



World Press Freedom Day

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1. Jane Morse

Report Finds Press Freedoms Declining Worldwide

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Freedom of the press declined in almost every region of the world in 2009, according to a study released April 29 by Freedom House, an international nongovernmental organization that researches and monitors democratic freedoms around the world. The report, Freedom of the Press 2010: A Global Survey of Media Independence, found that press freedom declined for the eighth consecutive year, and only one in six people lives in a country with genuinely free media.

2. **Defending Press Freedom**

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3. **Freedom of Information as a Tool for Empowerment: Good Institutions, the Public Sphere and Media Literacy**

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[U.N. Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization and University of Gothenburg](#)

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4. **2009 Prison Census: 136 Journalists Jailed Worldwide**

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[Committee to Protect Journalist](#)

December 1, 2009

5. Jim Fisher-Thompson

Attacking Journalists Hurts All Society, Democracy Advocates Say

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If journalists are persecuted, imprisoned or killed, society as a whole is the victim, say media and democracy advocates speaking in advance of World Press Freedom Day. The United Nations highlighted the importance of a free media by establishing World Press Freedom Day in 1993, setting aside May 3 each year to remember slain and imprisoned journalists. This year's theme is the safety of journalists.

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