

# Australia

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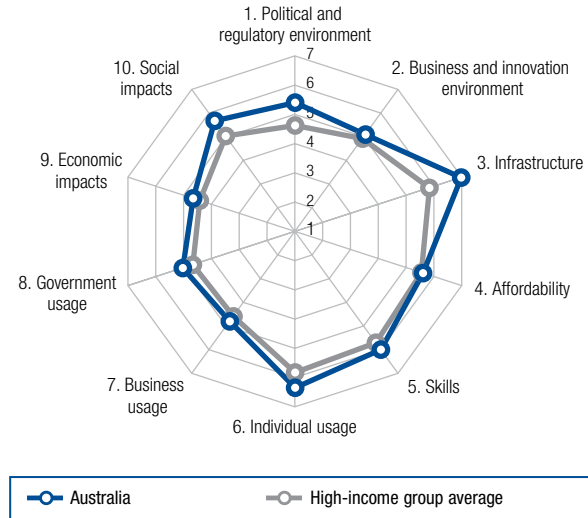
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## The Networked Readiness Index in detail

INDICATOR	RANK/139	VALUE
<b>1st pillar: Political and regulatory environment</b>		
1.01 Effectiveness of law-making bodies*	22	4.8
1.02 Laws relating to ICTs*	29	4.8
1.03 Judicial independence*	13	6.2
1.04 Efficiency of legal system in settling disputes*	22	4.9
1.05 Efficiency of legal system in challenging regs*	23	4.7
1.06 Intellectual property protection*	13	5.8
1.07 Software piracy rate, % software installed	5	21
1.08 No. procedures to enforce a contract	12	28
1.09 No. days to enforce a contract	23	395
<b>2nd pillar: Business and innovation environment</b>		
2.01 Availability of latest technologies*	24	5.9
2.02 Venture capital availability*	40	3.1
2.03 Total tax rate, % profits	101	47.6
2.04 No. days to start a business	6	3
2.05 No. procedures to start a business	11	3
2.06 Intensity of local competition*	9	5.9
2.07 Tertiary education gross enrollment rate, %	6	86.6
2.08 Quality of management schools*	19	5.3
2.09 Gov't procurement of advanced tech*	70	3.3
<b>3rd pillar: Infrastructure</b>		
3.01 Electricity production, kWh/capita	11	10765.5
3.02 Mobile network coverage, % pop.	67	99.0
3.03 Int'l Internet bandwidth, kb/s per user	38	75.1
3.04 Secure Internet servers/million pop.	14	1348.6
<b>4th pillar: Affordability</b>		
4.01 Prepaid mobile cellular tariffs, PPP \$/min	19	0.10
4.02 Fixed broadband Internet tariffs, PPP \$/month 100	100	46.70
4.03 Internet & telephony competition, 0-2 (best)	1	2.00
<b>5th pillar: Skills</b>		
5.01 Quality of education system*	13	5.1
5.02 Quality of math & science education*	27	4.8
5.03 Secondary education gross enrollment rate, %	3	137.6
5.04 Adult literacy rate, %	n/a	n/a <sup>1</sup>

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<b>6th pillar: Individual usage</b>		
6.01 Mobile phone subscriptions/100 pop.	43	131.2
6.02 Individuals using Internet, %	19	84.6
6.03 Households w/ personal computer, %	17	85.6
6.04 Households w/ Internet access, %	17	86.9
6.05 Fixed broadband Internet subs/100 pop.	25	27.7
6.06 Mobile broadband subs/100 pop.	10	112.2
6.07 Use of virtual social networks*	32	6.0
<b>7th pillar: Business usage</b>		
7.01 Firm-level technology absorption*	22	5.6
7.02 Capacity for innovation*	25	4.8
7.03 PCT patents, applications/million pop.	22	76.4
7.04 ICT use for business-to-business transactions*	26	5.5
7.05 Business-to-consumer Internet use*	25	5.5
7.06 Extent of staff training*	24	4.7
<b>8th pillar: Government usage</b>		
8.01 Importance of ICTs to gov't vision*	47	4.3
8.02 Government Online Service Index, 0-1 (best)	8	0.93
8.03 Gov't success in ICT promotion*	55	4.2
<b>9th pillar: Economic impacts</b>		
9.01 Impact of ICTs on business models*	41	4.9
9.02 ICT PCT patents, applications/million pop.	20	24.0
9.03 Impact of ICTs on organizational models*	25	5.0
9.04 Knowledge-intensive jobs, % workforce	13	44.9
<b>10th pillar: Social impacts</b>		
10.01 Impact of ICTs on access to basic services*	27	5.4
10.02 Internet access in schools*	6	6.1
10.03 ICT use & gov't efficiency*	42	4.5
10.04 E-Participation Index, 0-1 (best)	7	0.94

**Note:** Indicators followed by an asterisk (\*) are measured on a 1-to-7 (best) scale. For further details and explanation, please refer to the section "How to Read the Country/Economy Profiles" on page 53.

<sup>1</sup> See the "Technical Notes and Sources" section.