

FREEDOM ON THE NET 2011: GLOBAL SCORES

Freedom on the Net aims to measure each country's level of internet and new media freedom. Each country receives a numerical score from 0 (the most free) to 100 (the least free), which serves as the basis for an internet freedom status designation of Free (0-30 points), Partly Free (31-60 points), or Not Free (61-100).

Ratings are determined through an examination of three broad categories: obstacles to access, limits on content, and violation of user rights.

- ❖ **Obstacles to Access:** assesses infrastructural and economic barriers to access; governmental efforts to block specific applications or technologies; and legal, regulatory and ownership control over internet and mobile phone access providers.
- ❖ **Limits on Content:** examines filtering and blocking of websites; other forms of censorship and self-censorship; manipulation of content; the diversity of online news media; and usage of digital media for social and political activism.
- ❖ **Violations of User Rights:** measures legal protections and restrictions on online activity; surveillance; privacy; and repercussions for online activity, such as legal prosecution, imprisonment, physical attacks, or other forms of harassment.

COUNTRY	FREEDOM ON THE NET STATUS	FREEDOM ON THE NET TOTAL 0-100 Points	A SUBTOTAL: OBSTACLES TO ACCESS 0-25 Points	B SUBTOTAL: LIMITS ON CONTENT 0-35 Points	C SUBTOTAL: VIOLATIONS OF USER RIGHTS 0-40 Points
Estonia	Free	10	2	2	6
USA	Free	13	4	2	7
Germany	Free	16	4	5	7
Australia	Free	18	3	6	9
UK	Free	25	1	8	16
Italy	Free	26	6	8	12
South Africa	Free	26	7	9	10

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Brazil	Free	29	7	7	15
Kenya	Partly Free	32	12	9	11
Mexico	Partly Free	32	12	10	10
South Korea	Partly Free	32	3	12	17
Georgia	Partly Free	35	12	10	13
Nigeria	Partly Free	35	13	10	12
India	Partly Free	36	12	8	16
Malaysia	Partly Free	41	9	11	21
Jordan	Partly Free	42	12	11	19
Turkey	Partly Free	45	12	16	17
Indonesia	Partly Free	46	14	13	19
Venezuela	Partly Free	46	15	13	18
Azerbaijan	Partly Free	48	15	15	18
Rwanda	Partly Free	50	14	19	17
Russia	Partly Free	52	12	17	23
Egypt	Partly Free	54	12	14	28
Zimbabwe	Partly Free	54	16	15	23
Kazakhstan	Partly Free	55	16	22	17
Pakistan	Partly Free	55	16	17	22

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Thailand	Not Free	61	12	23	26
Bahrain	Not Free	62	11	22	29
Belarus	Not Free	69	19	23	27
Ethiopia	Not Free	69	21	26	22
Saudi Arabia	Not Free	70	14	27	29
Vietnam	Not Free	73	16	25	32
Tunisia	Not Free	81	21	28	32
China	Not Free	83	19	28	36
Cuba	Not Free	87	24	30	33
Burma	Not Free	88	23	29	36
Iran	Not Free	89	21	29	39