



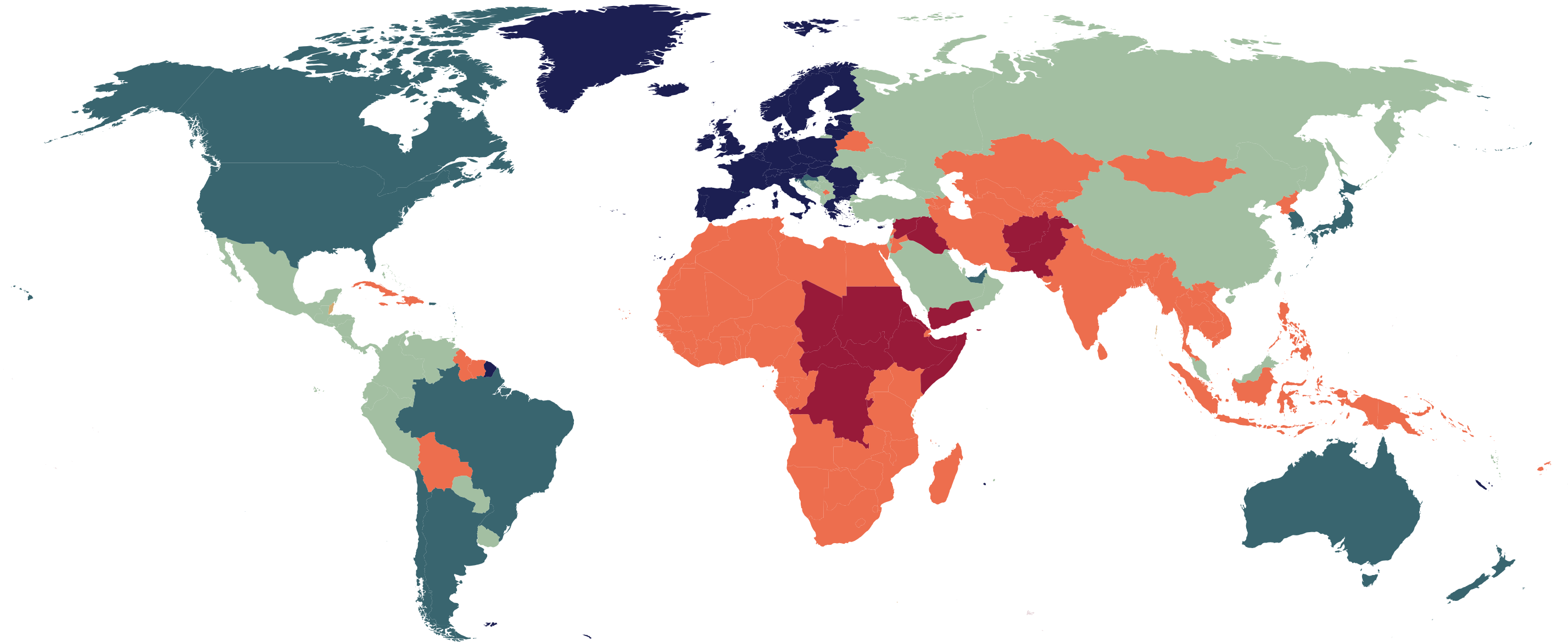
Kälin and Kochenov's

QNI Quality of
Nationality
Index

Global Rankings

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Quality of the World's Nationalities



Very High Quality
75–100%

High Quality
50–74.9%

Medium Quality
35–49.9%

Low Quality
20–34.9%

Very Low Quality
0–19.9%

About the Quality of Nationality Index

Kälin and Kochenov's Quality of Nationality Index (QNI) ranks the objective value of the world's nationalities as legal statuses of attachment to states. Looking beyond simple visa-free tourist or business travel rights, the QNI takes several other crucial factors into account to demonstrate that the world's nationalities are not equal, and that some nationalities afford a better legal status than others to develop one's talents while living a rewarding life. The emerging picture reveals that while some nationalities are welcomed bundles of rights, others – the majority, in fact – are clear liabilities for their holders.

The QNI ranks *nationalities* rather than states per se. It takes into account the increase in world migration flows and the lack of correlation between the nationalities held by a growing number of active individuals and the countries in which their businesses are established and their lives are lived. Such considerations fundamentally distinguish the QNI from the majority of other indexes and rankings, which take states – that is, sovereign territorial entities – somewhat too seriously. In today's globalized world, the legal status of millions of nationals extends their opportunities and aspirations far beyond their countries of origin: the confines of the state simply are not the limit of one's ambitions and expectations.

The reality that the QNI describes is regrettable in many respects: in most cases our nationality plays an important role in establishing a highly arbitrary ceiling, one that determines our opportunities and aspirations. This ceiling reflects the core aspect of being a national of some specific place: nationality is based on a random act of birth that bears no correlation to any person's achievements, ideas, feelings, and desires – instead, it is the result of a 'birthright lottery', in the memorable phrase of Ayelet Shachar. This is something that the designers of the QNI do not endorse but nevertheless observe as part of the day-to-day global reality and that the Index aims to document.

The Creators, Editors, and Authors of the QNI

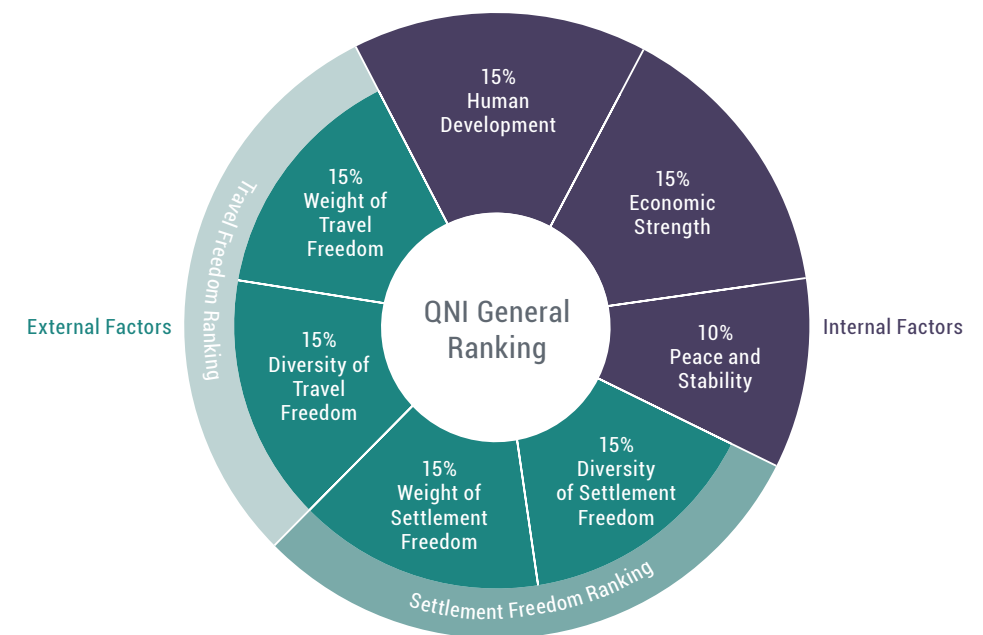
Published by Hart, the QNI is the result of successful cooperation between Dr. Christian H. Kälin, Chairman of Henley & Partners, the world's leading residence and citizenship planning firm, and Prof. Dimitry Kochenov, Professor of European Constitutional Law and Citizenship at the University of Groningen.

Moving beyond the general concept, Mr. Justin Lindeboom, who writes and teaches European law and legal theory at the University of Groningen, has been the key editor of the Index together with Prof. Kochenov.

The Index is complemented by astute scholarly insight in the form of 20 expert commentaries written by 21 professionals and leading academics from across the globe, from Iceland to New Zealand. The publication is invaluable to academics and those interested in objectively comparing nationalities for any reason, including acquiring alternative residence or citizenship.

The production of the QNI has been made possible by the generous support of Henley & Partners – the global leader in residence and citizenship planning. With offices in over 30 countries worldwide, Henley & Partners is the world's largest and most important investment migration firm.

How Does the QNI Work?



For the reliable comparison of nationalities, it is important to consider both internal and external factors. Internally, the QNI looks at how successful nationalities are in terms of:

- Economic Strength: measured using purchasing power parity data, excluding natural resources rents, collected from the World Bank
- Human Development: measured using the United Nations Development Programme Human Development Index
- Peace and Stability: measured using figures from the Institute for Economics and Peace's annual Global Peace Index

Externally, the QNI evaluates the worth of nationalities in terms of:

- Travel Freedom:
 1. Diversity of travel freedom: measured by the number of other jurisdictions one can travel to while holding a particular nationality
 2. Weight of travel freedom: the combined human development level and economic strength of each of these jurisdictions
- Settlement Freedom:
 1. Diversity of settlement freedom: measured by the number of other jurisdictions one can settle in while holding a particular nationality
 2. Weight of settlement freedom: the combined human development level and economic strength of each of these jurisdictions

The QNI ranks nationalities on a scale from 0% to 100%, with scores rounded to one decimal place. The weighting of internal and external factors within the QNI General Ranking is 40% and 60% respectively. The Index allows for an objective and impartial comparative assessment of the worth of all the world's nationalities.

The General QNI Ranking

Nationality	Value 2018	Change in Value 2017–2018	Change in Value 2014–2018
1 France	83.5	-0.3	+0.2
2 Germany	82.8	-0.4	+0.2
2 Netherlands	82.8	+0.3	+0.2
3 Denmark	81.7	-0.3	-0.8
4 Sweden	81.5	-0.1	-0.4
4 Norway	81.5	-0.5	+0.1
5 Iceland	81.4	-0.1	+0.9
6 Finland	81.2	+0.4	-1.0
7 Italy	80.7	-0.5	+0.7
8 United Kingdom	80.3	+0.1	-0.2
9 Ireland	80.2	-0.2	0
10 Spain	80.0	-0.5	+0.4
11 Switzerland	79.8	-0.4	-0.4
11 Belgium	79.8	0	+0.2
12 Austria	79.7	0	+0.1
13 Czech Republic	79.0	-0.2	+1.7
13 Portugal	79.0	-0.3	+0.7
13 Luxembourg	79.0	-0.1	-0.3
14 Liechtenstein	78.9	-0.3	-0.1
15 Slovenia	78.6	+0.7	+1.8
16 Malta	77.6	+0.7	+1.0
17 Hungary	77.5	-0.4	+0.6
17 Slovakia	77.5	0	+0.9
18 Greece	77.3	0	+0.6
19 Estonia	77.1	0	+1.2
20 Poland	77.0	-0.4	+1.4
20 Lithuania	77.0	0	+1.9
20 Latvia	77.0	+0.2	+1.9
21 Cyprus	75.3	-0.1	+2.2
22 Romania	75.2	+0.3	+14.9
23 Bulgaria	75.0	+0.5	+14.3
24 Croatia	73.8	+4.2	+19.6
25 United States	70.0	-0.9	+4.6
EU citizenship	63.6	-0.3	-5.7
26 Japan	58.4	+0.1	-0.8
27 Gibraltar ¹	56.0	+0.3	n/a

¹ British overseas territories (Gibraltar)

Nationality	Value 2018	Change in Value 2017–2018	Change in Value 2014–2018
28 Canada	55.3	+0.1	+0.3
29 Australia	55.2	-0.5	+0.4
29 Chile	55.2	-0.3	+4.4
30 Singapore	55.1	+0.2	+0.3
31 New Zealand	54.8	-0.4	-0.2
32 Argentina	54.5	+0.1	+3.2
33 Brazil	54.3	+0.1	+3.8
34 Korea (Republic of)	54.2	-0.2	+1.0
35 Jersey	53.3	-0.6	n/a
36 Guernsey	53.2	-0.6	n/a
36 Isle of Man	53.2	-0.6	n/a
37 Monaco	52.5	-0.4	+1.3
38 Andorra	51.6	-0.6	+2.4
39 San Marino	51.4	-0.9	+0.1
40 Malaysia	51.0	+0.1	+2.0
41 Uruguay	50.5	-0.1	+2.1
42 United Arab Emirates	50.3	+2.4	+12.8
43 Brunei Darussalam	49.2	-0.4	+0.1
44 Hong Kong, China (SAR)	48.9	+0.7	+1.3
45 Antigua and Barbuda	47.7	+0.1	+2.4
46 Saint Kitts and Nevis	47.5	+0.2	+2.4
47 Paraguay	46.8	+0.1	+2.9
48 Israel	46.7	-0.2	+1.6
49 Barbados	46.3	+0.2	+2.7
49 Saint Vincent and the Grenadines	46.3	+0.6	+9.6
50 Seychelles	46.2	-0.4	+4.2
51 Chinese Taipei (Taiwan)	46.1	-0.1	-0.2
52 Mexico	45.7	+0.1	+3.0
52 Grenada	45.7	+0.5	+9.8
53 Peru	45.6	+0.4	+9.5
54 Bahamas	45.5	+0.1	+1.3
54 Costa Rica	45.5	+0.3	+3.5
54 Saint Lucia	45.5	+0.3	+8.5
55 Mauritius	45.2	-0.2	+3.2
56 China	44.3	+0.8	+4.9
56 Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of)	44.3	+1.9	+3.5

The General QNI Ranking

	Nationality	Value 2018	Change in Value 2017–2018	Change in Value 2014–2018
57	Commonwealth of Dominica	43.9	-0.4	+7.9
58	Panama	43.8	0	+2.4
58	Macao	43.8	0	+2.0
59	Colombia	43.3	+0.9	+11.6
59	Trinidad and Tobago	43.3	+0.5	+7.9
60	Palau	42.7	0	n/a
61	Serbia	42.1	+0.3	+3.5
62	Russian Federation	42.0	+0.1	+3.8
63	Marshall Islands	41.8	-0.6	n/a
64	Montenegro	40.9	+0.1	+3.1
65	Micronesia (Federated States of)	40.2	-0.4	n/a
66	El Salvador	39.7	-0.2	+1.6
66	Samoa	39.7	+0.6	n/a
67	North Macedonia	39.3	0	+2.2
68	Honduras	39.2	-0.3	+2.4
69	Ecuador	39.1	-0.3	+7.6
69	Guatemala	39.1	+0.4	+1.9
70	Kuwait	39	+0.5	+1.6
71	Bosnia and Herzegovina	38.8	-0.1	+2.8
72	Albania	38.7	-0.1	+3.1
72	Tonga	38.7	0	n/a
73	Moldova (Republic of)	38.6	-0.7	+7.7
73	Tuvalu	38.6	+0.3	n/a
74	Nicaragua	38.5	+0.4	+2.3
75	Ukraine	38.2	+0.9	+5.4
76	Turkey	37.7	+0.6	+2.5
77	Georgia	37.5	+0.1	+8.3
78	Qatar	37.1	-0.1	-1.1
78	Vanuatu	37.1	-0.1	n/a
78	Oman	37.1	+0.7	+2.1
79	Kiribati	36.6	+0.2	n/a
80	Solomon Islands	36.5	+0.4	n/a
81	Saudi Arabia	36.2	+0.3	+0.2
82	Bahrain	36.1	+0.5	+0.8
83	Bolivia (Plurinational State of)	35.8	-0.3	+2.0
84	Kazakhstan	35.7	+0.1	+3.8

	Nationality	Value 2018	Change in Value 2017–2018	Change in Value 2014–2018
85	South Africa	35.0	+0.1	+2.5
86	Belarus	34.8	-0.1	+1.5
87	Cape Verde	34.2	-0.4	+2.2
88	Belize	34.1	-0.3	+2.8
89	Ghana	33.9	-0.3	+2.3
90	Guyana	33.6	+0.6	+3.7
91	Fiji	33.2	+0.1	n/a
92	Suriname	33.1	+0.5	+1.6
92	Timor-Leste	33.1	+0.3	+8.4
93	Maldives	33.0	+0.3	+1.7
93	Botswana	33.0	+0.1	+2.7
94	Thailand	32.4	0	+1.5
95	Gambia	32.2	+0.2	+2.0
95	India	32.2	+1.0	+2.7
96	Nauru	32.0	-0.4	n/a
96	Jamaica	32.0	-0.1	+1.6
97	Indonesia	31.8	+0.6	+2.4
97	Benin	31.8	+0.1	+2.4
98	Armenia	31.7	-0.4	+2.3
99	Senegal	31.3	-0.1	+2.0
99	Sierra Leone	31.3	-0.4	+1.9
100	Israeli Laissez-passer	31.0	-0.5	n/a
101	Latvia (Non-Citizen)	30.8	-0.2	+1.1
102	Kyrgyzstan	30.6	0	+3.1
103	Togo	30.3	-0.8	+1.5
104	Dominican Republic	30.2	+0.6	+2.5
105	Azerbaijan	30.1	-0.2	+0.4
106	Namibia	30.0	-0.3	+1.8
106	Côte d'Ivoire	30.0	-0.1	+2.6
106	Cuba	30.0	+0.5	+0.5
107	Tunisia	29.9	-0.6	+0.2
107	Guinea	29.9	+0.4	+2.7
108	Burkina Faso	29.8	0	+2.2
109	Mongolia	29.3	+0.2	+1.8
109	Uzbekistan	29.3	0	+0.6
110	Guinea-Bissau	28.8	+0.3	+3.1
111	Papua New Guinea	28.7	0	+2.3
112	Liberia	28.6	-0.1	+1.5

The General QNI Ranking

Nationality	Value 2018	Change in Value 2017–2018	Change in Value 2014–2018	
110	Guinea-Bissau	28.8	+0.3	+3.1
111	Papua New Guinea	28.7	0	+2.3
112	Liberia	28.6	-0.1	+1.5
113	Morocco	28.1	-0.2	+1.5
113	Nigeria	28.1	-1.0	+0.8
114	Tajikistan	27.9	+0.2	+1.3
114	Philippines	27.9	+0.1	+1.0
115	Mali	27.8	-1.0	+0.8
115	Eswatini	27.8	+0.2	+2.2
116	Zambia	27.6	-0.5	+1.0
117	Bhutan	27.5	-0.3	+1.2
118	Niger	27.4	-0.3	+1.6
118	Algeria	27.4	0	+0.8
119	Tanzania (United Republic of)	27.0	-0.4	+1.7
120	Kenya	26.9	+0.2	+2.2
121	Gabon	26.8	-0.3	+1.3
121	Jordan	26.8	-0.3	-0.1
121	Viet Nam	26.8	+0.1	+0.5
122	Turkmenistan	26.7	0	+1.1
123	Lesotho	26.6	-0.2	+0.5
124	Malawi	26.4	-0.4	+1.7
125	Sri Lanka	26.2	-0.3	+1.6
125	Iran (Islamic Republic of)	26.2	+0.4	+0.8
126	São Tomé and Príncipe	25.8	-0.3	+1.9
127	Egypt	25.7	-0.4	+0.5
128	Kosovo	25.3	-0.7	+0.9
128	Lao People's Democratic Republic	25.3	0	+0.5
129	British Nationals (Overseas)	25.2	0	n/a
130	Uganda	25.1	-0.2	+1.5
130	Lebanon	25.1	-0.3	0
130	British overseas territories	25.1	-0.2	n/a
131	Zimbabwe	24.9	+0.1	+2.5
132	Equatorial Guinea	24.8	-0.1	+2.1
133	Cambodia	24.6	0	-0.3
134	Madagascar	24.5	-0.3	+1.5
135	Angola	24.2	+0.6	+2.7
































Nationality	Value 2018	Change in Value 2017–2018	Change in Value 2014–2018	
135	Comoros	24.2	-0.5	+2.1
136	Mauritania	24.1	-0.5	+0.9
137	Bangladesh	23.6	0	+1.2
137	Haiti	23.6	-0.3	+1.5
138	Rwanda	23.3	+0.3	+2.9
138	Mozambique	23.3	-0.1	+2.2
138	Congo (Republic of the)	23.3	+0.7	+0.8
139	Palestinian Territory	23.1	0	+0.7
139	Myanmar	23.1	-0.1	+1.6
140	Nepal	23.0	-0.1	0
141	Korea (DPRK) ²	22.9	-0.2	n/a
142	British Overseas citizens	22.8	+0.2	n/a
143	British protected persons	22.6	+0.3	n/a
143	British subjects	22.6	-0.1	n/a
144	Cameroon	22.4	+0.3	+0.3
145	Djibouti	21.7	-0.6	+0.2
145	Libya	21.7	-0.4	-2.7
146	Chad	20.7	-0.2	+1.7
147	Burundi	20.0	+0.6	+1.2
148	Ethiopia	19.9	-0.1	+0.7
149	Iraq	19.4	+3.8	-0.5
150	Pakistan	19.0	-0.3	+0.5
151	Sudan (Republic of the)	18.9	-0.4	+1.0
152	Eritrea	18.8	-0.3	+0.4
153	Congo (Democratic Republic of the)	18.0	-0.9	+1.3
154	Central African Republic	17.6	-0.1	+1.0
155	Yemen	17.2	-0.7	-3.7
156	Syrian Arab Republic	16.8	-0.1	-1.9
157	South Sudan	15.9	-0.8	n/a
158	Afghanistan	15.4	+0.3	-0.1
159	Somalia	13.8	-0.5	n/a

² Korea (Democratic People's Republic of)

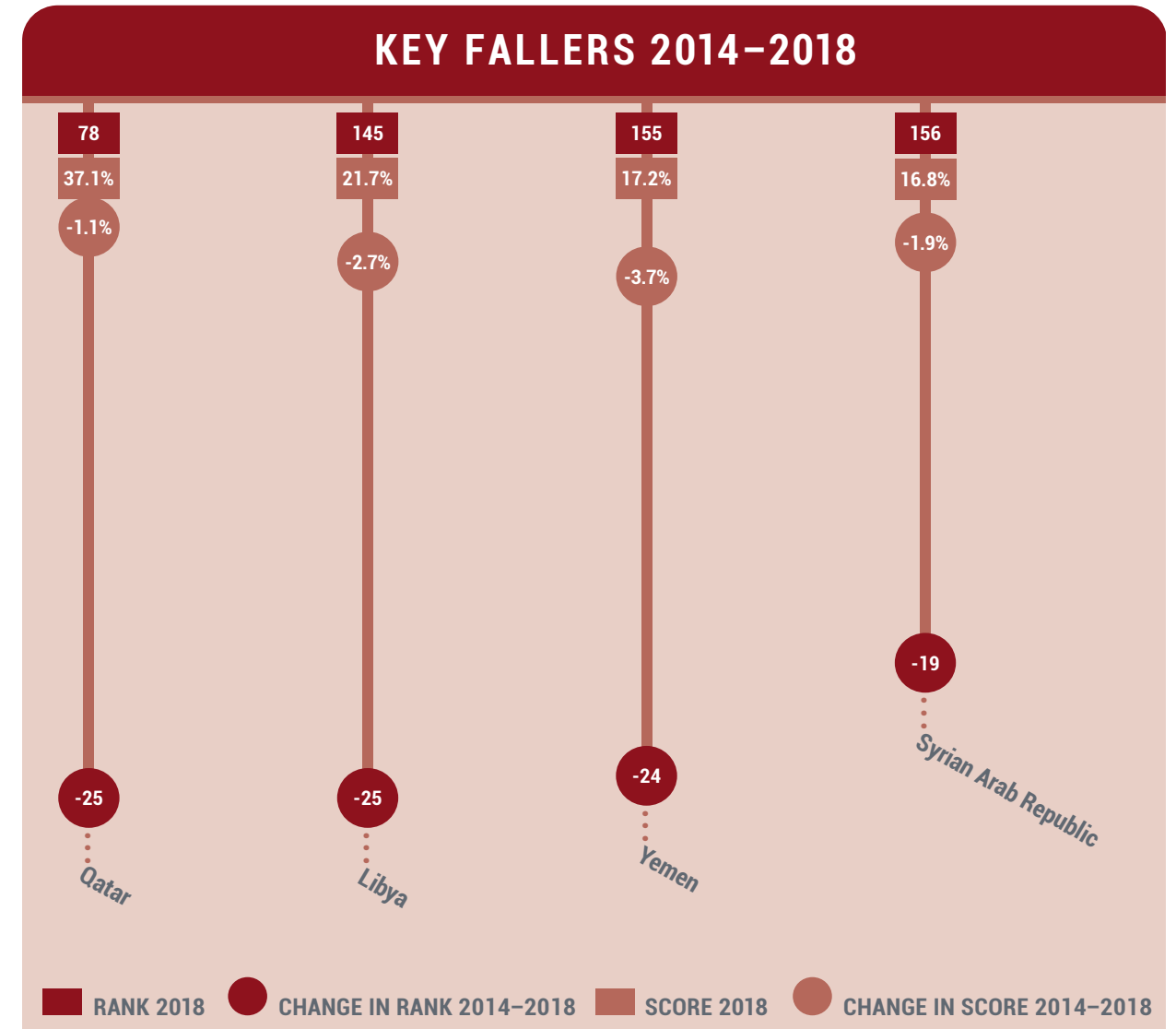
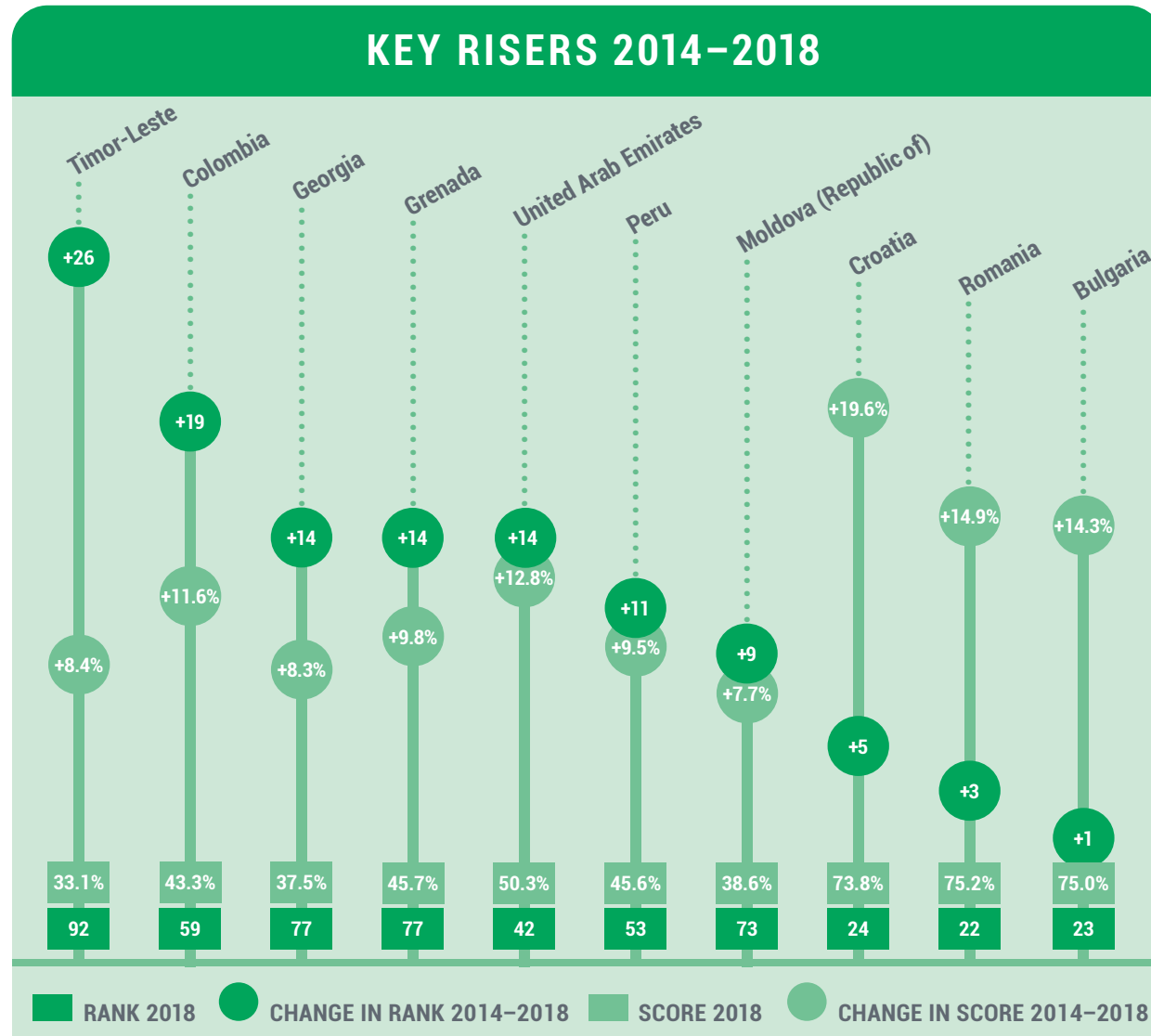
Movement between Tiers 2014–2018

Nationality	Movement 2014–2018	2014 Tier	2018 Tier
Bulgaria	▲	High Quality	Very High Quality
Cyprus	▲	High Quality	Very High Quality
Romania	▲	High Quality	Very High Quality
Andorra	▲	Medium Quality	High Quality
Malaysia	▲	Medium Quality	High Quality
United Arab Emirates	▲	Medium Quality	High Quality
Uruguay	▲	Medium Quality	High Quality
Bolivia ¹	▲	Low Quality	Medium Quality
Colombia	▲	Low Quality	Medium Quality
Ecuador	▲	Low Quality	Medium Quality
Georgia	▲	Low Quality	Medium Quality
Kazakhstan	▲	Low Quality	Medium Quality
Moldova (Republic of)	▲	Low Quality	Medium Quality
South Africa	▲	Low Quality	Medium Quality
Ukraine	▲	Low Quality	Medium Quality
Burundi	▲	Very Low Quality	Low Quality
Chad	▲	Very Low Quality	Low Quality
Yemen	▼	Low Quality	Very Low Quality

Top 3 Nationalities in Each Parameter

	Parameters	Top 3
Internal Factors	Human Development	 1. Monaco  2. Norway  3. Switzerland
	Economic Strength	 1. China  2. US  3. India
	Peace and Stability	 1. Iceland  2. New Zealand  3. Austria
External Factors	Weight of Travel Freedom	 1. Japan  2. Singapore  3. Germany
	Diversity of Travel Freedom	 1. Japan  2. Germany  3. Denmark  3. Finland  3. France
		 3. Italy  3. Singapore  3. Spain  3. Sweden
	Weight of Settlement Freedom	 1. France  2. Netherlands  3. Finland
	Diversity of Settlement Freedom	 1. France  2. Netherlands  3. Denmark  3. Finland  3. Iceland
	 3. Norway  3. Sweden	

Key Risers and Fallers 2014–2018



Regional Overview: Europe

Quality of European Nationalities 2011–2018

Top 10 Nationalities

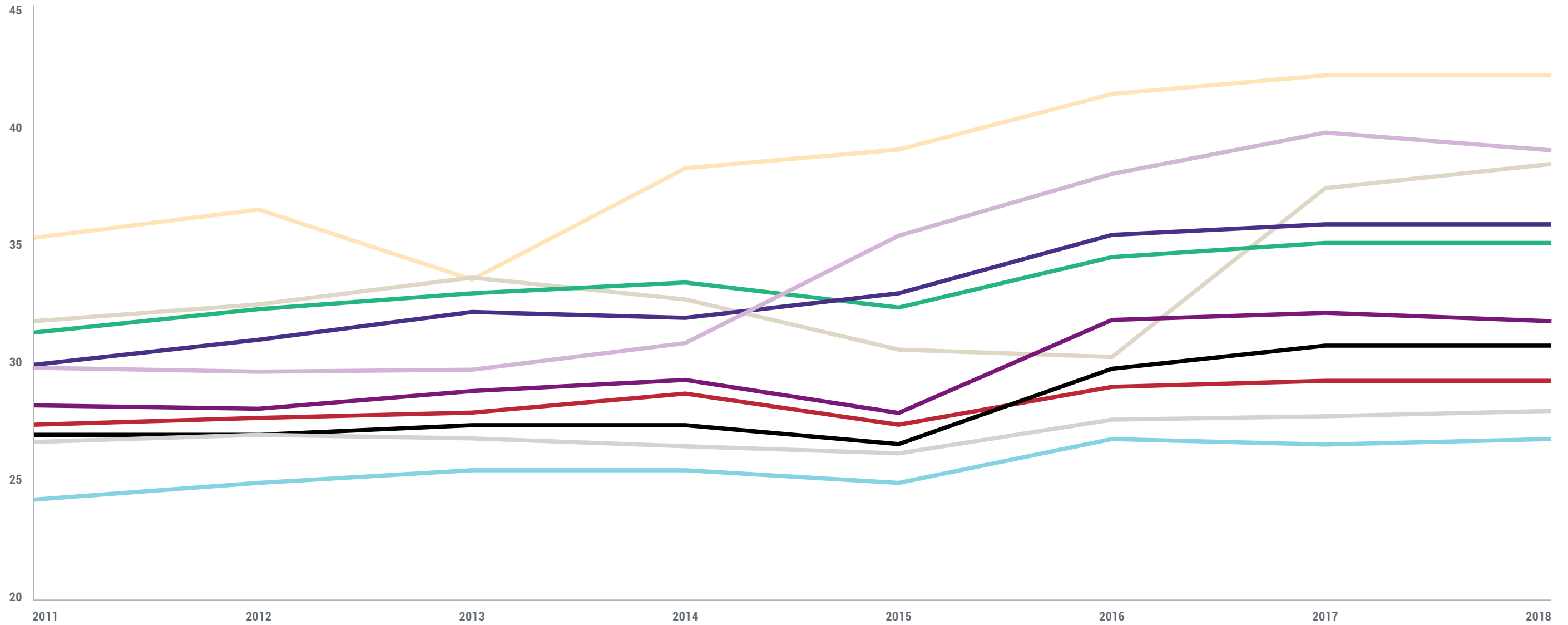
2011		2012		2013		2014		2015		2016		2017		2018	
Country	Score	Country	Score	Country	Score	Country	Score	Country	Score	Country	Score	Country	Score	Country	Score
France	83.3	France	83.6	France	83.1	France	83.3	France	83.0	France	84.3	France	83.8	France	83.5
Germany	82.3	Germany	82.6	Netherlands	82.6	Netherlands	82.6	Germany	82.4	Germany	83.8	Germany	83.2	Netherlands	82.8
Netherlands	82.1	Netherlands	82.4	Germany	82.6	Germany	82.6	Netherlands	82.3	Netherlands	82.7	Netherlands	82.5	Germany	82.8
Denmark	81.6	Denmark	81.8	Denmark	81.9	Denmark	82.5	Denmark	82.1	Denmark	82.4	Norway	82.0	Denmark	81.7
United Kingdom	81.2	Finland	81.3	Finland	81.4	Finland	82.2	Finland	81.8	Sweden	82.1	Denmark	82.0	Sweden	81.5
Norway	81.2	Sweden	81.2	Sweden	81.3	Sweden	81.9	Norway	81.6	Norway	81.9	Sweden	81.6	Norway	81.5
Finland	81.1	Norway	81.1	Norway	81.3	Norway	81.4	Sweden	81.6	Finland	81.6	Italy	81.2	Finland	81.2
Italy	79.7	United Kingdom	80.7	United Kingdom	80.2	United Kingdom	80.5	United Kingdom	80.4	Italy	81.5	Finland	80.8	Italy	80.7
Sweden	79.6	Italy	80.1	Switzerland	80.0	Switzerland	80.2	Ireland	79.9	Spain	80.8	Spain	80.5	United Kingdom	80.3
Switzerland	79.5	Switzerland	79.9	Italy	79.9	Ireland	80.2	Switzerland	79.8	United Kingdom	80.7	Ireland	80.4	Ireland	80.2

Bottom 10 Nationalities

2011		2012		2013		2014		2015		2016		2017		2018	
Country	Score	Country	Score	Country	Score	Country	Score	Country	Score	Country	Score	Country	Score	Country	Score
Croatia	42.9	Croatia	42.7	Croatia	43.3	Croatia	54.2	Croatia	56.0	Croatia	69.6	Croatia	69.6	Croatia	73.8
North Macedonia	35.8	Serbia	37.6	Serbia	38.1	Serbia	38.6	Russian Federation	38.9	Serbia	41.4	Russian Federation	41.9	Serbia	42.1
Serbia	35.8	North Macedonia	36.6	North Macedonia	36.9	Russian Federation	38.2	Serbia	38.5	Russian Federation	41.3	Serbia	41.8	Russian Federation	42.0
Russian Federation	35.4	Russian Federation	36.5	Bosnia and Herzegovina	35.8	North Macedonia	37.1	North Macedonia	37.4	North Macedonia	38.9	Moldova (Republic of)	39.3	North Macedonia	39.3
Ukraine	31.8	Bosnia and Herzegovina	35.0	Albania	35.4	Bosnia and Herzegovina	36.0	Bosnia and Herzegovina	36.2	Bosnia and Herzegovina	38.9	North Macedonia	39.3	Bosnia and Herzegovina	38.8
Belarus	31.4	Albania	35.0	Russian Federation	33.7	Albania	35.6	Albania	35.5	Albania	38.3	Bosnia and Herzegovina	38.9	Albania	38.7
Moldova (Republic of)	29.9	Ukraine	32.6	Ukraine	33.6	Belarus	33.3	Moldova (Republic of)	35.4	Moldova (Republic of)	37.7	Albania	38.8	Moldova (Republic of)	38.6
Bosnia and Herzegovina	29.4	Belarus	32.2	Belarus	32.9	Ukraine	32.8	Belarus	32.4	Belarus	34.3	Ukraine	37.3	Ukraine	38.2
Albania	28.5	Moldova (Republic of)	29.8	Moldova (Republic of)	29.9	Moldova (Republic of)	30.9	Ukraine	30.8	Ukraine	30.4	Belarus	34.9	Belarus	34.8
Kosovo	24.4	Kosovo	24.2	Kosovo	24.3	Kosovo	24.4	Kosovo	24.4	Kosovo	25.1	Kosovo	26.0	Kosovo	25.3

Regional Overview: Commonwealth of Independent States (CIS)

Quality of CIS Nationalities 2011–2018



Regional Overview: Middle East and North Africa (MENA)

Quality of MENA Nationalities 2011–2018

Top 10 Nationalities

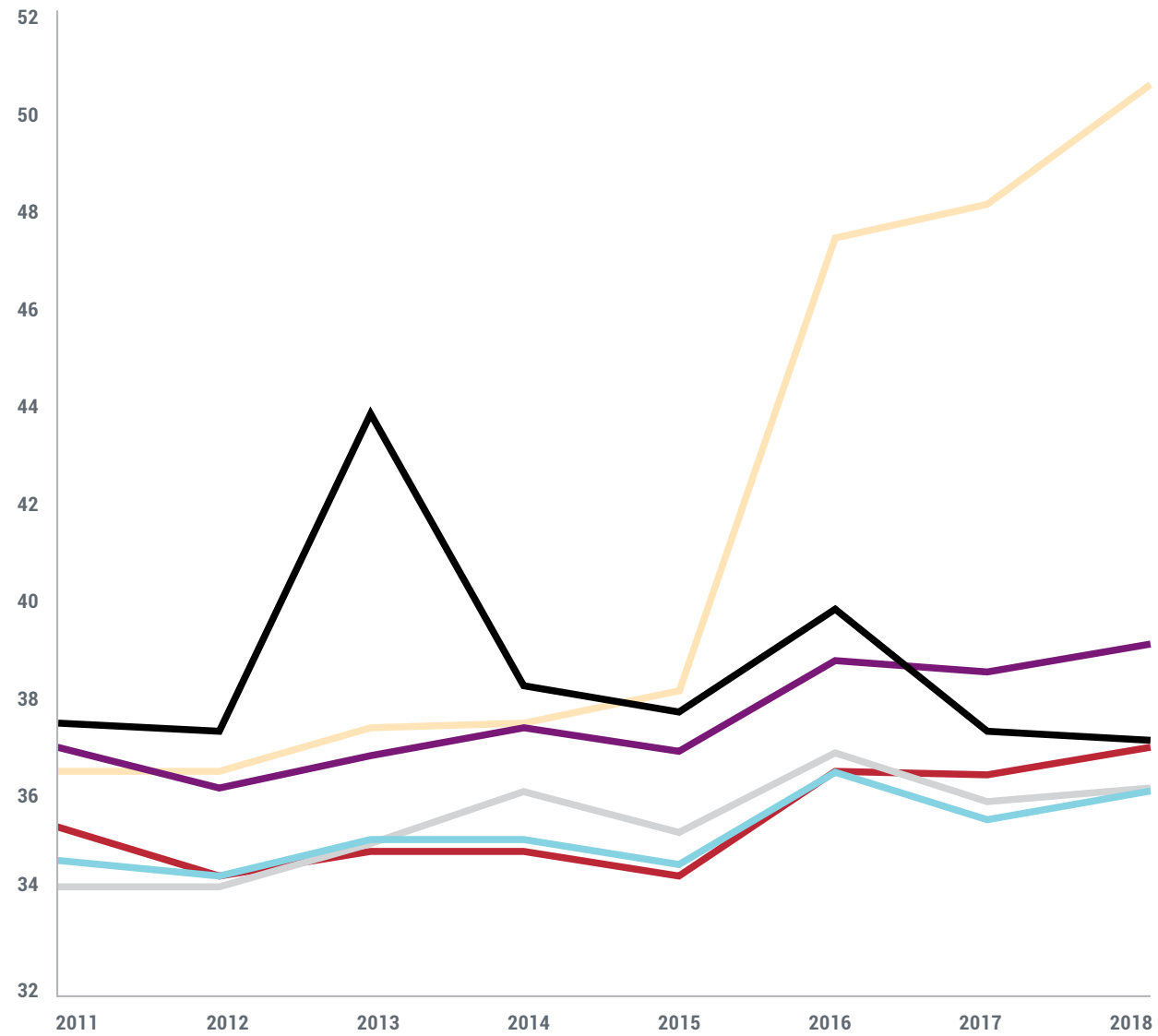
2011		2012		2013		2014		2015		2016		2017		2018	
Country	Score	Country	Score	Country	Score	Country	Score	Country	Score	Country	Score	Country	Score	Country	Score
Malta	73.2	Malta	75.5	Malta	75.7	Malta	76.6	Malta	76.5	Malta	76.8	Malta	76.9	Malta	77.6
Israel	44.0	Israel	44.4	Israel	45.1	Israel	45.1	Israel	44.2	United Arab Emirates	47.3	United Arab Emirates	47.9	United Arab Emirates	50.3
Qatar	37.4	Qatar	37.3	Qatar	43.9	Qatar	38.2	United Arab Emirates	38.0	Israel	46.8	Israel	46.9	Israel	46.7
Kuwait	36.9	United Arab Emirates	36.4	United Arab Emirates	37.4	United Arab Emirates	37.5	Qatar	37.8	Qatar	39.7	Kuwait	38.5	Kuwait	39.0
United Arab Emirates	36.5	Kuwait	36.2	Kuwait	36.8	Kuwait	37.4	Kuwait	36.9	Kuwait	38.8	Qatar	37.2	Qatar	37.1
Oman	35.2	Oman	34.4	Bahrain	35.1	Saudi Arabia	36.0	Saudi Arabia	35.2	Saudi Arabia	36.8	Oman	36.4	Oman	37.1
Bahrain	34.6	Bahrain	34.4	Oman	35.0	Bahrain	35.3	Bahrain	34.6	Oman	36.6	Saudi Arabia	35.9	Saudi Arabia	36.2
Saudi Arabia	34.1	Saudi Arabia	34.2	Saudi Arabia	34.9	Oman	35.0	Oman	34.5	Bahrain	36.4	Bahrain	35.6	Bahrain	36.1
Tunisia	30.3	Syrian Arab Republic	32.0	Tunisia	29.7	Tunisia	29.7	Tunisia	29.7	Tunisia	30.2	Tunisia	30.5	Tunisia	29.9
Morocco	26.4	Palestinian Territory	31.8	Palestinian Territory	28.9	Jordan	26.9	Morocco	26.8	Morocco	27.6	Morocco	28.3	Morocco	28.1

Bottom 10 Nationalities

2011		2012		2013		2014		2015		2016		2017		2018	
Country	Score	Country	Score	Country	Score	Country	Score	Country	Score	Country	Score	Country	Score	Country	Score
Syrian Arab Republic	25.8	Algeria	26.0	Egypt	25.6	Egypt	25.2	Iran (Islamic Republic of)	25.1	Lebanon	25.2	Lebanon	25.4	Lebanon	25.1
Iran (Islamic Republic of)	24.6	Egypt	25.0	Iran (Islamic Republic of)	25.0	Lebanon	25.1	Lebanon	24.3	Palestinian Territory	22.9	Palestinian Territory	23.1	Palestinian Territory	23.1
Lebanon	24.2	Iran (Islamic Republic of)	24.9	Lebanon	24.7	Libya	24.4	Libya	22.9	Libya	22.1	Djibouti	22.3	Djibouti	21.7
Libya	24.1	Lebanon	24.6	Libya	24.1	Palestinian Territory	22.4	Palestinian Territory	21.7	Djibouti	21.5	Libya	22.1	Libya	21.7
Palestinian Territory	21.5	Libya	22.9	Djibouti	21.2	Djibouti	21.5	Djibouti	21.2	Ethiopia	20.2	Ethiopia	20.0	Ethiopia	19.9
Djibouti	20.8	Djibouti	20.8	Yemen	20.4	Yemen	20.9	Yemen	20.4	Sudan (Republic of the)	18.6	Sudan (Republic of the)	19.3	Iraq	19.4
Yemen	20.1	Yemen	20.2	Syrian Arab Republic	20.1	Iraq	19.9	Ethiopia	19.5	Iraq	18.5	Yemen	17.9	Sudan (Republic of the)	18.9
Iraq	19.3	Iraq	19.8	Iraq	20.1	Ethiopia	19.2	Iraq	18.7	Yemen	18.0	Syrian Arab Republic	16.9	Yemen	17.2
Ethiopia	17.9	Ethiopia	17.8	Ethiopia	18.2	Syrian Arab Republic	18.7	Syrian Arab Republic	18.0	Syrian Arab Republic	16.7	South Sudan	16.7	Syrian Arab Republic	16.8
Sudan (Republic of the)	16.8	Sudan (Republic of the)	17.1	Sudan (Republic of the)	17.8	Sudan (Republic of the)	17.9	Sudan (Republic of the)	17.9	South Sudan	16.5	Iraq	15.6	South Sudan	15.9

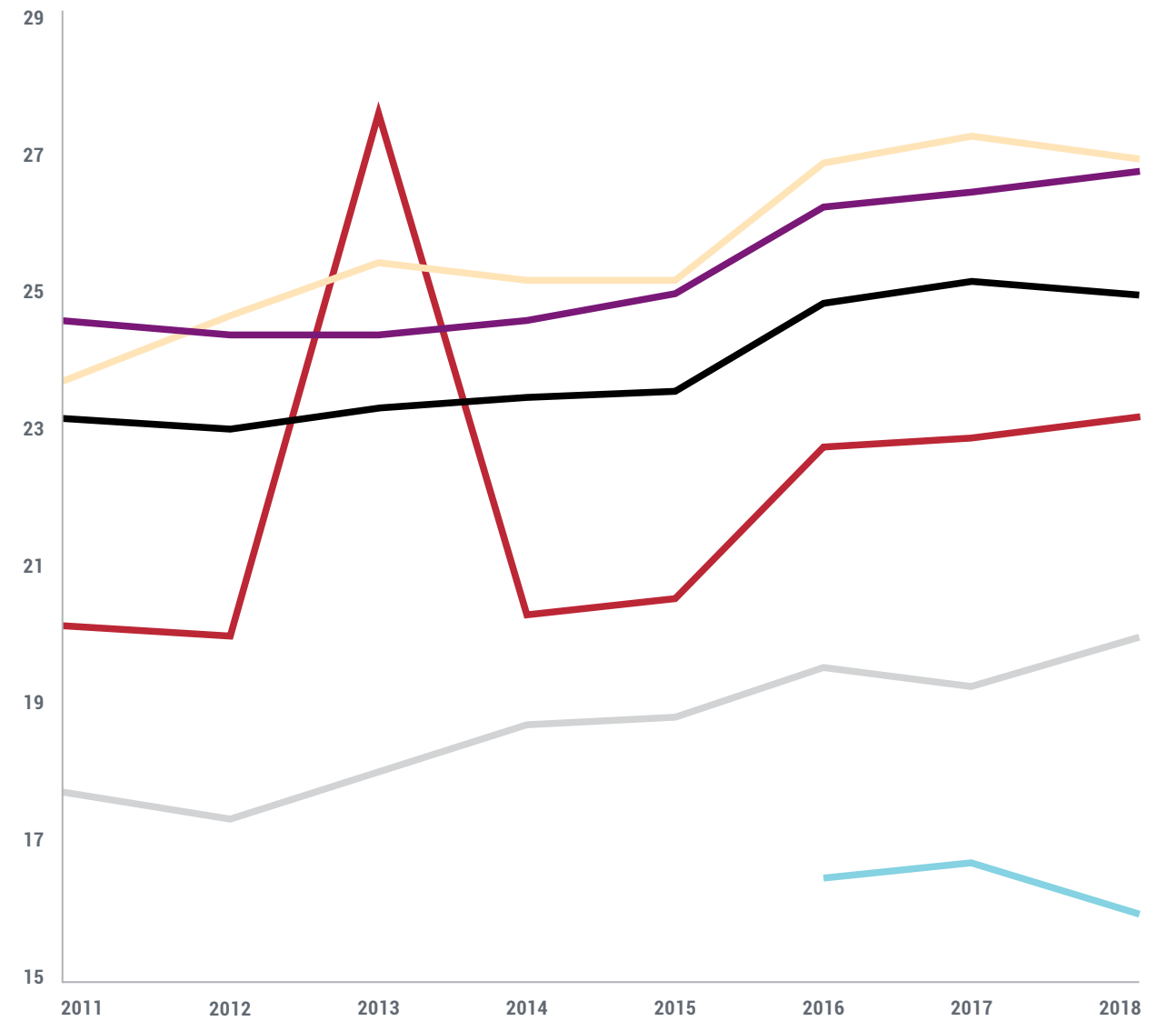
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Quality of GCC Nationalities 2011–2018



Regional Overview: East African Community (EAC)

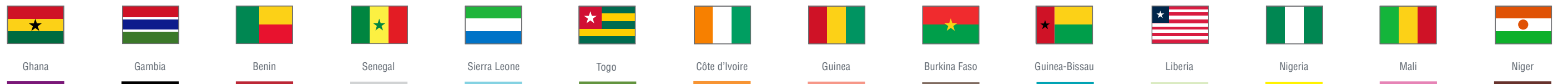
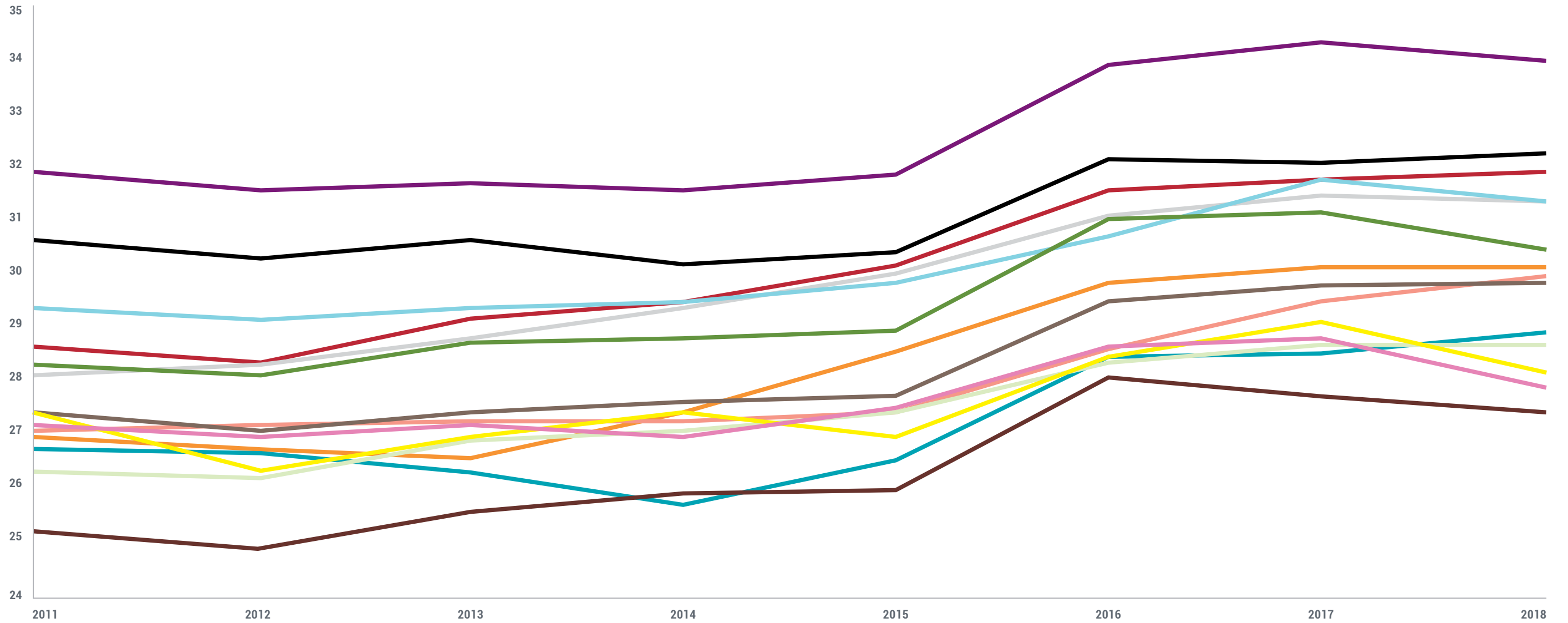
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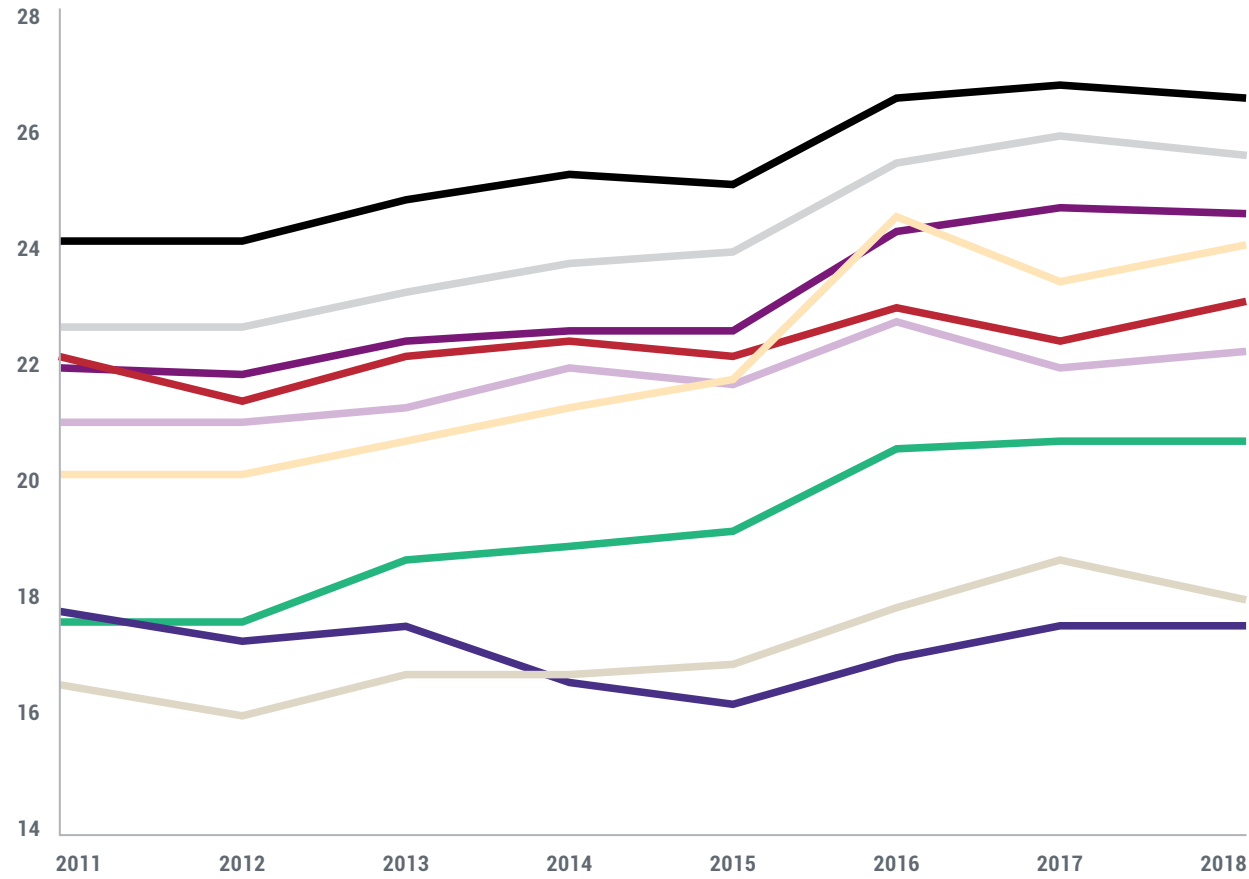
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Quality of ECOWAS Nationalities 2011–2018

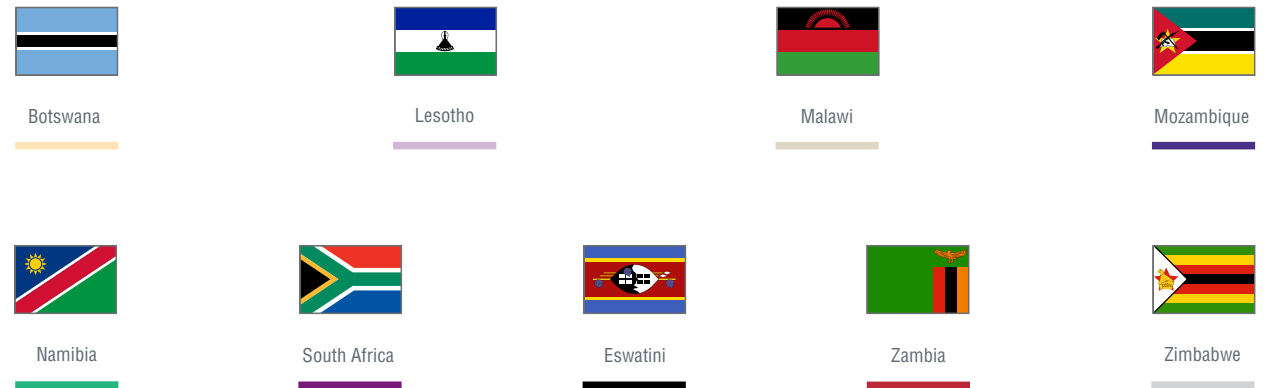
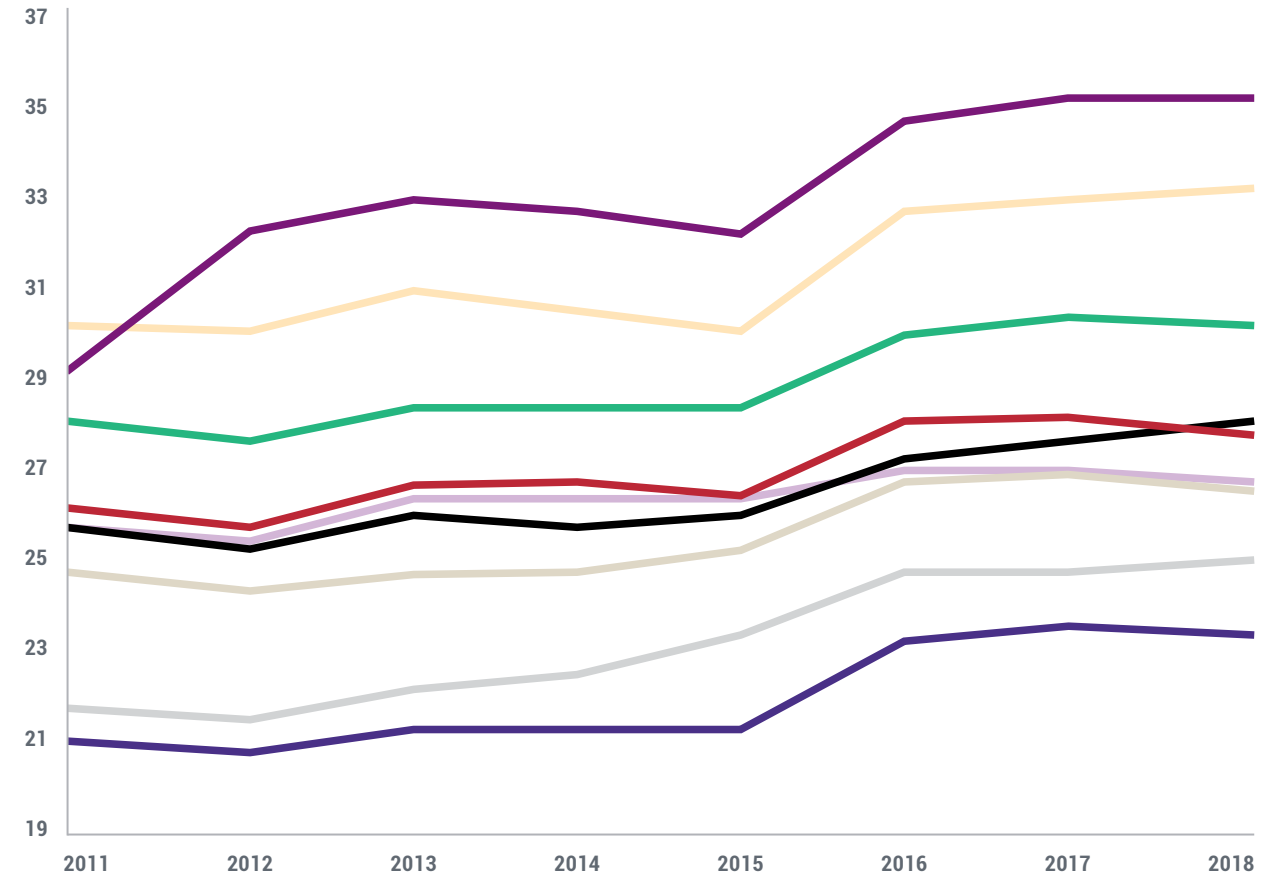


Regional Overview: Central and Southern Africa

Quality of Central African Nationalities 2011–2018



Quality of Southern African Nationalities 2011–2018



Regional Overview: Asia

Quality of Asian Nationalities 2011–2018

Top 10 Nationalities

2011		2012		2013		2014		2015		2016		2017		2018	
Country	Score	Country	Score	Country	Score	Country	Score	Country	Score	Country	Score	Country	Score	Country	Score
Japan	58.7	Japan	59.0	Japan	59.0	Japan	59.2	Japan	58.1	Japan	58.6	Japan	58.3	Japan	58.4
Singapore	54.0	Singapore	54.4	Singapore	54.9	Singapore	54.8	Singapore	54.4	Singapore	54.8	Singapore	54.9	Singapore	55.1
Korea (Republic of)	50.6	Korea (Republic of)	53.0	Korea (Republic of)	53.0	Korea (Republic of)	53.2	Korea (Republic of)	53.8	Korea (Republic of)	54.2	Korea (Republic of)	54.4	Korea (Republic of)	54.2
Malaysia	48.8	Brunei Darussalam	48.8	Brunei Darussalam	48.8	Brunei Darussalam	49.1	Brunei Darussalam	48.9	Malaysia	50.7	Malaysia	50.9	Malaysia	51.0
Brunei Darussalam	48.5	Malaysia	48.4	Malaysia	47.9	Malaysia	49.0	Malaysia	48.6	Brunei Darussalam	49.3	Brunei Darussalam	49.6	United Arab Emirates	50.3
Hong Kong, China (SAR)	47.1	Hong Kong, China (SAR)	47.5	Hong Kong, China (SAR)	47.5	Hong Kong, China (SAR)	47.6	Hong Kong, China (SAR)	47.5	Hong Kong, China (SAR)	49.0	Hong Kong, China (SAR)	48.2	Brunei Darussalam	49.2
Israel	44.0	Israel	44.4	Israel	45.1	Chinese Taipei (Taiwan)	46.3	Chinese Taipei (Taiwan)	45.9	United Arab Emirates	47.3	United Arab Emirates	47.9	Hong Kong, China (SAR)	48.9
Macao	40.2	Chinese Taipei (Taiwan)	42.4	Chinese Taipei (Taiwan)	44.2	Israel	45.1	Israel	44.2	Israel	46.8	Israel	46.9	Israel	46.7
Qatar	37.4	Macao	40.7	Qatar	43.9	Macao	41.8	Macao	41.8	Chinese Taipei (Taiwan)	45.7	Chinese Taipei (Taiwan)	46.2	Chinese Taipei (Taiwan)	46.1
Kuwait	36.9	Qatar	37.3	Macao	40.9	China	39.4	China	39.8	Macao	43.5	Macao	43.8	China	44.3

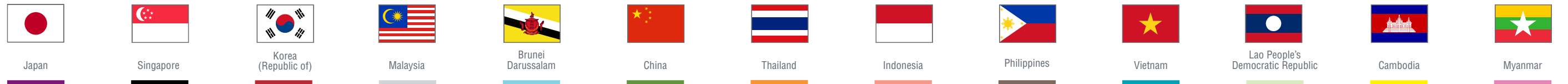
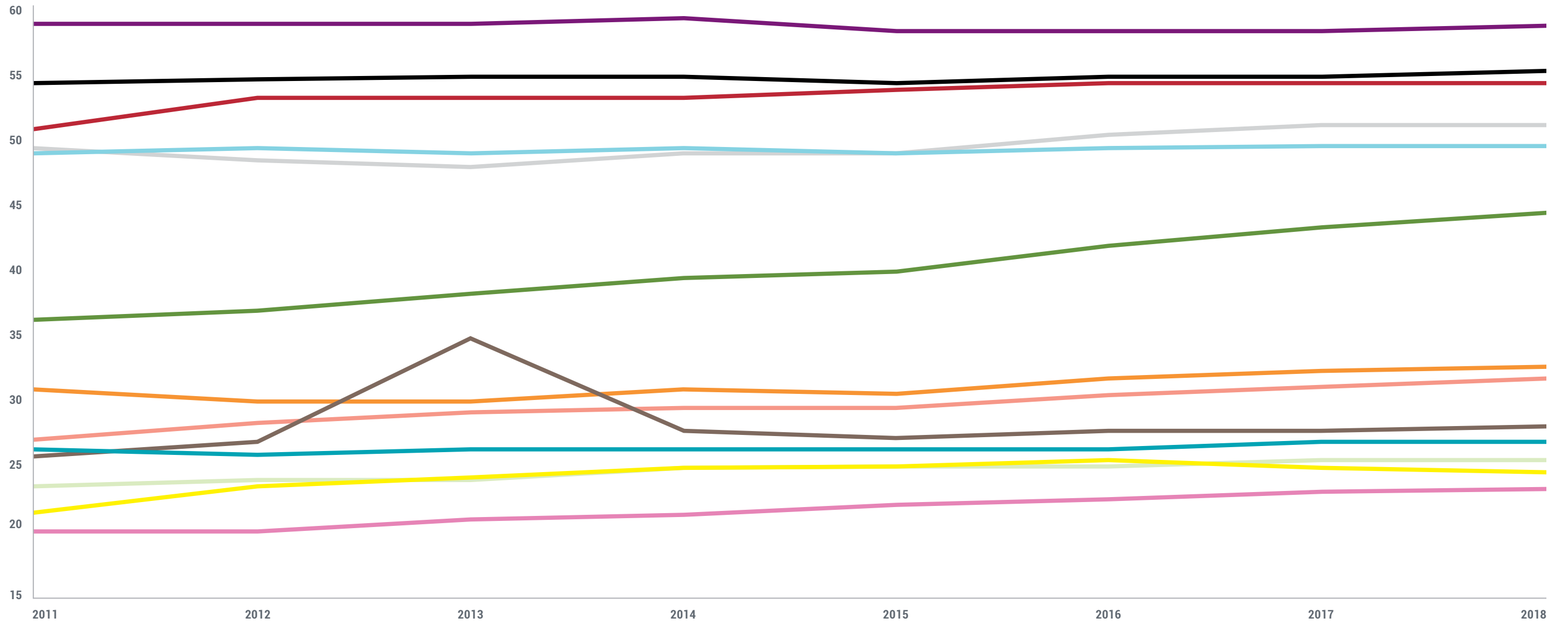
Bottom 10 Nationalities

2011		2012		2013		2014		2015		2016		2017		2018	
Country	Score	Country	Score	Country	Score	Country	Score	Country	Score	Country	Score	Country	Score	Country	Score
Lao ¹	23.5	Timor-Leste	24.0	Lao ¹	24.3	Sri Lanka	24.6	Lebanon	24.3	Lao ¹	24.9	Bangladesh	23.6	Bangladesh	23.6
Nepal	22.4	Lao ¹	23.9	Cambodia	23.9	Nepal	23.0	Nepal	23.1	Bangladesh	23.3	Myanmar	23.2	Palestinian Territory	23.1
Bangladesh	22.3	Cambodia	23.5	Nepal	22.4	Bangladesh	22.4	Bangladesh	22.7	Nepal	23.1	Korea (DPRK)	23.1	Myanmar	23.1
Palestinian Territory	21.5	Nepal	22.2	Bangladesh	22.1	Palestinian Territory	22.4	Myanmar	21.9	Palestinian Territory	22.9	Nepal	23.1	Nepal	23.0
Cambodia	21.2	Bangladesh	21.9	Myanmar	20.8	Myanmar	21.5	Palestinian Territory	21.7	Myanmar	22.5	Palestinian Territory	23.1	Korea (DPRK)	22.9
Yemen	20.1	Yemen	20.2	Yemen	20.4	Yemen	20.9	Yemen	20.4	Pakistan	18.6	Pakistan	19.3	Iraq	19.4
Myanmar	19.7	Myanmar	20.0	Syrian Arab Republic	20.1	Iraq	19.9	Iraq	18.7	Iraq	18.5	Yemen	17.9	Pakistan	19.0
Pakistan	19.3	Iraq	19.8	Iraq	20.1	Syrian Arab Republic	18.7	Pakistan	18.5	Yemen	18.0	Syrian Arab Republic	16.9	Yemen	17.2
Iraq	19.3	Pakistan	18.7	Pakistan	18.4	Pakistan	18.5	Syrian Arab Republic	18.0	Syrian Arab Republic	16.7	Iraq	15.6	Syrian Arab Republic	16.8
Afghanistan	15.4	Afghanistan	15.0	Afghanistan	15.0	Afghanistan	15.5	Afghanistan	15.3	Afghanistan	15.2	Afghanistan	15.1	Afghanistan	15.4

1 Lao People's Democratic Republic

Regional Overview: Association of Southeast Asian Nations Plus 3 (APT) Cooperation

Quality of APT Cooperation Nationalities 2011–2018



Regional Overview: Latin America

Quality of Latin American Nationalities 2011–2018

Top 10 Nationalities

2011		2012		2013		2014		2015		2016		2017		2018	
Country	Score	Country	Score	Country	Score	Country	Score	Country	Score	Country	Score	Country	Score	Country	Score
Argentina	49.3	Chile	49.8	Chile	50.0	Argentina	51.3	Chile	53.0	Chile	54.9	Chile	55.5	Chile	55.2
Brazil	49.0	Argentina	49.8	Argentina	49.9	Chile	50.8	Argentina	51.1	Argentina	54.2	Argentina	54.4	Argentina	54.5
Chile	48.9	Brazil	48.7	Brazil	49.6	Brazil	50.5	Brazil	50.0	Brazil	51.8	Brazil	54.2	Brazil	54.3
Uruguay	46.5	Uruguay	46.6	Uruguay	47.3	Uruguay	48.4	Uruguay	47.9	Uruguay	50.6	Uruguay	50.6	Uruguay	50.5
Paraguay	42.4	Paraguay	42.7	Mexico	42.6	Paraguay	43.9	Guatemala	46.6	Paraguay	46.4	Paraguay	46.7	Paraguay	46.8
Mexico	41.9	Costa Rica	41.9	Costa Rica	41.9	Mexico	42.7	Paraguay	43.6	Mexico	45.2	Mexico	45.6	Mexico	45.7
Costa Rica	41.9	Mexico	41.8	Venezuela ¹	40.7	Costa Rica	42.0	Costa Rica	42.1	Costa Rica	45.2	Peru	45.2	Peru	45.6
Panama	39.9	Venezuela ¹	40.4	Paraguay	38.9	Panama	41.4	Mexico	41.9	Peru	44.9	Costa Rica	45.2	Costa Rica	45.5
Venezuela ¹	39.8	Panama	40.0	El Salvador	38.7	Venezuela ¹	40.8	Panama	41.0	Panama	43.8	Panama	43.8	Venezuela ¹	44.3
El Salvador	37.7	El Salvador	38.4	Guatemala	37.1	El Salvador	38.1	Venezuela ¹	40.4	Venezuela ¹	42.2	Venezuela ¹	42.4	Panama	43.8

Bottom 10 Nationalities

2011		2012		2013		2014		2015		2016		2017		2018	
Country	Score	Country	Score	Country	Score	Country	Score	Country	Score	Country	Score	Country	Score	Country	Score
Guatemala	36.2	Guatemala	36.7	Panama	36.9	Guatemala	37.2	Peru	37.0	Colombia	41.8	Colombia	42.4	Colombia	43.3
Honduras	36.1	Honduras	36.2	Honduras	36.7	Honduras	36.8	El Salvador	36.5	El Salvador	39.9	El Salvador	39.9	El Salvador	39.7
Nicaragua	35.2	Nicaragua	35.6	Nicaragua	36.0	Nicaragua	36.2	Honduras	36.4	Honduras	39.2	Honduras	39.5	Honduras	39.2
Peru	34.8	Peru	35.5	Peru	33.3	Peru	36.1	Nicaragua	36.0	Ecuador	38.5	Ecuador	39.4	Ecuador	39.1
Bolivia ²	32.4	Bolivia ²	31.9	Bolivia ²	32.4	Bolivia ²	33.8	Ecuador	35.2	Guatemala	38.4	Guatemala	38.7	Guatemala	39.1
Ecuador	29.8	Ecuador	30.2	Ecuador	30.6	Colombia	31.7	Bolivia ²	33.8	Nicaragua	38.0	Nicaragua	38.1	Nicaragua	38.5
Cuba	28.2	Cuba	28.3	Cuba	29.0	Ecuador	31.5	Colombia	31.9	Bolivia ²	36.0	Bolivia ²	36.1	Bolivia ²	35.8
Dominican Republic	27.6	Dominican Republic	27.2	Colombia	27.8	Cuba	29.5	Cuba	28.5	Cuba	29.7	Dominican Republic	29.6	Dominican Republic	30.2
Colombia	26.6	Colombia	26.9	Dominican Republic	27.6	Dominican Republic	27.7	Dominican Republic	27.1	Dominican Republic	28.8	Cuba	29.5	Cuba	30.0
Haiti	21.0	Haiti	21.2	Haiti	21.8	Haiti	22.1	Haiti	22.5	Haiti	23.6	Haiti	23.9	Haiti	23.6

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Regional Overview: North America

Quality of North American Nationalities 2011–2018

Top 10 Nationalities

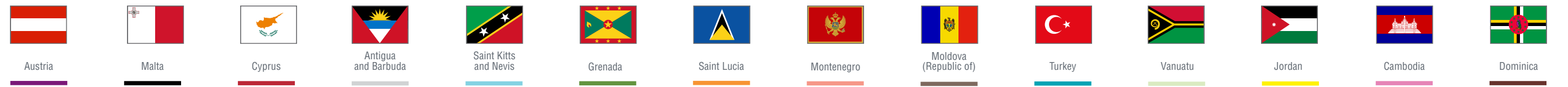
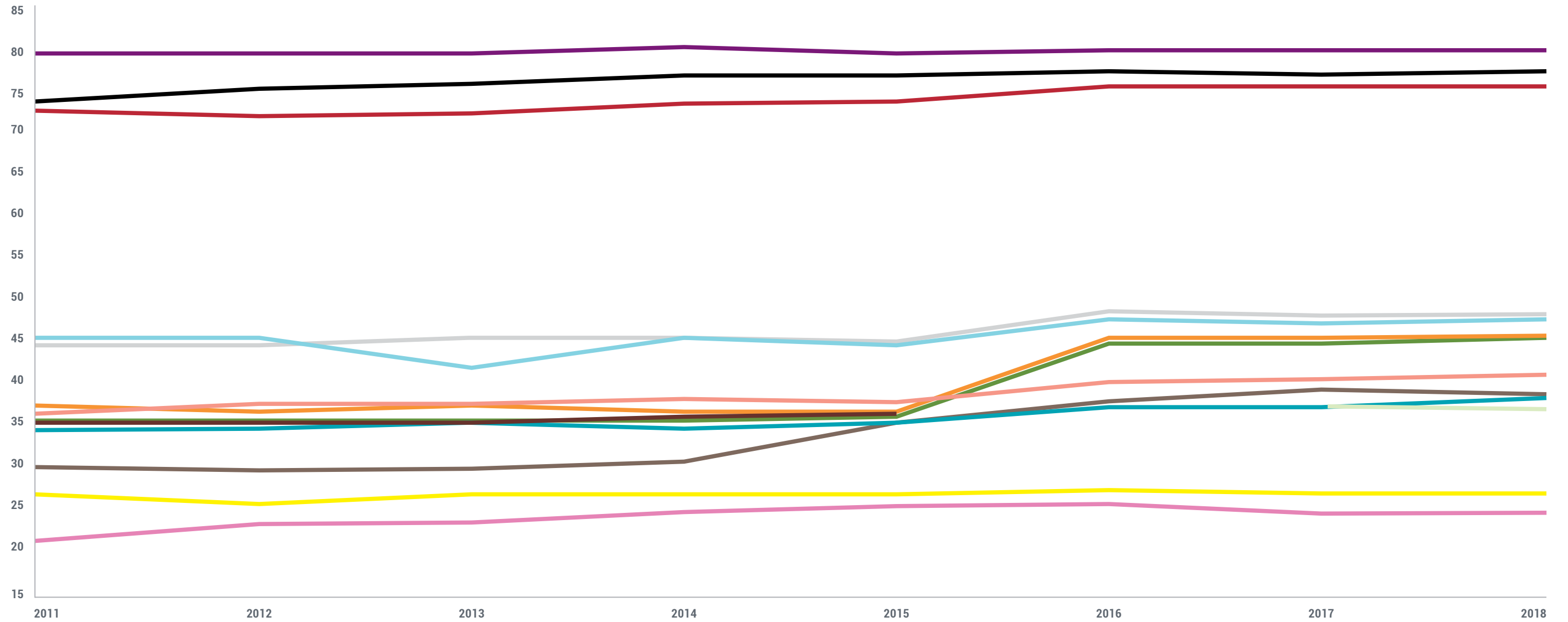
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Country	Score	Country	Score	Country	Score	Country	Score	Country	Score	Country	Score	Country	Score	Country	Score
United States	65.0	United States	65.2	United States	65.2	United States	65.4	United States	67.2	United States	71.2	United States	70.9	United States	70.0
Canada	54.2	Canada	47.4	Canada	47.9	Canada	55.0	Canada	47.8	Canada	49.1	Canada	55.2	Canada	55.3
Antigua and Barbuda	44.7	Saint Kitts and Nevis	44.9	Antigua and Barbuda	45.4	Antigua and Barbuda	45.3	Guatemala	46.6	Antigua and Barbuda	48.1	Antigua and Barbuda	47.7	Antigua and Barbuda	47.7
Saint Kitts and Nevis	44.5	Antigua and Barbuda	44.9	Bahamas	44.4	Saint Kitts and Nevis	45.1	Bahamas	45.3	Saint Kitts and Nevis	47.2	Saint Kitts and Nevis	47.3	Saint Kitts and Nevis	47.5
Bahamas	43.6	Bahamas	44.1	Barbados	44.1	Bahamas	44.2	Antigua and Barbuda	44.8	Bahamas	45.9	Barbados	46.1	Barbados	46.3
Barbados	43.1	Barbados	43.6	Mexico	42.6	Barbados	43.6	Saint Kitts and Nevis	44.5	Barbados	45.8	Saint Vincent and the Grenadines	45.7	Saint Vincent and the Grenadines	46.3
Mexico	41.9	Costa Rica	41.9	Saint Kitts and Nevis	42.1	Mexico	42.7	Barbados	42.9	Saint Vincent and the Grenadines	45.6	Mexico	45.6	Mexico	45.7
Costa Rica	41.9	Mexico	41.8	Costa Rica	41.9	Costa Rica	42.0	Costa Rica	42.1	Mexico	45.2	Bahamas	45.4	Grenada	45.7
Panama	39.9	Panama	40.0	El Salvador	38.7	Panama	41.4	Mexico	41.9	Costa Rica	45.2	Saint Lucia	45.2	Bahamas	45.5
El Salvador	37.7	El Salvador	38.4	Saint Lucia	37.3	El Salvador	38.1	Panama	41.0	Saint Lucia	45.2	Grenada	45.2	Costa Rica	45.5

Bottom 10 Nationalities

2011		2012		2013		2014		2015		2016		2017		2018	
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Honduras	36.1	Honduras	36.2	Nicaragua	36.0	Saint Vincent and the Grenadines	36.7	El Salvador	36.5	Trinidad and Tobago	43.2	Trinidad and Tobago	42.8	Trinidad and Tobago	43.3
Grenada	35.4	Nicaragua	35.6	Grenada	36.0	Nicaragua	36.2	Honduras	36.4	El Salvador	39.9	El Salvador	39.9	El Salvador	39.7
Dominica	35.2	Grenada	35.6	Saint Vincent and the Grenadines	35.9	Dominica	36.0	Dominica	36.3	Honduras	39.2	Honduras	39.5	Honduras	39.2
Nicaragua	35.2	Dominica	35.1	Dominica	35.9	Grenada	35.9	Nicaragua	36.0	Guatemala	38.4	Guatemala	38.7	Guatemala	39.1
Trinidad and Tobago	34.8	Trinidad and Tobago	34.6	Trinidad and Tobago	35.4	Trinidad and Tobago	35.4	Trinidad and Tobago	34.8	Nicaragua	38.0	Nicaragua	38.1	Nicaragua	38.5
Belize	30.9	Belize	30.5	Belize	31.3	Belize	31.3	Belize	31.8	Belize	34.2	Belize	34.4	Belize	34.1
Jamaica	29.9	Jamaica	29.9	Jamaica	30.3	Jamaica	30.4	Jamaica	30.5	Jamaica	32.0	Jamaica	32.1	Jamaica	32.0
Cuba	28.2	Cuba	28.3	Cuba	29.0	Cuba	29.5	Cuba	28.5	Cuba	29.7	Dominican Republic	29.6	Dominican Republic	30.2
Dominican Republic	27.6	Dominican Republic	27.2	Dominican Republic	27.6	Dominican Republic	27.7	Dominican Republic	27.1	Dominican Republic	28.8	Cuba	29.5	Cuba	30.0
Haiti	21.0	Haiti	21.2	Haiti	21.8	Haiti	22.1	Haiti	22.5	Haiti	23.6	Haiti	23.9	Haiti	23.6

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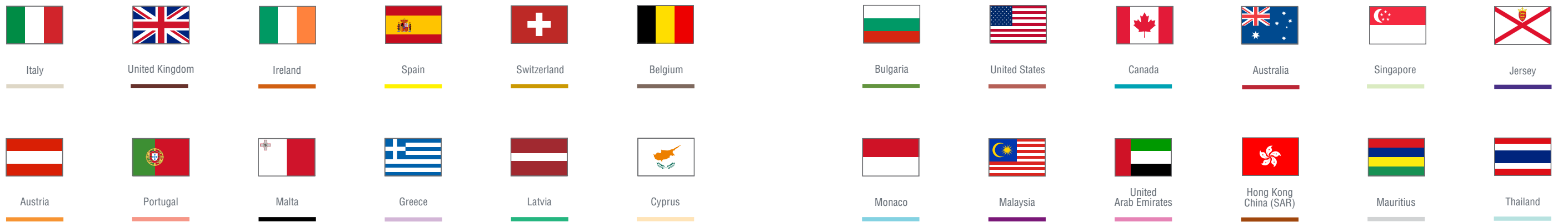
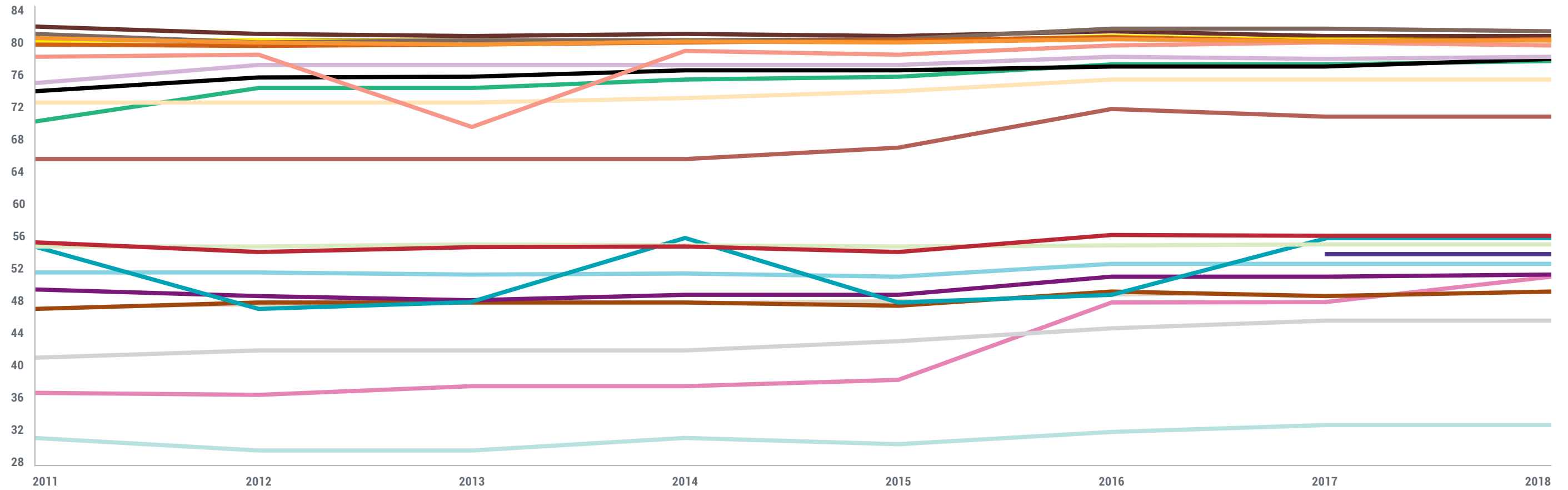
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