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# Risk Maps 2017

## Executive summary

This year Aon's Risk Maps address Political Risk and Terrorism and Political Violence Risk in a combined launch.

### Key themes

#### Political Risk

**Populism and trade protectionism**, apparent in statements from President Trump, the Brexit vote and forthcoming elections in France and the Netherlands, suggest greater global political and economic instability is likely. International trade and the movement of people will likely be challenged by developments.

**13 elections** in sub-Saharan Africa and a number in Europe will be closely watched – the former regarding their impact on regional stability and trade; the latter on their implications for European unity and potential protectionism.

**Sanctions** on Iran and Russia will be closely watched, with a potential softening likely to ease conditions in those countries. The US position will undoubtedly be pivotal, while a different EU position may create mixed messages.

**Energy**-producing states can expect an easing of some of the pressures they have faced over the past 18 months as the price of all oil rallies. Importers can expect political risks to rise.

#### Terrorism & Political Violence Risk

##### Country insights

**Germany** experienced a significant increase in terror attacks up from 2 in 2015 to 15 in 2016. Islamic extremism is the major driver of the increase in its country risk level from low to moderate, although there has also been a rise in right-wing extremism targeting refugees.

The **US** experienced an increase in its risk rating from low to medium as a result of the growing threat posed by lone actors sympathetic to global jihadist groups targeting busy, populated areas. Civil unrest also remains an issue with demonstrations linked to racial discrimination likely.

**Egypt** has grown more stable under its current president, but the threat from IS and anti-regime terrorism remains high, particularly in the Sinai. Tough economic reforms are likely to exacerbate grievances and may encourage attacks against the state.

The **Philippines** has become a focal point for regional Islamic terrorism, while conflict with local Communist insurgents persists. A new president has further complicated the security situation, with suggestions of authoritarian tendencies creating additional volatility.

The **Energy** sector was the most targeted sector in 2016, accounting for 41% of attacks by sector, with Colombia and Nigeria accounting for the bulk of attacks. Upstream facilities have been the top targets.

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#### The Risk Map launch

Full details of the launch and links to the Risk Map portal, the full report, videos and infographics can be found on our new dedicated web-page, which can be accessed [here](#).

## Political Risk score changes for 2017

2017 Political Risk score deteriorations	2017 Political Risk score improvements
Comoros	Argentina
Azerbaijan	Guinea
Djibouti	Madagascar
Kuwait	Paraguay
Zimbabwe	Rwanda
Mozambique	Ghana
Ethiopia	

### Risk metrics

The Political Risk map addresses six risks, namely: exchange transfer, legal and regulatory risk, political interference, political violence, sovereign non-payment and supply chain disruption.

The Terrorism and Political Violence Risk map addresses three risks, namely: terrorism and sabotage; strikes, riots, civil commotion and malicious damage; and insurrection, revolution, rebellion, mutiny, coup d'état, civil war and war.

### Commercial opportunities

If clients and prospects express an interest in understanding more about their exposure to Political Risk or Terrorism and Political Violence, please put them in contact with one of our regional experts. Their details can be found along with our dedicated colleague toolkit [here](#).

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## Political Risk score changes for 2017

2017 Terrorism & Political Violence score deteriorations	2017 Terrorism & Political Violence score improvements
Albania	Bahrain
Austria	Bosnia & Herzegovina
Colombia	Chad
Côte d'Ivoire	Comoros
The Gambia	Gabon
Germany	Ghana
Kazakhstan	Israel
Kenya	Nepal
Malaysia	Niger
Panama	Slovakia
Philippines	Turkmenistan
Singapore	
South Korea	
Switzerland	
Turkey	
United Kingdom	
United States	
Uruguay	
Vatican	

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