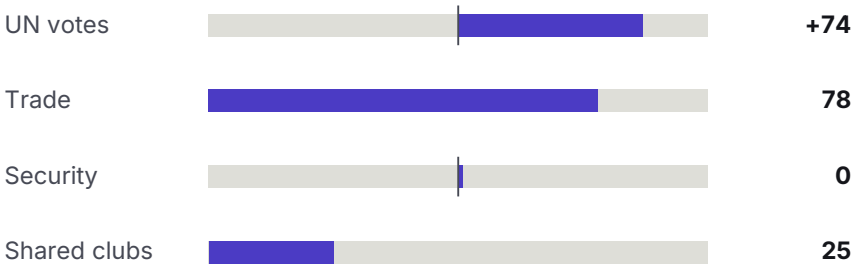
United Arab Emirates & Somalia

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Close

Relationship index, −100 to +100. Votes and security run from −100 to +100; trade and shared clubs from 0 to 100.

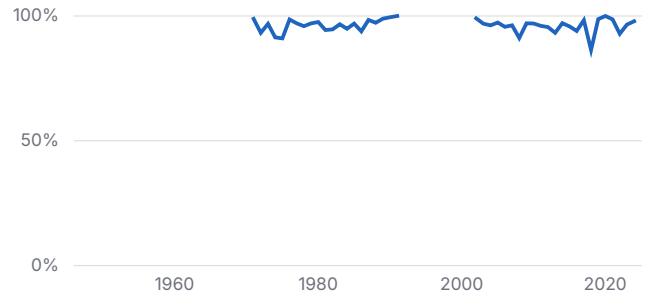


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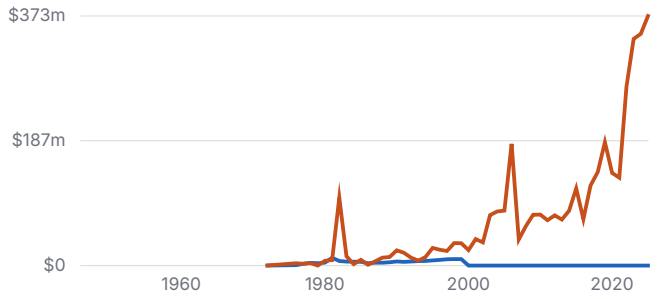
- At the UN their vote agreement is 96% (2022–2024), among the highest either of them has with any country.
- Only part of their trade in goods is on record ($353 million a year): the IMF data have no exports from the United Arab Emirates to Somalia in these years, which may mean there were none or that they were not reported.
- In its UN General Debate speeches, the United Arab Emirates names Somalia far more often than the reverse (35 sentences against 0).
- 9,100 people born in Somalia live in the United Arab Emirates (UN DESA counts place of birth, however long ago they moved).

OVER TIME

Share of recorded UN votes cast the same way

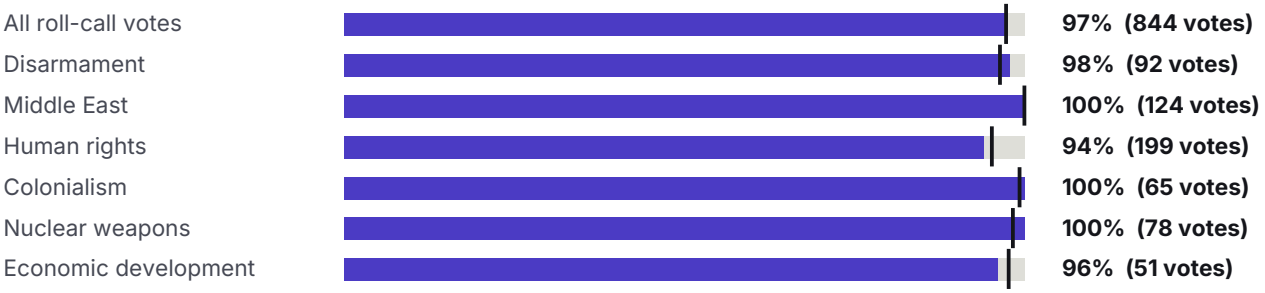


Goods exports each way (US dollars)



United Arab Emirates sells to Somalia Somalia sells to United Arab Emirates

VOTES TOPIC BY TOPIC (SINCE 2010)



Bar: since 2010. Mark: all years. Share of roll-call votes on whole texts cast the same way, counted vote by vote; an abstention against a yes counts as a difference. Disarmament, colonialism and economic development count votes up to 2018.

THE FACTS

UN votes	At the UN, the vote agreement of the United Arab Emirates and Somalia was 96% in 2022–2024. For the United Arab Emirates, Somalia is the 5th closest voting partner out of 191; for Somalia, the United Arab Emirates is the 46th closest partner.
Trade	Trade in goods between them averaged $353 million a year in 2023–2025: less than 0.1% of all the United Arab Emirates' trade and 7.3% of Somalia's.
Words	Since 1946, the United Arab Emirates has named Somalia in 35 sentences of its General Debate speeches; Somalia has named the United Arab Emirates in 0.
Security	No armed conflict between the two governments is recorded since 1946 (UCDP, data to 2025).
People	9,100 born in Somalia live in the United Arab Emirates (2024, UN DESA).

HOW SURE WE ARE

UN votes	**High**	179 shared votes on whole texts in 2022–2024, the years the headline share covers. With that many, a share is good to about ±7 points.
Trade	**High**	Goods trade is reported in 3 of the 3 years 2023–2025. Goods only, from customs data (IMF); services and energy pipelines are not in it.
Security	**High**	The Uppsala Conflict Data Program covers every state up to 2025. It counts only conflicts with at least 25 battle deaths a year.
Shared clubs	**High**	The list of tracked groups is fixed; membership is checked by hand.
Index	**High**	As sure as the weaker of its two required parts, votes and trade. Security and shared clubs add to it but never make it surer.

SOURCES AND HOW TO CITE

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