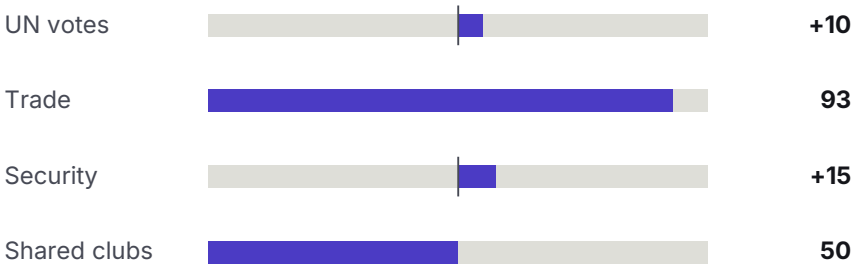
South Sudan & Uganda

+34

Close

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



IN SHORT

- At the UN their vote agreement is 79% (2022–2024), about average for both of them.
- Trade in goods ($542 million a year) is very important for South Sudan, much less so for Uganda.
- In its UN General Debate speeches, Uganda names South Sudan more often than the reverse (10 sentences against 5).
- 924,000 people born in South Sudan live in Uganda (UN DESA counts place of birth, however long ago they moved). A separate count, by UNHCR: 1.0 million refugees and asylum seekers from South Sudan in Uganda; the two counts measure different things and are not added up.

OVER TIME

Share of recorded UN votes cast the same way

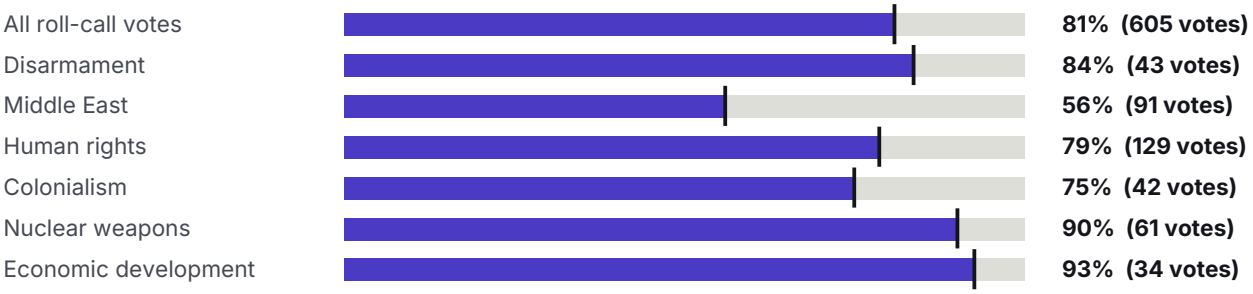


Goods exports each way (US dollars)



VOTES TOPIC BY TOPIC (SINCE 2010)

Most alike on economic development (93% of votes the same), furthest apart on Middle East (56%), against 81% 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 South Sudan and Uganda was 79% in 2022–2024. For South Sudan, Uganda is the 47th closest voting partner out of 191; for Uganda, South Sudan is the 66th most distant partner.
Trade	Trade in goods between them averaged $542 million a year in 2023–2025: 16.7% of all South Sudan's trade and 3.4% of Uganda's. Uganda is South Sudan's largest trading partner.
Words	Since 1946, South Sudan has named Uganda in 5 sentences of its General Debate speeches; Uganda has named South Sudan in 10.
Security	No armed conflict between the two governments is recorded since 1946 (UCDP, data to 2025).
People	924,000 people born in South Sudan live in Uganda and 156,000 born in Uganda live in South Sudan (2024, UN DESA).
People	Their national football teams have met 7 times.

HOW SURE WE ARE

UN votes	**Medium**	136 shared votes on whole texts in 2022–2024, the years the headline share covers. With that many, a share is good to about ±8 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	**Medium**	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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