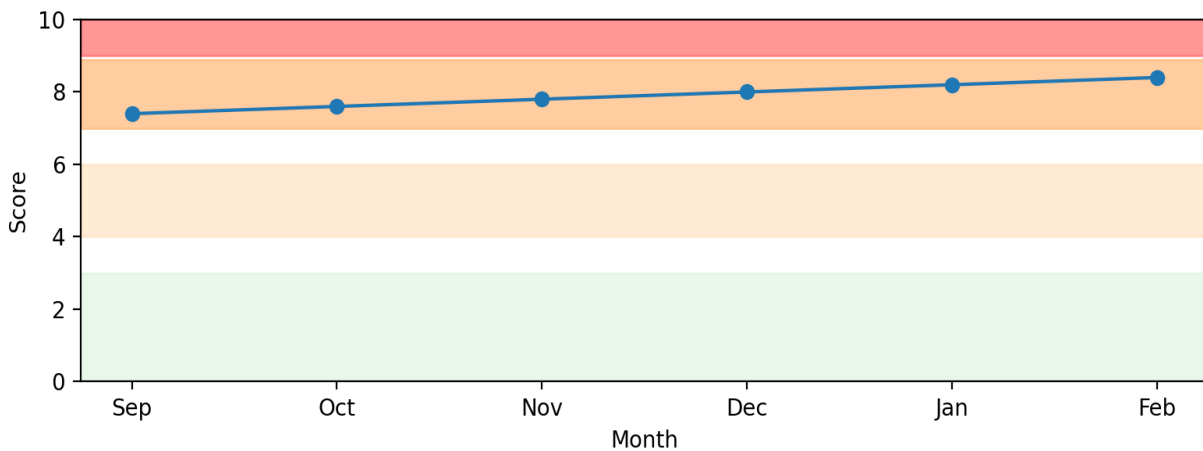


U.S. Democracy Risk Assessment

Executive Summary: Democratic institutions remain operational but are under sustained structural stress, with accelerating tension around court compliance, detention due process, and election governance.

Overall Democracy Slide Index: 8.4 / 10 Velocity: ▲ 0.4

Category	Score
Rule of Law & Court Compliance	8.5
Habeas Corpus & Due Process	8.5
Coercive State Power	8.0
Weaponized Justice	7.8
Election Integrity	7.6
Press Freedom	6.8
Civil Society	6.7
Institutional Oversight	7.2
Military Neutrality	6.2



Risk Bands: **Green (0–3 Stable)** | **Light Orange (4–6 Stress)** | **Dark Orange (7–8.9 Severe Erosion)** | **Red (9–10 Breakdown Risk)**

Redline Indicators (Immediate Escalation Triggers)

- Final Supreme Court order openly defied
- Habeas corpus functionally inaccessible
- Opposition leader jailed on speech charge
- Federal override of certified election results
- Journalists criminally charged for reporting
- Intelligence used for domestic political surveillance

Methodology: Composite index from a structured rubric assessing rule of law, due process, election integrity, institutional independence, and civil liberties. Scores are weighted by severity and evidence strength (court rulings, statutes, executive actions, verified reporting).

Sources include federal court filings, congressional records, executive actions, major investigative reporting, and domain trackers including TrumpActionTracker.info.

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Methodology
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