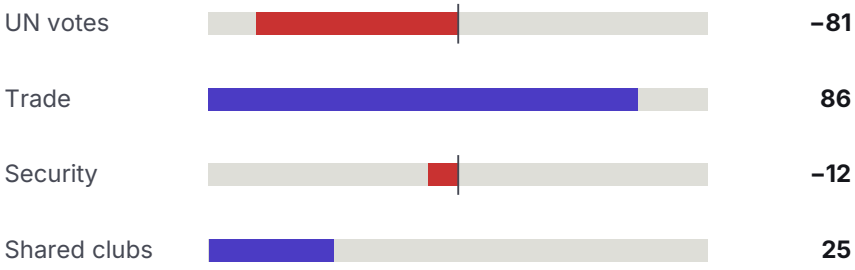
Russia & Georgia

Five days of war in 2008.

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Distant

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



IN SHORT

- Armed conflict: UCDP records them on opposite sides of the conflict in Georgia, with Russia supporting another party, in 2008.
- At the UN their vote agreement is 42% (2022–2024), among the lowest either of them has with any country.
- Trade in goods ($2.8 billion a year) is very important for Georgia, much less so for Russia.
- In its UN General Debate speeches, Georgia names Russia far more often than the reverse (261 sentences against 13).
- 139,000 people born in Georgia live in Russia (UN DESA counts place of birth, however long ago they moved).

OVER TIME

Share of recorded UN votes cast the same way

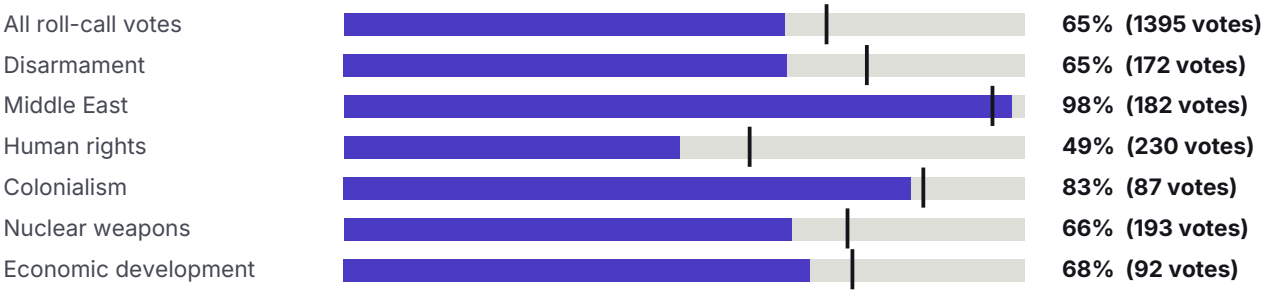


Goods exports each way (US dollars)



VOTES TOPIC BY TOPIC (SINCE 2010)

Most alike on Middle East (98% of votes the same), furthest apart on human rights (49%), against 65% 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 Russia and Georgia was 42% in 2022–2024. For Russia, Georgia is the 36th most distant voting partner out of 191; for Georgia, Russia is the 3rd most distant partner.
Trade	Trade in goods between them averaged $2.8 billion a year in 2023–2025: 0.4% of all Russia's trade and 11.3% of Georgia's.
Words	Since 1946, Russia has named Georgia in 13 sentences of its General Debate speeches; Georgia has named Russia in 261.
Security	The Uppsala Conflict Data Program records them on opposite sides of armed conflict, one of them supporting another party (Georgia, 2008).
People	38,000 people born in Russia live in Georgia and 139,000 born in Georgia live in Russia (2024, UN DESA).
People	Their national football teams have met 3 times.

HOW SURE WE ARE

UN votes	**High**	265 shared votes on whole texts in 2022–2024, the years the headline share covers. With that many, a share is good to about ±6 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.

MOMENTS (EDITORIAL CONTEXT, NEVER PART OF A SCORE)

2008 Russo-Georgian war

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