

GLOBAL PRESS FREEDOM RANKINGS

Rank 2011	Country	Rating	Status
1	Finland	10	Free
2	Norway	11	Free
	Sweden	11	Free
4	Belgium	12	Free
	Iceland	12	Free
	Luxembourg	12	Free
7	Andorra	13	Free
	Denmark	13	Free
	Switzerland	13	Free
10	Liechtenstein	14	Free
	Netherlands	14	Free
	Palau	14	Free
13	New Zealand	15	Free
	St. Lucia	15	Free
15	Ireland	16	Free
	Monaco	16	Free
17	Germany	17	Free
	Marshall Islands	17	Free
	Portugal	17	Free
	St. Vincent and Grenadines	17	Free
	San Marino	17	Free
	United States of America	17	Free
23	Costa Rica	18	Free
	Estonia	18	Free
	Jamaica	18	Free
26	Barbados	19	Free
	Canada	19	Free
	Czech Republic	19	Free
	United Kingdom	19	Free
30	Bahamas	20	Free
	St. Kitts and Nevis	20	Free
32	Australia	21	Free
	Austria	21	Free
	Japan	21	Free
	Micronesia	21	Free
36	Cyprus	22	Free

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Rank 2011	Country	Rating	Status
	Lithuania	22	Free
	Malta	22	Free
	Slovakia	22	Free
40	Belize	23	Free
	Dominica	23	Free
	France	23	Free
	Spain	23	Free
	Suriname	23	Free
45	Grenada	24	Free
	Mali	24	Free
	Trinidad and Tobago	24	Free
48	Papua New Guinea	25	Free
	Poland	25	Free
	Slovenia	25	Free
	Taiwan	25	Free
	Uruguay	25	Free
	Vanuatu	25	Free
54	Ghana	26	Free
	Latvia	26	Free
	Tuvalu	26	Free
57	Cape Verde	27	Free
	Kiribati	27	Free
59	Mauritius	28	Free
	Nauru	28	Free
61	Chile	29	Free
	Israel	29	Free
	São Tomé and Príncipe	29	Free
	Solomon Islands	29	Free
65	Greece	30	Free
	Guyana	30	Free
	Hungary	30	Free
	Samoa	30	Free
69	Tonga	31	Partly Free
70	Hong Kong	32	Partly Free
	South Korea	32	Partly Free
72	Benin	33	Partly Free
	Serbia	33	Partly Free
	South Africa	33	Partly Free
75	Italy	34	Partly Free

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Rank 2011	Country	Rating	Status
	Namibia	34	Partly Free
77	Bulgaria	35	Partly Free
	East Timor	35	Partly Free
	India	35	Partly Free
80	Montenegro	37	Partly Free
81	Antigua and Barbuda	38	Partly Free
82	Mongolia	39	Partly Free
83	Botswana	40	Partly Free
	Dominican Republic	40	Partly Free
85	Burkina Faso	41	Partly Free
	Croatia	41	Partly Free
87	El Salvador	42	Partly Free
	Romania	42	Partly Free
89	Peru	43	Partly Free
90	Brazil	44	Partly Free
	Mozambique	44	Partly Free
	Panama	44	Partly Free
93	Bolivia	46	Partly Free
	Philippines	46	Partly Free
95	Nicaragua	47	Partly Free
96	Bosnia and Herzegovina	48	Partly Free
	Comoros	48	Partly Free
	Lesotho	48	Partly Free
	Macedonia	48	Partly Free
	Tanzania	48	Partly Free
101	Haiti	49	Partly Free
102	Albania	50	Partly Free
	Maldives	50	Partly Free
104	Argentina	51	Partly Free
	Kosovo	51	Partly Free
106	Ecuador	52	Partly Free
	Nigeria	52	Partly Free
108	Indonesia	53	Partly Free
	Lebanon	53	Partly Free
	Mauritania	53	Partly Free
	Sierra Leone	53	Partly Free
112	Bangladesh	54	Partly Free
	Congo (Brazzaville)	54	Partly Free
	Kenya	54	Partly Free

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Rank 2011	Country	Rating	Status
	Senegal	54	Partly Free
	Turkey	54	Partly Free
	Uganda	54	Partly Free
118	Georgia	55	Partly Free
	Malawi	55	Partly Free
	Moldova	55	Partly Free
121	Colombia	56	Partly Free
	Seychelles	56	Partly Free
	Ukraine	56	Partly Free
124	Bhutan	57	Partly Free
	Fiji	57	Partly Free
	Guinea-Bissau	57	Partly Free
	Kuwait	57	Partly Free
128	Guatemala	59	Partly Free
	Guinea	59	Partly Free
	Liberia	59	Partly Free
	Nepal	59	Partly Free
	Niger	59	Partly Free
133	Paraguay	60	Partly Free
134	Central African Republic	61	Not Free
	Honduras	61	Not Free
	Pakistan	61	Not Free
	Zambia	61	Not Free
138	Algeria	62	Not Free
	Mexico	62	Not Free
	Thailand	62	Not Free
141	Cambodia	63	Not Free
	Jordan	63	Not Free
143	Angola	64	Not Free
	Madagascar	64	Not Free
	Malaysia	64	Not Free
146	Armenia	65	Not Free
	Egypt	65	Not Free
148	Qatar	66	Not Free
149	Cameroon	67	Not Free
150	Côte d'Ivoire	68	Not Free
	Iraq	68	Not Free
	Morocco	68	Not Free
	Singapore	68	Not Free

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Rank 2011	Country	Rating	Status
154	Gabon	69	Not Free
155	Kyrgyzstan	70	Not Free
156	Oman	71	Not Free
	Sri Lanka	71	Not Free
	United Arab Emirates	71	Not Free
159	Bahrain	72	Not Free
160	Djibouti	73	Not Free
	Togo	73	Not Free
162	Burundi	74	Not Free
163	Afghanistan	75	Not Free
	Brunei	75	Not Free
	Chad	75	Not Free
166	Swaziland	76	Not Free
	Venezuela	76	Not Free
168	Ethiopia	78	Not Free
	Sudan	78	Not Free
	Tajikistan	78	Not Free
171	Azerbaijan	79	Not Free
172	Kazakhstan	80	Not Free
173	Congo (Kinshasa)	81	Not Free
	The Gambia	81	Not Free
	Russia	81	Not Free
	Zimbabwe	81	Not Free
177	IOT/PA*	83	Not Free
	Saudi Arabia	83	Not Free
	Vietnam	83	Not Free
	Yemen	83	Not Free
181	Rwanda	84	Not Free
	Somalia	84	Not Free
	Syria	84	Not Free
184	China	85	Not Free
	Laos	85	Not Free
	Tunisia	85	Not Free
187	Equatorial Guinea	90	Not Free
188	Iran	91	Not Free
189	Cuba	92	Not Free
190	Belarus	93	Not Free
191	Burma	94	Not Free
	Eritrea	94	Not Free

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Rank 2011	Country	Rating	Status
	Libya	94	Not Free
	Uzbekistan	94	Not Free
195	Turkmenistan	96	Not Free
196	North Korea	97	Not Free

* Israeli-Occupied Territories/Palestinian Authority

Status	Number of Countries	Percentage of Total
Free	68	35
Partly Free	65	33
Not Free	63	32
TOTAL	196	100

AMERICAS

Rank 2011	Country	Rating	Status
1	St. Lucia	15	Free
2	St. Vincent and Grenadines	17	Free
	United States of America	17	Free
4	Costa Rica	18	Free
	Jamaica	18	Free
6	Barbados	19	Free
	Canada	19	Free
8	Bahamas	20	Free
	St. Kitts and Nevis	20	Free
10	Belize	23	Free
	Dominica	23	Free
	Suriname	23	Free
13	Grenada	24	Free
	Trinidad and Tobago	24	Free
15	Uruguay	25	Free
16	Chile	29	Free
17	Guyana	30	Free
18	Antigua and Barbuda	38	Partly Free
19	Dominican Republic	40	Partly Free
20	El Salvador	42	Partly Free
21	Peru	43	Partly Free
22	Brazil	44	Partly Free
	Panama	44	Partly Free
24	Bolivia	46	Partly Free
25	Nicaragua	47	Partly Free
26	Haiti	49	Partly Free
27	Argentina	51	Partly Free
28	Ecuador	52	Partly Free
29	Colombia	56	Partly Free
30	Guatemala	59	Partly Free
31	Paraguay	60	Partly Free
32	Honduras	61	Not Free
33	Mexico	62	Not Free
34	Venezuela	76	Not Free
35	Cuba	92	Not Free

FREEDOM OF THE PRESS 2011

Status	Number of Countries	Percentage of Total
Free	17	49
Partly Free	14	40
Not Free	4	11
TOTAL	35	100

ASIA-PACIFIC

Rank 2011	Country	Rating	Status
1	Palau	14	Free
2	New Zealand	15	Free
3	Marshall Islands	17	Free
4	Australia	21	Free
	Japan	21	Free
	Micronesia	21	Free
7	Papua New Guinea	25	Free
	Taiwan	25	Free
	Vanuatu	25	Free
10	Tuvalu	26	Free
11	Kiribati	27	Free
12	Nauru	28	Free
13	Solomon Islands	29	Free
14	Samoa	30	Free
15	Tonga	31	Partly Free
16	Hong Kong	32	Partly Free
	South Korea	32	Partly Free
18	East Timor	35	Partly Free
	India	35	Partly Free
20	Mongolia	39	Partly Free
21	Philippines	46	Partly Free
22	Maldives	50	Partly Free
23	Indonesia	53	Partly Free
24	Bangladesh	54	Partly Free
25	Bhutan	57	Partly Free
	Fiji	57	Partly Free
27	Nepal	59	Partly Free
28	Pakistan	61	Not Free
29	Thailand	62	Not Free
30	Cambodia	63	Not Free
31	Malaysia	64	Not Free
32	Singapore	68	Not Free
33	Sri Lanka	71	Not Free
34	Afghanistan	75	Not Free
	Brunei	75	Not Free
36	Vietnam	83	Not Free

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Rank 2011	Country	Rating	Status
37	China	85	Not Free
	Laos	85	Not Free
39	Burma	94	Not Free
40	North Korea	97	Not Free

Status	Number of Countries	Percentage of Total
Free	14	35
Partly Free	13	32.5
Not Free	13	32.5
TOTAL	40	100

CENTRAL AND EASTERN EUROPE / FORMER SOVIET UNION

Rank 2011	Country	Rating	Status
1	Estonia	18	Free
2	Czech Republic	19	Free
3	Lithuania	22	Free
	Slovakia	22	Free
5	Poland	25	Free
	Slovenia	25	Free
7	Latvia	26	Free
8	Hungary	30	Free
9	Serbia	33	Partly Free
10	Bulgaria	35	Partly Free
11	Montenegro	37	Partly Free
12	Croatia	41	Partly Free
13	Romania	42	Partly Free
14	Bosnia and Herzegovina	48	Partly Free
	Macedonia	48	Partly Free
16	Albania	50	Partly Free
17	Kosovo	51	Partly Free
18	Georgia	55	Partly Free
	Moldova	55	Partly Free
20	Ukraine	56	Partly Free
21	Armenia	65	Not Free
22	Kyrgyzstan	70	Not Free
23	Tajikistan	78	Not Free
24	Azerbaijan	79	Not Free
25	Kazakhstan	80	Not Free
26	Russia	81	Not Free
27	Belarus	93	Not Free
28	Uzbekistan	94	Not Free
29	Turkmenistan	96	Not Free

Status	Number of Countries	Percentage of Total
Free	8	28
Partly Free	12	41
Not Free	9	31
TOTAL	29	100

MIDDLE EAST AND NORTH AFRICA

Rank 2011	Country	Rating	Status
1	Israel	29	Free
2	Lebanon	53	Partly Free
3	Kuwait	57	Partly Free
4	Algeria	62	Not Free
5	Jordan	63	Not Free
6	Egypt	65	Not Free
7	Qatar	66	Not Free
8	Iraq	68	Not Free
	Morocco	68	Not Free
10	Oman	71	Not Free
	United Arab Emirates	71	Not Free
12	Bahrain	72	Not Free
13	IOT/PA*	83	Not Free
	Saudi Arabia	83	Not Free
	Yemen	83	Not Free
16	Syria	84	Not Free
17	Tunisia	85	Not Free
18	Iran	91	Not Free
19	Libya	94	Not Free

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Status	Number of Countries	Percentage of Total
Free	1	5
Partly Free	2	11
Not Free	16	84
TOTAL	19	100

SUB-SAHARAN AFRICA

Rank 2011	Country	Rating	Status
1	Mali	24	Free
2	Ghana	26	Free
3	Cape Verde	27	Free
4	Mauritius	28	Free
5	São Tomé and Príncipe	29	Free
6	Benin	33	Partly Free
	South Africa	33	Partly Free
8	Namibia	34	Partly Free
9	Botswana	40	Partly Free
10	Burkina Faso	41	Partly Free
11	Mozambique	44	Partly Free
12	Comoros	48	Partly Free
	Lesotho	48	Partly Free
	Tanzania	48	Partly Free
15	Nigeria	52	Partly Free
16	Mauritania	53	Partly Free
	Sierra Leone	53	Partly Free
18	Congo (Brazzaville)	54	Partly Free
	Kenya	54	Partly Free
	Senegal	54	Partly Free
	Uganda	54	Partly Free
22	Malawi	55	Partly Free
23	Seychelles	56	Partly Free
24	Guinea-Bissau	57	Partly Free
25	Guinea	59	Partly Free
	Liberia	59	Partly Free
	Niger	59	Partly Free
28	Central African Republic	61	Not Free
	Zambia	61	Not Free
30	Angola	64	Not Free
	Madagascar	64	Not Free
32	Cameroon	67	Not Free
33	Côte d'Ivoire	68	Not Free
34	Gabon	69	Not Free
35	Djibouti	73	Not Free
	Togo	73	Not Free

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Rank 2011	Country	Rating	Status
37	Burundi	74	Not Free
38	Chad	75	Not Free
39	Swaziland	76	Not Free
40	Ethiopia	78	Not Free
	Sudan	78	Not Free
42	Congo (Kinshasa)	81	Not Free
	The Gambia	81	Not Free
	Zimbabwe	81	Not Free
45	Rwanda	84	Not Free
	Somalia	84	Not Free
47	Equatorial Guinea	90	Not Free
48	Eritrea	94	Not Free

Status	Number of Countries	Percentage of Total
Free	5	10
Partly Free	22	46
Not Free	21	44
TOTAL	48	100

WESTERN EUROPE

Rank 2011	Country	Rating	Status
1	Finland	10	Free
2	Norway	11	Free
	Sweden	11	Free
4	Belgium	12	Free
	Iceland	12	Free
	Luxembourg	12	Free
7	Andorra	13	Free
	Denmark	13	Free
	Switzerland	13	Free
10	Liechtenstein	14	Free
	Netherlands	14	Free
12	Ireland	16	Free
	Monaco	16	Free
14	Germany	17	Free
	Portugal	17	Free
	San Marino	17	Free
17	United Kingdom	19	Free
18	Austria	21	Free
19	Cyprus	22	Free
	Malta	22	Free
21	France	23	Free
	Spain	23	Free
23	Greece	30	Free
24	Italy	34	Partly Free
25	Turkey	54	Partly Free

Status	Number of Countries	Percentage of Total
Free	23	92
Partly Free	2	8
Not Free	0	0
TOTAL	25	100