

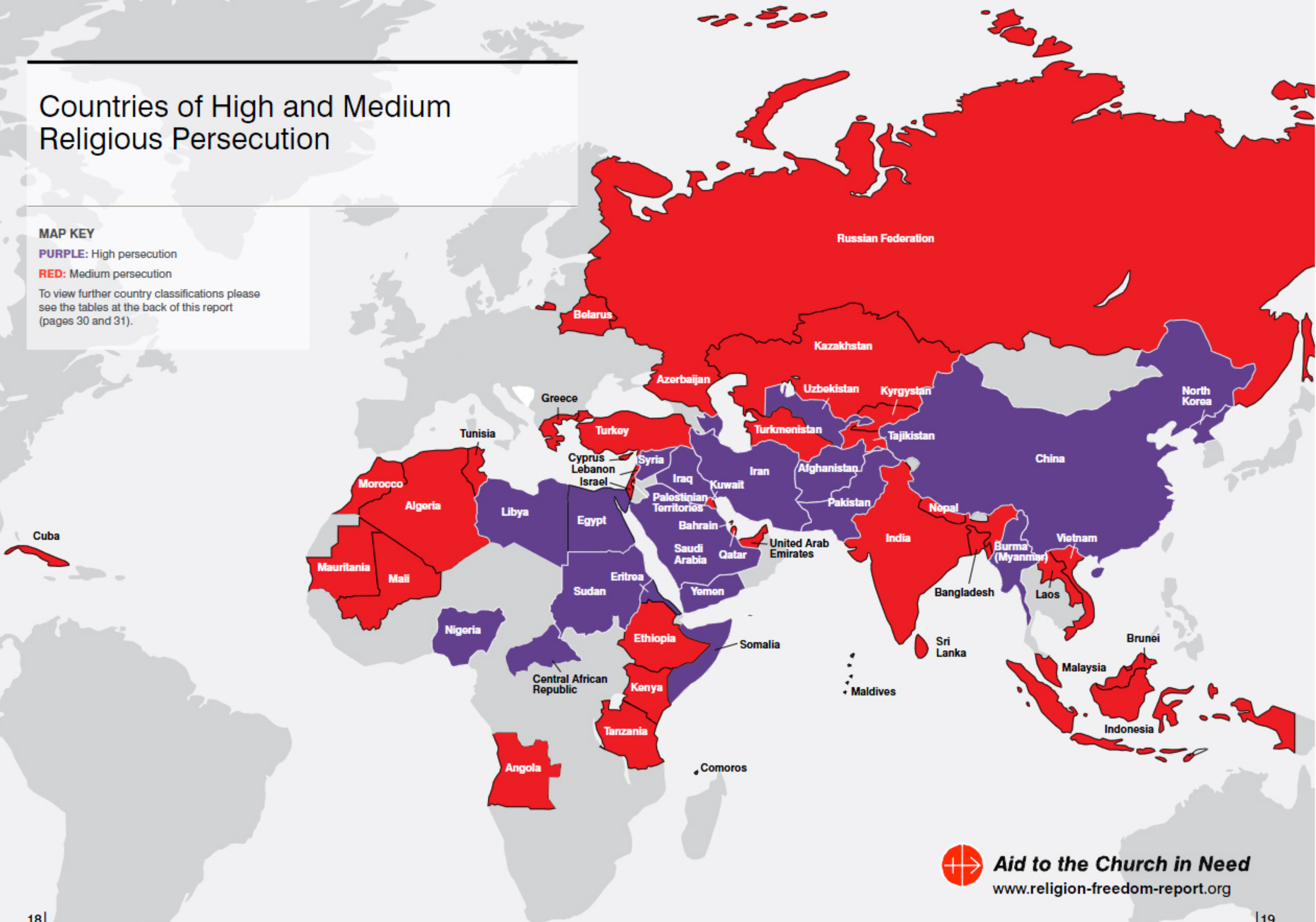
Countries of High and Medium Religious Persecution

MAP KEY

PURPLE: High persecution

RED: Medium persecution

To view further country classifications please see the tables at the back of this report (pages 30 and 31).



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OVERALL STATE OF RELIGIOUS FREEDOM

Country	Overall state of persecution or discrimination facing faith groups	Change in Situation
Iraq	HIGH	Sig. Deteriorated
Libya	HIGH	Sig. Deteriorated
Nigeria	HIGH	Sig. Deteriorated
Pakistan	HIGH	Sig. Deteriorated
Sudan	HIGH	Sig. Deteriorated
Syria	HIGH	Sig. Deteriorated
Azerbaijan	HIGH	Deteriorated
Burma (Myanmar)	HIGH	Deteriorated
Central African Republic	HIGH	Deteriorated
China	HIGH	Deteriorated
Egypt	HIGH	Deteriorated
Uzbekistan	HIGH	Deteriorated
Afghanistan	HIGH	No change
Eritrea	HIGH	No change
Maldives	HIGH	No change
North Korea	HIGH	No change
Saudi Arabia	HIGH	No change
Somalia	HIGH	No change
Yemen	HIGH	No change
Iran	HIGH	Improved
Mali	MEDIUM	Sig. Deteriorated
Angola	MEDIUM	Deteriorated
Bangladesh	MEDIUM	Deteriorated
Belarus	MEDIUM	Deteriorated
Brunei	MEDIUM	Deteriorated
Ethiopia	MEDIUM	Deteriorated

Greece	MEDIUM	Deteriorated
Indonesia	MEDIUM	Deteriorated
Kazakhstan	MEDIUM	Deteriorated
Kenya	MEDIUM	Deteriorated
Kuwait	MEDIUM	Deteriorated
Kyrgyzstan	MEDIUM	Deteriorated
Lebanon	MEDIUM	Deteriorated
Malaysia	MEDIUM	Deteriorated
Morocco	MEDIUM	Deteriorated
Tanzania	MEDIUM	Deteriorated
Tunisia	MEDIUM	Deteriorated
Turkmenistan	MEDIUM	Deteriorated
Bahrain	MEDIUM	No change
Algeria	MEDIUM	No change
Comoros	MEDIUM	No change
Cyprus	MEDIUM	No change
India	MEDIUM	No change
Israel	MEDIUM	No change
Laos	MEDIUM	No change
Mauritania	MEDIUM	No change
Nepal	MEDIUM	No change
Palestinian Territories	MEDIUM	No change
Russian Federation	MEDIUM	No change
Sri Lanka	MEDIUM	No change
Tajikistan	MEDIUM	No change
Turkey	MEDIUM	No change
Vietnam	MEDIUM	No change
Cuba	MEDIUM	Improved
Qatar	MEDIUM	Improved
United Arab Emirates	MEDIUM	Improved

Djibouti	OF CONCERN	Deteriorated
Hungary	OF CONCERN	Deteriorated
Bolivia	OF CONCERN	Deteriorated
Canada	OF CONCERN	Deteriorated
Denmark	OF CONCERN	Deteriorated
Ecuador	OF CONCERN	Deteriorated
France	OF CONCERN	Deteriorated
Georgia	OF CONCERN	Deteriorated
Germany	OF CONCERN	Deteriorated
Netherlands	OF CONCERN	Deteriorated
Peru	OF CONCERN	Deteriorated
Sweden	OF CONCERN	Deteriorated
Ukraine	OF CONCERN	Deteriorated
United Kingdom	OF CONCERN	Deteriorated
Uruguay	OF CONCERN	Deteriorated
Armenia	OF CONCERN	No change
Bhutan	OF CONCERN	No change
Bulgaria	OF CONCERN	No change
Chad	OF CONCERN	No change
Colombia	OF CONCERN	No change
Democratic Republic of Congo	OF CONCERN	No change
Equatorial Guinea	OF CONCERN	No change
Ivory Coast	OF CONCERN	No change
Jordan	OF CONCERN	No change
Kosovo	OF CONCERN	No change
Macedonia	OF CONCERN	No change
Madagascar	OF CONCERN	No change
Mauritius	OF CONCERN	No change
Mexico	OF CONCERN	No change
Moldova	OF CONCERN	No change
Mongolia	OF CONCERN	No change
New Zealand	OF CONCERN	No change
Nicaragua	OF CONCERN	No change
Niger	OF CONCERN	No change
Norway	OF CONCERN	No change
Oman	OF CONCERN	No change
Palau	OF CONCERN	No change
Papua New Guinea	OF CONCERN	No change

Philippines	OF CONCERN	No change
Romania	OF CONCERN	No change
Rwanda	OF CONCERN	No change
Serbia	OF CONCERN	No change
Singapore	OF CONCERN	No change
Slovakia	OF CONCERN	No change
South Africa	OF CONCERN	No change
Thailand	OF CONCERN	No change
Tuvalu	OF CONCERN	No change
Uganda	OF CONCERN	No change
Venezuela	OF CONCERN	No change
Zimbabwe	OF CONCERN	Improved
Australia	LOW	Deteriorated
Albania	LOW	Deteriorated
Argentina	LOW	Deteriorated
Belgium	LOW	Deteriorated
Cameroon	LOW	Deteriorated
Ireland	LOW	Deteriorated
Italy	LOW	Deteriorated
Luxembourg	LOW	Deteriorated
Poland	LOW	Deteriorated
United States of America	LOW	Deteriorated
Taiwan	LOW	Improved

EXPLANATORY NOTES

The period under review: October 2012 to June 2014 (inclusive).

A total of 79 additional countries were classified as "low" with no change in their status. To view these countries please see the spreadsheet at www.religion-freedom-report.org.

In assessing the scale of oppression of religious groups, ACN has considered many factors. The categorisations shown here are based on the likelihood of religiously-inspired violence and/or intolerance in a given country from any source. ACN acknowledges that the qualitative nature of the categorisation means that there is necessarily a subjective element in such an analysis.

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