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# Sudan

**Source of Persecution** Islamic Oppression

**Population** 42,166,000

**Christians** 1,996,000

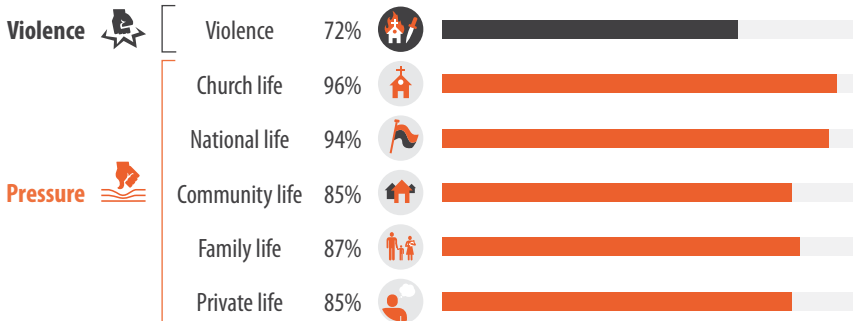
**Main Religion** Islam

**Government** Presidential Republic

**Leader** President Omar Hassan Ahmad al-Bashir

## Profile of Persecution

Based on World Watch List 2018 Data



### One Religion, One Culture

Persecution comes from the government and radical Muslims and is systematic and reminiscent of ethnic cleansing. Under the authoritarian rule of President al-Bashir and his party, there is no rule of law in Sudan; press and media laws are restrictive, and freedom of expression has been highly curtailed.

Historically, Islam is deeply embedded in Sudan's society, and the government strictly implements the policy of one religion, one culture and one language.

### Prayer Points

- Pray for opportunities for Christians to fellowship with other believers, and ask God to protect them as they follow Jesus in the face of intense persecution.
- Pray for church leaders to stand strong in the midst of pressure from Islamic extremists.
- Ask God to work in the hearts of Sudanese government leaders—convicting them to seek justice and peace through the power of the Holy Spirit.