

**Democracy Improvement Ranking 2010\***

Rank of Democracy Improvement	Country	Rank Loss/Gain	Democracy Loss/Gain Score
1	Nepal	+7	8.14
2	Serbia	+11	5.87
3	Trinidad and Tobago	+8	4.14
4	Bangladesh	+8	4.08
5	Poland	+4	3.88
6	Uruguay	+6	3.81
7	Romania	+3	3.63
8	Paraguay	+9	3.26
9	Sierra Leone	+4	2.86
10	Mozambique	+2	2.86
11	Switzerland	+1	2.66
12	Czech Republic	+3	2.65
13	Lebanon	+4	2.37
14	Uganda	+1	2.36
15	Costa Rica	+2	2.33
16	Zambia	-1	2.32
17	Indonesia	+5	2.30
18	Ecuador	0	2.29
19	Slovenia	+1	2.27
20	France	0	2.25
21	Mongolia	+1	2.22
22	Slovak Republic	+1	2.22
23	Albania	+4	2.21
24	Peru	0	2.20
25	Chile	+2	2.18
26	Guatemala	+4	2.16
27	Macedonia, FYR	+4	2.15
28	Ireland	+1	2.01
29	China	+1	1.99
30	Norway	+1	1.97
31	Panama	+1	1.85
32	United States (of America)	+1	1.71
33	Belgium	+2	1.67
34	Mauritius	0	1.65
35	New Zealand	+1	1.61
36	India	+2	1.60
37	Argentina	+1	1.54
38	Netherlands	-1	1.53
39	Malawi	+1	1.50
40	Namibia	+1	1.44
41	Dominican Republic	+1	1.33
42	Singapore	-2	1.31
43	Brazil	-1	1.30
44	Greece	-2	1.28
45	Finland	0	1.26
46	Estonia	0	1.24
47	Moldova	+3	1.23
48	El Salvador	+1	1.22

49	Morocco	+2	1.21
50	Jamaica	0	1.21
51	Turkey	+3	1.10
52	Portugal	0	1.10
53	Burkina Faso	+1	1.09
54	Korea, Rep. (South Korea)	-1	1.04
55	Australia	0	1.03
56	Italy	-2	1.02
57	Canada	-1	1.01
58	Ghana	+1	0.95
59	Croatia	-2	0.89
60	Spain	-2	0.87
61	Russian Federation (Russia)	0	0.84
62	Israel	-2	0.82
63	Botswana	-1	0.81
64	Kuwait	0	0.74
65	Ukraine	-3	0.73
66	Latvia	-2	0.68
67	Lithuania	-1	0.66
68	Denmark	-1	0.62
69	Austria	0	0.62
70	Japan	-1	0.53
71	Germany	+1	0.48
72	Malaysia	+3	0.43
73	Hungary	-6	0.32
74	South Africa	-3	0.24
75	Sweden	-1	0.24
76	Colombia	-2	0.15
77	Bosnia and Herzegovina	+1	0.10
78	Nicaragua	-2	0.06
79	Armenia	-2	0.03
80	United Kingdom	-2	-0.02
81	Nigeria	+1	-0.05
82	Benin	-3	-0.08
83	Bolivia	0	-0.10
84	Bulgaria	-2	-0.13
85	Tanzania	-4	-0.46
86	Gambia, The	-1	-0.68
87	Ethiopia	0	-0.70
88	Honduras	-5	-0.74
89	Madagascar	-5	-1.06
90	Senegal	-3	-1.09
91	Venezuela, RB	-3	-1.14
92	Thailand	-4	-1.35
93	Sri Lanka	-8	-1.38
94	Mali	-5	-1.43
95	Georgia	-8	-1.51
96	Mexico	-7	-2.23
97	Kenya	-3	-2.82
98	Philippines	-11	-2.99
99	Central African Republic	-3	-4.40
100	Niger	-7	-5.18

Green: Country is among the 10 best		Green: Country has gained in rank since the previous period	Green: Gain of democracy score
		White: Country's rank has remained stable over the two periods	
Red: Country is among the 10 worst		Red: Country has lost in rank since the previous period	Red: Loss of democracy score

Please note: The Democracy Ranking (Democracy Improvement Ranking) covers countries that are categorized by Freedom House as “free” or “partly free”. Therefore, scores for the Russian Federation and China are “virtual scores”.

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