

Passport Rankings of India from 2010 to 2025

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India's passport ranking has fluctuated significantly from 2010 to 2025, generally hovering in the 70s-80s, peaking around 2013-2014 (74th/76th) and dropping to a low of 90th in 2021, before recovering to around 80th in 2024, and settling around 85th (End-of-year Report) in the 2025 indices, reflecting global travel trends and increased competition.

Historical Passport Rankings of India from 2010 to 2025

- 2010: 77th
- 2011: 78th
- 2012: 82nd
- 2013: 74th (Highest in a decade)
- 2014: 76th
- 2015: 88th
- 2016: 85th
- 2017: 87th
- 2018: 81st
- 2019: 82nd
- 2020: 82nd
- 2021: 90th (Lowest)
- 2022: 83rd
- 2023: 84th
- 2024: 80th
- 2025: 85th (End-of-year Report)

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Key Takeaways

- **Fluctuation:**

India's rank has seen significant ups and downs, often changing by several spots each year.

- **Global Competition:**

The overall global average for visa-free access has nearly doubled since 2006, meaning countries like India face intense competition to improve their standing.

- **Metrics:**

Rankings primarily depend on visa-free/visa-on-arrival access, with different index publishers (Henley, Nomad Capitalist) using slightly varying methodologies.

- **2025 Trend:**

While India's rank dropped by October/November to 85th (with 57 destinations), showing increased global travel restrictions affecting many nations

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Passport Ranking

Passport Ranking is a system that evaluates and ranks the world's passports based on the, [mobility freedom](#) or access their holders have to other countries without requiring a prior visa. Generally, the more countries a passport holder can visit visa-free or with visa-on-arrival, the higher its ranking.

Key Aspects of Passport Ranking

Definition of Power: A "powerful" passport provides the highest number of, [visa-free destinations](#).

Measurement Metrics: Rankings, such as the [Henley Passport Index](#) or [The Passport Index](#), typically use data from the [International Air Transport Association \(IATA\)](#) to calculate scores based on:

- **Visa-free entry.**
- **Visa-on-arrival.** global travel destinations can be reached without a pre-approved visa.
- **Electronic Travel Authorization (eTA).**

Methodology: The score determines how many of the roughly 227 global travel destinations can be reached without a pre-approved visa.

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