

# Map of Freedom: Americas



## Survey Findings: Americas

Freedom Status	Global Country Breakdown	Global Population Breakdown	Regional Country Breakdown	Regional Population Breakdown
FREE	87 (45%)	2,951,950,000 (43%)	24 (69%)	658,660,000 (71%)
PARTLY FREE	60 (31%)	1,487,000,000 (22%)	10 (29%)	253,900,000 (28%)
NOT FREE	47 (24%)	2,434,250,000 (35%)	1 (3%)	11,300,000 (1%)
TOTAL	194	6,873,200,000	35	923,860,000

Categories do not equal 100% for the regional population breakdown due to rounding.

The Map of Freedom: Americas reflects the findings of Freedom House's *Freedom in the World 2011* survey, which rates the level of political rights and civil liberties in 194 countries and 14 related and disputed territories during 2010. Based on these ratings, countries are divided into three categories: **Free**, **Partly Free**, and **Not Free**.

A Free country is one where there is broad scope for open political competition, a climate of respect for civil liberties, significant independent civic life, and independent media.

Partly Free countries are characterized by some restrictions on political rights and civil liberties, often in a context of corruption, weak rule of law, ethnic strife, or civil war.

A Not Free country is one where basic political rights are absent, and basic civil liberties are widely and systematically denied.

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