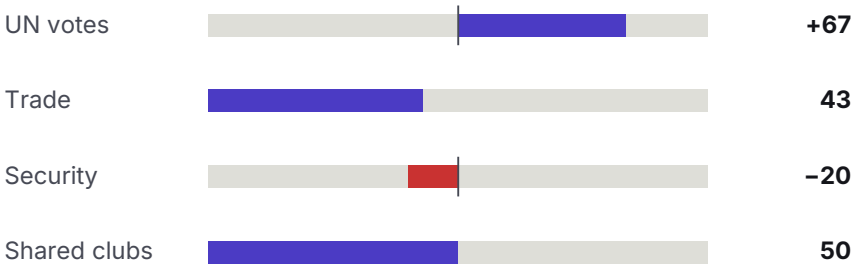
Cameroon & Nigeria

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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.

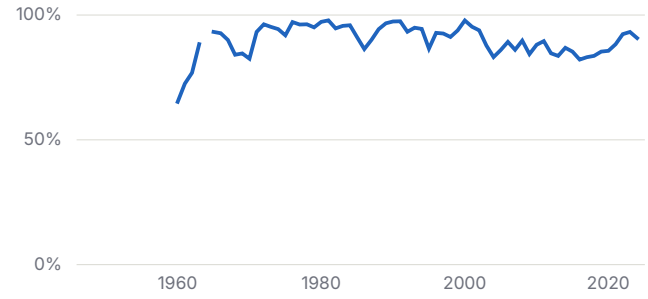


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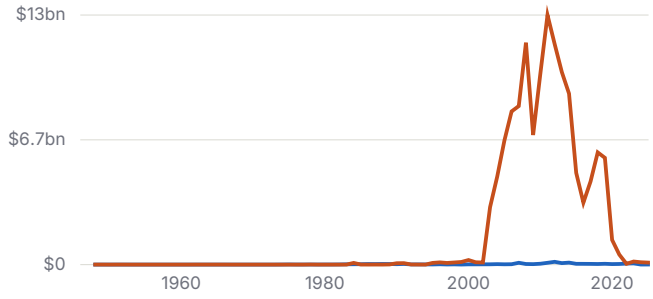
- Armed conflict: UCDP records them on opposite sides, as main parties, in 1996.
- At the UN their vote agreement is 92% (2022–2024), among the highest either of them has with any country.
- Trade in goods ($158 million a year) is modest for Cameroon, much less so for Nigeria.
- In its UN General Debate speeches, Cameroon names Nigeria far more often than the reverse (33 sentences against 10).
- 188,000 people born in Nigeria live in Cameroon (UN DESA counts place of birth, however long ago they moved). A separate count, by UNHCR: 128,000 refugees and asylum seekers from Nigeria in Cameroon; the two counts measure different things and are not added up.

OVER TIME

Share of recorded UN votes cast the same way



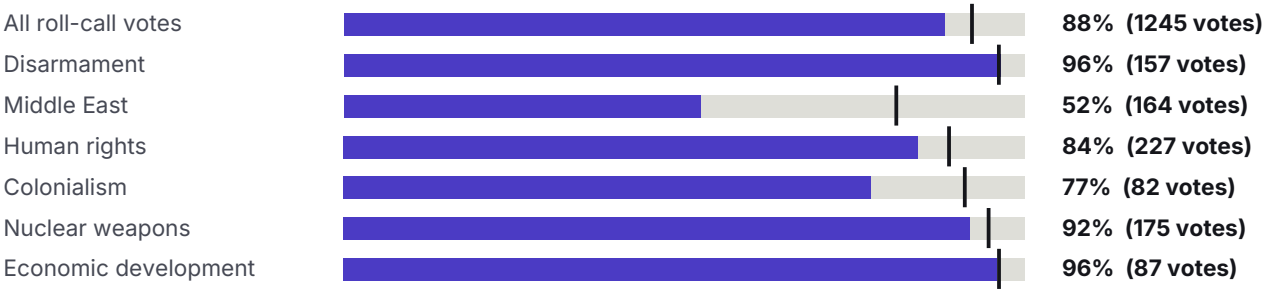
Goods exports each way (US dollars)



Cameroon sells to Nigeria Nigeria sells to Cameroon

VOTES TOPIC BY TOPIC (SINCE 2010)

Most alike on disarmament (96% of votes the same), furthest apart on Middle East (52%), against 88% on all votes 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 Cameroon and Nigeria was 92% in 2022–2024. For Cameroon, Nigeria is the 4th closest voting partner out of 191; for Nigeria, Cameroon is the 60th closest partner.
Trade	Trade in goods between them averaged $158 million a year in 2023–2025: 1.1% of all Cameroon's trade and 0.1% of Nigeria's.
Words	Since 1946, Cameroon has named Nigeria in 33 sentences of its General Debate speeches; Nigeria has named Cameroon in 10.
Security	The Uppsala Conflict Data Program records them on opposite sides of armed conflict (Cameroon, Nigeria, 1996).
People	56,000 people born in Cameroon live in Nigeria and 188,000 born in Nigeria live in Cameroon (2024, UN DESA).
People	Their national football teams have met 26 times.

HOW SURE WE ARE

UN votes	**High**	212 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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