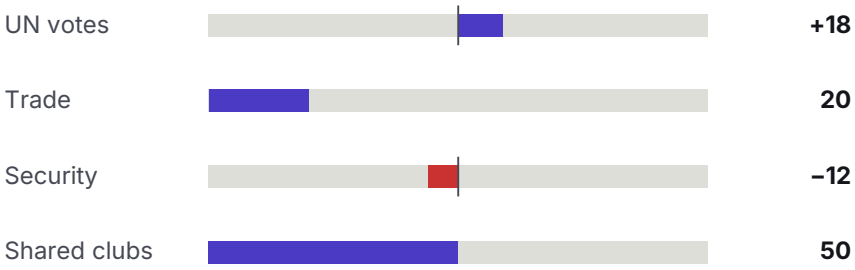
Sierra Leone & Nigeria

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Neutral

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

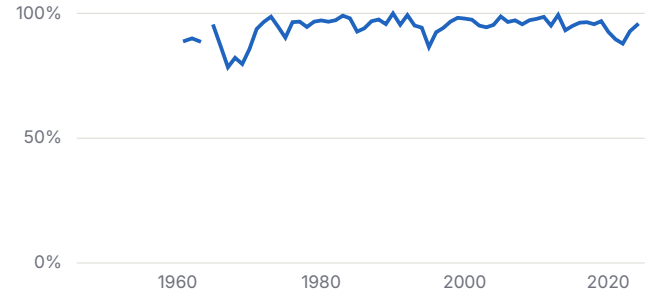


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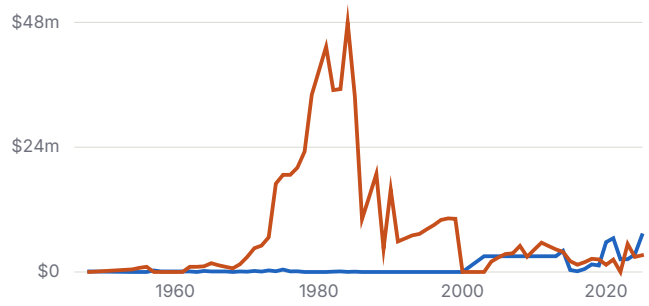
- Armed conflict: UCDP records them on opposite sides of the conflict in Sierra Leone, with Nigeria supporting another party, most recently in 1998.
- At the UN their vote agreement is 92% (2022–2024), about average for both of them.
- Trade in goods ($8.2 million a year) is a very small part of either country's trade, under 0.5%.
- At the UN they name each other about equally often (29 and 27 sentences).
- 4,700 people born in Sierra Leone live in Nigeria (UN DESA counts place of birth, however long ago they moved).

OVER TIME

Share of recorded UN votes cast the same way

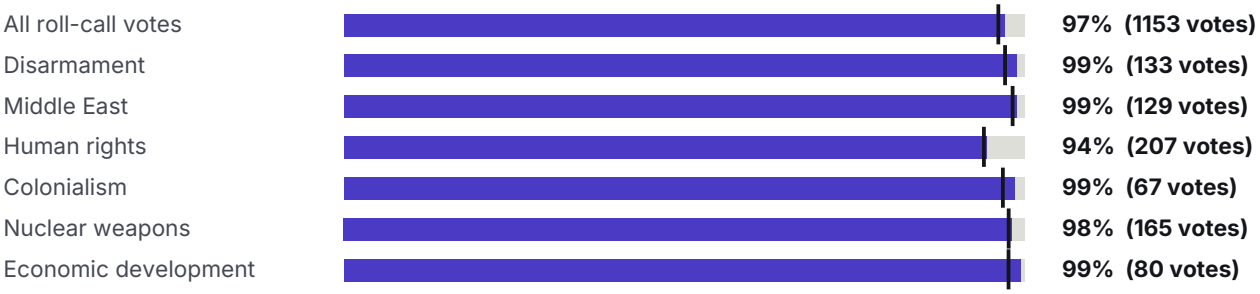


Goods exports each way (US dollars)



Sierra Leone sells to Nigeria Nigeria sells to Sierra Leone

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 Sierra Leone and Nigeria was 92% in 2022–2024. For Sierra Leone, Nigeria is the 93rd closest voting partner out of 191; for Nigeria, Sierra Leone is the 64th closest partner.
Trade	Trade in goods between them averaged $8.2 million a year in 2023–2025: 0.3% of all Sierra Leone's trade and less than 0.1% of Nigeria's.
Words	Since 1946, Sierra Leone has named Nigeria in 29 sentences of its General Debate speeches; Nigeria has named Sierra Leone in 27.
Security	The Uppsala Conflict Data Program records them on opposite sides of armed conflict, one of them supporting another party (Sierra Leone, 1997–1998).
People	4,700 people born in Sierra Leone live in Nigeria and 2,000 born in Nigeria live in Sierra Leone (2024, UN DESA).
People	Their national football teams have met 24 times.

HOW SURE WE ARE

UN votes	**High**	219 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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