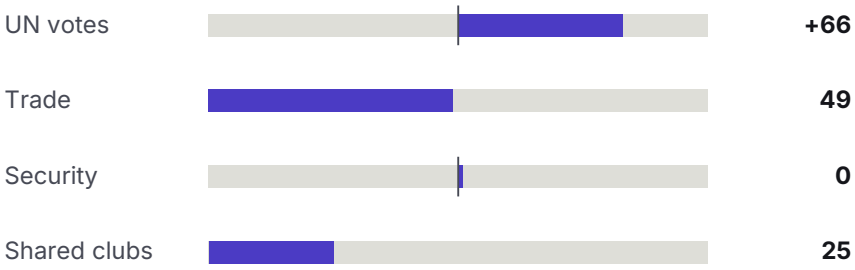
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Close

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

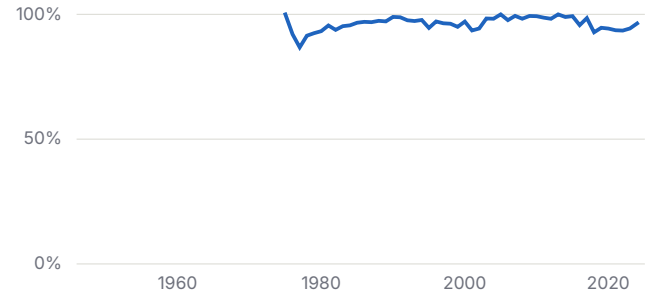


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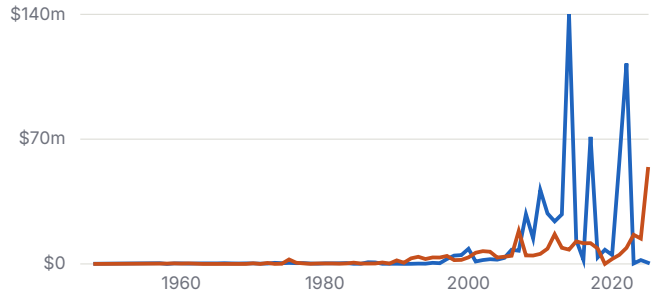
- At the UN their vote agreement is 95% (2022–2024), among the highest either of them has with any country.
- Trade in goods ($29 million a year) is modest for Suriname, much less so for Guyana.
- In its UN General Debate speeches, Suriname names Guyana far more often than the reverse (13 sentences against 3).
- 15,000 people born in Guyana live in Suriname (UN DESA counts place of birth, however long ago they moved).

OVER TIME

Share of recorded UN votes cast the same way

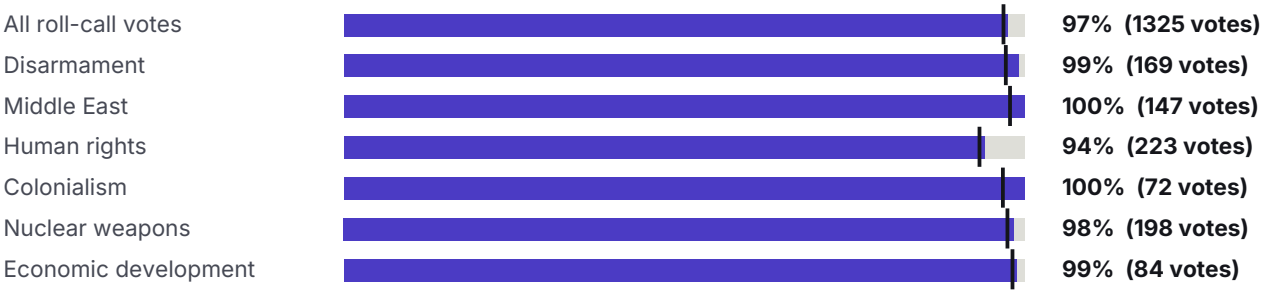


Goods exports each way (US dollars)



Suriname sells to Guyana Guyana sells to Suriname

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 Suriname and Guyana was 95% in 2022–2024. For Suriname, Guyana is the 41st closest voting partner out of 191; for Guyana, Suriname is the 26th closest partner.
Trade	Trade in goods between them averaged $29 million a year in 2023–2025: 1.5% of all Suriname's trade and 0.1% of Guyana's. Guyana is Suriname's 10th largest trading partner.
Words	Since 1946, Suriname has named Guyana in 13 sentences of its General Debate speeches; Guyana has named Suriname in 3.
Security	No armed conflict between the two governments is recorded since 1946 (UCDP, data to 2025).
People	4,700 people born in Suriname live in Guyana and 15,000 born in Guyana live in Suriname (2024, UN DESA).
People	Their national football teams have met 61 times.

HOW SURE WE ARE

UN votes	**High**	246 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.

SOURCES AND HOW TO CITE

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