

POLL

FULL RESULTS

WOMEN'S RIGHTS IN THE ARAB WORLD

THE WORST AND BEST STATES FOR WOMEN



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Thomson Reuters Foundation's third annual poll of gender experts focuses on women's rights in the Arab world.

Our polling team surveyed 336 gender specialists in 21 member states of the Arab League, along with Syria (a founding member of the Arab League that was suspended from the group in 2011).

Based on key provisions of the UN Convention to Eliminate All Forms of Discrimination Against Women, the poll examined expert perceptions of the state of women's rights in the spheres of politics, society, the economy and in the family. It also looked at reproductive rights and violence against women.

Here are the full results of the poll. The first table shows the final ranking of states, from worst to best. Subsequent tables show how countries fared in each of the six categories, broken down question-by-question.

For more information on what the scores mean and how we generated these results, please see our document on methodology.

THE RANKING:
THE WORST AND BEST ARAB LEAGUE STATES FOR WOMEN

COUNTRY	RANKING (worst to best)
Egypt	22
Iraq	21
Saudi Arabia	20
Syria	19
Yemen	18
Sudan	17
Lebanon	16
Palestinian territories	15
Somalia	14
Djibouti	13
Bahrain	12
Mauritania	11
UAE	10
Libya	9
Morocco	8
Algeria	7
Tunisia	6
Qatar	5
Jordan	4
Kuwait	3
Oman	2
Comoros	1

This ranking was calculated by averaging scores from the following six categories.

I. WOMEN IN POLITICS

Ranking: How states compare for women in politics

COUNTRY	RANKING (worst to best)	SCORE
Saudi Arabia	22	13.752
Bahrain	21	12.275
Egypt	20	12.094
Yemen	19	12.04
Lebanon	18	11.453
Syria	17	11.436
Iraq	16	11.407
Algeria	15	11.129
Somalia	14	11.077
Sudan	13	10.807
Libya	12	10.469
Tunisia	11	10.465
Palestinian territories	10	10.399
UAE	9	10.208
Morocco	8	9.847
Mauritania	7	9.42
Qatar	6	9.412
Kuwait	5	9.093
Jordan	4	9.019
Oman	3	8.652
Comoros	2	8.406
Djibouti	1	8.262

This ranking was calculated by averaging scores from the following questions.

WOMEN IN POLITICS: THE ISSUES

"Women and men have equal access to run for all elected positions in public office."



Answers to the statement above were transformed into the following scores: the higher the score, the worse the country.

COUNTRY	SCORE (worst to best)	RANKING
Saudi Arabia	5	21
Bahrain	4.333	20
Yemen	4.118	19
Egypt	3.862	18
Somalia	3.8	17
Morocco	3.727	16
Algeria	3.7	15
Iraq	3.657	14
Syria	3.5	13
Comoros	3.5	13
Lebanon	3.476	12
UAE	3.455	11
Tunisia	3.364	10
Sudan	3.3	9
Palestinian territories	3.125	8
Djibouti	3.091	7
Kuwait	3	6
Jordan	2.923	5
Qatar	2.909	4
Mauritania	2.9	3
Libya	2.87	2
Oman	2.273	1

"The government has modified or abolished laws that discriminate against women."

Strongly agree

Agree

Neither agree nor
disagree

Disagree

Strongly disagree



Answers to the statement above were transformed into the following scores: the higher the score, the worse the country.

COUNTRY	SCORE (worst to best)	RANKING
Saudi Arabia	4.267	19
Bahrain	4.167	18
Egypt	4.069	17
Lebanon	4.048	16
Yemen	3.882	15
Syria	3.8	14
Sudan	3.7	13
Tunisia	3.545	12
Algeria	3.5	11
Iraq	3.4	10
Somalia	3.4	10
Libya	3.4	10
UAE	3.273	9
Palestinian territories	3.2	8
Jordan	2.923	7
Mauritania	2.9	6
Oman	2.9	6
Qatar	2.818	5
Morocco	2.7	4
Kuwait	2.5	3
Djibouti	2.091	2
Comoros	1.875	1

What are the biggest obstacles to gender equality in politics? (1 = not important, 5 = very important, N/A = not applicable)

	N/A	1	2	3	4	5
Cultural stereotypes of what women can or can't do	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
A lack of legislation explicitly stating principles of gender equality	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
A lack of condemnation of the discrimination of women from government officials	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
The influence of religious conservatism	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Restrictions on women's freedom of movement and association	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

Answers to the statements above were averaged: the higher the score, the worse the country. (N/A answers were discounted.)

COUNTRY	SCORE (worst to best)	RANKING
Saudi Arabia	4.485	21
Iraq	4.35	20
Libya	4.199	19
Egypt	4.163	18
Syria	4.136	17
Palestinian territories	4.074	16
Yemen	4.04	15
Lebanon	3.929	14
Algeria	3.929	14
Somalia	3.877	13
Sudan	3.807	12
Bahrain	3.775	11
Qatar	3.685	10
Mauritania	3.62	9
Kuwait	3.593	8
Tunisia	3.556	7
UAE	3.48	6
Oman	3.479	5
Morocco	3.42	4
Jordan	3.173	3
Djibouti	3.08	2
Comoros	3.031	1

II. WOMEN IN SOCIETY

Ranking: How states compare for women in society

COUNTRY	RANKING	SCORE (worst to best)
Iraq	22	11.847
Syria	21	11.619
Sudan	20	11.487
Yemen	19	11.207
Somalia	18	10.403
Mauritania	17	10.226
Saudi Arabia	16	9.934
Palestinian territories	15	9.92
Egypt	14	9.872
Morocco	13	8.898
Djibouti	12	8.816
Libya	11	8.717
Jordan	10	8.23
Comoros	9	8.05
Algeria	8	7.884
Tunisia	7	7.851
Lebanon	6	7.784
Oman	5	7.603
UAE	4	7.297
Kuwait	3	7.03
Qatar	2	6.968
Bahrain	1	6.31

This ranking was calculated by averaging scores from the following questions.

WOMEN IN SOCIETY: THE ISSUES

"Girls are expected to give up their education sooner than boys."

Strongly agree

Agree

Neither agree nor
disagree

Disagree

Strongly disagree



Answers to the statement above were transformed into the following scores: the higher the score, the worse the country.

COUNTRY	SCORE (worst to best)	RANKING
Iraq	3.771	21
Yemen	3.765	20
Syria	3.7	19
Sudan	3.7	19
Somalia	3.5	18
Mauritania	3.4	17
Egypt	3.276	16
Djibouti	3.273	15
Saudi Arabia	3.2	14
Palestinian territories	3.1	13
Comoros	2.875	12
Morocco	2.8	11
Libya	2.7	10
Algeria	2.6	9
Tunisia	2.455	8
Jordan	2.385	7
UAE	2.364	6
Lebanon	2.333	5
Kuwait	2.3	4
Oman	2.2	3
Qatar	2.091	2
Bahrain	1.417	1

"Girls feel pressured to get married before they are 18."

Strongly agree

Agree

Neither agree nor
disagree

Disagree

Strongly disagree



Answers to the statement above were transformed into the following scores: the higher the score, the worse the country.

COUNTRY	SCORE (worst to best)	RANKING
Iraq	3.914	19
Sudan	3.8	18
Yemen	3.647	17
Syria	3.6	16
Mauritania	3.5	15
Somalia	3.1	14
Palestinian territories	3.1	14
Egypt	2.862	13
Saudi Arabia	2.667	12
Morocco	2.6	11
Jordan	2.538	10
Libya	2.3	9
Djibouti	2.273	8
Oman	2.2	7
Lebanon	2.143	6
Kuwait	2.1	5
UAE	2.091	4
Comoros	2	3
Algeria	2	3
Tunisia	2	3
Qatar	1.909	2
Bahrain	1.75	1

How important are the following factors in preventing women from taking part in all spheres of public and private life? (1 = not important, 5 = very important, N/A = not applicable)

	N/A	1	2	3	4	5
A lack of shared authority and responsibility between women and men at home	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Unequal access to education and training	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Lack of financial independence	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Not enough state and civil mechanisms to promote the advancement of women	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Freedom of travel without the approval of relative or consort	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Lack of access to internet, telecoms and other forms of communication	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

Answers to the statements above were averaged: the higher the score, the worse the country. (N/A answers were discounted.)

COUNTRY	SCORE (worst to best)	RANKING
Syria	4.319	22
Iraq	4.162	21
Saudi Arabia	4.067	20
Sudan	3.987	19
Somalia	3.803	18
Yemen	3.795	17
Egypt	3.734	16
Palestinian territories	3.72	15
Libya	3.717	14
Morocco	3.498	13
Tunisia	3.396	12
Mauritania	3.326	11
Lebanon	3.308	10
Jordan	3.307	9
Algeria	3.284	8
Djibouti	3.27	7
Oman	3.203	6
Comoros	3.175	5
Bahrain	3.143	4
Qatar	2.968	3
UAE	2.842	2
Kuwait	2.63	1

III.WOMEN IN THE ECONOMY

Ranking: How states compare for women in the economy

COUNTRY	RANKING	SCORE (worst to best)
Palestinian territories	22	10.682
Saudi Arabia	21	10.196
Syria	20	9.995
Egypt	19	9.955
Djibouti	18	9.844
Yemen	17	9.838
Sudan	16	9.765
Lebanon	15	9.351
Iraq	14	9.328
Algeria	13	9.129
Jordan	12	8.926
Libya	11	8.922
Qatar	10	8.749
UAE	9	8.688
Tunisia	8	8.611
Somalia	7	8.486
Bahrain	6	8.48
Morocco	5	8.289
Mauritania	4	8.283
Kuwait	3	8.125
Oman	2	7.902
Comoros	1	7.424

This ranking was calculated by averaging scores from the following questions.

WOMEN IN ECONOMY: THE ISSUES

"Gender-based discrimination in the workplace is punished."

Strongly agree

Agree

Neither agree nor
disagree

Disagree

Strongly disagree



Answers to the statement above were transformed into the following scores: the higher the score, the worse the country.

COUNTRY	SCORE (worst to best)	RANKING
Algeria	4.1	19
Egypt	4.069	18
Bahrain	3.833	17
Djibouti	3.818	16
Palestinian territories	3.8	15
Saudi Arabia	3.8	15
Lebanon	3.714	14
Syria	3.7	13
Morocco	3.7	12
Qatar	3.636	11
Yemen	3.588	10
Tunisia	3.545	9
Sudan	3.5	8
Kuwait	3.5	7
Comoros	3.5	7
UAE	3.455	6
Libya	3.4	5
Jordan	3.308	4
Mauritania	3.2	3
Oman	3.2	3
Somalia	3	2
Iraq	2.914	1

"When a woman is widowed, she is likely to lose her property unless she marries a male relative of her former husband."

Strongly agree

Agree

Neither agree nor
disagree

Disagree

Strongly disagree



Answers to the statement above were transformed into the following scores: the higher the score, the worse the country.

COUNTRY	SCORE (worst to best)	RANKING
Palestinian territories	3.5	20
Djibouti	2.909	19
Sudan	2.7	18
Egypt	2.69	17
Iraq	2.657	16
Saudi Arabia	2.6	15
Syria	2.6	15
Yemen	2.588	14
Somalia	2.5	13
Jordan	2.462	12
Qatar	2.273	11
Lebanon	2.19	10
UAE	2.182	9
Algeria	2.1	8
8Libya	2.1	8
Kuwait	2	7
Oman	1.9	6
Mauritania	1.8	5
Morocco	1.7	4
Tunisia	1.636	3
Bahrain	1.583	2
Comoros	1.5	1

How important are the following factors in stopping women from acquiring or owning private property? (1 = not important, 5 = very important, N/A = not applicable)

	N/A	1	2	3	4	5
Lack of access to credit	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Lack of employment due to discrimination	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Religious customs	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Cultural opposition to women owning property	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Personal status laws	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

Answers to the statements above were averaged: the higher the score, the worse the country. (N/A answers were discounted.)

COUNTRY	SCORE (worst to best)	RANKING
Saudi Arabia	3.796	22
Iraq	3.757	21
Syria	3.695	20
Yemen	3.662	19
Sudan	3.565	18
Lebanon	3.447	17
Tunisia	3.43	16
Libya	3.422	15
Palestinian territories	3.382	14
Mauritania	3.283	13
Egypt	3.196	12
Jordan	3.156	11
Djibouti	3.117	10
Bahrain	3.064	9
UAE	3.051	8
Somalia	2.986	7
Algeria	2.929	6
Morocco	2.889	5
Qatar	2.84	4
Oman	2.802	3
Kuwait	2.625	2
Comoros	2.424	1

IV. WOMEN IN THE FAMILY

Ranking: How states compare for women in the family

COUNTRY	RANKING	SCORE (worst to best)
Syria	22	11.872
Iraq	21	11.844
Saudi Arabia	20	11.579
Egypt	19	11.306
Yemen	18	11.217
Sudan	17	10.824
Lebanon	16	10.772
Palestinian territories	15	10.738
Djibouti	14	10.319
Kuwait	13	10.2
Oman	12	9.955
UAE	11	9.897
Tunisia	10	9.871
Qatar	9	9.849
Bahrain	8	9.764
Libya	7	9.706
Algeria	6	9.668
Mauritania	5	9.244
Morocco	4	9.045
Jordan	3	8.769
Somalia	2	8.759
Comoros	1	7.775

This ranking was calculated by averaging scores from the following questions.

WOMEN IN THE FAMILY: THE ISSUES

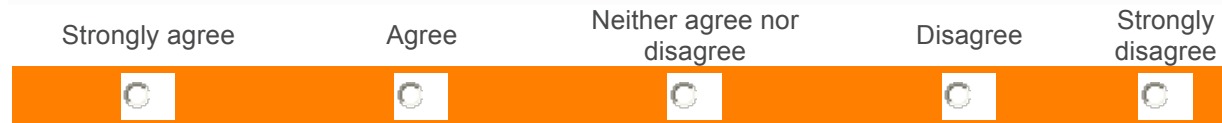
"Current inheritance laws are biased towards men."



Answers to the statement above were transformed into the following scores: the higher the score, the worse the country.

COUNTRY	SCORE (worst to best)	RANKING
Syria	4.2	16
Saudi Arabia	4.2	16
Lebanon	4.19	15
Djibouti	4.182	14
Tunisia	4.182	14
Iraq	3.886	13
Egypt	3.862	12
Bahrain	3.75	11
Qatar	3.727	10
Yemen	3.706	9
Sudan	3.7	8
Kuwait	3.7	8
Algeria	3.7	8
Palestinian territories	3.6	7
Oman	3.6	7
UAE	3.545	6
Mauritania	3.5	5
Libya	3.4	4
Morocco	3.4	4
Comoros	2.875	3
Somalia	2.8	2
Jordan	2.462	1

"Women who refuse to enter into an arranged marriage are likely to be subjected to physical or mental abuse."



Answers to the statement above were transformed into the following scores: the higher the score, the worse the country.

COUNTRY	SCORE (worst to best)	RANKING
Iraq	3.886	17
Yemen	3.882	16
Syria	3.6	15
Egypt	3.552	14
Saudi Arabia	3.4	13
Palestinian Territories	3.4	13
Djibouti	3.364	12
Sudan	3.3	11
Kuwait	3.3	11
Jordan	3.154	10
Oman	3	9
Tunisia	3	9
Algeria	3	9
UAE	2.909	8
Libya	2.8	7
Mauritania	2.8	7
Comoros	2.75	6
Qatar	2.727	5
Lebanon	2.714	4
Somalia	2.7	3
Morocco	2.6	2
Bahrain	2.583	1

If a woman wished to dissolve her marriage, how important would the following factors be? (1 = not important, 5 = very important, N/A = not applicable)

	N/A	1	2	3	4	5
She would lose her property and assets	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
The obligation to reimburse a dowry to her former husband	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Fear of being ostracised by her community	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Child custody laws that favour the father	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Physical or psychological abuse	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Not having permission from her husband	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

Answers to the statements above were averaged: the higher the score, the worse the country. (N/A answers were discounted.)

COUNTRY	SCORE (worst to best)	RANKING
Syria	4.072	21
Iraq	4.072	21
Saudi Arabia	3.979	20
Egypt	3.892	19
Lebanon	3.868	18
Sudan	3.824	17
Palestinian territories	3.738	16
Yemen	3.629	15
Libya	3.506	14
UAE	3.443	13
Bahrain	3.431	12
Qatar	3.395	11
Oman	3.355	10
Somalia	3.259	9
Kuwait	3.2	8
Jordan	3.153	7
Morocco	3.045	6
Algeria	2.968	5
Mauritania	2.944	4
Djibouti	2.773	3
Tunisia	2.689	2
Comoros	2.15	1

V. REPRODUCTIVE RIGHTS

Ranking: How states compare for reproductive rights

COUNTRY	RANKING	SCORE (worst to best)
Egypt	22	11.294
Lebanon	21	11.055
Syria	20	10.538
Sudan	19	10.39
Palestinian territories	18	10.217
Iraq	17	10.021
Saudi Arabia	16	10.002
Morocco	15	9.934
Somalia	14	9.924
UAE	13	9.604
Jordan	12	9.558
Yemen	11	9.448
Bahrain	10	9.227
Kuwait	9	9.225
Tunisia	8	8.864
Algeria	7	8.703
Qatar	6	8.636
Oman	5	8.488
Libya	4	8.415
Djibouti	3	8.271
Mauritania	2	8.25
Comoros	1	6.931

This ranking was calculated by averaging scores from the following questions.

REPRODUCTIVE RIGHTS: THE ISSUES

"Women in the workplace who become pregnant are likely to be sanctioned or dismissed."

Strongly agree

Agree

Neither agree nor
disagree

Disagree

Strongly disagree



Answers to the statement above were transformed into the following scores: the higher the score, the worse the country.

COUNTRY	SCORE (worst to best)	RANKING
Lebanon	3.429	21
Egypt	3.276	20
Morocco	3.1	19
Iraq	2.914	18
Syria	2.9	17
Palestinian territories	2.9	17
Jordan	2.846	16
Bahrain	2.833	15
Somalia	2.714	14
Sudan	2.7	13
UAE	2.636	12
Saudi Arabia	2.533	11
Tunisia	2.455	10
Yemen	2.353	9
Kuwait	2.3	8
Algeria	2.2	7
Mauritania	2	6
Djibouti	1.909	5
Oman	1.9	4
Qatar	1.818	3
Libya	1.8	2
Comoros	1.25	1

"Women can freely decide the number and timing of their children."



Answers to the statement above were transformed into the following scores: the higher the score, the worse the country.

COUNTRY	SCORE (worst to best)	RANKING
Sudan	3.8	19
Egypt	3.517	18
Syria	3.4	17
UAE	3.364	16
Somalia	3.3	15
Lebanon	3.238	14
Iraq	3.2	13
Yemen	3.118	12
Palestinian territories	3.1	11
Jordan	3.077	10
Saudi Arabia	3.067	9
Morocco	3	8
Qatar	3	8
Mauritania	3	8
Djibouti	2.818	7
Kuwait	2.8	6
Algeria	2.8	6
Libya	2.7	5
Bahrain	2.583	4
Oman	2.5	3
Tunisia	2.273	2
Comoros	1.875	1

How important is it to address the following reproductive rights issues? (1 = not important, 5 = very important, N/A = not applicable)

	N/A	1	2	3	4	5
Access to reproductive education	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Access to birth control	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Access to pre-natal and post-natal care	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Access to legal and safe abortion	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

Answers to the statements above were averaged: the higher the score, the worse the country. (N/A answers were discounted.)

COUNTRY - REPRODUCTIVE RIGHTS	SCORE (worst to best)	RANKING
Egypt	4.501	22
Saudi Arabia	4.402	21
Lebanon	4.388	20
Syria	4.238	19
Palestinian territories	4.217	18
Tunisia	4.136	17
Kuwait	4.125	16
Oman	4.088	15
Yemen	3.977	14
Libya	3.915	13
Somalia	3.91	12
Iraq	3.907	11
Sudan	3.89	10
Morocco	3.834	9
Qatar	3.818	8
Bahrain	3.811	7
Comoros	3.806	6
Algeria	3.703	5
Jordan	3.635	4
UAE	3.604	3
Djibouti	3.544	2
Mauritania	3.25	1

VI. VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN

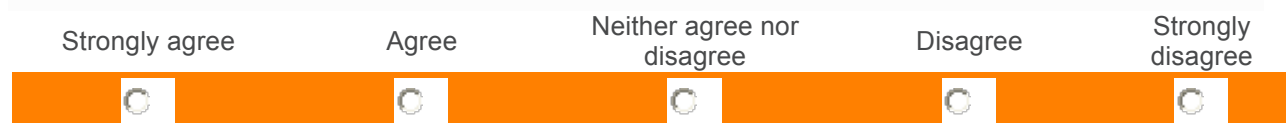
Ranking: How states compare for violence against women

COUNTRY	RANKING	SCORE (worst to best)
Egypt	22	20.374
Iraq	21	18.623
Sudan	20	18.413
Yemen	19	18.112
Djibouti	18	17.408
Saudi Arabia	17	17.217
Somalia	16	17.207
Syria	15	16.93
Lebanon	14	16.516
Bahrain	13	16.191
Mauritania	12	16.067
UAE	11	15.788
Oman	10	15.481
Libya	9	14.868
Qatar	8	14.758
Palestinian territories	7	14.673
Kuwait	6	14.446
Morocco	5	14.216
Jordan	4	13.716
Tunisia	3	12.883
Comoros	2	12.789
Algeria	1	12.617

This ranking was calculated by averaging scores from the following questions.

VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN: THE ISSUES

"A woman is more likely than a man to be sentenced to corporal punishment for the same crime."



Answers to the statement above were transformed into the following scores: the higher the score, the worse the country.

COUNTRY	SCORE (worst to best)	RANKING
Syria	3.8	19
Yemen	3.471	18
Djibouti	3.455	17
Iraq	3.4	16
Egypt	3.207	15
Palestinian territories	3.2	14
Lebanon	3.143	13
Saudi Arabia	3.133	12
Sudan	3.1	11
Kuwait	3.1	11
Bahrain	3.083	10
UAE	3	9
Libya	3	9
Mauritania	2.7	8
Qatar	2.545	7
Jordan	2.462	6
Oman	2.4	5
Somalia	2.3	4
Morocco	2.3	4
Comoros	2	3
Tunisia	1.909	2
Algeria	1.9	1

"Female genital mutilation (FGM) is a common practice in this country."



Answers to the statement above were transformed into the following scores: the higher the score, the worse the country.

COUNTRY	SCORE (worst to best)	RANKING
Egypt	4.552	20
Djibouti	4.364	19
Somalia	4.3	18
Mauritania	4.1	17
Sudan	4	16
Oman	3.7	15
Iraq	3	14
Yemen	2.529	13
UAE	2.273	12
Saudi Arabia	2.067	11
Qatar	1.727	10
Libya	1.6	9
Palestinian territories	1.6	9
Bahrain	1.583	8
Lebanon	1.524	7
Kuwait	1.5	6
Jordan	1.462	5
Algeria	1.4	4
Syria	1.3	3
Morocco	1.3	3
Tunisia	1.273	2
Comoros	1.125	1

"Marital rape is recognised by law and punished."



Answers to the statement above were transformed into the following scores: the higher the score, the worse the country.

COUNTRY	SCORE (worst to best)	RANKING
Bahrain	4.583	20
Lebanon	4.476	19
Saudi Arabia	4.467	18
Yemen	4.412	17
Egypt	4.276	16
Sudan	4.2	15
Syria	4.1	14
Iraq	3.943	13
UAE	3.909	12
Somalia	3.9	11
Libya	3.7	10
Palestinian territories	3.7	10
Kuwait	3.7	10
Qatar	3.545	9
Morocco	3.5	8
Djibouti	3.455	7
Oman	3.4	6
Jordan	3.385	5
Algeria	3.3	4
Tunisia	3.182	3
Comoros	2.875	2
Mauritania	2.6	1

"Women are in danger of being trafficked within or from this country."



Answers to the statement above were transformed into the following scores: the higher the score, the worse the country.

COUNTRY	SCORE (worst to best)	RANKING
Egypt	3.862	19
Iraq	3.771	18
Yemen	3.588	17
Syria	3.3	16
Mauritania	3.2	15
Morocco	3.2	15
Qatar	3.182	14
Lebanon	3.143	13
Bahrain	2.917	12
Sudan	2.9	11
Comoros	2.875	10
Saudi Arabia	2.867	9
UAE	2.818	8
Somalia	2.8	7
Djibouti	2.636	6
Tunisia	2.545	5
Oman	2.4	4
Kuwait	2.4	4
Jordan	2.231	3
Palestinian territories	2.1	2
Algeria	2.1	2
Libya	2	1

How important are the following as motivators of violence against women? (1 = not important, 5 = very important, N/A = not applicable)

	N/A	1	2	3	4	5
Impunity for perpetrators	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Social acceptance of violence against women	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
A lack of social protection for women exposed to violence or rape	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Women don't feel comfortable reporting crimes to the police	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
An extremist interpretation of religious doctrine	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
The cultural practice of 'honor killings'	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

Answers to the statements above were averaged: the higher the score, the worse the country. (N/A answers were discounted.)

COUNTRY	SCORE (worst to best)	RANKING
Saudi Arabia	4.683	22
Libya	4.568	21
Iraq	4.509	20
Egypt	4.477	19
Syria	4.43	18
Lebanon	4.23	17
Sudan	4.213	16
Jordan	4.176	15
Yemen	4.112	14
Palestinian Territories	4.073	13
Bahrain	4.025	12
Tunisia	3.974	11
Algeria	3.917	10
Morocco	3.916	9
Comoros	3.914	8
Somalia	3.907	7
UAE	3.788	6
Qatar	3.759	5
Kuwait	3.746	4
Oman	3.581	3
Djibouti	3.498	2
Mauritania	3.467	1