

**Annual Survey of Press Freedom
2003**

Free

0 to 10

Andorra
Belgium
Finland
Iceland
Marshall Islands
Monaco
New Zealand
Norway
Palau
Saint Lucia
San Marino
Sweden
Switzerland

11 to 20

Australia
Bahamas
Barbados
Canada
Costa Rica
Cyprus
Denmark
Dominica
Estonia
France
Germany
Grenada
Ireland
Jamaica
Japan
Latvia
Liechtenstein
Lithuania
Luxembourg
Malta
Micronesia
Netherlands
Poland
Portugal
Saint Kitts and Nevis
Saint Vincent and the
Grenadines
Slovenia
Spain
Tuvalu
United Kingdom
United States

21 to 30

Austria
Belize
Benin
Bolivia
Botswana
Bulgaria
Cape Verde
Chile
Czech Republic
East Timor
Fiji
Ghana
Greece
Guyana
Hungary
Israel
Italy
Kiribati
Korea (South)
Mali
Mauritius
Nauru
Papua New Guinea
Philippines
Samoa
Sao Tome and Principe
Slovakia
Solomon Islands
South Africa
Suriname
Taiwan
Trinidad and Tobago
Uruguay
Vanuatu

Partly Free

31 to 40

Argentina
Brazil
Burkina Faso
Croatia
Dominican Republic
El Salvador
Madagascar
Mexico
Mongolia
Namibia
Nicaragua
Panama
Peru
Romania
Senegal
Thailand
Tonga
Yugoslavia

41 to 50

Albania
Antigua and Barbuda
Bosnia
Comoros
Ecuador
India
Lesotho
Macedonia
Mozambique
Seychelles
Tanzania
Uganda

51 to 60

Congo-Brazzaville
Gabon
Georgia
Guatemala
Guinea-Bissau
Honduras
Indonesia
Kuwait
Malawi
Moldova
Morocco
Niger
Nigeria
Pakistan
Paraguay
Sri Lanka
Turkey

Not Free

61 to 70

Algeria
Armenia
Bahrain
Bangladesh
Bhutan
Cambodia
Cameroon
Central African
Republic
Chad
Colombia
Cote d'Ivoire
Djibouti
Ethiopia
Jordan
Kenya
Maldives
Mauritania
Nepal
Qatar
Russia
Sierra Leone
Singapore
The Gambia
Ukraine
Venezuela
Yemen
Zambia

71 to 80

Afghanistan
Angola
Azerbaijan
Brunei
Burundi
China
Egypt
Guinea
Haiti
Iran
Kazakhstan
Kyrgyzstan
Laos
Lebanon
Liberia
Malaysia
Oman
Rwanda
Saudi Arabia
Somalia
Swaziland
Syria
Tajikistan
Togo
Tunisia
United Arab
Emirates

81 to 90

Belarus
Congo-Kinshasa
Equatorial
Guinea
Eritrea
Israeli-
Administered
Territories/Pales
tinian Authority
Libya
Sudan
Uzbekistan
Vietnam
Zimbabwe

91 to 100

Burma
Cuba
Iraq
Korea (North)
Turkmenistan

Summary of Results: Press Freedom Survey 2003

Regional Press Freedom Breakdown

Region	Free	Partly Free	Not Free	# Countries
Americas	18 (52 %)	13 (37%)	4 (11%)	35
Asia Pacific	18 (46%)	7 (18%)	14 (36%)	39
CEE-FSU	9 (33 %)	8 (30%)	10 (37%)	27
Middle East & North Africa	1 (5%)	2 (11%)	16 (84%)	19
Sub-Saharan Africa	8 (17%)	16 (33%)	24 (50%)	48
Western Europe	24 (96%)	1 (4%)	0 (0%)	25
TOTAL	78 (41%)	47 (24%)	68 (35%)	193

Press Freedom by Population

Status	By Country	By Population (millions)
Free	78 (41%)	1,235 (20%)
Partly Free	47 (24%)	2,332 (38%)
Not Free	68 (35%)	2,634 (42%)
TOTAL	193 (100%)	6,201 (100%)

**Western Europe
Press Freedom Ratings 2003**

No.	Name	Rating 2003	Rating 2002
1	Andorra	8 Free	N/A
	Iceland	8 Free	8 Free
	Sweden	8 Free	8 Free
4	Belgium	9 Free	9 Free
	Monaco	9 Free	N/A
	Norway	9 Free	9 Free
	San Marino	9 Free	N/A
8	Finland	10 Free	10 Free
	Switzerland	10 Free	8 Free
10	Denmark	11 Free	9 Free
	Liechtenstein	11 Free	N/A
12	Malta	13 Free	13 Free
13	Luxembourg	14 Free	14 Free
14	Germany	15 Free	15 Free
	Netherlands	15 Free	15 Free
	Portugal	15 Free	15 Free
17	Ireland	16 Free	16 Free
	Spain	16 Free	17 Free
19	France	17 Free	17 Free
20	Cyprus	18 Free	18 Free
	United Kingdom	18 Free	18 Free
22	Austria	23 Free	24 Free
23	Greece	28 Free	30 Free
	Italy	28 Free	27 Free
25	Turkey	55 Partly Free	58 Partly Free

Status	Number of countries	Percent of total
Free	24	96%
Partly Free	1	4%
Not Free	0	0%
TOTAL	25	100%

**CEE-FSU
Press Freedom Ratings 2003**

No.	Name	Rating 2003	Rating 2002
1	Estonia	17 Free	18 Free
2	Latvia	18 Free	19 Free
	Lithuania	18 Free	19 Free
	Poland	18 Free	18 Free
5	Slovenia	19 Free	20 Free
6	Slovakia	21 Free	22 Free
7	Czech Rep.	23 Free	25 Free
	Hungary	23 Free	23 Free
9	Bulgaria	30 Free	29 Free
10	Croatia	33 Partly Free	33 Partly Free
11	Romania	38 Partly Free	35 Partly Free
12	Yugoslavia	40 Partly Free	45 Partly Free
13	Bosnia	49 Partly Free	53 Partly Free
14	Albania	50 Partly Free	48 Partly Free
15	Macedonia	51 Partly Free	46 Partly Free
16	Georgia	54 Partly Free	53 Partly Free
17	Moldova	59 Partly Free	59 Partly Free
18	Armenia	65 Not Free	60 Partly Free
19	Russia	66 Not Free	60 Partly Free
20	Ukraine	67 Not Free	60 Partly Free
21	Kyrgyzstan	71 Not Free	68 Not Free
22	Azerbaijan	73 Not Free	77 Not Free
	Kazakhstan	73 Not Free	69 Not Free
24	Tajikistan	76 Not Free	80 Not Free
25	Belarus	82 Not Free	82 Not Free
26	Uzbekistan	86 Not Free	84 Not Free
27	Turkmenistan	92 Not Free	91 Not Free

Status	Number of countries	Percent of total
Free	9	33%
Partly Free	8	30%
Not Free	10	37%
<i>TOTAL</i>	27	100%

**Americas
Press Freedom Ratings 2003**

No.	Country	Rating 2003	Rating 2002
1	St Lucia	8 Free	11 Free
2	Bahamas	11 Free	8 Free
3	Barbados	14 Free	16 Free
	Costa Rica	14 Free	17 Free
	Dominica	14 Free	16 Free
	Grenada	14 Free	16 Free
7	Canada	17 Free	16 Free
	St Vincent & Grenadines	17 Free	16 Free
	United States	17 Free	16 Free
10	St Kitts & Nevis	18 Free	18 Free
11	Jamaica	20 Free	17 Free
12	Guyana	21 Free	23 Free
13	Chile	22 Free	22 Free
14	Belize	23 Free	24 Free
15	Trinidad & Tobago	25 Free	30 Free
16	Suriname	26 Free	25 Free
17	Bolivia	30 Free	25 Free
	Uruguay	30 Free	25 Free
19	Dominican Republic	33 Partly Free	30 Free
20	Panama	34 Partly Free	30 Free
21	Peru	35 Partly Free	30 Free
22	Brazil	38 Partly Free	32 Partly Free
	El Salvador	38 Partly Free	35 Partly Free
	Mexico	38 Partly Free	40 Partly Free
25	Argentina	39 Partly Free	37 Partly Free
26	Nicaragua	40 Partly Free	32 Partly Free
27	Ecuador	41 Partly Free	40 Partly Free
28	Antigua & Barbuda	45 Partly Free	44 Partly Free
29	Honduras	51 Partly Free	43 Partly Free
30	Paraguay	55 Partly Free	51 Partly Free
31	Guatemala	58 Partly Free	49 Partly Free
32	Colombia	63 Not Free	60 Partly Free
33	Venezuela	68 Not Free	44 Partly Free
34	Haiti	79 Not Free	72 Not Free
35	Cuba	96 Not Free	96 Not Free

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Status	No. of countries 2003	% 2003
Free	18	52%
Partly Free	13	37%
Not Free	4	11%
TOTAL	35	100 %

**Asia-Pacific
Press Freedom Ratings 2003**

No.	Name	Rating 2003	Rating 2002
1	New Zealand	8 Free	8 Free
2	Palau	9 Free	NA
3	Marshall Islands	10 Free	10 Free
4	Australia	14 Free	10 Free
5	Tuvalu	16 Free	NA
6	Japan	17 Free	17 Free
	Micronesia	17 Free	20 Free
8	Taiwan	21 Free	21 Free
	Vanuatu	21 Free	24 Free
10	East Timor	22 Free	21 Free
11	Samoa	24 Free	23 Free
12	Papua New Guinea	25 Free	26 Free
	Solomon Islands	25 Free	24 Free
14	Kiribati	26 Free	21 Free
	Nauru	26 Free	27 Free
16	Fiji	29 Free	33 Partly Free
	Korea (South)	29 Free	30 Free
18	Philippines	30 Free	30 Free
19	Tonga	32 Partly Free	36 Partly Free
20	Mongolia	36 Partly Free	31 Partly Free
	Thailand	36 Partly Free	30 Free
22	India	45 Partly Free	42 Partly Free
23	Sri Lanka	52 Partly Free	63 Not Free
24	Indonesia	56 Partly Free	53 Partly Free
25	Pakistan	58 Partly Free	57 Partly Free
26	Cambodia	64 Not Free	68 Not Free
	Maldives	64 Not Free	61 Not Free
28	Nepal	65 Not Free	60 Partly Free
29	Singapore	66 Not Free	68 Not Free
30	Bangladesh	68 Not Free	63 Not Free
31	Bhutan	70 Not Free	72 Not Free
32	Malaysia	71 Not Free	71 Not Free
33	Afghanistan	74 Not Free	Not rated
34	Brunei	76 Not Free	78 Not Free
35	China	80 Not Free	80 Not Free
	Laos	80 Not Free	82 Not Free
37	Vietnam	84 Not Free	82 Not Free
38	Burma	94 Not Free	96 Not Free
39	Korea (North)	96 Not Free	96 Not Free

Status	Number of countries	Percent of total
Free	18	46 %
Partly Free	7	18 %
Not Free	14	36 %
TOTAL	39	100 %

**Middle East & North Africa
Press Freedom Ratings 2003**

No.	Name	Rating 2003	Rating 2002
1	Israel	TBA Free	30 Free
2	Kuwait	54 Partly Free	49 Partly Free
3	Morocco	57 Partly Free	58 Partly Free
4	Qatar	61 Not Free	62 Not Free
5	Algeria	62 Not Free	62 Not Free
6	Jordan	65 Not Free	60 Partly Free
7	Bahrain	68 Not Free	75 Not Free
8	Yemen	69 Not Free	65 Not Free
9	Lebanon	71 Not Free	74 Not Free
10	Oman	73 Not Free	68 Not Free
11	United Arab Emirates	74 Not Free	74 Not Free
12	Iran	76 Not Free	75 Not Free
13	Tunisia	78 Not Free	73 Not Free
14	Egypt	79 Not Free	77 Not Free
15	Saudi Arabia	80 Not Free	80 Not Free
	Syria	80 Not Free	78 Not Free
17	Israeli-Administered Territories/ Palestinian Authority	86 Not Free	84 Not Free
18	Libya	89 Not Free	88 Not Free
19	Iraq	95 Not Free	96 Not Free

Status	Number of countries	Percent of total
Free	1	5 percent
Partly Free	2	11 percent
Not Free	16	84 percent
TOTAL	19	100 percent

**Sub-Saharan Africa
Press Freedom Ratings 2003**

No.	Name	Rating 2003	Rating 2002
1	Sao Tome and Principe	19 Free	19 Free
2	Mali	24 Free	23 Free
	Mauritius	24 Free	17 Free
4	South Africa	25 Free	23 Free
5	Benin	28 Free	30 Free
6	Botswana	30 Free	30 Free
	Cape Verde	30 Free	30 Free
	Ghana	30 Free	27 Free
9	Namibia	37 Partly Free	34 Partly Free
10	Madagascar	38 Partly Free	31 Partly Free
	Senegal	38 Partly Free	39 Partly Free
12	Burkina Faso	39 Partly Free	39 Partly Free
13	Lesotho	42 Partly Free	46 Partly Free
14	Comoros	43 Partly Free	41 Partly Free
15	Uganda	45 Partly Free	42 Partly Free
16	Mozambique	47 Partly Free	48 Partly Free
	Tanzania	47 Partly Free	49 Partly Free
18	Seychelles	50 Partly Free	51 Partly Free
19	Niger	53 Partly Free	49 Partly Free
	Nigeria	53 Partly Free	57 Partly Free
21	Congo (Brazzaville)	55 Partly Free	53 Partly Free
22	Gabon	57 Partly Free	52 Partly Free
	Malawi	57 Partly Free	54 Partly Free
24	Guinea-Bissau	59 Partly Free	56 Partly Free
25	Mauritania	61 Not Free	61 Not Free
	Sierra Leone	61 Not Free	62 Not Free
27	Ethiopia	63 Not Free	61 Not Free
	Zambia	63 Not Free	65 Not Free
29	The Gambia	65 Not Free	65 Not Free
	Cameroon	65 Not Free	68 Not Free
	Djibouti	65 Not Free	67 Not Free
32	Chad	67 Not Free	74 Not Free
	Central African Republic	67 Not Free	69 Not Free
	Kenya	67 Not Free	67 Not free
35	Cote d'Ivoire	68 Not Free	66 Not Free
36	Angola	72 Not Free	79 Not Free
37	Guinea	74 Not Free	74 Not Free
	Swaziland	74 Not Free	77 Not Free
	Togo	74 Not Free	68 Not Free
40	Burundi	76 Not Free	77 Not Free

41	Liberia	79 Not Free	77 Not Free
42	Rwanda	80 Not Free	87 Not Free
	Somalia	80 Not Free	88 Not Free
44	Equatorial Guinea	81 Not Free	80 Not Free
45	Congo (Kinshasa)	82 Not Free	86 Not Free
46	Eritrea	83 Not Free	79 Not Free
47	Sudan	84 Not Free	87 Not Free
48	Zimbabwe	88 Not Free	83 Not Free

Status	Number of countries	Percent of total
Free	8	17 percent
Partly Free	16	33 percent
Not Free	24	50 percent
TOTAL	48	100 percent