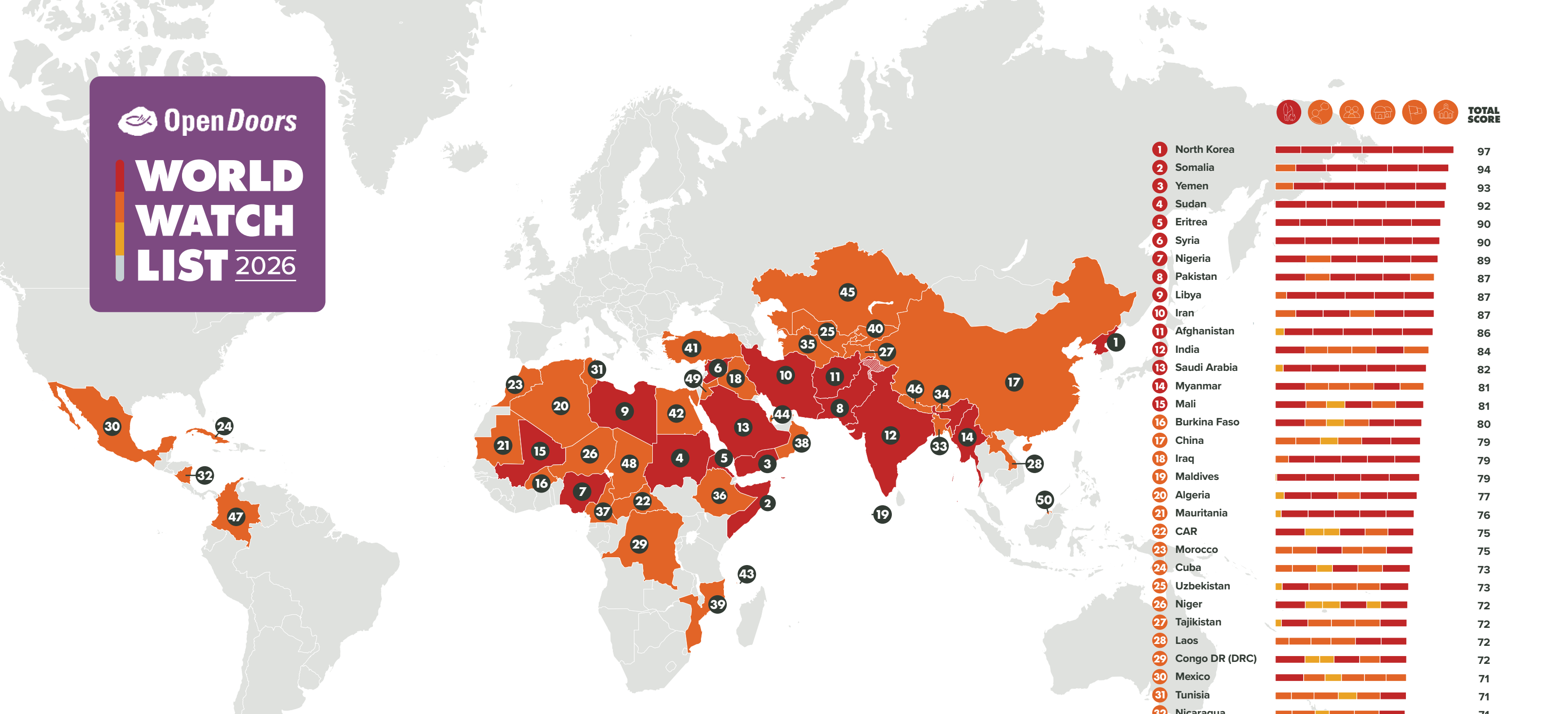
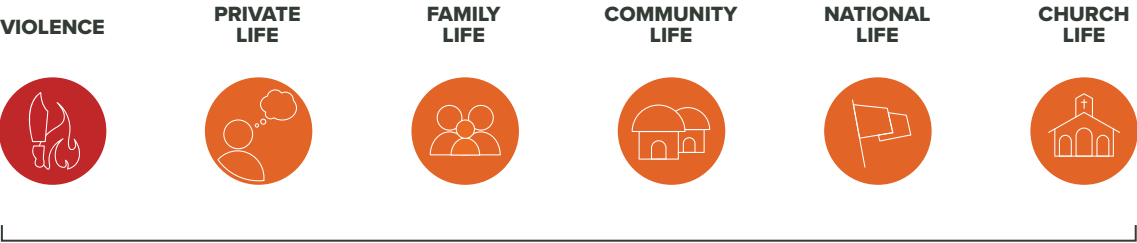




ABOUT THE LIST

The World Watch List is compiled by Open Doors’ analysts using real-world data from experts on the ground in 150 countries. Persecution in each country is recorded using a points system which tracks violence and pressure. This measures the number and severity of violent incidents against Christians and the degree of pressure exerted against the practice of their faith in 5 spheres of life.



Maximum score for each is 16.7, maximum total of 100 when combined. Each country’s ranking is determined by its total score out of 100, giving an indication of severity of persecution.

PERSECUTION LEVELS

- HIGH 41-60 points
- VERY HIGH 61-80 points
- EXTREME 81-100 points

Every country on the list is ranked as having very high or extreme levels of persecution, showing the intensity of persecution against Christians.



							TOTAL SCORE
1	North Korea						97
2	Somalia						94
3	Yemen						93
4	Sudan						92
5	Eritrea						90
6	Syria						90
7	Nigeria						89
8	Pakistan						87
9	Libya						87
10	Iran						87
11	Afghanistan						86
12	India						84
13	Saudi Arabia						82
14	Myanmar						81
15	Mali						81
16	Burkina Faso						80
17	China						79
18	Iraq						79
19	Maldives						79
20	Algeria						77
21	Mauritania						76
22	CAR						75
23	Morocco						75
24	Cuba						73
25	Uzbekistan						73
26	Niger						72
27	Tajikistan						72
28	Laos						72
29	Congo DR (DRC)						72
30	Mexico						71
31	Tunisia						71
32	Nicaragua						71
33	Bangladesh						71
34	Bhutan						71
35	Turkmenistan						71
36	Ethiopia						70
37	Cameroon						70
38	Oman						70
39	Mozambique						69
40	Kyrgyzstan						68
41	Türkiye						68
42	Egypt						68
43	Comoros						68
44	Qatar						67
45	Kazakhstan						67
46	Nepal						67
47	Colombia						66
48	Chad						66
49	Jordan						65
50	Brunei						65