

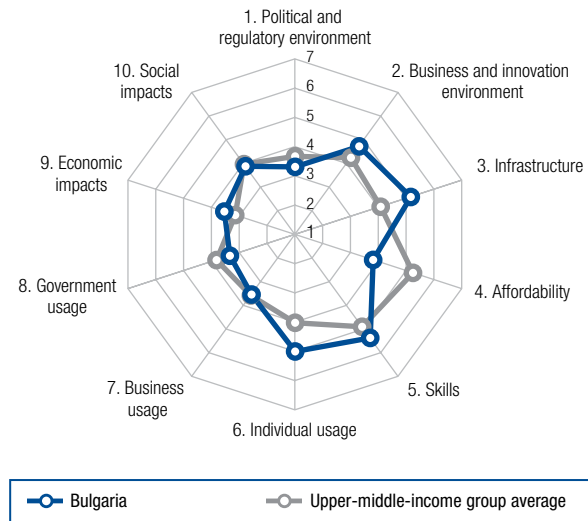
# Bulgaria

Rank (out of 139) Value (1-7)

## Networked Readiness Index.....69..4.1

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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*	123	2.7
1.02 Laws relating to ICTs*	57	4.1
1.03 Judicial independence*	116	2.7
1.04 Efficiency of legal system in settling disputes*	115	2.9
1.05 Efficiency of legal system in challenging regs*	114	2.8
1.06 Intellectual property protection*	117	3.1
1.07 Software piracy rate, % software installed	60	63
1.08 No. procedures to enforce a contract	76	38
1.09 No. days to enforce a contract	72	564
<b>2nd pillar: Business and innovation environment</b>		
2.01 Availability of latest technologies*	73	4.6
2.02 Venture capital availability*	62	2.8
2.03 Total tax rate, % profits	28	27.0
2.04 No. days to start a business	93	18
2.05 No. procedures to start a business	22	4
2.06 Intensity of local competition*	104	4.6
2.07 Tertiary education gross enrollment rate, %	27	70.8
2.08 Quality of management schools*	111	3.6
2.09 Gov't procurement of advanced tech*	86	3.1
<b>3rd pillar: Infrastructure</b>		
3.01 Electricity production, kWh/capita	36	5928.2
3.02 Mobile network coverage, % pop.	32	100.0
3.03 Int'l Internet bandwidth, kb/s per user	20	135.1
3.04 Secure Internet servers/million pop.	44	176.7
<b>4th pillar: Affordability</b>		
4.01 Prepaid mobile cellular tariffs, PPP \$/min	136	0.78
4.02 Fixed broadband Internet tariffs, PPP \$/month	32	24.12
4.03 Internet & telephony competition, 0-2 (best)	105	1.33
<b>5th pillar: Skills</b>		
5.01 Quality of education system*	93	3.3
5.02 Quality of math & science education*	62	4.2
5.03 Secondary education gross enrollment rate, %	38	100.9
5.04 Adult literacy rate, %	26	98.4

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<b>6th pillar: Individual usage</b>		
6.01 Mobile phone subscriptions/100 pop.	36	137.7
6.02 Individuals using Internet, %	61	55.5
6.03 Households w/ personal computer, %	58	57.9
6.04 Households w/ Internet access, %	55	56.7
6.05 Fixed broadband Internet subs/100 pop.	44	20.7
6.06 Mobile broadband subs/100 pop.	35	66.4
6.07 Use of virtual social networks*	62	5.7
<b>7th pillar: Business usage</b>		
7.01 Firm-level technology absorption*	85	4.4
7.02 Capacity for innovation*	79	3.8
7.03 PCT patents, applications/million pop.	44	6.8
7.04 ICT use for business-to-business transactions*	54	4.9
7.05 Business-to-consumer Internet use*	50	4.8
7.06 Extent of staff training*	117	3.4
<b>8th pillar: Government usage</b>		
8.01 Importance of ICTs to gov't vision*	78	3.8
8.02 Government Online Service Index, 0-1 (best)	110	0.24
8.03 Gov't success in ICT promotion*	81	3.8
<b>9th pillar: Economic impacts</b>		
9.01 Impact of ICTs on business models*	74	4.4
9.02 ICT PCT patents, applications/million pop.	41	2.4
9.03 Impact of ICTs on organizational models*	63	4.2
9.04 Knowledge-intensive jobs, % workforce	43	31.9
<b>10th pillar: Social impacts</b>		
10.01 Impact of ICTs on access to basic services*	64	4.3
10.02 Internet access in schools*	50	4.7
10.03 ICT use & gov't efficiency*	67	4.0
10.04 E-Participation Index, 0-1 (best)	105	0.25

**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.