Malawi

Malawi is scored against 188 of 193 other countries. At the UN it votes most alike with Tuvalu, Samoa, Uruguay; least alike with Russia, Syria, China.

Groups: AFR, African Union

WHERE MALAWI STANDS IN UN VOTES, 2025

Voting position -0.18 (90% range -0.38 to -0.01), among 191 countries. Distance from China 0.19, Russia 0.26, United States 3.07.



Nearest voting positions: Myanmar (0.0, ranges overlap), El Salvador (0.0, ranges overlap), Bahamas (0.02, ranges overlap), DR Congo (0.02, ranges overlap), Dominican Republic (0.03, ranges overlap), North Korea (0.03, ranges overlap).

WHO IT VOTES WITH

Votes most alike at the UN		Votes least alike at the UN	
Tuvalu	95% vote agreement	Russia	49% vote agreement
Samoa	95% vote agreement	Syria	58% vote agreement
Uruguay	94% vote agreement	China	65% vote agreement
Panama	93% vote agreement	North Korea	54% vote agreement
Ecuador	94% vote agreement	Nicaragua	66% vote agreement
Rwanda	94% vote agreement	Iran	65% vote agreement

VOTES CAST WITH 15 COUNTRIES OR FEWER (SINCE 2010)

Advisory opinion of the International Court of Justice on the legal consequences arising from Israel's policies and practices in the Occupied Palestinian...

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THE BIG THREE

United States: index -1 (Distant), votes -32, trade $40 million a year
China: index -6 (Distant), votes -64, trade $283 million a year
Russia: index -20 (Distant), votes -67, trade $7.3 million a year

MALAWI IN NUMBERS (CONTEXT, NOT SCORED)

Population	22.2 m (2025)	Government debt	78% (2025)
Economy (GDP)	$14.9 bn (2025)	Inflation	28% (2025)
Income per person	$548 (2025)	Electoral democracy	0.56 (2025)
Military spending	1.0% (2024)		

TRADE, SECURITY AND CLUBS

Biggest trade ties		Opposite sides in armed conflict (latest year)
South Africa	$528 million	none recorded
United Arab Emirates	$481 million	
China	$283 million	
Zambia	$196 million	
Tanzania	$132 million	
Belgium	$117 million	

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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