

The Henley & Partners Visa Restrictions Index 2017

Global Travel Freedom at a Glance

The *Henley & Partners* Visa Restrictions Index is a global ranking of countries according to the travel freedom that their citizens enjoy.

For more than a decade, *Henley & Partners* has analyzed global visa regulations to present an index ranking each country and territory in the world by the number of countries that their citizens can travel to visa-free.

The index is produced in cooperation with the International Air Transport Association (IATA), which maintains the world's largest database of travel information, and is published annually.

Countries are ranked according to the total number of other countries which they can access visa-free.



ank	Citizenship/Passport	Score
1	Germany	176
2	Sweden	175
3	Denmark	174
	Finland	
	Italy	
	Spain	
	United States	
4	Austria	173
	Belgium	
	France	
	Luxembourg	
	Netherlands	
	Norway	
	Singapore	
	United Kingdom	
5	Ireland (Republic of)	172
	Japan	
	New Zealand	
6	Canada	171
	Greece	
	Portugal	
	Switzerland	
7	Australia	170
	Korea (Republic of, South)	
8	Iceland	169
9	Czech Republic	168
10	Hungary	167
	Malta	
11	Lithuania	166
12	Latvia	165
	Liechtenstein	
	Slovakia	
	Slovenia	
13	Estonia	164
	Malaysia	
14	Poland	162
15	Monaco	160
16	Cyprus	158
17	Chile	157
18	Brazil	156
19	Andorra	155
	San Marino	
20	Argentina	154

	Bulgaria	
21	Croatia	153
	Romania	
22	Hong Kong (SAR China)	152
23	Brunei Darussalam	151
24	Israel	148
25	Barbados	143
26	Mexico	142
27	Bahamas	141
28	Uruguay	138
29	Seychelles	137
30	Antigua and Barbuda	136
	St. Kitts and Nevis	
31	Taiwan	134
	Costa Rica	
	Vatican City	
32	Trinidad and Tobago	132
33	Mauritius	131
34	Venezuela	129
35	Paraguay	128
36	Macao (SAR China)	127
	Panama	
	St. Lucia	
	St. Vincent and the Grenadines	
37	Grenada	124
38	Honduras	121
	United Arab Emirates	
39	El Salvador	120
40	Dominica	119
	Guatemala	
41	Peru	118
42	Solomon Islands	116
43	Serbia	115
44	Samoa	114
45	Vanuatu	113
46	Marshall Islands	112
	Nicaragua	
47	Tonga	111
48	Macedonia (FYROM)	110
	Tuvalu	
49	Kiribati	109
50	Colombia	107

	Montenegro	
51	Micronesia (Federated States of)	106
	Russian Federation	
52	Palau	105
	Turkey	
53	Bosnia Herzegovina	103
54	Moldova	102
55	Albania	98
	South Africa	
56	Belize	95
57	Ecuador	83
	Timor-Leste	
58	Ukraine	82
59	Guyana	81
60	Kuwait	80
	Maldives	
	Nauru	
61	Fiji	79
62	Jamaica	78
	Qatar	
63	Papua New Guinea	76
64	Bolivia	75
65	Botswana	74
	Suriname	
66	Bahrain	73
67	Kazakhstan	71
	Namibia	
	Thailand	
68		69
	Kenya	
	Oman	
69	Saudi Arabia	68
70	Belarus	67
	Lesotho	
	Malawi	
71		66
	Swaziland	
72	Tanzania	65
73	Cape Verde	63
	Tunisia	
	Zambia	
74	Azerbaijan	62
75	Philippines	61

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	Uganda			Chad			Liberia	
76	Cuba 60			Mali		93	Myanmar	41
77	Ghana	59		Rwanda		94	Congo (Democratic	40
	Zimbabwe		86	Gabon	50	50	Republic of)	
78	Armenia	58		Haiti			Djibouti	
	Benin			Madagascar			Korea (Dem. People's Republic, North)	
	Kyrgyzstan Morocco		87	Guinea-Bissau	49	95	Bangladesh	38
				India			Iran	
79	Indonesia 57			Turkmenistan			Sri Lanka	
80	Burkina Faso	56	88	Algeria	48	96	Ethiopia	37
	Dominican Republic			Cambodia			Kosovo	
	Mongolia			Comoros			Lebanon	
81	Mozambique	55		Egypt			South Sudan	
	Sao Tome and Principe Sierra Leone			Guinea		97	Nepal	36
				Laos			Palestinian Territory	
82	Mauritania 54		89	Central African Republic	46		Sudan	
83	Cote d'Ivoire	53		Equatorial Guinea		98	Eritrea	35
	Senegal			Angola	45		Yemen	
	Tajikistan			Cameroon		99	Libya	33
	Togo Uzbekistan		91	Vietnam		100	Somalia	30
				Burundi	44	101	Syria	29
84	Niger	52		Nigeria	1	102	Pakistan	28
85	China	51	92	Congo (Republic of)	43	103	Iraq	27
	Bhutan	n		Jordan		104	Afghanistan	24

Methodology

The *Henley & Partners* Visa Restrictions Index was created with visa regulations effective on 1 January 2017, including any temporary visa regulations applicable on that date. The Index contains the following assumptions:

- All passports evaluated are assumed to be biometric (ICAO 9303 compliant)
- There are 219 destination countries (territories) in total. The maximum attainable score is 218 (points are not assigned for a national traveling to their own country)
- The amount of nationalities (passports) evaluated is 199. These are the 193 Member States of the United Nations, Taiwan, Kosovo, Palestinian Territory, Vatican City, Hong Kong (SAR China), Macao (SAR China)
- E-visas are treated in the same way as visas on arrival. Where the conditions for obtaining an e-visa are straightforward (fee, return ticket, hotel reservation), a point was assigned. Where there are additional

- conditions (e.g. invitation letter, consular approval), a point was not assigned
- Countries that do not enforce their own visa restrictions are considered as a nationality, but not as a destination: Andorra, Liechtenstein, Monaco, Palestinian Territory, San Marino, Vatican City
- Countries that enforce their own visa restrictions but issue passports under the authority of a governing country are considered as a destination, but not as a nationality: Aruba, Anguilla, Bermuda, Bonaire and St. Eustatius and Saba, Cayman Islands, Curacao, Cook Islands, Falkland Islands, French Guiana, French Polynesia, French West Indies, Gibraltar, Guam, Mayotte, Montserrat, New Caledonia, Niue, Norfolk Island, Northern Mariana Islands, Puerto Rico, Reunion, Samoa (American), St. Helena, St. Maarten, Turks and Caicos Islands, Virgin Islands (British), Virgin Islands (US)

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