



Table of Independent Countries – 2003

Trend arrow	Country	PR	CL	Freedom Rating
	Afghanistan	6 ▲	6 ▲	Not Free
	Albania	3	3 ▲	Partly Free
	Algeria	6	5	Not Free
	Andorra	1	1	Free
	Angola	6	5 ▲	Not Free
	Antigua and Barbuda	4	2	Partly Free
↓	Argentina	3	3	Partly Free
	Armenia	4	4	Partly Free
	Australia	1	1	Free
	Austria	1	1	Free
	Azerbaijan	6	5	Partly Free
	Bahamas	1	1	Free
	Bahrain	5 ▲	5	Partly Free
	Bangladesh	4 ▼	4	Partly Free
	Barbados	1	1	Free
	Belarus	6	6	Not Free
	Belgium	1	1 ▲	Free
	Belize	1	2	Free
	Benin	3	2	Free
	Bhutan	6 ▲	5 ▲	Not Free
	Bolivia	2 ▼	3	Free
	Bosnia-Herzegovina	4 ▲	4	Partly Free
	Botswana	2	2	Free
	Brazil	2 ▲	3	Free
	Brunei	6 ▲	5	Not Free
	Bulgaria	1	2 ▲	Free
↑	Burkina Faso	4	4	Partly Free
↑	Burma	7	7	Not Free
	Burundi	6	5 ▲	Not Free
	Cambodia	6	5	Not Free
↑	Cameroon	6	6	Not Free
	Canada	1	1	Free
	Cape Verde	1	2	Free
	Central African Republic	5	5	Partly Free
	Chad	6	5	Not Free

	Chile	2	1 ▲	Free
	China	7	6	Not Free
	Colombia	4	4	Partly Free
	Comoros	5 ▲	4	Partly Free
	Congo (Brazzaville)	6 ▼	4	Partly Free
↑	Congo (Kinshasa)	6	6	Not Free
	Costa Rica	1	2	Free
	Cote d'Ivoire	6 ▼	6 ▼	Not Free
↓	Croatia	2	2	Free
↑	Cuba	7	7	Not Free
	Cyprus (G)	1	1	Free
	Czech Republic	1	2	Free
	Denmark	1	1	Free
	Djibouti	4	5	Partly Free
	Dominica	1	1	Free
	Dominican Republic	2	2	Free
	East Timor	3 ▲	3	Partly Free
	Ecuador	3	3	Partly Free
	Egypt	6	6	Not Free
	El Salvador	2	3	Free
	Equatorial Guinea	7 ▼	6	Not Free
	Eritrea	7	6	Not Free
	Estonia	1	2	Free
	Ethiopia	5	5	Partly Free
	Fiji	4	3	Partly Free
	Finland	1	1	Free
	France	1	1 ▲	Free
	Gabon	5	4	Partly Free
	The Gambia	4 ▲	4 ▲	Partly Free
	Georgia	4	4	Partly Free
	Germany	1	1 ▲	Free
	Ghana	2	3	Free
	Greece	1	2 ▲	Free
	Grenada	1	2	Free
	Guatemala	4 ▼	4	Partly Free
↑	Guinea	6	5	Not Free
	Guinea-Bissau	4	5	Partly Free
	Guyana	2	2	Free
↓	Haiti	6	6	Not Free
	Honduras	3	3	Partly Free
	Hungary	1	2	Free
	Iceland	1	1	Free
↓	India	2	3	Free
	Indonesia	3	4	Partly Free
	Iran	6	6	Not Free
	Iraq	7	7	Not Free

	Ireland	1	1	Free
	Israel	1	3	Free
	Italy	1	1 ▲	Free
	Jamaica	2	3	Free
	Japan	1	2	Free
	Jordan	6 ▼	5	Partly Free
↓	Kazakhstan	6	5	Not Free
	Kenya	4 ▲	4 ▲	Partly Free
	Kiribati	1	1	Free
	Korea, North	7	7	Not Free
	Korea, South	2	2	Free
	Kuwait	4	5	Partly Free
	Kyrgyzstan	6	5	Not Free
	Laos	7	6	Not Free
	Latvia	1	2	Free
↓	Lebanon	6	5	Not Free
	Lesotho	2 ▲	3 ▲	Free
	Liberia	6	6	Not Free
	Libya	7	7	Not Free
	Liechtenstein	1	1	Free
	Lithuania	1	2	Free
	Luxembourg	1	1	Free
	Macedonia	3 ▲	3 ▲	Partly Free
	Madagascar	3 ▼	4	Partly Free
	Malawi	4	4 ▼	Partly Free
	Malaysia	5	5	Partly Free
	Maldives	6	5	Not Free
	Mali	2	3	Free
	Malta	1	1	Free
	Marshall Islands	1	1	Free
	Mauritania	5	5	Partly Free
	Mauritius	1	2	Free
	Mexico	2	2 ▲	Free
	Micronesia	1	2	Free
	Moldova	3 ▼	4	Partly Free
	Monaco	2	1	Free
	Mongolia	2	2 ▲	Free
	Morocco	5	5	Partly Free
	Mozambique	3	4	Partly Free
	Namibia	2	3	Free
	Nauru	1	2 ▲	Free
	Nepal	4 ▼	4	Partly Free
	Netherlands	1	1	Free
	New Zealand	1	1	Free
	Nicaragua	3	3	Partly Free
↓	Niger	4	4	Partly Free

	Nigeria	4	5	Partly Free
	Norway	1	1	Free
	Oman	6	5	Not Free
↑	Pakistan	6	5	Not Free
	Palau	1	2	Free
	Panama	1	2	Free
	Papua New Guinea	2	3	Free
↓	Paraguay	4	3	Partly Free
	Peru	2 ▼	3	Free
	Philippines	2	3	Free
	Poland	1	2	Free
	Portugal	1	1	Free
	Qatar	6	6	Not Free
	Romania	2	2	Free
	Russia	5	5	Partly Free
	Rwanda	7	5 ▲	Not Free
	Saint Kitts and Nevis	1	2	Free
	Saint Lucia	1	2	Free
	Saint Vincent and Grenadines	2	1	Free
	Samoa	2	2	Free
	San Marino	1	1	Free
	Sao Tome and Principe	1	2	Free
	Saudi Arabia	7	7	Not Free
	Senegal	2 ▲	3 ▲	Free
	Seychelles	3	3	Partly Free
	Sierra Leone	4	4 ▲	Partly Free
	Singapore	5	4 ▲	Partly Free
	Slovakia	1	2	Free
	Slovenia	1	1 ▲	Free
	Solomon Islands	3 ▲	3 ▲	Partly Free
	Somalia	6	7	Not Free
	South Africa	1	2	Free
	Spain	1	1 ▲	Free
↑	Sri Lanka	3	4	Partly Free
	Sudan	7	7	Not Free
	Suriname	1	2	Free
	Swaziland	6	5	Not Free
	Sweden	1	1	Free
	Switzerland	1	1	Free
	Syria	7	7	Not Free
	Taiwan	2 ▼	2	Free
	Tajikistan	6	5 ▲	Not Free
	Tanzania	4	3 ▲	Partly Free
↓	Thailand	2	3	Free
	Togo	6 ▼	5	Not Free
	Tonga	5	3	Partly Free

	Trinidad and Tobago	3	3	Partly Free
	Tunisia	6	5	Not Free
	Turkey	3 ▲	4 ▲	Partly Free
	Turkmenistan	7	7	Not Free
	Tuvalu	1	1	Free
	Uganda	6	4 ▲	Partly Free
	Ukraine	4	4	Partly Free
	United Arab Emirates	6	5	Not Free
	United Kingdom *	1	1 ▲	Free
	United States	1	1	Free
↓	Uruguay	1	1	Free
	Uzbekistan	7	6	Not Free
	Vanuatu	1	2 ▲	Free
	Venezuela	3	4 ▲	Partly Free
	Vietnam	7	6	Not Free
	Yemen	6	5 ▲	Not Free
	Yugoslavia (Serbia and Montenegro)	3	2 ▲	Free
	Zambia	4 ▲	4	Partly Free
↓	Zimbabwe	6	6	Not Free

PR and CL stand for Political Rights and Civil Liberties
1 represents the most free and 7 the least free category.

↑ ↓ up or down indicates a general trend in freedom.

▲ ▼ up or down indicates a change in Political Rights or Civil Liberties since the last survey.

The freedom ratings reflect an overall judgment based on survey results. See the essay on survey methodology for more details.

* Excluding Northern Ireland