

6.01 Intensity of local competition

How would you assess the intensity of competition in the local markets in your country? [1 = limited in most industries; 7 = intense in most industries] | 2011–12 weighted average

RANK	COUNTRY/ECONOMY	VALUE	1	MEAN 4.8	7	RANK	COUNTRY/ECONOMY	VALUE	1	MEAN 4.8	7
1	Netherlands	6.1				73	Paraguay	4.8			
2	Japan	6.0				74	Botswana	4.8			
3	Taiwan, China	6.0				75	Mexico	4.8			
4	Belgium	6.0				76	Suriname	4.7			
5	United Kingdom	6.0				77	Uganda	4.7			
6	Australia	5.9				78	Côte d'Ivoire	4.7			
7	Austria	5.8				79	Colombia	4.7			
8	Germany	5.8				80	Yemen	4.7			
9	Hong Kong SAR	5.8				81	Kuwait	4.7			
10	Malta	5.8				82	Gambia, The	4.7			
11	Korea, Rep.	5.7				83	Bangladesh	4.7			
12	Qatar	5.7				84	Iceland	4.6			
13	Czech Republic	5.7				85	Pakistan	4.6			
14	Saudi Arabia	5.7				86	Mongolia	4.6			
15	United Arab Emirates	5.7				87	Liberia	4.6			
16	Turkey	5.7				88	Trinidad and Tobago	4.6			
17	Puerto Rico	5.7				89	Honduras	4.6			
18	United States	5.6				90	Seychelles	4.5			
19	Canada	5.6				91	Namibia	4.5			
20	Switzerland	5.6				92	Nigeria	4.5			
21	Singapore	5.5				93	Benin	4.5			
22	Sweden	5.5				94	Zimbabwe	4.4			
23	Spain	5.5				95	Greece	4.4			
24	New Zealand	5.5				96	Indonesia	4.4			
25	Estonia	5.5				97	Cameroon	4.4			
26	Sri Lanka	5.5				98	Rwanda	4.4			
27	Slovak Republic	5.5				99	Uruguay	4.4			
28	France	5.5				100	Madagascar	4.4			
29	Denmark	5.4				101	Bulgaria	4.3			
30	Poland	5.4				102	Romania	4.3			
31	Jordan	5.4				103	Ecuador	4.3			
32	Norway	5.4				104	Ukraine	4.3			
33	Bahrain	5.4				105	Burkina Faso	4.3			
34	India	5.4				106	Iran, Islamic Rep.	4.3			
35	Lebanon	5.4				107	Tajikistan	4.2			
36	Malaysia	5.4				108	Moldova	4.2			
37	China	5.3				109	Tanzania	4.2			
38	Hungary	5.3				110	Mali	4.2			
39	Chile	5.3				111	Swaziland	4.2			
40	Ireland	5.2				112	Nepal	4.2			
41	Slovenia	5.2				113	Kazakhstan	4.1			
42	Mauritius	5.2				114	Montenegro	4.1			
43	Cyprus	5.1				115	Libya	4.1			
44	Vietnam	5.1				116	Guinea	4.1			
45	Brazil	5.1				117	Argentina	4.1			
46	Guatemala	5.1				118	Lesotho	4.1			
47	Oman	5.1				119	Macedonia, FYR	4.1			
48	Lithuania	5.1				120	Croatia	4.0			
49	Peru	5.1				121	Egypt	4.0			
50	Philippines	5.1				122	Cape Verde	4.0			
51	South Africa	5.1				123	Kyrgyz Republic	4.0			
52	Senegal	5.1				124	Russian Federation	4.0			
53	Ghana	5.0				125	Mauritania	3.9			
54	Thailand	5.0				126	Malawi	3.9			
55	Panama	5.0				127	Georgia	3.9			
56	Dominican Republic	5.0				128	Albania	3.9			
57	Morocco	5.0				129	Nicaragua	3.9			
58	Luxembourg	5.0				130	Armenia	3.8			
59	Guyana	5.0				131	Azerbaijan	3.8			
60	Costa Rica	5.0				132	Gabon	3.8			
61	Zambia	5.0				133	Mozambique	3.8			
62	Portugal	4.9				134	Haiti	3.7			
63	Kenya	4.9				135	Bolivia	3.7			
64	El Salvador	4.9				136	Sierra Leone	3.7			
65	Jamaica	4.9				137	Serbia	3.6			
66	Israel	4.9				138	Bosnia and Herzegovina	3.6			
67	Italy	4.9				139	Ethiopia	3.6			
68	Finland	4.9				140	Burundi	3.5			
69	Latvia	4.9				141	Timor-Leste	3.4			
70	Barbados	4.9				142	Chad	3.3			
71	Brunei Darussalam	4.8				143	Venezuela	3.3			
72	Cambodia	4.8				144	Algeria	3.1			

SOURCE: World Economic Forum, Executive Opinion Survey

6.02 Extent of market dominance

How would you characterize corporate activity in your country? [1 = dominated by a few business groups; 7 = spread among many firms] | 2011–12 weighted average

RANK	COUNTRY/ECONOMY	VALUE	1	MEAN 3.8	7	RANK	COUNTRY/ECONOMY	VALUE	1	MEAN 3.8	7
1	Switzerland	5.8				73	Vietnam	3.7			
2	Germany	5.8				74	Slovak Republic	3.7			
3	Japan	5.5				75	Cape Verde	3.7			
4	Denmark	5.5				76	Suriname	3.7			
5	Austria	5.5				77	Ghana	3.7			
6	United Kingdom	5.5				78	Barbados	3.6			
7	Netherlands	5.4				79	Thailand	3.6			
8	Taiwan, China	5.4				80	Zimbabwe	3.6			
9	United States	5.2				81	Bolivia	3.6			
10	Belgium	5.2				82	Iceland	3.5			
11	Singapore	5.1				83	Kazakhstan	3.5			
12	Qatar	5.0				84	Guyana	3.5			
13	Canada	5.0				85	Namibia	3.5			
14	United Arab Emirates	5.0				86	Mauritius	3.5			
15	Puerto Rico	5.0				87	Seychelles	3.5			
16	Italy	4.9				88	Trinidad and Tobago	3.4			
17	Norway	4.9				89	Paraguay	3.4			
18	Saudi Arabia	4.9				90	Armenia	3.4			
19	Malaysia	4.9				91	Hungary	3.4			
20	Ireland	4.8				92	Romania	3.4			
21	Sweden	4.8				93	Peru	3.4			
22	Poland	4.7				94	Honduras	3.4			
23	China	4.6				95	Lithuania	3.4			
24	Sri Lanka	4.6				96	Colombia	3.4			
25	Luxembourg	4.6				97	Macedonia, FYR	3.4			
26	Finland	4.6				98	Philippines	3.3			
27	India	4.5				99	Korea, Rep.	3.3			
28	New Zealand	4.5				100	Albania	3.3			
29	Spain	4.5				101	Argentina	3.3			
30	Turkey	4.4				102	Kuwait	3.3			
31	Brazil	4.4				103	Madagascar	3.3			
32	Costa Rica	4.3				104	Tanzania	3.3			
33	France	4.3				105	Burundi	3.3			
34	Bahrain	4.3				106	Bulgaria	3.3			
35	Australia	4.3				107	Russian Federation	3.3			
36	Czech Republic	4.3				108	Ukraine	3.2			
37	Gambia, The	4.3				109	Portugal	3.2			
38	Cyprus	4.2				110	Swaziland	3.2			
39	South Africa	4.2				111	Burkina Faso	3.2			
40	Liberia	4.2				112	Chile	3.2			
41	Nigeria	4.2				113	Mexico	3.2			
42	Uruguay	4.1				114	El Salvador	3.2			
43	Cameroon	4.1				115	Uganda	3.2			
44	Lebanon	4.1				116	Malawi	3.2			
45	Estonia	4.0				117	Croatia	3.2			
46	Jordan	4.0				118	Egypt	3.2			
47	Iran, Islamic Rep.	4.0				119	Libya	3.2			
48	Panama	4.0				120	Bangladesh	3.2			
49	Cambodia	4.0				121	Georgia	3.2			
50	Zambia	4.0				122	Mauritania	3.1			
51	Latvia	4.0				123	Lesotho	3.1			
52	Jamaica	3.9				124	Israel	3.1			
53	Brunei Darussalam	3.9				125	Ecuador	3.1			
54	Tajikistan	3.9				126	Timor-Leste	3.1			
55	Guatemala	3.9				127	Bosnia and Herzegovina	3.1			
56	Hong Kong SAR	3.9				128	Côte d'Ivoire	3.1			
57	Indonesia	3.9				129	Kyrgyz Republic	3.1			
58	Morocco	3.9				130	Moldova	3.0			
59	Montenegro	3.8				131	Sierra Leone	3.0			
60	Malta	3.8				132	Nicaragua	3.0			
61	Oman	3.8				133	Mozambique	2.9			
62	Kenya	3.8				134	Chad	2.9			
63	Rwanda	3.8				135	Ethiopia	2.8			
64	Azerbaijan	3.8				136	Gabon	2.8			
65	Pakistan	3.8				137	Algeria	2.8			
66	Benin	3.8				138	Venezuela	2.7			
67	Senegal	3.7				139	Dominican Republic	2.7			
68	Mali	3.7				140	Nepal	2.7			
69	Greece	3.7				141	Yemen	2.7			
70	Botswana	3.7				142	Serbia	2.6			
71	Slovenia	3.7				143	Mongolia	2.6			
72	Guinea	3.7				144	Haiti	2.4			

SOURCE: World Economic Forum, Executive Opinion Survey

6.03 Effectiveness of anti-monopoly policy

To what extent does anti-monopoly policy promote competition in your country? [1 = does not promote competition; 7 = effectively promotes competition] | 2011–12 weighted average

RANK	COUNTRY/ECONOMY	VALUE	1	MEAN 4.0	7	RANK	COUNTRY/ECONOMY	VALUE	1	MEAN 4.0	7
1	Netherlands	5.7				73	Ghana	4.0			
2	New Zealand	5.6				74	Sri Lanka	4.0			
3	Sweden	5.5				75	Jamaica	3.9			
4	Finland	5.5				76	Mali	3.9			
5	Singapore	5.4				77	Malawi	3.9			
6	South Africa	5.3				78	Colombia	3.9			
7	Puerto Rico	5.3				79	Zimbabwe	3.9			
8	Qatar	5.3				80	Thailand	3.9			
9	United Kingdom	5.2				81	Seychelles	3.9			
10	Denmark	5.2				82	Vietnam	3.9			
11	Norway	5.1				83	Hungary	3.8			
12	Saudi Arabia	5.1				84	Philippines	3.8			
13	Bahrain	5.1				85	Tajikistan	3.8			
14	United Arab Emirates	5.1				86	Bosnia and Herzegovina	3.8			
15	Japan	5.0				87	Montenegro	3.8			
16	Switzerland	5.0				88	Timor-Leste	3.8			
17	United States	4.9				89	Guyana	3.8			
18	Australia	4.9				90	Croatia	3.8			
19	Taiwan, China	4.9				91	Greece	3.8			
20	France	4.9				92	Benin	3.8			
21	Canada	4.9				93	Côte d'Ivoire	3.7			
22	Ireland	4.8				94	Honduras	3.7			
23	Panama	4.8				95	Kazakhstan	3.7			
24	Germany	4.8				96	Macedonia, FYR	3.7			
25	Chile	4.8				97	Lithuania	3.7			
26	Malaysia	4.8				98	El Salvador	3.6			
27	Luxembourg	4.8				99	Albania	3.6			
28	Oman	4.7				100	Italy	3.6			
29	Austria	4.7				101	Cape Verde	3.6			
30	Belgium	4.7				102	Nepal	3.6			
31	Turkey	4.7				103	Trinidad and Tobago	3.6			
32	Brazil	4.6				104	Sierra Leone	3.5			
33	Cameroon	4.6				105	Lebanon	3.5			
34	India	4.6				106	Kuwait	3.5			
35	Zambia	4.6				107	Mauritania	3.5			
36	Malta	4.6				108	Bulgaria	3.5			
37	Iceland	4.5				109	Guinea	3.5			
38	Korea, Rep.	4.5				110	Ecuador	3.5			
39	Estonia	4.5				111	Bangladesh	3.5			
40	Mauritius	4.5				112	Guatemala	3.5			
41	Indonesia	4.5				113	Nicaragua	3.5			
42	Cyprus	4.4				114	Azerbaijan	3.5			
43	Barbados	4.4				115	Mexico	3.5			
44	Rwanda	4.4				116	Armenia	3.5			
45	Nigeria	4.4				117	Libya	3.4			
46	Uganda	4.3				118	Suriname	3.4			
47	Kenya	4.3				119	Uruguay	3.4			
48	Czech Republic	4.3				120	Romania	3.4			
49	Spain	4.3				121	Paraguay	3.4			
50	Gambia, The	4.3				122	Bolivia	3.4			
51	Cambodia	4.3				123	Dominican Republic	3.4			
52	Jordan	4.3				124	Russian Federation	3.4			
53	Brunei Darussalam	4.2				125	Lesotho	3.3			
54	China	4.2				126	Swaziland	3.3			
55	Hong Kong SAR	4.2				127	Madagascar	3.3			
56	Morocco	4.2				128	Gabon	3.2			
57	Costa Rica	4.2				129	Ethiopia	3.2			
58	Peru	4.2				130	Moldova	3.2			
59	Senegal	4.2				131	Mongolia	3.2			
60	Iran, Islamic Rep.	4.1				132	Ukraine	3.2			
61	Poland	4.1				133	Egypt	3.2			
62	Tanzania	4.1				134	Mozambique	3.1			
63	Namibia	4.1				135	Chad	3.1			
64	Slovenia	4.1				136	Argentina	3.0			
65	Burkina Faso	4.1				137	Burundi	2.9			
66	Slovak Republic	4.1				138	Yemen	2.9			
67	Liberia	4.1				139	Kyrgyz Republic	2.9			
68	Portugal	4.1				140	Algeria	2.9			
69	Israel	4.1				141	Georgia	2.9			
70	Latvia	4.1				142	Serbia	2.8			
71	Pakistan	4.0				143	Haiti	2.6			
72	Botswana	4.0				144	Venezuela	2.4			

SOURCE: World Economic Forum, Executive Opinion Survey

6.04 Extent and effect of taxation

What impact does the level of taxes in your country have on incentives to work or invest? [1 = significantly limits incentives to work or invest; 7 = has no impact on incentives to work or invest] | 2011–12 weighted average

RANK	COUNTRY/ECONOMY	VALUE	1	MEAN 3.6	7	RANK	COUNTRY/ECONOMY	VALUE	1	MEAN 3.6	7
1	Bahrain	6.3				73	Israel	3.5			
2	United Arab Emirates	6.2				74	Germany	3.5			
3	Qatar	5.7				75	Guyana	3.5			
4	Hong Kong SAR	5.6				76	Bolivia	3.4			
5	Oman	5.6				77	United Kingdom	3.4			
6	Kuwait	5.5				78	Vietnam	3.4			
7	Singapore	5.5				79	Peru	3.4			
8	Switzerland	5.2				80	Bulgaria	3.4			
9	Mauritius	5.1				81	Côte d'Ivoire	3.4			
10	Saudi Arabia	5.1				82	Seychelles	3.4			
11	Paraguay	4.8				83	Jordan	3.4			
12	Luxembourg	4.8				84	Nicaragua	3.4			
13	Botswana	4.7				85	Cape Verde	3.3			
14	Malaysia	4.7				86	Suriname	3.3			
15	Brunei Darussalam	4.7				87	Egypt	3.3			
16	Cyprus	4.6				88	Moldova	3.3			
17	New Zealand	4.6				89	Lesotho	3.3			
18	Estonia	4.5				90	Kenya	3.3			
19	Timor-Leste	4.5				91	Burkina Faso	3.3			
20	Rwanda	4.4				92	Kyrgyz Republic	3.3			
21	Taiwan, China	4.4				93	Cameroon	3.3			
22	Nigeria	4.3				94	Tanzania	3.3			
23	Chile	4.3				95	Madagascar	3.3			
24	Lebanon	4.2				96	Poland	3.3			
25	Montenegro	4.2				97	Zimbabwe	3.3			
26	Macedonia, FYR	4.1				98	Austria	3.2			
27	Guinea	4.1				99	Finland	3.2			
28	Canada	4.1				100	Swaziland	3.2			
29	Netherlands	4.1				101	Algeria	3.2			
30	Indonesia	4.1				102	Uganda	3.2			
31	South Africa	4.0				103	Australia	3.2			
32	Bangladesh	4.0				104	Sweden	3.1			
33	Liberia	4.0				105	Czech Republic	3.1			
34	Panama	4.0				106	Mali	3.1			
35	Cambodia	4.0				107	Latvia	3.1			
36	Mongolia	4.0				108	Korea, Rep.	3.1			
37	Barbados	3.9				109	Bosnia and Herzegovina	3.1			
38	Georgia	3.9				110	Uruguay	3.1			
39	Kazakhstan	3.9				111	Spain	3.0			
40	Trinidad and Tobago	3.9				112	Venezuela	3.0			
41	China	3.9				113	Japan	3.0			
42	Albania	3.9				114	Ecuador	3.0			
43	Sri Lanka	3.8				115	Jamaica	3.0			
44	India	3.8				116	Colombia	3.0			
45	Armenia	3.8				117	Turkey	3.0			
46	Ireland	3.8				118	Haiti	3.0			
47	Libya	3.8				119	Iceland	3.0			
48	Sierra Leone	3.8				120	Malawi	2.9			
49	Azerbaijan	3.7				121	Russian Federation	2.9			
50	Mauritania	3.7				122	Serbia	2.9			
51	Namibia	3.7				123	El Salvador	2.8			
52	Nepal	3.7				124	Benin	2.8			
53	Malta	3.7				125	Lithuania	2.8			
54	Tajikistan	3.7				126	Yemen	2.8			
55	Thailand	3.6				127	Honduras	2.8			
56	Guatemala	3.6				128	France	2.8			
57	Philippines	3.6				129	Senegal	2.8			
58	Puerto Rico	3.6				130	Slovenia	2.8			
59	Norway	3.6				131	Dominican Republic	2.7			
60	Mexico	3.6				132	Chad	2.6			
61	Ghana	3.6				133	Denmark	2.6			
62	Morocco	3.6				134	Hungary	2.5			
63	Gabon	3.6				135	Portugal	2.4			
64	Zambia	3.5				136	Argentina	2.3			
65	Mozambique	3.5				137	Croatia	2.3			
66	Slovak Republic	3.5				138	Greece	2.3			
67	Gambia, The	3.5				139	Ukraine	2.3			
68	Ethiopia	3.5				140	Belgium	2.3			
69	United States	3.5				141	Italy	2.2			
70	Costa Rica	3.5				142	Romania	2.2			
71	Iran, Islamic Rep.	3.5				143	Burundi	2.2			
72	Pakistan	3.5				144	Brazil	2.1			

SOURCE: World Economic Forum, Executive Opinion Survey

6.05 Total tax rate

This variable is a combination of profit tax (% of profits), labor tax and contribution (% of profits), and other taxes (% of profits) | 2011

RANK	COUNTRY/ECONOMY	VALUE	RANK	COUNTRY/ECONOMY	VALUE
1	Timor-Leste	0.2	73	Finland	39.0
2	Macedonia, FYR	9.7	74	Azerbaijan	40.0
3	Namibia	9.8	75	Vietnam	40.1
4	Qatar	11.3	76	Netherlands	40.5
5	United Arab Emirates	14.1	77	Peru	40.7
6	Saudi Arabia	14.5	78	Haiti	40.8
6	Zambia	14.5	79	Armenia	40.9
8	Bahrain	15.0	79	Guatemala	40.9
9	Kuwait	15.5	81	Turkey	41.1
10	Lesotho	16.0	82	Norway	41.6
11	Georgia	16.5	83	Dominican Republic	41.7
12	Brunei Darussalam	16.8	84	Uruguay	42.0
13	Botswana	19.4	85	Portugal	43.3
14	Luxembourg	20.8	86	Gabon	43.5
15	Oman	22.0	87	Burkina Faso	43.6
16	Montenegro	22.3	87	Egypt	43.6
17	Cambodia	22.5	87	Poland	43.6
18	Hong Kong SAR	23.0	90	Liberia	43.7
19	Cyprus	23.1	91	Lithuania	43.9
20	Mongolia	24.6	92	Honduras	44.0
21	Bosnia and Herzegovina	25.0	93	Iran, Islamic Rep.	44.1
21	Chile	25.0	94	Côte d'Ivoire	44.3
21	Mauritius	25.0	95	Romania	44.4
24	Ireland	26.3	96	Panama	45.2
25	Singapore	27.1	97	Tanzania	45.5
26	Denmark	27.5	98	Jamaica	45.6
27	Jordan	27.7	99	Senegal	46.0
28	Suriname	27.9	100	Burundi	46.2
29	Bulgaria	28.1	101	Greece	46.4
30	Malawi	28.2	102	Philippines	46.5
31	Kazakhstan	28.6	103	Germany	46.7
32	Canada	28.8	103	United States	46.7
33	Trinidad and Tobago	29.1	105	Russian Federation	46.9
34	Korea, Rep.	29.7	106	Australia	47.7
35	Switzerland	30.1	107	Slovak Republic	48.8
36	Lebanon	30.2	108	Cameroon	49.1
37	Ethiopia	31.1	108	Czech Republic	49.1
38	Israel	31.2	108	Japan	49.1
39	Moldova	31.3	111	Kenya	49.6
39	Rwanda	31.3	111	Morocco	49.6
41	Nepal	31.5	113	Mali	51.8
42	Iceland	31.8	114	Hungary	52.4
43	Sierra Leone	32.1	115	Mexico	52.7
44	Seychelles	32.2	116	Sweden	52.8
45	Croatia	32.3	117	Austria	53.1
46	Nigeria	32.7	118	Guinea	54.3
47	Yemen	32.9	119	Costa Rica	55.0
48	South Africa	33.1	120	Ukraine	57.1
49	Ghana	33.6	121	Belgium	57.3
50	Malaysia	34.0	122	Estonia	58.6
50	Serbia	34.0	123	India	61.8
52	Mozambique	34.3	124	Puerto Rico	63.1
53	New Zealand	34.4	125	China	63.5
54	Indonesia	34.5	125	Venezuela	63.5
55	Slovenia	34.7	127	Chad	65.4
56	Bangladesh	35.0	128	France	65.7
56	El Salvador	35.0	129	Benin	66.0
56	Paraguay	35.0	130	Nicaragua	66.8
59	Ecuador	35.3	131	Brazil	67.1
59	Pakistan	35.3	132	Mauritania	68.3
61	Taiwan, China	35.6	133	Italy	68.5
61	Zimbabwe	35.6	134	Kyrgyz Republic	69.0
63	Uganda	35.7	135	Algeria	72.0
64	Guyana	36.1	136	Colombia	74.8
65	Madagascar	36.6	137	Bolivia	80.0
66	Swaziland	36.8	138	Tajikistan	84.5
67	United Kingdom	37.3	139	Sri Lanka	105.2
68	Thailand	37.5	140	Argentina	108.2
69	Cape Verde	37.8	141	Gambia, The	283.5
70	Latvia	37.9	n/a	Barbados	n/a
71	Albania	38.5	n/a	Libya	n/a
72	Spain	38.7	n/a	Malta	n/a

SOURCE: World Bank/International Finance Corporation, *Doing Business 2012: Doing Business in a More Transparent World*

6.06 Number of procedures required to start a business

Number of procedures required to start a business | 2011

RANK	COUNTRY/ECONOMY	VALUE	RANK	COUNTRY/ECONOMY	VALUE
1	Canada	1	47	Zambia	6
1	New Zealand	1	74	Bahrain	7
3	Australia	2	74	Bangladesh	7
3	Georgia	2	74	Chile	7
3	Kyrgyz Republic	2	74	Dominican Republic	7
3	Rwanda	2	74	Ghana	7
3	Slovenia	2	74	Jordan	7
8	Armenia	3	74	Lesotho	7
8	Belgium	3	74	Moldova	7
8	Burkina Faso	3	74	Mongolia	7
8	Finland	3	74	Nepal	7
8	Hong Kong SAR	3	74	Paraguay	7
8	Macedonia, FYR	3	74	Serbia	7
8	Madagascar	3	74	United Arab Emirates	7
8	Saudi Arabia	3	87	Austria	8
8	Senegal	3	87	Cape Verde	8
8	Singapore	3	87	El Salvador	8
8	Sweden	3	87	Gambia, The	8
8	Taiwan, China	3	87	Guyana	8
20	Bulgaria	4	87	Indonesia	8
20	Denmark	4	87	Japan	8
20	Hungary	4	87	Nicaragua	8
20	Ireland	4	87	Nigeria	8
20	Latvia	4	87	Qatar	8
20	Liberia	4	97	Burundi	9
20	Malaysia	4	97	Cambodia	9
20	Mali	4	97	Colombia	9
20	Sri Lanka	4	97	Czech Republic	9
29	Albania	5	97	Gabon	9
29	Cameroon	5	97	Germany	9
29	Estonia	5	97	Mauritania	9
29	Ethiopia	5	97	Mozambique	9
29	France	5	97	Russian Federation	9
29	Iceland	5	97	Trinidad and Tobago	9
29	Israel	5	97	Ukraine	9
29	Korea, Rep.	5	97	Vietnam	9
29	Lebanon	5	97	Zimbabwe	9
29	Mauritius	5	110	Botswana	10
29	Norway	5	110	Côte d'Ivoire	10
29	Oman	5	110	Greece	10
29	Peru	5	110	Malawi	10
29	Portugal	5	110	Namibia	10
29	South Africa	5	110	Pakistan	10
29	Tajikistan	5	110	Seychelles	10
29	Thailand	5	110	Spain	10
29	Uruguay	5	110	Timor-Leste	10
47	Azerbaijan	6	119	Chad	11
47	Benin	6	119	Kenya	11
47	Croatia	6	121	Bosnia and Herzegovina	12
47	Cyprus	6	121	Costa Rica	12
47	Egypt	6	121	Guatemala	12
47	Iran, Islamic Rep.	6	121	Guinea	12
47	Italy	6	121	Haiti	12
47	Jamaica	6	121	India	12
47	Kazakhstan	6	121	Kuwait	12
47	Lithuania	6	121	Swaziland	12
47	Luxembourg	6	121	Tanzania	12
47	Mexico	6	130	Brazil	13
47	Montenegro	6	130	Ecuador	13
47	Morocco	6	130	Honduras	13
47	Netherlands	6	130	Suriname	13
47	Panama	6	134	Algeria	14
47	Poland	6	134	Argentina	14
47	Puerto Rico	6	134	China	14
47	Romania	6	137	Bolivia	15
47	Sierra Leone	6	137	Brunei Darussalam	15
47	Slovak Republic	6	137	Philippines	15
47	Switzerland	6	140	Uganda	16
47	Turkey	6	141	Venezuela	17
47	United Kingdom	6	n/a	Barbados	n/a
47	United States	6	n/a	Libya	n/a
47	Yemen	6	n/a	Malta	n/a

SOURCE: World Bank/International Finance Corporation, *Doing Business 2012: Doing Business in a More Transparent World*

6.07 Time required to start a business

Number of days required to start a business | 2011

RANK	COUNTRY/ECONOMY	VALUE	RANK	COUNTRY/ECONOMY	VALUE
1	New Zealand	1	71	Sweden	15
2	Australia	2	74	Latvia	16
2	Georgia	2	75	El Salvador	17
4	Hong Kong SAR	3	76	Bulgaria	18
4	Macedonia, FYR	3	76	Slovak Republic	18
4	Rwanda	3	76	Switzerland	18
4	Singapore	3	76	Zambia	18
8	Belgium	4	80	Bangladesh	19
8	Hungary	4	80	Dominican Republic	19
10	Albania	5	80	Kazakhstan	19
10	Canada	5	80	Luxembourg	19
10	Iceland	5	80	Mauritania	19
10	Portugal	5	80	South Africa	19
10	Saudi Arabia	5	86	Czech Republic	20
10	Senegal	5	87	Pakistan	21
16	Denmark	6	88	Lithuania	22
16	Italy	6	89	Japan	23
16	Liberia	6	90	Tajikistan	24
16	Malaysia	6	90	Ukraine	24
16	Mauritius	6	92	Algeria	25
16	Puerto Rico	6	93	Argentina	26
16	Slovenia	6	93	Guyana	26
16	Turkey	6	93	Peru	26
16	United States	6	96	Gambia, The	27
25	Chile	7	97	Austria	28
25	Croatia	7	97	Spain	28
25	Egypt	7	99	Benin	29
25	Estonia	7	99	India	29
25	France	7	99	Nepal	29
25	Jamaica	7	99	Tanzania	29
25	Korea, Rep.	7	99	Thailand	29
25	Norway	7	104	Russian Federation	30
25	Uruguay	7	105	Côte d'Ivoire	32
34	Armenia	8	105	Kuwait	32
34	Azerbaijan	8	105	Poland	32
34	Cyprus	8	108	Kenya	33
34	Iran, Islamic Rep.	8	109	Israel	34
34	Madagascar	8	109	Nigeria	34
34	Mali	8	109	Uganda	34
34	Netherlands	8	112	Paraguay	35
34	Oman	8	112	Philippines	35
34	Panama	8	112	Sri Lanka	35
43	Bahrain	9	115	Guatemala	37
43	Ethiopia	9	116	China	38
43	Lebanon	9	117	Malawi	39
43	Mexico	9	117	Nicaragua	39
43	Moldova	9	117	Seychelles	39
48	Greece	10	120	Bosnia and Herzegovina	40
48	Kyrgyz Republic	10	120	Guinea	40
48	Montenegro	10	120	Lesotho	40
48	Taiwan, China	10	123	Trinidad and Tobago	43
52	Cape Verde	11	124	Vietnam	44
53	Ghana	12	125	Indonesia	45
53	Jordan	12	126	Bolivia	50
53	Morocco	12	127	Ecuador	56
53	Qatar	12	127	Swaziland	56
53	Sierra Leone	12	129	Gabon	58
53	Yemen	12	130	Costa Rica	60
59	Burkina Faso	13	131	Botswana	61
59	Ireland	13	132	Chad	66
59	Mongolia	13	132	Namibia	66
59	Mozambique	13	134	Cambodia	85
59	Serbia	13	135	Zimbabwe	90
59	United Arab Emirates	13	136	Brunei Darussalam	101
59	United Kingdom	13	137	Timor-Leste	103
66	Burundi	14	138	Haiti	105
66	Colombia	14	139	Brazil	119
66	Finland	14	140	Venezuela	141
66	Honduras	14	141	Suriname	694
66	Romania	14	n/a	Barbados	n/a
71	Cameroon	15	n/a	Libya	n/a
71	Germany	15	n/a	Malta	n/a

SOURCE: World Bank/International Finance Corporation, *Doing Business 2012: Doing Business in a More Transparent World*

6.08 Agricultural policy costs

How would you assess the agricultural policy in your country? [1 = excessively burdensome for the economy; 7 = balances the interests of taxpayers, consumers, and producers] | 2011–12 weighted average

RANK	COUNTRY/ECONOMY	VALUE	1	MEAN 3.9	7	RANK	COUNTRY/ECONOMY	VALUE	1	MEAN 3.9	7
1	New Zealand	6.0				73	Denmark	3.9			
2	Rwanda	5.5				74	Germany	3.9			
3	Singapore	5.2				75	Cyprus	3.8			
4	Malaysia	5.1				76	Philippines	3.8			
5	Uruguay	5.1				77	Panama	3.8			
6	United Arab Emirates	4.9				78	Latvia	3.8			
7	Oman	4.9				79	Czech Republic	3.8			
8	Luxembourg	4.8				80	Morocco	3.8			
9	Saudi Arabia	4.8				81	Côte d'Ivoire	3.8			
10	Gambia, The	4.8				82	Tanzania	3.8			
11	Netherlands	4.8				83	Senegal	3.8			
12	Ireland	4.8				84	Hungary	3.8			
13	China	4.7				85	Jordan	3.8			
14	Chile	4.7				86	Ecuador	3.7			
15	Hong Kong SAR	4.7				87	India	3.7			
16	Bangladesh	4.6				88	Italy	3.7			
17	Brazil	4.6				89	Chad	3.7			
18	Sweden	4.6				90	Puerto Rico	3.7			
19	Australia	4.6				91	Timor-Leste	3.7			
20	Botswana	4.6				92	Albania	3.6			
21	Montenegro	4.6				93	Dominican Republic	3.6			
22	Estonia	4.5				94	Nepal	3.6			
23	Mauritius	4.5				95	Slovenia	3.6			
24	Brunei Darussalam	4.5				96	Burkina Faso	3.6			
25	Zambia	4.4				97	Korea, Rep.	3.6			
26	Malta	4.4				98	Poland	3.6			
27	Cambodia	4.4				99	Bolivia	3.6			
28	Bahrain	4.4				100	Bosnia and Herzegovina	3.6			
29	Qatar	4.4				101	Honduras	3.6			
30	Barbados	4.4				102	Iran, Islamic Rep.	3.5			
31	Vietnam	4.4				103	Kuwait	3.5			
32	Israel	4.3				104	Trinidad and Tobago	3.5			
33	Sri Lanka	4.3				105	Norway	3.5			
34	Jamaica	4.3				106	Switzerland	3.5			
35	United Kingdom	4.3				107	El Salvador	3.5			
36	Paraguay	4.3				108	Colombia	3.5			
37	Namibia	4.3				109	Malawi	3.5			
38	Taiwan, China	4.2				110	Spain	3.5			
39	Guatemala	4.2				111	Pakistan	3.5			
40	Indonesia	4.2				112	Mauritania	3.4			
41	Canada	4.2				113	Lebanon	3.4			
42	Belgium	4.2				114	Nigeria	3.4			
43	Macedonia, FYR	4.2				115	Iceland	3.3			
44	Armenia	4.2				116	Thailand	3.3			
45	Guyana	4.2				117	Burundi	3.3			
46	Cameroon	4.2				118	Suriname	3.3			
47	South Africa	4.2				119	Serbia	3.3			
48	Kazakhstan	4.2				120	Slovak Republic	3.3			
49	Ghana	4.2				121	Portugal	3.3			
50	Liberia	4.1				122	Romania	3.3			
51	Cape Verde	4.1				123	Mexico	3.3			
52	Tajikistan	4.1				124	Algeria	3.2			
53	Turkey	4.1				125	Madagascar	3.2			
54	Austria	4.1				126	Egypt	3.2			
55	Mongolia	4.1				127	Libya	3.1			
56	Finland	4.1				128	Georgia	3.1			
57	Sierra Leone	4.0				129	Kyrgyz Republic	3.1			
58	Uganda	4.0				130	Bulgaria	3.1			
59	Ethiopia	4.0				131	Zimbabwe	3.1			
60	France	4.0				132	Argentina	3.0			
61	Gabon	4.0				133	Russian Federation	3.0			
62	Kenya	4.0				134	Moldova	3.0			
63	Seychelles	3.9				135	Mozambique	3.0			
64	Mali	3.9				136	Ukraine	3.0			
65	United States	3.9				137	Benin	3.0			
66	Costa Rica	3.9				138	Lesotho	2.9			
67	Azerbaijan	3.9				139	Yemen	2.8			
68	Nicaragua	3.9				140	Greece	2.7			
69	Lithuania	3.9				141	Haiti	2.6			
70	Swaziland	3.9				142	Japan	2.6			
71	Guinea	3.9				143	Croatia	2.5			
72	Peru	3.9				144	Venezuela	2.2			

SOURCE: World Economic Forum, Executive Opinion Survey

6.09 Prevalence of trade barriers

In your country, to what extent do tariff and non-tariff barriers limit the ability of imported goods to compete in the domestic market? [1 = strongly limit; 7 = do not limit] | 2011–12 weighted average

RANK	COUNTRY/ECONOMY	VALUE	1	MEAN 4.3	7	RANK	COUNTRY/ECONOMY	VALUE	1	MEAN 4.3	7
1	New Zealand	6.3				73	Macedonia, FYR	4.3			
2	Qatar	5.9				74	Mongolia	4.3			
3	Singapore	5.9				75	Indonesia	4.3			
4	Hong Kong SAR	5.9				76	Philippines	4.3			
5	Finland	5.8				77	Namibia	4.2			
6	Australia	5.7				78	India	4.2			
7	Luxembourg	5.6				79	China	4.2			
8	United Arab Emirates	5.5				80	Poland	4.2			
9	Portugal	5.5				81	Bangladesh	4.2			
10	Chile	5.4				82	Croatia	4.2			
11	Netherlands	5.4				83	Ghana	4.2			
12	Belgium	5.4				84	Guyana	4.2			
13	United Kingdom	5.4				85	Bosnia and Herzegovina	4.2			
14	Estonia	5.4				86	Norway	4.2			
15	Bahrain	5.4				87	Malawi	4.1			
16	Ireland	5.4				88	Cambodia	4.1			
17	Sweden	5.3				89	Costa Rica	4.1			
18	Malta	5.2				90	Burkina Faso	4.1			
19	Saudi Arabia	5.2				91	Switzerland	4.1			
20	Denmark	5.0				92	Korea, Rep.	4.0			
21	Georgia	5.0				93	Uganda	4.0			
22	Oman	5.0				94	Honduras	4.0			
23	Spain	4.9				95	Yemen	4.0			
24	Slovak Republic	4.9				96	Lebanon	4.0			
25	Puerto Rico	4.9				97	Swaziland	4.0			
26	Austria	4.9				98	Turkey	4.0			
27	Mauritius	4.9				99	Armenia	4.0			
28	Malaysia	4.9				100	Tajikistan	4.0			
29	Cyprus	4.9				101	Sri Lanka	3.9			
30	Slovenia	4.8				102	Iceland	3.9			
31	Czech Republic	4.8				103	Brazil	3.9			
32	Hungary	4.8				104	El Salvador	3.9			
33	Greece	4.8				105	Kenya	3.9			
34	Suriname	4.8				106	Kyrgyz Republic	3.9			
35	France	4.7				107	Azerbaijan	3.9			
36	Latvia	4.7				108	Nigeria	3.9			
37	Lithuania	4.7				109	Timor-Leste	3.9			
38	Germany	4.7				110	Bulgaria	3.9			
39	South Africa	4.7				111	Romania	3.9			
40	Israel	4.6				112	Senegal	3.8			
41	Peru	4.6				113	Serbia	3.8			
42	Botswana	4.6				114	Pakistan	3.8			
43	Mauritania	4.6				115	Japan	3.8			
44	Gambia, The	4.6				116	Libya	3.8			
45	Zimbabwe	4.6				117	Mali	3.8			
46	Kuwait	4.6				118	Mozambique	3.7			
47	Italy	4.6				119	Dominican Republic	3.7			
48	Uruguay	4.6				120	Nepal	3.7			
49	Liberia	4.6				121	Cape Verde	3.7			
50	United States	4.6				122	Tanzania	3.7			
51	Mexico	4.6				123	Colombia	3.7			
52	Jamaica	4.6				124	Egypt	3.7			
53	Brunei Darussalam	4.5				125	Iran, Islamic Rep.	3.7			
54	Cameroon	4.5				126	Guinea	3.6			
55	Taiwan, China	4.5				127	Nicaragua	3.6			
56	Canada	4.5				128	Vietnam	3.6			
57	Morocco	4.5				129	Lesotho	3.6			
58	Paraguay	4.5				130	Haiti	3.5			
59	Seychelles	4.5				131	Côte d'Ivoire	3.5			
60	Rwanda	4.5				132	Russian Federation	3.5			
61	Barbados	4.5				133	Madagascar	3.5			
62	Jordan	4.5				134	Bolivia	3.4			
63	Albania	4.5				135	Chad	3.4			
64	Kazakhstan	4.4				136	Ukraine	3.3			
65	Moldova	4.4				137	Burundi	3.3			
66	Panama	4.4				138	Benin	3.3			
67	Zambia	4.4				139	Gabon	3.3			
68	Montenegro	4.4				140	Ecuador	3.2			
69	Guatemala	4.3				141	Algeria	3.0			
70	Sierra Leone	4.3				142	Venezuela	3.0			
71	Thailand	4.3				143	Ethiopia	2.9			
72	Trinidad and Tobago	4.3				144	Argentina	2.2			

SOURCE: World Economic Forum, Executive Opinion Survey

6.10 Trade tariffs

Trade-weighted average tariff rate | 2011 or most recent year available

RANK	COUNTRY/ECONOMY	VALUE	RANK	COUNTRY/ECONOMY	VALUE
1	Hong Kong SAR	0.0	73	Taiwan, China	5.4
2	Singapore ⁵	0.0	74	Haiti	5.4
3	Guinea ⁵	0.1	75	Yemen ⁴	5.7
4	Gabon ⁴	0.1	76	Malaysia ²	6.0
5	Seychelles ²	0.2	77	Lebanon ²	6.3
6	Austria	0.9	78	Thailand ¹	6.4
6	Belgium	0.9	79	South Africa	6.5
6	Bulgaria	0.9	80	Lesotho	6.7
6	Cyprus	0.9	81	Botswana	6.7
6	Czech Republic	0.9	82	Namibia	6.7
6	Denmark	0.9	83	Swaziland	6.7
6	Estonia	0.9	84	Panama ³	6.8
6	Finland	0.9	85	Paraguay	7.1
6	France	0.9	86	Azerbaijan ⁴	7.1
6	Germany	0.9	87	Ecuador	7.2
6	Greece	0.9	88	Dominican Republic ³	7.3
6	Hungary	0.9	89	Mozambique ⁵	7.5
6	Ireland	0.9	90	Vietnam ⁵	7.7
6	Italy	0.9	91	Madagascar	7.9
6	Latvia	0.9	92	Jamaica	8.1
6	Lithuania	0.9	93	Uruguay	8.2
6	Luxembourg	0.9	94	Mexico ⁴	8.3
6	Malta	0.9	95	Colombia	8.3
6	Netherlands	0.9	96	Korea, Rep. ²	8.5
6	Poland	0.9	97	Bolivia	8.6
6	Portugal	0.9	98	Rwanda	8.8
6	Romania	0.9	99	Burundi	8.9
6	Slovak Republic	0.9	100	Kenya	9.0
6	Slovenia	0.9	101	Uganda	9.0
6	Spain	0.9	102	Kazakhstan ⁵	9.6
6	Sweden	0.9	103	Tanzania	9.6
6	United Kingdom	0.9	104	Jordan ²	10.1
33	Georgia	1.0	105	Malawi ⁵	10.2
34	Mauritius	1.1	106	Russian Federation ⁵	10.3
35	United States	1.4	107	Trinidad and Tobago ³	10.5
36	Peru	2.0	108	Ghana ⁴	10.6
37	New Zealand ⁴	2.2	109	Guyana	10.8
38	Armenia ³	2.2	110	Kyrgyz Republic	10.8
39	Japan ⁴	2.3	111	Suriname ²	10.9
40	Timor-Leste	2.5	112	Argentina	10.9
41	Moldova ⁵	2.5	113	Zambia	11.1
42	Canada ⁵	2.7	114	Cape Verde	11.1
43	Ukraine	2.9	115	Nigeria ⁴	11.3
44	Australia ⁴	2.9	116	Benin	11.4
45	Croatia	3.0	117	Mali	11.4
46	Albania	3.1	118	Burkina Faso	11.4
47	Switzerland ⁵	3.5	119	Senegal	11.4
48	Costa Rica ⁴	3.6	120	Côte d'Ivoire	11.4
49	Nicaragua ⁵	3.9	121	Mauritania ²	11.5
50	Norway	4.0	122	China	11.5
51	Iceland	4.1	123	Brazil	11.6
52	Israel ³	4.1	124	Sri Lanka	11.7
53	Philippines ²	4.2	125	Venezuela	12.5
54	Guatemala	4.3	126	India ⁴	12.6
55	El Salvador ⁴	4.4	127	Cambodia ³	12.8
56	Bahrain	4.4	128	Ethiopia	12.8
57	Montenegro	4.4	129	Bangladesh ²	13.1
58	Honduras ³	4.4	130	Cameroon	13.3
59	Mongolia ³	4.6	131	Chad	13.6
60	Saudi Arabia ⁴	4.6	132	Algeria ⁴	14.0
61	Indonesia	4.6	133	Egypt ⁴	15.2
62	Kuwait ⁴	4.6	134	Nepal	16.4
63	Chile ³	4.7	135	Pakistan ³	16.5
64	United Arab Emirates ⁴	4.7	136	Morocco ⁴	16.5
65	Oman ⁴	4.7	137	Gambia, The ⁴	17.9
66	Qatar ⁴	4.7	138	Zimbabwe ²	20.5
67	Tajikistan ⁵	5.0	139	Iran, Islamic Rep.	25.6
68	Bosnia and Herzegovina	5.1	140	Barbados ²	28.9
69	Turkey ⁵	5.1	n/a	Liberia	n/a
70	Macedonia, FYR	5.2	n/a	Libya	n/a
71	Brunei Darussalam ²	5.2	n/a	Puerto Rico	n/a
72	Serbia	5.3	n/a	Sierra Leone	n/a

SOURCE: International Trade Centre

¹ 2006 ² 2007 ³ 2008 ⁴ 2009 ⁵ 2010

6.11 Prevalence of foreign ownership

How prevalent is foreign ownership of companies in your country? [1 = very rare; 7 = highly prevalent] | 2011–12 weighted average

RANK	COUNTRY/ECONOMY	VALUE	1	MEAN 4.6	7	RANK	COUNTRY/ECONOMY	VALUE	1	MEAN 4.6	7
1	Luxembourg	6.5				73	Trinidad and Tobago	4.6			
2	Slovak Republic	6.1				74	Indonesia	4.6			
3	Singapore	6.1				75	Brunei Darussalam	4.6			
4	United Kingdom	6.1				76	Saudi Arabia	4.6			
5	Hong Kong SAR	6.0				77	Rwanda	4.6			
6	New Zealand	6.0				78	Montenegro	4.6			
7	Ireland	5.8				79	Cape Verde	4.6			
8	Australia	5.8				80	Jordan	4.6			
9	Panama	5.8				81	Mauritius	4.6			
10	Canada	5.7				82	Brazil	4.5			
11	Belgium	5.7				83	Paraguay	4.5			
12	Uruguay	5.7				84	India	4.5			
13	Bahrain	5.7				85	Portugal	4.4			
14	Chile	5.7				86	Bosnia and Herzegovina	4.4			
15	Switzerland	5.6				87	Liberia	4.4			
16	Hungary	5.6				88	Colombia	4.4			
17	Czech Republic	5.6				89	Lithuania	4.4			
18	France	5.6				90	Japan	4.4			
19	Barbados	5.5				91	Korea, Rep.	4.4			
20	Costa Rica	5.5				92	Greece	4.4			
21	Netherlands	5.5				93	Kenya	4.4			
22	Côte d'Ivoire	5.5				94	Cambodia	4.4			
23	Sweden	5.5				95	Zimbabwe	4.3			
24	Mexico	5.5				96	Tanzania	4.3			
25	Zambia	5.5				97	Armenia	4.3			
26	Estonia	5.4				98	Azerbaijan	4.3			
27	Finland	5.4				99	China	4.3			
28	Taiwan, China	5.4				100	Nicaragua	4.3			
29	Cameroon	5.4				101	Turkey	4.2			
30	Norway	5.3				102	Kazakhstan	4.1			
31	South Africa	5.3				103	Albania	4.1			
32	Uganda	5.3				104	Suriname	4.1			
33	United Arab Emirates	5.3				105	Burkina Faso	4.1			
34	Peru	5.3				106	Romania	4.1			
35	Botswana	5.3				107	Bulgaria	4.1			
36	Swaziland	5.3				108	Timor-Leste	4.1			
37	Israel	5.3				109	Guinea	4.1			
38	Gambia, The	5.3				110	Guyana	4.1			
39	Gabon	5.3				111	Croatia	4.0			
40	Denmark	5.2				112	Egypt	4.0			
41	Senegal	5.2				113	Vietnam	4.0			
42	Ghana	5.2				114	Madagascar	4.0			
43	Puerto Rico	5.2				115	Mali	4.0			
44	Germany	5.1				116	Ecuador	4.0			
45	Mongolia	5.1				117	Bangladesh	4.0			
46	Spain	5.1				118	Italy	4.0			
47	Austria	5.1				119	Pakistan	3.9			
48	Sri Lanka	5.1				120	Moldova	3.9			
49	Morocco	5.1				121	Georgia	3.9			
50	Namibia	5.1				122	Lebanon	3.9			
51	United States	5.0				123	Macedonia, FYR	3.8			
52	Sierra Leone	5.0				124	Serbia	3.8			
53	Malaysia	5.0				125	Tajikistan	3.6			
54	Dominican Republic	5.0				126	Ukraine	3.6			
55	Mozambique	5.0				127	Kyrgyz Republic	3.6			
56	Jamaica	5.0				128	Benin	3.5			
57	Seychelles	5.0				129	Venezuela	3.5			
58	Argentina	4.9				130	Bolivia	3.5			
59	Lesotho	4.9				131	Chad	3.4			
60	Latvia	4.9				132	Slovenia	3.4			
61	Guatemala	4.9				133	Russian Federation	3.4			
62	Honduras	4.9				134	Mauritania	3.3			
63	El Salvador	4.9				135	Algeria	3.3			
64	Qatar	4.9				136	Ethiopia	3.3			
65	Thailand	4.8				137	Kuwait	3.1			
66	Philippines	4.8				138	Iceland	3.1			
67	Nigeria	4.7				139	Haiti	3.0			
68	Cyprus	4.7				140	Nepal	3.0			
69	Oman	4.7				141	Burundi	2.8			
70	Malta	4.7				142	Libya	2.8			
71	Poland	4.7				143	Yemen	2.4			
72	Malawi	4.6				144	Iran, Islamic Rep.	2.2			

SOURCE: World Economic Forum, Executive Opinion Survey

6.12 Business impact of rules on FDI

To what extent do rules governing foreign direct investment (FDI) encourage or discourage it? [1 = strongly discourage FDI; 7 = strongly encourage FDI] | 2011–12 weighted average

RANK	COUNTRY/ECONOMY	VALUE	1	MEAN 4.5	7	RANK	COUNTRY/ECONOMY	VALUE	1	MEAN 4.5	7
1	Ireland.....	6.6				73	Mozambique.....	4.6			
2	Singapore.....	6.3				74	Ghana.....	4.6			
3	Bahrain.....	6.0				75	Portugal.....	4.6			
4	Hong Kong SAR.....	6.0				76	Brazil.....	4.6			
5	Panama.....	5.8				77	Hungary.....	4.6			
6	Luxembourg.....	5.7				78	Indonesia.....	4.6			
7	Uruguay.....	5.7				79	Norway.....	4.5			
8	Slovak Republic.....	5.5				80	Sierra Leone.....	4.5			
9	Mauritius.....	5.5				81	Guyana.....	4.5			
10	Malaysia.....	5.5				82	Colombia.....	4.5			
11	Taiwan, China.....	5.5				83	Cape Verde.....	4.5			
12	Chile.....	5.5				84	Namibia.....	4.5			
13	United Kingdom.....	5.4				85	Armenia.....	4.5			
14	United Arab Emirates.....	5.4				86	Nigeria.....	4.4			
15	Estonia.....	5.4				87	Azerbaijan.....	4.4			
16	Malta.....	5.4				88	Mongolia.....	4.4			
17	Israel.....	5.4				89	Spain.....	4.4			
18	Rwanda.....	5.3				90	Kenya.....	4.4			
19	Netherlands.....	5.3				91	Honduras.....	4.4			
20	Thailand.....	5.3				92	Lebanon.....	4.4			
21	Peru.....	5.3				93	Lesotho.....	4.4			
22	Barbados.....	5.2				94	Vietnam.....	4.4			
23	Belgium.....	5.2				95	Pakistan.....	4.4			
24	Costa Rica.....	5.2				96	Paraguay.....	4.4			
25	Switzerland.....	5.2				97	Latvia.....	4.3			
26	Bangladesh.....	5.2				98	Swaziland.....	4.3			
27	Saudi Arabia.....	5.2				99	Macedonia, FYR.....	4.3			
28	Gambia, The.....	5.2				100	Kazakhstan.....	4.3			
29	Qatar.....	5.1				101	Nicaragua.....	4.3			
30	Oman.....	5.1				102	Timor-Leste.....	4.2			
31	Uganda.....	5.1				103	Mali.....	4.2			
32	Sweden.....	5.1				104	Poland.....	4.2			
33	Morocco.....	5.1				105	Guatemala.....	4.2			
34	Czech Republic.....	5.1				106	Liberia.....	4.1			
35	Sri Lanka.....	5.1				107	Malawi.....	4.1			
36	Mexico.....	5.0				108	Bosnia and Herzegovina.....	4.0			
37	Zambia.....	5.0				109	Tajikistan.....	4.0			
38	Cambodia.....	5.0				110	Egypt.....	4.0			
39	Finland.....	5.0				111	Nepal.....	4.0			
40	Cyprus.....	5.0				112	Mauritania.....	4.0			
41	China.....	5.0				113	Moldova.....	3.9			
42	Australia.....	5.0				114	Ethiopia.....	3.9			
43	Gabon.....	4.9				115	Suriname.....	3.9			
44	New Zealand.....	4.9				116	Lithuania.....	3.9			
45	Puerto Rico.....	4.9				117	El Salvador.....	3.9			
46	Jamaica.....	4.9				118	Yemen.....	3.9			
47	Seychelles.....	4.9				119	Libya.....	3.8			
48	Burkina Faso.....	4.8				120	Romania.....	3.8			
49	Botswana.....	4.8				121	Madagascar.....	3.8			
50	Tanzania.....	4.8				122	Guinea.....	3.7			
51	Georgia.....	4.8				123	Serbia.....	3.7			
52	Brunei Darussalam.....	4.8				124	Bulgaria.....	3.6			
53	Cameroon.....	4.8				125	Benin.....	3.6			
54	Turkey.....	4.8				126	Italy.....	3.6			
55	Austria.....	4.8				127	Iran, Islamic Rep.....	3.5			
56	Trinidad and Tobago.....	4.8				128	Russian Federation.....	3.5			
57	Montenegro.....	4.8				129	Chad.....	3.5			
58	Côte d'Ivoire.....	4.8				130	Bolivia.....	3.4			
59	Dominican Republic.....	4.8				131	Kyrgyz Republic.....	3.3			
60	Canada.....	4.7				132	Ukraine.....	3.3			
61	South Africa.....	4.7				133	Burundi.....	3.3			
62	India.....	4.7				134	Haiti.....	3.3			
63	Korea, Rep.....	4.7				135	Slovenia.....	3.2			
64	United States.....	4.7				136	Ecuador.....	3.2			
65	Denmark.....	4.7				137	Greece.....	3.2			
66	Albania.....	4.7				138	Algeria.....	3.2			
67	Japan.....	4.6				139	Croatia.....	3.0			
68	Senegal.....	4.6				140	Iceland.....	2.9			
69	Philippines.....	4.6				141	Kuwait.....	2.9			
70	Jordan.....	4.6				142	Argentina.....	2.7			
71	France.....	4.6				143	Zimbabwe.....	2.4			
72	Germany.....	4.6				144	Venezuela.....	1.9			

SOURCE: World Economic Forum, Executive Opinion Survey

6.13 Burden of customs procedures

How would you rate the level of efficiency of customs procedures (related to the entry and exit of merchandise) in your country? [1 = extremely inefficient; 7 = extremely efficient] | 2011–12 weighted average

RANK	COUNTRY/ECONOMY	VALUE	1	MEAN 4.1	7	RANK	COUNTRY/ECONOMY	VALUE	1	MEAN 4.1	7
1	Singapore	6.2				73	Indonesia	4.0			
2	Finland	6.1				74	Mexico	4.0			
3	Hong Kong SAR	6.1				75	Mauritania	4.0			
4	New Zealand	6.0				76	Côte d'Ivoire	3.9			
5	United Arab Emirates	5.8				77	Kazakhstan	3.9			
6	Rwanda	5.6				78	Guatemala	3.9			
7	Sweden	5.5				79	Cambodia	3.9			
8	Luxembourg	5.5				80	Bosnia and Herzegovina	3.9			
9	Netherlands	5.4				81	Croatia	3.9			
10	Bahrain	5.3				82	Namibia	3.8			
11	Australia	5.3				83	Burkina Faso	3.8			
12	Ireland	5.3				84	India	3.8			
13	Georgia	5.2				85	Greece	3.8			
14	Taiwan, China	5.2				86	Thailand	3.8			
15	Estonia	5.2				87	Colombia	3.8			
16	Iceland	5.1				88	Honduras	3.7			
17	United Kingdom	5.1				89	Kuwait	3.7			
18	Qatar	5.1				90	Egypt	3.7			
19	Austria	5.1				91	Tajikistan	3.7			
20	Chile	5.0				92	Albania	3.7			
21	Switzerland	5.0				93	Pakistan	3.7			
22	Norway	5.0				94	Nigeria	3.6			
23	Malaysia	5.0				95	Ecuador	3.6			
24	Denmark	5.0				96	Turkey	3.6			
25	Gambia, The	4.9				97	Bulgaria	3.6			
26	Malta	4.9				98	Guyana	3.6			
27	Slovenia	4.9				99	Gabon	3.6			
28	Belgium	4.9				100	Iran, Islamic Rep.	3.6			
29	Germany	4.9				101	Mozambique	3.5			
30	Oman	4.9				102	Serbia	3.5			
31	Saudi Arabia	4.8				103	El Salvador	3.5			
32	Canada	4.8				104	Jamaica	3.5			
33	Puerto Rico	4.8				105	Moldova	3.5			
34	Senegal	4.8				106	Nepal	3.5			
35	Portugal	4.8				107	Azerbaijan	3.4			
36	Japan	4.8				108	Suriname	3.4			
37	Cyprus	4.7				109	Kenya	3.4			
38	Hungary	4.7				110	Lesotho	3.4			
39	France	4.6				111	Zimbabwe	3.4			
40	Mauritius	4.6				112	Lebanon	3.4			
41	Spain	4.6				113	Tanzania	3.4			
42	Morocco	4.5				114	Vietnam	3.4			
43	Liberia	4.5				115	Ghana	3.4			
44	Lithuania	4.5				116	Cape Verde	3.4			
45	Brunei Darussalam	4.5				117	Mongolia	3.3			
46	Jordan	4.5				118	Libya	3.3			
47	Israel	4.5				119	Guinea	3.3			
48	United States	4.5				120	Bolivia	3.3			
49	Czech Republic	4.4				121	Malawi	3.3			
50	Seychelles	4.4				122	Timor-Leste	3.3			
51	Barbados	4.4				123	Madagascar	3.3			
52	Korea, Rep.	4.4				124	Bangladesh	3.2			
53	Panama	4.4				125	Ethiopia	3.2			
54	Botswana	4.4				126	Philippines	3.2			
55	Macedonia, FYR	4.4				127	Armenia	3.2			
56	South Africa	4.3				128	Benin	3.1			
57	Poland	4.3				129	Brazil	3.1			
58	Slovak Republic	4.3				130	Yemen	3.1			
59	Sri Lanka	4.3				131	Nicaragua	3.1			
60	Montenegro	4.3				132	Trinidad and Tobago	3.0			
61	Dominican Republic	4.3				133	Sierra Leone	3.0			
62	Zambia	4.3				134	Romania	3.0			
63	Cameroon	4.2				135	Swaziland	3.0			
64	Uganda	4.2				136	Kyrgyz Republic	3.0			
65	China	4.2				137	Russian Federation	2.9			
66	Uruguay	4.2				138	Ukraine	2.8			
67	Latvia	4.1				139	Chad	2.8			
68	Peru	4.1				140	Burundi	2.6			
69	Italy	4.1				141	Algeria	2.5			
70	Mali	4.1				142	Haiti	2.4			
71	Costa Rica	4.1				143	Argentina	2.3			
72	Paraguay	4.1				144	Venezuela	2.1			

SOURCE: World Economic Forum, Executive Opinion Survey

6.14 Imports as a percentage of GDP

Imports of goods and services as a percentage of gross domestic product | 2011 or most recent year available

RANK	COUNTRY/ECONOMY	VALUE	RANK	COUNTRY/ECONOMY	VALUE
1	Hong Kong SAR	233.1	73	Costa Rica	44.3
2	Singapore	183.3	74	Botswana ²	43.9
3	Lesotho ²	124.7	75	Côte d'Ivoire ²	43.7
4	Luxembourg	118.5	76	Kenya ²	43.3
5	Seychelles ²	112.5	77	Germany	43.0
6	Belgium	105.7	78	Sweden	42.9
7	Malta	98.4	79	Zambia	42.7
8	Mongolia	97.6	80	Malawi ²	41.9
9	Vietnam	96.5	81	Benin ²	41.4
10	Estonia	95.8	82	Ecuador	41.3
11	Liberia ²	95.4	83	Finland	41.3
12	Puerto Rico	94.1	84	Guatemala	40.9
13	Kyrgyz Republic	90.2	85	Portugal	40.2
14	Guyana	89.8	86	Switzerland	40.0
15	Slovak Republic	87.5	87	Israel	39.6
16	Moldova	86.4	88	Mali ²	39.6
17	Lebanon ²	85.4	89	Madagascar ²	39.6
18	Netherlands	85.1	90	Nepal ²	38.1
19	Hungary	84.9	91	Ethiopia ²	37.5
20	Cambodia	83.6	92	Croatia	37.3
21	Ireland	82.5	93	Trinidad and Tobago ¹	37.1
22	Lithuania	81.9	94	Yemen ²	37.0
23	Panama	81.2	95	Gambia, The ²	36.8
24	Malaysia	80.7	96	Guinea ²	36.2
25	Thailand	80.7	97	Philippines	35.7
26	Slovenia	80.7	98	Chile	35.4
27	Czech Republic	78.8	99	South Africa	34.8
28	Jordan	78.1	100	Dominican Republic	34.8
29	Macedonia, FYR	77.3	101	India	34.7
30	Nicaragua ²	73.3	102	Gabon ¹	34.3
31	Swaziland ²	71.7	103	Rwanda ²	33.6
32	Taiwan, China	69.1	104	Sri Lanka ²	33.5
33	Mauritania ²	69.0	105	Turkey	33.5
34	Honduras	68.1	106	Mexico	33.5
35	Mauritius	67.9	107	United Kingdom	33.4
36	Bulgaria	67.8	108	Bolivia ²	32.9
37	United Arab Emirates ²	67.5	109	Burundi ²	32.8
38	Latvia	65.5	110	Nigeria ²	32.7
39	Cape Verde	64.8	111	Algeria ²	32.4
40	Bosnia and Herzegovina	64.5	112	Canada	32.3
41	Montenegro	64.2	113	Brunei Darussalam	31.2
42	Albania	60.0	114	France	30.8
43	Mozambique ²	59.1	115	Italy	30.5
44	Ukraine	58.8	116	Egypt	30.5
45	Georgia	57.6	117	Cameroon ²	30.5
46	Paraguay ²	56.7	118	Spain	30.4
47	Namibia	56.4	119	Bangladesh ²	30.3
48	Austria	56.3	120	Burkina Faso ²	30.1
49	Haiti	56.1	121	New Zealand	29.8
50	Barbados	55.9	122	Saudi Arabia	28.8
51	Korea, Rep.	55.8	123	Kuwait ²	27.9
52	Jamaica	55.2	124	Norway	27.9
53	Tanzania	54.8	125	Kazakhstan	27.3
54	Chad ¹	54.2	126	China	27.1
55	Tajikistan ²	54.0	127	Uruguay	26.6
56	Serbia	53.5	128	Greece	25.7
57	Iceland	52.4	129	Peru	25.5
58	Bahrain ²	52.2	130	Timor-Leste ²	24.8
59	Armenia	52.1	131	Azerbaijan	24.7
60	Suriname	51.3	132	Indonesia	24.6
61	Morocco	50.8	133	Pakistan	24.3
62	El Salvador	49.2	134	Qatar ²	24.3
63	Cyprus	48.6	135	Russian Federation	22.3
64	Ghana	48.0	136	Australia	20.4
65	Sierra Leone ²	47.4	137	Iran, Islamic Rep. ²	20.2
66	Zimbabwe	47.2	138	Argentina	20.1
67	Poland	46.2	139	Libya ²	19.6
68	Denmark	46.2	140	Colombia	19.5
69	Romania	45.8	141	Venezuela	18.7
70	Oman ²	45.8	142	United States	17.6
71	Senegal ²	45.5	143	Japan	17.4
72	Uganda	45.0	144	Brazil	12.4

SOURCE: World Trade Organization, Statistical Database: Time Series on merchandise and commercial services (accessed June 4, 2012); International Monetary Fund, *World Economic Outlook Database* (April 2012 edition); national sources

¹ 2009 ² 2010

6.15 Degree of customer orientation

How do companies in your country treat customers? [1 = generally treat their customers badly; 7 = are highly responsive to customers and customer retention] | 2011–12 weighted average

RANK	COUNTRY/ECONOMY	VALUE	1	MEAN 4.6	7	RANK	COUNTRY/ECONOMY	VALUE	1	MEAN 4.6	7
1	Japan	6.4				73	Uganda	4.6			
2	Switzerland	5.9				74	Slovak Republic	4.6			
3	Austria	5.9				75	Liberia	4.5			
4	Sweden	5.8				76	Montenegro	4.5			
5	Qatar	5.8				77	Uruguay	4.5			
6	Taiwan, China	5.7				78	Cyprus	4.5			
7	New Zealand	5.7				79	Malta	4.5			
8	Denmark	5.6				80	Malawi	4.5			
9	Korea, Rep.	5.6				81	Guyana	4.5			
10	Belgium	5.6				82	Honduras	4.5			
11	Ireland	5.5				83	Bosnia and Herzegovina	4.5			
12	Singapore	5.5				84	Guinea	4.5			
13	Canada	5.5				85	Rwanda	4.5			
14	Hong Kong SAR	5.4				86	Egypt	4.5			
15	Germany	5.4				87	Paraguay	4.5			
16	Malaysia	5.4				88	Nigeria	4.5			
17	Iceland	5.4				89	Benin	4.5			
18	United States	5.4				90	China	4.5			
19	United Arab Emirates	5.4				91	Greece	4.5			
20	Finland	5.4				92	Macedonia, FYR	4.4			
21	Thailand	5.4				93	Madagascar	4.4			
22	Turkey	5.4				94	Swaziland	4.4			
23	Puerto Rico	5.4				95	Dominican Republic	4.4			
24	Netherlands	5.3				96	Pakistan	4.4			
25	Australia	5.3				97	Tanzania	4.4			
26	United Kingdom	5.3				98	Armenia	4.4			
27	Philippines	5.3				99	Bangladesh	4.3			
28	Oman	5.2				100	Côte d'Ivoire	4.3			
29	Lithuania	5.2				101	Ghana	4.3			
30	Luxembourg	5.2				102	Tajikistan	4.3			
31	Norway	5.2				103	Hungary	4.3			
32	Gambia, The	5.1				104	Kazakhstan	4.3			
33	Guatemala	5.1				105	Botswana	4.2			
34	Estonia	5.1				106	Gabon	4.2			
35	El Salvador	5.1				107	Croatia	4.2			
36	Saudi Arabia	5.1				108	Yemen	4.2			
37	Costa Rica	5.1				109	Seychelles	4.2			
38	Albania	5.0				110	Nepal	4.1			
39	Colombia	5.0				111	Cameroon	4.1			
40	Bahrain	5.0				112	Kyrgyz Republic	4.1			
41	Mauritius	5.0				113	Mali	4.1			
42	Lebanon	4.9				114	Iran, Islamic Rep.	4.0			
43	Cambodia	4.9				115	Burkina Faso	4.0			
44	Brunei Darussalam	4.9				116	Romania	4.0			
45	Peru	4.9				117	Vietnam	4.0			
46	Poland	4.9				118	Mongolia	3.9			
47	Mexico	4.9				119	Ethiopia	3.9			
48	Jordan	4.8				120	Georgia	3.9			
49	Brazil	4.8				121	Sierra Leone	3.9			
50	Sri Lanka	4.8				122	Jamaica	3.9			
51	Senegal	4.8				123	Libya	3.8			
52	Slovenia	4.8				124	Timor-Leste	3.8			
53	Italy	4.8				125	Nicaragua	3.8			
54	Portugal	4.8				126	Moldova	3.8			
55	Israel	4.7				127	Mozambique	3.8			
56	Azerbaijan	4.7				128	Zimbabwe	3.8			
57	Czech Republic	4.7				129	Ecuador	3.8			
58	France	4.7				130	Lesotho	3.8			
59	Panama	4.7				131	Namibia	3.7			
60	India	4.7				132	Suriname	3.7			
61	South Africa	4.7				133	Mauritania	3.7			
62	Kuwait	4.6				134	Russian Federation	3.7			
63	Kenya	4.6				135	Serbia	3.7			
64	Barbados	4.6				136	Argentina	3.6			
65	Morocco	4.6				137	Burundi	3.6			
66	Spain	4.6				138	Cape Verde	3.6			
67	Latvia	4.6				139	Trinidad and Tobago	3.6			
68	Chile	4.6				140	Bolivia	3.5			
69	Bulgaria	4.6				141	Venezuela	3.4			
70	Ukraine	4.6				142	Haiti	3.2			
71	Zambia	4.6				143	Chad	3.1			
72	Indonesia	4.6				144	Algeria	3.0			

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6.16 Buyer sophistication

In your country, how do buyers make purchasing decisions? [1 = based solely on the lowest price; 7 = based on a sophisticated analysis of performance attributes] | 2011–12 weighted average

RANK	COUNTRY/ECONOMY	VALUE	1	MEAN 3.5	7	RANK	COUNTRY/ECONOMY	VALUE	1	MEAN 3.5	7
1	Japan	5.4				73	Ukraine	3.4			
2	Switzerland	5.2				74	Ecuador	3.4			
3	Luxembourg	5.0				75	Jordan	3.4			
4	Finland	4.9				76	Kuwait	3.3			
5	Sweden	4.8				77	Morocco	3.3			
6	Taiwan, China	4.7				78	Pakistan	3.3			
7	Hong Kong SAR	4.7				79	Nicaragua	3.3			
8	Singapore	4.6				80	Greece	3.3			
9	United Kingdom	4.6				81	Brunei Darussalam	3.3			
10	United States	4.6				82	Poland	3.3			
11	China	4.6				83	Latvia	3.3			
12	Canada	4.6				84	Turkey	3.3			
13	Belgium	4.5				85	Jamaica	3.3			
14	Netherlands	4.5				86	Kenya	3.3			
15	Germany	4.5				87	El Salvador	3.2			
16	Sri Lanka	4.5				88	Montenegro	3.2			
17	Malaysia	4.5				89	Gambia, The	3.2			
18	United Arab Emirates	4.4				90	Nigeria	3.2			
19	Qatar	4.4				91	Seychelles	3.2			
20	Azerbaijan	4.4				92	Bulgaria	3.2			
21	Norway	4.4				93	Zimbabwe	3.2			
22	Korea, Rep.	4.4				94	Bangladesh	3.1			
23	Ireland	4.3				95	Suriname	3.1			
24	New Zealand	4.3				96	Mongolia	3.1			
25	Bahrain	4.3				97	Kyrgyz Republic	3.1			
26	Israel	4.2				98	Dominican Republic	3.1			
27	Austria	4.2				99	Cameroon	3.1			
28	Chile	4.2				100	Swaziland	3.1			
29	Saudi Arabia	4.1				101	Rwanda	3.0			
30	Puerto Rico	4.1				102	Romania	3.0			
31	Denmark	4.1				103	Estonia	3.0			
32	South Africa	4.1				104	Moldova	3.0			
33	Australia	4.1				105	Libya	3.0			
34	Italy	4.1				106	Georgia	3.0			
35	Lebanon	4.1				107	Venezuela	3.0			
36	Kazakhstan	4.0				108	Slovenia	3.0			
37	Thailand	3.9				109	Lithuania	3.0			
38	Liberia	3.9				110	Lesotho	3.0			
39	Barbados	3.9				111	Paraguay	3.0			
40	Costa Rica	3.9				112	Ghana	2.9			
41	Cambodia	3.9				113	Cape Verde	2.9			
42	Cyprus	3.8				114	Nepal	2.9			
43	France	3.8				115	Guyana	2.9			
44	Tajikistan	3.8				116	Croatia	2.9			
45	Indonesia	3.8				117	Ethiopia	2.9			
46	Iceland	3.8				118	Tanzania	2.8			
47	Brazil	3.8				119	Botswana	2.8			
48	Iran, Islamic Rep.	3.7				120	Gabon	2.7			
49	Mauritius	3.7				121	Mozambique	2.7			
50	Mexico	3.7				122	Malawi	2.7			
51	Spain	3.7				123	Hungary	2.7			
52	Colombia	3.7				124	Bosnia and Herzegovina	2.7			
53	India	3.7				125	Slovak Republic	2.6			
54	Peru	3.6				126	Egypt	2.5			
55	Uruguay	3.6				127	Uganda	2.5			
56	Oman	3.6				128	Senegal	2.5			
57	Philippines	3.6				129	Timor-Leste	2.4			
58	Bolivia	3.6				130	Benin	2.4			
59	Guatemala	3.6				131	Algeria	2.4			
60	Malta	3.6				132	Yemen	2.4			
61	Russian Federation	3.5				133	Macedonia, FYR	2.3			
62	Albania	3.5				134	Sierra Leone	2.3			
63	Trinidad and Tobago	3.5				135	Mauritania	2.3			
64	Armenia	3.5				136	Mali	2.3			
65	Namibia	3.5				137	Chad	2.2			
66	Argentina	3.5				138	Serbia	2.2			
67	Portugal	3.5				139	Madagascar	2.1			
68	Czech Republic	3.5				140	Guinea	2.1			
69	Panama	3.5				141	Côte d'Ivoire	2.1			
70	Honduras	3.4				142	Haiti	2.1			
71	Vietnam	3.4				143	Burkina Faso	1.9			
72	Zambia	3.4				144	Burundi	1.8			

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