

Economic Performance

Domestic Economy

Size

I.1.01 Gross domestic product (GDP)	US\$ billions
I.1.02 GDP (PPP)	Estimates; US\$ billions at purchasing power parity
I.1.03 Household consumption expenditure	US\$ billions
I.1.04 Household consumption expenditure	Percentage of GDP
I.1.05 Government consumption expenditure	US\$ billions
I.1.06 Government consumption expenditure	Percentage of GDP
I.1.07 Gross fixed capital formation	US\$ billions
I.1.08 Gross fixed capital formation	Percentage of GDP
I.1.09 Gross domestic savings	US\$ billions
I.1.10 Gross domestic savings	Percentage of GDP
I.1.11 Economic sectors	Breakdown as a percentage of GDP
I.1.12 Diversification of the economy	Diversification of the economy is sufficient

Growth

I.1.13 Real GDP Growth	Percentage change, based on national currency in constant prices
I.1.14 Real GDP Growth per capita	Percentage change, based on national currency in constant prices
I.1.15 Household consumption expenditure - real growth	Percentage change, based on national currency
I.1.16 Government consumption expenditure - real growth	Percentage change, based on national currency
I.1.17 Gross fixed capital formation - real growth	Percentage change, based on national currency
I.1.18 Gross domestic savings - real growth	Percentage change, based on national currency
I.1.19 Resilience of the economy	Resilience of the economy to economic cycles is strong

Wealth

I.1.20 GDP per capita	US\$ per capita
I.1.21 GDP (PPP) per capita	Estimates; US\$ per capita at purchasing power parity
I.1.22 Household consumption expenditure per capita	US\$ per capita
I.1.23 Government consumption expenditure per capita	US\$ per capita
I.1.24 Gross fixed capital formation per capita	US\$ per capita
I.1.25 Gross domestic savings per capita	US\$ per capita

Forecasts

I.1.26 Forecast: Real GDP Growth	Percentage change, based on national currency in constant prices
I.1.27 Forecast: Inflation	Percentage change
I.1.28 Forecast: Unemployment	Percentage of total labor force
I.1.29 Forecast: Current account balance	Percentage of GDP/GNP

International Trade

I.2.01 Current account balance	US\$ billions (minus sign = deficit)
I.2.02 Current account balance	Percentage of GDP
I.2.03 Balance of trade	US\$ billions (minus sign = deficit)
I.2.04 Balance of trade	Percentage of GDP
I.2.05 Balance of commercial services	US\$ billions (minus sign = deficit)
I.2.06 Balance of commercial services	Percentage of GDP
I.2.07 Exports of goods	US\$ billions
I.2.08 Exports of goods	Percentage of GDP
I.2.09 Exports of goods - growth	Percentage change based on US\$ values
I.2.10 Exports of commercial services	US\$ billions
I.2.11 Exports of commercial services	Percentage of GDP
I.2.12 Exports of commercial services - growth	Percentage change based on US\$ values
I.2.13 Exports breakdown by economic sector	Percentage of total exports
I.2.14 Imports of goods & commercial services	US\$ billions
I.2.15 Imports of goods & commercial services	Percentage of GDP
I.2.16 Imports of goods & commercial services - growth	Percentage change based on US\$ values
I.2.17 Imports breakdown by economic sector	Percentage of total imports
I.2.18 Trade to GDP ratio	$(\text{Exports} + \text{Imports}) / (2 \times \text{GDP})$
I.2.19 Terms of trade index	Unit value of exports over unit value of imports (2000 = 100)
I.2.20 Tourism receipts	International tourism receipts as a percentage of GDP
I.2.21 Exchange rates	Exchange rates support the competitiveness of enterprises

International Investment

Investment

I.3.01 Direct investment flows abroad	US\$ billions
I.3.02 Direct investment flows abroad	Percentage of GDP
I.3.03 Direct investment stocks abroad	US\$ billions
I.3.04 Direct investment stocks abroad - growth	Percentage change based on US\$ values
I.3.05 Direct investment flows inward	US\$ billions
I.3.06 Direct investment flows inward	Percentage of GDP
I.3.07 Direct investment stocks inward	US\$ billions
I.3.08 Direct investment stocks inward - growth	Percentage change based on US\$ values
I.3.09 Balance of direct investment flows	US\$ billions (flows abroad minus flows inward)
I.3.10 Balance of direct investment flows	Percentage of GDP (flows abroad minus flows inward)
I.3.11 Net position in direct investment stocks	US\$ billions (stocks abroad minus stocks inward)
I.3.12 Net position in direct investment stocks	Percentage of GDP (stocks abroad minus stocks inward)
I.3.13 Relocation threats of production	Relocation of production is not a threat to the future of your economy
I.3.14 Relocation threats of R&D facilities	Relocation of R&D facilities is not a threat to the future of your economy
I.3.15 Relocation threats of services	Relocation of services is not a threat to the future of your economy

Finance

I.3.16 Portfolio investment assets	US\$ billions
I.3.17 Portfolio investment liabilities	US\$ billions

Employment

I.4.01 Employment	Total employment in millions
I.4.02 Employment	Percentage of population
I.4.03 Employment - growth	Estimates: percentage change
I.4.04 Employment by sector	Percentage of total employment
I.4.05 Employment in the public sector	Percentage of total employment
I.4.06 Unemployment rate	Percentage of labor force
I.4.07 Long-term unemployment	Percentage of labor force
I.4.08 Youth unemployment	Percentage of youth labor force (under the age of 25)

Prices

I.5.01 Consumer price inflation	Average annual rate
I.5.02 Cost-of-living index	Index of basket of goods & services in major cities, including housing (New York City = 100)
I.5.03 Apartment rent	3-room apartment monthly rent in major cities, US\$
I.5.04 Office rent	Total occupation cost (US\$/Sq.M per year)

Government Efficiency

Public Finance

2.1.01 Government budget surplus/deficit	US\$ billions
2.1.02 Government budget surplus/deficit	Percentage of GDP
2.1.03 Total general government debt	US\$ billions
2.1.04 Total general government debt	Percentage of GDP
2.1.05 Total general government debt - real growth	Percentage change, based on national currency in constant prices
2.1.06 Central government domestic debt	Percentage of GDP
2.1.07 Central government foreign debt	Percentage of GDP
2.1.08 Interest payment	Percentage of current revenue
2.1.09 Management of public finances	Management of public finances over the next two years is likely to improve
2.1.10 Total reserves	Gold and official reserves (gold = SDR 35 per ounce), SDR billions
2.1.11 General government expenditure	Percentage of GDP

Fiscal Policy

2.2.01 Collected total tax revenues	Percentage of GDP
2.2.02 Collected personal income tax	On profits, income and capital gains, as a percentage of GDP
2.2.03 Collected corporate taxes	On profits, income and capital gains, as a percentage of GDP
2.2.04 Collected indirect tax revenues	Taxes on goods and services as a percentage of GDP
2.2.05 Collected capital and property taxes	Percentage of GDP
2.2.06 Collected social security contribution	Compulsory contribution of employees and employers as a percentage of GDP
2.2.07 Effective personal income tax rate	Percentage of an income equal to GDP per capita
2.2.08 Corporate tax rate on profit	Maximum tax rate, calculated on profit before tax
2.2.09 Consumption tax rate	Standard rate of VAT / GST
2.2.10 Employee's social security contribution rate	Compulsory contribution as a percentage of an income equal to GDP per capita
2.2.11 Employer's social security contribution rate	Compulsory contribution as a percentage of an income equal to GDP per capita
2.2.12 Real personal taxes	Real personal taxes do not discourage people from working or seeking advancement
2.2.13 Real corporate taxes	Real corporate taxes do not discourage entrepreneurial activity
2.2.14 Tax evasion	Tax evasion does not hamper business activity

Institutional Framework

Central Bank

2.3.01 Real short-term interest rate	Real discount / bank rate
2.3.02 Cost of capital	Cost of capital encourages business development
2.3.03 Interest rate spread	Lending rate minus deposit rate
2.3.04 Country credit rating	Rating on a scale of 0-100 assessed by the Institutional Investor Magazine ranking
2.3.05 Central bank policy	Central bank policy has a positive impact on economic development
2.3.06 Exchange rate stability	Parity change from national currency to SDR, 2006/2004

State Efficiency

2.3.07 Policy direction of the government	Policy direction of the government is consistent
2.3.08 Legal and regulatory framework	The legal and regulatory framework encourages the competitiveness of enterprises
2.3.09 Adaptability of government policy	Adaptability of government policy to changes in the economy is high
2.3.10 Government decisions	Government decisions are effectively implemented
2.3.11 Political parties	Political parties do understand today's economic challenges
2.3.12 Transparency	Transparency of government policy is satisfactory
2.3.13 Public service	The public service is independent from political interference
2.3.14 Bureaucracy	Bureaucracy does not hinder business activity
2.3.15 Bribing and corruption	Bribing and corruption do not exist

Business Legislation

Openness

2.4.01 Customs' authorities	Customs' authorities do facilitate the efficient transit of goods
2.4.02 Protectionism	Protectionism does not impair the conduct of your business
2.4.03 Public sector contracts	Public sector contracts are sufficiently open to foreign bidders
2.4.04 International transactions	International transactions can be freely negotiated with foreign partners
2.4.05 Foreign investors	Foreign investors are free to acquire control in domestic companies
2.4.06 Capital markets	Capital markets (foreign and domestic) are easily accessible
2.4.07 Investment incentives	Investment incentives are attractive to foreign investors

Competition and Regulations

2.4.08 Government subsidies	To private and public companies as a percentage of GDP
2.4.09 Subsidies	Subsidies do not distort fair competition and economic development
2.4.10 State ownership of enterprises	State ownership of enterprises is not a threat to business activities
2.4.11 Competition legislation	Competition legislation is efficient in preventing unfair competition
2.4.12 Product and service legislation	Product and service legislation does not deter business activity
2.4.13 Price controls	Price controls do not affect pricing of products in most industries
2.4.14 Parallel economy	
2.4.15 Regulation intensity	Regulation intensity does not restrain the ability of companies to compete
2.4.16 Ease of doing business	Ease of doing business is supported by regulations
2.4.17 Creation of firms	Creation of firms is supported by legislation
2.4.18 Start-up days	Number of days to start a business

Labor Regulations

2.4.19 Labor regulations	Labor regulations (hiring/firing practices, minimum wages, etc.) do not hinder business activities
2.4.20 Unemployment legislation	Unemployment legislation provides an incentive to look for work
2.4.21 Immigration laws	Immigration laws do not prevent your company from employing foreign labor

Societal Framework

2.5.01 Justice	Justice is fairly administered
2.5.02 Personal security and private property	Personal security and private property are adequately protected
2.5.03 Risk of political instability	The risk of political instability is very low
2.5.04 Social cohesion	Social cohesion is a priority for the government
2.5.05 Income distribution - lowest 20%	Percentage of household incomes going to lowest 20% of households
2.5.06 Income distribution - highest 20%	Percentage of household incomes going to highest 20% of households
2.5.07 Discrimination	Discrimination (race, gender, age, etc.) does not hinder economic development
2.5.08 Females in parliament	Percentage of total seats in Parliament
2.5.09 Female positions	Percentage of total legislators, senior officials and managers
2.5.10 Gender income ratio	Ratio of estimated female to male earned income globally
2.5.11 Harassment	Harassment (unethical behaviour, mobbing, violence, etc.) is adequately addressed

Business Efficiency

Productivity and Efficiency

3.1.01 Overall productivity (PPP)	Estimates: GDP (PPP) per person employed, US\$
3.1.02 Overall productivity	GDP per person employed, US\$
3.1.03 Overall productivity - real growth	Estimates: Percentage change of real GDP per person employed
3.1.04 Labor productivity (PPP)	Estimates: GDP (PPP) per person employed per hour, US\$
3.1.05 Labor productivity (PPP) growth	Percentage change of GDP (PPP) per person employed per hour
3.1.06 Agricultural productivity (PPP)	Estimates: Related GDP (PPP) per person employed in agriculture, US\$
3.1.07 Productivity in industry (PPP)	Estimates: Related GDP (PPP) per person employed in industry, US\$
3.1.08 Productivity in services (PPP)	Estimates: Related GDP (PPP) per person employed in services, US\$
3.1.09 Large corporations	Large corporations are efficient by international standards
3.1.10 Small and medium-size enterprises	Small and medium-size enterprises are efficient by international standards
3.1.11 Productivity of companies	Productivity of companies is sufficiently supported by global strategies

Labor Market

Costs

3.2.01 Compensation levels	Estimates: Total hourly compensation for manufacturing workers, US\$
3.2.02 Unit labor costs in the manufacturing sector	Percentage change
3.2.03 Remuneration in services professions	Gross annual income including supplements such as bonuses, in US\$
3.2.04 Remuneration of management	Total base salary plus bonuses and long-term incentives, US\$

Relations

3.2.05 Working hours	Average number of working hours per year
3.2.06 Labor relations	Labor relations are generally productive
3.2.07 Worker motivation	Worker motivation in companies is high in your economy
3.2.08 Industrial disputes	Working days lost per 1,000 inhabitants per year (Average 2003-2005)
3.2.09 Employee training	Employee training is a high priority in companies

Availability of Skills

3.2.10 Labor force	Employed and registered unemployed millions
3.2.11 Labor force	Percentage of population
3.2.12 Labor force growth	Percentage change
3.2.13 Part-time employment	Percentage of total employment
3.2.14 Female labor force	Percentage of total labor force
3.2.15 Foreign labor force	Percentage of total labor force
3.2.16 Skilled labor	Skilled labor is readily available
3.2.17 Finance skills	Finance skills are readily available
3.2.18 Attracting and retaining talents	Attracting and retaining talents is a priority in companies
3.2.19 Brain drain	Brain drain does not hinder competitiveness in your economy
3.2.20 Foreign high-skilled people	Foreign high-skilled people are attracted to your country's business environment
3.2.21 International experience	International experience of senior managers is generally significant
3.2.22 Competent senior managers	Competent senior managers are readily available

Finance

Bank Efficiency

3.3.01 Banking sector assets	Percentage of GDP
3.3.02 Credit	Credit flows easily from banks to businesses
3.3.03 Financial cards in circulation	Number of cards per capita
3.3.04 Financial card transactions	US\$ per capita
3.3.05 Investment risk	Euromoney country credit-worthiness scale from 0-100
3.3.06 Venture capital	Venture capital is easily available for business development
3.3.07 Banking and financial services	Banking and financial services do support business activities efficiently
3.3.08 Retail banking	Population /number of bank offices
3.3.09 Banking regulation	Banking regulation does not hinder business development
3.3.10 Financial risk factor	The risk factor in the financial system is adequately addressed

Stock Market Efficiency

3.3.11 Stock markets	Stock markets provide adequate financing to companies
3.3.12 Stock market capitalization	US\$ billions
3.3.13 Stock market capitalization	Percentage of GDP
3.3.14 Value traded on stock markets	US\$ per capita
3.3.15 Listed domestic companies	Number of listed domestic companies
3.3.16 Stock market index	Percentage change on index in national currency
3.3.17 Shareholders' rights	Shareholders' rights are sufficiently implemented
3.3.18 Financial institutions' transparency	Financial institutions' transparency is sufficiently implemented

Finance Management

3.3.19 Cash flow	Cash flow is generally sufficient to allow companies to self-finance
3.3.20 Corporate debt	Corporate debt does not restrain the ability of enterprises to compete
3.3.21 Factoring	Percentage of merchandise exports

Management Practices

3.4.01 Adaptability of companies	Adaptability of companies to market changes is high
3.4.02 Ethical practices	Ethical practices are implemented in companies
3.4.03 Credibility of managers	Credibility of managers in society is strong
3.4.04 Corporate boards	Corporate boards do supervise the management of companies effectively
3.4.05 Auditing and accounting practices	Auditing and accounting practices are adequately implemented in business
3.4.06 Shareholder value	Shareholder value is efficiently managed
3.4.07 Customer satisfaction	Customer satisfaction is emphasized in companies
3.4.08 Entrepreneurship	Entrepreneurship of managers is widespread in business
3.4.09 Social responsibility	Social responsibility of business leaders is high
3.4.10 Health, safety & environmental concerns	Health, safety & environmental concerns are adequately addressed by management

Attitudes and Values

3.5.01 Attitudes toward globalization	Attitudes toward globalization are generally positive in your society
3.5.02 Image abroad	The image abroad of your country encourages business development
3.5.03 National culture	The national culture is open to foreign ideas
3.5.04 Flexibility and adaptability	Flexibility and adaptability of people are high when faced with new challenges
3.5.05 Need for economic and social reforms	The need for economic and social reforms is generally well understood
3.5.06 Value system	The value system in your economy supports competitiveness
3.5.07 Corporate values	Corporate values take into account the values of employees

Infrastructure

Basic Infrastructure

4.1.01 Land area	Square kilometers ('000)
4.1.02 Arable area	Square meters per capita
4.1.03 Urbanization	Urbanization of cities supports business development
4.1.04 Population - market size	Estimates in millions
4.1.05 Population under 15 years	Percentage of total population
4.1.06 Population over 65 years	Percentage of total population
4.1.07 Dependency ratio	Population under 15 and over 64 years old, divided by active population (15 to 64 years)
4.1.08 Roads	Density of the network, km per square km
4.1.09 Railroads	Density of the network, km per square km
4.1.10 Air transportation	Number of passengers carried by main companies, thousands
4.1.11 Quality of air transportation	Quality of air transportation encourages business development
4.1.12 Distribution infrastructure	The distribution infrastructure of goods and services is generally efficient
4.1.13 Water transportation	Water transportation (harbors, canals, etc.) meets business requirements
4.1.14 Maintenance and development	Maintenance and development of infrastructure are adequately planned and financed
4.1.15 Energy infrastructure	Energy infrastructure is adequate and efficient
4.1.16 Future energy supply	Future energy supply is adequately ensured
4.1.17 Total indigenous energy production	Millions MTOE
4.1.18 Total indigenous energy production per capita	MTOE per capita
4.1.19 Total indigenous energy production	Percentage of total requirements in tons of oil equivalent
4.1.20 Total final energy consumption	Millions MTOE
4.1.21 Total final energy consumption per capita	MTOE per capita
4.1.22 Energy intensity	Commercial energy consumed for each dollar of GDP in kilojoules
4.1.23 Electricity costs for industrial clients	US\$ per kwh

Technological Infrastructure

4.2.01 Investment in telecommunications	Percentage of GDP
4.2.02 Fixed telephone lines	Number of main lines per 1000 inhabitants
4.2.03 International fixed telephone costs	US\$ per 3 minutes in peak hours to USA (for USA to Europe)
4.2.04 Mobile telephone subscribers	Number of subscribers per 1000 inhabitants
4.2.05 Mobile telephone costs	Mobile cellular tariffs - US\$ per 1 minute (local)
4.2.06 Communications technology	Communications technology (voice and data) meets business requirements
4.2.07 Computers in use	Worldwide share / Source: Computer Industry Almanac
4.2.08 Computers per capita	Number of computers per 1000 people / Source: Computer Industry Almanac
4.2.09 Internet users	Number of internet users per 1000 people / Source: Computer Industry Almanac
4.2.10 Internet costs	Cost for 20 hours dial-up per month, US\$
4.2.11 Broadband subscribers	Number of subscribers per 1000 inhabitants
4.2.12 Broadband costs	US\$ per 100 kbits/s per month
4.2.13 Information technology skills	Information technology skills are readily available
4.2.14 Technological cooperation	Technological cooperation between companies is developed
4.2.15 Public and private sector ventures	Public and private sector ventures are supporting technological development
4.2.16 Development and application of technology	Development and application of technology are supported by the legal environment
4.2.17 Funding for technological development	Funding for technological development is readily available
4.2.18 Technological regulation	Technological regulation supports business development and innovation
4.2.19 High-tech exports	US\$ millions
4.2.20 High-tech exports	Percentage of manufactured exports
4.2.21 Cyber security	Cyber security is being adequately addressed by corporations

Scientific Infrastructure

4.3.01 Total expenditure on R&D	US\$ millions
4.3.02 Total expenditure on R&D	Percentage of GDP
4.3.03 Total expenditure on R&D per capita	US\$ per capita
4.3.04 Business expenditure on R&D	US\$ millions
4.3.05 Business expenditure on R&D	Percentage of GDP

Scientific Infrastructure

4.3.06 Total R&D personnel nationwide	Full-time work equivalent (FTE thousands)
4.3.07 Total R&D personnel nationwide per capita	Full-time work equivalent (FTE) per 1000 people
4.3.08 Total R&D personnel in business enterprise	Full-time work equivalent (FTE thousands)
4.3.09 Total R&D personnel in business per capita	Full-time work equivalent (FTE) per 1000 people
4.3.10 Basic research	Basic research does enhance long-term economic development
4.3.11 Science degrees	Percentage of total first university degrees in science and engineering
4.3.12 Scientific articles	Scientific articles published by origin of author
4.3.13 Science in schools	Science in schools is sufficiently emphasized
4.3.14 Youth interest in science	Youth interest in science is strong
4.3.15 Nobel prizes	Awarded in physics, chemistry, physiology or medicine and economics since 1950
4.3.16 Nobel prizes per capita	Awarded in physics, chemistry, or medicine and economics since 1950 per million people
4.3.17 Patents granted to residents	Number of patents granted to residents (average 2003-2005)
4.3.18 Securing patents abroad	Number of patents secured abroad by country residents
4.3.19 Intellectual property rights	Intellectual property rights are adequately enforced
4.3.20 Number of patents in force	Per 100,000 inhabitants
4.3.21 Patent productivity	Patents granted to residents / R&D personnel in business ('000s)
4.3.22 Scientific research	Scientific research is supported by legislation

Health and Environment

4.4.01 Total health expenditure	Percentage of GDP
4.4.02 Total health expenditure per capita	US\$ per capita
4.4.03 Public expenditure on health	Percentage of total health expenditure
4.4.04 Health infrastructure	Health infrastructure meets the needs of society
4.4.05 Life expectancy at birth	Average estimate
4.4.06 Healthy life expectancy	Average estimate
4.4.07 Infant mortality	Under five mortality rate per 1000 live births
4.4.08 Medical assistance	Number of inhabitants per physician and per nurse
4.4.09 Urban population	Percentage of total population
4.4.10 Human development index	Combines economic - social - educational indicators / Source: Human Development Report
4.4.11 Health problems	Health problems (AIDS, alcohol, drug abuse, etc.) do not have a significant impact on companies
4.4.12 Paper and cardboard recycling rate	Percentage of apparent consumption
4.4.13 Waste water treatment plants	Percentage of population served
4.4.14 Carbon dioxide emissions	CO2 emissions in metric tons per one million US\$ of GDP
4.4.15 Renewable energies	Share of renewable and wastes in total energy requirements, %
4.4.16 Ecological footprint	Area units per person, hectares of biologically productive space
4.4.17 Sustainable development	Sustainable development is a priority in companies
4.4.18 Pollution problems	Pollution problems do not seriously affect your economy
4.4.19 Environmental laws	Environmental laws and compliance do not hinder the competitiveness of businesses
4.4.20 Quality of life	Quality of life is high

Education

4.5.01 Total public expenditure on education	Percentage of GDP
4.5.02 Total public expenditure on education per capita	US\$ per capita
4.5.03 Pupil-teacher ratio (primary education)	Ratio of students to teaching staff
4.5.04 Pupil-teacher ratio (secondary education)	Ratio of students to teaching staff
4.5.05 Secondary school enrollment	Percentage of relevant age group receiving full-time education
4.5.06 Higher education achievement	Percentage of population that has attained at least tertiary education for persons 25-34
4.5.07 Educational assessment	PISA survey of 15-year olds
4.5.08 Educational system	The educational system meets the needs of a competitive economy
4.5.09 University education	University education meets the needs of a competitive economy
4.5.10 Illiteracy	Adult (over 15 years) illiteracy rate as a percentage of population
4.5.11 Economic literacy	Economic literacy among the population is generally high
4.5.12 Education in finance	Education in finance does meet the needs of enterprises
4.5.13 Language skills	Language skills are meeting the needs of enterprises
4.5.14 Qualified engineers	Qualified engineers are available in your labor market
4.5.15 Knowledge transfer	Knowledge transfer is highly developed between companies and universities