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# Uruguay: Profile

*"Libertad o Muerte"*



Capital city: Montevideo



# The Oriental (Eastern) Republic of Uruguay

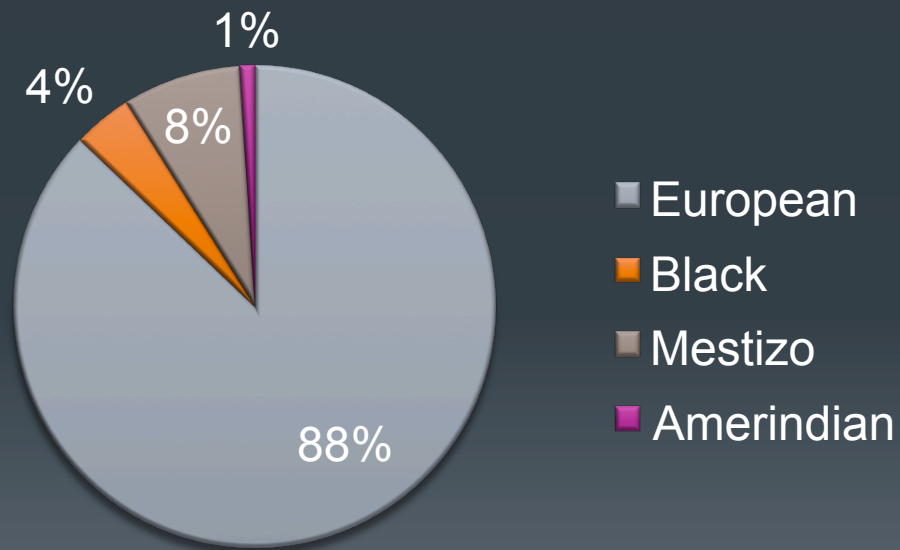




Just Like the Buenos Aires Province

Total Population of 3.4 million; smallest in continental South America

### Percentage Of Ethnic Groups





Yerba Mate







Just Like Texas



# Secession from Centralized State

United Provinces of the River Plate  
(present-day Argentina)

1815





With a slight difference:

# South America 1800 v 1899





# Three wars of independence

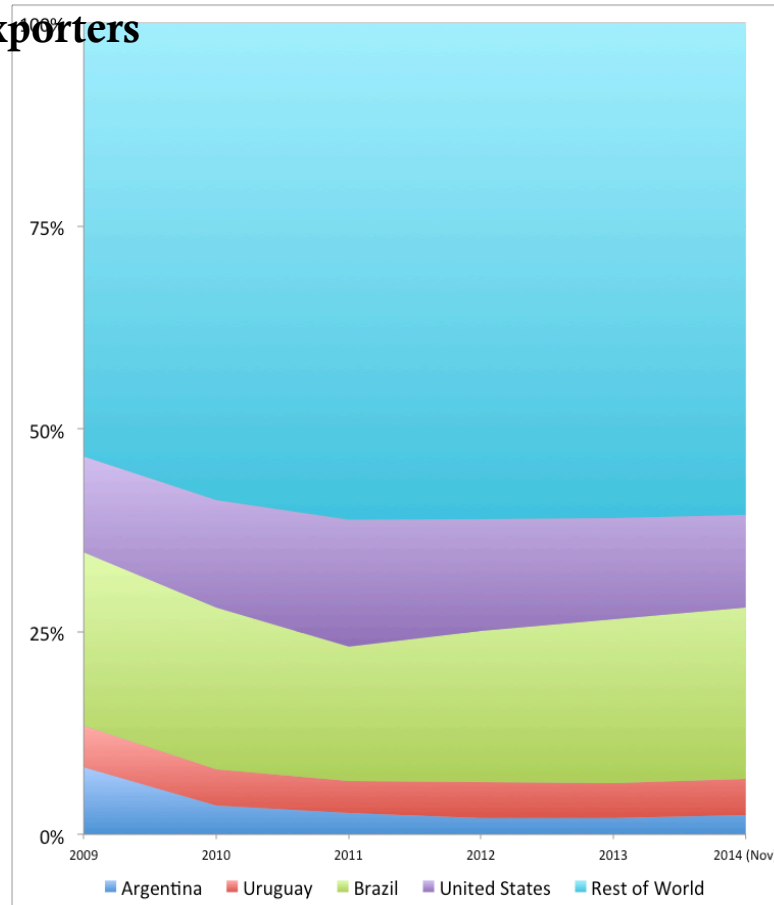
- Against Spaniards 1811 (with River Plate Viceroyalty)
- Against River Plate 1815
- Against Brazilian Empire 1825-1830 (with River Plate Help)



Just Like Texas (and Argentina)

# Livestock

## World Beef Exporters



-- USDA data

- (<http://usda01.library.cornell.edu/usda/current/livestock-poultry-ma/livestock-poultry-ma-11-08-2013.pdf>)

- INAC

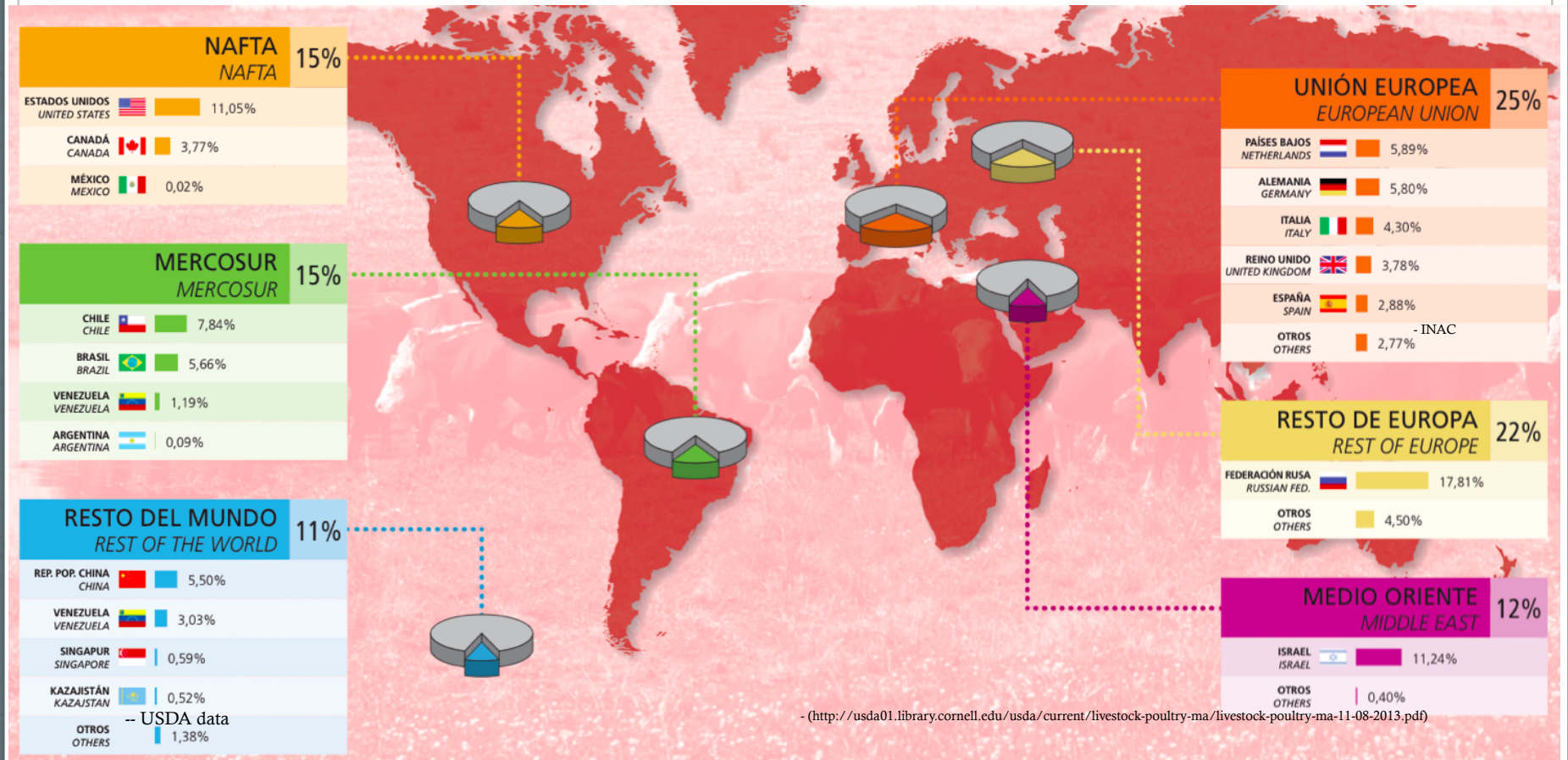




Just like Brazil

# Diversification of Export Markets

## Uruguayan Beef Exports, By Destination

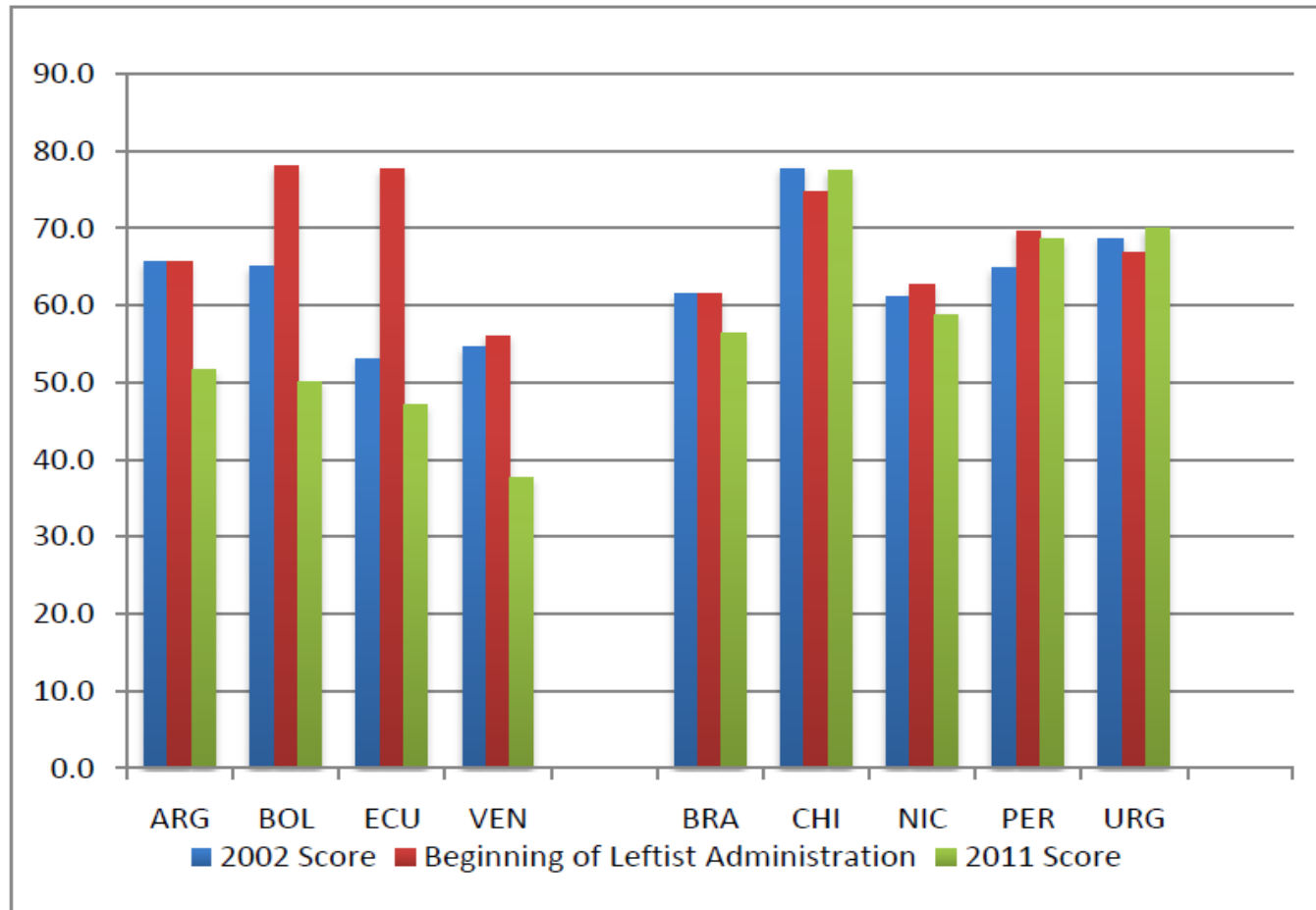


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Just like Chile and Brazil

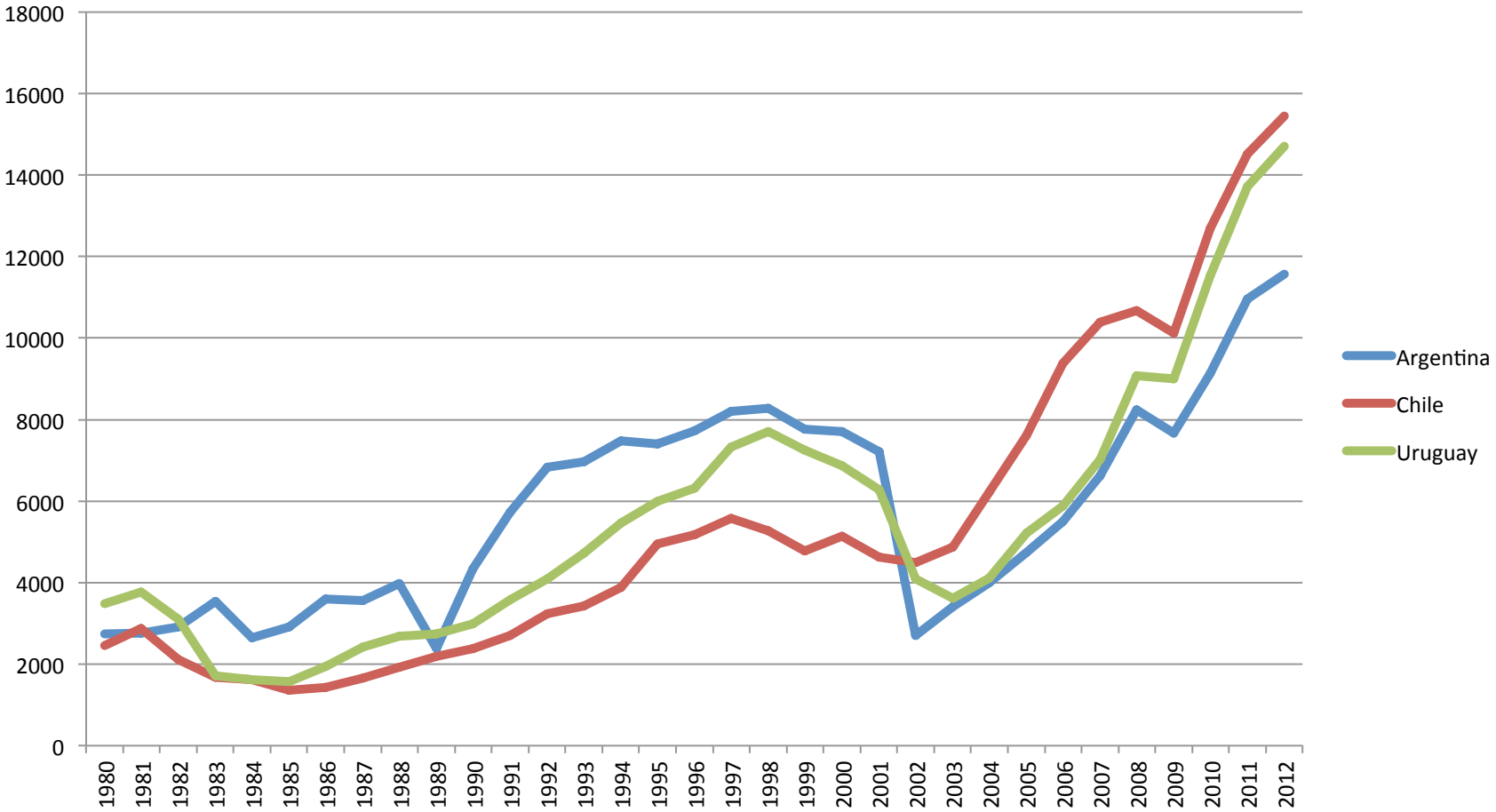
Economic Freedom Scores in Self-Declared Leftist Governments in Latin America in the 2000s.



\* Beginning of self-declared leftist administrations: Argentina 2002 (Duhalde), Bolivia 2006 (Morales), Ecuador 2007 (Correa), Venezuela 1999 (Chávez), Brazil 2002 (Lula), Chile 2000 (Lagos, Bachelet), Nicaragua 2007 (Ortega), Perú 2001 (Toledo, García), Uruguay 2005 (Tabaré Vázquez).

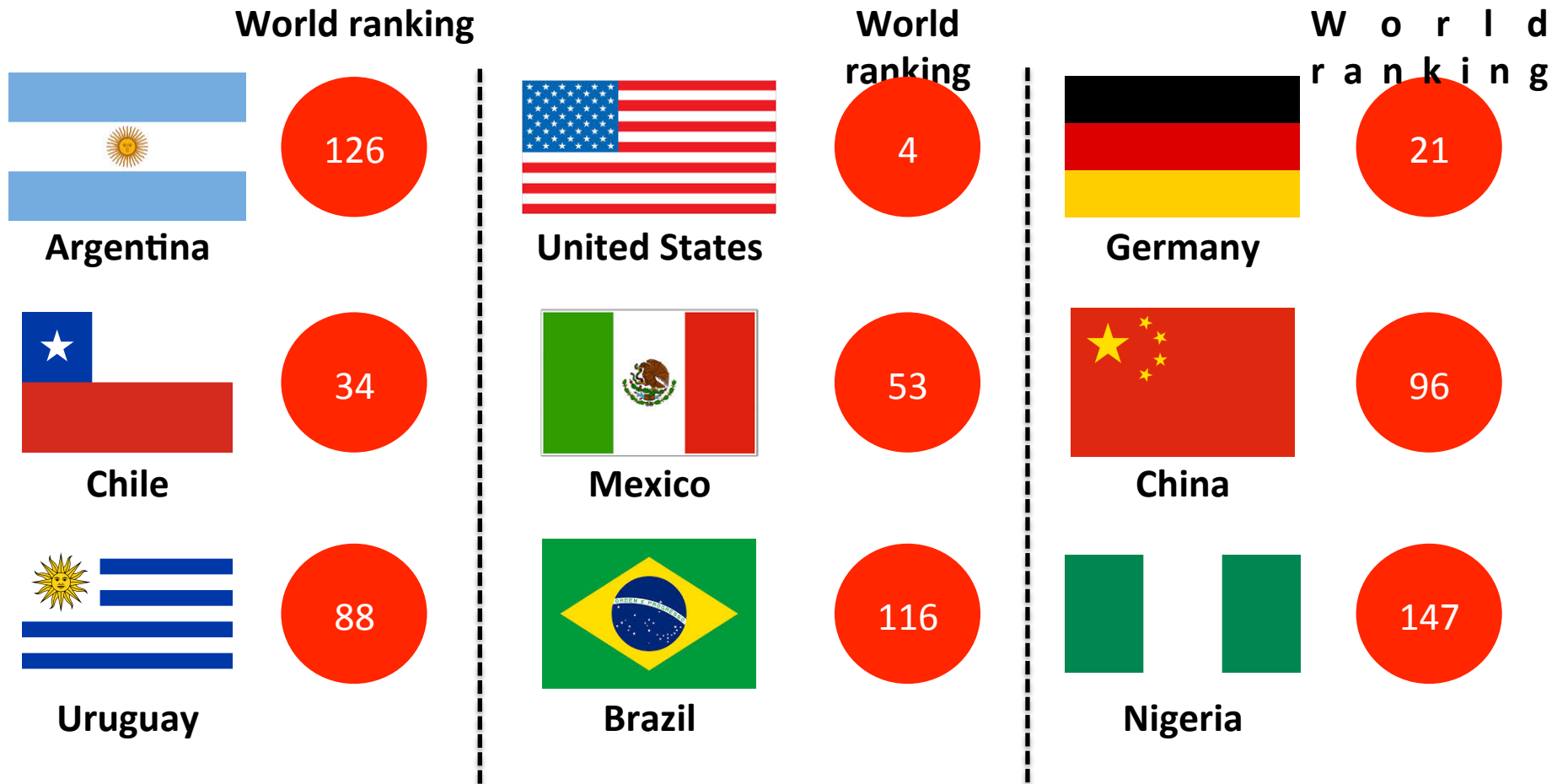
Source: Economic Freedom Index Scores.

# GDP Per Capita (Data Set 3)



Source: WDI

# Ease of Doing Business Rankings



Source: World Bank, "Doing Business – Economy Rankings," <[www.doingbusiness.org/rankings](http://www.doingbusiness.org/rankings)>





# A sort of Mandela

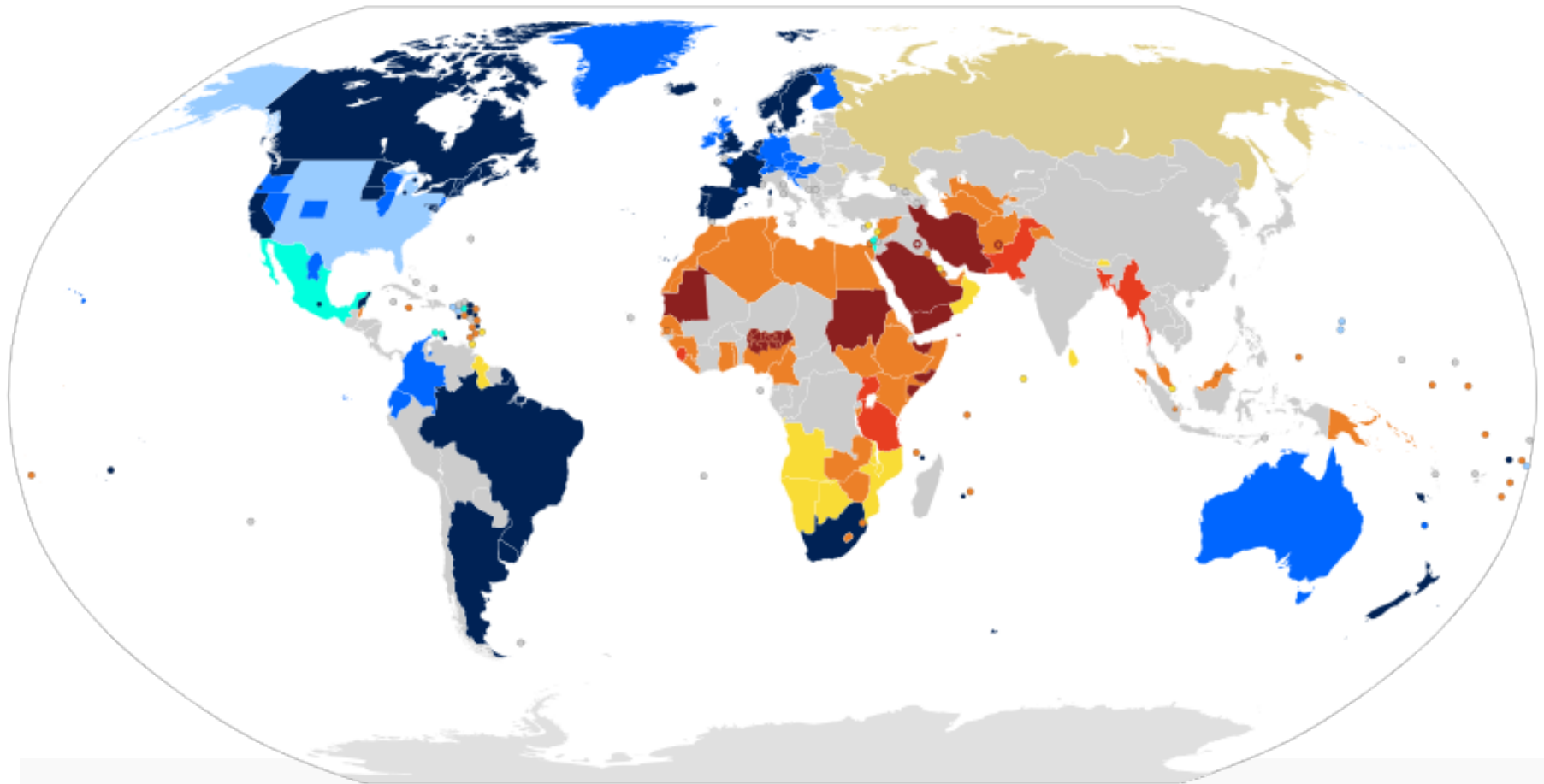
- Former guerrilla in the 1960-70s
- Shot by the police 6 times
- 14 years in prison

Source: <http://www.theguardian.com/world/2013/dec/13/uruguay-president-jose-mujica>





Just Like South Africa and Argentina  
And Canada  
And Unlike Texas



English (en): Laws regarding same-sex sexuality

**Homosexuality legal**

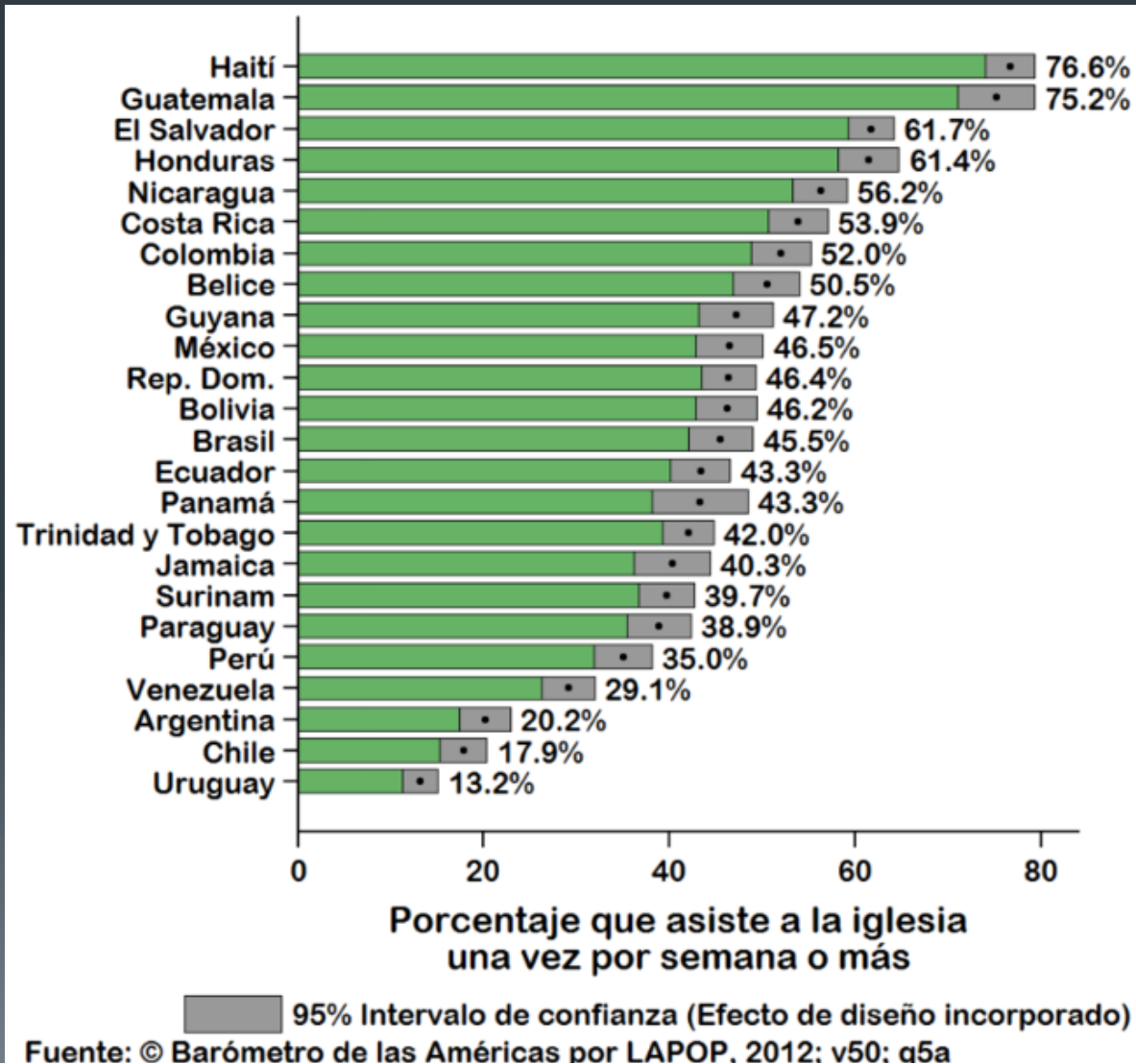
- Same-sex marriage<sup>1</sup>
- Other type of partnership (or unregistered cohabitation)<sup>1</sup>
- Foreign same-sex marriages recognized<sup>1</sup>
- No recognition of same-sex couples

**Homosexuality illegal**

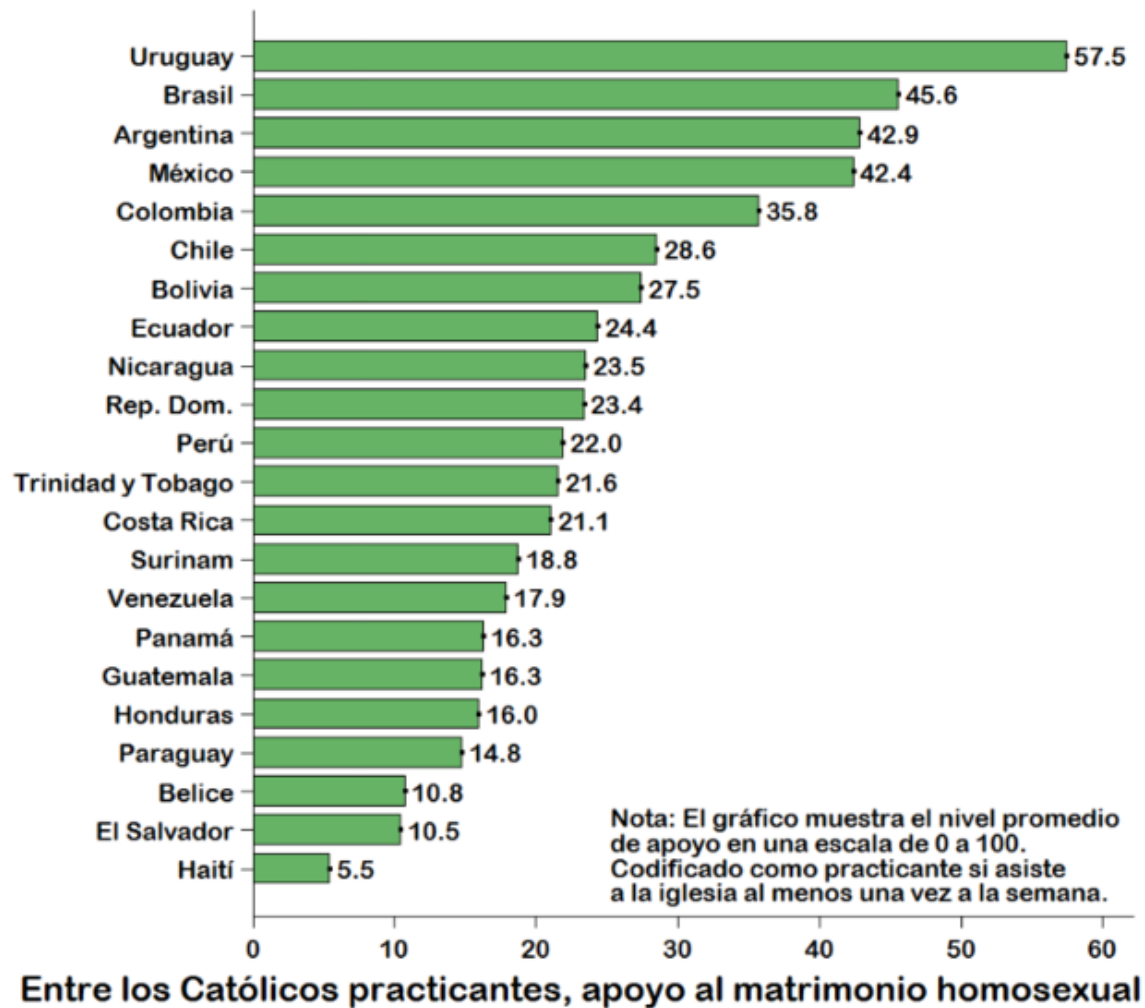
- Minimal penalty
- Heavy penalty
- Up to life in prison
- Up to death (ring = local judges)

Source: [http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/File:World\\_homosexuality\\_laws.svg](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/File:World_homosexuality_laws.svg);  
[http://old.ilga.org/Statehomophobia/ILGA\\_State\\_Sponsored\\_Homophobia\\_2013.pdf](http://old.ilga.org/Statehomophobia/ILGA_State_Sponsored_Homophobia_2013.pdf)

# Attending church once a week or more (percentage)



# Support for Same-Sex Marriage Among Catholics



Fuente: © Barómetro de las Américas por LAPOP, 2012; v50; d6



Like the United States and Canada

And Cuba

# Legalized Abortion (2012)

- About 400 abortions a month have been conducted.

# How feminist?

Woman must:

- Inform her doctor.
- Submit to a counseling committee.
- 5-day reflection period.



# A Bit Like Holland





Pro Legalization Rally, December 10, 2013 (AFP Photo / Pablo Porciuncula).  
Source: <http://rt.com/news/uruguay-nobel-mujica-marijuana-849/>



But really, unlike anyone



<http://www.cagle.com/tag/marijuana>

# Marijuana Reform

25,000...daily consumers

\$1.00...expected retail price for 1 gram of marijuana

# Against the US





# Against the **US** *and the UN*

Uruguay "knowingly decided to break the universally agreed and internationally endorsed treaty."

Raymond Yans

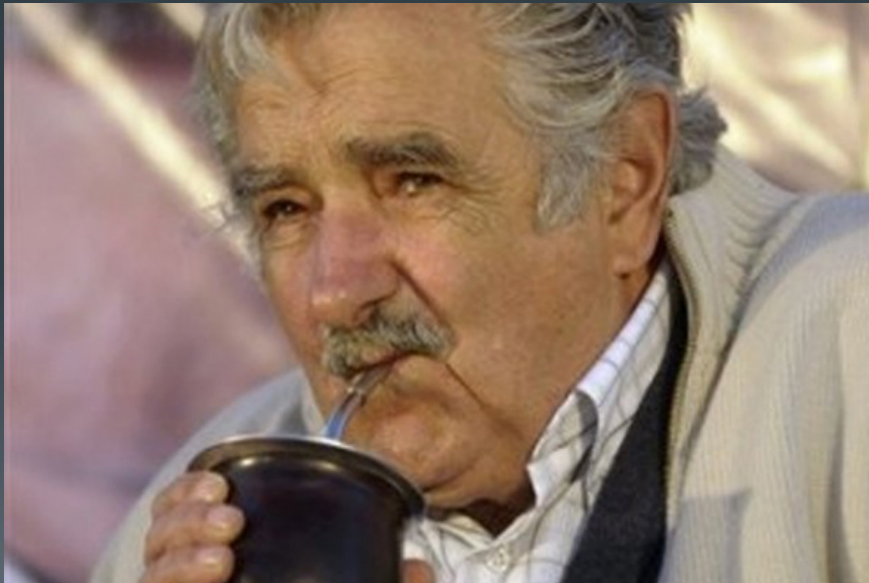
UN's International Narcotics Control Board chief

Source: Source: <http://rt.com/news/uruguay-nobel-mujica-marijuana-849/>



“The only thing I have in common  
with the Pope...”

... is our love for mate and tango.”  
José Mujica







Thank you.