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2013: 7%  
2016: 2%

2. Freedom of the press  
2013: 2%

3. Freedom to join political parties  
2013: 27%

4. Freedom to join civil associations & organizations  
2013: 22%

5. Freedom to participate in peaceful protests & demonstrations  
2013: 36%

**% Egyptians who say that civil liberties are guaranteed in their country**

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