



# INTRODUCTION

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Challenges

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# Assessment

Form of assessment	Max. Points
Presentation	20
Final exam	40

## Assessment and marking:

A 60 – 56 points

B 55 – 51 points

C 50 – 46 points

D 45 – 41 points

E 40 – 36 points

F 35 and below

Each student will **prepare a presentation**. The topic is chosen by the students themselves, but they should do a detailed case study of one African country (their choice) in which they will focus on one specific security problem such as terrorism, internal conflict, influx of refugees, piracy, etc. The presentation itself should take approximately 20 minutes and will take place in the last three classes of the course. Assignment of students to dates will be made at the end of March and the schedule will be uploaded to the information system. The presentation will be graded 0-20 points.

The **final exam** will be in the form of a written test, which will absorb the assigned literature and lecture materials. A total of 40 points can be obtained from the final exam.



# Teaching Schedule

- **Lecture 1 (22<sup>nd</sup> of February):** Introduction to the course
- **Lecture 2 (1<sup>st</sup> of March):** Conflicts in Africa
- **Lecture 3 (8<sup>th</sup> of March):** Terrorism in Africa
- **Lecture 4 (15<sup>th</sup> of March):** Organised Crime
- **Lecture 5 (22<sup>nd</sup> of March):** Migration, Influx of Refugees, HIV/AIDS and Female Security
- **Lecture 6 (29<sup>th</sup> of March):** Weakening and Failing of the State
- **Lecture 7 (5<sup>th</sup> of April):** Urbanization and Land Issues
- **Lecture 8 (12<sup>th</sup> of April):** Food and Water Security
- **Lecture 9 (19<sup>th</sup> of April):** Piracy
- **Lecture 10 (26<sup>th</sup> of April):** Students' Presentations.
- **Lecture 11(3<sup>rd</sup> of May):** Students' Presentations.
- **Lecture 12 (10<sup>th</sup> of May):** Students' Presentations.

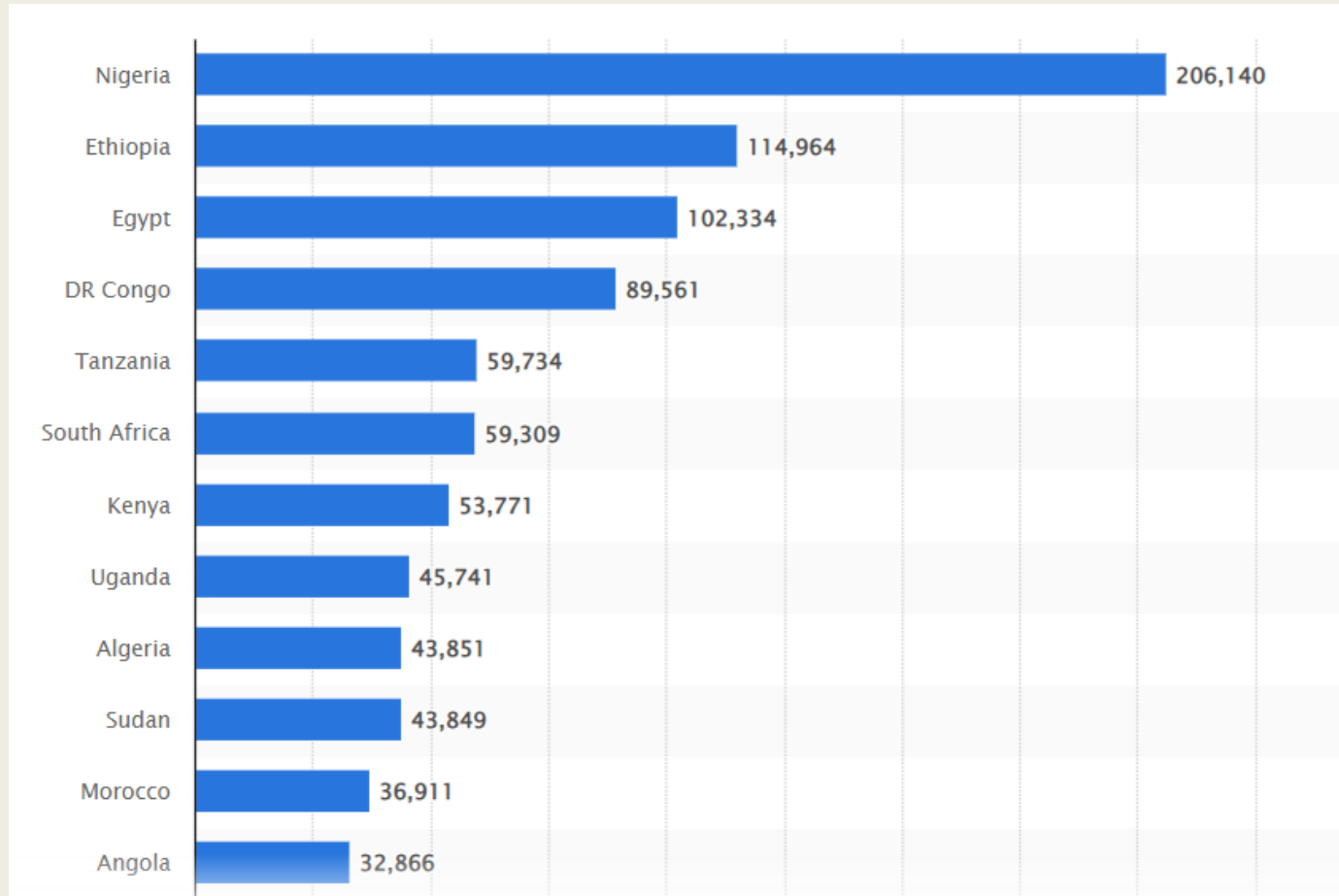


# Compulsory Readings

- Schneckener, Ulrich. *Spoilers or Governance Actors? Engaging Armed Non-State Groups in Areas of Limited Statehood*. p. 3-26. (2009).
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- Rotberg, Robert. *Failed States, Collapsed States, Weak States: Causes and Indicators* (2006) [https://www.brookings.edu/wpcontent/uploads/2016/07/statefailureandstateweaknessinatimeofterror\\_chapter.pdf](https://www.brookings.edu/wpcontent/uploads/2016/07/statefailureandstateweaknessinatimeofterror_chapter.pdf)
- Swain, Ashok. *Understanding Emerging Security Challenges Threats and Opportunities*. Routledge. 2013.
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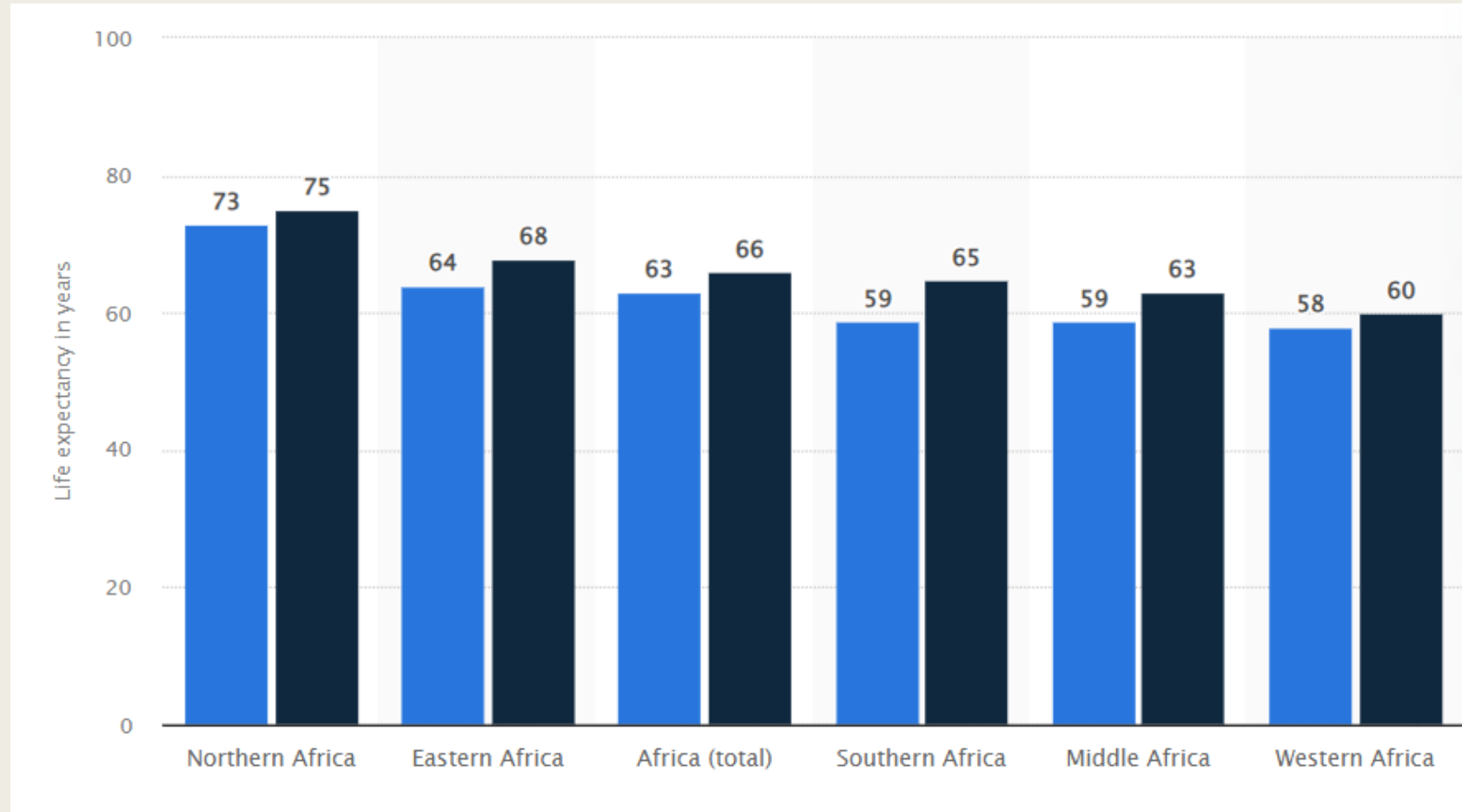


# General Info About Africa – Population (2020)



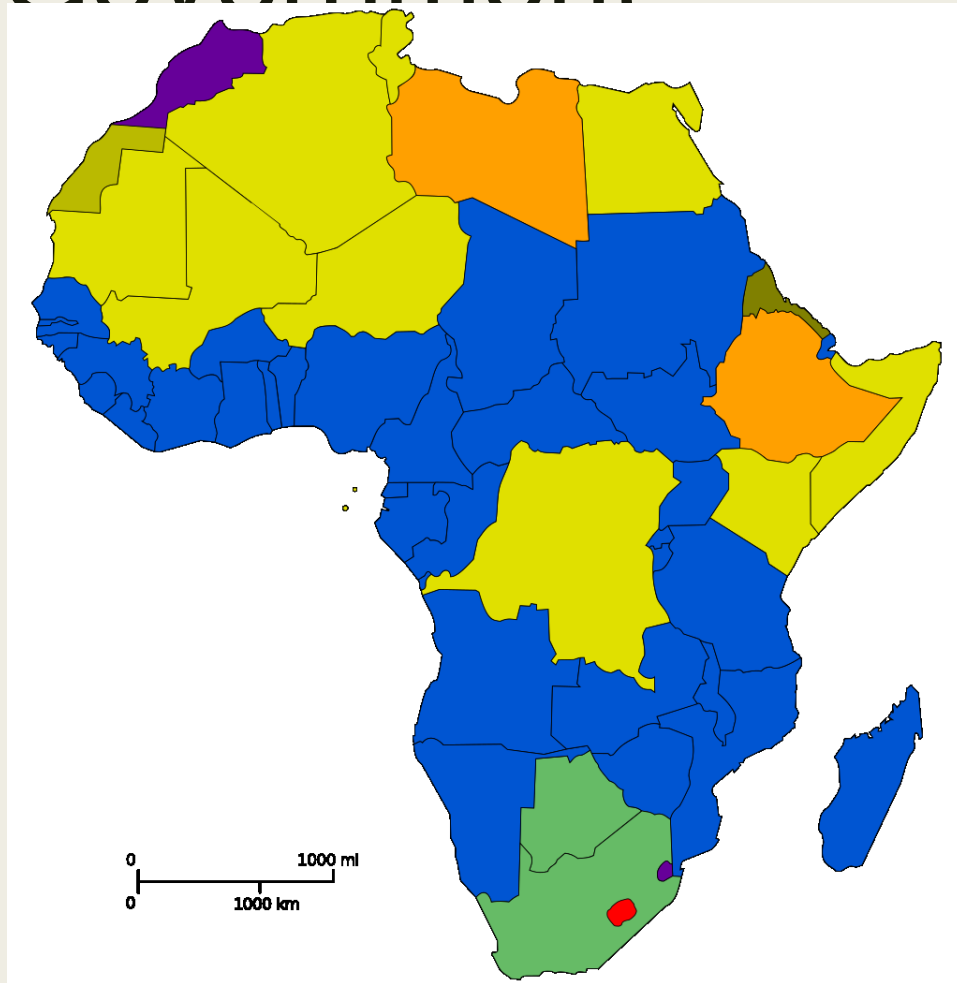


# General Info About Africa - Population





# General Info about Africa – Form of Government

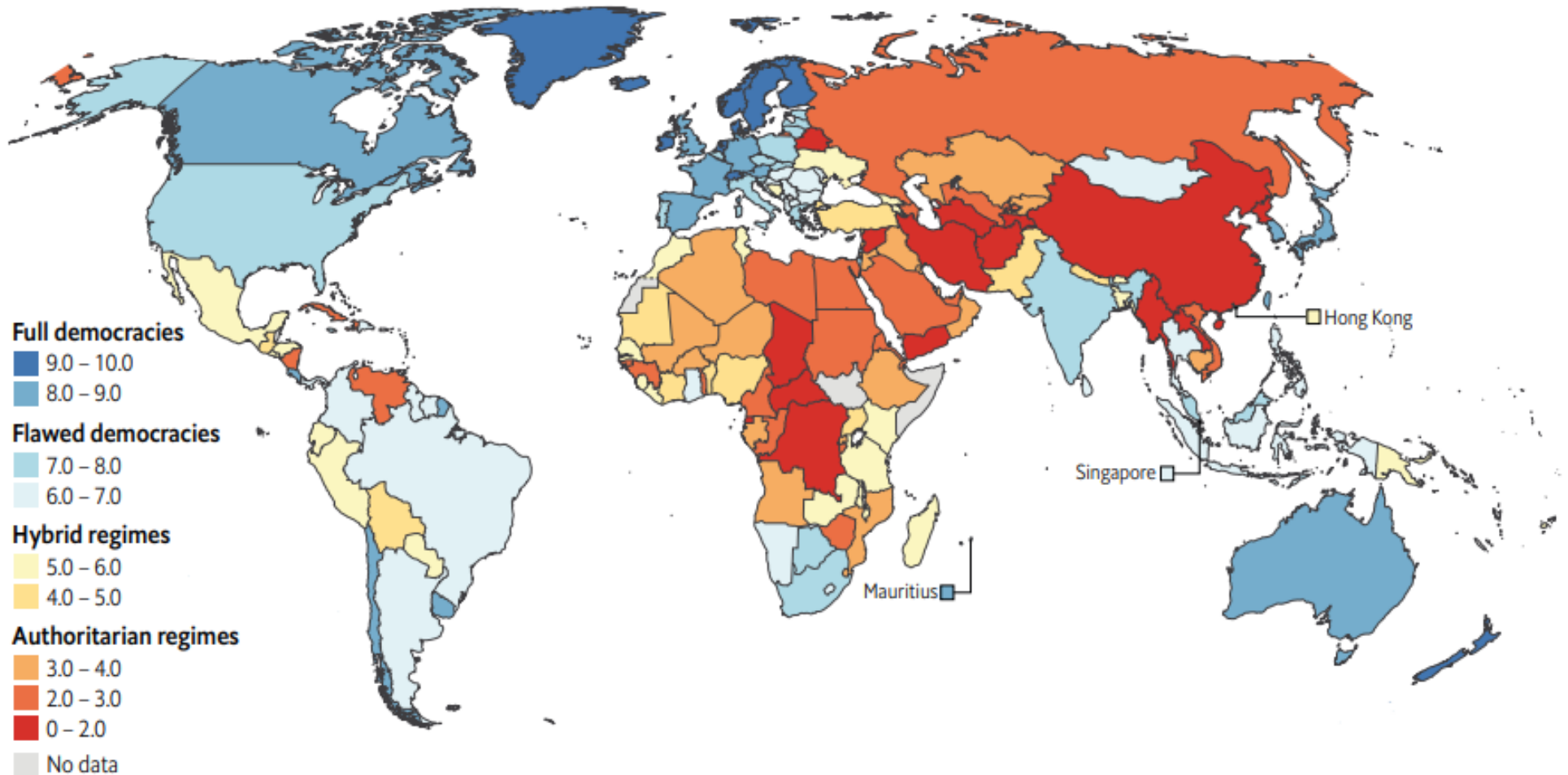


-  presidential republics, full presidential system
-  presidential republics, executive presidency linked to a parliament
-  presidential republics, semi-presidential system
-  parliamentary republics
-  parliamentary constitutional monarchies in which the monarch does not personally exercise power
-  absolute monarchies



# General Info about Africa – Level of Democracy

Democracy Index 2022, global map by regime type



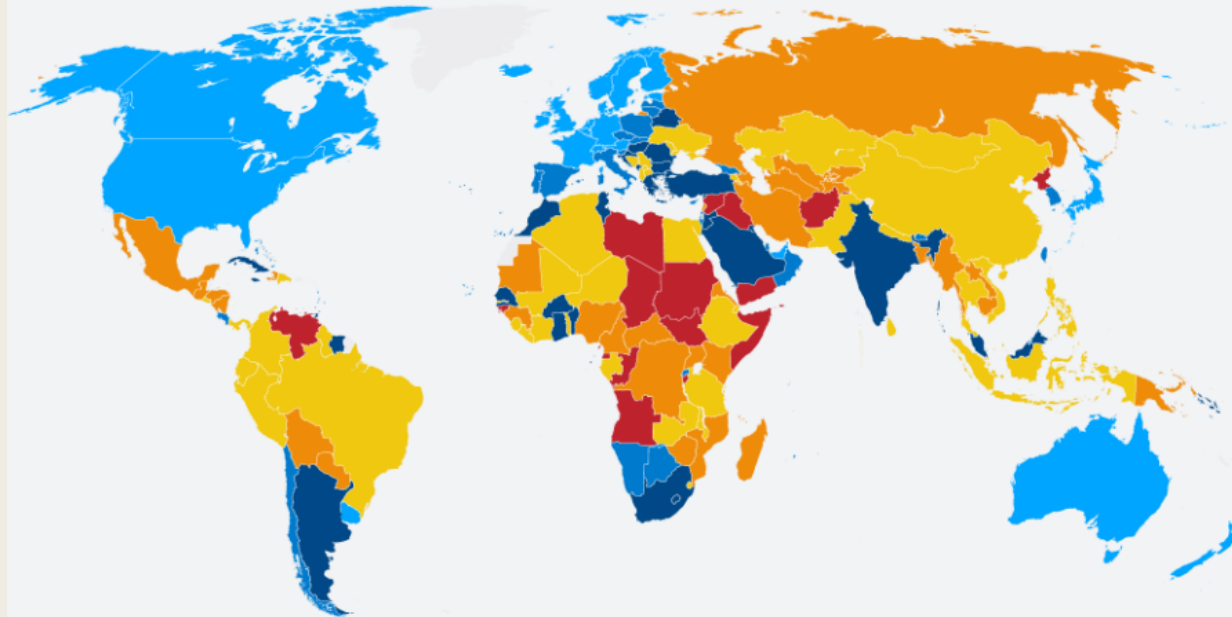
Source: EIU.



# General Info about Africa – Corruption

## Shade of corruption

Perceived levels of corruption in 180 countries



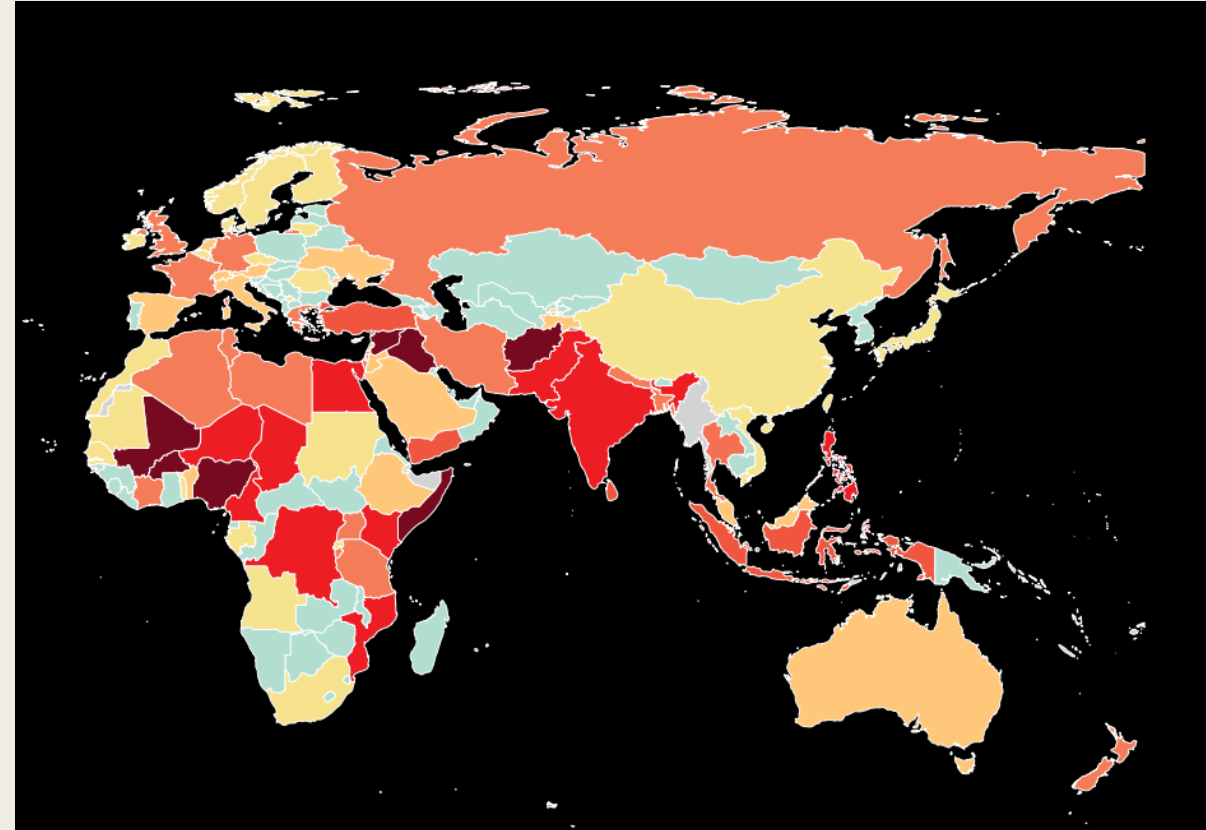
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# General Info about Africa - Terrorism

RANK	COUNTRY	SCORE	RANK CHANGE	RANK	COUNTRY	SCORE	RANK CHANGE	RANK	COUNTRY	SCORE
1	Afghanistan	9.109	↔	28	United States of America	4.961	↑ 2	56	Ecuador	2.766
2	Iraq	8.511	↔	29	Greece	4.849	↓ 10	57	Argentina	2.657
3	Somalia	8.398	↔	30	Israel	4.778	↓ 4	58	Jordan	2.594
4	Burkina Faso	8.270	↓ 2	31	United Kingdom	4.770	↔	59	Switzerland	2.522
5	Syria	8.250	↔	32	Palestine	4.736	↓ 1	60	Australia	2.431
6	Nigeria	8.233	↑ 2	33	Germany	4.729	↑ 1	61	Mexico	2.426
7	Mali	8.152	↔	34	Nepal	4.693	↑ 4	62	Ukraine	2.304
8	Niger	7.856	↓ 4	35	France	4.562	↑ 6	63	Malaysia	2.247
10	Pakistan	7.825	↑ 2	36	Tanzania	4.530	↔	64	Paraguay	2.194
11	Cameroon	7.432	↔	37	Peru	4.471	↓ 18	65	Bahrain	2.145
12	India	7.432	↑ 2	38	Tunisia	4.447	↑ 1	66	Netherlands	2.077
13	Mozambique	7.432	↑ 4	39	Algeria	4.432	↓ 4	67	China	1.863
14	Colombia	7.068	↔	40	Bangladesh	4.411	↓ 1	68	Belgium	1.745
15	Egypt	6.932	↑ 2	41	New Zealand	4.376	↑ 6	69	Sweden	1.660
16	Philippines	6.790	↑ 1	42	Cote d' Ivoire	4.310	↓ 2	70	Senegal	1.580
17	Democratic Republic of the Congo	6.733	↓ 5	43	Burundi	4.271	↓ 13	71	Japan	1.460
18	Chile	6.496	↓ 5	44	Russia	4.219	↑ 6	72	Uruguay	1.322
19	Chad	6.379	↑ 3	45	Uganda	4.106	↓ 59	=73	Rwanda	1.243
20	Kenya	6.166	↑ 2	46	Venezuela	4.005	↔	=73	South Africa	1.243
21	Yemen	5.870	↑ 1	47	Tajikistan	3.988	↑ 7	=73	Togo	1.243
22	Thailand	5.723	↑ 3	48	Canada	3.882	↔	76	Morocco	1.156
23	Turkey	5.651	↑ 6	49	Ethiopia	3.759	↑ 7	77	Norway	1.109
24	Indonesia	5.500	↓ 4	50	Italy	3.687	↑ 3	=78	Ireland	1.060
25	Sri Lanka	5.445	↑ 4	51	Lebanon	3.566	↑ 6	=78	Romania	1.060
26	Libya	5.100	↑ 1	52	Austria	3.261	↑ 2	80	Finland	1.007
27	Iran	5.015	↔	53	Benin	3.164	↓ 19	81	Brazil	0.957
				54	Saudi Arabia	3.110	↑ 5	82	Cyprus	0.927
				55	Spain	2.861	↑ 3			





# African conflicts to watch in 2022

Fresh approaches needed to avoid disaster in worst-affected countries

## Libya

- ✗ Conditions not conducive to elections
- ✗ Mercenaries' withdrawal key

## Cameroon

- ✗ Anglophone crisis led to insurgency
- ✗ Military solutions are failing

## Central African Republic

- ✗ Dialogue stymied by ongoing clashes
- ✗ New approach to peace essential

## South Sudan

- ✗ Last year to implement 2018 peace deal
- ✗ Political and community clashes persist

## Ethiopia

- ✗ Negotiated settlement a priority
- ✗ AU mediation not showing results

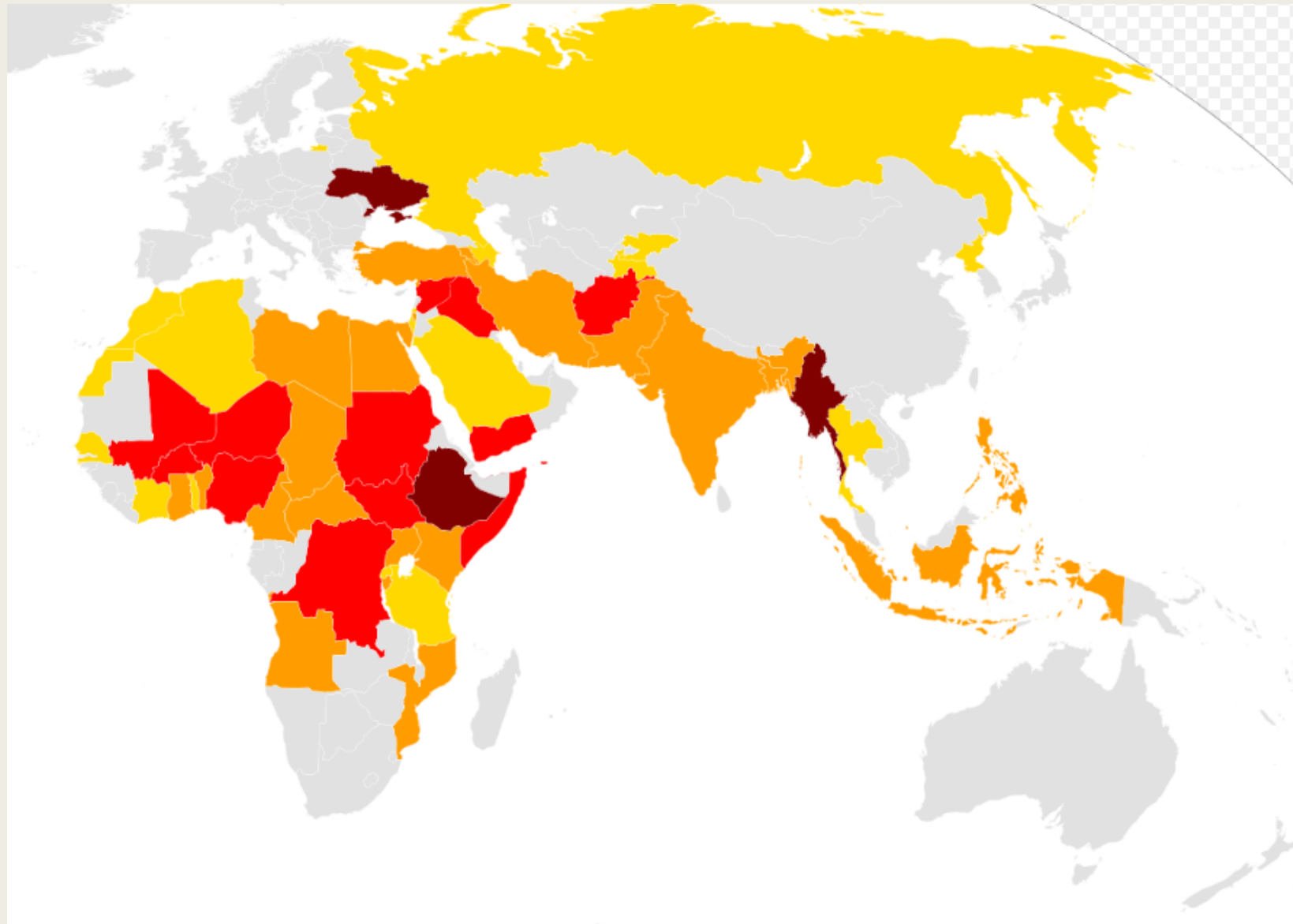
## Mozambique

- ✗ Rwandan and SADC troops battling an insurgency
- ✗ Developmental response and regional links key





# General Info about Africa - Conflicts



- Major wars (10,000 or more)
- Wars (1,000–9,999)
- Minor conflicts (100–999)
- Skirmishes and clashes (1–99)

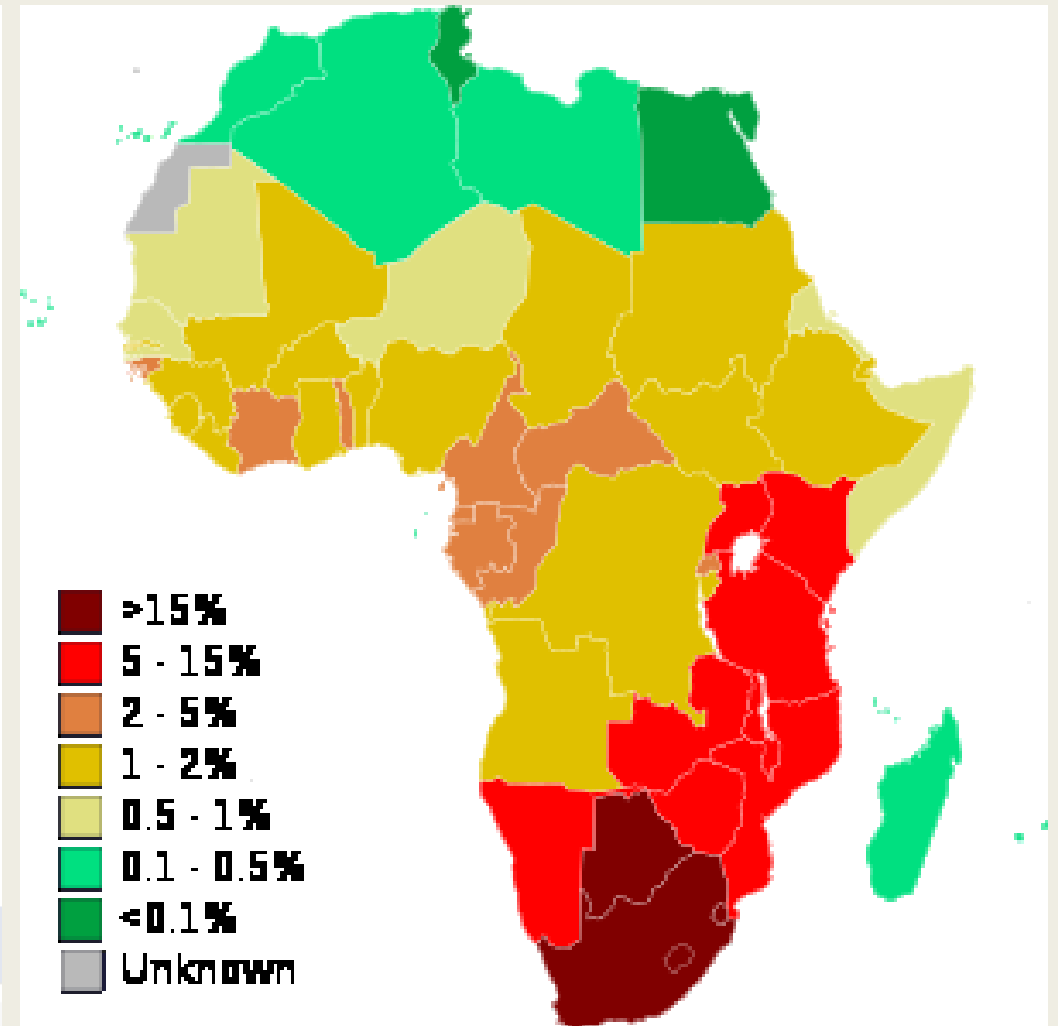
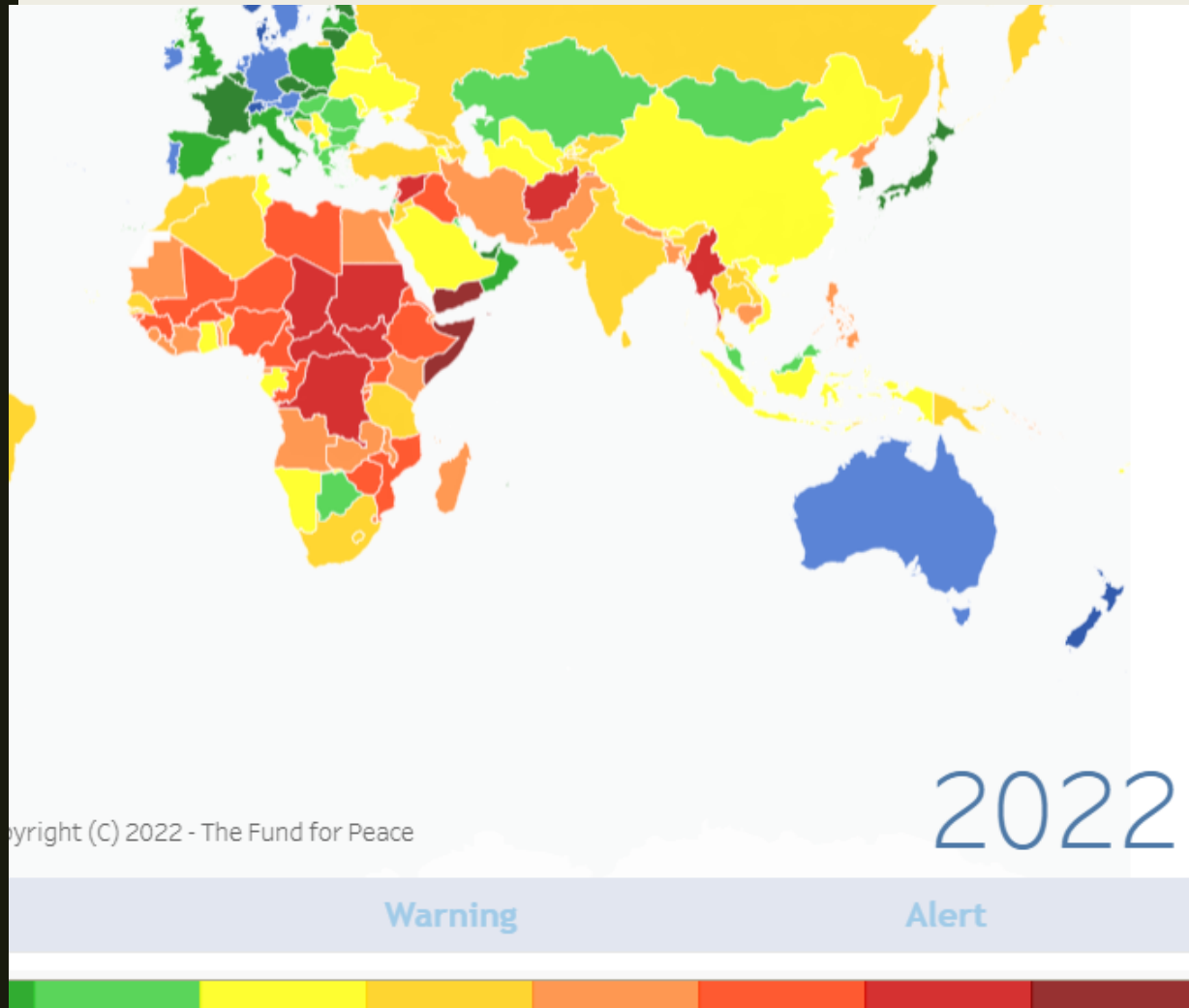


# Short Quiz

- 1. Which African country currently has the highest incidence of HIV in the population (26% of the total population)?
- 2. According to the FSI, which African country has the worst performance and is often labeled a failed state?
- 3. Which two terrorist groups committed the most terrorist attacks in Africa in 2022?
- 4. Which African country hosted the largest number of refugees in 2022?
- 5. Which African country recorded the highest number of piracy attacks in 2022?
- 6. Do you know which African city is the most populous?
- 7. There are two states in which more than 90% of the urban population lives in slums. Do you know which states those are?
- 8. Which countries are currently in dispute over the Grand Ethiopian Renaissance Dam?



# General Info Africa - HIV





Thank you for your  
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