Zambia

Zambia is scored against 188 of 193 other countries. At the UN it votes most alike with Chad, Gambia, Burkina Faso; least alike with North Macedonia, Israel, Russia.

Groups: AFR, African Union

WHERE ZAMBIA STANDS IN UN VOTES, 2025

Voting position -0.49 (90% range -0.8 to -0.22), among 191 countries. Distance from China 0.12, Russia 0.57, United States 3.38.



Nearest voting positions: Azerbaijan (0.0, ranges overlap), Maldives (0.01, ranges overlap), Trinidad and Tobago (0.01, ranges overlap), Antigua and Barbuda (0.02, ranges overlap), Saint Kitts and Nevis (0.02, ranges overlap), Saint Lucia (0.02, ranges overlap).

WHO IT VOTES WITH

Votes most alike at the UN		Votes least alike at the UN	
Chad	99% vote agreement	North Macedonia	63% vote agreement
Gambia	99% vote agreement	Israel	42% vote agreement
Burkina Faso	98% vote agreement	Russia	54% vote agreement
Sierra Leone	98% vote agreement	North Korea	61% vote agreement
Vanuatu	97% vote agreement	United Kingdom	61% vote agreement
Afghanistan	99% vote agreement	France	63% vote agreement

VOTES CAST WITH 15 COUNTRIES OR FEWER (SINCE 2010)

Oil slick on Lebanese shores
2024 · A/RES/79/200 · Zambia: No · overall 167 yes, 9 no, 6 abstain

Counter-terrorism
2011 · R/66/12 · Zambia: No · overall 106 yes, 9 no, 40 abstain

THE BIG THREE

United States: index -10 (Distant), votes -48, trade $151 million a year
China: index +10 (Neutral), votes -25, trade $4.2 billion a year
Russia: index -19 (Distant), votes -54, trade $9.9 million a year

ZAMBIA IN NUMBERS (CONTEXT, NOT SCORED)

Population	21.9 m (2025)	Government debt	86% (2025)
Economy (GDP)	$28.9 bn (2025)	Inflation	14% (2025)
Income per person	$1,356 (2025)	Electoral democracy	0.50 (2025)
Military spending	1.3% (2024)		

TRADE, SECURITY AND CLUBS

Biggest trade ties

Switzerland	$5.7 billion
China	$4.2 billion
South Africa	$3.5 billion
DR Congo	$2.0 billion

United Arab Emirates	$1.0 billion

Namibia	$769 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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