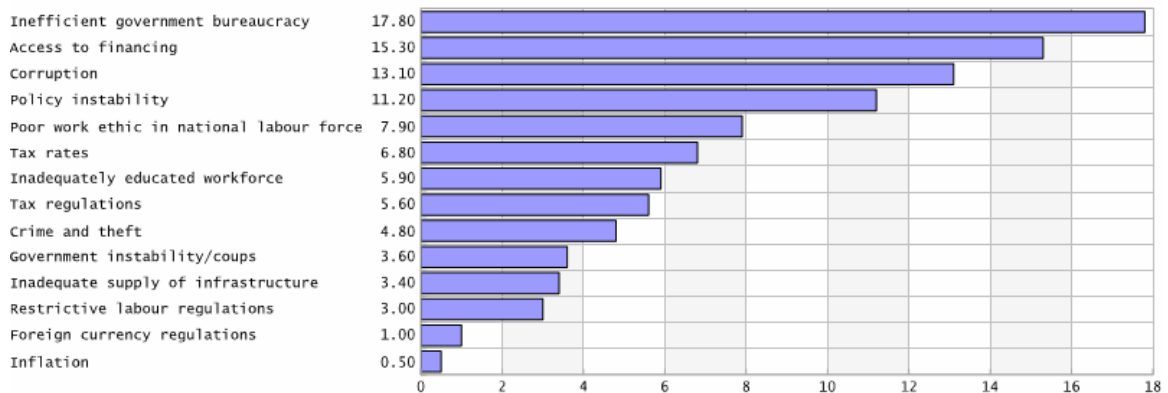




Global Competitiveness Index

	Rank (Out of 131 countries/economies)	Score (Out of 7)
Global Competitiveness Index 2007-2008	94	3.73
Subindex A: Basic requirements	72	4.25
1st pillar: Institutions	102	3.34
2nd pillar: Infrastructure	85	2.90
3rd pillar: Macroeconomic stability	53	5.04
4th pillar: Health and primary education	47	5.70
Subindex B: Efficiency enhancers	98	3.45
5th pillar: Higher education and training	75	3.77
6th pillar: Goods market efficiency	98	3.77
7th pillar: Labor market efficiency	112	3.86
8th pillar: Financial market sophistication	83	3.98
9th pillar: Technological readiness	90	2.77
10th pillar: Market size	106	2.54
Subindex C: Innovation and sophistication factors	101	3.12
11th pillar: Business sophistication	108	3.35
12th pillar: Innovation	92	2.88

	Rank (Out of 131 countries/economies)
Business Competitiveness Index 2007-2008	95
Sophistication of company operations and strategy	98
Quality of the national business environment	96



National competitiveness balance sheet

NOTABLE COMPETITIVE ADVANTAGES Rank/131

2nd pillar: Infrastructure

02.08 Telephone lines (hard data) 50

3rd pillar: Macroeconomic stability

03.03 Inflation (hard data) 43

4th pillar: Health and primary education

04.06 HIV prevalence (hard data) 1

04.02 Malaria incidence (hard data) 1

04.11 Education expenditure (hard data) 40

04.04 Tuberculosis incidence (hard data) 49

6th pillar: Goods market efficiency

06.07	Time required to start a business (hard data)	25
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7th pillar: Labor market efficiency

07.06	Firing costs (hard data)	32
07.02	Flexibility of wage determination	38

8th pillar: Financial market sophistication

08.09	Legal rights index (hard data)	27
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9th pillar: Technological readiness

09.07	Personal computers (hard data)	37
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NOTABLE COMPETITIVE DISADVANTAGES Rank/131

1st pillar: Institutions

01.13	Organized crime	123
01.17	Efficacy of corporate boards	118
01.02	Intellectual property protection	116
01.11	Business costs of terrorism	111
01.09	Efficiency of legal framework	111
01.05	Judicial independence	110
01.15	Ethical behavior of firms	108
01.18	Protection of minority shareholders' interests	105
01.01	Property rights	105
01.04	Public trust of politicians	96
01.07	Wastefulness of government spending	95
01.12	Business costs of crime and violence	92
01.16	Strength of auditing and reporting standards	87
01.10	Transparency of government policymaking	85
01.06	Favoritism in decisions of government officials	80
01.14	Reliability of police services	78
01.08	Burden of government regulation	75
01.03	Diversion of public funds	59

2nd pillar: Infrastructure

02.06	Available seat kilometers (hard data)	122
02.05	Quality of air transport infrastructure	120
02.01	Quality of overall infrastructure	85
02.04	Quality of port infrastructure	82
02.03	Quality of railroad infrastructure	75
02.07	Quality of electricity supply	73
02.02	Quality of roads	72

3rd pillar: Macroeconomic stability

03.02	National savings rate (hard data)	73
03.04	Interest rate spread (hard data)	68
03.05	Government debt (hard data)	66
03.01	Government surplus/deficit (hard data)	61

4th pillar: Health and primary education		
04.03	Business impact of tuberculosis	93
04.05	Business impact of HIV/AIDS	91
04.01	Business impact of malaria	88
04.10	Primary enrollment (hard data)	70
04.08	Life expectancy (hard data)	56
04.07	Infant mortality (hard data)	56
04.09	Quality of primary education	53

5th pillar: Higher education and training		
05.06	Internet access in schools	101
05.07	Local availability of specialized research and training services	96
05.05	Quality of management schools	94
05.08	Extent of staff training	79
05.01	Secondary enrollment (hard data)	71
05.02	Tertiary enrollment (hard data)	65
05.03	Quality of the educational system	57
05.04	Quality of math and science education	51

6th pillar: Goods market efficiency		
06.12	Business impact of rules on FDI	117
06.11	Prevalence of foreign ownership	110
06.03	Effectiveness of anti-monopoly policy	105
06.15	Buyer sophistication	105
06.14	Degree of customer orientation	103
06.01	Intensity of local competition	100
06.02	Extent of market dominance	100
06.09	Prevalence of trade barriers	83
06.10	Trade-weighted tariff rate (hard data)	81
06.13	Burden of customs procedures	76
06.08	Agricultural policy costs	70
06.04	Extent and effect of taxation	69
06.06	Number of procedures required to start a business (hard data)	65

06.05	Total tax rate (hard data)	58
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7th pillar: Labor market efficiency

07.09	Brain drain	125
07.08	Reliance on professional management	112
07.03	Non-wage labor costs (hard data)	112
07.01	Cooperation in labor-employer relations	109
07.04	Rigidity of employment (hard data)	98
07.10	Female participation in labor force (hard data)	93
07.07	Pay and productivity	75
07.05	Hiring and firing practices	73

8th pillar: Financial market sophistication

08.07	Soundness of banks	109
08.03	Ease of access to loans	108
08.05	Restriction on capital flows	93
08.01	Financial market sophistication	93
08.02	Financing through local equity market	88
08.08	Regulation of securities exchanges	88
08.06	Strength of investor protection (hard data)	65
08.04	Venture capital availability	59

9th pillar: Technological readiness

09.02	Firm-level technology absorption	128
09.04	FDI and technology transfer	124
09.01	Availability of latest technologies	114
09.03	Laws relating to ICT	88
09.06	Internet users (hard data)	83
09.08	Broadband Internet subscribers (hard data)	69
09.05	Mobile telephone subscribers (hard data)	52

10th pillar: Market size

10.01	Domestic market size index (hard data)	104
10.02	Foreign market size index (hard data)	103

	11th pillar: Business sophistication	
11.04	Nature of competitive advantage	127
11.03	State of cluster development	117
11.09	Willingness to delegate authority	111
11.08	Extent of marketing	107
11.07	Production process sophistication	105
11.01	Local supplier quantity	103
11.02	Local supplier quality	99
11.05	Value chain breadth	97
11.06	Control of international distribution	89

	12th pillar: Innovation	
12.05	Government procurement of advanced technology products	107
12.03	Company spending on R&D	107
12.07	Utility patents (hard data)	89
12.02	Quality of scientific research institutions	89
12.01	Capacity for innovation	84
12.04	University-industry research collaboration	81
12.06	Availability of scientists and engineers	64
