# Lesotho

Lesotho is scored against 188 of 193 other countries. At the UN it votes most alike with Guinea, Gambia, Solomon Islands; least alike with Israel, United States, Canada.

Groups: AFR, African Union

## WHERE LESOTHO STANDS IN UN VOTES, 2025

Voting position -0.53 (90% range -0.79 to -0.29), among 191 countries. Distance from China 0.17, Russia 0.62, United States 3.43.




Nearest voting positions: Ghana (0.0, ranges overlap), Gambia (0.01, ranges overlap), Nigeria (0.01, ranges overlap), Nepal (0.01, ranges overlap), Somalia (0.01, ranges overlap), Chad (0.01, ranges overlap).

## WHO IT VOTES WITH

| Votes most alike at the UN | | Votes least alike at the UN | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Guinea | 96% vote agreement | Israel | 38% vote agreement |
| Gambia | 97% vote agreement | United States | 45% vote agreement |
| Solomon Islands | 96% vote agreement | Canada | 62% vote agreement |
| Saint Vincent and the Grenadines | 97% vote agreement | United Kingdom | 59% vote agreement |
| Cambodia | 97% vote agreement | Hungary | 61% vote agreement |
| Guinea-Bissau | 96% vote agreement | Czechia | 62% vote agreement |

## THE BIG THREE

United States: index -7 (Distant), votes -64, trade $162 million a year
China: index +9 (Neutral), votes -12, trade $108 million a year
Russia: index -13 (Distant), votes -37

## LESOTHO IN NUMBERS (CONTEXT, NOT SCORED)

| | | | |
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| Population | 2.4 m (2025) | Government debt | 49% (2025) |
| Economy (GDP) | $2.6 bn (2025) | Inflation | 4.3% (2025) |
| Income per person | $1,021 (2025) | Electoral democracy | 0.66 (2025) |
| Military spending | 1.6% (2024) | | |

## TRADE, SECURITY AND CLUBS

| Biggest trade ties | |
|---|---|
| South Africa | $1.9 billion |
| Belgium | $250 million |
| United States | $162 million |
| China | $108 million |
| Japan | $14 million |
| Eswatini | $10 million |

**Opposite sides in armed conflict (latest year)**

none recorded

## SOURCES AND LIMITS

Votes: UN General Assembly roll calls (Voeten et al.; UN Digital Library) via Nations on Record. Trade: IMF via Nations on Record. Conflict: Uppsala Conflict Data Program 26.1. Context numbers: World Bank, IMF, SIPRI, V-Dem. Voting positions: Bailey, Strezhnev and Voeten. A vote shows how a government voted on a text, not why. Scores are not predictions and not advice. Rules and checks: https://nationsrelations.org/method

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