



## *The Henley & Partners Visa Restrictions Index 2016*

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.

Rank	Citizenship/Passport	Score			
1	Germany	177	22	Andorra	152
2	Sweden	176		Argentina	
3	Finland	175	23	Brunei Darussalam	151
	France		24	Croatia	149
	Italy		25	Israel	147
	Spain		26	Barbados	141
	United Kingdom		27	Bahamas	140
4	Belgium	174	28	Mexico	139
	Denmark		29	Uruguay	137
	Netherlands			Taiwan	
	United States		30	Antigua and Barbuda	134
5	Austria	173		Vatican City	
	Japan		31	Seychelles	133
	Singapore		32	St. Kitts and Nevis	132
6	Canada	172		Venezuela	
	Ireland (Republic of)		33	Costa Rica	131
	Korea (Republic of, South)		34	Trinidad and Tobago	130
	Luxembourg		35	Mauritius	128
	Norway		36	Panama	127
	Portugal		37	Paraguay	125
	Switzerland			St. Lucia	
7	Greece	171		St. Vincent and the Grenadines	
	New Zealand		38	United Arab Emirates	122
8	Australia	169	39	Grenada	121
9	Malta	168	40	Macao (SAR China)	120
10	Hungary	167	41	Dominica	119
	Czech Republic			Honduras	
	Iceland		42	Guatemala	116
11	Slovakia	165	43	El Salvador	115
12	Liechtenstein	164		Serbia	
	Malaysia		44	Samoa	112
	Slovenia		45	Macedonia (FYROM)	111
13	Latvia	163	46	Nicaragua	110
14	Estonia	162		Tonga	
	Lithuania			Vanuatu	
15	Poland	161	47	Montenegro	107
16	Monaco	160	48	Russian Federation	105
17	Cyprus	159	49	Palau	104
18	San Marino	156	50	Colombia	103
19	Chile	155	51	Turkey	102
20	Hong Kong (SAR China)	154	52	Bosnia Herzegovina	101
				Moldova	
21	Brazil	153	53	Albania	98
	Bulgaria		54	South Africa	97
	Romania		55	Belize	94
			56	Peru	86
				Solomon Islands	
			57	Guyana	82
				Kuwait	
				Timor-Leste	
				Tuvalu	
			58	Ecuador	81
				Fiji	
				Ukraine	
			59	Maldives	80
				Nauru	
			60	Kiribati	79
				Marshall Islands	
				Qatar	
			61	Jamaica	78
			62	Papua New Guinea	77
			63	Micronesia (Federated States of)	75
			64	Suriname	74
			65	Bahrain	73
			66	Bolivia	72
				Botswana	
			67	Oman	71
				Thailand	
			68	Namibia	70
			69	Lesotho	69
				Saudi Arabia	
			70	Kenya	68
			71	Belarus	67
				Gambia	
				Georgia	
				Kazakhstan	
				Malawi	
				Swaziland	
			72	Tanzania	65
				Tunisia	
			73	Ghana	64
			74	Zambia	63
			75	Azerbaijan	62
			76	Cape Verde	61
				Philippines	
			77	Uganda	60
			78	Benin	59
				Cuba	
				Morocco	
				Zimbabwe	

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79	Indonesia	58	88	Gabon	49	96	Bangladesh	39
	Kyrgyzstan			Turkmenistan			Congo (Democratic Republic of)	
80	Armenia	57	89	Algeria	48		Lebanon	
81	Burkina Faso	56		Central African Republic			Sri Lanka	
	Cote d'Ivoire			Haiti		97	Kosovo	38
	Mongolia			Madagascar			South Sudan	
82	Mauritania	55		Rwanda			Yemen	
	Niger		90	Comoros	47	98	Eritrea	37
	Senegal			Jordan			Ethiopia	
	Togo			Laos			Iran	
83	Dominican Republic	54		Vietnam			Nepal	
	Sao Tome and Principe		91	Guinea	46		Palestinian Territory	
84	Tajikistan	53	92	Angola	45		Sudan	
85	India	52		Cameroon		99	Libya	36
	Mali			Equatorial Guinea		100	Syria	32
	Uzbekistan			Nigeria		101	Somalia	31
86	Bhutan	51	93	Congo (Republic of)	44	102	Iraq	30
	Guinea-Bissau			Djibouti		103	Pakistan	29
	Mozambique		94	Liberia	43	104	Afghanistan	25
	Sierra Leone		95	Burundi	42			
87	Cambodia	50		Korea (Democratic People's Republic of, North)				
	China			Myanmar				
88	Chad	49						
	Egypt							

## Methodology

The *Henley & Partners* Visa Restrictions Index was created with visa regulations effective on 1 January 2016, 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. Maarten, Turks and Caicos Islands, Virgin Islands (British), Virgin Islands (US)

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