34	32	37	38	38
Economic freedom	5.30	6.35	6.67	7.10	7.55	7.49	7.68	7.92	7.98	7.85	7.87	7.74
Personal freedom	8.56	8.27	8.51	8.59	8.64	8.66	8.64	8.63	8.67	8.45	8.52	8.00
Rule of law	6.0	6.0	6.1	6.1	6.3	6.3	6.2	6.3	6.3	6.2	6.0	5.8
Procedural justice	-	-	-	-	7.0	7.0	7.1	6.7	6.8	6.8	6.4	6.4
Civil justice	-	-	-	-	5.9	5.9	5.9	6.5	6.5	6.2	6.3	6.3
Criminal justice	-	-	-	-	6.0	6.0	5.6	5.8	5.7	5.6	5.3	5.3
Rule of law (V-Dem)	6.6	6.6	6.7	6.7	6.8	6.9	6.9	7.0	7.2	6.7	6.8	6.5
Security and safety	9.4	9.4	9.4	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.6
Homicide	9.2	9.3	9.3	9.4	9.3	9.4	9.5	9.5	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.6
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.6	9.7	9.6
Movement	9.7	8.0	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	6.0
Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	9.4	9.4	9.6	9.6	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	8.7
Freedom of movement (CLD)	10.0	6.7	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	3.3
Religion	8.7	8.8										
Freedom of religion	7.8	7.8	7.8	7.8	7.8	7.8	7.8	7.8	7.8	7.8	7.8	7.8
Religious organization repression	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.7	9.7	9.7
Association, assembly, civil society	8.8	8.5	8.6	8.8	9.1	9.0	9.0	9.0	9.1	7.8	8.3	8.7
Civil society entry and exit	8.1	8.1	8.1	8.1	8.8	8.6	8.6	8.6	8.9	7.1	7.7	8.0
Freedom of assembly	8.5	8.5	8.5	8.5	8.9	8.9	8.9	8.5	8.5	7.7	8.1	8.1
Freedom to form/run political parties	8.6	8.6	8.8	8.8	8.8	8.8	8.8	8.9	9.2	9.3	9.3	9.3
Civil society repression	9.7	8.8	8.8	9.7	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.6	7.1	8.2	9.2
Expression and information	7.9	7.8	7.6	7.9	7.8	7.9	7.8	7.6	7.8	7.6	7.7	7.8
Direct attacks on the press	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Media and expression (V-Dem)	7.7	7.2	7.2	7.7	7.8	7.9	7.8	7.6	8.1	7.1	7.6	8.2
Media and expression (Freedom House)	7.5	7.3	6.4	7.1	6.7	6.9	6.9	7.1	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5
Media and expression (BTI)	7.8	7.8	7.8	7.8	7.8	7.8	7.8	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7
Media and expression (CLD)	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7
Relationships	9.4											
Same-sex relationships	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Divorce	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5
Inheritance rights	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Female genital mutilation	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0

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RUSSIAN FEDERATION

EASTERN EUROPE

HUMAN FREEDOM

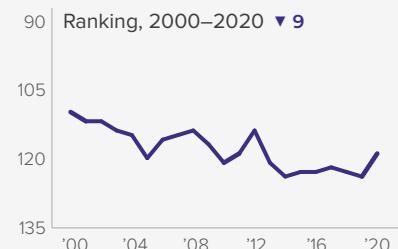
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119

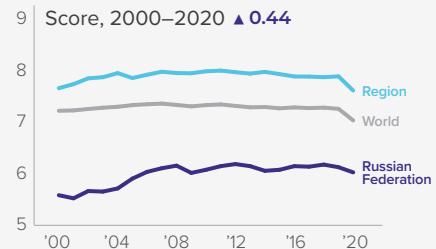
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PERSONAL FREEDOM

Ranking
123/165

Score
5.58

Rule of law

Procedural justice	3.8
Civil justice	3.3
Criminal justice	5.3
Rule of law (V-Dem)	3.1
	4.8

Security and safety

Homicide	6.8
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	7.9

Movement

Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	6.1
Freedom of movement (CLD)	8.8

Religion

Freedom of religion	4.9
Religious organization repression	4.7

Association, assembly, civil society

Civil society entry and exit	4.1
Freedom of assembly	2.9
Freedom to form/run political parties	2.7
Civil society repression	6.5

Expression and information

Direct attacks on the press	3.5
Media and expression (V-Dem)	7.3
Media and expression (Freedom House)	3.5
Media and expression (BTI)	0.0
Media and expression (CLD)	3.3

Relationships

Same-sex relationships	10.0
Divorce	10.0
Inheritance rights	10.0
Female genital mutilation	10.0

ECONOMIC FREEDOM

Ranking
94/165

Score
6.62

Size of government

Government consumption	5.7
Transfers and subsidies	3.1
Government investment	5.3
Top marginal tax rate	8.0
State ownership of assets	7.5

Legal system and property rights

Judicial independence	5.1
Impartial courts	4.2
Protection of property rights	4.1
Military interference	4.5
Integrity of the legal system	6.7

Sound money

Regulatory costs	9.1
Reliability of police	8.4
Money growth	8.6
Standard deviation of inflation	9.3
Inflation: Most recent year	10.0

Freedom to trade internationally

Tariffs	6.5
Regulatory trade barriers	7.7
Black-market exchange rates	6.1
Movement of capital and people	10.0

Regulation

Credit market regulations	6.7
Labor market regulations	7.8
Business regulations	5.9

RUSSIAN FEDERATION

EASTERN EUROPE

	2000	2002	2004	2006	2008	2010	2012	2014	2016	2018	2019	2020
Human freedom	5.57	5.65	5.70	6.02	6.14	6.06	6.17	6.04	6.13	6.16	6.11	6.01
Ranking	110	112	115	116	114	121	114	124	123	123	124	119
Economic freedom	5.08	5.52	5.78	6.03	6.28	6.40	6.56	6.54	6.71	6.85	6.83	6.62
Personal freedom	5.93	5.74	5.65	6.01	6.03	5.82	5.90	5.68	5.71	5.66	5.60	5.58
Rule of law	4.4	4.3	4.3	4.2	4.2	4.3	4.1	3.9	4.0	4.0	3.9	3.8
Procedural justice	-	-	-	-	3.9	3.9	4.0	3.1	3.3	3.4	3.3	3.3
Civil justice	-	-	-	-	5.0	5.0	4.6	5.2	5.3	5.4	5.3	5.3
Criminal justice	-	-	-	-	4.0	4.0	3.6	3.3	3.3	3.1	3.1	3.1
Rule of law (V-Dem)	5.5	5.4	5.4	5.3	5.3	5.4	5.3	5.1	5.0	5.0	5.0	4.8
Security and safety	3.3	3.2	2.8	5.2	5.8	5.4	6.4	6.3	6.7	6.8	6.9	6.8
Homicide	1.8	1.1	2.1	4.1	5.2	5.7	6.7	6.7	6.8	7.6	7.8	7.9
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	4.7	5.2	3.5	6.2	6.4	5.1	6.2	5.9	6.6	6.0	6.0	5.7
Movement	6.2	6.1	6.2	6.2	6.2	6.2	6.2	6.1	6.0	6.0	6.0	6.1
Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	9.0	8.9	9.1	9.1	9.2	9.1	9.1	8.8	8.7	8.7	8.7	8.8
Freedom of movement (CLD)	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3
Religion	6.8	6.2	6.1	6.9	6.9	6.0	5.8	5.4	5.2	4.9	4.7	4.9
Freedom of religion	5.5	5.5	5.3	6.9	7.0	5.3	5.2	5.1	4.9	4.8	4.6	4.7
Religious organization repression	8.2	6.8	6.8	6.8	6.9	6.6	6.4	5.7	5.5	4.9	4.8	5.0
Association, assembly, civil society	6.0	5.6	5.5	5.1	5.0	4.9	4.7	4.2	4.1	4.2	4.0	4.1
Civil society entry and exit	5.1	4.9	4.6	4.4	4.3	4.3	3.8	3.0	2.9	2.9	2.9	2.9
Freedom of assembly	4.5	4.5	4.5	3.4	3.1	3.1	3.1	2.7	2.7	2.7	2.7	2.7
Freedom to form/run political parties	7.4	6.5	6.5	6.5	6.5	6.4	6.6	6.6	6.6	6.5	6.4	6.5
Civil society repression	7.1	6.6	6.2	6.0	6.0	6.0	5.5	4.5	4.3	4.6	4.0	4.2
Expression and information	4.8	4.8	4.7	4.5	4.1	4.0	4.0	3.9	3.9	3.8	3.7	3.5
Direct attacks on the press	8.3	8.5	8.8	8.5	8.2	7.9	8.5	9.2	9.2	8.6	8.1	7.3
Media and expression (V-Dem)	6.4	5.9	5.5	5.4	5.2	5.1	4.6	3.8	3.6	3.7	3.7	3.5
Media and expression (Freedom House)	1.6	1.5	1.4	0.8	0.3	0.2	0.2	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Media and expression (BTI)	4.4	4.4	4.4	4.4	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3
Media and expression (CLD)	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3
Relationships	10.0											
Same-sex relationships	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Divorce	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Inheritance rights	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Female genital mutilation	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0

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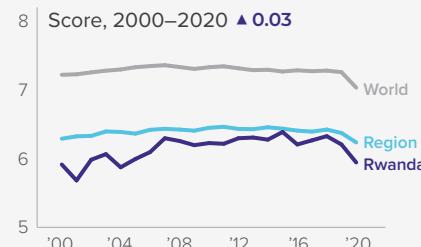
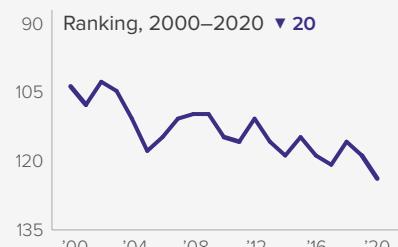
HUMAN FREEDOM

Ranking

124

Score

5.93



PERSONAL FREEDOM

Ranking
133/165

Score
5.24

Rule of law

Procedural justice	4.9
Civil justice	3.7
Criminal justice	6.6
Rule of law (V-Dem)	5.3
	4.7

Security and safety

Homicide	7.1
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	9.2

Movement

Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	5.1
Freedom of movement (CLD)	7.0

Religion

Freedom of religion	5.6
Religious organization repression	7.1

Association, assembly, civil society

Civil society entry and exit	3.6
Freedom of assembly	2.6
Freedom to form/run political parties	1.9
Civil society repression	5.6

Expression and information

Direct attacks on the press	2.9
Media and expression (V-Dem)	5.0
Media and expression (Freedom House)	3.9
Media and expression (BTI)	0.0
Media and expression (CLD)	2.2
	3.3

Relationships

Same-sex relationships	7.5
Divorce	10.0
Inheritance rights	2.5
Female genital mutilation	7.5
	10.0

ECONOMIC FREEDOM

Ranking
81/165

Score
6.90

Size of government

Government consumption	5.1
Transfers and subsidies	6.6
Government investment	9.1
Top marginal tax rate	0.6
State ownership of assets	6.5
	2.6

Legal system and property rights

Judicial independence	6.2
Impartial courts	4.5
Protection of property rights	6.1
Military interference	5.8
Integrity of the legal system	-
Legal enforcement of contracts	4.7
Regulatory costs	4.8
Reliability of police	9.8
	7.7

Sound money

Money growth	8.7
Standard deviation of inflation	8.4
Inflation: Most recent year	8.5
Freedom to own foreign currency	8.0
	10.0

Freedom to trade internationally

Tariffs	7.1
Regulatory trade barriers	5.8
Black-market exchange rates	10.0
Movement of capital and people	5.3

Regulation

Credit market regulations	7.4
Labor market regulations	6.3
Business regulations	8.3

RWANDA

SUB-SAHARAN AFRICA

	2000	2002	2004	2006	2008	2010	2012	2014	2016	2018	2019	2020
Human freedom	5.90	5.97	5.86	6.08	6.24	6.21	6.28	6.26	6.19	6.31	6.19	5.93
Ranking	104	103	111	115	110	115	111	119	119	116	119	124
Economic freedom	6.04	6.42	6.05	6.20	6.67	7.04	7.20	7.11	7.11	7.24	7.25	6.90
Personal freedom	5.82	5.66	5.73	5.99	5.93	5.62	5.62	5.66	5.53	5.64	5.43	5.24
Rule of law	6.0	6.0	6.1	6.1	6.1	6.0	6.2	6.1	5.6	5.2	5.2	4.9
Procedural justice	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3.8	3.7	3.7
Civil justice	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6.4	6.6	6.6
Criminal justice	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5.4	5.3	5.3
Rule of law (V-Dem)	5.3	5.3	5.4	5.4	5.4	5.4	5.5	5.5	5.0	4.9	5.0	4.7
Security and safety	6.8	7.6	7.9	8.3	8.6	6.1	6.9	7.3	7.2	7.8	7.0	7.1
Homicide	-	9.0	9.0	9.0	9.6	9.2	9.3	8.9	9.2	9.2	9.2	9.2
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	6.8	6.2	6.8	7.7	7.6	3.1	4.5	5.7	5.2	6.3	4.7	5.0
Movement	7.2	5.5	5.5	7.2	7.1	7.1	7.1	7.1	7.0	6.7	6.6	5.1
Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	7.7	7.7	7.7	7.7	7.5	7.5	7.6	7.6	7.4	6.7	6.6	7.0
Freedom of movement (CLD)	6.7	3.3	3.3	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	3.3
Religion	6.6	6.6	6.3	6.3	6.1	6.1	6.1	6.1	5.5	5.0	5.0	5.6
Freedom of religion	7.8	7.7	8.0	8.0	8.0	7.9	8.0	8.0	7.4	6.6	6.6	7.1
Religious organization repression	5.4	5.4	4.6	4.6	4.2	4.2	4.2	4.2	3.6	3.5	3.5	4.0
Association, assembly, civil society	4.0	3.7	3.7	3.7	3.6	3.7	3.7	3.5	3.5	3.5	3.6	3.6
Civil society entry and exit	3.0	3.0	3.0	3.0	3.5	3.5	3.5	3.3	3.3	3.1	3.1	2.6
Freedom of assembly	3.7	2.6	2.6	2.6	2.2	2.6	2.2	1.9	1.9	1.9	1.9	1.9
Freedom to form/run political parties	5.2	5.1	5.0	5.0	4.9	4.9	4.9	4.9	4.9	4.9	5.3	5.6
Civil society repression	4.0	4.0	4.0	4.0	3.9	3.8	4.0	4.0	4.1	4.0	4.0	4.2
Expression and information	3.3	3.3	3.8	3.5	3.2	3.4	2.5	2.6	2.9	3.9	3.1	2.9
Direct attacks on the press	7.9	7.9	10.0	8.6	7.3	7.2	3.5	3.5	5.4	10.0	6.1	5.0
Media and expression (V-Dem)	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.0	3.1	3.2	3.7	3.8	3.7	3.6	3.9
Media and expression (Freedom House)	0.0	-0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Media and expression (BTI)	2.2	2.2	2.2	2.2	2.2	3.3	2.2	2.2	2.2	2.2	2.2	2.2
Media and expression (CLD)	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3
Relationships	6.9	7.5	7.5	7.5								
Same-sex relationships	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Divorce	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5
Inheritance rights	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	7.5	7.5	7.5
Female genital mutilation	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0

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SAUDI ARABIA

MIDDLE EAST & NORTH AFRICA

HUMAN FREEDOM

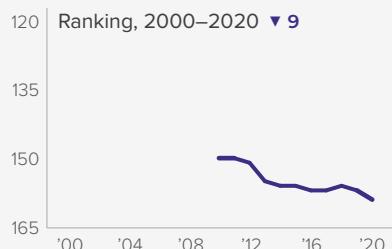
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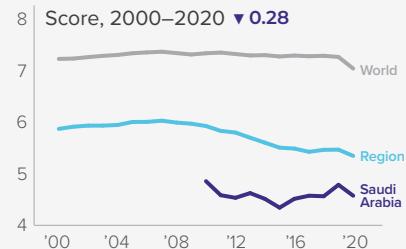
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Score, 2000–2020 ▼ 0.28



PERSONAL FREEDOM

Ranking
163/165

Score
2.98

Rule of law

Procedural justice	-
Civil justice	-
Criminal justice	-
Rule of law (V-Dem)	3.6

Security and safety

Homicide	9.8
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	6.3

Movement

Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	5.1
Freedom of movement (CLD)	0.0

Religion

Freedom of religion	0.4
Religious organization repression	3.0

Association, assembly, civil society

Civil society entry and exit	0.9
Freedom of assembly	0.4
Freedom to form/run political parties	0.4
Civil society repression	3.1

Expression and information

Direct attacks on the press	4.6
Media and expression (V-Dem)	1.9
Media and expression (Freedom House)	0.0
Media and expression (BTI)	0.0
Media and expression (CLD)	0.0

Relationships

Same-sex relationships	0.0
Divorce	0.0
Inheritance rights	0.0
Female genital mutilation	10.0

ECONOMIC FREEDOM

Ranking
86/165

Score
6.78

Size of government

Government consumption	0.0
Transfers and subsidies	8.1
Government investment	2.2
Top marginal tax rate	10.0
State ownership of assets	3.2

Legal system and property rights

Judicial independence	5.5
Impartial courts	6.2
Protection of property rights	7.9
Military interference	8.3
Integrity of the legal system	6.5
Legal enforcement of contracts	4.7
Regulatory costs	10.0
Reliability of police	8.7

Sound money

Money growth	9.0
Standard deviation of inflation	9.7
Inflation: Most recent year	6.9
Freedom to own foreign currency	9.3

Freedom to trade internationally

Tariffs	6.4
Regulatory trade barriers	6.8
Black-market exchange rates	10.0
Movement of capital and people	2.6

Regulation

Credit market regulations	6.8
Labor market regulations	7.1
Business regulations	7.0

SAUDI ARABIA

MIDDLE EAST & NORTH AFRICA

	2000	2002	2004	2006	2008	2010	2012	2014	2016	2018	2019	2020
Human freedom	-	-	-	-	-	4.84	4.52	4.50	4.50	4.55	4.77	4.56
Ranking	-	-	-	-	-	150	151	156	157	156	157	159
Economic freedom	-	-	-	-	-	6.56	6.27	6.27	6.37	6.34	6.89	6.78
Personal freedom	-	-	-	-	-	3.60	3.28	3.24	3.16	3.27	3.27	2.98
Rule of law	-	-	-	-	-	3.6	3.6	3.7	3.7	3.5	3.7	3.6
Procedural justice	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Civil justice	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Criminal justice	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Rule of law (V-Dem)	-	-	-	-	-	3.6	3.6	3.7	3.7	3.5	3.7	3.6
Security and safety	-	-	-	-	-	8.5	8.0	7.6	7.3	8.1	8.1	8.0
Homicide	-	-	-	-	-	9.7	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.8	9.8	9.8
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	-	-	-	-	-	7.3	6.4	5.6	4.9	6.3	6.4	6.3
Movement	-	-	-	-	-	4.1	4.1	4.1	4.1	4.0	4.4	2.6
Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	-	-	-	-	-	4.8	4.8	4.8	4.8	4.7	5.4	5.1
Freedom of movement (CLD)	-	-	-	-	-	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	0.0
Religion	-	-	-	-	-	1.6	1.6	1.7	1.7	2.0	1.7	1.7
Freedom of religion	-	-	-	-	-	0.2	0.2	0.4	0.4	0.9	0.4	0.4
Religious organization repression	-	-	-	-	-	2.9	2.9	3.1	3.1	3.1	3.1	3.0
Association, assembly, civil society	-	-	-	-	-	1.3	1.3	1.3	1.3	1.3	1.2	1.2
Civil society entry and exit	-	-	-	-	-	0.8	0.8	1.0	1.0	1.0	0.7	0.9
Freedom of assembly	-	-	-	-	-	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.4
Freedom to form/run political parties	-	-	-	-	-	0.9	0.9	0.9	0.9	0.9	0.6	0.4
Civil society repression	-	-	-	-	-	3.0	3.0	3.0	3.0	3.0	3.0	3.1
Expression and information	-	-	-	-	-	2.7	2.2	1.8	1.6	1.5	1.3	1.3
Direct attacks on the press	-	-	-	-	-	9.1	7.4	5.5	5.0	4.6	4.6	4.6
Media and expression (V-Dem)	-	-	-	-	-	1.9	2.1	2.1	1.8	1.9	1.9	1.9
Media and expression (Freedom House)	-	-	-	-	-	0.4	0.2	0.4	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Media and expression (BTI)	-	-	-	-	-	2.2	1.1	1.1	1.1	1.1	0.0	0.0
Media and expression (CLD)	-	-	-	-	-	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Relationships	-	-	-	-	-	3.5	2.2	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5
Same-sex relationships	-	-	-	-	-	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Divorce	-	-	-	-	-	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Inheritance rights	-	-	-	-	-	5.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Female genital mutilation	-	-	-	-	-	9.0	9.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0

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SENEGAL

SUB-SAHARAN AFRICA

HUMAN FREEDOM

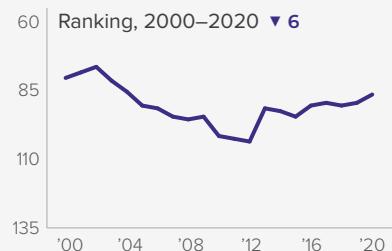
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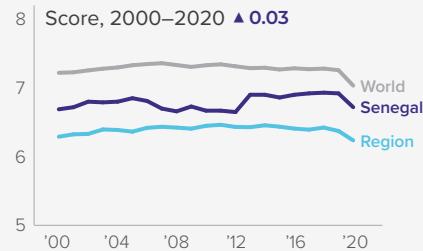
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Score, 2000–2020 ▲ 0.03



PERSONAL FREEDOM

Ranking
80/165

Score
7.16

Rule of law

Procedural justice	5.2
Civil justice	4.7
Criminal justice	5.6
Rule of law (V-Dem)	4.7
	7.0

Security and safety

Homicide	8.5
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	7.9

Movement

Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	6.4
Freedom of movement (CLD)	9.5

Religion

Freedom of religion	9.4
Religious organization repression	9.5

Association, assembly, civil society

Civil society entry and exit	8.2
Freedom of assembly	8.7
Freedom to form/run political parties	6.5
Civil society repression	9.1

Expression and information

Direct attacks on the press	7.4
Media and expression (V-Dem)	10.0
Media and expression (Freedom House)	8.9
Media and expression (BTI)	5.0
Media and expression (CLD)	6.7

Relationships

Same-sex relationships	5.0
Divorce	0.0
Inheritance rights	7.5
Female genital mutilation	5.0

ECONOMIC FREEDOM

Ranking
129/165

Score
6.05

Size of government

Government consumption	6.9
Transfers and subsidies	6.5
Government investment	8.9
Top marginal tax rate	7.6
State ownership of assets	5.0

Legal system and property rights

Judicial independence	4.4
Impartial courts	5.0
Protection of property rights	4.8
Military interference	5.2
Integrity of the legal system	4.2
Legal enforcement of contracts	6.0
Regulatory costs	3.4
Reliability of police	6.9

Sound money

Money growth	7.1
Standard deviation of inflation	9.2
Inflation: Most recent year	9.8
Freedom to own foreign currency	9.5
	0.0

Freedom to trade internationally

Tariffs	6.0
Regulatory trade barriers	7.3
Black-market exchange rates	5.8
Movement of capital and people	10.0

Regulation

Credit market regulations	5.9
Labor market regulations	7.5
Business regulations	3.6

SENEGAL

SUB-SAHARAN AFRICA

	2000	2002	2004	2006	2008	2010	2012	2014	2016	2018	2019	2020
Human freedom	6.67	6.78	6.78	6.79	6.64	6.65	6.63	6.88	6.88	6.91	6.90	6.70
Ranking	81	77	86	92	96	102	104	93	91	91	90	87
Economic freedom	5.73	5.78	5.70	5.78	5.65	5.69	5.68	6.03	6.08	6.28	6.26	6.05
Personal freedom	7.35	7.50	7.56	7.51	7.35	7.33	7.31	7.48	7.44	7.36	7.35	7.16
Rule of law	4.9	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	4.9	4.7	4.9	5.0	5.2
Procedural justice	-	-	-	-	4.7	4.7	5.3	4.6	4.1	4.5	4.7	4.7
Civil justice	-	-	-	-	5.8	5.8	5.5	5.7	5.6	5.7	5.6	5.6
Criminal justice	-	-	-	-	4.6	4.6	4.2	4.3	4.3	4.5	4.7	4.7
Rule of law (V-Dem)	6.6	6.8	6.8	6.8	6.8	6.8	6.8	6.8	6.9	6.8	6.7	7.0
Security and safety	7.3	8.0	8.2	8.3	8.1	7.9	7.6	8.2	8.3	8.2	8.5	8.5
Homicide	7.1	7.1	7.1	7.3	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.9	7.9	7.9	7.9	7.9
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	7.4	8.8	9.3	9.3	8.6	8.3	7.7	8.6	8.7	8.5	9.1	9.1
Movement	8.1	8.1	8.1	8.1	8.1	8.1	8.0	8.1	8.2	8.1	8.0	6.4
Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.4	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.4	9.5
Freedom of movement (CLD)	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	3.3
Religion	9.1	9.1	9.1	9.1	9.2	9.3	9.3	9.2	9.3	9.3	9.3	9.4
Freedom of religion	9.1	9.1	9.1	9.1	9.2	9.4	9.4	9.4	9.6	9.3	9.2	9.5
Religious organization repression	9.1	9.1	9.1	9.1	9.2	9.2	9.2	9.0	9.0	9.4	9.4	9.3
Association, assembly, civil society	8.9	8.9	8.9	8.9	8.8	8.8	8.8	8.7	8.6	8.3	8.3	8.2
Civil society entry and exit	8.8	8.8	8.8	8.8	8.8	9.0	8.8	8.8	8.8	8.7	8.7	8.7
Freedom of assembly	8.5	8.5	8.5	8.5	8.5	8.1	8.1	7.7	7.3	6.5	6.5	6.5
Freedom to form/run political parties	9.0	9.0	9.0	9.0	8.9	8.9	8.9	9.0	9.0	8.9	8.9	9.1
Civil society repression	9.3	9.3	9.3	9.3	9.1	9.1	9.3	9.2	9.2	9.0	9.0	8.8
Expression and information	8.2	8.4	8.6	8.2	7.3	7.2	7.5	8.4	8.2	7.6	7.4	7.4
Direct attacks on the press	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	9.0	9.0	9.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Media and expression (V-Dem)	8.0	8.1	8.1	8.1	8.0	8.0	7.9	9.0	8.8	8.7	8.9	8.9
Media and expression (Freedom House)	7.5	8.4	9.4	7.3	6.1	5.9	6.3	7.3	7.5	5.0	5.0	5.0
Media and expression (BTI)	8.9	8.9	8.9	8.9	6.7	6.7	7.8	8.9	7.8	7.8	6.7	6.7
Media and expression (CLD)	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7
Relationships	4.9	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0						
Same-sex relationships	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Divorce	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5
Inheritance rights	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0
Female genital mutilation	7.2	7.2	7.2	7.2	7.2	7.2	7.2	7.4	7.4	7.6	7.5	7.5

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SERBIA

EASTERN EUROPE

HUMAN FREEDOM

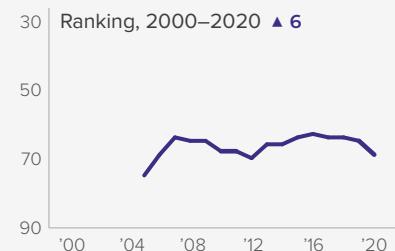
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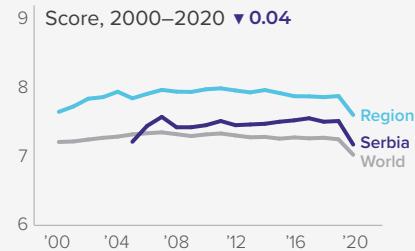
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Ranking, 2000–2020 ▲ 6



Score, 2000–2020 ▼ 0.04



PERSONAL FREEDOM

Ranking
72/165

Score
7.41

Rule of law

Procedural justice	4.6
Civil justice	4.9
Criminal justice	5.0
Rule of law (V-Dem)	3.9
	6.5

Security and safety

Homicide	9.4
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	9.7

Movement

Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	9.1
Freedom of movement (CLD)	6.7

Religion

Freedom of religion	8.0
Religious organization repression	9.4

Association, assembly, civil society

Civil society entry and exit	6.4
Freedom of assembly	6.2
Freedom to form/run political parties	8.2
Civil society repression	6.6

Expression and information

Direct attacks on the press	10.0
Media and expression (V-Dem)	4.8
Media and expression (Freedom House)	5.0
Media and expression (BTI)	5.6
Media and expression (CLD)	3.3

Relationships

Same-sex relationships	10.0
Divorce	7.5
Inheritance rights	7.5
Female genital mutilation	10.0

ECONOMIC FREEDOM

Ranking
84/165

Score
6.82

Size of government

Government consumption	6.4
Transfers and subsidies	5.6
Government investment	4.2
Top marginal tax rate	7.2
State ownership of assets	8.0

Legal system and property rights

Judicial independence	5.3
Impartial courts	4.6
Protection of property rights	4.9
Military interference	6.7
Integrity of the legal system	5.6
Legal enforcement of contracts	3.4
Regulatory costs	8.5
Reliability of police	5.1

Sound money

Money growth	8.5
Standard deviation of inflation	9.9
Inflation: Most recent year	9.7
Freedom to own foreign currency	5.0

Freedom to trade internationally

Tariffs	8.4
Regulatory trade barriers	7.8
Black-market exchange rates	10.0
Movement of capital and people	0.8

Regulation

Credit market regulations	7.8
Labor market regulations	6.9
Business regulations	6.8

SERBIA

EASTERN EUROPE

	2000	2002	2004	2006	2008	2010	2012	2014	2016	2018	2019	2020
Human freedom	-	-	-	7.43	7.41	7.44	7.44	7.46	7.51	7.49	7.50	7.16
Ranking	-	-	-	69	65	68	70	66	63	64	65	69
Economic freedom	-	-	-	6.41	6.59	6.60	6.72	6.84	6.99	7.13	7.21	6.82
Personal freedom	-	-	-	8.16	8.00	8.03	7.96	7.91	7.88	7.74	7.71	7.41
Rule of law	-	-	-	4.8	4.8	4.7	4.6	4.5	4.4	4.7	4.6	4.6
Procedural justice	-	-	-	-	5.0	5.0	5.3	5.6	4.7	5.0	4.9	4.9
Civil justice	-	-	-	-	4.7	4.7	4.5	4.6	4.9	5.1	5.0	5.0
Criminal justice	-	-	-	-	4.5	4.5	4.1	3.4	3.6	4.0	3.9	3.9
Rule of law (V-Dem)	-	-	-	7.3	7.3	7.3	7.3	6.8	6.7	6.3	6.5	6.5
Security and safety	-	-	-	9.6	8.7	8.8	9.0	9.2	9.3	9.2	9.3	9.4
Homicide	-	-	-	9.5	8.1	8.3	8.5	9.1	9.4	9.6	9.7	9.7
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	-	-	-	9.7	9.4	9.4	9.4	9.4	9.3	8.9	8.9	9.1
Movement	-	-	-	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.7	9.7	7.9
Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	-	-	-	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.4	9.4	9.1
Freedom of movement (CLD)	-	-	-	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	6.7
Religion	-	-	-	8.8	8.8	8.8	8.8	8.7	8.7	8.6	8.7	8.7
Freedom of religion	-	-	-	8.1	8.1	8.1	8.1	7.8	7.8	7.8	7.9	8.0
Religious organization repression	-	-	-	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.4	9.4	9.4
Association, assembly, civil society	-	-	-	8.7	8.5	8.3	7.9	7.5	7.4	7.3	7.2	6.9
Civil society entry and exit	-	-	-	7.5	7.0	7.0	6.8	6.2	6.1	6.2	6.2	6.4
Freedom of assembly	-	-	-	8.8	8.8	8.8	7.7	8.5	8.5	8.5	8.1	6.2
Freedom to form/run political parties	-	-	-	9.7	9.7	9.4	9.4	8.6	8.4	8.2	8.0	8.2
Civil society repression	-	-	-	8.8	8.7	8.0	7.6	6.5	6.5	6.5	6.5	6.6
Expression and information	-	-	-	7.1	7.1	7.5	7.4	6.7	6.7	5.9	5.7	5.7
Direct attacks on the press	-	-	-	8.0	8.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Media and expression (V-Dem)	-	-	-	7.0	7.0	7.0	6.9	5.1	5.0	4.4	4.7	4.8
Media and expression (Freedom House)	-	-	-	6.1	6.1	7.2	7.0	6.4	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0
Media and expression (BTI)	-	-	-	7.8	7.8	6.7	6.7	5.6	6.7	6.7	5.6	5.6
Media and expression (CLD)	-	-	-	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	3.3	3.3	3.3
Relationships	-	-	-	8.1	8.1	8.1	8.1	8.8	8.8	8.8	8.8	8.8
Same-sex relationships	-	-	-	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Divorce	-	-	-	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5
Inheritance rights	-	-	-	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5
Female genital mutilation	-	-	-	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0

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SUB-SAHARAN AFRICA

HUMAN FREEDOM

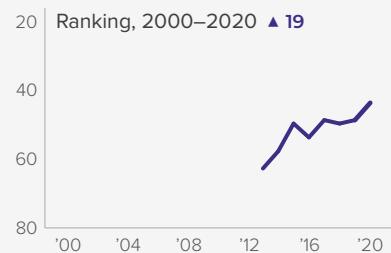
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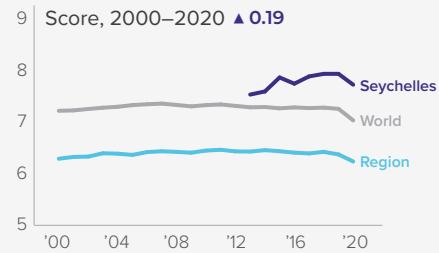
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Score, 2000–2020 ▲ 0.19



PERSONAL FREEDOM

Ranking
42/165

Score
8.18

Rule of law

Procedural justice	-
Civil justice	-
Criminal justice	-
Rule of law (V-Dem)	7.0

Security and safety

Homicide	7.0
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	9.3

Movement

Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	9.1
Freedom of movement (CLD)	6.7

Religion

Freedom of religion	9.4
Religious organization repression	8.7

Association, assembly, civil society

Civil society entry and exit	7.9
Freedom of assembly	7.1
Freedom to form/run political parties	9.0
Civil society repression	8.0

Expression and information

Direct attacks on the press	10.0
Media and expression (V-Dem)	7.2
Media and expression (Freedom House)	5.0
Media and expression (BTI)	-
Media and expression (CLD)	6.7

Relationships

Same-sex relationships	10.0
Divorce	10.0
Inheritance rights	10.0
Female genital mutilation	10.0

ECONOMIC FREEDOM

Ranking
72/165

Score
7.01

Size of government

Government consumption	1.0
Transfers and subsidies	8.5
Government investment	10.0
Top marginal tax rate	8.0
State ownership of assets	5.3

Legal system and property rights

Judicial independence	6.1
Impartial courts	6.0
Protection of property rights	6.2
Military interference	-
Integrity of the legal system	7.6
Legal enforcement of contracts	4.1
Regulatory costs	7.1
Reliability of police	4.9

Sound money

Money growth	7.8
Standard deviation of inflation	8.1
Inflation: Most recent year	8.3
Freedom to own foreign currency	10.0

Freedom to trade internationally

Tariffs	8.3
Regulatory trade barriers	5.6
Black-market exchange rates	10.0
Movement of capital and people	6.2

Regulation

Credit market regulations	4.7
Labor market regulations	7.6
Business regulations	7.6

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SUB-SAHARAN AFRICA

	2000	2002	2004	2006	2008	2010	2012	2014	2016	2018	2019	2020
Human freedom	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	7.57	7.72	7.91	7.91	7.70
Ranking	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	58	54	50	49	44
Economic freedom	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	7.61	7.57	7.63	7.63	7.01
Personal freedom	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	7.54	7.83	8.11	8.11	8.18
Rule of law	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6.6	6.7	6.7	6.7	7.0
Procedural justice	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Civil justice	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Criminal justice	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Rule of law (V-Dem)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6.6	6.7	6.7	6.7	7.0
Security and safety	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	7.2	7.8	8.3	8.2	8.2
Homicide	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5.0	6.4	7.3	7.0	7.0
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	9.3	9.3	9.4	9.4	9.3
Movement	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	9.6	7.9	7.9	7.9	7.9
Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	9.2	9.2	9.2	9.2	9.1
Freedom of movement (CLD)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	10.0	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7
Religion	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	8.0	8.8	8.9	8.9	9.1
Freedom of religion	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	7.4	9.1	9.1	9.1	9.4
Religious organization repression	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	8.6	8.6	8.7	8.7	8.7
Association, assembly, civil society	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6.9	7.3	7.8	7.9	8.0
Civil society entry and exit	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6.4	7.7	7.7	7.9	7.9
Freedom of assembly	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5.4	5.4	7.1	7.1	7.1
Freedom to form/run political parties	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	8.6	8.6	8.6	8.6	9.0
Civil society repression	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	7.2	7.6	7.6	8.1	8.0
Expression and information	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6.1	6.2	7.1	7.1	7.2
Direct attacks on the press	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Media and expression (V-Dem)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6.4	6.4	6.6	6.7	7.2
Media and expression (Freedom House)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4.8	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0
Media and expression (BTI)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Media and expression (CLD)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3.3	3.3	6.7	6.7	6.7
Relationships	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	8.3	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Same-sex relationships	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Divorce	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Inheritance rights	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	10.0	10.0	10.0
Female genital mutilation	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0

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SUB-SAHARAN AFRICA

HUMAN FREEDOM

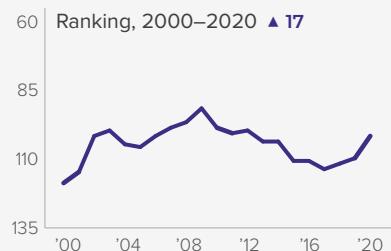
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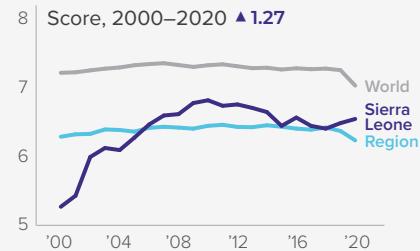
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PERSONAL FREEDOM

Ranking
88/165

Score
6.92

Rule of law

Procedural justice	4.0
Civil justice	4.1
Criminal justice	4.2
Rule of law (V-Dem)	3.6

Rule of law (V-Dem)	6.5
Homicide	9.2
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	9.5

Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	8.9
Movement	7.9
Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	9.1

Freedom of movement (CLD)	6.7
Religion	8.8
Freedom of religion	7.9

Religious organization repression	9.8
Association, assembly, civil society	8.1
Civil society entry and exit	8.6

Freedom of assembly	5.7
Freedom to form/run political parties	8.6
Civil society repression	9.3

Direct attacks on the press	7.0
Media and expression (V-Dem)	10.0
Media and expression (Freedom House)	7.6
Media and expression (BTI)	5.0
Media and expression (CLD)	5.6

Media and expression (CLD)	6.7
Relationships	3.5
Same-sex relationships	5.0
Divorce	2.5
Inheritance rights	5.0

ECONOMIC FREEDOM

Ranking
133/165

Score
5.98

Size of government

Government consumption	7.4
Transfers and subsidies	9.6
Government investment	10.0
Top marginal tax rate	4.2
State ownership of assets	6.5

Legal system and property rights

Judicial independence	4.6
Impartial courts	5.0
Protection of property rights	4.0
Military interference	4.4
Integrity of the legal system	4.2
Legal enforcement of contracts	6.4
Regulatory costs	4.2
Reliability of police	5.5

Sound money

Money growth	7.1
Standard deviation of inflation	7.5
Inflation: Most recent year	8.6
Freedom to own foreign currency	7.3
Freedom to own foreign currency	5.0

Freedom to trade internationally

Tariffs	5.7
Regulatory trade barriers	7.4
Black-market exchange rates	4.7
Movement of capital and people	10.0
Movement of capital and people	0.5

Regulation

Credit market regulations	5.1
Labor market regulations	3.7
Business regulations	5.5
Business regulations	6.2

SIERRA LEONE

SUB-SAHARAN AFRICA

	2000	2002	2004	2006	2008	2010	2012	2014	2016	2018	2019	2020
Human freedom	5.26	5.98	6.08	6.45	6.60	6.80	6.74	6.63	6.55	6.39	6.47	6.53
Ranking	119	102	105	102	97	99	100	104	111	112	110	102
Economic freedom	4.84	5.10	5.17	5.94	6.23	6.43	6.29	5.97	5.77	5.60	5.85	5.98
Personal freedom	5.55	6.61	6.72	6.81	6.86	7.07	7.07	7.10	7.11	6.95	6.90	6.92
Rule of law	2.9	4.4	4.5	4.5	4.6	4.8	4.1	4.1	3.9	3.9	3.9	4.0
Procedural justice	-	-	-	-	5.3	5.3	4.5	4.7	3.8	3.9	4.1	4.1
Civil justice	-	-	-	-	5.4	5.4	4.7	4.0	4.1	4.4	4.2	4.2
Criminal justice	-	-	-	-	3.6	3.6	3.2	3.6	3.8	3.5	3.6	3.6
Rule of law (V-Dem)	3.8	5.7	5.9	5.8	6.0	6.3	6.3	6.1	6.1	6.5	6.3	6.5
Security and safety	5.8	9.2	9.3	9.3	9.2	9.2	9.3	8.9	9.2	9.3	9.3	9.2
Homicide	9.4	9.4	9.4	9.5	9.1	9.3	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	2.1	9.0	9.2	9.1	9.2	9.1	9.1	8.3	9.0	9.1	9.1	8.9
Movement	6.3	7.7	7.8	7.8	7.8	7.9	7.9	8.2	8.2	7.9	7.8	7.9
Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	5.9	8.7	9.0	9.0	9.0	9.2	9.2	9.6	9.6	9.1	9.0	9.1
Freedom of movement (CLD)	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7
Religion	9.6	9.8	9.0	8.8	8.8							
Freedom of religion	9.8	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	8.2	7.8	7.9
Religious organization repression	9.5	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8
Association, assembly, civil society	7.3	8.2	8.5	8.5	8.4	8.5	8.3	8.4	8.2	8.1	8.0	8.1
Civil society entry and exit	7.2	8.3	9.0	9.0	9.0	9.0	9.0	8.6	8.6	8.6	8.6	8.6
Freedom of assembly	6.5	6.5	6.5	6.5	6.1	6.5	6.1	7.2	6.5	5.7	5.7	5.7
Freedom to form/run political parties	8.8	8.8	8.8	8.8	8.8	8.8	8.6	8.6	8.6	8.6	8.6	8.6
Civil society repression	6.8	9.3	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.3	9.3	9.3	9.3	9.3
Expression and information	4.7	4.8	4.9	5.5	6.0	7.0	6.7	6.9	7.0	7.0	7.0	7.0
Direct attacks on the press	0.0	0.0	0.3	2.7	5.1	10.0	7.7	7.7	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Media and expression (V-Dem)	6.9	7.6	7.6	7.6	7.7	7.7	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.8	7.6	7.6
Media and expression (Freedom House)	4.4	4.0	4.4	5.0	4.8	5.2	6.0	5.8	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0
Media and expression (BTI)	5.6	5.6	5.6	5.6	5.6	5.6	5.6	6.7	5.6	5.6	5.6	5.6
Media and expression (CLD)	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7
Relationships	2.2	2.2	2.2	2.2	2.2	2.2	3.3	3.4	3.4	3.5	3.5	3.5
Same-sex relationships	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0
Divorce	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5
Inheritance rights	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0
Female genital mutilation	1.5	1.5	1.5	1.5	1.5	1.5	0.6	1.2	1.2	1.4	1.4	1.4

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SOUTH ASIA

HUMAN FREEDOM

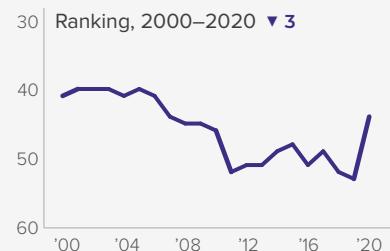
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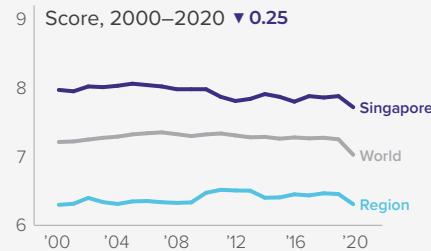
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Score, 2000–2020 ▼ 0.25



PERSONAL FREEDOM

Ranking
81/165

Score
7.15

Rule of law

Procedural justice	7.6
Civil justice	7.1
Criminal justice	8.0
Rule of law (V-Dem)	7.8
	7.3

Security and safety

Homicide	9.8
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	10.0

Movement

Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	8.1
Freedom of movement (CLD)	9.5

Religion

Freedom of religion	7.4
Religious organization repression	7.4

Association, assembly, civil society

Civil society entry and exit	5.0
Freedom of assembly	2.7
Freedom to form/run political parties	2.7
Civil society repression	8.6

Expression and information

Direct attacks on the press	4.0
Media and expression (V-Dem)	5.6
Media and expression (Freedom House)	4.0
Media and expression (BTI)	5.0
Media and expression (CLD)	2.2
	3.3

Relationships

Same-sex relationships	8.1
Divorce	5.0
Inheritance rights	10.0
Female genital mutilation	7.5

ECONOMIC FREEDOM

Ranking
2/165

Score
8.48

Size of government

Government consumption	7.2
Transfers and subsidies	3.7
Government investment	9.2
Top marginal tax rate	9.5
State ownership of assets	10.0
	3.5

Legal system and property rights

Judicial independence	8.3
Impartial courts	6.4
Protection of property rights	8.5
Military interference	8.9
Integrity of the legal system	8.3
Legal enforcement of contracts	8.2
Regulatory costs	7.8
Reliability of police	9.0
	9.2

Sound money

Money growth	9.6
Standard deviation of inflation	9.3
Inflation: Most recent year	9.2
Freedom to own foreign currency	10.0
	10.0

Freedom to trade internationally

Tariffs	8.6
Regulatory trade barriers	10.0
Black-market exchange rates	8.8
Movement of capital and people	10.0
	5.6

Regulation

Credit market regulations	8.7
Labor market regulations	9.3
Business regulations	7.7

SINGAPORE

SOUTH ASIA

	2000	2002	2004	2006	2008	2010	2012	2014	2016	2018	2019	2020
Human freedom	7.95	8.00	8.01	8.02	7.96	7.96	7.79	7.89	7.78	7.84	7.86	7.70
Ranking	41	40	41	41	45	46	51	49	51	52	53	44
Economic freedom	8.58	8.68	8.71	8.80	8.79	8.78	8.64	8.80	8.80	8.82	8.81	8.48
Personal freedom	7.50	7.52	7.51	7.47	7.37	7.37	7.18	7.24	7.05	7.14	7.19	7.15
Rule of law	8.4	8.4	8.4	8.3	8.3	8.3	8.1	8.0	7.7	7.7	7.6	7.6
Procedural justice	-	-	-	-	8.3	8.3	8.1	7.4	6.9	7.1	7.1	7.1
Civil justice	-	-	-	-	7.9	7.9	7.7	8.5	8.1	8.2	8.0	8.0
Criminal justice	-	-	-	-	8.7	8.7	8.5	8.3	8.0	7.9	7.8	7.8
Rule of law (V-Dem)	7.4	7.4	7.4	7.3	7.3	7.3	7.3	7.3	7.3	7.4	7.4	7.3
Security and safety	9.7	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.9	9.9	9.8	9.9	9.8	9.8
Homicide	9.7	9.8	9.9	9.9	9.8	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	10.0	9.9	10.0
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.6	9.7
Movement	8.1	8.1	8.1	7.9	7.8	7.8	7.8	7.8	7.8	7.8	8.0	8.1
Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	9.4	9.4	9.4	9.1	9.0	9.0	9.0	9.0	9.0	9.0	9.3	9.5
Freedom of movement (CLD)	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7
Religion	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.4	7.4	7.4	7.4	7.2	7.6	7.4
Freedom of religion	7.6	7.6	7.6	7.6	7.6	7.6	7.6	7.6	7.6	7.6	7.4	7.4
Religious organization repression	7.3	7.3	7.3	7.3	7.3	7.2	7.2	7.2	7.2	6.9	7.8	7.3
Association, assembly, civil society	5.5	5.1	5.1	5.0								
Civil society entry and exit	2.7	2.7	2.7	2.7	2.8	2.8	2.8	2.8	2.8	2.8	2.8	2.7
Freedom of assembly	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	4.6	4.6	4.6	4.6	4.6	3.5	3.5	2.7
Freedom to form/run political parties	8.5	8.5	8.5	8.5	8.5	8.5	8.5	8.5	8.5	8.3	8.3	8.6
Civil society repression	5.9	5.9	5.9	5.9	6.1	6.1	6.3	6.3	6.0	5.9	5.9	6.0
Expression and information	4.6	4.6	4.6	4.6	3.9	3.9	4.0	4.5	3.6	4.1	4.1	4.0
Direct attacks on the press	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	7.5	7.5	7.5	10.0	5.6	5.6	5.6	5.6
Media and expression (V-Dem)	3.9	3.9	3.9	4.0	4.4	4.4	4.4	4.4	4.4	4.3	4.2	4.0
Media and expression (Freedom House)	2.2	2.7	2.3	2.2	2.3	2.3	2.5	2.5	2.5	5.0	5.0	5.0
Media and expression (BTI)	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	2.2	2.2	2.2	2.2	2.2	2.2	2.2	2.2
Media and expression (CLD)	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3
Relationships	8.8	8.8	8.8	8.8	8.8	8.8	7.5	7.5	7.5	8.1	8.1	8.1
Same-sex relationships	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0
Divorce	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Inheritance rights	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	7.5	7.5	7.5
Female genital mutilation	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0

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SLOVAK REPUBLIC

EASTERN EUROPE

HUMAN FREEDOM

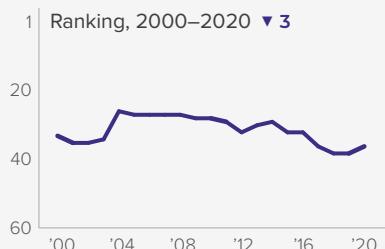
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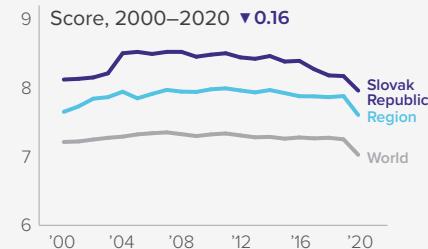
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PERSONAL FREEDOM

Ranking
36/165

Score
8.38

Rule of law

Procedural justice	6.2
Civil justice	7.6
Criminal justice	5.7
Rule of law (V-Dem)	7.2

Security and safety

Homicide	9.4
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	9.1

Movement

Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	7.8
Freedom of movement (CLD)	6.7

Religion

Freedom of religion	8.6
Religious organization repression	7.5

Association, assembly, civil society

Civil society entry and exit	9.0
Freedom of assembly	7.9
Freedom to form/run political parties	10.0
Civil society repression	9.7

Expression and information

Direct attacks on the press	7.6
Media and expression (V-Dem)	7.3
Media and expression (Freedom House)	8.7
Media and expression (BTI)	7.5
Media and expression (CLD)	7.8

Relationships

Same-sex relationships	10.0
Divorce	10.0
Inheritance rights	10.0
Female genital mutilation	10.0

ECONOMIC FREEDOM

Ranking
54/165

Score
7.33

Size of government

Government consumption	6.2
Transfers and subsidies	3.8
Government investment	4.8
Top marginal tax rate	9.2
State ownership of assets	5.5

Legal system and property rights

Judicial independence	6.3
Impartial courts	5.5
Protection of property rights	5.1
Military interference	5.7
Integrity of the legal system	10.0
Legal enforcement of contracts	6.8
Regulatory costs	3.8
Reliability of police	9.7

Sound money

Money growth	9.1
Standard deviation of inflation	7.4
Inflation: Most recent year	9.5
Freedom to own foreign currency	9.6

Freedom to trade internationally

Tariffs	7.6
Regulatory trade barriers	8.0
Black-market exchange rates	8.0
Movement of capital and people	10.0

Regulation

Credit market regulations	7.5
Labor market regulations	8.9
Business regulations	6.9

SLOVAK REPUBLIC

EASTERN EUROPE

	2000	2002	2004	2006	2008	2010	2012	2014	2016	2018	2019	2020
Human freedom	8.10	8.13	8.48	8.47	8.50	8.46	8.42	8.44	8.37	8.16	8.15	7.94
Ranking	34	36	27	28	28	29	33	30	33	39	39	37
Economic freedom	6.78	6.84	7.61	7.64	7.73	7.65	7.63	7.70	7.62	7.62	7.61	7.33
Personal freedom	9.05	9.06	9.10	9.07	9.06	9.04	8.99	8.97	8.89	8.54	8.54	8.38
Rule of law	6.6	6.6	6.7	6.7	6.6	6.7	6.7	6.5	6.5	6.4	6.4	6.2
Procedural justice	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	7.6	7.6
Civil justice	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5.7	5.7
Criminal justice	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5.7	5.7
Rule of law (V-Dem)	7.7	7.7	7.8	7.8	7.7	7.8	7.8	7.6	7.6	7.4	7.4	7.2
Security and safety	9.5	9.5	9.6	9.7	9.7	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.3	9.3	9.4
Homicide	9.3	9.3	9.4	9.6	9.5	9.6	9.7	9.6	9.7	9.7	9.6	9.7
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	9.6	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.8	9.5	9.4	9.3	9.3	9.0	9.1	9.1
Movement	9.8	9.8	9.9	7.8								
Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	9.6	9.6	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	8.9
Freedom of movement (CLD)	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	6.7
Religion	8.9	8.9	8.9	8.9	8.9	9.0	8.9	8.9	8.4	8.3	8.3	8.6
Freedom of religion	8.0	8.0	8.0	8.0	8.0	8.2	8.0	8.0	7.8	7.4	7.4	7.5
Religious organization repression	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	8.9	9.3	9.3	9.8
Association, assembly, civil society	9.2	9.2	9.2	9.0	9.1	9.1	9.1	8.9	8.9	8.7	8.8	9.0
Civil society entry and exit	7.4	7.4	7.4	7.4	7.4	7.4	7.4	6.8	6.8	6.8	7.1	7.9
Freedom of assembly	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Freedom to form/run political parties	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.3	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7
Civil society repression	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.1	9.2	9.2	9.2	9.2	9.2	8.4	8.4	8.4
Expression and information	9.3	9.3	9.4	9.4	9.2	9.1	8.8	9.0	9.0	7.2	7.0	7.6
Direct attacks on the press	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	7.3	7.3	7.3
Media and expression (V-Dem)	8.8	8.8	8.8	8.7	8.6	8.8	8.5	8.5	8.6	7.9	8.4	8.7
Media and expression (Freedom House)	7.8	7.8	8.0	8.1	7.7	7.8	7.8	7.7	7.5	5.0	5.0	7.5
Media and expression (BTI)	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	8.9	7.8	8.9	8.9	8.9	7.8	7.8
Media and expression (CLD)	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	6.7	6.7	6.7
Relationships	10.0											
Same-sex relationships	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Divorce	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Inheritance rights	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Female genital mutilation	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0

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SLOVENIA

EASTERN EUROPE

HUMAN FREEDOM

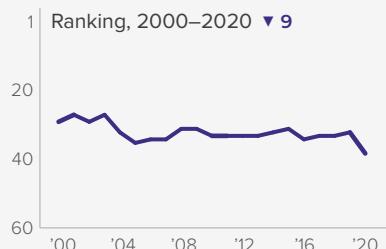
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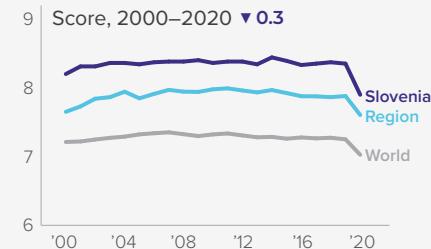
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PERSONAL FREEDOM

Ranking
29/165

Score
8.51

Rule of law

Procedural justice	6.2
Civil justice	8.0
Criminal justice	6.5
Rule of law (V-Dem)	5.5
	7.5

Security and safety

Homicide	9.7
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	9.5

Movement

Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	7.7
Freedom of movement (CLD)	8.6

Religion

Freedom of religion	9.7
Religious organization repression	9.6

Association, assembly, civil society

Civil society entry and exit	8.5
Freedom of assembly	7.0
Freedom to form/run political parties	10.0
Civil society repression	9.5

Expression and information

Direct attacks on the press	7.8
Media and expression (V-Dem)	10.0
Media and expression (Freedom House)	7.1
Media and expression (BTI)	7.5
Media and expression (CLD)	7.8

Relationships

Same-sex relationships	10.0
Divorce	10.0
Inheritance rights	10.0
Female genital mutilation	10.0

ECONOMIC FREEDOM

Ranking
75/165

Score
7.00

Size of government

Government consumption	4.7
Transfers and subsidies	3.2
Government investment	3.5
Top marginal tax rate	8.0
State ownership of assets	2.0

Legal system and property rights

Judicial independence	6.6
Impartial courts	5.9
Protection of property rights	6.0
Military interference	6.1
Integrity of the legal system	9.2
Legal enforcement of contracts	7.0
Regulatory costs	4.2
Reliability of police	8.3

Sound money

Money growth	9.5
Standard deviation of inflation	8.1
Inflation: Most recent year	9.8
Freedom to own foreign currency	10.0

Freedom to trade internationally

Tariffs	7.4
Regulatory trade barriers	8.0
Black-market exchange rates	8.4
Movement of capital and people	10.0

Regulation

Credit market regulations	6.8
Labor market regulations	7.3
Business regulations	6.2

SLOVENIA

EASTERN EUROPE

	2000	2002	2004	2006	2008	2010	2012	2014	2016	2018	2019	2020
Human freedom	8.18	8.29	8.34	8.35	8.36	8.34	8.36	8.42	8.31	8.35	8.33	7.88
Ranking	30	30	33	35	32	34	34	33	35	34	33	39
Economic freedom	6.71	6.98	7.13	7.15	7.30	7.12	7.19	7.31	7.33	7.40	7.43	7.00
Personal freedom	9.23	9.23	9.20	9.21	9.12	9.21	9.20	9.21	9.01	9.03	8.97	8.51
Rule of law	6.6	6.6	6.6	6.6	6.6	6.7	6.8	7.0	6.5	6.7	6.7	6.2
Procedural justice	-	-	-	-	8.2	8.2	8.4	8.0	7.7	7.9	8.0	8.0
Civil justice	-	-	-	-	6.0	6.0	6.1	6.4	5.9	6.6	6.5	6.5
Criminal justice	-	-	-	-	5.9	5.9	5.8	6.6	5.8	5.6	5.5	5.5
Rule of law (V-Dem)	8.1	8.1	8.1	8.1	8.1	8.2	8.2	8.1	8.1	8.1	8.0	7.5
Security and safety	9.6	9.6	9.7	9.8	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.7	9.7	9.6	9.7
Homicide	9.5	9.5	9.6	9.8	9.9	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.8
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.4	9.5	9.4	9.4	9.5	9.5	9.4	9.5
Movement	9.9	9.8	9.8	9.8	7.7							
Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.5	9.5	9.5	8.6
Freedom of movement (CLD)	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	6.7
Religion	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.7	9.7	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.7
Freedom of religion	9.4	9.4	9.4	9.4	9.4	9.7	9.7	9.3	9.3	9.3	9.3	9.6
Religious organization repression	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8
Association, assembly, civil society	9.4	9.4	9.4	9.4	9.3	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.6	9.5	9.2	8.5
Civil society entry and exit	8.5	8.5	8.5	8.5	8.6	8.6	8.9	8.4	8.8	8.8	7.6	7.0
Freedom of assembly	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Freedom to form/run political parties	9.7	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.7	9.7	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.7	9.7	9.5
Civil society repression	9.3	9.3	9.3	9.3	8.8	9.8	9.3	9.8	9.7	9.5	9.5	7.5
Expression and information	9.5	9.5	9.2	9.2	8.9	9.0	8.9	9.0	8.1	8.1	8.0	7.8
Direct attacks on the press	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Media and expression (V-Dem)	9.0	9.0	8.4	8.5	8.4	9.1	8.6	8.8	8.7	8.5	8.3	7.1
Media and expression (Freedom House)	8.6	8.3	7.8	7.5	7.0	6.9	7.0	7.0	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5
Media and expression (BTI)	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	8.9	8.9	8.9	8.9	7.8	7.8	7.8	7.8
Media and expression (CLD)	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7
Relationships	10.0											
Same-sex relationships	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Divorce	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Inheritance rights	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Female genital mutilation	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0

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SOMALIA

SUB-SAHARAN AFRICA

HUMAN FREEDOM

Ranking

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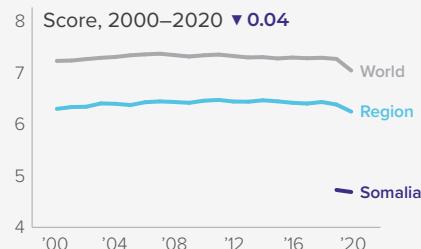
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PERSONAL FREEDOM

Ranking
161/165

Score
3.71

Rule of law

Procedural justice	-
Civil justice	-
Criminal justice	-
Rule of law (V-Dem)	3.2

Security and safety

Homicide	8.7
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	2.0

Movement

Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	4.9
Freedom of movement (CLD)	3.3

Religion

Freedom of religion	2.3
Religious organization repression	5.1

Association, assembly, civil society

Civil society entry and exit	4.7
Freedom of assembly	2.3
Freedom to form/run political parties	8.1
Civil society repression	6.3

Expression and information

Direct attacks on the press	2.6
Media and expression (V-Dem)	5.1
Media and expression (Freedom House)	2.5
Media and expression (BTI)	1.1
Media and expression (CLD)	3.3

Relationships

Same-sex relationships	0.0
Divorce	0.0
Inheritance rights	5.0
Female genital mutilation	0.1

ECONOMIC FREEDOM

Ranking
130/165

Score
6.03

Size of government

Government consumption	9.3
Transfers and subsidies	10.0
Government investment	-
Top marginal tax rate	7.0
State ownership of assets	8.6

Legal system and property rights

Judicial independence	4.4
Impartial courts	1.3
Protection of property rights	1.8
Military interference	1.7
Integrity of the legal system	1.9
Legal enforcement of contracts	-
Regulatory costs	6.0
Reliability of police	-

Sound money

Money growth	0.0
Standard deviation of inflation	8.3
Inflation: Most recent year	9.1
Freedom to own foreign currency	10.0

Freedom to trade internationally

Tariffs	3.3
Regulatory trade barriers	5.1
Black-market exchange rates	10.0
Movement of capital and people	10.0

Regulation

Credit market regulations	-
Labor market regulations	7.6
Business regulations	2.5

SOMALIA

SUB-SAHARAN AFRICA

	2000	2002	2004	2006	2008	2010	2012	2014	2016	2018	2019	2020
Human freedom	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4.71	4.67
Ranking	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	159	158
Economic freedom	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6.25	6.03
Personal freedom	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3.61	3.71
 Rule of law	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3.2	3.2
Procedural justice	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Civil justice	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Criminal justice	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Rule of law (V-Dem)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3.2	3.2
 Security and safety	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5.5	5.4
Homicide	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	8.7	8.7
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2.3	2.0
 Movement	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3.7	4.1
Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4.0	4.9
Freedom of movement (CLD)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3.3	3.3
 Religion	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3.9	3.7
Freedom of religion	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2.8	2.3
Religious organization repression	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5.0	5.1
 Association, assembly, civil society	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5.3	5.4
Civil society entry and exit	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4.2	4.7
Freedom of assembly	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2.3	2.3
Freedom to form/run political parties	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	8.5	8.1
Civil society repression	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6.0	6.3
 Expression and information	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2.4	2.9
Direct attacks on the press	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.8	2.6
Media and expression (V-Dem)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4.2	5.1
Media and expression (Freedom House)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2.5	2.5
Media and expression (BTI)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1.1	1.1
Media and expression (CLD)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3.3	3.3
 Relationships	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1.3	1.3
Same-sex relationships	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.0	0.0
Divorce	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.0	0.0
Inheritance rights	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5.0	5.0
Female genital mutilation	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.1	0.1

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SOUTH AFRICA

SUB-SAHARAN AFRICA

HUMAN FREEDOM

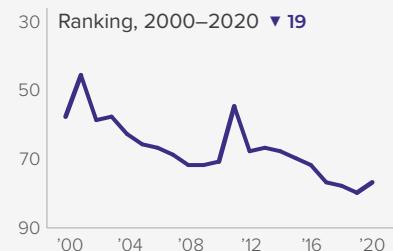
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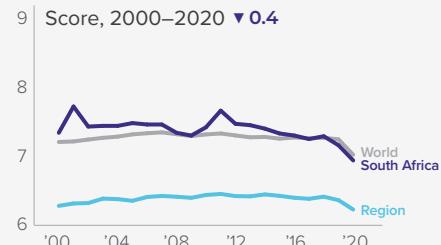
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Score, 2000–2020 ▼ 0.4



PERSONAL FREEDOM

Ranking
77/165

Score
7.20

Rule of law

Procedural justice	5.7
Civil justice	5.9
Criminal justice	6.1
Rule of law (V-Dem)	5.2
	6.7

Security and safety

Homicide	0.3
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	8.5

Movement

Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	9.1
Freedom of movement (CLD)	3.3

Religion

Freedom of religion	8.2
Religious organization repression	8.8

Association, assembly, civil society

Civil society entry and exit	9.2
Freedom of assembly	9.3
Freedom to form/run political parties	9.4
Civil society repression	8.0

Expression and information

Direct attacks on the press	10.0
Media and expression (V-Dem)	7.5
Media and expression (Freedom House)	7.5
Media and expression (BTI)	7.8
Media and expression (CLD)	6.7

Relationships

Same-sex relationships	10.0
Divorce	7.5
Inheritance rights	7.5
Female genital mutilation	10.0

ECONOMIC FREEDOM

Ranking
99/165

Score
6.55

Size of government

Government consumption	4.4
Transfers and subsidies	8.3
Government investment	5.3
Top marginal tax rate	4.5
State ownership of assets	7.4

Legal system and property rights

Impartial courts	6.0
Protection of property rights	5.2
Military interference	8.3
Integrity of the legal system	5.6
Legal enforcement of contracts	5.0
Regulatory costs	6.9
Reliability of police	3.7

Sound money

Standard deviation of inflation	9.0
Inflation: Most recent year	9.5
Freedom to own foreign currency	9.4
	5.0

Freedom to trade internationally

Regulatory trade barriers	7.3
Black-market exchange rates	5.1
Movement of capital and people	10.0
	0.8

Regulation

Labor market regulations	7.5
Business regulations	6.5
	6.3

SOUTH AFRICA

SUB-SAHARAN AFRICA

	2000	2002	2004	2006	2008	2010	2012	2014	2016	2018	2019	2020
Human freedom	7.33	7.42	7.43	7.45	7.33	7.41	7.46	7.39	7.29	7.28	7.15	6.93
Ranking	58	59	63	67	72	71	68	68	72	78	80	77
Economic freedom	6.93	6.86	6.86	6.96	6.79	6.95	7.00	6.91	6.74	6.80	6.79	6.55
Personal freedom	7.62	7.82	7.85	7.80	7.72	7.73	7.79	7.73	7.68	7.61	7.41	7.20
Rule of law	5.4	5.4	5.3	5.3	5.3	5.4	5.1	5.7	5.7	5.7	5.7	5.7
Procedural justice	-	-	-	-	5.9	5.9	5.4	5.7	5.9	5.8	5.9	5.9
Civil justice	-	-	-	-	5.5	5.5	5.3	6.1	6.1	6.1	6.1	6.1
Criminal justice	-	-	-	-	4.9	4.9	4.5	5.2	5.2	5.3	5.2	5.2
Rule of law (V-Dem)	7.1	7.1	7.0	7.0	7.0	7.2	7.1	7.0	7.0	6.7	6.7	6.7
Security and safety	3.7	4.6	4.6	4.6	4.1	4.7	4.7	4.4	4.3	4.3	4.3	4.4
Homicide	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.0	1.1	0.5	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.3
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	7.3	9.3	9.3	9.3	8.3	8.3	8.2	8.2	8.6	8.5	8.5	8.5
Movement	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	8.1	8.1	8.1	8.1	7.9	6.2
Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.5	9.5	9.4	9.2	9.1
Freedom of movement (CLD)	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	3.3
Religion	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.8	8.4	8.5
Freedom of religion	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.8	8.2	8.2
Religious organization repression	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	8.5	8.8
Association, assembly, civil society	9.7	9.4	9.7	9.4	9.5	9.3	9.3	8.8	8.5	9.1	9.0	9.0
Civil society entry and exit	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.8	9.8	9.2	9.2	9.2	9.2	9.2
Freedom of assembly	9.6	8.5	9.6	8.5	8.9	8.5	8.5	8.1	6.9	8.9	9.3	9.3
Freedom to form/run political parties	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.7	9.5	9.5	9.3	9.3	9.4
Civil society repression	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.4	9.4	8.4	8.4	9.0	8.1	8.0
Expression and information	8.2	8.9	8.9	8.8	8.7	8.1	8.1	7.9	7.9	7.6	7.9	7.9
Direct attacks on the press	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	9.7	9.7	9.7	10.0	10.0
Media and expression (V-Dem)	7.8	7.8	7.8	7.9	7.8	7.8	7.7	7.8	7.7	7.4	7.5	7.5
Media and expression (Freedom House)	10.0	10.0	9.8	9.3	8.9	8.5	8.1	7.7	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5
Media and expression (BTI)	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	7.8	7.8	7.8	7.8	6.7	7.8	7.8
Media and expression (CLD)	3.3	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7
Relationships	6.9	6.9	6.9	6.9	6.9	6.9	9.4	9.4	9.4	8.8	8.8	8.8
Same-sex relationships	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Divorce	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5
Inheritance rights	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	7.5	7.5	7.5
Female genital mutilation	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0

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SPAIN

WESTERN EUROPE

HUMAN FREEDOM

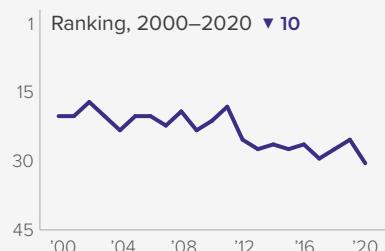
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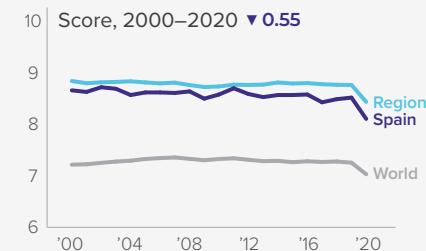
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PERSONAL FREEDOM

Ranking
35/165

Score
8.40

Rule of law

Procedural justice	7.2
Civil justice	8.5
Criminal justice	6.7
Rule of law (V-Dem)	6.7
	8.3

Security and safety

Homicide	9.7
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	9.5

Movement

Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	6.5
Freedom of movement (CLD)	9.6

Religion

Freedom of religion	8.8
Religious organization repression	7.7

Association, assembly, civil society

Civil society entry and exit	9.1
Freedom of assembly	9.7
Freedom to form/run political parties	7.1
Civil society repression	9.8

Expression and information

Direct attacks on the press	8.2
Media and expression (V-Dem)	10.0
Media and expression (Freedom House)	8.8
Media and expression (BTI)	7.5
Media and expression (CLD)	-

Relationships

Same-sex relationships	9.4
Divorce	10.0
Inheritance rights	10.0
Female genital mutilation	7.5

ECONOMIC FREEDOM

Ranking
28/165

Score
7.63

Size of government

Government consumption	6.2
Transfers and subsidies	3.5
Government investment	4.8
Top marginal tax rate	10.0
State ownership of assets	5.0

Legal system and property rights

Judicial independence	7.4
Impartial courts	7.0
Protection of property rights	6.7
Military interference	6.3
Integrity of the legal system	8.3
Legal enforcement of contracts	8.6
Regulatory costs	5.3
Reliability of police	7.7

Sound money

Money growth	9.2
Standard deviation of inflation	7.1
Inflation: Most recent year	9.8
Freedom to own foreign currency	9.9

Freedom to trade internationally

Tariffs	8.1
Regulatory trade barriers	8.0
Black-market exchange rates	8.3
Movement of capital and people	10.0

Regulation

Credit market regulations	7.3
Labor market regulations	8.3
Business regulations	6.2

SPAIN

WESTERN EUROPE

	2000	2002	2004	2006	2008	2010	2012	2014	2016	2018	2019	2020
Human freedom	8.63	8.69	8.54	8.59	8.61	8.55	8.56	8.54	8.55	8.46	8.49	8.08
Ranking	21	18	24	21	20	22	26	27	27	28	26	31
Economic freedom	7.93	7.88	8.04	7.81	7.74	7.69	7.66	7.75	7.83	7.85	7.89	7.63
Personal freedom	9.13	9.27	8.90	9.14	9.23	9.17	9.20	9.11	9.07	8.89	8.92	8.40
Rule of law	7.2	7.2	7.2	7.3	7.3	7.3	6.9	7.0	7.0	7.3	7.3	7.2
Procedural justice	-	-	-	-	8.5	8.5	8.3	8.1	8.1	8.4	8.5	8.5
Civil justice	-	-	-	-	6.5	6.5	6.2	6.5	6.6	6.7	6.7	6.7
Criminal justice	-	-	-	-	6.9	6.9	6.1	6.3	6.4	6.7	6.7	6.7
Rule of law (V-Dem)	8.5	8.5	8.5	8.7	8.7	8.7	8.4	8.3	8.5	8.3	8.4	8.3
Security and safety	8.6	8.7	7.4	8.9	8.8	9.1	9.8	9.8	9.9	9.7	9.7	9.7
Homicide	9.6	9.6	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	7.6	7.9	5.2	8.1	7.9	8.4	9.8	9.9	9.9	9.5	9.5	9.5
Movement	10.0	6.5										
Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.6
Freedom of movement (CLD)	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	3.3
Religion	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.0	9.0	9.0	9.0	9.0	9.0	8.8
Freedom of religion	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	8.1	8.1	8.0	8.0	8.0	8.0	7.7
Religious organization repression	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9
Association, assembly, civil society	9.8	9.8	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.5	9.3	8.7	8.9	9.1
Civil society entry and exit	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.3	9.3	9.1	9.1	9.7
Freedom of assembly	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	8.8	7.1	7.1	7.1
Freedom to form/run political parties	9.8	9.8	9.2	9.4	9.3	9.5	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.8	9.8
Civil society repression	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.6	9.2	9.3	9.0	9.8	9.8
Expression and information	8.6	9.5	8.3	8.4	9.2	9.3	9.2	9.1	9.1	8.3	8.2	8.2
Direct attacks on the press	9.6	9.6	9.6	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Media and expression (V-Dem)	9.0	9.0	9.0	9.0	9.1	9.1	9.1	9.1	8.8	8.8	8.8	8.8
Media and expression (Freedom House)	9.2	9.4	8.0	8.0	7.7	8.0	7.7	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5
Media and expression (BTI)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Media and expression (CLD)	6.7	10.0	6.7	6.7	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	6.7	6.7	6.7
Relationships	9.9	9.4	9.4	9.4	9.4	9.4						
Same-sex relationships	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Divorce	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Inheritance rights	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5
Female genital mutilation	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0

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SOUTH ASIA

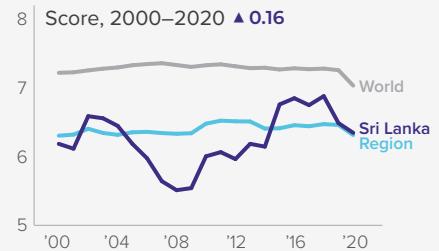
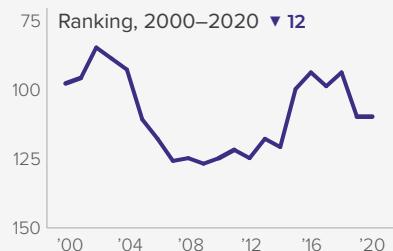
HUMAN FREEDOM

Ranking

110

Score

6.33



PERSONAL FREEDOM

Ranking
113/165

Score
6.05

Rule of law

Procedural justice	3.9
Civil justice	4.0
Criminal justice	4.5
Rule of law (V-Dem)	4.3
	5.7

Security and safety

Homicide	6.9
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	9.0
	4.7

Movement

Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	7.6
Freedom of movement (CLD)	8.5
	6.7

Religion

Freedom of religion	8.0
Religious organization repression	7.1
	9.0

Association, assembly, civil society

Civil society entry and exit	6.0
Freedom of assembly	4.8
Freedom to form/run political parties	5.8
Civil society repression	9.2
	4.1

Expression and information

Direct attacks on the press	6.8
Media and expression (V-Dem)	10.0
Media and expression (Freedom House)	5.5
Media and expression (BTI)	5.0
Media and expression (CLD)	6.7
	6.7

Relationships

Same-sex relationships	3.1
Divorce	0.0
Inheritance rights	2.5
Female genital mutilation	0.0
	10.0

ECONOMIC FREEDOM

Ranking
89/165

Score
6.72

Size of government

Government consumption	8.4
Transfers and subsidies	8.0
Government investment	8.8
Top marginal tax rate	8.5
State ownership of assets	10.0
	6.8

Legal system and property rights

Judicial independence	5.0
Impartial courts	5.4
Protection of property rights	5.5
Military interference	4.6
Integrity of the legal system	5.0
Legal enforcement of contracts	5.8
Regulatory costs	3.6
Reliability of police	7.6
	4.9

Sound money

Money growth	7.9
Standard deviation of inflation	8.8
Inflation: Most recent year	9.1
Freedom to own foreign currency	8.8
	5.0

Freedom to trade internationally

Tariffs	5.4
Regulatory trade barriers	5.7
Black-market exchange rates	5.5
Movement of capital and people	10.0
	0.5

Regulation

Credit market regulations	6.9
Labor market regulations	7.3
Business regulations	6.5
	6.8

SRI LANKA

SOUTH ASIA

	2000	2002	2004	2006	2008	2010	2012	2014	2016	2018	2019	2020
Human freedom	6.17	6.57	6.43	5.96	5.50	5.99	5.95	6.13	6.83	6.86	6.47	6.33
Ranking	98	85	93	118	125	125	125	121	94	94	110	110
Economic freedom	6.45	6.38	6.31	6.40	6.03	6.43	6.49	6.56	6.76	6.83	6.72	6.72
Personal freedom	5.97	6.70	6.52	5.65	5.13	5.67	5.56	5.82	6.88	6.88	6.29	6.05
Rule of law	5.3	5.3	5.2	5.0	4.9	5.2	4.3	4.5	4.5	4.3	4.3	3.9
Procedural justice	-	-	-	-	4.1	4.1	4.1	4.4	4.2	3.9	4.0	4.0
Civil justice	-	-	-	-	5.2	5.2	4.1	4.2	4.5	4.5	4.5	4.5
Criminal justice	-	-	-	-	6.2	6.2	4.9	4.9	4.8	4.4	4.3	4.3
Rule of law (V-Dem)	5.3	5.3	5.3	5.0	4.9	5.2	5.3	5.4	6.1	6.5	6.2	5.7
Security and safety	4.8	8.1	7.7	4.2	4.2	7.9	7.7	8.0	8.9	8.6	7.0	6.9
Homicide	8.0	8.0	7.9	7.0	7.1	8.9	9.0	9.2	9.3	9.3	9.0	9.0
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	1.6	8.2	7.5	1.4	1.3	7.0	6.3	6.7	8.5	7.9	5.0	4.7
Movement	5.5	7.1	7.1	7.1	5.5	5.6	5.7	5.9	7.9	7.9	7.9	7.6
Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	7.6	7.6	7.6	7.6	7.6	7.8	8.1	8.5	9.1	9.1	9.1	8.5
Freedom of movement (CLD)	3.3	6.7	6.7	6.7	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7
Religion	9.1	9.1	8.3	8.0	7.8	8.0	8.0	7.8	8.5	8.8	7.4	8.0
Freedom of religion	9.2	9.2	7.5	7.3	7.2	7.2	7.1	6.9	7.3	8.0	7.1	7.1
Religious organization repression	9.1	9.1	9.1	8.7	8.5	8.9	8.9	8.7	9.7	9.7	7.6	9.0
Association, assembly, civil society	6.6	6.3	6.5	5.6	5.4	5.3	5.2	5.5	7.6	8.3	7.5	6.0
Civil society entry and exit	5.5	5.5	5.5	4.0	4.2	3.8	3.5	3.6	7.0	8.5	6.4	4.8
Freedom of assembly	6.1	5.0	6.1	6.1	5.0	4.6	4.3	5.4	5.4	6.1	6.9	5.8
Freedom to form/run political parties	9.0	9.0	9.0	9.0	8.9	8.9	8.9	9.1	9.1	9.3	9.3	9.2
Civil society repression	5.7	5.7	5.4	3.2	3.3	4.1	4.1	4.1	8.7	9.2	7.1	4.1
Expression and information	6.1	6.6	6.4	5.3	3.8	3.3	3.6	4.6	6.5	7.2	6.9	6.8
Direct attacks on the press	7.6	7.6	6.9	4.8	2.5	1.9	3.9	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Media and expression (V-Dem)	5.6	6.0	6.0	4.3	3.7	4.0	4.3	4.6	7.4	7.5	6.4	5.5
Media and expression (Freedom House)	4.1	5.9	5.7	4.1	2.6	2.6	2.2	1.9	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0
Media and expression (BTI)	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	4.4	4.4	3.3	3.3	6.7	6.7	6.7
Media and expression (CLD)	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7
Relationships	4.4	3.1	3.1	3.1								
Same-sex relationships	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Divorce	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5
Inheritance rights	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Female genital mutilation	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0

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SUB-SAHARAN AFRICA

HUMAN FREEDOM

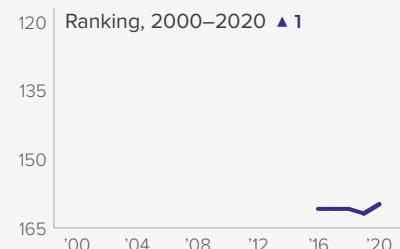
Ranking

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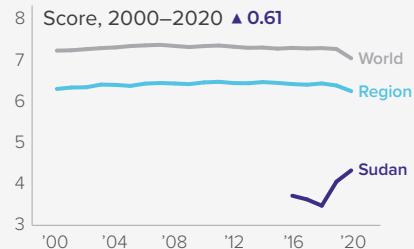
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Ranking, 2000–2020 ▲ 1



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PERSONAL FREEDOM

Ranking
155/165

Score
4.38

Rule of law

Procedural justice	3.5
Civil justice	2.6
Criminal justice	4.0
Rule of law (V-Dem)	3.7
	4.1

Security and safety

Homicide	6.8
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	8.5

Movement

Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	4.4
Freedom of movement (CLD)	5.5

Religion

Freedom of religion	4.9
Religious organization repression	4.0

Association, assembly, civil society

Civil society entry and exit	6.1
Freedom of assembly	6.7
Freedom to form/run political parties	3.8
Civil society repression	6.9

Expression and information

Direct attacks on the press	4.6
Media and expression (V-Dem)	10.0
Media and expression (Freedom House)	5.0
Media and expression (BTI)	2.5
Media and expression (CLD)	2.2

Relationships

Same-sex relationships	0.3
Divorce	0.0
Inheritance rights	0.0
Female genital mutilation	1.3

ECONOMIC FREEDOM

Ranking
164/165

Score
4.21

Size of government

Government consumption	6.8
Transfers and subsidies	0.0
Government investment	9.4
Top marginal tax rate	10.0
State ownership of assets	8.5
	6.0

Legal system and property rights

Judicial independence	2.7
Impartial courts	3.9
Protection of property rights	4.1
Military interference	3.0
Integrity of the legal system	1.7
Legal enforcement of contracts	4.1
Regulatory costs	3.8
Reliability of police	8.9
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Sound money

Money growth	1.2
Standard deviation of inflation	0.0
Inflation: Most recent year	0.0
Freedom to own foreign currency	0.0
	5.0

Freedom to trade internationally

Tariffs	5.5
Regulatory trade barriers	5.0
Black-market exchange rates	3.2
Movement of capital and people	10.0
	3.9

Regulation

Credit market regulations	4.8
Labor market regulations	4.0
Business regulations	4.4
	5.8

SUDAN

SUB-SAHARAN AFRICA

	2000	2002	2004	2006	2008	2010	2012	2014	2016	2018	2019	2020
Human freedom	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3.70	3.46	4.04	4.31
Ranking	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	161	161	162	160
Economic freedom	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4.56	3.72	3.58	4.21
Personal freedom	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3.09	3.27	4.38	4.38
Rule of law	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2.5	2.6	3.4	3.5
Procedural justice	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2.6	2.6
Civil justice	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4.0	4.0
Criminal justice	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3.7	3.7
Rule of law (V-Dem)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2.9	3.0	4.1	4.1
Security and safety	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5.6	6.2	6.8	6.8
Homicide	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	8.5	8.5	8.5	8.5
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2.8	3.9	5.0	5.1
Movement	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3.6	3.7	4.6	4.4
Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3.8	4.2	5.9	5.5
Freedom of movement (CLD)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3
Religion	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3.5	3.4	5.5	4.9
Freedom of religion	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3.5	3.1	4.0	4.0
Religious organization repression	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3.5	3.6	6.9	5.8
Association, assembly, civil society	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3.1	3.6	5.4	6.1
Civil society entry and exit	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2.7	4.6	6.6	6.7
Freedom of assembly	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.7	0.7	1.9	3.8
Freedom to form/run political parties	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6.8	6.8	6.7	6.9
Civil society repression	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2.1	2.3	6.5	7.1
Expression and information	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3.0	3.1	4.6	4.6
Direct attacks on the press	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Media and expression (V-Dem)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2.7	3.0	5.0	5.0
Media and expression (Freedom House)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.0	0.0	2.5	2.5
Media and expression (BTI)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2.2	2.2	2.2	2.2
Media and expression (CLD)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.0	0.0	3.3	3.3
Relationships	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3
Same-sex relationships	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Divorce	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Inheritance rights	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Female genital mutilation	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1.2	1.3	1.3	1.3

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SURINAME

LATIN AMERICA & THE CARIBBEAN

HUMAN FREEDOM

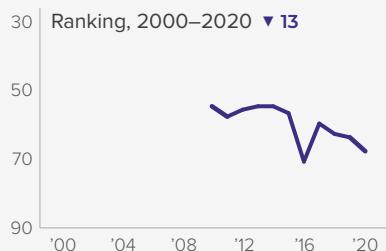
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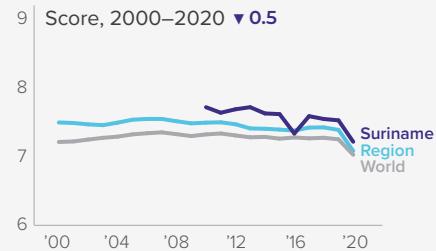
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PERSONAL FREEDOM

Ranking
41/165

Score
8.20

Rule of law

Procedural justice	5.2
Civil justice	4.7
Criminal justice	4.8
Rule of law (V-Dem)	5.2
	6.7

Security and safety

Homicide	9.0
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	8.5

Movement

Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	6.4
Freedom of movement (CLD)	9.4

Religion

Freedom of religion	9.8
Religious organization repression	9.8

Association, assembly, civil society

Civil society entry and exit	9.1
Freedom of assembly	9.5
Freedom to form/run political parties	8.3
Civil society repression	9.5

Expression and information

Direct attacks on the press	7.9
Media and expression (V-Dem)	10.0
Media and expression (Freedom House)	7.5
Media and expression (BTI)	-
Media and expression (CLD)	7.5

Relationships

Same-sex relationships	10.0
Divorce	-
Inheritance rights	-
Female genital mutilation	10.0

ECONOMIC FREEDOM

Ranking
143/165

Score
5.81

Size of government

Government consumption	6.2
Transfers and subsidies	5.8
Government investment	8.6
Top marginal tax rate	-
State ownership of assets	5.0

Legal system and property rights

Judicial independence	4.5
Impartial courts	5.5
Protection of property rights	5.4
Military interference	5.6
Integrity of the legal system	5.0
Legal enforcement of contracts	5.6
Regulatory costs	2.7
Reliability of police	4.5

Sound money

Money growth	5.7
Standard deviation of inflation	6.7
Inflation: Most recent year	3.0
Freedom to own foreign currency	3.0

Freedom to trade internationally

Tariffs	6.1
Regulatory trade barriers	7.5
Black-market exchange rates	6.6
Movement of capital and people	10.0

Regulation

Credit market regulations	6.5
Labor market regulations	7.3
Business regulations	5.2

SURINAME

LATIN AMERICA & THE CARIBBEAN

	2000	2002	2004	2006	2008	2010	2012	2014	2016	2018	2019	2020
Human freedom	-	-	-	-	-	7.70	7.67	7.61	7.32	7.53	7.51	7.20
Ranking	-	-	-	-	-	55	56	55	71	63	64	68
Economic freedom	-	-	-	-	-	6.65	6.60	6.40	5.73	6.04	6.00	5.81
Personal freedom	-	-	-	-	-	8.45	8.44	8.47	8.45	8.60	8.58	8.20
Rule of law	-	-	-	-	-	4.9	4.9	4.9	4.9	5.0	4.9	5.2
Procedural justice	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4.1	4.6	4.9	4.7	4.7
Civil justice	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5.1	5.0	4.9	4.8	4.8
Criminal justice	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5.4	5.2	5.2	5.2	5.2
Rule of law (V-Dem)	-	-	-	-	-	6.8	6.8	6.8	6.8	6.7	6.4	6.7
Security and safety	-	-	-	-	-	8.5	8.5	8.9	8.6	8.7	8.9	9.0
Homicide	-	-	-	-	-	7.6	7.6	8.3	7.9	8.1	8.5	8.5
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	-	-	-	-	-	9.5	9.5	9.4	9.3	9.4	9.3	9.4
Movement	-	-	-	-	-	9.7	9.7	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.7	6.4
Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	-	-	-	-	-	9.4	9.4	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.3	9.4
Freedom of movement (CLD)	-	-	-	-	-	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	3.3
Religion	-	-	-	-	-	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.6	9.6	9.8
Freedom of religion	-	-	-	-	-	9.9	9.9	9.8	9.8	9.3	9.3	9.8
Religious organization repression	-	-	-	-	-	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8
Association, assembly, civil society	-	-	-	-	-	9.6	9.6	9.7	9.7	9.1	9.1	9.1
Civil society entry and exit	-	-	-	-	-	9.2	9.2	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5
Freedom of assembly	-	-	-	-	-	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	8.3	8.3	8.3
Freedom to form/run political parties	-	-	-	-	-	9.4	9.4	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5
Civil society repression	-	-	-	-	-	9.7	9.7	9.8	9.7	9.1	9.1	9.1
Expression and information	-	-	-	-	-	8.3	8.2	8.0	8.0	8.0	7.9	7.9
Direct attacks on the press	-	-	-	-	-	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Media and expression (V-Dem)	-	-	-	-	-	8.2	8.1	7.9	7.9	7.7	7.5	7.5
Media and expression (Freedom House)	-	-	-	-	-	8.4	8.0	7.3	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5
Media and expression (BTI)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Media and expression (CLD)	-	-	-	-	-	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7
Relationships	-	-	-	-	-	8.3	8.3	8.3	8.3	10.0	10.0	10.0
Same-sex relationships	-	-	-	-	-	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Divorce	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Inheritance rights	-	-	-	-	-	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	-	-	-
Female genital mutilation	-	-	-	-	-	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0

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SWEDEN

WESTERN EUROPE

HUMAN FREEDOM

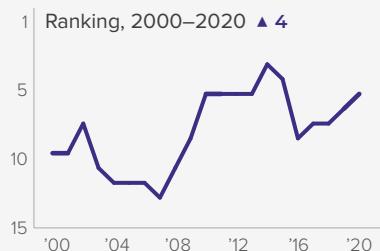
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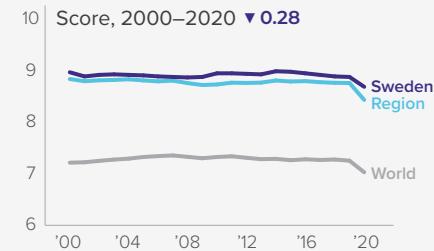
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Ranking, 2000–2020 ▲ 4



Score, 2000–2020 ▼ 0.28



PERSONAL FREEDOM

Ranking
1/165

Score
9.45

Rule of law

Procedural justice	8.6
Civil justice	9.6
Criminal justice	8.3
Rule of law (V-Dem)	8.0
	8.9

Security and safety

Homicide	9.8
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	9.6

Movement

Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	8.2
Freedom of movement (CLD)	9.7

Religion

Freedom of religion	9.9
Religious organization repression	9.9

Association, assembly, civil society

Civil society entry and exit	9.8
Freedom of assembly	9.6
Freedom to form/run political parties	10.0
Civil society repression	9.8

Expression and information

Direct attacks on the press	9.8
Media and expression (V-Dem)	10.0
Media and expression (Freedom House)	9.2
Media and expression (BTI)	-
Media and expression (CLD)	10.0

Relationships

Same-sex relationships	10.0
Divorce	10.0
Inheritance rights	10.0
Female genital mutilation	10.0

ECONOMIC FREEDOM

Ranking
33/165

Score
7.56

Size of government

Government consumption	4.4
Transfers and subsidies	0.6
Government investment	4.4
Top marginal tax rate	8.4
State ownership of assets	1.0
	7.8

Legal system and property rights

Judicial independence	7.9
Impartial courts	8.2
Protection of property rights	8.1
Military interference	7.5
Integrity of the legal system	9.2
Legal enforcement of contracts	8.9
Regulatory costs	6.1
Reliability of police	8.5
	6.9

Sound money

Money growth	9.6
Standard deviation of inflation	8.8
Inflation: Most recent year	9.8
Freedom to own foreign currency	9.9
	10.0

Freedom to trade internationally

Tariffs	8.1
Regulatory trade barriers	8.0
Black-market exchange rates	8.5
Movement of capital and people	10.0
	6.0

Regulation

Credit market regulations	7.7
Labor market regulations	9.0
Business regulations	6.0
	8.0

SWEDEN

WESTERN EUROPE

	2000	2002	2004	2006	2008	2010	2012	2014	2016	2018	2019	2020
Human freedom	8.94	8.89	8.89	8.86	8.84	8.92	8.91	8.96	8.92	8.86	8.85	8.66
Ranking	10	8	12	12	11	6	6	4	9	8	7	6
Economic freedom	7.93	7.80	7.80	7.72	7.68	7.89	7.86	7.95	7.87	7.73	7.70	7.56
Personal freedom	9.67	9.67	9.67	9.67	9.66	9.66	9.66	9.68	9.67	9.66	9.67	9.45
Rule of law	8.5	8.5	8.5	8.5	8.5	8.5	8.4	8.5	8.5	8.6	8.6	8.6
Procedural justice	-	-	-	-	9.5	9.5	9.6	9.4	9.5	9.6	9.6	9.6
Civil justice	-	-	-	-	7.8	7.8	7.8	8.1	8.1	8.2	8.3	8.3
Criminal justice	-	-	-	-	8.2	8.2	7.8	7.9	8.0	8.0	8.0	8.0
Rule of law (V-Dem)	9.2	9.2	9.2	9.2	9.2	9.2	9.2	9.1	8.9	8.9	8.9	8.9
Security and safety	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.9	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8
Homicide	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.8	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.6
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	10.0
Movement	9.9	9.8	9.8	8.2								
Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.7	9.5	9.5	9.7
Freedom of movement (CLD)	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	6.7
Religion	9.9											
Freedom of religion	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9
Religious organization repression	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9
Association, assembly, civil society	9.8											
Civil society entry and exit	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.6
Freedom of assembly	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Freedom to form/run political parties	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8
Civil society repression	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.9
Expression and information	9.8											
Direct attacks on the press	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Media and expression (V-Dem)	9.4	9.4	9.4	9.4	9.3	9.3	9.3	9.3	9.3	9.2	9.2	9.2
Media and expression (Freedom House)	10.0	10.0	10.0	9.8	9.8	9.8	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Media and expression (BTI)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Media and expression (CLD)	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Relationships	9.9	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0						
Same-sex relationships	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Divorce	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Inheritance rights	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Female genital mutilation	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0

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WESTERN EUROPE

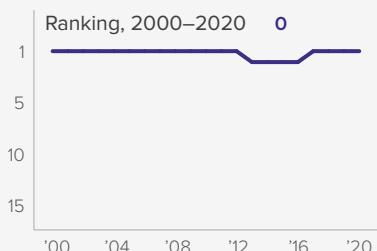
HUMAN FREEDOM

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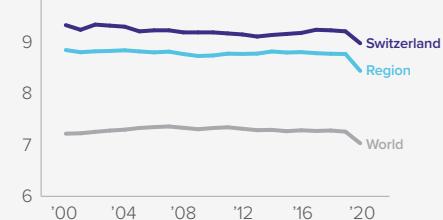
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Score, 2000–2020 ▼ 0.35



PERSONAL FREEDOM

Ranking
2/165

Score
9.35

Rule of law

Procedural justice	-
Civil justice	-
Criminal justice	-
Rule of law (V-Dem)	8.5

Security and safety

Homicide	9.8
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	9.9

Movement

Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	9.2
Freedom of movement (CLD)	6.7

Religion

Freedom of religion	9.6
Religious organization repression	9.4

Association, assembly, civil society

Civil society entry and exit	9.1
Freedom of assembly	10.0
Freedom to form/run political parties	9.8
Civil society repression	9.8

Expression and information

Direct attacks on the press	10.0
Media and expression (V-Dem)	9.7
Media and expression (Freedom House)	10.0
Media and expression (BTI)	-
Media and expression (CLD)	10.0

Relationships

Same-sex relationships	10.0
Divorce	10.0
Inheritance rights	10.0
Female genital mutilation	10.0

ECONOMIC FREEDOM

Ranking
3/165

Score
8.37

Size of government

Government consumption	6.2
Transfers and subsidies	5.4
Government investment	10.0
Top marginal tax rate	7.0
State ownership of assets	9.0

Legal system and property rights

Judicial independence	8.6
Impartial courts	8.5
Protection of property rights	9.0
Military interference	10.0
Integrity of the legal system	8.8
Legal enforcement of contracts	6.2
Regulatory costs	9.6
Reliability of police	9.0

Sound money

Money growth	9.8
Standard deviation of inflation	9.8
Inflation: Most recent year	9.9
Freedom to own foreign currency	10.0

Freedom to trade internationally

Tariffs	6.4
Regulatory trade barriers	8.1
Black-market exchange rates	10.0
Movement of capital and people	6.0

Regulation

Credit market regulations	9.0
Labor market regulations	7.0
Business regulations	8.3

SWITZERLAND

WESTERN EUROPE

	2000	2002	2004	2006	2008	2010	2012	2014	2016	2018	2019	2020
Human freedom	9.29	9.30	9.26	9.19	9.15	9.15	9.11	9.10	9.14	9.19	9.17	8.94
Ranking	1	2	2	1	1	1						
Economic freedom	8.85	8.85	8.73	8.57	8.47	8.52	8.43	8.49	8.55	8.55	8.49	8.37
Personal freedom	9.61	9.62	9.63	9.64	9.64	9.60	9.60	9.54	9.55	9.65	9.65	9.35
Rule of law	8.6	8.7	8.7	8.7	8.7	8.5	8.5	8.6	8.7	8.7	8.7	8.5
Procedural justice	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Civil justice	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Criminal justice	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Rule of law (V-Dem)	8.6	8.7	8.7	8.7	8.7	8.5	8.5	8.6	8.7	8.7	8.7	8.5
Security and safety	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9
Homicide	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.9	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9
Movement	9.7	9.9	7.9									
Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	9.5	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.2
Freedom of movement (CLD)	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	6.7
Religion	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.5						
Freedom of religion	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.6
Religious organization repression	9.4	9.4	9.4	9.4	9.4	9.4	9.4	9.4	9.4	9.4	9.4	9.4
Association, assembly, civil society	9.7											
Civil society entry and exit	9.1	9.1	9.1	9.1	9.1	9.1	9.1	9.1	9.1	9.1	9.1	9.1
Freedom of assembly	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Freedom to form/run political parties	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8
Civil society repression	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8
Expression and information	9.9											
Direct attacks on the press	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Media and expression (V-Dem)	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.7
Media and expression (Freedom House)	10.0	9.8	10.0	10.0	9.8	9.8	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Media and expression (BTI)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Media and expression (CLD)	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Relationships	9.9	9.4	9.4	10.0	10.0	10.0						
Same-sex relationships	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Divorce	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Inheritance rights	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	7.5	7.5	10.0	10.0	10.0
Female genital mutilation	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0

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SYRIAN ARAB REPUBLIC

MIDDLE EAST & NORTH AFRICA

HUMAN FREEDOM

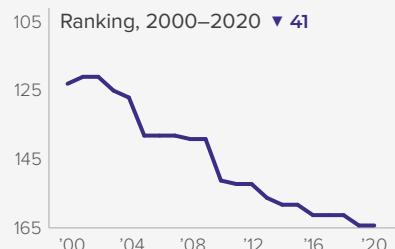
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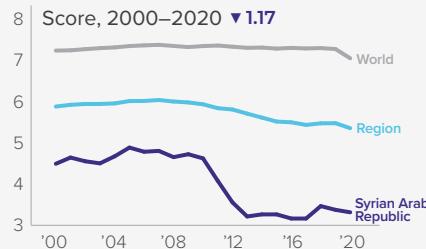
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Ranking, 2000–2020 ▼ 41



Score, 2000–2020 ▼ 1.17



PERSONAL FREEDOM

Ranking
165/165 Score
2.34

Rule of law

Procedural justice	-
Civil justice	-
Criminal justice	-
Rule of law (V-Dem)	2.5

Security and safety

Homicide	9.7
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	0.1

Movement

Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	3.7
Freedom of movement (CLD)	0.0

Religion

Freedom of religion	3.3
Religious organization repression	2.6

Association, assembly, civil society

Civil society entry and exit	0.7
Freedom of assembly	0.0
Freedom to form/run political parties	2.8
Civil society repression	1.5

Expression and information

Direct attacks on the press	0.0
Media and expression (V-Dem)	1.0
Media and expression (Freedom House)	0.0
Media and expression (BTI)	1.1
Media and expression (CLD)	0.0

Relationships

Same-sex relationships	0.0
Divorce	0.0
Inheritance rights	0.0
Female genital mutilation	10.0

ECONOMIC FREEDOM

Ranking
162/165 Score
4.63

Size of government

Government consumption	6.3
Transfers and subsidies	6.8
Government investment	9.0
Top marginal tax rate	3.9
State ownership of assets	7.0

Legal system and property rights

Judicial independence	3.3
Impartial courts	1.7
Protection of property rights	5.9
Military interference	3.3
Integrity of the legal system	5.4
Legal enforcement of contracts	3.2
Regulatory costs	4.1
Reliability of police	6.0

Sound money

Money growth	9.3
Standard deviation of inflation	5.9
Inflation: Most recent year	0.0
Freedom to own foreign currency	10.0

Freedom to trade internationally

Tariffs	5.2
Regulatory trade barriers	4.3
Black-market exchange rates	0.0
Movement of capital and people	0.3

Regulation

Credit market regulations	5.6
Labor market regulations	5.8
Business regulations	4.1

SYRIAN ARAB REPUBLIC

MIDDLE EAST & NORTH AFRICA

	2000	2002	2004	2006	2008	2010	2012	2014	2016	2018	2019	2020
Human freedom	4.47	4.53	4.65	4.76	4.63	4.60	3.54	3.25	3.15	3.45	3.36	3.30
Ranking	124	122	128	139	140	152	153	159	162	162	165	165
Economic freedom	4.88	5.00	5.12	5.34	5.41	5.65	4.67	4.88	4.61	5.02	4.80	4.63
Personal freedom	4.18	4.20	4.31	4.35	4.08	3.85	2.74	2.08	2.11	2.33	2.34	2.34
Rule of law	3.8	3.8	3.7	3.7	3.7	3.7	2.8	2.3	2.3	2.4	2.5	2.5
Procedural justice	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Civil justice	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Criminal justice	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Rule of law (V-Dem)	3.8	3.8	3.7	3.7	3.7	3.7	2.8	2.3	2.3	2.4	2.5	2.5
Security and safety	8.0	8.4	8.3	7.9	7.6	7.5	4.8	4.7	4.7	4.9	4.9	4.9
Homicide	9.4	9.4	9.3	9.3	9.2	9.4	9.4	9.4	9.4	9.7	9.7	9.7
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	6.7	7.5	7.3	6.5	6.1	5.6	0.2	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1
Movement	6.1	6.1	6.0	6.2	4.5	4.5	4.1	2.2	2.2	2.1	2.1	1.8
Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	5.6	5.6	5.3	5.7	5.7	5.7	4.9	4.4	4.4	4.2	4.2	3.7
Freedom of movement (CLD)	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	3.3	3.3	3.3	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Religion	3.9	3.9	3.9	3.9	3.8	3.8	2.1	1.2	1.5	2.7	2.8	3.0
Freedom of religion	5.4	5.4	5.4	5.4	5.4	5.4	3.4	1.4	1.4	3.0	3.4	3.3
Religious organization repression	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.3	2.1	0.8	1.1	1.6	2.4	2.3	2.6
Association, assembly, civil society	1.5	1.5	1.5	1.8	1.8	1.5	1.1	1.1	1.2	1.3	1.1	1.2
Civil society entry and exit	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	0.5	0.4	0.4	0.2	0.2	0.7
Freedom of assembly	0.4	0.4	0.4	1.5	1.5	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.0	0.0
Freedom to form/run political parties	2.1	2.1	2.1	2.1	2.0	2.0	2.5	2.7	2.8	2.9	2.7	2.8
Civil society repression	2.6	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.6	1.0	1.1	1.1	1.7	1.7	1.5
Expression and information	2.1	1.9	3.0	3.2	3.3	2.2	0.6	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.4
Direct attacks on the press	5.0	5.0	9.3	10.0	9.4	7.7	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Media and expression (V-Dem)	0.9	1.0	1.0	0.8	0.8	0.8	1.3	1.1	1.1	1.1	1.1	1.0
Media and expression (Freedom House)	4.8	3.3	1.5	1.9	1.9	1.5	0.4	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Media and expression (BTI)	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.1	1.1	1.1	1.1	1.1	1.1	1.1	1.1
Media and expression (CLD)	0.0	0.0	3.3	3.3	3.3	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Relationships	3.8	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5						
Same-sex relationships	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Divorce	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Inheritance rights	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Female genital mutilation	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0

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EAST ASIA

HUMAN FREEDOM

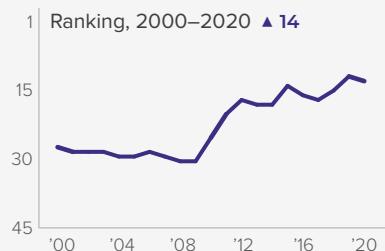
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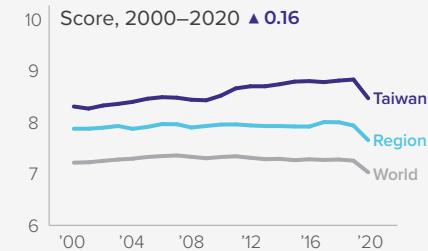
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Score, 2000–2020 ▲ 0.16



PERSONAL FREEDOM

Ranking
12/165

Score
8.98

Rule of law

Procedural justice	-
Civil justice	-
Criminal justice	-
Rule of law (V-Dem)	8.0

Security and safety

Homicide	9.6
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	9.5

Movement

Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	9.3
Freedom of movement (CLD)	6.7

Religion

Freedom of religion	9.9
Religious organization repression	9.9

Association, assembly, civil society

Civil society entry and exit	8.3
Freedom of assembly	10.0
Freedom to form/run political parties	9.8
Civil society repression	9.4

Expression and information

Direct attacks on the press	10.0
Media and expression (V-Dem)	7.8
Media and expression (Freedom House)	10.0
Media and expression (BTI)	8.9
Media and expression (CLD)	6.7

Relationships

Same-sex relationships	10.0
Divorce	10.0
Inheritance rights	7.5
Female genital mutilation	10.0

ECONOMIC FREEDOM

Ranking
24/165

Score
7.68

Size of government

Government consumption	5.2
Transfers and subsidies	9.2
Government investment	9.3
Top marginal tax rate	7.0
State ownership of assets	7.5

Legal system and property rights

Judicial independence	6.5
Impartial courts	6.4
Protection of property rights	7.6
Military interference	6.7
Integrity of the legal system	8.1
Legal enforcement of contracts	6.3
Regulatory costs	7.9
Reliability of police	7.8

Sound money

Money growth	9.3
Standard deviation of inflation	9.6
Inflation: Most recent year	9.5
Freedom to own foreign currency	10.0

Freedom to trade internationally

Tariffs	7.6
Regulatory trade barriers	7.7
Black-market exchange rates	10.0
Movement of capital and people	0.0

Regulation

Credit market regulations	7.8
Labor market regulations	6.9
Business regulations	8.4

TAIWAN

EAST ASIA

	2000	2002	2004	2006	2008	2010	2012	2014	2016	2018	2019	2020
Human freedom	8.28	8.30	8.37	8.46	8.41	8.49	8.67	8.71	8.77	8.78	8.80	8.44
Ranking	28	29	30	29	31	26	18	19	17	16	13	14
Economic freedom	7.37	7.42	7.58	7.48	7.41	7.55	7.54	7.75	7.94	8.05	8.10	7.68
Personal freedom	8.93	8.92	8.93	9.16	9.12	9.16	9.47	9.39	9.35	9.29	9.29	8.98
Rule of law	8.1	8.0	8.0	8.1	8.1	8.0						
Procedural justice	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Civil justice	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Criminal justice	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Rule of law (V-Dem)	8.1	8.1	8.1	8.1	8.1	8.1	8.1	8.0	8.0	8.1	8.1	8.0
Security and safety	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.4	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.5
Homicide	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.7	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.6
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.1	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5
Movement	8.2	8.2	8.2	9.9	8.0							
Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.7	9.3
Freedom of movement (CLD)	6.7	6.7	6.7	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	6.7
Religion	9.9	9.8	9.9	9.9	9.9							
Freedom of religion	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9
Religious organization repression	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.9	9.7	9.9	9.9	9.9
Association, assembly, civil society	8.9	8.9	8.9	8.8	8.8	8.9	9.2	9.0	9.3	9.3	9.4	9.4
Civil society entry and exit	8.0	8.0	8.0	8.0	8.1	8.2	8.2	8.3	8.3	8.3	8.3	8.3
Freedom of assembly	8.9	8.9	8.9	8.9	8.9	8.9	10.0	9.2	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Freedom to form/run political parties	9.2	9.2	9.2	9.2	9.4	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.8	9.8	9.8
Civil society repression	9.5	9.6	9.6	8.9	9.0	9.0	9.0	9.0	9.1	9.1	9.4	9.4
Expression and information	9.0	8.9	9.0	9.0	9.0	9.0	9.6	9.3	8.8	8.8	8.8	8.7
Direct attacks on the press	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Media and expression (V-Dem)	8.5	8.5	8.3	8.3	8.3	8.2	8.3	8.2	8.5	8.5	8.3	7.8
Media and expression (Freedom House)	10.0	9.4	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	9.8	9.6	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Media and expression (BTI)	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	8.9	8.9	8.9	8.9	8.9
Media and expression (CLD)	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	10.0	10.0	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7
Relationships	8.8	8.8	8.8	8.8	8.8	8.8	10.0	10.0	10.0	9.4	9.4	9.4
Same-sex relationships	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Divorce	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Inheritance rights	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	7.5	7.5	7.5
Female genital mutilation	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0

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CAUCASUS & CENTRAL ASIA

HUMAN FREEDOM

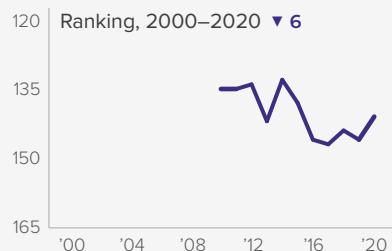
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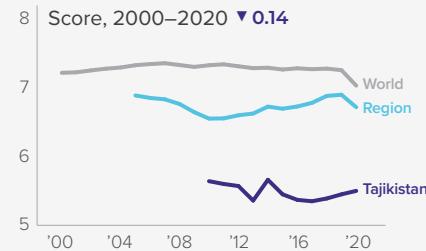
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Score, 2000–2020 ▼ 0.14



PERSONAL FREEDOM

Ranking
150/165

Score
4.70

Rule of law

Procedural justice	-
Civil justice	-
Criminal justice	-
Rule of law (V-Dem)	3.4

Security and safety

Homicide	9.7
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	5.3

Movement

Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	6.7
Freedom of movement (CLD)	6.7

Religion

Freedom of religion	2.8
Religious organization repression	1.9

Association, assembly, civil society

Civil society entry and exit	1.5
Freedom of assembly	0.4
Freedom to form/run political parties	5.0
Civil society repression	2.7

Expression and information

Direct attacks on the press	8.7
Media and expression (V-Dem)	2.0
Media and expression (Freedom House)	0.0
Media and expression (BTI)	1.1
Media and expression (CLD)	3.3

Relationships

Same-sex relationships	10.0
Divorce	2.5
Inheritance rights	7.5
Female genital mutilation	10.0

ECONOMIC FREEDOM

Ranking
95/165

Score
6.60

Size of government

Government consumption	8.3
Transfers and subsidies	9.1
Government investment	0.0
Top marginal tax rate	8.5
State ownership of assets	3.4

Legal system and property rights

Judicial independence	4.5
Impartial courts	3.9
Protection of property rights	4.8
Military interference	-
Integrity of the legal system	1.9
Legal enforcement of contracts	5.7
Regulatory costs	8.5
Reliability of police	6.0

Sound money

Money growth	8.8
Standard deviation of inflation	9.5
Inflation: Most recent year	8.3
Freedom to own foreign currency	10.0

Freedom to trade internationally

Tariffs	8.4
Regulatory trade barriers	4.9
Black-market exchange rates	10.0
Movement of capital and people	2.5

Regulation

Credit market regulations	8.5
Labor market regulations	5.8
Business regulations	6.1

TAJIKISTAN

CAUCASUS & CENTRAL ASIA

	2000	2002	2004	2006	2008	2010	2012	2014	2016	2018	2019	2020
Human freedom	-	-	-	-	-	5.63	5.56	5.65	5.36	5.38	5.44	5.49
Ranking	-	-	-	-	-	135	134	133	146	144	146	141
Economic freedom	-	-	-	-	-	6.01	6.13	6.21	6.13	6.25	6.54	6.60
Personal freedom	-	-	-	-	-	5.36	5.15	4.98	4.88	4.75	4.66	4.70
Rule of law	-	-	-	-	-	4.0	4.0	3.8	3.4	3.5	3.5	3.4
Procedural justice	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Civil justice	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Criminal justice	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Rule of law (V-Dem)	-	-	-	-	-	4.0	4.0	3.8	3.4	3.5	3.5	3.4
Security and safety	-	-	-	-	-	7.4	8.1	8.1	7.9	7.5	7.4	7.5
Homicide	-	-	-	-	-	9.3	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.7
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	-	-	-	-	-	5.5	6.7	6.7	6.3	5.4	5.3	5.3
Movement	-	-	-	-	-	7.0	7.0	7.0	6.5	6.6	6.2	6.7
Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	-	-	-	-	-	7.4	7.4	7.3	6.4	6.5	5.7	6.7
Freedom of movement (CLD)	-	-	-	-	-	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7
Religion	-	-	-	-	-	4.1	4.1	3.7	3.0	2.7	2.6	2.3
Freedom of religion	-	-	-	-	-	4.0	4.0	3.9	3.6	3.8	3.6	2.8
Religious organization repression	-	-	-	-	-	4.1	4.1	3.5	2.4	1.5	1.5	1.9
Association, assembly, civil society	-	-	-	-	-	4.1	3.9	3.6	2.4	2.2	2.2	2.4
Civil society entry and exit	-	-	-	-	-	3.6	3.3	3.0	1.5	1.6	1.6	1.5
Freedom of assembly	-	-	-	-	-	1.9	1.6	1.6	0.7	0.4	0.4	0.4
Freedom to form/run political parties	-	-	-	-	-	6.3	6.3	6.0	4.5	4.3	4.1	5.0
Civil society repression	-	-	-	-	-	4.8	4.4	3.7	2.7	2.7	2.7	2.7
Expression and information	-	-	-	-	-	4.0	4.0	3.7	3.5	3.2	3.2	3.0
Direct attacks on the press	-	-	-	-	-	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	8.7
Media and expression (V-Dem)	-	-	-	-	-	3.5	3.5	2.7	2.1	1.5	1.6	2.0
Media and expression (Freedom House)	-	-	-	-	-	1.0	0.9	0.5	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Media and expression (BTI)	-	-	-	-	-	2.2	2.2	2.2	2.2	1.1	1.1	1.1
Media and expression (CLD)	-	-	-	-	-	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3
Relationships	-	-	-	-	-	6.9	5.0	6.9	6.9	7.5	7.5	7.5
Same-sex relationships	-	-	-	-	-	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Divorce	-	-	-	-	-	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5
Inheritance rights	-	-	-	-	-	5.0	7.5	5.0	5.0	7.5	7.5	7.5
Female genital mutilation	-	-	-	-	-	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0

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TANZANIA

SUB-SAHARAN AFRICA

HUMAN FREEDOM

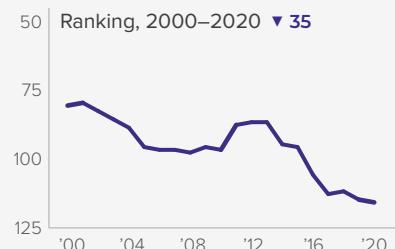
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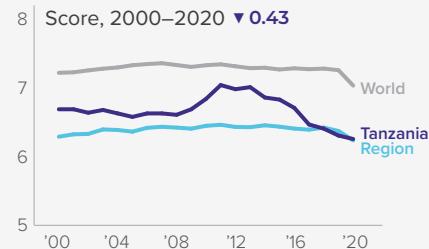
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PERSONAL FREEDOM

Ranking
115/165

Score
6.01

Rule of law

Procedural justice	3.9
Civil justice	2.9
Criminal justice	4.8
Rule of law (V-Dem)	3.8
	5.7

Security and safety

Homicide	8.0
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	8.1

Movement

Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	7.3
Freedom of movement (CLD)	8.0

Religion

Freedom of religion	7.9
Religious organization repression	8.8

Association, assembly, civil society

Civil society entry and exit	6.0
Freedom of assembly	4.8
Freedom to form/run political parties	4.5
Civil society repression	8.1

Expression and information

Direct attacks on the press	5.0
Media and expression (V-Dem)	9.8
Media and expression (Freedom House)	4.9
Media and expression (BTI)	2.5
Media and expression (CLD)	4.4

Relationships

Same-sex relationships	4.1
Divorce	5.0
Inheritance rights	2.5
Female genital mutilation	0.0

ECONOMIC FREEDOM

Ranking
99/165

Score
6.55

Size of government

Government consumption	6.0
Transfers and subsidies	8.1
Government investment	8.0
Top marginal tax rate	3.1
State ownership of assets	6.0

Legal system and property rights

Judicial independence	5.4
Impartial courts	5.6
Protection of property rights	4.5
Military interference	4.8
Integrity of the legal system	5.8
Legal enforcement of contracts	7.1
Regulatory costs	5.7
Reliability of police	7.0

Sound money

Money growth	8.3
Standard deviation of inflation	10.0
Inflation: Most recent year	9.0
Freedom to own foreign currency	9.3

Freedom to trade internationally

Tariffs	6.0
Regulatory trade barriers	6.8
Black-market exchange rates	2.9
Movement of capital and people	10.0

Regulation

Credit market regulations	7.0
Labor market regulations	8.4
Business regulations	6.6

TANZANIA

SUB-SAHARAN AFRICA

	2000	2002	2004	2006	2008	2010	2012	2014	2016	2018	2019	2020
Human freedom	6.67	6.62	6.61	6.61	6.59	6.82	6.96	6.84	6.69	6.39	6.29	6.24
Ranking	81	83	89	97	98	97	87	95	106	112	115	116
Economic freedom	6.33	6.19	6.18	6.34	6.24	6.66	6.59	6.70	6.69	6.65	6.58	6.55
Personal freedom	6.92	6.92	6.92	6.80	6.83	6.93	7.23	6.95	6.70	6.21	6.08	6.01
Rule of law	4.6	4.6	4.6	4.6	4.6	4.7	4.5	4.2	4.2	3.9	3.9	3.9
Procedural justice	-	-	-	-	4.3	4.3	4.2	3.7	3.7	2.9	2.9	2.9
Civil justice	-	-	-	-	4.8	4.8	4.8	5.0	5.0	5.0	4.8	4.8
Criminal justice	-	-	-	-	4.9	4.9	4.6	4.1	3.9	3.8	3.8	3.8
Rule of law (V-Dem)	6.1	6.1	6.1	6.1	6.1	6.2	6.2	6.0	6.0	5.9	5.8	5.7
Security and safety	8.5	8.4	8.4	8.4	8.2	8.2	7.9	8.3	8.4	8.0	8.0	8.0
Homicide	7.8	7.8	7.8	7.8	7.5	7.5	7.6	7.8	8.1	8.1	8.1	8.1
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	9.1	8.9	9.1	9.1	8.9	8.9	8.2	8.8	8.7	7.9	7.9	7.8
Movement	8.0	8.0	8.0	8.0	7.9	7.9	9.6	9.5	9.5	7.6	7.4	7.3
Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	9.2	9.2	9.2	9.2	9.2	9.2	9.2	9.0	8.9	8.5	8.2	8.0
Freedom of movement (CLD)	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	10.0	10.0	10.0	6.7	6.7	6.7
Religion	8.6	8.6	8.6	8.1	8.2	9.0	8.9	8.4	8.3	8.1	8.1	7.9
Freedom of religion	8.0	8.0	8.0	8.0	7.9	9.5	9.5	9.3	9.1	8.6	8.6	8.8
Religious organization repression	9.3	9.3	9.3	8.2	8.4	8.4	8.2	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.0
Association, assembly, civil society	7.7	7.7	7.7	7.4	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.4	6.7	6.4	6.0	6.0
Civil society entry and exit	7.5	7.5	7.5	6.9	7.0	7.0	7.0	7.0	5.4	4.8	4.8	4.8
Freedom of assembly	6.1	6.1	6.1	6.1	5.7	5.7	5.7	5.7	5.7	5.7	4.5	4.5
Freedom to form/run political parties	8.8	8.8	8.8	8.8	9.0	9.0	9.0	8.9	8.8	8.6	8.3	8.1
Civil society repression	8.3	8.3	8.3	7.6	8.2	8.2	8.2	7.8	6.7	6.5	6.2	6.3
Expression and information	7.1	7.2	7.1	7.1	7.4	7.2	7.0	6.8	5.8	5.4	5.1	5.0
Direct attacks on the press	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	9.7	9.4	9.4	10.0	9.8	9.8
Media and expression (V-Dem)	6.8	6.8	6.8	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.6	6.7	5.8	5.7	5.5	4.9
Media and expression (Freedom House)	6.6	7.0	6.6	6.6	6.8	7.3	6.6	5.9	5.0	2.5	2.5	2.5
Media and expression (BTI)	5.6	5.6	5.6	5.6	6.7	5.6	5.6	5.6	5.6	5.6	4.4	4.4
Media and expression (CLD)	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3
Relationships	4.0	4.0	4.0	4.0	4.0	4.0	5.2	4.0	4.0	4.1	4.1	4.1
Same-sex relationships	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	10.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0
Divorce	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5
Inheritance rights	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Female genital mutilation	8.5	8.5	8.5	8.5	8.5	8.5	8.5	8.5	8.5	9.0	9.0	9.0

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THAILAND

SOUTH ASIA

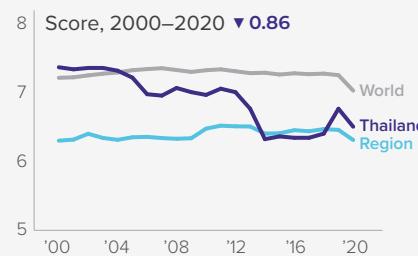
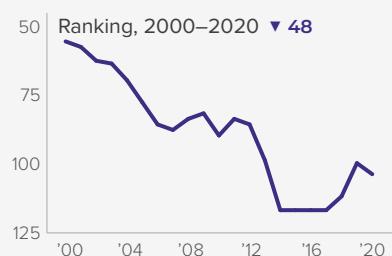
HUMAN FREEDOM

Ranking

104

Score

6.49



PERSONAL FREEDOM

Ranking
107/165

Score
6.28

Rule of law

Procedural justice	4.1
Civil justice	4.0
Criminal justice	4.8
Rule of law (V-Dem)	4.3

Rule of law (V-Dem)	4.2
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Security and safety

Homicide	7.6
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	9.2

Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	5.9
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Movement

Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	6.7
Freedom of movement (CLD)	6.7

Religion

Freedom of religion	8.0
Religious organization repression	7.7

Association, assembly, civil society

Civil society entry and exit	4.1
Freedom of assembly	4.6
Freedom to form/run political parties	2.3
Civil society repression	7.1

Civil society repression	2.3
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Expression and information

Direct attacks on the press	4.2
Media and expression (V-Dem)	9.5
Media and expression (Freedom House)	4.4
Media and expression (BTI)	2.5
Media and expression (CLD)	1.1

Media and expression (CLD)	3.3
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Relationships

Same-sex relationships	9.4
Divorce	10.0
Inheritance rights	7.5
Female genital mutilation	10.0

ECONOMIC FREEDOM

Ranking
86/165

Score
6.78

Size of government

Government consumption	6.9
Transfers and subsidies	4.4
Government investment	8.9
Top marginal tax rate	6.3
State ownership of assets	8.0

Legal system and property rights

Judicial independence	5.0
Impartial courts	5.4
Protection of property rights	5.0
Military interference	5.5
Integrity of the legal system	3.3
Legal enforcement of contracts	4.5
Regulatory costs	5.3
Reliability of police	7.5

Sound money

Money growth	9.8
Standard deviation of inflation	9.8
Inflation: Most recent year	9.5
Freedom to own foreign currency	10.0

Freedom to trade internationally

Tariffs	6.5
Regulatory trade barriers	7.1
Black-market exchange rates	6.8
Movement of capital and people	10.0

Regulation

Credit market regulations	5.8
Labor market regulations	6.0
Business regulations	4.7

THAILAND

SOUTH ASIA

	2000	2002	2004	2006	2008	2010	2012	2014	2016	2018	2019	2020
Human freedom	7.35	7.34	7.30	6.96	7.05	6.95	6.99	6.31	6.33	6.39	6.75	6.49
Ranking	56	63	70	86	84	90	86	117	117	112	100	104
Economic freedom	6.48	6.60	6.71	6.74	6.75	6.58	6.55	6.54	6.81	6.86	6.91	6.78
Personal freedom	7.96	7.87	7.73	7.12	7.27	7.20	7.31	6.14	5.99	6.06	6.64	6.28
Rule of law	5.8	5.7	5.5	5.4	5.5	5.5	4.7	4.3	4.3	4.4	4.3	4.1
Procedural justice	-	-	-	-	6.4	6.4	5.2	3.3	3.5	4.0	4.0	4.0
Civil justice	-	-	-	-	4.3	4.3	3.9	5.3	5.3	4.8	4.8	4.8
Criminal justice	-	-	-	-	5.9	5.9	5.1	4.5	4.0	4.3	4.3	4.3
Rule of law (V-Dem)	5.9	5.8	5.7	5.6	5.7	5.7	5.8	4.5	4.4	4.5	4.5	4.2
Security and safety	8.2	8.1	7.4	6.2	6.7	7.0	6.7	6.8	8.1	7.5	7.5	7.6
Homicide	7.6	7.9	8.1	7.9	8.3	8.4	8.6	8.9	9.1	9.2	9.2	9.2
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	8.8	8.3	6.7	4.5	5.1	5.7	4.8	4.6	7.2	5.8	5.8	5.9
Movement	8.2	8.2	8.2	8.1	8.2	8.2	8.2	7.7	7.8	7.5	7.6	6.7
Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.5	9.7	9.7	9.7	8.8	8.8	8.4	8.6	6.7
Freedom of movement (CLD)	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7
Religion	8.5	8.5	8.5	8.3	8.4	8.4	8.6	8.4	7.7	7.6	8.3	8.0
Freedom of religion	7.8	7.8	7.9	7.9	7.9	7.9	7.9	7.7	7.7	7.6	7.6	7.7
Religious organization repression	9.2	9.2	9.2	8.8	9.0	9.0	9.2	9.1	7.6	7.6	9.0	8.4
Association, assembly, civil society	8.1	7.8	7.6	6.2	6.6	6.2	7.3	3.5	3.0	2.8	5.3	4.1
Civil society entry and exit	8.0	7.7	7.7	7.6	7.3	6.9	7.6	2.7	4.0	3.6	5.2	4.6
Freedom of assembly	6.1	6.1	6.1	5.0	4.6	5.0	5.4	3.8	2.3	2.3	3.1	2.3
Freedom to form/run political parties	9.6	9.3	9.3	7.6	8.1	8.4	9.1	5.2	3.0	3.6	8.0	7.1
Civil society repression	8.7	8.0	7.2	4.4	6.2	4.6	7.2	2.4	2.8	1.8	4.7	2.3
Expression and information	7.7	7.4	7.5	6.3	6.1	5.7	6.3	4.1	3.0	3.1	4.0	4.2
Direct attacks on the press	9.8	9.3	9.5	10.0	9.3	8.9	8.1	8.2	8.5	8.8	9.1	9.5
Media and expression (V-Dem)	6.3	5.7	5.7	4.5	4.7	4.7	4.9	2.6	2.6	3.3	4.2	4.4
Media and expression (Freedom House)	10.0	10.0	10.0	7.9	8.6	7.2	7.6	3.2	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5
Media and expression (BTI)	5.6	5.6	5.6	5.6	4.4	4.4	4.4	3.3	1.1	1.1	1.1	1.1
Media and expression (CLD)	6.7	6.7	6.7	3.3	3.3	3.3	6.7	3.3	0.0	0.0	3.3	3.3
Relationships	9.4	8.1	8.1	9.4	9.4	9.4						
Same-sex relationships	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Divorce	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5
Inheritance rights	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	5.0	5.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Female genital mutilation	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0

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TIMOR-LESTE

SOUTH ASIA

HUMAN FREEDOM

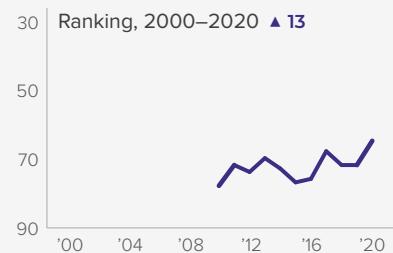
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65

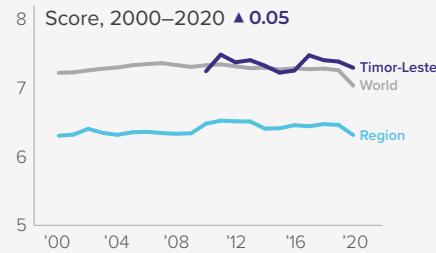
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7.27

Ranking, 2000–2020 ▲ 13



Score, 2000–2020 ▲ 0.05



PERSONAL FREEDOM

Ranking
40/165

Score
8.21

Rule of law

Procedural justice	-
Civil justice	-
Criminal justice	-
Rule of law (V-Dem)	6.0

Security and safety

Homicide	8.8
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	9.2

Movement

Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	7.5
Freedom of movement (CLD)	6.7

Religion

Freedom of religion	9.3
Religious organization repression	9.7

Association, assembly, civil society

Civil society entry and exit	7.6
Freedom of assembly	8.8
Freedom to form/run political parties	9.0
Civil society repression	9.4

Expression and information

Direct attacks on the press	10.0
Media and expression (V-Dem)	6.5
Media and expression (Freedom House)	7.5
Media and expression (BTI)	7.8
Media and expression (CLD)	10.0

Relationships

Same-sex relationships	10.0
Divorce	7.5
Inheritance rights	7.5
Female genital mutilation	10.0

ECONOMIC FREEDOM

Ranking
136/165

Score
5.94

Size of government

Government consumption	0.0
Transfers and subsidies	7.7
Government investment	0.0
Top marginal tax rate	10.0
State ownership of assets	4.5

Legal system and property rights

Judicial independence	5.9
Impartial courts	4.5
Protection of property rights	3.0
Military interference	-
Integrity of the legal system	6.0
Legal enforcement of contracts	0.0
Regulatory costs	-
Reliability of police	1.4

Sound money

Money growth	9.6
Standard deviation of inflation	3.8
Inflation: Most recent year	9.9
Freedom to own foreign currency	10.0

Freedom to trade internationally

Tariffs	9.6
Regulatory trade barriers	5.2
Black-market exchange rates	10.0
Movement of capital and people	4.2

Regulation

Credit market regulations	5.0
Labor market regulations	6.5
Business regulations	7.1

TIMOR-LESTE

SOUTH ASIA

	2000	2002	2004	2006	2008	2010	2012	2014	2016	2018	2019	2020
Human freedom	-	-	-	-	-	7.22	7.35	7.30	7.23	7.38	7.36	7.27
Ranking	-	-	-	-	-	78	74	73	76	72	72	65
Economic freedom	-	-	-	-	-	5.56	6.44	6.42	6.48	6.00	5.92	5.94
Personal freedom	-	-	-	-	-	8.16	8.00	7.92	7.76	8.37	8.39	8.21
Rule of law	-	-	-	-	-	6.7	6.7	6.4	6.5	6.2	6.4	6.0
Procedural justice	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Civil justice	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Criminal justice	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Rule of law (V-Dem)	-	-	-	-	-	6.7	6.7	6.4	6.5	6.2	6.4	6.0
Security and safety	-	-	-	-	-	9.2	8.8	9.0	7.4	9.0	9.0	9.0
Homicide	-	-	-	-	-	9.0	9.0	8.9	8.8	8.8	8.8	8.8
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	-	-	-	-	-	9.4	8.7	9.2	5.9	9.2	9.2	9.2
Movement	-	-	-	-	-	8.1	8.1	8.0	7.9	7.9	7.9	7.1
Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	-	-	-	-	-	9.4	9.4	9.3	9.2	9.2	9.2	7.5
Freedom of movement (CLD)	-	-	-	-	-	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7
Religion	-	-	-	-	-	9.8	9.0	9.0	8.9	9.5	9.5	9.5
Freedom of religion	-	-	-	-	-	9.7	8.0	8.0	8.0	9.3	9.3	9.3
Religious organization repression	-	-	-	-	-	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7
Association, assembly, civil society	-	-	-	-	-	8.1	8.1	7.7	7.6	8.6	8.7	8.7
Civil society entry and exit	-	-	-	-	-	7.6	7.6	7.3	6.7	7.7	7.7	7.6
Freedom of assembly	-	-	-	-	-	5.8	5.8	5.4	7.1	8.8	8.8	8.8
Freedom to form/run political parties	-	-	-	-	-	9.3	9.3	9.2	9.1	9.0	9.0	9.0
Civil society repression	-	-	-	-	-	9.6	9.6	8.9	7.7	8.8	9.5	9.4
Expression and information	-	-	-	-	-	7.2	7.2	7.2	7.9	8.6	8.5	8.4
Direct attacks on the press	-	-	-	-	-	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Media and expression (V-Dem)	-	-	-	-	-	7.3	7.3	7.1	6.5	7.0	7.0	6.5
Media and expression (Freedom House)	-	-	-	-	-	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	7.5	7.5	7.5
Media and expression (BTI)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	7.8	7.8
Media and expression (CLD)	-	-	-	-	-	6.7	6.7	6.7	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Relationships	-	-	-	-	-	8.1	8.1	8.1	8.1	8.8	8.8	8.8
Same-sex relationships	-	-	-	-	-	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Divorce	-	-	-	-	-	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5
Inheritance rights	-	-	-	-	-	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	7.5	7.5	7.5
Female genital mutilation	-	-	-	-	-	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0

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TOGO

SUB-SAHARAN AFRICA

HUMAN FREEDOM

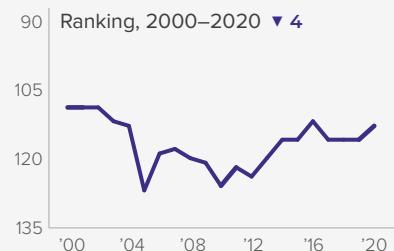
Ranking

113

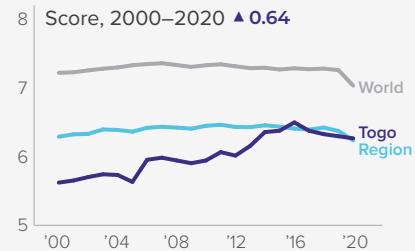
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Score, 2000–2020 ▲ 0.64



PERSONAL FREEDOM

Ranking
106/165

Score
6.29

Rule of law

Procedural justice	4.3
Civil justice	3.2
Criminal justice	4.9
Rule of law (V-Dem)	3.6

Rule of law (V-Dem)	5.9
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Security and safety

Homicide	7.9
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	7.4

Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	8.4
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Movement

Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	6.1
Freedom of movement (CLD)	8.8

Freedom of movement (CLD)	3.3
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Religion

Freedom of religion	8.0
Religious organization repression	7.7

Religious organization repression	8.3
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Association, assembly, civil society

Civil society entry and exit	5.8
Freedom of assembly	6.1

Freedom of assembly	3.1
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Freedom to form/run political parties	8.2
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Civil society repression	5.8
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Expression and information

Direct attacks on the press	6.4
Media and expression (V-Dem)	10.0

Media and expression (V-Dem)	6.0
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Media and expression (Freedom House)	5.0
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Media and expression (BTI)	4.4
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Media and expression (CLD)	6.7
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Relationships

Same-sex relationships	5.5
Divorce	5.0

Divorce	0.0
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Inheritance rights	7.5
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Female genital mutilation	9.7
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ECONOMIC FREEDOM

Ranking
121/165

Score
6.19

Size of government

Government consumption	6.8
Transfers and subsidies	7.0
Government investment	9.8
Top marginal tax rate	3.3
State ownership of assets	7.0

State ownership of assets	6.8
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Legal system and property rights

Judicial independence	5.1
Impartial courts	4.7
Protection of property rights	3.2
Military interference	6.5
Integrity of the legal system	4.2
Legal enforcement of contracts	4.4
Regulatory costs	3.9
Reliability of police	-

Reliability of police	-
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Sound money

Money growth	7.2
Standard deviation of inflation	9.5
Inflation: Most recent year	9.6
Freedom to own foreign currency	9.6
Freedom to own foreign currency	0.0

Freedom to own foreign currency	0.0
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Freedom to trade internationally

Tariffs	5.5
Regulatory trade barriers	7.1
Black-market exchange rates	4.1
Movement of capital and people	10.0
Movement of capital and people	0.8

Movement of capital and people	0.8
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Regulation

Credit market regulations	6.4
Labor market regulations	8.3
Business regulations	4.5
Business regulations	6.4

Business regulations	6.4
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TOGO

SUB-SAHARAN AFRICA

	2000	2002	2004	2006	2008	2010	2012	2014	2016	2018	2019	2020
Human freedom	5.61	5.69	5.72	5.94	5.93	5.93	6.00	6.34	6.48	6.31	6.28	6.25
Ranking	109	109	113	119	120	126	124	116	112	116	116	113
Economic freedom	5.67	5.89	5.85	6.00	5.69	5.49	5.34	5.86	5.93	6.07	6.07	6.19
Personal freedom	5.56	5.54	5.62	5.89	6.10	6.25	6.47	6.68	6.87	6.48	6.43	6.29
Rule of law	3.6	3.6	3.6	3.8	3.8	4.0	4.1	4.0	4.1	3.9	3.9	4.3
Procedural justice	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3.3	3.2	3.2
Civil justice	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4.8	4.9	4.9
Criminal justice	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3.6	3.6	3.6
Rule of law (V-Dem)	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.3	5.4	5.7	5.7	5.6	5.7	5.4	5.3	5.9
Security and safety	7.1	7.1	7.1	6.8	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.6	7.6	7.4	7.4	7.9
Homicide	6.9	6.9	6.9	6.9	7.2	7.2	7.2	7.4	7.4	7.4	7.4	7.4
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	7.3	7.3	7.3	6.8	7.7	7.7	7.7	7.8	7.8	7.5	7.5	8.4
Movement	7.7	7.7	7.7	7.8	7.8	7.9	7.9	7.9	7.9	7.6	7.7	6.1
Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	8.7	8.7	8.7	8.9	8.9	9.2	9.2	9.1	9.2	8.6	8.8	8.8
Freedom of movement (CLD)	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	3.3
Religion	8.8	8.8	8.8	9.4	9.4	9.4	9.4	8.7	9.5	7.8	7.8	8.0
Freedom of religion	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.6	8.1	9.8	8.0	8.0	7.7
Religious organization repression	8.1	8.1	8.1	9.3	9.2	9.2	9.2	9.2	9.2	7.7	7.7	8.3
Association, assembly, civil society	5.7	5.7	5.7	6.6	6.8	7.1	7.1	7.3	7.4	6.6	6.1	5.8
Civil society entry and exit	4.5	4.5	4.5	7.4	7.6	7.6	7.6	7.4	7.2	5.8	5.8	6.1
Freedom of assembly	3.1	3.1	3.1	3.1	3.4	3.8	3.8	4.9	5.7	4.9	3.1	3.1
Freedom to form/run political parties	8.5	8.5	8.5	8.5	8.5	8.2	8.3	8.3	8.3	8.3	8.1	8.2
Civil society repression	6.9	6.9	6.9	7.4	7.7	8.6	8.8	8.7	8.5	7.4	7.6	5.8
Expression and information	3.8	3.6	4.2	4.6	5.2	5.6	5.7	6.4	6.6	6.4	6.4	6.4
Direct attacks on the press	5.0	5.0	7.6	7.6	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Media and expression (V-Dem)	4.5	4.5	4.5	6.4	6.5	6.9	6.9	6.8	7.0	6.0	6.0	6.0
Media and expression (Freedom House)	2.8	2.0	2.2	2.0	2.6	2.4	2.8	4.1	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0
Media and expression (BTI)	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	5.6	5.6	4.4	4.4	4.4	4.4	4.4
Media and expression (CLD)	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7
Relationships	2.2	2.2	2.2	2.2	2.2	2.2	3.6	4.9	4.9	5.5	5.5	5.5
Same-sex relationships	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0
Divorce	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Inheritance rights	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	7.5	7.5	7.5
Female genital mutilation	8.8	8.8	8.8	8.8	8.8	8.8	9.4	9.6	9.6	9.7	9.7	9.7

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TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO

LATIN AMERICA & THE CARIBBEAN

HUMAN FREEDOM

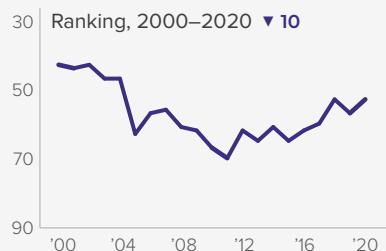
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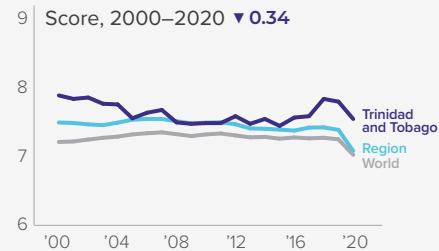
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PERSONAL FREEDOM

Ranking
50/165

Score
7.90

Rule of law

Procedural justice	4.4
Civil justice	4.4
Criminal justice	5.8
Rule of law (V-Dem)	3.2
	7.1

Security and safety

Homicide	0.0
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	9.3

Movement

Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	7.9
Freedom of movement (CLD)	9.1

Religion

Freedom of religion	9.8
Religious organization repression	9.7

Association, assembly, civil society

Civil society entry and exit	9.3
Freedom of assembly	8.6
Freedom to form/run political parties	9.6
Civil society repression	9.5

Expression and information

Direct attacks on the press	9.4
Media and expression (V-Dem)	10.0
Media and expression (Freedom House)	8.0
Media and expression (BTI)	10.0
Media and expression (CLD)	8.9
	10.0

Relationships

Same-sex relationships	10.0
Divorce	10.0
Inheritance rights	10.0
Female genital mutilation	10.0

ECONOMIC FREEDOM

Ranking
72/165

Score
7.01

Size of government

Government consumption	6.9
Transfers and subsidies	6.0
Government investment	7.3
Top marginal tax rate	-
State ownership of assets	7.5

Legal system and property rights

Judicial independence	5.3
Impartial courts	6.6
Protection of property rights	5.2
Military interference	5.5
Integrity of the legal system	8.3
Legal enforcement of contracts	5.5
Regulatory costs	3.0
Reliability of police	6.2

Sound money

Money growth	9.5
Standard deviation of inflation	9.4
Inflation: Most recent year	8.8
Freedom to own foreign currency	9.9
	10.0

Freedom to trade internationally

Tariffs	6.6
Regulatory trade barriers	7.5
Black-market exchange rates	6.1
Movement of capital and people	7.9

Regulation

Credit market regulations	6.7
Labor market regulations	6.0
Business regulations	7.5

TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO

LATIN AMERICA & THE CARIBBEAN

	2000	2002	2004	2006	2008	2010	2012	2014	2016	2018	2019	2020
Human freedom	7.87	7.84	7.74	7.62	7.48	7.47	7.57	7.53	7.55	7.82	7.78	7.53
Ranking	43	43	47	57	61	67	62	61	62	53	57	53
Economic freedom	7.34	7.31	7.28	7.30	7.24	7.06	7.05	7.13	7.19	7.26	7.22	7.01
Personal freedom	8.26	8.22	8.08	7.85	7.65	7.76	7.94	7.81	7.80	8.22	8.18	7.90
Rule of law	5.0	4.7	4.5	4.5	4.4							
Procedural justice	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4.9	4.4	4.4	4.4	4.4
Civil justice	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6.1	5.9	5.8	5.8	5.8
Criminal justice	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4.0	3.9	3.2	3.2	3.2
Rule of law (V-Dem)	7.1	7.1	7.1	7.2	7.2	7.1	7.1	7.2	7.3	7.2	7.2	7.1
Security and safety	8.4	7.9	6.9	5.7	4.7	4.7	5.6	5.3	5.3	4.7	4.7	4.6
Homicide	7.2	6.1	4.1	1.7	0.0	0.0	1.8	1.1	1.1	0.0	0.0	0.0
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.3	9.4	9.4	9.4	9.4	9.4	9.4	9.3
Movement	9.6	7.9										
Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	9.3	9.3	9.3	9.3	9.3	9.3	9.3	9.3	9.3	9.3	9.3	9.1
Freedom of movement (CLD)	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	6.7
Religion	9.8											
Freedom of religion	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.7
Religious organization repression	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9
Association, assembly, civil society	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.1	9.6	9.5	9.5	9.3	9.4	9.4	9.3	9.3
Civil society entry and exit	9.3	9.3	9.3	9.3	9.3	9.3	9.3	8.7	8.7	8.7	8.7	8.6
Freedom of assembly	10.0	10.0	10.0	8.3	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	9.6	9.6
Freedom to form/run political parties	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.5	9.5	9.3	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5
Civil society repression	9.2	9.2	9.2	9.2	9.3	9.3	9.3	9.3	9.3	9.3	9.3	9.2
Expression and information	9.2	9.5	9.5	9.5	8.6	9.5	8.6	9.4	9.5	9.5	9.4	9.4
Direct attacks on the press	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Media and expression (V-Dem)	7.9	7.9	7.9	7.9	7.9	7.9	7.9	7.9	8.0	8.0	8.0	8.0
Media and expression (Freedom House)	8.8	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	9.8	9.8	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Media and expression (BTI)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	8.9	8.9
Media and expression (CLD)	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	6.7	10.0	6.7	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Relationships	6.2	6.2	6.2	6.2	6.2	6.2	7.5	6.2	6.2	10.0	10.0	10.0
Same-sex relationships	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Divorce	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Inheritance rights	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	10.0	5.0	5.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Female genital mutilation	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0

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TUNISIA

MIDDLE EAST & NORTH AFRICA

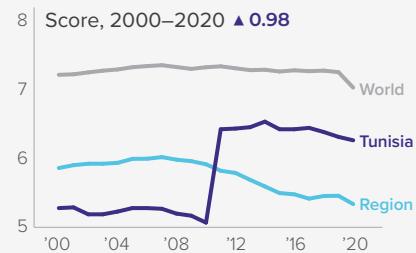
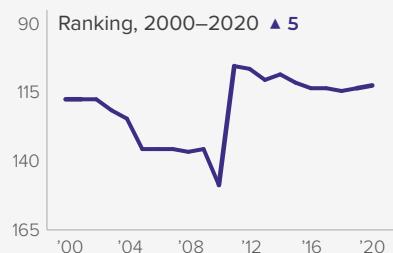
HUMAN FREEDOM

Ranking

113

Score

6.25



PERSONAL FREEDOM

Ranking
103/165

Score
6.36

Rule of law

Procedural justice	4.7
Civil justice	4.8
Criminal justice	5.0
Rule of law (V-Dem)	4.2
	6.6

Security and safety

Homicide	8.4
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	8.6

Movement

Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	6.3
Freedom of movement (CLD)	9.2

Religion

Freedom of religion	7.0
Religious organization repression	6.9

Association, assembly, civil society

Civil society entry and exit	8.3
Freedom of assembly	7.9
Freedom to form/run political parties	6.9
Civil society repression	9.5

Expression and information

Direct attacks on the press	6.8
Media and expression (V-Dem)	8.9
Media and expression (Freedom House)	7.7
Media and expression (BTI)	5.0
Media and expression (CLD)	5.6

Relationships

Same-sex relationships	3.1
Divorce	0.0
Inheritance rights	2.5
Female genital mutilation	0.0

ECONOMIC FREEDOM

Ranking
128/165

Score
6.09

Size of government

Government consumption	5.2
Transfers and subsidies	5.3
Government investment	6.4
Top marginal tax rate	4.7
State ownership of assets	3.5

Legal system and property rights

Judicial independence	5.1
Impartial courts	5.6
Protection of property rights	4.7
Military interference	5.6
Integrity of the legal system	5.8
Legal enforcement of contracts	7.9
Regulatory costs	4.9
Reliability of police	7.3

Sound money

Money growth	8.0
Standard deviation of inflation	8.5
Inflation: Most recent year	9.6
Freedom to own foreign currency	8.9

Freedom to trade internationally

Tariffs	5.7
Regulatory trade barriers	7.3
Black-market exchange rates	6.6
Movement of capital and people	8.1

Regulation

Credit market regulations	6.5
Labor market regulations	6.8
Business regulations	5.6

TUNISIA

MIDDLE EAST & NORTH AFRICA

	2000	2002	2004	2006	2008	2010	2012	2014	2016	2018	2019	2020
Human freedom	5.27	5.18	5.22	5.27	5.19	5.06	6.42	6.52	6.41	6.37	6.30	6.25
Ranking	118	118	125	136	137	149	107	109	114	115	114	113
Economic freedom	6.42	6.22	6.33	6.48	6.44	6.25	6.27	6.41	6.20	6.09	5.94	6.09
Personal freedom	4.45	4.44	4.43	4.41	4.30	4.22	6.53	6.59	6.57	6.57	6.56	6.36
Rule of law	3.9	3.9	3.9	3.9	3.9	3.9	4.8	4.7	4.8	4.7	4.7	4.7
Procedural justice	-	-	-	-	4.9	4.9	4.6	4.5	5.1	4.9	4.8	4.8
Civil justice	-	-	-	-	5.6	5.6	5.4	4.9	4.9	5.0	5.0	5.0
Criminal justice	-	-	-	-	5.2	5.2	4.5	4.6	4.3	4.2	4.2	4.2
Rule of law (V-Dem)	4.8	4.8	4.8	4.8	4.8	4.8	6.4	6.2	6.4	6.6	6.6	6.6
Security and safety	8.5	8.6	8.6	8.5	8.5	8.1	8.5	7.8	7.7	8.4	8.3	8.4
Homicide	9.4	9.4	9.4	9.3	9.2	9.2	9.1	9.1	9.1	9.1	8.6	8.6
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	7.6	7.7	7.7	7.7	7.7	7.0	7.9	6.5	6.2	7.7	8.0	8.1
Movement	4.9	4.9	4.9	4.9	5.0	5.0	8.0	7.9	7.9	7.9	7.9	6.3
Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	6.5	6.5	6.5	6.5	6.6	6.7	9.4	9.1	9.2	9.1	9.2	9.2
Freedom of movement (CLD)	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	3.3
Religion	3.1	3.1	3.1	3.1	3.1	3.0	7.3	6.9	6.9	6.9	6.9	7.0
Freedom of religion	5.2	5.2	5.2	5.2	5.2	5.3	7.0	7.0	6.9	6.9	6.9	6.9
Religious organization repression	1.1	1.1	1.1	1.1	0.9	0.7	7.6	6.8	6.9	6.9	6.9	7.1
Association, assembly, civil society	3.5	3.5	3.5	3.5	3.5	3.0	8.0	8.7	8.4	8.2	8.2	8.3
Civil society entry and exit	1.8	1.8	1.8	1.8	1.7	1.2	8.4	8.4	8.0	8.0	8.0	7.9
Freedom of assembly	4.4	4.4	4.4	4.4	4.4	3.2	5.8	7.8	6.9	6.1	6.1	6.9
Freedom to form/run political parties	5.0	5.1	5.0	5.2	5.2	5.2	9.5	9.6	9.5	9.6	9.6	9.5
Civil society repression	2.8	2.8	2.8	2.8	2.6	2.4	8.2	9.1	9.0	9.0	9.0	9.1
Expression and information	2.8	2.6	2.6	2.4	1.9	2.1	6.0	7.1	7.2	6.8	6.8	6.8
Direct attacks on the press	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.2	5.3	5.1	7.5	8.9	8.9	8.9	8.9
Media and expression (V-Dem)	2.1	2.2	2.2	2.2	2.2	2.6	8.2	7.5	7.4	7.7	7.7	7.7
Media and expression (Freedom House)	3.7	2.7	2.4	1.7	1.9	1.4	7.5	8.5	7.5	5.0	5.0	5.0
Media and expression (BTI)	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.1	2.2	5.6	5.6	5.6	5.6	5.6
Media and expression (CLD)	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	0.0	0.0	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7
Relationships	4.4	4.4	4.4	4.4	4.4	4.4	3.1	3.1	3.1	3.1	3.1	3.1
Same-sex relationships	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Divorce	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5
Inheritance rights	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Female genital mutilation	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0

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TURKEY

MIDDLE EAST & NORTH AFRICA

HUMAN FREEDOM

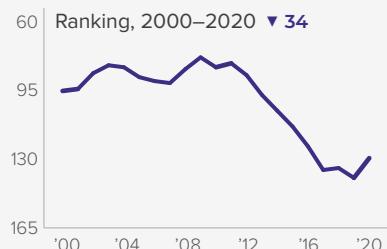
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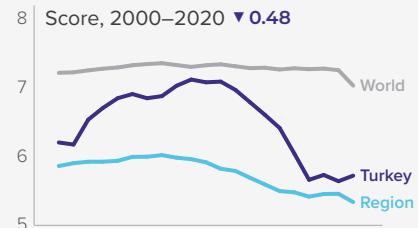
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Score, 2000–2020 ▼ 0.48



PERSONAL FREEDOM

Ranking
137/165

Score
5.15

Rule of law

Procedural justice	3.8
Civil justice	3.2
Criminal justice	4.3
Rule of law (V-Dem)	3.6
	3.9

Security and safety

Homicide	7.5
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	9.3

Movement

Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	4.7
Freedom of movement (CLD)	6.1

Religion

Freedom of religion	4.2
Religious organization repression	4.0

Association, assembly, civil society

Civil society entry and exit	4.1
Freedom of assembly	2.7
Freedom of association	3.1
Freedom to form/run political parties	8.5

Civil society repression	2.2
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Expression and information

Direct attacks on the press	3.0
Media and expression (V-Dem)	4.4
Media and expression (Freedom House)	2.6
Media and expression (BTI)	2.5
Media and expression (CLD)	2.2
	3.3

Relationships

Same-sex relationships	8.8
Divorce	10.0
Inheritance rights	7.5
Female genital mutilation	7.5
	10.0

ECONOMIC FREEDOM

Ranking
112/165

Score
6.48

Size of government

Government consumption	6.5
Transfers and subsidies	5.6
Government investment	6.0
Top marginal tax rate	10.0
State ownership of assets	5.0
	6.0

Legal system and property rights

Judicial independence	4.8
Impartial courts	3.7
Protection of property rights	4.0
Military interference	5.4
Integrity of the legal system	3.3
Legal enforcement of contracts	4.4
Regulatory costs	4.5
Reliability of police	8.9
	5.6

Sound money

Money growth	8.3
Standard deviation of inflation	6.9
Inflation: Most recent year	8.7
Freedom to own foreign currency	7.5
	10.0

Freedom to trade internationally

Tariffs	6.9
Regulatory trade barriers	7.6
Black-market exchange rates	10.0
Movement of capital and people	4.1

Regulation

Credit market regulations	5.9
Labor market regulations	5.8
Business regulations	5.4
	6.5

TURKEY

MIDDLE EAST & NORTH AFRICA

	2000	2002	2004	2006	2008	2010	2012	2014	2016	2018	2019	2020
Human freedom	6.19	6.52	6.83	6.83	7.01	7.06	6.95	6.59	6.03	5.72	5.63	5.71
Ranking	96	87	84	91	85	84	88	106	124	135	140	130
Economic freedom	5.61	5.75	6.13	6.39	6.97	6.97	7.10	6.98	6.97	6.66	6.49	6.48
Personal freedom	6.61	7.06	7.33	7.14	7.04	7.12	6.85	6.32	5.35	5.05	5.02	5.15
Rule of law	4.7	5.3	5.4	5.3	5.0	4.8	4.6	4.1	4.0	3.9	3.7	3.8
Procedural justice	-	-	-	-	4.8	4.8	4.5	3.7	3.6	3.4	3.2	3.2
Civil justice	-	-	-	-	5.5	5.5	5.2	4.6	4.4	4.4	4.3	4.3
Criminal justice	-	-	-	-	4.2	4.2	3.9	4.0	4.0	3.8	3.6	3.6
Rule of law (V-Dem)	5.4	6.1	6.2	6.1	5.7	5.5	5.4	4.9	4.4	3.9	3.8	3.9
Security and safety	8.3	8.3	8.6	8.3	7.6	8.2	7.1	8.0	6.0	7.2	7.4	7.5
Homicide	8.8	8.8	8.7	8.7	8.7	8.8	8.7	8.7	9.0	9.2	9.3	9.3
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	7.9	7.9	8.5	7.9	6.6	7.6	5.5	7.2	3.0	5.1	5.4	5.6
Movement	7.2	7.4	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	6.9	4.9	4.8	4.6	4.7
Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	7.8	8.1	8.3	8.3	8.4	8.2	8.2	7.2	6.5	6.2	5.9	6.1
Freedom of movement (CLD)	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3
Religion	5.6	6.5	6.9	6.1	6.1	6.8	6.8	5.8	5.3	3.7	3.7	4.2
Freedom of religion	6.2	6.4	6.4	4.7	5.0	6.5	6.5	5.9	5.8	4.1	4.1	4.0
Religious organization repression	5.0	6.7	7.5	7.5	7.3	7.1	7.1	5.7	4.7	3.4	3.4	4.3
Association, assembly, civil society	5.9	6.4	6.8	6.8	6.7	6.5	6.5	5.5	4.6	4.0	4.1	4.1
Civil society entry and exit	4.1	5.5	6.2	6.2	6.2	5.4	5.4	4.6	3.1	2.2	3.0	2.7
Freedom of assembly	5.3	5.3	5.3	5.3	5.3	5.6	5.3	4.2	3.8	3.1	3.1	3.1
Freedom to form/run political parties	8.4	8.5	8.7	8.7	8.8	9.1	9.1	9.1	8.6	8.6	8.3	8.5
Civil society repression	6.0	6.4	6.8	6.8	6.6	6.1	6.1	4.1	2.9	2.0	2.0	2.2
Expression and information	5.2	6.2	6.9	6.8	7.1	6.8	6.2	4.6	3.3	3.1	2.9	3.0
Direct attacks on the press	4.5	4.8	5.0	5.0	6.9	6.8	4.6	4.6	3.9	3.7	3.9	4.4
Media and expression (V-Dem)	6.6	7.1	7.0	6.8	6.3	5.4	5.4	3.8	2.5	2.5	2.4	2.6
Media and expression (Freedom House)	6.0	7.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	8.6	7.9	5.7	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5
Media and expression (BTI)	5.6	5.6	5.6	5.6	5.6	6.7	6.7	5.6	4.4	3.3	2.2	2.2
Media and expression (CLD)	3.3	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3
Relationships	9.2	9.4	9.4	8.8	8.8	8.8						
Same-sex relationships	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Divorce	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5
Inheritance rights	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	7.5	7.5
Female genital mutilation	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0

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UGANDA

SUB-SAHARAN AFRICA

HUMAN FREEDOM

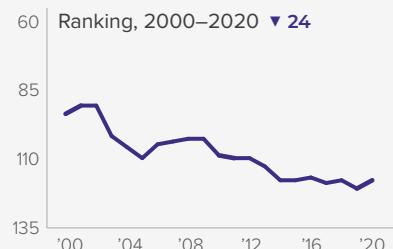
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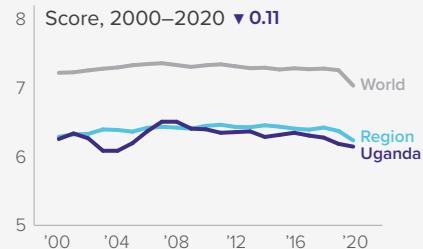
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Score, 2000–2020 ▼ 0.11



PERSONAL FREEDOM

Ranking
126/165

Score
5.38

Rule of law

Procedural justice	3.0
Civil justice	2.1
Criminal justice	4.1
Rule of law (V-Dem)	3.2
	4.8

Security and safety

Homicide	7.4
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	7.2

Movement

Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	7.1
Freedom of movement (CLD)	7.5

Religion

Freedom of religion	6.6
Religious organization repression	7.3

Association, assembly, civil society

Civil society entry and exit	4.5
Freedom of assembly	4.3
Freedom to form/run political parties	3.1
Civil society repression	7.6

Expression and information

Direct attacks on the press	4.7
Media and expression (V-Dem)	7.4
Media and expression (Freedom House)	5.6
Media and expression (BTI)	2.5
Media and expression (CLD)	4.4

Relationships

Same-sex relationships	0.0
Divorce	2.5
Inheritance rights	5.0
Female genital mutilation	10.0

ECONOMIC FREEDOM

Ranking
60/165

Score
7.18

Size of government

Government consumption	7.4
Transfers and subsidies	8.3
Government investment	10.0
Top marginal tax rate	7.5
State ownership of assets	4.0

Legal system and property rights

Judicial independence	4.6
Impartial courts	4.8
Protection of property rights	4.4
Military interference	5.0
Integrity of the legal system	3.3
Legal enforcement of contracts	5.3
Regulatory costs	4.9
Reliability of police	7.9

Sound money

Money growth	9.3
Standard deviation of inflation	8.7
Inflation: Most recent year	9.4
Freedom to own foreign currency	9.2

Freedom to trade internationally

Tariffs	6.9
Regulatory trade barriers	6.5
Black-market exchange rates	5.1
Movement of capital and people	10.0

Regulation

Credit market regulations	7.7
Labor market regulations	7.9
Business regulations	8.6

UGANDA

SUB-SAHARAN AFRICA

	2000	2002	2004	2006	2008	2010	2012	2014	2016	2018	2019	2020
Human freedom	6.24	6.25	6.07	6.35	6.49	6.38	6.34	6.27	6.33	6.26	6.17	6.13
Ranking	94	91	106	105	103	109	110	118	117	118	121	118
Economic freedom	7.04	6.97	6.86	7.20	7.33	7.34	7.25	7.35	7.33	7.42	7.41	7.18
Personal freedom	5.67	5.74	5.51	5.74	5.90	5.69	5.69	5.50	5.61	5.43	5.28	5.38
Rule of law	4.1	4.1	4.2	4.1	4.1	4.1	3.6	3.2	3.4	3.2	3.2	3.0
Procedural justice	-	-	-	-	2.7	2.7	2.3	2.1	2.2	2.1	2.1	2.1
Civil justice	-	-	-	-	5.1	5.1	4.8	4.2	4.5	4.3	4.1	4.1
Criminal justice	-	-	-	-	4.3	4.3	3.7	3.4	3.4	3.1	3.2	3.2
Rule of law (V-Dem)	5.8	5.8	5.8	5.8	5.8	5.7	5.7	5.7	5.3	5.0	5.0	4.8
Security and safety	6.0	7.0	5.6	6.9	7.4	6.8	6.7	6.4	6.9	6.8	7.0	7.4
Homicide	7.7	7.7	7.8	7.3	7.4	7.3	6.7	6.7	6.9	6.9	6.9	7.2
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	4.3	6.4	3.3	6.5	7.4	6.3	6.7	6.1	6.9	6.7	7.2	7.6
Movement	7.6	7.6	7.7	7.6	7.6	7.5	7.5	7.6	7.6	7.4	7.2	7.1
Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	8.5	8.5	8.6	8.6	8.5	8.4	8.4	8.4	8.6	8.2	7.8	7.5
Freedom of movement (CLD)	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7
Religion	7.4	7.4	7.4	7.4	7.4	7.4	8.3	6.8	7.0	6.6	6.4	6.6
Freedom of religion	8.1	8.1	8.1	8.1	8.0	8.0	9.7	8.0	8.0	7.8	7.4	7.3
Religious organization repression	6.8	6.8	6.8	6.8	6.9	6.9	6.9	5.5	5.9	5.3	5.3	6.0
Association, assembly, civil society	5.4	5.1	4.8	5.4	5.7	5.6	5.6	5.0	4.9	4.5	4.1	4.5
Civil society entry and exit	8.5	8.5	6.7	5.7	6.1	6.1	6.1	5.0	5.0	3.6	2.3	4.3
Freedom of assembly	3.4	3.4	3.4	3.4	4.2	3.8	3.8	3.4	3.4	3.4	3.1	3.1
Freedom to form/run political parties	3.4	3.4	4.2	7.7	7.7	7.7	7.7	7.7	7.7	8.0	8.0	7.6
Civil society repression	6.4	5.0	5.0	4.7	4.9	4.7	4.7	3.6	3.5	2.9	2.9	3.0
Expression and information	6.2	6.0	5.9	5.7	6.0	5.4	5.0	5.2	5.2	5.2	4.7	4.7
Direct attacks on the press	10.0	9.4	9.4	9.4	10.0	9.1	8.6	8.6	10.0	7.6	7.6	7.4
Media and expression (V-Dem)	6.4	6.3	6.3	6.2	6.2	6.0	6.0	6.0	5.6	5.6	5.7	5.6
Media and expression (Freedom House)	4.4	4.1	4.0	2.8	2.9	2.9	2.8	2.6	2.5	5.0	2.5	2.5
Media and expression (BTI)	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	7.8	5.6	4.4	5.6	4.4	4.4	4.4	4.4
Media and expression (CLD)	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3
Relationships	3.0	3.0	3.0	3.0	3.0	3.0	3.1	4.4	4.4	4.4	4.4	4.4
Same-sex relationships	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Divorce	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5
Inheritance rights	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0
Female genital mutilation	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.9	9.9	9.9	10.0	10.0	10.0

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UKRAINE

EASTERN EUROPE

HUMAN FREEDOM

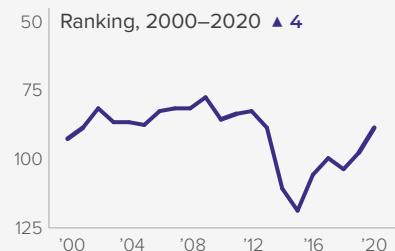
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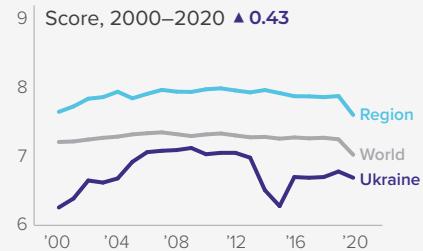
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Score, 2000–2020 ▲ 0.43



PERSONAL FREEDOM

Ranking
82/165

Score
7.09

Rule of law

Procedural justice	4.9
Civil justice	5.1
Criminal justice	5.4
Rule of law (V-Dem)	3.7

Rule of law (V-Dem)	5.9
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Security and safety

Homicide	7.5
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	8.2

Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	6.9
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Movement

Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	6.3
Freedom of movement (CLD)	9.3

Freedom of movement (CLD)	3.3
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Religion

Freedom of religion	7.3
Religious organization repression	7.2

Religious organization repression	7.5
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Association, assembly, civil society

Civil society entry and exit	7.6
Freedom of assembly	6.2

Freedom of assembly	6.9
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Freedom to form/run political parties	8.4
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Civil society repression	8.8
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Expression and information

Direct attacks on the press	6.0
Media and expression (V-Dem)	8.8

Media and expression (V-Dem)	6.2
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Media and expression (Freedom House)	5.0
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Media and expression (BTI)	6.7
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Media and expression (CLD)	3.3
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Relationships

Same-sex relationships	10.0
Divorce	10.0

Inheritance rights	10.0
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Female genital mutilation	10.0
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ECONOMIC FREEDOM

Ranking
126/165

Score
6.11

Size of government

Government consumption	7.0
Transfers and subsidies	5.7
Government investment	5.6
Top marginal tax rate	8.2
State ownership of assets	8.5

State ownership of assets	7.2
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Legal system and property rights

Judicial independence	4.9
Impartial courts	4.1
Protection of property rights	3.5
Military interference	3.9
Integrity of the legal system	8.3
Legal enforcement of contracts	5.3
Regulatory costs	4.3
Reliability of police	9.2

Reliability of police	4.6
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Sound money

Money growth	6.2
Standard deviation of inflation	7.7
Inflation: Most recent year	7.8
Freedom to own foreign currency	9.5
Freedom to own foreign currency	0.0

Freedom to own foreign currency	0.0
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Freedom to trade internationally

Tariffs	6.3
Regulatory trade barriers	8.8
Black-market exchange rates	6.3
Movement of capital and people	10.0

Movement of capital and people	0.0
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Regulation

Credit market regulations	6.1
Labor market regulations	6.3
Business regulations	5.4
Business regulations	6.6

UKRAINE

EASTERN EUROPE

	2000	2002	2004	2006	2008	2010	2012	2014	2016	2018	2019	2020
Human freedom	6.25	6.64	6.67	7.05	7.08	7.02	7.04	6.50	6.69	6.69	6.77	6.68
Ranking	93	82	87	83	82	86	83	111	106	104	98	89
Economic freedom	4.75	5.53	5.56	5.75	5.70	5.81	6.16	5.96	5.92	6.16	6.20	6.11
Personal freedom	7.32	7.44	7.46	7.98	8.06	7.88	7.66	6.88	7.24	7.07	7.17	7.09
Rule of law	4.7	4.8	4.7	5.0	5.0	4.7	4.5	4.6	4.5	4.6	4.8	4.9
Procedural justice	-	-	-	-	5.1	5.1	4.8	5.1	4.8	4.9	5.1	5.1
Civil justice	-	-	-	-	5.2	5.2	5.2	4.7	5.1	5.4	5.4	5.4
Criminal justice	-	-	-	-	3.9	3.9	3.3	4.0	3.7	3.6	3.7	3.7
Rule of law (V-Dem)	6.1	6.1	6.0	6.4	6.5	6.0	6.1	5.2	5.5	5.6	5.8	5.9
Security and safety	7.5	8.0	8.2	8.6	8.7	8.7	8.3	4.7	6.9	7.1	7.3	7.5
Homicide	7.4	7.4	7.9	8.2	8.4	8.7	8.5	8.2	8.2	8.2	8.2	8.2
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	7.6	8.6	8.6	9.1	9.0	8.7	8.1	1.1	5.6	6.0	6.4	6.9
Movement	8.1	8.1	8.1	8.2	8.2	8.1	8.1	7.8	7.9	7.8	7.8	6.3
Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.8	9.8	9.6	9.6	8.9	9.1	9.0	9.0	9.3
Freedom of movement (CLD)	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	3.3
Religion	8.8	8.8	8.4	8.8	8.9	8.8	8.8	8.0	7.9	7.1	7.0	7.3
Freedom of religion	8.2	8.2	8.2	8.1	8.1	8.2	8.2	7.5	7.3	7.0	7.0	7.2
Religious organization repression	9.4	9.4	8.6	9.4	9.7	9.5	9.5	8.6	8.5	7.2	7.1	7.5
Association, assembly, civil society	6.6	6.7	6.7	8.0	8.1	7.6	7.3	7.1	7.8	7.5	7.4	7.6
Civil society entry and exit	5.9	5.9	6.1	6.5	7.1	6.8	6.9	6.5	6.2	6.4	6.4	6.2
Freedom of assembly	6.9	6.9	5.7	6.9	6.5	6.5	5.4	6.6	7.7	6.9	6.9	6.9
Freedom to form/run political parties	8.7	8.8	9.2	9.6	9.6	8.8	8.8	8.4	8.4	8.0	8.3	8.4
Civil society repression	5.1	5.1	6.0	8.9	9.3	8.1	8.1	6.9	8.9	8.7	8.1	8.8
Expression and information	5.5	5.7	6.1	7.3	7.4	7.3	6.6	6.0	5.7	5.3	5.9	6.0
Direct attacks on the press	9.1	9.4	9.4	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	7.7	7.0	6.5	8.5	8.8
Media and expression (V-Dem)	5.5	5.5	5.5	7.0	7.2	6.4	6.4	5.6	5.4	5.1	5.9	6.2
Media and expression (Freedom House)	2.9	3.9	5.4	6.1	5.6	5.4	4.6	4.6	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0
Media and expression (BTI)	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	7.8	7.8	5.6	5.6	7.8	6.7	6.7	6.7
Media and expression (CLD)	3.3	3.3	3.3	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3
Relationships	10.0											
Same-sex relationships	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Divorce	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Inheritance rights	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Female genital mutilation	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0

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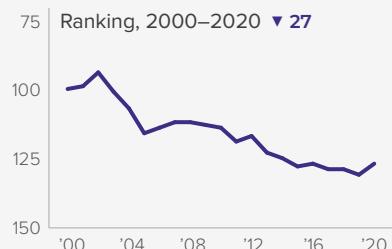
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HUMAN FREEDOM

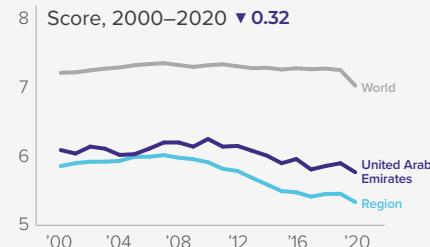
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Score
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Ranking, 2000–2020 ▾ 27



Score, 2000–2020 ▾ 0.32



PERSONAL FREEDOM

Ranking
153/165

Score
4.63

Rule of law

Procedural justice	6.2
Civil justice	5.1
Criminal justice	6.6
Rule of law (V-Dem)	6.7
	5.3

Security and safety

Homicide	9.1
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	9.8

Movement

Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	4.6
Freedom of movement (CLD)	5.8

Religion

Freedom of religion	6.0
Religious organization repression	5.6

Association, assembly, civil society

Civil society entry and exit	1.4
Freedom of assembly	1.6
Freedom to form/run political parties	1.2
Civil society repression	0.7
	2.3

Expression and information

Direct attacks on the press	2.6
Media and expression (V-Dem)	10.0
Media and expression (Freedom House)	1.8
Media and expression (BTI)	0.0
Media and expression (CLD)	1.1
	0.0

Relationships

Same-sex relationships	2.5
Divorce	0.0
Inheritance rights	0.0
Female genital mutilation	10.0

ECONOMIC FREEDOM

Ranking
49/165

Score
7.35

Size of government

Government consumption	5.1
Transfers and subsidies	4.0
Government investment	8.1
Top marginal tax rate	0.0
State ownership of assets	10.0
	3.7

Legal system and property rights

Judicial independence	7.0
Impartial courts	5.8
Protection of property rights	7.7
Military interference	7.8
Integrity of the legal system	8.3
Legal enforcement of contracts	5.9
Regulatory costs	5.8
Reliability of police	9.9
	8.6

Sound money

Money growth	9.1
Standard deviation of inflation	9.7
Inflation: Most recent year	7.1
Freedom to own foreign currency	9.6
	10.0

Freedom to trade internationally

Tariffs	8.0
Regulatory trade barriers	9.0
Black-market exchange rates	7.7
Movement of capital and people	10.0
	5.1

Regulation

Credit market regulations	7.5
Labor market regulations	7.7
Business regulations	6.7
	8.2

UNITED ARAB EMIRATES

MIDDLE EAST & NORTH AFRICA

	2000	2002	2004	2006	2008	2010	2012	2014	2016	2018	2019	2020
Human freedom	6.08	6.13	6.01	6.10	6.19	6.24	6.14	6.00	5.95	5.85	5.89	5.76
Ranking	100	94	107	114	112	114	117	125	127	129	131	127
Economic freedom	7.11	7.26	7.19	7.23	7.24	7.23	7.33	7.19	7.17	7.09	7.28	7.35
Personal freedom	5.34	5.32	5.17	5.30	5.44	5.52	5.29	5.14	5.08	4.96	4.90	4.63
Rule of law	6.7	6.7	6.3	6.6	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.3	6.4	6.2	6.2	6.2
Procedural justice	-	-	-	-	6.1	6.1	6.5	4.8	5.3	5.1	5.1	5.1
Civil justice	-	-	-	-	6.0	6.0	5.9	6.8	6.8	6.8	6.6	6.6
Criminal justice	-	-	-	-	7.5	7.5	7.8	7.4	6.9	6.7	6.7	6.7
Rule of law (V-Dem)	5.2	5.2	4.9	5.1	5.2	5.3	5.3	5.3	5.5	5.5	5.3	5.3
Security and safety	9.2	9.3	8.9	9.3	9.4	9.4	9.4	9.1	9.3	9.0	8.9	9.1
Homicide	9.7	9.7	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.9	9.8	9.8
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	8.8	8.9	8.0	8.9	8.9	9.0	9.1	8.4	8.8	8.1	8.1	8.4
Movement	6.4	6.4	6.4	6.4	6.5	6.5	6.5	6.5	6.5	6.5	6.3	4.6
Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	6.1	6.1	6.1	6.1	6.4	6.4	6.2	6.2	6.2	6.2	5.9	5.8
Freedom of movement (CLD)	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	3.3
Religion	5.3	5.3	5.3	5.3	5.3	5.6	5.5	5.5	6.0	6.0	6.0	6.0
Freedom of religion	4.9	4.9	4.9	4.9	4.9	5.6	5.3	5.3	5.6	5.6	5.6	5.6
Religious organization repression	5.7	5.7	5.7	5.7	5.7	5.7	5.7	5.7	6.5	6.5	6.5	6.5
Association, assembly, civil society	2.0	2.0	1.6	1.6	2.3	2.3	1.8	1.8	1.9	2.0	2.0	1.4
Civil society entry and exit	3.4	3.4	2.0	2.0	2.7	2.7	2.2	2.2	2.6	2.3	2.3	1.6
Freedom of assembly	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.6	1.6	1.6	1.6	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2
Freedom to form/run political parties	1.1	1.1	1.1	1.1	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0	1.7	0.7
Civil society repression	2.2	2.2	2.2	2.2	3.2	3.2	1.5	1.5	1.8	2.4	3.0	2.3
Expression and information	4.8	4.6	4.7	4.9	4.9	5.0	4.6	4.3	3.0	2.6	2.3	2.6
Direct attacks on the press	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	8.7	8.7	8.7	10.0
Media and expression (V-Dem)	3.3	3.1	2.9	3.0	3.2	3.2	2.7	2.8	2.5	2.0	1.9	1.8
Media and expression (Freedom House)	3.9	3.5	3.7	4.7	4.7	4.2	3.5	3.0	2.5	0.0	0.0	0.0
Media and expression (BTI)	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	4.4	3.3	2.2	1.1	2.2	1.1	1.1
Media and expression (CLD)	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Relationships	3.0	3.0	3.0	3.0	3.0	3.0	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5
Same-sex relationships	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Divorce	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Inheritance rights	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Female genital mutilation	7.0	7.0	7.0	7.0	7.0	7.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0

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WESTERN EUROPE

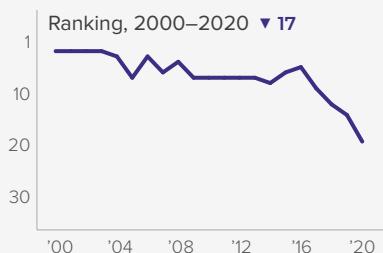
HUMAN FREEDOM

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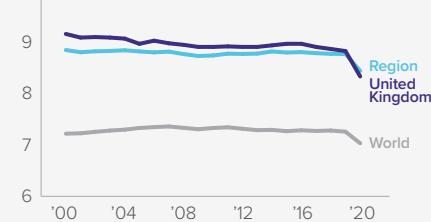
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Score

8.30



Score, 2000–2020 ▾ 0.82



PERSONAL FREEDOM

Ranking
23/165

Score
8.72

Rule of law

Procedural justice	7.4
Civil justice	8.4
Criminal justice	7.1
Rule of law (V-Dem)	7.1

Security and safety

Homicide	9.6
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	9.6

Movement

Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	6.1
Freedom of movement (CLD)	8.8

Religion

Freedom of religion	9.6
Religious organization repression	9.4

Association, assembly, civil society

Civil society entry and exit	9.3
Freedom of assembly	8.2
Freedom to form/run political parties	10.0
Civil society repression	9.7

Expression and information

Direct attacks on the press	9.7
Media and expression (V-Dem)	9.8
Media and expression (Freedom House)	8.8
Media and expression (BTI)	10.0
Media and expression (CLD)	-

Relationships

Same-sex relationships	9.4
Divorce	10.0
Inheritance rights	10.0
Female genital mutilation	7.5

ECONOMIC FREEDOM

Ranking
22/165

Score
7.71

Size of government

Government consumption	5.9
Transfers and subsidies	3.9
Government investment	4.2
Top marginal tax rate	9.2
State ownership of assets	4.0

Legal system and property rights

Judicial independence	7.7
Impartial courts	7.8
Protection of property rights	7.5
Military interference	7.5
Integrity of the legal system	10.0
Legal enforcement of contracts	8.2
Regulatory costs	6.1
Reliability of police	8.0

Sound money

Money growth	9.6
Standard deviation of inflation	9.2
Inflation: Most recent year	9.4
Freedom to own foreign currency	9.8

Freedom to trade internationally

Tariffs	7.7
Regulatory trade barriers	8.0
Black-market exchange rates	8.0
Movement of capital and people	10.0

Regulation

Credit market regulations	7.6
Labor market regulations	6.4
Business regulations	8.2

UNITED KINGDOM

WESTERN EUROPE

	2000	2002	2004	2006	2008	2010	2012	2014	2016	2018	2019	2020
Human freedom	9.12	9.06	9.03	8.99	8.91	8.87	8.87	8.90	8.93	8.83	8.79	8.30
Ranking	3	3	4	4	5	8	8	9	6	13	15	20
Economic freedom	8.58	8.58	8.49	8.39	8.17	8.10	8.15	8.17	8.26	8.17	8.16	7.71
Personal freedom	9.50	9.40	9.41	9.43	9.44	9.42	9.38	9.42	9.40	9.30	9.23	8.72
Rule of law	8.2	7.8	7.8	7.8	7.8	7.7	7.4	7.8	7.7	7.5	7.5	7.4
Procedural justice	-	-	-	-	8.3	8.3	7.9	8.2	8.2	8.2	8.4	8.4
Civil justice	-	-	-	-	7.2	7.2	7.2	7.5	7.5	7.1	7.1	7.1
Criminal justice	-	-	-	-	7.5	7.5	7.2	7.6	7.4	7.2	7.1	7.1
Rule of law (V-Dem)	8.6	8.2	8.2	8.2	8.2	8.1	8.0	7.6	7.6	7.8	7.6	7.4
Security and safety	9.7	9.6	9.6	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.6	9.6	9.4	9.6
Homicide	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.6	9.6	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	9.8	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.8	9.7	9.7	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.2	9.6
Movement	9.8	9.7	9.7	9.8	9.8	6.1						
Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.4	9.4	9.6	9.6	8.8
Freedom of movement (CLD)	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	3.3
Religion	9.8	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.6	9.6
Freedom of religion	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.6	9.8
Religious organization repression	9.8	9.4	9.4	9.4	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.4
Association, assembly, civil society	9.4	9.3	9.3	9.3	9.3	9.3	9.3	9.4	9.4	9.4	9.2	9.3
Civil society entry and exit	8.5	8.2	8.2	8.2	8.2	8.2	8.2	8.2	8.2	8.2	8.2	8.2
Freedom of assembly	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Freedom to form/run political parties	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.6	9.7
Civil society repression	9.3	9.4	9.4	9.4	9.4	9.4	9.4	9.5	9.5	9.5	8.9	9.4
Expression and information	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.8	9.7	9.7						
Direct attacks on the press	10.0	9.7	9.7	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	9.8	9.8
Media and expression (V-Dem)	9.0	9.1	9.1	9.2	9.3	9.1	9.1	9.1	9.1	9.1	9.1	8.8
Media and expression (Freedom House)	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Media and expression (BTI)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Media and expression (CLD)	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Relationships	9.9	10.0	10.0	9.4	9.4	9.4						
Same-sex relationships	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Divorce	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Inheritance rights	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	7.5	7.5	7.5
Female genital mutilation	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0

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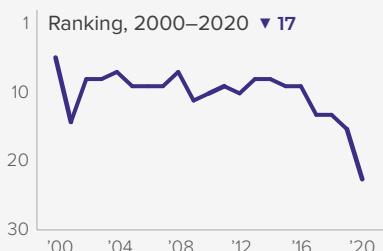
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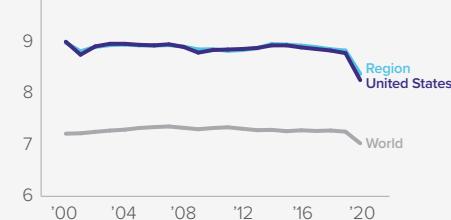
HUMAN FREEDOM

Ranking
23

Score
8.23



Score, 2000–2020 ▾ 0.74



PERSONAL FREEDOM

Ranking
33/165

Score
8.42

Rule of law

Procedural justice	6.3
Civil justice	7.0
Criminal justice	6.2
Rule of law (V-Dem)	6.0
	7.3

Security and safety

Homicide	8.6
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	8.2

Movement

Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	6.4
Freedom of movement (CLD)	9.5

Religion

Freedom of religion	9.5
Religious organization repression	9.8

Association, assembly, civil society

Civil society entry and exit	9.3
Freedom of assembly	9.6
Freedom to form/run political parties	8.8
Civil society repression	9.9

Expression and information

Direct attacks on the press	8.9
Media and expression (V-Dem)	9.8
Media and expression (Freedom House)	8.3
Media and expression (BTI)	7.5
Media and expression (CLD)	-
	10.0

Relationships

Same-sex relationships	10.0
Divorce	10.0
Inheritance rights	10.0
Female genital mutilation	10.0

ECONOMIC FREEDOM

Ranking
7/165

Score
7.97

Size of government

Government consumption	6.8
Transfers and subsidies	6.5
Government investment	3.9
Top marginal tax rate	9.2
State ownership of assets	5.0
	9.3

Legal system and property rights

Judicial independence	7.6
Impartial courts	7.7
Protection of property rights	7.6
Military interference	6.7
Integrity of the legal system	7.4
Legal enforcement of contracts	6.8
Regulatory costs	8.9
Reliability of police	7.8

Sound money

Money growth	9.0
Standard deviation of inflation	9.8
Inflation: Most recent year	9.8
Freedom to own foreign currency	10.0

Freedom to trade internationally

Tariffs	8.3
Regulatory trade barriers	8.2
Black-market exchange rates	10.0
Movement of capital and people	4.6

Regulation

Credit market regulations	7.3
Labor market regulations	9.0
Business regulations	8.0

UNITED STATES

NORTH AMERICA

	2000	2002	2004	2006	2008	2010	2012	2014	2016	2018	2019	2020
Human freedom	8.97	8.88	8.93	8.90	8.87	8.81	8.83	8.90	8.86	8.80	8.75	8.23
Ranking	6	9	8	10	8	11	11	9	10	14	16	23
Economic freedom	8.70	8.61	8.70	8.51	8.33	8.14	8.26	8.25	8.34	8.28	8.25	7.97
Personal freedom	9.16	9.06	9.10	9.18	9.25	9.29	9.24	9.36	9.23	9.17	9.11	8.42
Rule of law	6.8	6.7	6.5	6.6	6.7	6.8	6.5	7.1	6.9	6.7	6.4	6.3
Procedural justice	-	-	-	-	7.3	7.3	6.8	8.1	7.6	7.7	7.0	7.0
Civil justice	-	-	-	-	6.5	6.5	6.1	6.5	6.7	6.2	6.2	6.2
Criminal justice	-	-	-	-	6.5	6.5	6.5	6.8	6.5	6.3	6.0	6.0
Rule of law (V-Dem)	8.0	7.9	7.7	7.8	8.0	8.1	8.0	7.9	7.7	7.5	7.4	7.3
Security and safety	9.0	8.8	8.2	8.7	9.0	9.1	9.1	9.2	8.8	8.9	8.9	8.6
Homicide	8.4	8.4	8.4	8.3	8.4	8.6	8.6	8.7	8.4	8.6	8.6	8.2
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	9.7	9.1	8.1	9.2	9.5	9.6	9.6	9.7	9.2	9.2	9.1	9.0
Movement	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.7	6.4
Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	9.8	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.6	9.7	9.7	9.6	9.5	9.5
Freedom of movement (CLD)	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	3.3
Religion	9.9	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.4	9.4	9.5
Freedom of religion	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	10.0	9.9	9.7	9.7	9.8
Religious organization repression	9.9	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.1	9.1	9.2
Association, assembly, civil society	9.8	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.8	9.5	9.8	9.8	9.3
Civil society entry and exit	9.4	9.4	9.4	9.4	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.6
Freedom of assembly	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	8.8	10.0	10.0	8.8
Freedom to form/run political parties	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9
Civil society repression	9.8	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.8	9.8	8.9
Expression and information	9.8	9.7	9.8	9.8	9.7	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.7	9.5	9.5	8.9
Direct attacks on the press	10.0	9.8	9.7	9.8	9.7	9.8	10.0	10.0	9.8	9.7	9.7	9.8
Media and expression (V-Dem)	9.3	9.2	9.4	9.4	9.4	9.4	9.3	9.3	9.0	8.5	8.4	8.3
Media and expression (Freedom House)	10.0	9.6	10.0	10.0	9.8	10.0	10.0	9.8	10.0	10.0	10.0	7.5
Media and expression (BTI)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Media and expression (CLD)	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Relationships	8.9	9.0	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Same-sex relationships	6.2	6.7	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Divorce	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Inheritance rights	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Female genital mutilation	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0

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URUGUAY

LATIN AMERICA & THE CARIBBEAN

HUMAN FREEDOM

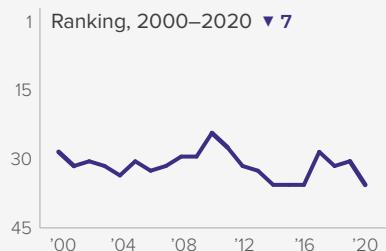
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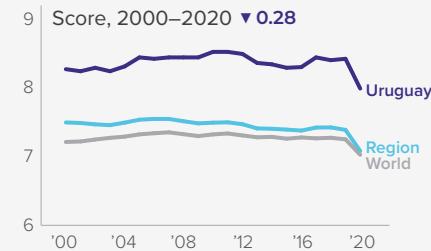
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PERSONAL FREEDOM

Ranking
25/165

Score
8.63

Rule of law

Procedural justice	6.8
Civil justice	7.6
Criminal justice	7.3
Rule of law (V-Dem)	5.6

Rule of law (V-Dem)	8.0
Homicide	6.7
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	9.9

Movement

Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	6.4
Freedom of movement (CLD)	9.5

Religion

Freedom of religion	9.9
Religious organization repression	9.8

Association, assembly, civil society

Civil society entry and exit	9.2
Freedom of assembly	9.0
Freedom to form/run political parties	10.0
Civil society repression	9.8

Expression and information

Direct attacks on the press	9.8
Media and expression (V-Dem)	10.0
Media and expression (Freedom House)	9.2
Media and expression (BTI)	10.0
Media and expression (CLD)	10.0

Relationships

Same-sex relationships	10.0
Divorce	10.0
Inheritance rights	10.0
Female genital mutilation	10.0

ECONOMIC FREEDOM

Ranking
68/165

Score
7.06

Size of government

Government consumption	6.2
Transfers and subsidies	5.2
Government investment	6.0
Top marginal tax rate	7.1
State ownership of assets	6.5

Legal system and property rights

Judicial independence	5.9
Impartial courts	7.8
Protection of property rights	6.6
Military interference	6.8
Integrity of the legal system	5.8
Legal enforcement of contracts	6.6
Regulatory costs	3.6
Reliability of police	6.5

Sound money

Money growth	8.8
Standard deviation of inflation	8.2
Inflation: Most recent year	9.0
Freedom to own foreign currency	8.0

Freedom to trade internationally

Tariffs	7.5
Regulatory trade barriers	7.8
Black-market exchange rates	6.2
Movement of capital and people	10.0

Regulation

Credit market regulations	6.8
Labor market regulations	7.4
Business regulations	5.9

URUGUAY

LATIN AMERICA & THE CARIBBEAN

	2000	2002	2004	2006	2008	2010	2012	2014	2016	2018	2019	2020
Human freedom	8.25	8.27	8.29	8.40	8.42	8.50	8.47	8.32	8.28	8.38	8.40	7.97
Ranking	29	31	34	33	30	25	32	36	36	32	31	36
Economic freedom	7.14	7.18	7.20	7.29	7.31	7.50	7.49	7.25	7.30	7.36	7.38	7.06
Personal freedom	9.04	9.04	9.07	9.19	9.22	9.22	9.16	9.08	8.98	9.11	9.13	8.63
Rule of law	6.4	6.4	6.4	6.4	6.4	6.4	6.3	7.0	6.6	6.9	6.8	6.8
Procedural justice	-	-	-	-	7.0	7.0	7.0	7.8	7.1	7.5	7.6	7.6
Civil justice	-	-	-	-	7.1	7.1	7.0	7.3	7.4	7.4	7.3	7.3
Criminal justice	-	-	-	-	5.0	5.0	4.7	5.8	5.4	5.6	5.6	5.6
Rule of law (V-Dem)	8.0	8.0	8.0	8.0	8.0	8.0	8.0	7.8	7.8	8.0	8.0	8.0
Security and safety	9.0	8.9	9.0	9.0	9.0	9.0	8.8	8.7	8.6	8.2	8.3	8.3
Homicide	8.1	8.0	8.3	8.2	8.1	8.2	7.7	7.7	7.7	6.5	6.7	6.7
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.6	9.5	9.8	9.8	9.9
Movement	9.8	6.4										
Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.5
Freedom of movement (CLD)	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	3.3
Religion	9.8	9.9										
Freedom of religion	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.8
Religious organization repression	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9
Association, assembly, civil society	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.4	9.3	9.3	9.2
Civil society entry and exit	8.8	8.8	8.8	8.8	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	8.3	8.3	8.3	9.0
Freedom of assembly	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Freedom to form/run political parties	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.8	9.8	9.8
Civil society repression	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.2	9.2	8.0
Expression and information	8.7	8.8	8.9	9.7	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.9	9.9	9.8
Direct attacks on the press	5.5	5.5	5.5	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Media and expression (V-Dem)	9.2	9.2	9.2	9.3	9.3	9.3	9.3	9.2	9.2	9.3	9.4	9.2
Media and expression (Freedom House)	8.8	9.4	9.6	9.2	9.8	9.6	9.6	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Media and expression (BTI)	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Media and expression (CLD)	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Relationships	10.0	8.8	8.8	10.0	10.0	10.0						
Same-sex relationships	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Divorce	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Inheritance rights	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	5.0	5.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Female genital mutilation	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0

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LATIN AMERICA & THE CARIBBEAN

HUMAN FREEDOM

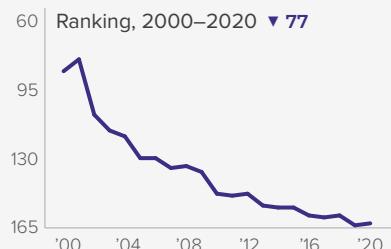
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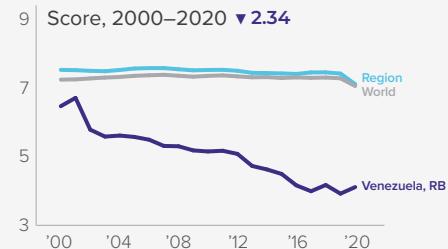
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Ranking, 2000–2020 ▼ 77



Score, 2000–2020 ▼ 2.34



PERSONAL FREEDOM

Ranking
152/165

Score
4.65

Rule of law

Procedural justice	1.6
Civil justice	0.8
Criminal justice	2.7
Rule of law (V-Dem)	1.2
	3.7

Security and safety

Homicide	3.4
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	0.0

Movement

Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	5.0
Freedom of movement (CLD)	6.8

Religion

Freedom of religion	7.2
Religious organization repression	7.1

Association, assembly, civil society

Civil society entry and exit	3.5
Freedom of assembly	3.0
Freedom to form/run political parties	1.9
Civil society repression	5.8

Expression and information

Direct attacks on the press	3.8
Media and expression (V-Dem)	7.5
Media and expression (Freedom House)	3.3
Media and expression (BTI)	2.5
Media and expression (CLD)	2.2

Relationships

Same-sex relationships	8.1
Divorce	10.0
Inheritance rights	2.5
Female genital mutilation	10.0

ECONOMIC FREEDOM

Ranking
165/165

Score
3.32

Size of government

Government consumption	4.6
Transfers and subsidies	9.0
Government investment	5.8
Top marginal tax rate	0.0
State ownership of assets	5.5

Legal system and property rights

Judicial independence	2.5
Impartial courts	2.2
Protection of property rights	1.2
Military interference	1.0
Integrity of the legal system	1.7
Legal enforcement of contracts	2.2
Regulatory costs	2.4
Reliability of police	8.1

Sound money

Money growth	0.9
Standard deviation of inflation	3.8
Inflation: Most recent year	0.0
Freedom to own foreign currency	0.0

Freedom to trade internationally

Tariffs	6.0
Regulatory trade barriers	7.3
Black-market exchange rates	6.9
Movement of capital and people	10.0

Regulation

Credit market regulations	2.5
Labor market regulations	3.3
Business regulations	2.2

VENEZUELA, RB

LATIN AMERICA & THE CARIBBEAN

	2000	2002	2004	2006	2008	2010	2012	2014	2016	2018	2019	2020
Human freedom	6.43	5.75	5.58	5.46	5.27	5.12	5.05	4.60	4.14	4.15	3.90	4.09
Ranking	86	108	119	130	134	148	148	155	159	159	164	163
Economic freedom	5.92	4.78	4.89	4.68	4.19	3.78	3.68	3.08	2.75	3.36	2.87	3.32
Personal freedom	6.79	6.45	6.07	6.01	6.03	6.08	6.02	5.68	5.14	4.71	4.64	4.65
Rule of law	3.2	3.1	3.1	3.1	3.0	3.1	2.5	1.8	2.1	1.7	1.6	1.6
Procedural justice	-	-	-	-	3.0	3.0	2.5	1.2	1.5	1.0	0.8	0.8
Civil justice	-	-	-	-	3.8	3.8	3.3	2.9	3.3	2.7	2.7	2.7
Criminal justice	-	-	-	-	2.4	2.4	1.6	1.3	1.4	1.3	1.2	1.2
Rule of law (V-Dem)	5.9	5.7	5.7	5.6	5.6	5.6	5.6	5.0	4.8	3.9	3.7	3.7
Security and safety	4.8	4.5	4.0	4.1	4.6	3.8	4.2	4.0	3.8	3.3	3.4	3.4
Homicide	0.5	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	9.1	9.0	8.1	8.1	9.1	7.7	8.4	7.9	7.5	6.5	6.7	6.7
Movement	8.1	9.8	8.1	7.9	7.9	9.7	9.7	9.4	5.9	5.0	5.0	5.0
Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.1	9.1	9.3	9.3	8.8	8.4	6.7	6.7	6.8
Freedom of movement (CLD)	6.7	10.0	6.7	6.7	6.7	10.0	10.0	10.0	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3
Religion	9.1	8.0	7.6	7.6	7.5	7.5	7.4	7.1	7.1	7.0	7.0	7.2
Freedom of religion	9.2	7.6	7.6	7.6	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.3	7.3	7.0	7.0	7.1
Religious organization repression	9.0	8.5	7.7	7.7	7.5	7.5	7.3	7.0	7.0	7.0	7.0	7.3
Association, assembly, civil society	6.9	6.2	6.2	6.2	6.0	5.8	5.7	4.8	4.5	3.8	3.6	3.5
Civil society entry and exit	5.7	4.2	4.2	4.2	4.1	4.1	4.0	3.2	3.2	3.2	3.1	3.0
Freedom of assembly	6.1	6.1	6.1	6.1	5.7	5.7	5.7	3.4	3.1	2.2	1.9	1.9
Freedom to form/run political parties	9.3	8.9	8.8	8.8	8.8	8.8	8.7	8.1	7.7	6.2	6.0	5.8
Civil society repression	6.5	5.6	5.8	5.8	5.4	4.6	4.5	4.5	4.1	3.5	3.5	3.1
Expression and information	7.3	5.4	5.3	5.1	5.1	4.6	4.6	4.5	4.5	4.1	3.8	3.8
Direct attacks on the press	10.0	9.4	9.4	8.9	8.9	7.9	8.0	9.5	9.6	7.9	7.5	7.5
Media and expression (V-Dem)	6.3	6.0	5.9	5.9	5.5	5.5	5.4	4.1	3.8	3.3	3.3	3.3
Media and expression (Freedom House)	8.9	3.9	3.3	2.8	3.3	2.8	2.8	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5
Media and expression (BTI)	4.4	4.4	4.4	4.4	4.4	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	2.2	2.2
Media and expression (CLD)	6.7	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3
Relationships	8.1											
Same-sex relationships	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Divorce	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5
Inheritance rights	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Female genital mutilation	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0

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VIETNAM

SOUTH ASIA

HUMAN FREEDOM

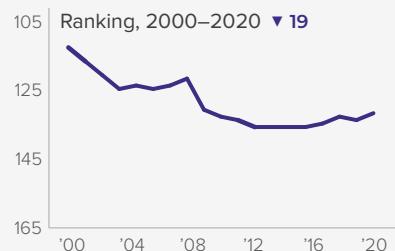
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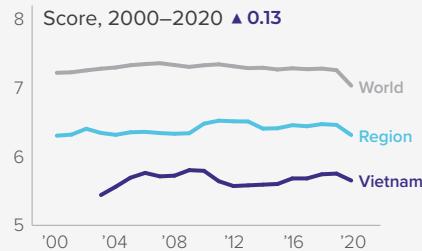
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Ranking, 2000–2020 ▼ 19



Score, 2000–2020 ▲ 0.13



PERSONAL FREEDOM

Ranking
140/165

Score
5.08

Rule of law

Procedural justice	4.6
Civil justice	4.6
Criminal justice	4.6
Rule of law (V-Dem)	4.9

Security and safety

Homicide	9.6
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	8.9

Movement

Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	8.0
Freedom of movement (CLD)	3.3

Religion

Freedom of religion	3.9
Religious organization repression	3.1

Association, assembly, civil society

Civil society entry and exit	2.3
Freedom of assembly	1.6
Freedom to form/run political parties	0.5
Civil society repression	3.8

Expression and information

Direct attacks on the press	5.0
Media and expression (V-Dem)	2.9
Media and expression (Freedom House)	0.0
Media and expression (BTI)	1.1
Media and expression (CLD)	0.0

Relationships

Same-sex relationships	10.0
Divorce	7.5
Inheritance rights	7.5
Female genital mutilation	10.0

ECONOMIC FREEDOM

Ranking
113/165

Score
6.42

Size of government

Government consumption	7.0
Transfers and subsidies	-
Government investment	6.9
Top marginal tax rate	7.0
State ownership of assets	4.9

Legal system and property rights

Judicial independence	3.5
Impartial courts	4.3
Protection of property rights	5.0
Military interference	5.0
Integrity of the legal system	5.4
Legal enforcement of contracts	5.1
Regulatory costs	8.8
Reliability of police	5.3

Sound money

Money growth	8.9
Standard deviation of inflation	9.5
Inflation: Most recent year	9.4
Freedom to own foreign currency	0.0

Freedom to trade internationally

Tariffs	7.5
Regulatory trade barriers	5.3
Black-market exchange rates	10.0
Movement of capital and people	1.6

Regulation

Credit market regulations	9.2
Labor market regulations	5.4
Business regulations	6.3

VIETNAM

SOUTH ASIA

	2000	2002	2004	2006	2008	2010	2012	2014	2016	2018	2019	2020
Human freedom	5.51	-	5.55	5.75	5.71	5.78	5.56	5.58	5.67	5.73	5.74	5.64
Ranking	113	-	121	124	124	131	134	136	136	133	134	132
Economic freedom	5.58	-	5.74	5.90	5.75	5.90	5.89	6.00	6.15	6.36	6.40	6.42
Personal freedom	-	-	5.42	5.65	5.68	5.69	5.33	5.29	5.32	5.28	5.27	5.08
Rule of law	-	-	5.3	5.5	5.5	5.6	5.1	5.2	4.9	4.6	4.6	4.6
Procedural justice	-	-	-	-	6.7	6.7	6.2	5.8	5.4	4.6	4.6	4.6
Civil justice	-	-	-	-	4.3	4.3	4.2	4.7	4.4	4.6	4.6	4.6
Criminal justice	-	-	-	-	5.7	5.7	4.7	5.0	4.9	4.6	4.6	4.6
Rule of law (V-Dem)	-	-	4.8	4.9	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.1	5.1	5.0	4.9	4.9
Security and safety	-	-	8.8	9.2	9.0	9.3	8.9	9.0	9.3	9.3	9.1	9.2
Homicide	-	-	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.6
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	-	-	8.0	8.8	8.3	9.0	8.3	8.4	9.1	9.0	8.7	8.9
Movement	-	-	5.4	5.8	5.9	5.9	5.9	5.9	5.9	5.9	5.8	5.7
Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	-	-	7.4	8.3	8.5	8.5	8.5	8.4	8.4	8.4	8.3	8.0
Freedom of movement (CLD)	-	-	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3
Religion	-	-	3.8	3.9	4.5	4.3	4.5	4.4	4.4	4.3	4.3	3.5
Freedom of religion	-	-	4.1	4.2	4.5	4.5	4.5	4.5	4.5	4.3	4.2	3.9
Religious organization repression	-	-	3.5	3.6	4.5	4.1	4.5	4.4	4.4	4.4	4.4	3.1
Association, assembly, civil society	-	-	2.1	2.1	2.1	2.1	2.1	2.1	1.9	2.0	2.1	
Civil society entry and exit	-	-	2.2	2.4	2.5	2.4	2.4	2.3	2.5	2.3	2.3	2.3
Freedom of assembly	-	-	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.6	1.6	1.6	1.2	1.6	1.6
Freedom to form/run political parties	-	-	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5
Civil society repression	-	-	4.4	4.4	4.3	4.2	4.2	4.1	3.9	3.7	3.7	3.8
Expression and information	-	-	3.2	3.5	3.3	3.3	2.7	2.3	2.5	2.2	2.3	1.8
Direct attacks on the press	-	-	6.3	6.4	8.3	8.5	5.6	4.8	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0
Media and expression (V-Dem)	-	-	3.5	3.5	3.6	3.6	3.6	3.8	3.8	3.3	3.1	2.9
Media and expression (Freedom House)	-	-	5.1	6.6	3.5	3.5	3.0	2.0	2.5	2.5	2.5	0.0
Media and expression (BTI)	-	-	1.1	1.1	1.1	1.1	1.1	1.1	1.1	0.0	1.1	1.1
Media and expression (CLD)	-	-	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Relationships	-	-	9.4	9.4	9.4	9.4	8.1	8.1	8.1	8.8	8.8	8.8
Same-sex relationships	-	-	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Divorce	-	-	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5
Inheritance rights	-	-	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	7.5	7.5	7.5
Female genital mutilation	-	-	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0

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HUMAN FREEDOM

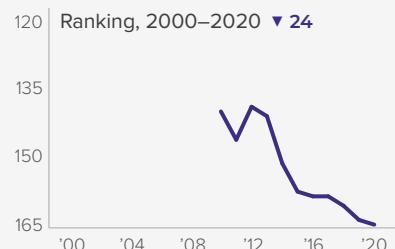
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Score

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Ranking, 2000–2020 ▼ 24



Score, 2000–2020 ▼ 1.5



PERSONAL FREEDOM

Ranking
164/165

Score
2.71

Rule of law

Procedural justice



2.3

Civil justice



-

Criminal justice



-

Rule of law (V-Dem)



2.3

Security and safety

Homicide



4.1

8.1

Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism



0.2

Movement

Freedom of movement (V-Dem)



3.0

2.7

Freedom of movement (CLD)



3.3

Religion

Freedom of religion



2.8

1.9

Religious organization repression



3.8

Association, assembly, civil society

Civil society entry and exit



3.2

1.8

Freedom of assembly



1.2

Freedom to form/run political parties



6.3

3.5

Civil society repression



Expression and information

Direct attacks on the press



1.4

5.0

Media and expression (V-Dem)



2.1

Media and expression (Freedom House)



0.0

Media and expression (BTI)



0.0

Media and expression (CLD)



0.0

Relationships

Same-sex relationships



0.0

Divorce



0.0

Inheritance rights



0.0

Female genital mutilation



8.1

ECONOMIC FREEDOM

Ranking
147/165

Score
5.67

Size of government

Government consumption



8.5

Transfers and subsidies



9.3

Government investment



10.0

Top marginal tax rate



9.0

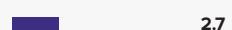
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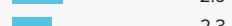
Legal system and property rights

Judicial independence



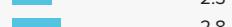
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Impartial courts



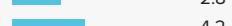
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Protection of property rights



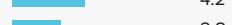
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Military interference



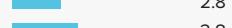
4.2

Integrity of the legal system



2.8

Legal enforcement of contracts



3.8

Regulatory costs



9.0

Reliability of police



3.4

Sound money

Money growth



8.2

Standard deviation of inflation



9.9

Inflation: Most recent year



7.5

Freedom to own foreign currency



10.0

Freedom to trade internationally

Tariffs



8.4

Regulatory trade barriers



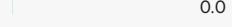
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Black-market exchange rates



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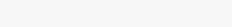
Movement of capital and people



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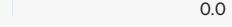
Regulation

Credit market regulations



0.0

Labor market regulations



6.6

Business regulations



4.1

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	2000	2002	2004	2006	2008	2010	2012	2014	2016	2018	2019	2020
Human freedom	-	-	-	-	-	5.44	5.52	4.97	4.31	3.94	3.99	3.94
Ranking	-	-	-	-	-	140	139	151	158	160	163	164
Economic freedom	-	-	-	-	-	6.33	6.41	6.33	6.18	5.53	5.72	5.67
Personal freedom	-	-	-	-	-	4.81	4.89	3.99	2.97	2.80	2.75	2.71
Rule of law	-	-	-	-	-	3.9	4.2	3.9	2.2	2.4	2.5	2.3
Procedural justice	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Civil justice	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Criminal justice	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Rule of law (V-Dem)	-	-	-	-	-	3.9	4.2	3.9	2.2	2.4	2.5	2.3
Security and safety	-	-	-	-	-	5.6	5.4	5.0	4.5	4.1	4.2	4.1
Homicide	-	-	-	-	-	8.6	8.1	8.1	8.1	8.1	8.1	8.1
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	-	-	-	-	-	2.5	2.7	2.0	0.9	0.2	0.4	0.2
Movement	-	-	-	-	-	4.6	6.3	3.7	3.3	3.2	3.3	3.0
Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	-	-	-	-	-	5.9	6.0	4.0	3.3	3.1	3.3	2.7
Freedom of movement (CLD)	-	-	-	-	-	3.3	6.7	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3
Religion	-	-	-	-	-	5.6	5.9	4.0	3.6	2.6	2.5	2.8
Freedom of religion	-	-	-	-	-	4.7	4.7	2.7	3.6	1.8	1.8	1.9
Religious organization repression	-	-	-	-	-	6.6	7.2	5.4	3.5	3.5	3.2	3.8
Association, assembly, civil society	-	-	-	-	-	5.7	6.7	5.5	3.4	3.4	3.2	3.2
Civil society entry and exit	-	-	-	-	-	5.5	7.2	4.6	1.3	1.5	1.5	1.8
Freedom of assembly	-	-	-	-	-	3.8	4.5	4.2	1.9	1.6	1.2	1.2
Freedom to form/run political parties	-	-	-	-	-	7.7	8.3	7.9	6.3	6.3	6.3	6.3
Civil society repression	-	-	-	-	-	5.9	6.8	5.4	4.0	4.0	3.7	3.5
Expression and information	-	-	-	-	-	4.4	4.1	4.3	2.3	1.8	1.5	1.4
Direct attacks on the press	-	-	-	-	-	7.7	4.3	4.3	4.5	5.0	5.0	5.0
Media and expression (V-Dem)	-	-	-	-	-	4.4	5.6	4.7	2.2	1.8	2.3	2.1
Media and expression (Freedom House)	-	-	-	-	-	3.4	5.2	5.7	2.5	0.0	0.0	0.0
Media and expression (BTI)	-	-	-	-	-	3.3	2.2	3.3	2.2	2.2	0.0	0.0
Media and expression (CLD)	-	-	-	-	-	3.3	3.3	3.3	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Relationships	-	-	-	-	-	3.8	1.6	1.6	1.6	2.0	2.0	2.0
Same-sex relationships	-	-	-	-	-	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Divorce	-	-	-	-	-	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Inheritance rights	-	-	-	-	-	5.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Female genital mutilation	-	-	-	-	-	10.0	6.2	6.2	6.2	8.1	8.1	8.1

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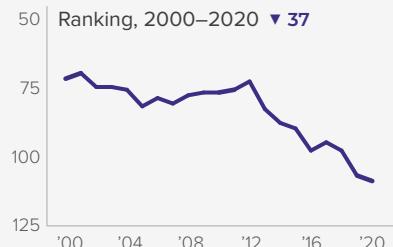
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HUMAN FREEDOM

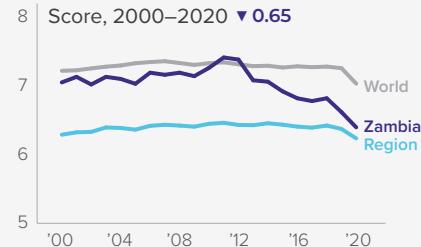
Ranking
109

Score
6.38

Ranking, 2000–2020 ▼ 37



Score, 2000–2020 ▼ 0.65



PERSONAL FREEDOM

Ranking
108/165

Score
6.25

Rule of law

Procedural justice	3.2
Civil justice	4.6
Criminal justice	4.0
Rule of law (V-Dem)	5.4

Security and safety

Homicide	8.5
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	8.2

Movement

Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	9.5
Freedom of movement (CLD)	6.7

Religion

Freedom of religion	7.3
Religious organization repression	6.8

Association, assembly, civil society

Civil society entry and exit	5.2
Freedom of assembly	5.0
Freedom to form/run political parties	8.2
Civil society repression	6.0

Expression and information

Direct attacks on the press	9.3
Media and expression (V-Dem)	5.9
Media and expression (Freedom House)	2.5
Media and expression (BTI)	3.3
Media and expression (CLD)	3.3

Relationships

Same-sex relationships	0.0
Divorce	7.5
Inheritance rights	5.0
Female genital mutilation	10.0

ECONOMIC FREEDOM

Ranking
98/165

Score
6.56

Size of government

Government consumption	3.6
Transfers and subsidies	9.5
Government investment	7.3
Top marginal tax rate	4.0
State ownership of assets	8.5

Legal system and property rights

Judicial independence	4.9
Impartial courts	4.5
Protection of property rights	4.8
Military interference	8.3
Integrity of the legal system	5.1
Legal enforcement of contracts	3.5
Regulatory costs	6.0
Reliability of police	3.6

Sound money

Money growth	7.0
Standard deviation of inflation	8.8
Inflation: Most recent year	6.9
Freedom to own foreign currency	10.0

Freedom to trade internationally

Tariffs	7.2
Regulatory trade barriers	3.9
Black-market exchange rates	10.0
Movement of capital and people	6.2

Regulation

Credit market regulations	7.0
Labor market regulations	5.6
Business regulations	6.3

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	2000	2002	2004	2006	2008	2010	2012	2014	2016	2018	2019	2020
Human freedom	7.03	7.00	7.08	7.17	7.17	7.24	7.36	7.04	6.80	6.80	6.60	6.38
Ranking	72	75	76	79	78	77	73	88	98	98	107	109
Economic freedom	7.04	6.80	6.97	7.12	7.15	7.38	7.37	7.19	6.98	7.02	6.95	6.56
Personal freedom	7.03	7.15	7.15	7.21	7.19	7.13	7.36	6.93	6.66	6.65	6.34	6.25
Rule of law	4.3	4.4	4.4	4.4	4.3	4.4	4.1	4.2	4.1	4.0	3.9	3.7
Procedural justice	-	-	-	-	4.8	4.8	4.0	3.5	3.3	3.3	3.2	3.2
Civil justice	-	-	-	-	4.6	4.6	4.7	5.0	4.9	4.7	4.6	4.6
Criminal justice	-	-	-	-	3.7	3.7	3.6	4.2	4.2	4.1	4.0	4.0
Rule of law (V-Dem)	6.1	6.2	6.2	6.2	6.1	6.1	6.0	5.6	5.7	5.6	5.6	5.4
Security and safety	8.2	8.3	8.3	8.6	8.7	8.6	8.6	8.5	8.3	8.4	8.5	8.3
Homicide	7.8	7.8	7.8	8.5	8.5	8.3	8.2	8.5	8.5	8.5	8.5	8.5
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	8.5	8.7	8.7	8.7	8.9	8.9	8.9	8.6	8.1	8.4	8.6	8.2
Movement	8.0	7.8	7.9	7.8	8.0	8.1						
Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	9.3	9.3	9.3	9.3	9.3	9.3	9.3	8.9	9.2	8.9	9.4	9.5
Freedom of movement (CLD)	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7
Religion	9.4	9.4	9.4	9.4	9.4	9.2	9.1	9.4	8.8	8.9	7.6	7.0
Freedom of religion	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.8	9.8	9.8	7.8	7.3
Religious organization repression	9.1	9.0	9.0	9.0	9.0	8.6	8.4	9.0	7.8	7.9	7.3	6.8
Association, assembly, civil society	7.9	8.1	8.1	8.1	7.8	7.6	7.7	7.3	6.8	6.8	5.9	6.1
Civil society entry and exit	7.6	8.3	8.3	8.3	8.1	7.1	6.9	6.9	6.7	6.1	4.8	5.2
Freedom of assembly	6.9	6.9	6.9	6.9	5.7	6.1	6.1	5.7	5.4	5.4	5.0	5.0
Freedom to form/run political parties	9.2	9.3	9.3	9.2	9.2	9.2	9.1	8.6	8.5	8.3	8.1	8.2
Civil society repression	8.0	8.0	8.0	8.0	8.1	7.9	8.7	7.8	6.7	7.5	5.7	6.0
Expression and information	5.7	6.3	6.3	6.4	6.5	6.6	6.6	5.7	5.1	5.0	4.8	4.9
Direct attacks on the press	7.4	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	9.3	9.3	9.3	9.3
Media and expression (V-Dem)	6.9	6.9	6.9	7.3	7.1	7.0	6.7	6.0	4.9	5.4	5.5	5.9
Media and expression (Freedom House)	2.1	2.4	2.2	2.5	2.2	2.6	2.8	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5
Media and expression (BTI)	5.6	5.6	5.6	5.6	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	5.6	4.4	3.3	3.3
Media and expression (CLD)	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3
Relationships	5.6	5.6	5.6	5.6	5.6	5.6	7.5	5.6	5.6	5.6	5.6	5.6
Same-sex relationships	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Divorce	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5
Inheritance rights	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	7.5	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0
Female genital mutilation	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	9.9	9.9	10.0	10.0	10.0

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HUMAN FREEDOM

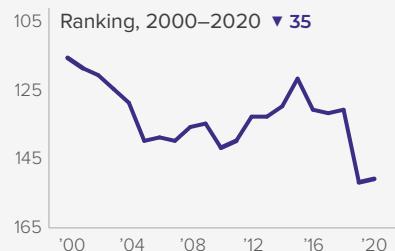
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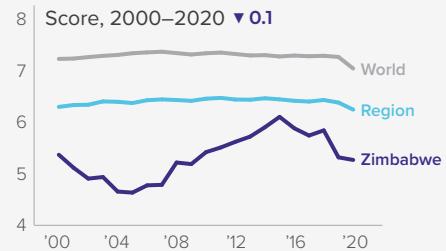
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Ranking, 2000–2020 ▼ 35



Score, 2000–2020 ▼ 0.1



PERSONAL FREEDOM

Ranking
120/165

Score
5.79

Rule of law

Procedural justice	3.8
Civil justice	2.6
Criminal justice	4.6
Rule of law (V-Dem)	3.7

Rule of law (V-Dem)	4.9
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Security and safety

Homicide	7.4
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	8.4

Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	6.5
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Movement

Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	6.0
Freedom of movement (CLD)	8.6

Freedom of movement (CLD)	3.3
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Religion

Freedom of religion	6.8
Religious organization repression	8.0

Religious organization repression	5.6
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Association, assembly, civil society

Civil society entry and exit	4.3
Freedom of assembly	3.0

Freedom of assembly	3.1
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Freedom to form/run political parties	8.1
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Civil society repression	3.2
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Expression and information

Direct attacks on the press	4.7
Media and expression (V-Dem)	10.0

Media and expression (V-Dem)	4.4
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Media and expression (Freedom House)	2.5
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Media and expression (BTI)	3.3
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Media and expression (CLD)	3.3
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Relationships

Same-sex relationships	7.5
Divorce	5.0

Divorce	7.5
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Inheritance rights	7.5
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Female genital mutilation	10.0
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ECONOMIC FREEDOM

Ranking
163/165

Score
4.48

Size of government

Government consumption	5.6
Transfers and subsidies	9.3
Government investment	8.5
Top marginal tax rate	0.0
State ownership of assets	5.0

Legal system and property rights

Judicial independence	4.0
Impartial courts	4.1
Protection of property rights	3.3
Military interference	3.1
Integrity of the legal system	3.3
Legal enforcement of contracts	4.6
Regulatory costs	2.4
Reliability of police	7.1

Sound money

Money growth	1.2
Standard deviation of inflation	0.0
Inflation: Most recent year	0.0
Freedom to own foreign currency	5.0

Freedom to trade internationally

Tariffs	5.6
Regulatory trade barriers	7.6
Black-market exchange rates	3.3
Movement of capital and people	10.0

Regulation

Credit market regulations	6.1
Labor market regulations	6.7
Business regulations	6.2

ZIMBABWE

SUB-SAHARAN AFRICA

	2000	2002	2004	2006	2008	2010	2012	2014	2016	2018	2019	2020
Human freedom	5.35	4.89	4.64	4.76	5.20	5.40	5.60	5.88	5.86	5.82	5.30	5.25
Ranking	116	121	129	139	136	142	133	130	131	131	152	151
Economic freedom	4.53	3.74	3.26	3.47	4.91	4.82	5.23	5.85	5.97	5.73	4.60	4.48
Personal freedom	5.94	5.70	5.63	5.68	5.40	5.81	5.87	5.91	5.78	5.88	5.80	5.79
Rule of law	3.7	3.2	3.2	3.2	3.1	3.7	3.3	3.5	3.5	3.5	3.6	3.8
Procedural justice	-	-	-	-	2.7	2.7	2.1	2.2	2.4	2.4	2.6	2.6
Civil justice	-	-	-	-	4.0	4.0	4.0	4.6	4.3	4.5	4.6	4.6
Criminal justice	-	-	-	-	4.3	4.3	3.6	3.6	3.8	3.7	3.7	3.7
Rule of law (V-Dem)	5.2	4.4	4.4	4.4	4.3	5.1	5.1	5.0	4.7	4.8	4.6	4.9
Security and safety	6.4	5.7	6.5	6.8	6.4	6.8	6.9	7.1	7.6	7.2	7.4	7.4
Homicide	6.4	6.2	6.9	7.6	8.5	8.5	8.1	8.1	8.4	8.4	8.4	8.4
Disappearances, conflicts, terrorism	6.4	5.2	6.0	5.9	4.4	5.0	5.8	6.1	6.7	6.0	6.3	6.5
Movement	6.3	6.0	6.0	6.0	6.0	6.3	6.3	6.2	6.0	6.0	6.0	6.0
Freedom of movement (V-Dem)	9.3	8.8	8.8	8.7	8.7	9.2	9.2	9.0	8.7	8.7	8.7	8.6
Freedom of movement (CLD)	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3
Religion	9.1	9.1	7.9	7.9	7.0	7.8	7.8	7.9	6.9	6.9	6.9	6.8
Freedom of religion	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	7.8	9.4	9.4	9.8	7.8	7.9	7.9	8.0
Religious organization repression	8.8	8.8	6.4	6.4	6.2	6.2	6.2	6.0	6.0	6.0	6.0	5.6
Association, assembly, civil society	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	4.9	5.4	5.4	5.0	5.0	5.2	4.5	4.3
Civil society entry and exit	5.5	5.5	5.5	5.5	4.9	5.4	5.4	4.2	4.2	4.3	3.2	3.0
Freedom of assembly	2.7	2.7	2.7	2.7	2.7	3.1	3.1	3.4	3.4	3.1	3.1	3.1
Freedom to form/run political parties	8.3	8.4	8.4	8.6	8.7	8.7	8.7	8.6	8.6	8.6	8.5	8.1
Civil society repression	3.4	3.4	3.4	3.4	3.3	4.3	4.5	3.9	3.9	4.7	3.1	3.2
Expression and information	4.3	4.1	4.0	4.0	3.6	4.0	4.6	4.8	4.6	4.8	4.7	4.7
Direct attacks on the press	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	8.8	8.8	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Media and expression (V-Dem)	4.0	3.6	3.2	3.0	3.0	3.9	4.0	4.5	3.9	4.8	4.4	4.4
Media and expression (Freedom House)	0.6	0.0	0.0	0.3	0.4	1.6	2.2	3.0	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5
Media and expression (BTI)	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	2.2	2.2	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3
Media and expression (CLD)	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3
Relationships	6.8	6.8	6.8	6.8	6.8	6.8	6.9	6.9	6.9	7.5	7.5	7.5
Same-sex relationships	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0
Divorce	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5
Inheritance rights	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	7.5	7.5	7.5
Female genital mutilation	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0

Note: The data source V-Dem = Varieties of Democracy; the data source CLD = Civil Liberty Dataset; the data source BTI = Bertelsmann Stiftung's Transformation Index. For the rule of law category, we use data from V-Dem for 2020 and early years covered in our index for which our primary source does not provide data.

METHODOLOGY AND SOURCES

PERSONAL FREEDOM

A. RULE OF LAW

Where the *Rule of Law Index* from the World Justice Project (WJP) is available, it is used as described below. For countries that the WJP has never scored, the *Varieties of Democracy* (V-Dem) *Rule of Law Index* is used instead. To put it on a scale of 0 to 10, the *Varieties of Democracy Rule of Law Index* is multiplied by 10. If a country has been given a score by the WJP in some years but not others, the years with missing data are filled by using the level of the rule of law established by the WJP and moving it upward or downward through time using *Varieties of Democracy* data via chain linking. Ratings from V-Dem's *Rule of Law Index* are based on the following questions: "To what extent are laws transparently, independently, predictably, impartially, and equally enforced, and to what extent do the actions of government officials comply with the law?"

Sources: V-Dem Institute, *Varieties of Democracy*; World Justice Project, *Rule of Law Index*.

Ai. Procedural justice

This component is calculated as an average of selected *Rule of Law Index* subfactors: "4.2 The right to life and security of the person is effectively guaranteed," "4.3 Due process of law and rights of the accused," and "4.6 Freedom from arbitrary interference with privacy is effectively guaranteed." A continuous score ranges from 0 to 10, where a rating of 10 is assigned to countries with full adherence to the rule of law from the perspective of how ordinary people experience it and a 0 rating is assigned to countries with no adherence to the rule of law from the perspective of how ordinary people experience it.

Source: World Justice Project, *Rule of Law Index*.

Aii. Civil justice

This component is calculated as an average of selected *Rule of Law Index* subfactors: "7.1 People can access and afford civil justice," "7.2 Civil justice is free of discrimination," "7.3 Civil justice is free of corruption," "7.4 Civil justice is free of improper government influence," "7.5 Civil justice is not subject to unreasonable delay," "7.6 Civil justice is effectively enforced," and "7.7 Alternative dispute resolution is accessible, impartial, and effective." A continuous score ranges from 0 to 10, where 0 means no adherence to the rule

Descriptions are based on material from the data sources and, in some cases, use the same wording.

of law from the perspective of how ordinary people experience it and 10 means full adherence to the rule of law from the perspective of how ordinary people experience it.

Source: World Justice Project, *Rule of Law Index*.

Aiii. Criminal justice

This component is calculated as an average of selected *Rule of Law Index* subfactors: “8.1 Criminal investigation system is effective,” “8.2 Criminal adjudication system is timely and effective,” “8.3 Correctional system is effective in reducing criminal behavior,” “8.4 Criminal system is impartial,” “8.5 Criminal system is free of corruption,” “8.6 Criminal system is free of improper government influence,” and “8.7 Due process of law and rights of the accused.” A continuous score ranges from 0 to 10, where 0 means no adherence to the rule of law from the perspective of how ordinary people experience it and 10 means full adherence to the rule of law from the perspective of how ordinary people experience it.

Source: World Justice Project, *Rule of Law Index*.

B. SECURITY AND SAFETY

Bi. Homicide

This component is based on the United Nations (UN) Office on Drugs and Crime’s data on the intentional homicides per 100,000 population. Countries with more homicides per 100,000 population received lower ratings. A rating of 10 would have been assigned to countries with no homicides per 100,000 population. A rating of 0 was assigned to countries with 34.4 homicides or more per 100,000 population. Countries with homicides between 0 and 34.4 homicides per 100,000 population received corresponding ratings between 10 and 0. A value of 34.4 homicides per 100,000 population corresponds to the 95th percentile country from 2006 to 2011.

Source: UN Office on Drugs and Crime, Intentional Homicide database.

Bii. Disappearances, conflicts, and terrorism

Bii(a). Disappearances

This subcomponent is based on the CI-RIGHTS Dataset on disappearances. Countries with more disappearances received lower ratings. A rating of 10 was assigned to countries with no disappearances. A rating of 5 was assigned to countries with disappearances occurring occasionally. A rating of 0 was assigned to countries with frequently occurring disappearances.

Source: David Cingranelli and Mikhail Filippov, CI-RIGHTS Dataset.

Bii(b). Violent conflicts

This subcomponent is based on the Uppsala Conflict Data Program's data on battle-related deaths per one million population. It measures battle-related deaths from armed-conflict behavior between warring parties in a conflict dyad, be it state based or non-state based. In state-based conflicts, the violence must be directly related to an incompatibility (of the positions of the conflicting parties regarding government or territory)—that is, carried out with the purpose of realizing the goal of the incompatibility and having resulted in deaths. In non-state-based conflicts, the violence does not have to be related to an incompatibility but must take place between warring parties and result in deaths. All deaths—military as well as civilian—are counted as battle-related deaths. Countries with more battle-related deaths per one million population received lower ratings. A rating of 10 was assigned to countries with no battle-related deaths per one million population. A rating of 0 was assigned to countries with 18.2 or more battle-related deaths per one million population. Countries with battle-related deaths between 0 and 18.2 received corresponding ratings between 10 and 0. A value of 18.2 corresponds to the value of the 95th percentile country in 2008.

Source: Uppsala Conflict Data Program, Battle-Related Deaths Dataset.

Bii(c). Organized conflicts

This subcomponent is based on the EIU's qualitative assessment of the intensity of conflicts within the country. Countries with higher intensities of conflicts received lower ratings. The EIU's scale of 1 to 5 is mapped to ratings of 10, 7.5, 5.0, 2.5, and 0, respectively.

Source: Economist Intelligence Unit, Internal Organized Conflict Dataset.

Bii(d). Terrorism fatalities

This subcomponent is based on the University of Maryland's Global Terrorism Database on confirmed terrorism fatalities. The number includes all victims and attackers who died as a direct result of the incident. Countries with more confirmed terrorism fatalities per one million population received lower ratings. A rating of 10 was assigned to countries with no confirmed fatalities per one million population. A rating of 0 was assigned to countries with 5.96 or more confirmed terrorism fatalities per one million population. Countries with terrorism fatalities between 0 and 5.96 per one million people received corresponding ratings between 10 and 0. A value of 5.96 corresponds to the value of the 95th percentile country in 2008.

Source: University of Maryland, Global Terrorism Database.

Bii(e). Terrorism injuries

This subcomponent is based on the University of Maryland's Global Terrorism Database on the confirmed terrorism nonfatal injuries to both perpetrators and victims. A rating of 10 was assigned to countries with no confirmed terrorism nonfatal injuries per one million population. A rating of 0 was assigned to countries with 11.11 or more confirmed terrorism nonfatal injuries per one million population. Countries with confirmed terrorism nonfatal injuries between 0 and 11.11 received corresponding ratings between 10 and 0. A value of 11.11 corresponds to the value of the 95th percentile country in 2008.

Source: University of Maryland, Global Terrorism Database.

Bii(f). Freedom from torture

This component is from this V-Dem database question: Is there freedom from torture?

Responses:

- 0: Not respected by public authorities. Torture is practiced systematically and is incited and approved by the leaders of government.
- 1: Weakly respected by public authorities. Torture is practiced frequently but is often not incited or approved by top leaders of government. At the same time, leaders of government are not actively working to prevent it.
- 2: Somewhat. Torture is practiced occasionally but is typically not approved by top leaders of government.
- 3: Mostly respected by public authorities. Torture is practiced in a few isolated cases but is not incited or approved by top government leaders.
- 4: Fully respected by public authorities. Torture is nonexistent.

The version of the data is the “original scale” variable found in the V-Dem dataset. The data were multiplied by 2.5 for conversion to the 0-to-10 scale.

Source: V-Dem Institute, *Varieties of Democracy*.

Bii(g). Freedom from political killings

This component is from this V-Dem database question: Is there freedom from political killings?

Responses:

- 0: Not respected by public authorities. Political killings are practiced systematically and they are typically incited and approved by top leaders of government.
- 1: Weakly respected by public authorities. Political killings are practiced frequently and top leaders of government are not actively working to prevent them.

- 2: Somewhat respected by public authorities. Political killings are practiced occasionally but they are typically not incited and approved by top leaders of government.
- 3: Mostly respected by public authorities. Political killings are practiced in a few isolated cases but they are not incited or approved by top leaders of government.
- 4: Fully respected by public authorities. Political killings are nonexistent.

The version of the data is the “original scale” variable found in the V-Dem dataset. The data were multiplied by 2.5 for conversion to the 0-to-10 scale.

Source: V-Dem Institute, *Varieties of Democracy*.

C. MOVEMENT

Ci. Freedom of movement

Ci(a). Freedom of foreign movement

This component is from this V-Dem database question: Is there freedom of foreign travel and emigration? Responses:

- 0: Not respected by public authorities. Citizens are rarely allowed to emigrate or travel out of the country. Transgressors (or their families) are severely punished. People discredited by the public authorities are routinely exiled or prohibited from traveling.
- 1: Weakly respected by public authorities. The public authorities systematically restrict the right to travel, especially for political opponents or particular social groups. This can take the form of general restrictions on the duration of stays abroad or delays/refusals of visas.
- 2: Somewhat respected by the public authorities. The right to travel for leading political opponents or particular social groups is occasionally restricted but ordinary citizens only met minor restrictions.
- 3: Mostly respected by public authorities. Limitations on freedom of movement and residence are not directed at political opponents but minor restrictions exist. For example, exit visas may be required and citizens may be prohibited from traveling outside the country when accompanied by other members of their family.
- 4: Fully respected by the government. The freedom of citizens to travel from and to the country, and to emigrate and repatriate, is not restricted by public authorities.

The version of the data is the “original scale” variable found in the V-Dem dataset. The data were multiplied by 2.5 for conversion to the 0-to-10 scale.

Source: V-Dem Institute, *Varieties of Democracy*.

Ci(b). Freedom of movement for men

This component is from this V-Dem database question: Do men enjoy freedom of movement within the country?

Responses:

- 0: Virtually no men enjoy full freedom of movement (e.g., North Korea).
- 1: Some men enjoy full freedom of movement, but most do not (e.g., apartheid South Africa).
- 2: Most men enjoy some freedom of movement but a sizable minority does not. Alternatively, all men enjoy partial freedom of movement.
- 3: Most men enjoy full freedom of movement but a small minority does not.
- 4: Virtually all men enjoy full freedom of movement.

The version of the data is the “original scale” variable found in the V-Dem dataset. The data were multiplied by 2.5 for conversion to the 0-to-10 scale.

Source: V-Dem Institute, *Varieties of Democracy*.

Ci(c). Freedom of movement for women

This component is from this V-Dem database question: Do women enjoy freedom of movement within the country?

Responses:

- 0: Virtually no women enjoy full freedom of movement (e.g., North Korea or Afghanistan under the Taliban).
- 1: Some women enjoy full freedom of movement, but most do not (e.g., apartheid South Africa).
- 2: Most women enjoy some freedom of movement but a sizable minority does not. Alternatively, all women enjoy partial freedom of movement.
- 3: Most women enjoy full freedom of movement but a small minority does not.
- 4: Virtually all women enjoy full freedom of movement.

The version of the data is the “original scale” variable found in the V-Dem dataset. The data were multiplied by 2.5 for conversion to the 0-to-10 scale.

Source: V-Dem Institute, *Varieties of Democracy*.

Cii. Freedom of movement

This component specifies the extent to which individuals and groups have freedom of movement and residence, that is, the right of the citizens to settle and travel within their country as well as to leave and return to their country of own choice without being subject to actual limitations or restrictions.

Component scale:

- (1) Severely restricted. Hardly any freedom of movement exists. As a rule, citizens are not allowed to choose their place of residence and to travel within and out of the country.
- (2) Fairly restricted. Some elements of foreign travel, residence, and/or domestic travel of own choice exist, but numerous individuals, often belonging to specific groups, are exposed to a variety of prohibitions.
- (3) Modestly restricted. There are minor restraints on the freedom of travel and/or residence, predominantly limited to a few isolated cases, but as a rule there are no prohibitions.
- (4) Unrestricted. Unhampered freedom of movement and residence exist.

The data were multiplied by 2.5 for conversion to the 0-to-10 scale.

Source: Svend-Erik Skaaning, Civil Liberty Dataset, 2020, <https://doi.org/10.7910/DVN/0TKJWX>, Harvard Dataverse, V2.5.

D. RELIGION

Di. Freedom of religion

Di(a). Freedom of religion (V-Dem)

This indicator specifies the extent to which individuals and groups have the right to choose a religion, change their religion, and practice that religion in private or in public as well as to proselytize peacefully without being subject to restrictions by public authorities.

Responses:

- 0: Not respected by public authorities. Hardly any freedom of religion exists. Any kind of religious practice is outlawed or at least controlled by the government to the extent that religious leaders are appointed by and subjected to public authorities, who control the activities of religious communities in some detail.
- 1: Weakly respected by public authorities. Some elements of autonomous organized religious practices exist and are officially recognized. But significant religious communities are repressed, prohibited, or systematically disabled; voluntary conversions are restricted; and instances of discrimination or intimidation of individuals or groups due to their religion are common.
- 2: Somewhat respected by public authorities. Autonomous organized religious practices exist and are officially recognized. Yet minor religious communities are repressed, prohibited, or systematically disabled, and/or instances of discrimination or intimidation of individuals or groups due to their religion occur occasionally.
- 3: Mostly respected by public authorities. There are minor restrictions on the freedom of religion, predominantly limited to a few isolated cases. Minority religions face denial of registration,

hindrance of foreign missionaries from entering the country, restrictions against proselytizing, or hindrance of access to or construction of places of worship.

4: Fully respected by public authorities. The population enjoys the right to practice any religious belief they choose. Religious groups may organize, select, and train personnel; solicit and receive contributions; publish; and engage in consultations without undue interference. If religious communities have to register, public authorities do not abuse the process to discriminate against a religion and do not constrain the right to worship before registration.

The version of the data is the “original scale” variable found in the V-Dem dataset. The data were multiplied by 2.5 for conversion to the 0-to-10 scale.

Source: V-Dem Institute, *Varieties of Democracy*.

Di(b). Freedom of religion (CLD)

This component specifies the extent to which individuals and groups have freedom of thought, conscience, and religion—that is, the right of the citizens to have and change their religion or belief of their own choice and to alone or in community manifest their religion or belief in practice, worship, observance, and teaching in private or public as well as to proselytize peacefully without being subject to actual limitations or restrictions. Component scale:

- (1) Severely restricted. Hardly any freedom of religion exists. As a rule, any kind of religious practice is controlled by the government and harshly suppressed.
- (2) Fairly restricted. Some elements of autonomous organized religious practices exist and are officially recognized, but major religious directions are repressed, prohibited, or systematically disabled.
- (3) Modestly restricted. There are minor restraints on the freedom of religion, predominantly limited to a few isolated cases, but as a rule there are no interventions or prohibitions on communities or individual worshippers.
- (4) Unrestricted. Unhampered freedom of religion exists.

The data were multiplied by 2.5 for conversion to the 0-to-10 scale.

Source: Skaaning, Civil Liberty Dataset.

Dii. Religious organization repression

This component is from this V-Dem database question: Does the government attempt to repress religious organizations?

Responses:

0: Severely. The government violently and actively pursues all real and even some imagined members of religious organizations. It seeks not only to deter the activity of such groups but also to effectively liquidate them. Examples include Stalinist Russia and Maoist China.

- 1: Substantially. In addition to the kinds of harassment outlined in 2 and 3 below, the government also arrests, tries, and imprisons leaders of and participants in oppositional religious organizations who have acted lawfully. Other sanctions include disruption of public gatherings and violent sanctions of activists (beatings, threats to families, destruction of valuable property).
- 2: Moderately. In addition to material sanctions outlined in 3 below, the government also engages in minor legal harassment (detentions, short-term incarceration) to dissuade religious organizations from acting or expressing themselves. The government may also restrict the scope of their actions through measures that restrict association of religious civil society organizations with each other or political parties, bar religious civil society organizations from taking certain actions, or block international contacts.
- 3: Weakly. The government uses material sanctions (fines, firings, denial of social services) to deter oppositional religious organizations from acting or expressing themselves. They may also use burdensome registration or incorporation procedures to slow the formation of new religious civil society organizations and sidetrack them from engagement. The government may also organize parallel religious organizations to crowd out independent religious organizations.
- 4: No. Religious civil society organizations are free to organize, associate, strike, express themselves, and criticize the government without fear of government sanctions or harassment.

The version of the data is the “original scale” variable found in the V-Dem dataset. The data were multiplied by 2.5 for conversion to the 0-to-10 scale.

Source: V-Dem Institute, *Varieties of Democracy*.

E. ASSOCIATION, ASSEMBLY, AND CIVIL SOCIETY

Ei. Civil society entry and exit

This component is from the following V-Dem database question: To what extent does the government achieve control over entry and exit by civil society organizations (CSOs) into public life?

Responses:

- 0: Monopolistic control. The government exercises an explicit monopoly over CSOs. The only organizations allowed to engage in political activity such as endorsing parties or politicians, sponsoring public issues forums, organizing rallies or demonstrations, engaging in strikes, or publicly commenting on public officials and policies are government-sponsored organizations. The government actively represses those who attempt to defy its monopoly on political activity.
- 1: Substantial control. The government licenses all CSOs and uses political criteria to bar organizations that are likely to oppose the government. There are at least some citizen-based organizations that play a limited role in politics independent of the government. The government

actively represses those who attempt to flout its political criteria and bars them from any political activity.

2: Moderate control. Whether the government ban on independent CSOs is partial or full, some prohibited organizations manage to play an active political role. Despite its ban on organizations of this sort, the government does not or cannot repress them, due to either its weakness or political expedience.

3: Minimal control. Whether or not the government licenses CSOs, there exist constitutional provisions that allow the government to ban organizations or movements that have a history of antidemocratic action in the past (e.g., the banning of neofascist or communist organizations in the Federal Republic of Germany). Such banning takes place under strict rule of law and conditions of judicial independence.

4: Unconstrained. Whether or not the government licenses CSOs, the government does not impede their formation and operation unless they are engaged in activities to violently overthrow the government.

The version of the data is the “original scale” variable found in the V-Dem dataset. The data were multiplied by 2.5 for conversion to the 0-to-10 scale.

Source: V-Dem Institute, *Varieties of Democracy*.

Eii. Freedom of assembly

Eii(a). Freedom of assembly (Freedom House)

This component is from the E1 category in the *Freedom in the World* methodology: Is there freedom of assembly? Questions include the following: Are peaceful protests, particularly those of a political nature, banned or severely restricted? Are the legal requirements to obtain permission to hold peaceful demonstrations particularly cumbersome or time-consuming? Are participants in peaceful demonstrations intimidated, arrested, or assaulted? Are peaceful protesters detained by police in order to prevent them from engaging in such actions? Are organizers blocked from using online media to plan or carry out a protest, for example, through DDoS (distributed denial-of-service) attacks or wholesale blackouts of internet or mobile services? Are similar restrictions and obstacles used to impede other public events, such as conferences, panel discussions, and town hall-style meetings? Are public petitions, in which citizens gather signatures to support a particular policy or initiative, banned or severely restricted?

The data, which run from 0-to-4, were multiplied by 2.5 for conversion to the 0-to-10 scale.

Source: Freedom House, *Freedom in the World*.

Eii(b). Freedom of assembly (BTI)

This component is from the 2.3 category in the Transformation Index methodology: To what extent can individuals form and join independent political or civic groups? To what extent can these groups operate and assemble freely?

When assessing the degree of freedom of association and assembly, please consider the following: if the constitution guarantees freedom of association and assembly, and if these laws are enforced; if there are severe restrictions on assembly and association for all citizens or for particular groups; if the government uses intimidation, harassment, or threats of retaliation to prevent citizens from exercising their rights to association and assembly (e.g., by arbitrarily arresting, detaining, and imprisoning peaceful demonstrators or using excessive force); if the government uses transparent and nondiscriminatory criteria in evaluating requests for permits to associate and/or assemble; and if groups are able to operate free from unwarranted state intrusion or interference in their affairs. Scoring is as follows:

- 10: Association and assembly rights are guaranteed against interference or government restrictions. Residents and civic groups can fully exercise these rights.
- 7: Association and assembly rights are occasionally subject to interference or government restrictions, but generally there are no outright prohibitions of independent political or civic groups.
- 4: Association and assembly rights are often subject to interference or government restrictions. Residents and civic groups that do not support the government often cannot exercise these rights.
- 1: Association and assembly rights are denied. Independent civic groups do not exist or are prohibited.

To transform the data to a 0-to-10 scale, one is subtracted from the data and the results are multiplied by ten-ninths.

Supplementing these data are the CIRI Human Rights data on the Freedom of Assembly and Association. CIRI's 0-to-2 scale is transformed to a 0-to-10 scale by multiplying it by five. Its role in supplementing the Bertelsmann Stiftung Transformation Index (BTI) data is limited to countries that already receive a BTI score. Beginning with one year before BTI data are scored, the earliest BTI data are carried backward so long as the CIRI data are constant from one year to the year before. When the CIRI data change, a rating of 0, 5, or 10 is assigned commensurate with the 0, 1, and 2 scoring used by CIRI.

Sources: Bertelsmann Stiftung Transformation Index; CIRI Human Rights Data Project.

Eii(c). Freedom of assembly (CLD)

This component specifies the extent to which individuals and groups have freedom of assembly and association, that is, the right of the citizens to gather freely and carry out peaceful demonstrations as well as

to join, form, and participate with other persons in political parties, cultural organizations, trade unions, or the like of their choice without being subject to actual limitations or restrictions.

Component scale:

- (1) Severely restricted. Hardly any freedom of association and assembly exists. As a rule, politically relevant civic organizations and attempts to assemble do not exist or are harshly suppressed.
- (2) Fairly restricted. Some elements of civic organizations exist, but oppositional organizations with relevance for governance are prohibited, disabled, or systematically repressed and demonstrations critical of the government are exposed to numerous interventions and prohibitions.
- (3) Modestly restricted. There are minor restraints on the freedom of association and/or assembly, predominantly limited to a few isolated cases, but as a rule there are no interventions or prohibitions on parties, social organizations, or public meetings.
- (4) Unrestricted. Unhampered freedom of association and assembly exists.

The data were multiplied by 2.5 for conversion to the 0-to-10 scale.

Source: Skaaning, Civil Liberty Dataset.

Eiii. Freedom to form and run political parties

Eiii(a). Barriers to parties

This component is from the following V-Dem database question: How restrictive are the barriers to forming a party? Clarification: Barriers include legal requirements such as requirements for membership or financial deposits, as well as harassment.

Responses:

- 0: Parties are not allowed.
- 1: It is impossible, or virtually impossible, for parties not affiliated with the government to form (legally).
- 2: There are significant obstacles (e.g., party leaders face high levels of regular political harassment by authorities).
- 3: There are modest barriers (e.g., party leaders face occasional political harassment by authorities).
- 4: There are no substantial barriers.

The version of the data is the “original scale” variable found in the V-Dem dataset. The data were multiplied by 2.5 for conversion to the 0-to-10 scale.

Source: V-Dem Institute, *Varieties of Democracy*.

Eiii(b). Party bans

This component is from the following V-Dem database question: Are any parties banned? Clarification: This does not apply to parties that are barred from competing for failing to meet registration requirements or support thresholds.

Responses:

- 0: Yes. All parties except the state-sponsored party (and closely allied parties) are banned.
- 1: Yes. Elections are nonpartisan or there are no officially recognized parties.
- 2: Yes. Many parties are banned.
- 3: Yes. But only a few parties are banned.
- 4: No. No parties are officially banned.

The version of the data is the “original scale” variable found in the V-Dem dataset. The data were multiplied by 2.5 for conversion to the 0-to-10 scale.

Source: V-Dem Institute, *Varieties of Democracy*.

Eiii(c). Opposition parties autonomy

This component is from the following V-Dem database question: Are opposition parties independent and autonomous of the ruling regime? Clarification: An opposition party is any party that is not part of the government (i.e., that has no control over the executive).

Responses:

- 0: Opposition parties are not allowed.
- 1: There are no autonomous, independent opposition parties. Opposition parties are either selected or co-opted by the ruling regime.
- 2: At least some opposition parties are autonomous and independent of the ruling regime.
- 3: Most significant opposition parties are autonomous and independent of the ruling regime.
- 4: All opposition parties are autonomous and independent of the ruling regime.

The version of the data is the “original scale” variable found in the V-Dem dataset. The data were multiplied by 2.5 for conversion to the 0-to-10 scale.

Source: V-Dem Institute, *Varieties of Democracy*.

Eiv. Civil society repression

This component is from the following V-Dem database question: Does the government attempt to repress civil society organizations (CSOs)?

Responses:

0: Severely. The government violently and actively pursues all real and even some imagined members of CSOs. They seek not only to deter the activity of such groups but to effectively liquidate them.

Examples include Stalinist Russia, Nazi Germany, and Maoist China.

1: Substantially. In addition to the kinds of harassment outlined in responses 2 and 3 below, the government also arrests, tries, and imprisons leaders of and participants in oppositional CSOs who have acted lawfully. Other sanctions include disruption of public gatherings and violent sanctions of activists (beatings, threats to families, destruction of valuable property). Examples include Mugabe's Zimbabwe, Poland under martial law, and Serbia under Milošević.

2: Moderately. In addition to material sanctions outlined in response 3 below, the government also engages in minor legal harassment (detentions, short-term incarceration) to dissuade CSOs from acting or expressing themselves. The government may also restrict the scope of their actions through measures that restrict association of CSOs with each other or political parties, bar CSOs from taking certain actions, or block international contacts. Examples include post-martial law Poland, Brazil in the early 1980s, and the late Franco period in Spain.

3: Weakly. The government uses material sanctions (fines, firings, denial of social services) to deter oppositional CSOs from acting or expressing themselves. They may also use burdensome registration or incorporation procedures to slow the formation of new CSOs and sidetrack them from engagement. The government may also organize government-organized movements or nongovernmental organizations to crowd out independent organizations. One example would be Singapore in the post-Yew phase or Putin's Russia.

4: No. CSOs are free to organize, associate, strike, express themselves, and criticize the government without fear of government sanctions or harassment.

The version of the data is the “original scale” variable found in the V-Dem dataset. The data were multiplied by 2.5 for conversion to the 0-to-10 scale.

Source: V-Dem Institute, *Varieties of Democracy*.

F. EXPRESSION AND INFORMATION

Fi. Direct attacks on press

Fi(a). Press killed

This component counts journalists killed while covering news or offering comment on public affairs in print, in photographs, on radio, on television, or online. As such, the component includes writers, editors, publishers, producers, technicians, photographers, camera operators, and directors of news organizations. Countries with 3.4 or more journalists killed over the previous five years per 10 million population earn a rating of 0. Countries with no journalists killed over the previous five years earn a 10. Countries with more than 0 but

fewer than 3.4 journalists killed per 10 million population over the previous five years earn a corresponding rating between 10 and 0. A value of 3.4 per 10 million corresponds to the number killed in the 95th percentile country from 2004 to 2008.

Source: Committee to Protect Journalists, Killed Census.

Fi(b). Press jailed

This component quantifies journalists imprisoned for covering news or offering comment on public affairs in print, in photographs, on radio, on television, or online. As such, the component includes writers, editors, publishers, producers, technicians, photographers, camera operators, and directors of news organizations. Countries with 4.1 or more journalists imprisoned over the previous five years per 10 million earn a rating of 0. Countries with no journalists imprisoned over the previous five years earn a 10. Countries with more than 0 but fewer than 4.1 journalists per 10 million population imprisoned over the previous five years earn a corresponding rating between 10 and 0. A value of 4.1 per 10 million corresponds to the number jailed in the 95th percentile country from 2004 to 2008.

Source: Committee to Protect Journalists, Prison Census.

Fii. Media and expression (V-Dem)

Fii(a). Freedom of academic and cultural expression

This component is from the following V-Dem database question: Are there academic freedom and freedom of cultural expression related to political issues?

Responses:

- 0: Not respected by public authorities. Censorship and intimidation are frequent. Academic activities and cultural expressions are severely restricted or controlled by the government.
- 1: Weakly respected by public authorities. Academic freedom and freedom of cultural expression are practiced occasionally, but direct criticism of the government is mostly met with repression.
- 2: Somewhat respected by public authorities. Academic freedom and freedom of cultural expression are practiced routinely, but strong criticism of the government is sometimes met with repression.
- 3: Mostly respected by public authorities. There are few limitations on academic freedom and freedom of cultural expression, and resulting sanctions tend to be infrequent and soft.
- 4: Fully respected by public authorities. There are no restrictions on academic freedom or cultural expression.

The version of the data is the “original scale” variable found in the V-Dem dataset. The data were multiplied by 2.5 for conversion to the 0-to-10 scale.

Source: V-Dem Institute, *Varieties of Democracy*.

Fii(b). Harassment of journalists

This component is from the following V-Dem database question: Are individual journalists harassed (i.e., threatened with libel, arrested, imprisoned, beaten, or killed) by governmental or powerful nongovernmental actors while engaged in legitimate journalistic activities?

Responses:

- 0: No journalists dare to engage in journalistic activities that would offend powerful actors because harassment or worse would be certain to occur.
- 1: Some journalists occasionally offend powerful actors, but they are almost always harassed or worse and eventually are forced to stop.
- 2: Some journalists who offend powerful actors are forced to stop, but others manage to continue practicing journalism freely for long periods of time.
- 3: It is rare for any journalist to be harassed for offending powerful actors, and if this were to happen, those responsible for the harassment would be identified and punished.
- 4: Journalists are never harassed by governmental or powerful nongovernmental actors while engaged in legitimate journalistic activities.

The version of the data is the “original scale” variable found in the V-Dem dataset. The data were multiplied by 2.5 for conversion to the 0-to-10 scale.

Source: V-Dem Institute, *Varieties of Democracy*.

Fii(c). Government censorship effort

This component is from the following V-Dem database question: Does the government directly or indirectly attempt to censor the print or broadcast media?

Responses:

- 0: Attempts to censor are direct and routine.
- 1: Attempts to censor are indirect but nevertheless routine.
- 2: Attempts to censor are direct but limited to especially sensitive issues.
- 3: Attempts to censor are indirect and limited to especially sensitive issues.
- 4: The government rarely attempts to censor major media in any way, and when such exceptional attempts are discovered, the responsible officials are usually punished.

The version of the data is the “original scale” variable found in the V-Dem dataset. The data were multiplied by 2.5 for conversion to the 0-to-10 scale.

Source: V-Dem Institute, *Varieties of Democracy*.

Fii(d). Internet censorship effort

This component is from the following V-Dem database question: Does the government attempt to censor information (text, audio, or visuals) on the internet?

Responses:

- 0: The government successfully blocks internet access except to sites that are pro-government or devoid of political content.
- 1: The government attempts to block internet access except to sites that are pro-government or devoid of political content, but many users are able to circumvent such controls.
- 2: The government allows internet access, including to some sites that are critical of the government, but blocks selected sites that deal with especially politically sensitive issues.
- 3: The government allows internet access that is unrestricted, with the exceptions mentioned above.

The version of the data is the “original scale” variable found in the V-Dem dataset. The data were multiplied by 2.5 for conversion to the 0-to-10 scale.

Source: V-Dem Institute, *Varieties of Democracy*.

Fii(e). Media self-censorship

This component is from the following V-Dem database question: Is there self-censorship among journalists when reporting on issues that the government considers politically sensitive?

Responses:

- 0: Self-censorship is complete and thorough.
- 1: Self-censorship is common but incomplete.
- 2: There is self-censorship on a few highly sensitive political issues but not on moderately sensitive issues.
- 3: There is little or no self-censorship among journalists.

The version of the data is the “original scale” variable found in the V-Dem dataset. The data were multiplied by 2.5 for conversion to the 0-to-10 scale.

Source: V-Dem Institute, *Varieties of Democracy*.

Fiii. Media and expression (Freedom House)

This component is from the D1 category in the Freedom in the World methodology: Are there free and independent media? (Note: “Media” refers to all relevant sources of news and commentary—including formal print, broadcast, and online news outlets, as well as social media and communication applications when they are used to gather or disseminate news and commentary for the general public. The question also applies to artistic works in any medium.)

Questions include the following: Are the media directly or indirectly censored? Is self-censorship common among journalists (the term includes professional journalists, bloggers, and citizen journalists), especially when reporting on sensitive issues, including politics, social controversies, corruption, or the activities of powerful individuals? Are journalists subject to pressure or surveillance aimed at identifying their sources? Are libel, blasphemy, security, or other restrictive laws used to punish journalists who scrutinize government officials and policies or other powerful entities through either onerous fines or imprisonment? Is it a crime to insult the honor and dignity of the president and/or other government officials? How broad is the range of such prohibitions, and how vigorously are they enforced? If media outlets are dependent on the government for their financial survival, does the government condition funding on the outlets' cooperation in promoting official points of view and/or denying access to opposition parties and civic critics? Do powerful private actors engage in similar practices? Do the owners of private media exert improper editorial control over journalists or publishers, skewing news coverage to suit their personal business or political interests? Is media coverage excessively partisan, with the majority of outlets consistently favoring either side of the political spectrum? Does the government attempt to influence media content and access through means including politically motivated awarding or suspension of broadcast frequencies and newspaper registrations, unfair control and influence over printing facilities and distribution networks, blackouts of internet or mobile service, selective distribution of advertising, onerous operating requirements, prohibitive tariffs, and bribery? Are journalists threatened, harassed online, arrested, imprisoned, beaten, or killed by government or nonstate actors for their legitimate journalistic activities, and if such cases occur, are they investigated and prosecuted fairly and expeditiously? Do women journalists encounter gender-specific obstacles to carrying out their work, including threats of sexual violence or strict gender segregation? Are works of literature, art, music, or other forms of cultural expression censored or banned for political purposes? For the years 2017 and 2018, we translate Freedom House's 0-to-4 scale by simply multiplying by 2.5 so that the minimum score given is 0 and the maximum score given is 10. Earlier years' data were reported continuously over the interval.

Source: Freedom House, *Freedom in the World*.

Fiv. Media and expression (BTI)

This component is from the 2.4 category in the Transformation Index methodology: To what extent can citizens, organizations, and the mass media express opinions freely? When assessing the degree of freedom of expression, please consider the following: if the constitution guarantees freedom of expression, and if these laws are enforced; if individuals, organizations, or media are harassed or physically threatened by either the state or influential interest groups and if there are cases of assault against dissenting media or

critical journalists; if the state practices censorship or if journalists practice self-censorship; if penal code, security laws, or penalties for libeling state officials are enacted to intimidate dissenting opinion; if freedom of information legislation is in place and effective; and if the structure of the media system provides for a plurality of opinions.

Scoring:

- 10: Freedom of expression is guaranteed against interference or government restrictions.
Individuals, groups, and the press can fully exercise these rights.
 - 7: Freedom of expression is occasionally subject to interference or government restrictions, but there are generally no incidents of blatant intrusions like outright state censorship or media shutdowns.
 - 4: Freedom of expression is often subject to interference or government restrictions. Distortion and manipulation shape matters of public debate.
 - 1: Freedom of expression is denied. Independent media do not exist or are prohibited.
- To transform the data to a 0-to-10 scale, one is subtracted from the data and the results are multiplied by ten-ninths.

Supplementing these data are the CIRI Human Rights data on Freedom of Speech and Press. Its 0-to-2 scale is transformed to a 0-to-10 scale by multiplying it by five. Its role in supplementing the BTI data is limited to countries that already receive a BTI score. Beginning with one year before BTI data are scored, the earliest BTI data are carried backward so long as the CIRI data are constant from one year to the year before. When the CIRI data change in value at any point, they receive a 0, 5, or 10 commensurate with the 0, 1, and 2 scoring used by CIRI.

Sources: Bertelsmann Stiftung Transformation Index; CIRI Human Rights Data Project.

Fv. Media and expression (CLD)

This component specifies the extent to which individual citizens, groups, and the media have freedom of opinion and expression—that is, the right of the citizens, groups, and press to hold views freely and to seek, obtain, and pass on information on political issues broadly understood without being subject to actual limitations or restrictions.

Component scale:

- (1) Severely restricted. Hardly any freedom of opinion or expression exists. As a rule, political statements and press coverage independent and/or critical of the government do not exist or are harshly suppressed.
- (2) Fairly restricted. Some elements of expression of political opinions and press coverage independent and critical of the government exist but are exposed to numerous interventions and prohibitions.

(3) Modestly restricted. There are minor restraints on the freedom of opinion and expression, predominantly limited to a few isolated cases, but as a rule there are no interventions and prohibitions on political statements and/or press coverage.

(4) Unrestricted. Unhampered freedom of opinion and expression exists.

The data were multiplied by 2.5 for conversion to the 0-to-10 scale.

Source: Skaaning, Civil Liberty Dataset.

G. RELATIONSHIPS

Gi. Same-sex relationships

Gi(a). Male-to-male relationships

This subcomponent is based on the International Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Trans and Intersex Association's Sexual Orientation Laws Dataset on male-to-male relationships. A rating of 10 was assigned to countries where male-to-male relationships are legal. A rating of 5 was assigned to countries where male-to-male relationships are legal only in some areas of the country. A rating of 0 was assigned to countries where male-to-male relationships are illegal.

Source: International Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Trans and Intersex Association, Sexual Orientation Laws Dataset.

Gi(b). Female-to-female relationships

This subcomponent is based on the International Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Trans and Intersex Association's Sexual Orientation Laws Dataset on female-to-female relationships. A rating of 10 was assigned to countries where female-to-female relationships are legal. A rating of 5 was assigned to countries where female-to-female relationships are legal only in some areas of the country. A rating of 0 was assigned to countries where female-to-female relationships are illegal.

Source: International Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Trans and Intersex Association, Sexual Orientation Laws Dataset.

Gii. Divorce

This component measures whether women and men have the same legal rights to initiate divorce and have the same requirements for divorce or annulment. A rating of 10 was assigned to countries where women have both the same rights to initiate divorce and the same requirements to finalize divorce or annulment as men, without negative repercussions on their parental authority. A rating of 7.5 was assigned to countries where women of all groups have both the same right to initiate divorce and the same requirements to

finalize divorce or annulment as men, without negative repercussions on their parental authority, but where some customary, religious, or traditional laws or practices discriminate against women's rights regarding divorce and/or parental authority after divorce. A rating of 5 was assigned to countries where women have both the same rights to initiate divorce and the same requirements to finalize divorce or annulment as men, without negative repercussions on their parental authority, but where this right does not apply to all groups of women. A rating of 2.5 was assigned to countries where women do not have the same rights over divorce as men: either their rights to initiate divorce and/or the requirements to finalize divorce or annulment are unequal, or their parental authority after divorce is restricted. A rating of 0 was assigned to countries where women do not have the same rights over divorce as men: their rights to initiate divorce and/or the requirements to finalize divorce or annulment are unequal and their parental authority after divorce is restricted. For 2008–2016, this component is an average of two measurements: whether women and men have the same right to be the legal guardian of and have custody rights over a child after divorce and the extent to which women and men have the same rights to initiate divorce.

Source: Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD), *Social Institutions and Gender Index*.

Giii. Inheritance rights

This subcomponent measures whether women and men have the same legal rights to inheritance of land and nonland assets. A rating of 10 was applied to countries where widows and daughters enjoy the same rights as widowers and sons to inherit land and nonland assets. A rating of 7.5 was assigned to countries where widows and daughters in all groups enjoy the same rights as widowers and sons to inherit land and nonland assets but where some customary, religious, or traditional laws discriminate against women's inheritance rights. A rating of 5 was assigned to countries where widows and daughters enjoy the same rights as widowers and sons to inherit land and nonland assets but where this right does not apply to all groups of women. A rating of 2.5 was assigned to countries where widows or daughters do not enjoy the same rights as widowers and sons to inherit land and/or nonland assets. A rating of 0 was applied to countries where both widows and daughters do not enjoy the same rights as widowers and sons to inherit land and/or nonland assets. For 2008–2016, this subcomponent is an average of two measurements: inheritance rights of widows and inheritance rights of daughters.

Source: Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD), *Social Institutions and Gender Index*.

Giv. Female genital mutilation

This subcomponent measures the percentage of women ages 15 to 49 years in the country who have undergone any type of female genital mutilation. A continuous score ranges from 0 to 10, where a rating of 10 was assigned to countries with no prevalence of female genital mutilation and a rating of 0 was assigned to countries with complete prevalence of female genital mutilation.

Source: United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF), Global Database.

ECONOMIC FREEDOM**A. SIZE OF GOVERNMENT****Ai. Government consumption**

This component is measured as general government consumption spending as a percentage of total consumption. The rating for this component, as with many of the following components, is designed to mirror the actual distribution of the raw data but on a 0-to-10 scale. The rating is equal to $(V_{\max} - V_i) / (V_{\max} - V_{\min})$ multiplied by 10. The V_i is the country's actual government consumption as a proportion of total consumption, while the V_{\max} and V_{\min} were set at 40 and 6, respectively. The 1990 data were used to derive the maximum and minimum values for this component. Countries with a larger proportion of government expenditures received lower ratings. In contrast, as the ratio approaches the maximum value, the rating moves toward 0.

Sources: World Bank, World Development Indicators; International Monetary Fund, International Financial Statistics; United Nations National Accounts.

Aii. Transfers and subsidies

This component is measured as general government transfers and subsidies as a share of GDP. The rating for this component is equal to $(V_{\max} - V_i) / (V_{\max} - V_{\min})$ multiplied by 10. The V_i is the country's ratio of transfers and subsidies to GDP, while the V_{\max} and V_{\min} values are set at 37.2 and 0.5, respectively. The 1990 data were used to derive the maximum and minimum values for this component. The formula will generate lower ratings for countries with larger transfer sectors. When the size of a country's transfer sector approaches that of the country with the largest transfer sector during the 1990 benchmark year, the rating for the country will approach 0.

Sources: International Monetary Fund, Government Finance Statistics Yearbook; World Bank, World Development Indicators; International Monetary Fund, International Financial Statistics; United Nations National Accounts.

Aiii. Government investment

Data on government investment as a share of total investment were used to construct the 0-to-10 ratings. Countries with more government enterprises and government investment received lower ratings. The rating for this component is equal to $(V_{\max} - V_i) / (V_{\max} - V_{\min})$ multiplied by 10. The V_i is the country's actual government investment as a proportion of total investment, while the V_{\max} and V_{\min} values are set at 50.0 and 15.0, respectively. Minimum and maximum values were chosen to match the methodology of earlier years, which had categorized regimes instead of mapping data to a linear scale.

Sources: International Monetary Fund, Investment and Capital Stock Dataset; World Bank, World Development Indicators; Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development, OECD Data.

Aiv. Top marginal tax rate**Aiv(a). Top marginal income tax rate**

Countries with higher marginal tax rates that take effect at lower income thresholds received lower ratings based on the matrix on page 216 in James Gwartney et al., *Economic Freedom of the World: 2022 Annual Report* (Vancouver: Fraser Institute, 2022). The income threshold data were converted from local currency to 1982/1984 U.S. dollars (using beginning-of-year exchange rates and the U.S. Consumer Price Index). These figures include subnational rates if applicable.

Aiv(b). Top marginal income and payroll tax rates

Countries with higher marginal income and payroll (wage) tax rates that take effect at lower income thresholds received lower ratings based on the matrix on page 216 in James Gwartney et al., *Economic Freedom of the World: 2022 Annual Report*. The income threshold data were converted from local currency to 1983 U.S. dollars (using beginning-of-year exchange rates and the U.S. Consumer Price Index). These figures include subnational rates if applicable.

Sources: PricewaterhouseCoopers, Worldwide Tax Summaries Online; PricewaterhouseCoopers, *Individual Taxes: A Worldwide Summary* (various issues); Ernst & Young, *Worldwide Personal Tax and Immigration Guide* (various issues); Deloitte International Tax Source, *Guide to Fiscal Information: Key Economies in Africa* (various issues).

Av. State ownership of assets

This component is based on ratings from the *Varieties of Democracy* (V-Dem) data on State Ownership of the Economy, which “gauges the degree to which the state owns and controls capital (including land) in the industrial, agricultural, and service sectors. It does not measure the extent of government revenue and expenditure as a share of total output; indeed, it is quite common for states with expansive fiscal policies

to exercise little direct control (and virtually no ownership) over the economy.” We used the “original scale (*osp)” data from V-Dem for this variable and for all V-Dem-based variables to follow. The *osp version of the V-Dem data translates V-Dem’s measurement model to the variable’s original interval in a linear form. To score this variable here, we set the rating equal to $(V_i - V_{\min}) / (V_{\max} - V_{\min})$ multiplied by 10. The V_i is the country’s state ownership score, while the V_{\max} and V_{\min} were set at 4.0 and 0, respectively. Countries with greater government ownership of assets get lower scores.

Source: V-Dem Institute, *Varieties of Democracy*.

B. LEGAL SYSTEM AND PROPERTY RIGHTS

Note: The ratings for the Legal System and Property Rights category are adjusted to reflect inequalities in the legal treatment of women. See chapter 1 (pp. 5ff) of James Gwartney et al., *Economic Freedom of the World: 2021 Annual Report*, and Rosemarie Fike’s chapter 3, “Adjusting for Gender Disparity in *Economic Freedom and Why It Matters*,” in *Economic Freedom of the World: 2017 Annual Report*, pp.189–211, for methodological details.

Bi. Judicial independence

The first source of this component is the following *Global Competitiveness Report* question: “Is the judiciary in your country independent from political influences of members of government, citizens, or firms? No—heavily influenced (= 1) or Yes—entirely independent (= 7).” The question’s wording has varied slightly over the years. All variables from the *Global Competitiveness Report* were converted from the original 1-to-7 scale to a 0-to-10 scale by using this formula: $EFW_i = ((GCR_i - 1) \div 6)$ multiplied by 10. The second source is a collection of categories from the V-Dem data set, namely: Judicial Purges, Government Attacks on the Judiciary, Court Packing, High Court Independence, and Low Court Independence. Each of the V-Dem variables is individually rated by using the formula $(V_i - V_{\min}) / (V_{\max} - V_{\min})$ multiplied by 10. The V_i is the country’s V-Dem score according to V-Dem. For Judicial Purges, Government Attacks on the Judiciary, High Court Independence, and Low Court Independence, V_{\max} and V_{\min} were set at 4.0 and 0, respectively. For Court Packing, V_{\max} and V_{\min} were set at 3.0 and 0, respectively. The five scores were then averaged. The third data source is based on “Update, a Global Measure of Judicial Independence, 1900–2015.” This data source scores on a 0-to-1 scale, so it was multiplied by 10 to place it on the scale of the other variables. The final number is the average of whichever of these three sources are available.

Sources: World Economic Forum, *Global Competitiveness Report*; V-Dem Institute, *Varieties of Democracy*; Jeffrey Staton et al., “Update, a Global Measure of Judicial Independence, 1900–2015,” Harvard Dataverse, V1, 2019.

Bii. Impartial courts

The first source of this component is from the *Global Competitiveness Report* question: “The legal framework in your country for private businesses to settle disputes and challenge the legality of government actions and/or regulations is inefficient and subject to manipulation (= 1) or is efficient and follows a clear, neutral process (= 7).” The question’s wording has varied slightly over the years. The second source of this component is Judicial Corrupt Decision from the V-Dem dataset, which has been scaled to earlier Impartial Courts data via regression. The third is the Rule of Law indicator found in the Worldwide Governance Indicators. The formula used to calculate the 0-to-10 ratings was $(V_i - V_{\min}) / (V_{\max} - V_{\min})$ multiplied by 10. V_i represents the component value. The values for V_{\max} and V_{\min} were set at 2.5 and -2.5, respectively. Countries with values outside the V_{\max} and V_{\min} range received ratings of either 0 or 10, accordingly. The final number is the average of whichever of these three sources are available.

Sources: World Economic Forum, *Global Competitiveness Report*; World Bank, Worldwide Governance Indicators; V-Dem Institute, *Varieties of Democracy*.

Biii. Protection of property rights

The first source of this component is the *Global Competitiveness Report* question: “Property rights, including over financial assets, are poorly defined and not protected by law (= 1) or are clearly defined and well protected by law (= 7).” The second source is Property Rights and Rule-Based Governance from *Country Policy and Institutional Assessment* data from the World Bank. This has been scaled to the Legal System and Property Rights data via regression. The final number is whichever of these two sources is available or the average of the two.

Sources: World Economic Forum, *Global Competitiveness Report*; World Bank, *Country Policy and Institutional Assessment*.

Biv. Military interference in rule of law and politics

This component is based on the *International Country Risk Guide* Political Risk Component G, Military in Politics: “A measure of the military’s involvement in politics. Since the military is not elected, involvement, even at a peripheral level, diminishes democratic accountability. Military involvement might stem from an external or internal threat, be symptomatic of underlying difficulties, or be a full-scale military takeover. Over the long term, a system of military government will almost certainly diminish effective governmental functioning, become corrupt, and create an uneasy environment for foreign businesses.”

Source: PRS Group, *International Country Risk Guide*.

Bv. Integrity of the legal system

The first source of this component is the *International Country Risk Guide* Political Risk component I for Law and Order: "Two measures comprising one risk component. Each subcomponent equals half of the total. The 'law' subcomponent assesses the strength and impartiality of the legal system, and the 'order' subcomponent assesses popular observance of the law." The second source is Judicial Accountability, Compliance with the High Court, Judicial Review, Transparent Laws with Predictable Enforcement, and Access to Justice for Men from the V-Dem data set. (An adjustment for the area as a whole is made later to account uniformly for gender disparities.) Each of the V-Dem variables is individually rated by using the formula $(V_i - V_{\min}) / (V_{\max} - V_{\min})$ multiplied by 10. V_i is the country's V-Dem score according to V-Dem, and V_{\max} and V_{\min} were set at 4.0 and 0, respectively. The five measures from V-Dem are then averaged. The final number is the average of whichever of the two sources are available.

Sources: PRS Group, *International Country Risk Guide*; V-Dem Institute, *Varieties of Democracy*.

Bvi. Legal enforcement of contracts

This first source of this component is the World Bank's *Doing Business* estimates for the time and money required to collect a debt. The debt is assumed to equal 200 percent of the country's per capita income where the plaintiff has complied with the contract and judicial judgment is rendered in his favor. Zero-to-10 ratings were constructed for (1) the time cost (measured in number of calendar days required from the moment the lawsuit is filed until payment) and (2) the monetary cost of the case (measured as a percentage of the debt). These two ratings were then averaged to arrive at the final rating for this component. The formula used to calculate the 0-to-10 ratings was $(V_{\max} - V_i) / (V_{\max} - V_{\min})$ multiplied by 10. V_i represents the time or money cost value. The values for V_{\max} and V_{\min} were set at 725 days and 82.3 percent (1.5 standard deviations above average in 2005) and 62 days (1.5 standard deviations below average in 2005) and 0 percent, respectively. Countries with values outside the range from V_{\max} to V_{\min} received ratings of either 0 or 10, accordingly. The second source of this component is Enforcement of Contracts from the Historical Ratings Research Package by Business Environment Risk Intelligence. The formula used to calculate the 0-to-10 ratings was $(V_i - V_{\min}) / (V_{\max} - V_{\min})$ multiplied by 10. V_i represents the component value. The values for V_{\max} and V_{\min} were set at 4 and 0, which corresponds to the range of the variable. The final number is whichever of these two sources is available or the average of the two.

Sources: World Bank, *Doing Business*; Business Environment Risk Intelligence, Historical Ratings Research Package.

Bvii. Regulatory costs of the sale of real property

This component is based on the World Bank's *Doing Business* data on the time measured in days and monetary costs required to transfer ownership of property that includes land and a warehouse. Zero-to-10 ratings were constructed for (1) the time cost (measured in the number of calendar days required to transfer ownership); and (2) the monetary cost of transferring ownership (measured as a percentage of the property value). These two ratings were then averaged to arrive at the final rating for this component. The formula used to calculate the 0-to-10 ratings was $(V_{\max} - V_i) / (V_{\max} - V_{\min})$ multiplied by 10. V_i represents the time or money cost value. The values for V_{\max} and V_{\min} were set at 265 days and 0 percent (1.5 standard deviations above average in 2005) and 0 days and 0 percent, respectively. Countries with values outside the range from V_{\max} to V_{\min} received ratings of either 0 or 10, accordingly.

Source: World Bank, *Doing Business*.

Bviii. Reliability of police

This component is from the *Global Competitiveness Report* question: "To what extent can police services be relied upon to enforce law and order in your country? (1 = Cannot be relied upon at all; 7 = Can be completely relied upon)."

Source: World Economic Forum, *Global Competitiveness Report*.

C. SOUND MONEY**Ci. Money growth**

This component measures the average annual growth of the money supply in the last five years minus average annual growth of real gross domestic product (GDP) in the last ten years. Countries where growth of the money supply greatly exceeds growth of real output receive lower ratings. The broad money supply (basically what used to be called M2) was used to measure the money supply. The rating is equal to $(V_{\max} - V_i) / (V_{\max} - V_{\min})$ multiplied by 10. V_i represents the average annual growth rate of the money supply during the last five years adjusted for the growth of real GDP during the previous ten years. The values for V_{\min} and V_{\max} were set at 0 and 50 percent, respectively. Therefore, if the adjusted growth rate of the money supply during the last five years was 0, indicating that money growth was equal to the long-term growth of real output, the formula generates a rating of 10. Ratings decline as the adjusted growth of the money supply increases toward 50 percent. When adjusted annual money growth is equal to (or greater than) 50 percent, a rating of 0 results.

Sources: World Bank, World Development Indicators; International Monetary Fund, International Financial Statistics; United Nations National Accounts.

Cii. Standard deviation of inflation

This component measures the standard deviation of the inflation rate over the last five years. Generally, the GDP deflator was used as the measure of inflation for this component. When these data were unavailable, the Consumer Price Index was used. The following formula was used to determine the 0-to-10 scale rating for each country: $(V_{\max} - V_i) / (V_{\max} - V_{\min})$ multiplied by 10. V_i represents the country's standard deviation of the annual rate of inflation during the past five years. The values for V_{\min} and V_{\max} were set at 0 and 25 percent, respectively. This procedure will allocate the highest ratings to the countries with the least variation in the annual rate of inflation. A perfect 10 results when there is no variation in the rate of inflation over the five-year period. Ratings decline toward 0 as the standard deviation of the inflation rate approaches 25 percent annually.

Sources: World Bank, World Development Indicators; International Monetary Fund, International Financial Statistics.

Ciii. Inflation: most recent year

Generally, the Consumer Price Index was used as the measure of inflation for this component as it is often available before the GDP deflator is available. When these data were unavailable, the GDP deflator inflation rate was used. The 0-to-10 country ratings were derived by the following formula: $(V_{\max} - V_i) / (V_{\max} - V_{\min})$ multiplied by 10. V_i represents the rate of inflation during the most recent year. The values for V_{\min} and V_{\max} were set at 0 and 50 percent, respectively: the lower the rate of inflation, the higher the rating. Countries that achieve perfect price stability earn a rating of 10. As the annual inflation rate moves toward 50 percent, the rating for this component moves toward 0. A 0 rating is assigned to all countries with an inflation rate of 50 percent or more.

Sources: World Bank, World Development Indicators; International Monetary Fund, International Financial Statistics.

Civ. Freedom to own foreign currency bank accounts

When foreign currency bank accounts were permissible without any restrictions both domestically and abroad, the rating was 10; when these accounts were restricted, the rating was 0. If foreign currency bank accounts were permissible domestically but not abroad (or vice versa), the rating was 5.

Source: International Monetary Fund, *Annual Report on Exchange Arrangements and Exchange Restrictions*.

D. FREEDOM TO TRADE INTERNATIONALLY

Di. Tariffs

Di(a). Revenues from trade taxes (percent of trade sector)

This subcomponent measures the amount of tax on international trade as a share of exports and imports.

The formula used to calculate the ratings for this subcomponent was $(V_{\max} - V_i) / (V_{\max} - V_{\min})$ multiplied by 10. V_i represents the revenue derived from taxes on international trade as a share of the trade sector.

The values for V_{\min} and V_{\max} were set at 0 and 15 percent, respectively. This formula leads to lower ratings as the average tax rate on international trade increases. Countries with no specific taxes on international trade earn a perfect 10. As the revenues from these taxes rise toward 15 percent of international trade, ratings decline toward 0.

Sources: International Monetary Fund, *Government Finance Statistics Yearbook*; International Monetary Fund, International Financial Statistics.

Di(b). Mean tariff rate

This subcomponent is based on the unweighted mean of tariff rates. The formula used to calculate the 0-to-10 rating for each country was $(V_{\max} - V_i) / (V_{\max} - V_{\min})$ multiplied by 10. V_i represents the country's mean tariff rate. The values for V_{\min} and V_{\max} were set at 0 percent and 50 percent, respectively. This formula will allocate a rating of 10 to countries that do not impose tariffs. As the mean tariff rate increases, countries are assigned lower ratings. The rating will decline toward 0 as the mean tariff rate approaches 50 percent. (Note that, except for two or three extreme observations, all countries have mean tariff rates within this range from 0 percent to 50 percent.)

Source: World Trade Organization, *World Tariff Profiles*.

Di(c). Standard deviation of tariff rates

Compared with a uniform tariff, wide variations in tariff rates indicate greater efforts toward central planning of the economy's production and consumption patterns. Thus, countries with a greater variation in their tariff rates are given lower ratings. The formula used to calculate the 0-to-10 ratings for this component was $(V_{\max} - V_i) / (V_{\max} - V_{\min})$ multiplied by 10. V_i represents the standard deviation of the country's tariff rates. The values for V_{\min} and V_{\max} were set at 0 percent and 25 percent, respectively. This formula allocates a rating of 10 to countries that impose a uniform tariff. As the standard deviation of tariff rates increases toward 25 percent, ratings decline toward 0. (Note that except for a few very extreme observations, the standard deviations of the tariff rates for the countries in our study fall within this range of 0 percent to 25 percent.)

Source: World Trade Organization, *World Tariff Profiles*.

Dii. Regulatory trade barriers**Dii(a). Nontariff trade barriers**

This subcomponent is based on the *Global Competitiveness Report* survey question: “In your country, tariff and nontariff barriers significantly reduce the ability of imported goods to compete in the domestic market. 1–7 (best).” The question’s wording has varied slightly over the years. Note that notwithstanding the subcomponent’s title, this indicator captures both tariff and nontariff barriers.

Source: World Economic Forum, *Global Competitiveness Report*.

Dii(b). Compliance costs of importing and exporting

This subcomponent is based on the World Bank’s *Doing Business* data on the time (i.e., nonmonetary) cost of procedures required to import a full 20-foot container of dry goods that contains no hazardous or military items. Countries where it takes longer to import or export are given lower ratings. Zero-to-10 ratings were constructed for (1) the time cost (in hours) associated with border compliance and documentary compliance when exporting and (2) the time cost (in hours) associated with border compliance and documentary compliance when importing. These two ratings were then averaged to arrive at the final rating for this subcomponent. The formula used to calculate the 0-to-10 ratings was $(V_{\max} - V_i) / (V_{\max} - V_{\min})$ multiplied by 10. V_i represents the time cost value. The values for V_{\max} and V_{\min} were set, respectively, at 228.38 (1.5 standard deviations above average in 2014) and 0 hours for exporting and 338 (1.5 standard deviations below average in 2014) and 0 hours for importing. Countries with values outside the V_{\max} and V_{\min} range received ratings of either 0 or 10, accordingly.

Source: World Bank, *Doing Business*.

Diii. Black-market exchange rates

This component is based on the percentage difference between the official and the parallel (black-market) exchange rates. The formula used to calculate the 0-to-10 ratings for this component was the following: $(V_{\max} - V_i) / (V_{\max} - V_{\min})$ multiplied by 10. V_i is the country’s black-market exchange-rate premium. The values for V_{\min} and V_{\max} were set at 0 and 50 percent, respectively. This formula allocates a rating of 10 to countries without a black-market exchange rate, that is, those with a domestic currency that is fully convertible without restrictions. When exchange rate controls are present and a black market exists, the ratings decline toward 0 as the black-market premium increases toward 50 percent. A 0 rating is given when the black-market premium is equal to or greater than 50 percent.

Source: Monetary Research Institute, *MRI Bankers’ Guide to Foreign Currency*.

Div. Controls of the movement of capital and people**Div(a). Financial openness**

This subcomponent is based on the Chinn-Ito Index of de jure financial openness. This index is composed of a series of dummy variables that “codify the tabulation of restrictions on cross-border financial transactions reported in the International Monetary Fund’s *Annual Report on Exchange Arrangements and Exchange Restrictions*.” This data source scores on a scale from 0 to 1, so values were multiplied by 10 to place them on the 0-to-10 scale.

Sources: Menzie D. Chinn and Hiro Ito, “What Matters for Financial Development? Capital Controls, Institutions, and Interactions,” *Journal of Development Economics* 81, no. 1 (2006): 163–91; Menzie D. Chinn and Hiro Ito, “A New Measure of Financial Openness,” *Journal of Comparative Policy Analysis* 10, no. 3 (2008): 309–22.

Div(b). Capital controls

The International Monetary Fund reports on up to 13 types of international capital controls. The 0-to-10 rating is the percentage of capital controls not levied as a share of the total number of capital controls listed, multiplied by 10.

Source: International Monetary Fund, *Annual Report on Exchange Arrangements and Exchange Restrictions*.

Div(c). Freedom of foreigners to visit

This component measures the percentage of countries for which a country requires a visa from foreign visitors. It reflects the freedom of foreigners to travel to a country for tourist and short-term business purposes. The formula used to calculate the 0-to-10 ratings was $(V_i - V_{\min}) / (V_{\max} - V_{\min})$ multiplied by 10. V_i represents the component value. The values for V_{\max} and V_{\min} were set at 47.2 (1 standard deviation above average) and 0, respectively. Countries with values outside the range between V_{\max} and V_{\min} received ratings of either 0 or 10, accordingly.

Sources: Robert Lawson and Jayme Lemke, “Travel Visas,” *Public Choice* 154, no. 1–2 (2012): 17–36; authors’ calculations.

E. REGULATION

Note: The rating for the Regulation category is calculated as the average of its three components: credit market regulations, labor market regulations, and business regulations. When there were not enough data to generate ratings for at least two of those components, which is common especially in earlier years, the rating for this category was computed to be $2.5 + 0.50 (X_i)$, where X_i is the average of all the subcomponents in this category. This formula was created based on a regression analysis comparing countries with and without complete data.

Ei. Credit market regulations**Ei(a). Ownership of banks**

Data on the percentage of bank deposits held in privately owned banks were used to construct rating intervals. Countries with larger shares of privately held deposits received higher ratings. When privately held deposits totaled between 95 percent and 100 percent, countries were given a rating of 10. When private deposits constituted between 75 percent and 95 percent of the total, a rating of 8 was assigned. When private deposits were between 40 percent and 75 percent of the total, the rating was 5. When private deposits totaled between 10 percent and 40 percent, countries received a rating of 2. A 0 rating was assigned when private deposits were 10 percent or less of the total.

Sources: Deniz Anginer et al., “Bank Regulation and Supervision Ten Years after the Global Financial Crisis” (Policy Research Working Paper 9044, World Bank, 2019); World Bank, *Bank Regulation and Supervision Survey*; James R. Barth, Gerard Caprio, and Ross Levine, *Rethinking Bank Regulation: Till Angels Govern* (Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, 2006).

Ei(b). Private-sector credit

This subcomponent measures the extent of government borrowing relative to private-sector borrowing. Greater government borrowing indicates more central planning and results in lower ratings. If the data are available, this subcomponent is calculated as the government fiscal deficit as a share of gross saving. The formula used to derive the country ratings for this subcomponent was $(V_{\max} - V_i) / (V_{\max} - V_{\min})$ multiplied by 10. V_i is the [absolute value of the] deficit to gross savings ratio, and the values for V_{\max} and V_{\min} are set at 100 and 0 percent, respectively. The formula allocates higher ratings as the deficit gets smaller (that is, closer to 0) relative to gross saving.

If the deficit data are not available, the component is instead based on the share of private credit relative to total credit extended in the banking sector. Higher values are indicative of greater economic freedom. Thus, the formula used to derive the country ratings for this subcomponent was $(V_i - V_{\min}) / (V_{\max} - V_{\min})$ multiplied by 10. V_i is the share of the country’s total domestic credit allocated to the private sector and the values for V_{\max} and V_{\min} are set at 99.9 percent and 10 percent, respectively. The 1990 data were used to derive the maximum and minimum values for this component. The formula allocates higher ratings as the share of credit extended to the private sector increases.

Sources: World Bank, *World Development Indicators*; World Economic Forum, *Global Competitiveness Report*; International Monetary Fund, *International Financial Statistics*.

Ei(c). Interest rate controls/negative real interest rates

Data on credit market controls and regulations were used to construct rating intervals. Countries with interest rates determined by the market, stable monetary policy, and reasonable real deposit and lending rate spreads received higher ratings. When interest rates were determined primarily by market forces as evidenced by reasonable deposit and lending rate spreads, and when real interest rates were positive, countries were given a rating of 10. When interest rates were primarily market determined but the real rates were sometimes slightly negative (less than 5 percent) or the differential between the deposit and lending rates was large (8 percent or more), countries received a rating of 8. When the real deposit or lending rate was persistently negative by a single-digit amount or the differential between them was regulated by the government, countries were rated at 6. When the deposit and lending rates were fixed by the government and the real rates were often negative by single-digit amounts, countries were assigned a rating of 4. When the real deposit or lending rate was persistently negative by a double-digit amount, countries received a rating of 2. A 0 rating was assigned when the deposit and lending rates were fixed by the government and real rates were persistently negative by double-digit amounts or hyperinflation had virtually eliminated the credit market.

Sources: World Bank, World Development Indicators; International Monetary Fund, International Financial Statistics; U.S. Central Intelligence Agency, *The World Factbook*.

Eii. Labor market regulations**Eii(a). Hiring regulations and minimum wage**

This subcomponent is based on the Employing Workers section of the World Bank's *Doing Business* and uses the following components: (1) whether fixed-term contracts are prohibited for permanent tasks, (2) the maximum cumulative duration of fixed-term contracts, and (3) the ratio of the minimum wage for a trainee or first-time employee to the average value added per worker. An economy is assigned a score of 1 if fixed-term contracts are prohibited for permanent tasks and a score of 0 if they can be used for any task. A score of 1 is assigned if the maximum cumulative duration of fixed-term contracts is less than three years, 0.5 if it is three years or more but less than five years, and 0 if fixed-term contracts can last five years or more. Finally, a score of 1 is assigned if the ratio of the minimum wage to the average value added per worker is 0.75 or more, 0.67 is assigned for a ratio of 0.50 or more but less than 0.75, 0.33 is assigned for a ratio of 0.25 or more but less than 0.50, and 0 is assigned for a ratio of less than 0.25.

Source: World Bank, *Doing Business*.

Eii(b). Hiring and firing regulations

This subcomponent is based on the *Global Competitiveness Report* question: “The hiring and firing of workers is impeded by regulations (= 1) or flexibly determined by employers (= 7).” The question’s wording has varied over the years.

Source: World Economic Forum, *Global Competitiveness Report*.

Eii(c). Centralized collective bargaining

This subcomponent is based on the *Global Competitiveness Report* question: “Wages in your country are set by a centralized bargaining process (= 1) or up to each individual company (= 7).” The wording of the question has varied over the years. In earlier years, the actual union density was used to determine ratings for select countries

Source: World Economic Forum, *Global Competitiveness Report*.

Eii(d). Hours regulations

This subcomponent is based on the Employing Labor section in the World Bank’s *Doing Business* and uses the following five components: (1) whether there are restrictions on night work, (2) whether there are restrictions on holiday work, (3) whether the length of the work week can be 5.5 days or more, (4) whether there are restrictions on overtime work, and (5) whether the average paid annual leave is 21 working days or more. For each question, when the regulations apply, a score of 1 is given. If there are no restrictions, the economy receives a score of 0. The 0-to-10 rating is based on how many of these regulations are in place: 0 regulations result in a rating of 10, 1 regulation results in a rating of 8, and so on.

Source: World Bank, *Doing Business*.

Eii(e). Mandated cost of worker dismissal

This subcomponent is based on the World Bank’s *Doing Business* data on the cost of the advance notice requirements, severance payments, and penalties due when dismissing a redundant worker with 10-year tenure. The formula used to calculate the 0-to-10 ratings was $(V_{\max} - V_i) / (V_{\max} - V_{\min})$ multiplied by 10. V_i represents the dismissal cost (measured in weeks of wages). The values for V_{\max} and V_{\min} were set at 58 weeks (1.5 standard deviations above average in 2005) and 0 weeks, respectively. Countries with values outside the V_{\max} and V_{\min} range received ratings of either 0 or 10, accordingly.

Source: World Bank, *Doing Business*.

Eii(f). Conscription

Data on the use and duration of military conscription were used to construct rating intervals. Countries with longer conscription periods received lower ratings. A rating of 10 was assigned to countries without military conscription. When the length of conscription was six months or less, countries were given a rating of 5. When the length of conscription was more than six months but not more than 12 months, countries were rated 3. When the length of conscription was more than 12 months but not more than 18 months, countries were assigned a rating of 1. When conscription periods exceeded 18 months, countries were rated 0. If conscription was present but apparently not strictly enforced or if the length of service could not be determined, the country was given a rating of 3. In cases where it is clear that conscription is never used, even though it may be possible, a rating of 10 is given. If a country has mandated national service but includes clear nonmilitary options, the country was given a rating of 5.

Sources: International Institute for Strategic Studies, *The Military Balance*; War Resisters International, World Survey of Conscription and Conscientious Objection to Military Service; additional online sources used as necessary.

Eiii. Business regulations**Eiii(a). Administrative requirements**

This subcomponent is based on the *Global Competitiveness Report* question: “Complying with administrative requirements (permits, regulations, reporting) issued by the government in your country is (1 = burdensome, 7 = not burdensome).” The question’s wording has varied slightly over the years.

Source: World Economic Forum, *Global Competitiveness Report*.

Eiii(b). Bureaucracy costs

This subcomponent is based on the Regulatory Burden Risk Ratings from IHS Markit, which measures “[t]he risk that normal business operations become more costly due to the regulatory environment. This includes regulatory compliance and bureaucratic inefficiency and/or opacity. Regulatory burdens vary across sectors so scoring should give greater weight to sectors contributing the most to the economy.” The raw scores range roughly from 0 to 7, with higher values indicating greater risk. The formula used to calculate the 0-to-10 ratings was $(V_{\max} - V_i) / (V_{\max} - V_{\min})$ multiplied by 10. V_i is the country’s Regulatory Burden rating, while the V_{\max} and V_{\min} were set at 5 and 0.5, respectively. These ratings were first published for 2014, and the 2014 ratings were used for 2012–2013.

This source replaces that used previously, the World Economic Forum’s *Global Competitiveness Report* question: “Standards on product/service quality, energy and other regulations (outside environmental regulations) in your country are: (1 = Lax or non-existent, 7 = among the world’s most stringent).”

Source: IHS Markit.

Eiii(c). Starting a business

This subcomponent is based on the World Bank's *Doing Business* data on the amount of time and money it takes to start a new limited liability business. Countries where it takes longer or is more costly to start a new business are given lower ratings. Zero-to-10 ratings were constructed for three variables: (1) time (measured in days) necessary to comply with regulations when starting a limited liability company, (2) money costs of the fees paid to regulatory authorities (measured as a share of per capita income), and (3) minimum capital requirements—that is, funds that must be deposited into a company bank account (measured as a share of per capita income). These three ratings were then averaged to arrive at the final rating for this subcomponent. The formula used to calculate the 0-to-10 ratings was $(V_{\max} - V_i) / (V_{\max} - V_{\min})$ multiplied by 10. V_i represents the variable value. The values for V_{\max} and V_{\min} were set at 104 days, 317 percent, and 1,017 percent (1.5 standard deviations above average in 2005) and 0 days, 0 percent, and 0 percent, respectively. Countries with values outside the V_{\max} and V_{\min} range received ratings of either 0 or 10, accordingly.

Source: World Bank, *Doing Business*.

Eiii(d). Impartial public administration

This subcomponent is based on the Rigorous and Impartial Public Administration data from the V-Dem data set. If nepotism, cronyism, and discrimination are widespread in the application of public administration, countries receive a lower score. The rating for this component is designed to mirror the actual distribution of the raw data but on a 0-to-10 scale. The rating is equal to $(V_i - V_{\min}) / (V_{\max} - V_{\min})$ multiplied by 10. The V_i is the country's impartial administration score, while the V_{\max} and V_{\min} were set at 4.0 and 0, respectively.

Source: V-Dem Institute, *Varieties of Democracy*.

Eiii(e). Licensing restrictions

This subcomponent is based on the World Bank's *Doing Business* data on the time in days and monetary costs required to obtain a license to construct a standard warehouse. Zero-to-10 ratings were constructed for (1) the time cost (measured in number of calendar days required to obtain a license) and (2) the monetary cost of obtaining the license (measured as a share of per capita income). These two ratings were then averaged to arrive at the final rating for this subcomponent. The formula used to calculate the 0-to-10 ratings was $(V_{\max} - V_i) / (V_{\max} - V_{\min})$ multiplied by 10. V_i represents the time or money cost value. The values for V_{\max} and V_{\min} were set at 363 days and 2,763 percent (1.5 standard deviations above average in 2005) and 56 days (1.5 standard deviations below average in 2005) and 0 percent, respectively. Countries with values outside the V_{\max} and V_{\min} range received ratings of either 0 or 10, accordingly.

Source: World Bank, *Doing Business*.

Eiii(f). Cost of tax compliance

This subcomponent is based on the World Bank's *Doing Business* data on the time required per year for a business to prepare, file, and pay taxes on corporate income, value added or sales taxes, and taxes on labor. The formula used to calculate the 0-to-10 ratings was $(V_{\max} - V_i) / (V_{\max} - V_{\min})$ multiplied by 10. V_i represents the time cost (measured in hours) of tax compliance. The values for V_{\max} and V_{\min} were set at 892 hours (1.5 standard deviations above average in 2005) and 0 hours, respectively. Countries with values outside the V_{\max} and V_{\min} range received ratings of either 0 or 10, accordingly.

Source: World Bank, *Doing Business*.

NOTES

1. That work can be found in the annual *Economic Freedom of the World* reports coauthored by James Gwartney et al. (Vancouver: Fraser Institute). See also Joshua Hall and Robert Lawson, “Economic Freedom of the World: An Accounting of the Literature,” *Contemporary Economic Policy* 32, no. 1 (2014): 1–19; and Robert Lawson, “Economic Freedom in the Literature: What Is It Good (Bad) For?,” in Gwartney et al., *Economic Freedom of the World: 2022 Annual Report* (Vancouver: Fraser Institute, 2022).
2. Some of those preliminary papers can be found in Fred McMahon, ed., *Towards a Worldwide Index of Human Freedom* (Vancouver: Fraser Institute, 2012).
3. John Locke, *Two Treatises of Civil Government*, Second Treatise, 1689, ed. Thomas Hollis (London: A. Millar et al., 1764; Liberty Fund, at Online Library of Liberty), <https://oll.libertyfund.org/pages/john-locketwotreatises-1689>.
4. See George H. Smith, *The System of Liberty: Themes in the History of Classical Liberalism* (New York: Cambridge University Press, 2013), especially chapter 7 (pp. 133–51), on “The Idea of Freedom”; and Tom G. Palmer, *Realizing Freedom: Libertarian Theory, History, and Practice* (Washington: Cato Institute, 2009).
5. Isaiah Berlin, “Two Concepts of Liberty,” in Isaiah Berlin, *Four Essays on Liberty* (Oxford: Oxford University Press, 1969). The justification for relying on the concept of negative freedom is discussed at length in Fred McMahon, “Human Freedom from Pericles to Measurement,” in McMahon, *Towards a Worldwide Index of Human Freedom*.
6. See McMahon, “Human Freedom from Pericles to Measurement,” and Palmer, *Realizing Freedom*, especially chapter 3, “Freedom Properly Understood,” pp. 23–42, in which Palmer critiques Amartya Sen’s capability approach to defining freedom. See also Jean-Pierre Chauffour, *The Power of Freedom: Uniting Human Rights and Development* (Washington: Cato Institute, 2008).
7. McMahon, *Towards a Worldwide Index*, p. 3.
8. Democracy, as is widely believed, may be more consistent than other forms of government at safeguarding freedom, but many philosophers of freedom, such as Berlin, draw a distinction between freedom and democracy. See Berlin, “Two Concepts of Liberty.”
9. Gwartney et al., *Economic Freedom of the World: 1975–1995* (Vancouver: Fraser Institute, 1996), p. 12.
10. As we treat the term here, “variable” refers to the distinct data we use to make up the index, and we use it interchangeably with the term “indicator.” The term “component”

refers to the main measures within each broad area or category of freedom in the index, and a component may itself be made up of subcomponents. The subcomponents and many of the components themselves are distinct indicators or variables.

11. See McMahon, *Towards a Worldwide Index*.
12. Before the 2021 edition, the index weighed the five areas measuring economic freedom equally with the seven areas measuring personal freedom. The personal freedom subindex, in turn, gave 50 percent weight to the rule of law and safety and security areas and 50 percent weight to the remaining five personal freedom areas.
13. F. A. Hayek, *The Constitution of Liberty* (Chicago: University of Chicago Press, 1960), p. 137.
14. Locke, *Two Treatises of Civil Government*, chap. VI, para. 57.
15. For a description of that adjustment, see Rosemarie Fike, “Adjusting for Gender Disparity in Economic Freedom and Why It Matters,” in James Gwartney, Robert Lawson, and Joshua Hall, *Economic Freedom of the World: 2017 Annual Report* (Vancouver: Fraser Institute, 2017).
16. Hayek, *The Constitution of Liberty*, p. 154.
17. WJP research team, *WJP Rule of Law Index 2012–2013* through *WJP Rule of Law Index 2021* (Washington: World Justice Project). The *Rule*

of Law Index provides data for 97 jurisdictions in its 2012–2013 edition, 99 jurisdictions in its 2014 edition, 102 jurisdictions in its 2015 edition, 113 jurisdictions in its 2016 edition, 113 jurisdictions in its 2017–2018 edition, 126 jurisdictions in its 2019 edition, 128 jurisdictions in its 2020 edition, and 139 jurisdictions in its 2021 edition. We apply data from the source on a two-year lag to account for the timing of collection of the data. To derive rule of law ratings for the remaining countries in our index, and for the years in which the WJP does not provide data, we rely on the V-Dem Institute’s *Varieties of Democracy Rule of Law Index*. Thus, for the year 2020, we use V-Dem data. See “Methodology and Sources” section for a more detailed discussion.

18. For the exact survey questions the WJP used to derive these measures, see the Methodology section of the WJP Rule of Law Index website, worldjusticeproject.org/methodology.
19. Hayek, *The Constitution of Liberty*, p. 153.
20. McMahon brings up the problem of “how restrictions on freedom that are designed to enhance freedom should be measured” in the brief “Some Issues Concerning the Scope of a Freedom Measure,” presented in a colloquium in Potsdam, Germany, in June 2010, organized by the Friedrich Naumann Foundation.
21. As in other areas of the index where appropriate, the movement category relies on more than one source measuring similar, broad indicators of freedom whose ratings are averaged to produce a more robust index.

22. For the years 2000–2020, we use a sample of 123 jurisdictions representing 90.2 percent of the world’s population for which we have comparable data. In the calculation used in this paragraph, for the years 2007–2020, we compare 141 jurisdictions representing 94.9 percent of the world’s population.
23. Because the 2 percent of the world’s population that is left out of the HFI due to lack of reliable data is concentrated in countries such as Cuba or North Korea that have low levels of freedom, the number of people deprived of freedom is even somewhat larger than the bottom-quartile estimate suggests.
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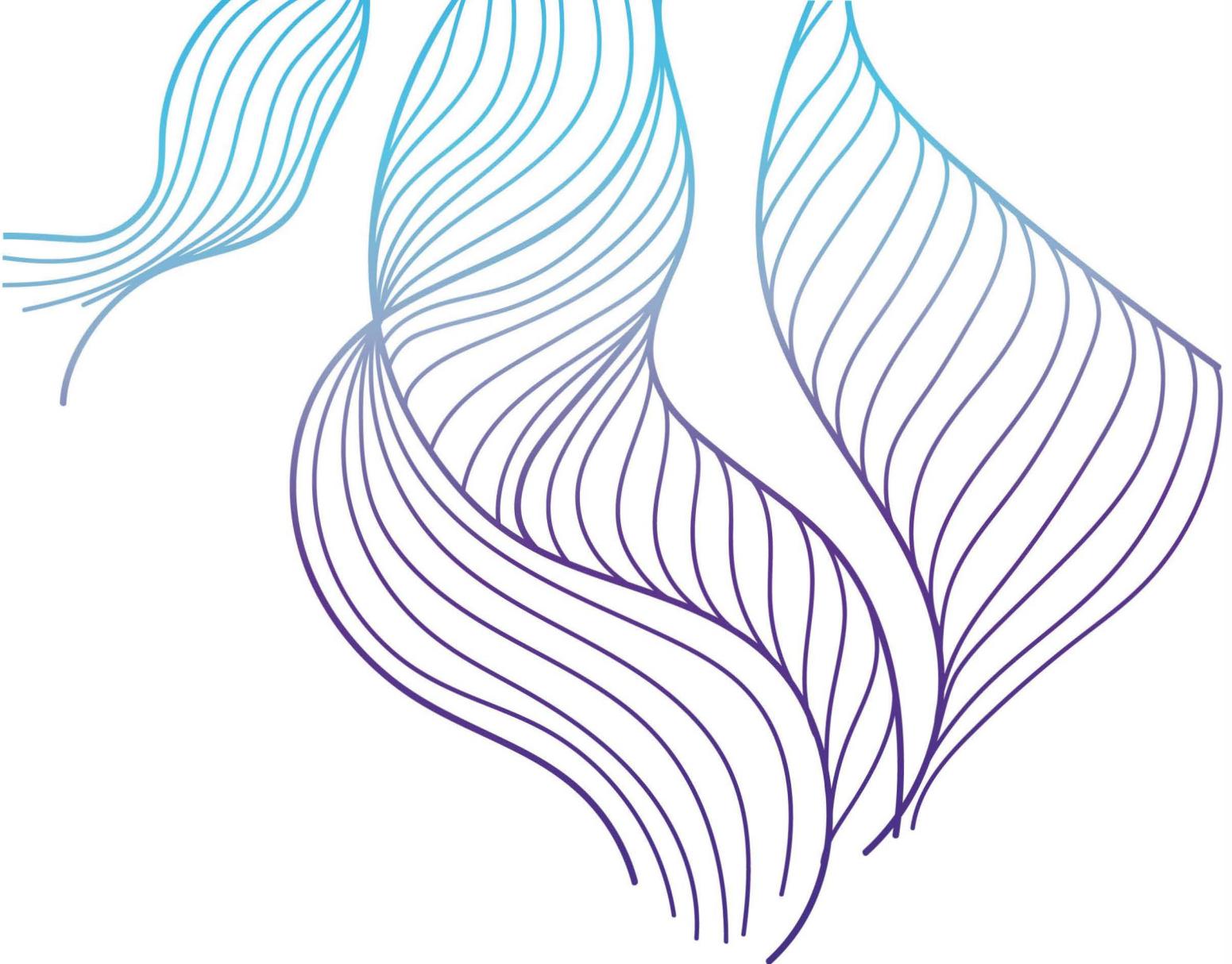
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