

Chapter 4: Country Data Tables

This chapter presents detailed data on the component variables used in constructing the EFW index for the countries included in this study. For each country, we present the overall EFW index rating and the ranking of that country for the years 1970, 1975, 1980, 1985, 1990, 1995, and 2000. Like all the scores in the index, these are values out of 10; 10 is the highest possible score and zero (0) is the lowest.

Under the column, Components of Economic Freedom, the titles in bold-face indicate the five areas of economic freedom that are combined to generate an overall score. Each of the rows in bold-face gives the scores (out of 10) for that particular area for each year.

Underneath each area title are the titles of the components that are combined to generate that particular area's score. In these rows are the scores (out of 10) for each year for which we have data. In parentheses beside some scores are the actual data used to derive that particular component rating.

A more complete description of each component, including the methodology used to calculate the ratings, can be found in the Chapter 1, Appendix: Explanatory Notes and Data Sources (p. 23).

The full data-set is available on-line at the website: <http://www.freetheworld.com/>.

Albania

| | 1970 | 1975 | 1980 | 1985 | 1990 | 1995 | 2000 |
|---|------|------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|
| Summary Ratings (Rank) ▶ | | | | | 4.3 (96) | 4.7 (101) | 5.5 (97) |
| 1. Size of Government: Expenditures, Taxes and Enterprises | | | 3.9 | 3.9 | 2.8 | 5.2 | 6.2 |
| A. Government Consumption | | | 7.7 (13.8) | 7.8 (13.4) | 4.9 (23.4) | 7.8 (13.6) | 8.8 (10.1) |
| B. Transfers and Subsidies | | | | | 3.5 (24.3) | 7.8 (8.4) | 7.8 (8.6) |
| C. Government Enterprises and Investment | 0.0 | | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 2.0 |
| D. Top Marginal Tax Rate | | | | | | | |
| 2. Legal Structure and Security of Property Rights | | | | 5.3 | 5.2 | 6.2 | 4.7 |
| A. Judicial Independence | | | | | | | |
| B. Impartial Courts | | | | | | | |
| C. Protection of Intellectual Property | | | | | | | |
| D. Military Interference | | | | | | | 6.7 |
| E. Integrity of Legal System | | | | | | 7.0 | 3.3 |
| 3. Access to Sound Money | | | | 6.5 | 6.5 | 3.3 | 6.3 |
| A. Growth of Money Supply | | | | | | 0.0 (78.9) | 5.5 (22.3) |
| B. Inflation Variability | | | | 9.6 (0.9) | 9.6 (1.0) | 0.0 (86.9) | 4.8 (12.9) |
| C. Recent Annual Inflation | | | | 9.9 (0.4) | 10.0 (0.0) | 8.0 (9.8) | 10.0 (0.1) |
| D. Freedom to Own Foreign Currency | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 5.0 | 5.0 |
| 4. Freedom to Exchange with Foreigners | | | | | | 5.2 | 5.2 |
| A. Taxes on International Trade | | | | | | 5.7 | 6.2 |
| (i) Taxes as Percentage of Exports and Imports | | | | | | 5.7 (6.5) | 5.1 (7.3) |
| (ii) Mean Tariff Rate | | | | | | | 6.8 (15.9) |
| (iii) Variability of Tariff Rates | | | | | | | 6.7 (8.3) |
| B. Regulatory Trade Barriers | | | | | | | |
| (i) Hidden Import Barriers | | | | | | | |
| (ii) Costs of Importing | | | | | | | |
| C. Size of Trade Sector | | | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| D. Difference between Official and Black Market Exchange Rates | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 10.0 | 10.0 |
| E. Restrictions on Capital Markets | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 2.0 | 1.5 |
| (i) Access to Foreign Capital | | | | | | | |
| (ii) Restrictions on Capital Transactions with Foreigners | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 2.0 | 1.5 |
| 5. Regulation of Credit, Labor and Business | | | | | 2.5 | 3.9 | 5.0 |
| A. Regulation of Credit Markets | | | | | 0.0 | 2.9 | 3.6 |
| (i) Private Ownership of Banks | | | | | 0.0 | 2.0 | 2.0 |
| (ii) Competition from Foreign Banks | | | | | | | |
| (iii) Extension of Credit to Private Sector | | | | | | 0.7 | 0.9 |
| (iv) Avoidance of Negative Real Interest Rates | | | | | 0.0 | 6.0 | 8.0 |
| (v) Controls on Interest Rates | | | | | | | |
| B. Regulation of Labor Markets | | | | | | | |
| (i) Impact of Minimum Wage | | | | | | | |
| (ii) Flexibility in Hiring and Firing | | | | | | | |
| (iii) Collective Bargaining | | | | | | | |
| (iv) Incentives from Unemployment Benefits | | | | | | | |
| (v) Military Conscription | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 3.0 | 10.0 |
| C. Regulation of Business | | | | | | | |
| (i) Price Controls | | | | | 0.0 | 4.0 | 4.0 |
| (ii) Administrative Obstacles for New Businesses | | | | | | | |
| (iii) Time Spent with Government Bureaucracy | | | | | | | |
| (iv) Ease of Starting a New Business | | | | | | | |
| (v) Irregular Payments to Government Officials | | | | | | | |

Algeria

| | 1970 | 1975 | 1980 | 1985 | 1990 | 1995 | 2000 |
|---|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|
| Summary Ratings (Rank) ▶ | | | 3.9 (94) | 4.0 (95) | 3.5 (108) | 4.2 (110) | 4.1 (120) |
| 1. Size of Government: Expenditures, Taxes and Enterprises | 3.8 | 2.9 | 2.3 | 2.3 | 2.6 | 4.4 | 4.0 |
| A. Government Consumption | 5.5 (21.2) | 5.8 (20.3) | 4.6 (24.2) | 4.5 (24.7) | 5.2 (22.3) | 5.3 (22.0) | 4.8 (23.6) |
| B. Transfers and Subsidies | | | | | | 7.8 (8.4) | 7.2 (10.6) |
| C. Government Enterprises and Investment | 2.0 (23.8) | 0.0 (25.4) | 0.0 (34.6) | 0.0 (55.8) | 0.0 (57.6) | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| D. Top Marginal Tax Rate | | | | | | | |
| 2. Legal Structure and Security of Property Rights | 3.8 | 3.3 | 3.8 | 3.5 | 3.5 | 6.2 | 2.3 |
| A. Judicial Independence | | | | | | | |
| B. Impartial Courts | | | | | | | |
| C. Protection of Intellectual Property | | | | | | | |
| D. Military Interference | | | | | | | 0.0 |
| E. Integrity of Legal System | | | | | | 7.0 | 3.3 |
| 3. Access to Sound Money | 6.4 | 4.6 | 4.9 | 6.2 | 4.5 | 3.9 | 5.8 |
| A. Growth of Money Supply | 7.2 (14.0) | 6.7 (16.4) | 6.9 (15.5) | 7.3 (13.4) | 9.3 (3.4) | 7.2 (13.9) | 7.7 (11.6) |
| B. Inflation Variability | 9.4 (1.6) | 2.6 (18.5) | 7.7 (5.8) | 8.3 (4.2) | 5.5 (11.2) | 4.1 (14.8) | 6.1 (9.8) |
| C. Recent Annual Inflation | 8.9 (5.4) | 8.9 (5.5) | 4.9 (25.7) | 9.1 (4.6) | 3.1 (34.4) | 4.3 (28.5) | 9.5 (2.6) |
| D. Freedom to Own Foreign Currency | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| 4. Freedom to Exchange with Foreigners | | | 4.6 | 3.8 | 3.8 | 4.1 | 5.4 |
| A. Taxes on International Trade | | | 7.7 | 5.7 | 5.1 | 3.7 | 4.3 |
| (i) Taxes as Percentage of Exports and Imports | | | | | | 3.6 (9.6) | 4.5 (8.2) |
| (ii) Mean Tariff Rate | | | 7.7 (11.7) | 5.7 (21.7) | 5.1 (24.6) | 5.4 (22.9) | 5.0 (25.0) |
| (iii) Variability of Tariff Rates | | | | | | 2.2 (19.6) | 3.4 (16.4) |
| B. Regulatory Trade Barriers | | | | | | | |
| (i) Hidden Import Barriers | | | | | | | |
| (ii) Costs of Importing | | | | | | | |
| C. Size of Trade Sector | 7.1 | 9.3 | 7.1 | 5.3 | 5.7 | 6.3 | 5.1 |
| D. Difference between Official and Black Market Exchange Rates | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 7.8 |
| E. Restrictions on Capital Markets | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 2.0 | 1.7 |
| (i) Access to Foreign Capital | | | | | | | |
| (ii) Restrictions on Capital Transactions with Foreigners | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 2.0 | 1.7 |
| 5. Regulation of Credit, Labor and Business | | | | | 3.1 | 2.7 | 3.1 |
| A. Regulation of Credit Markets | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.9 | 0.5 | 0.4 |
| (i) Private Ownership of Banks | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| (ii) Competition from Foreign Banks | | | | | | | |
| (iii) Extension of Credit to Private Sector | | | | | 1.7 | 1.4 | 1.1 |
| (iv) Avoidance of Negative Real Interest Rates | | | | | | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| (v) Controls on Interest Rates | | | | | | | |
| B. Regulation of Labor Markets | | | | | | | |
| (i) Impact of Minimum Wage | | | | | | | |
| (ii) Flexibility in Hiring and Firing | | | | | | | |
| (iii) Collective Bargaining | | | | | | | |
| (iv) Incentives from Unemployment Benefits | | | | | | | |
| (v) Military Conscription | 3.0 | 10.0 | 5.0 | 5.0 | 1.0 | 1.0 | 1.0 |
| C. Regulation of Business | | | | | | | |
| (i) Price Controls | | | | | 2.0 | 2.0 | 4.0 |
| (ii) Administrative Obstacles for New Businesses | | | | | | | |
| (iii) Time Spent with Government Bureaucracy | | | | | | | |
| (iv) Ease of Starting a New Business | | | | | | | |
| (v) Irregular Payments to Government Officials | | | | | | | |

Argentina

| | 1970 | 1975 | 1980 | 1985 | 1990 | 1995 | 2000 |
|---|------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|--------------|------------|------------|
| Summary Ratings (Rank) ▶ | 5.6 (36) | 3.1 (72) | 4.2 (85) | 3.7 (101) | 4.7 (83) | 6.4 (43) | 7.2 (30) |
| 1. Size of Government: Expenditures, Taxes and Enterprises | 6.0 | 5.6 | 6.1 | 5.2 | 7.4 | 8.1 | 8.0 |
| A. Government Consumption | 7.9 (13.0) | 6.5 (17.8) | 6.9 (16.5) | 7.9 (13.0) | 8.5 (11.0) | 8.1 (12.6) | 6.9 (16.6) |
| B. Transfers and Subsidies | | 8.0 (7.9) | 7.5 (9.7) | 6.9 (11.7) | 8.2 (7.2) | 7.3 (10.3) | 7.2 (10.7) |
| C. Government Enterprises and Investment | 4.0 (33.6) | 4.0 (33.6) | 4.0 (39.5) | 4.0 (38.3) | 6.0 (30.0) | 8.0 (8.5) | 10.0 (8.5) |
| D. Top Marginal Tax Rate | | 4.0 (51) | 6.0 (45) | 2.0 (62) | 7.0 (35) | 9.0 (30) | 8.0 (35) |
| 2. Legal Structure and Security of Property Rights | 3.8 | 1.6 | 4.2 | 4.6 | 6.0 | 4.9 | 5.4 |
| A. Judicial Independence | | | | | | 3.9 | 3.2 |
| B. Impartial Courts | | | | | | 4.2 | 5.2 |
| C. Protection of Intellectual Property | | | | | | 4.6 | 3.7 |
| D. Military Interference | | | | | | | 6.7 |
| E. Integrity of Legal System | | | | | | 7.0 | 8.3 |
| 3. Access to Sound Money | 7.5 | 2.5 | 2.5 | 2.5 | 2.5 | 5.4 | 9.5 |
| A. Growth of Money Supply | 5.0 (24.8) | 0.0 (78.3) | 0.0 (150.0) | 0.0 (295.2) | 0.0 (515.6) | 2.5 (37.5) | 9.9 (-0.6) |
| B. Inflation Variability | 6.2 (9.5) | 0.0 (61.9) | 0.0 (119.8) | 0.0 (208.3) | 0.0 (1198.8) | 0.0 (52.4) | 9.1 (2.3) |
| C. Recent Annual Inflation | 8.8 (5.8) | 0.0 (198.2) | 0.0 (92.0) | 0.0 (620.8) | 0.0 (2064.2) | 9.2 (3.9) | 9.2 (4.0) |
| D. Freedom to Own Foreign Currency | 10.0 | 10.0 | 10.0 | 10.0 | 10.0 | 10.0 | 10.0 |
| 4. Freedom to Exchange with Foreigners | | 0.7 | 3.5 | 1.6 | 3.3 | 6.8 | 6.4 |
| A. Taxes on International Trade | | 0.7 | 4.1 | 3.1 | 3.2 | 7.5 | 6.9 |
| (i) Taxes as Percentage of Exports and Imports | | 1.4 (12.9) | 3.7 (9.5) | 1.5 (12.7) | 3.4 (9.9) | 7.5 (3.7) | 7.4 (3.9) |
| (ii) Mean Tariff Rate | | 0.0 (55.9) | 4.4 (27.8) | 4.6 (27.0) | 5.9 (20.5) | 7.9 (10.5) | 7.8 (11.0) |
| (iii) Variability of Tariff Rates | | | | | 0.3 (24.3) | 7.0 (7.6) | 5.6 (11.0) |
| B. Regulatory Trade Barriers | | | | | | 7.2 | 6.4 |
| (i) Hidden Import Barriers | | | | | | 7.2 | 6.2 |
| (ii) Costs of Importing | | | | | | | 6.7 |
| C. Size of Trade Sector | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 1.2 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 2.1 |
| D. Difference between Official and Black Market Exchange Rates | 10.0 | 0.0 | 9.8 | 2.0 | 10.0 | 10.0 | 10.0 |
| E. Restrictions on Capital Markets | 2.0 | 2.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 9.5 | 6.6 |
| (i) Access to Foreign Capital | | | | | | 9.1 | 9.3 |
| (ii) Restrictions on Capital Transactions with Foreigners | 2.0 | 2.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 10.0 | 3.8 |
| 5. Regulation of Credit, Labor and Business | 5.0 | 4.9 | 4.5 | 4.5 | 4.3 | 6.6 | 6.6 |
| A. Regulation of Credit Markets | 7.0 | 6.6 | 4.4 | 4.2 | 3.7 | 7.8 | 7.3 |
| (i) Private Ownership of Banks | 5.0 | 5.0 | 5.0 | 5.0 | 5.0 | 5.0 | 5.0 |
| (ii) Competition from Foreign Banks | | | | | | 8.6 | 7.3 |
| (iii) Extension of Credit to Private Sector | 9.0 | 8.1 | 8.3 | 7.6 | 6.1 | 7.6 | 6.9 |
| (iv) Avoidance of Negative Real Interest Rates | | | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 10.0 | 10.0 |
| (v) Controls on Interest Rates | | | | | | 8.4 | 9.1 |
| B. Regulation of Labor Markets | 3.6 | 3.7 | 3.7 | 3.7 | 3.5 | 5.9 | 6.1 |
| (i) Impact of Minimum Wage | | | | | | 6.0 | 4.4 |
| (ii) Flexibility in Hiring and Firing | | | | | 3.0 | 3.0 | 5.3 |
| (iii) Collective Bargaining | 5.2 | 5.2 | 5.2 | 5.2 | 5.2 | 5.2 | 4.8 |
| (iv) Incentives from Unemployment Benefits | 5.7 | 5.0 | 5.0 | 4.9 | 4.7 | 5.6 | 6.0 |
| (v) Military Conscription | 0.0 | 1.0 | 1.0 | 1.0 | 1.0 | 10.0 | 10.0 |
| C. Regulation of Business | | | | | | 6.0 | 6.4 |
| (i) Price Controls | | | | | | 8.0 | 8.0 |
| (ii) Administrative Obstacles for New Businesses | | | | | | | 6.8 |
| (iii) Time Spent with Government Bureaucracy | | | | | | 6.7 | 7.5 |
| (iv) Ease of Starting a New Business | | | | | | 6.2 | 4.8 |
| (v) Irregular Payments to Government Officials | | | | | | 3.2 | 5.1 |

Australia

| | 1970 | | 1975 | | 1980 | | 1985 | | 1990 | | 1995 | | 2000 | |
|---|---------|--------|----------|--------|----------|--------|---------|--------|----------|--------|---------|--------|---------|--------|
| Summary Ratings (Rank) ▶ | 7.1 (9) | | 6.1 (16) | | 6.8 (13) | | 7.1 (9) | | 7.2 (10) | | 7.8 (8) | | 8.0 (8) | |
| 1. Size of Government: Expenditures, Taxes and Enterprises | 6.1 | | 5.2 | | 5.1 | | 4.9 | | 5.4 | | 5.7 | | 6.2 | |
| A. Government Consumption | 6.2 | (19.0) | 5.0 | (22.9) | 4.9 | (23.2) | 4.8 | (23.8) | 5.2 | (22.3) | 5.5 | (21.4) | 4.7 | (24.1) |
| B. Transfers and Subsidies | | | 7.8 | (8.5) | 7.4 | (10.1) | 6.9 | (11.9) | 7.2 | (10.7) | 6.3 | (14.2) | 7.1 | (11.2) |
| C. Government Enterprises and Investment | 6.0 | (30.0) | 6.0 | (37.1) | 6.0 | (28.4) | 6.0 | (30.2) | 6.0 | (25.2) | 7.0 | (21.5) | 10.0 | (9.6) |
| D. Top Marginal Tax Rate | | | 2.0 | (64) | 2.0 | (62) | 2.0 | (60) | 3.0 | (49) | 4.0 | (47) | 3.0 | (47) |
| 2. Legal Structure and Security of Property Rights | 8.0 | | 5.1 | | 7.3 | | 7.9 | | 7.9 | | 8.8 | | 9.5 | |
| A. Judicial Independence | | | | | | | | | | | 9.1 | | 9.5 | |
| B. Impartial Courts | | | | | | | | | | | 9.0 | | 9.7 | |
| C. Protection of Intellectual Property | | | | | | | | | | | 7.3 | | 8.3 | |
| D. Military Interference | | | | | | | | | | | | | 10.0 | |
| E. Integrity of Legal System | | | | | | | | | | | 10.0 | | 10.0 | |
| 3. Access to Sound Money | 9.6 | | 8.4 | | 8.9 | | 9.3 | | 9.0 | | 9.3 | | 9.3 | |
| A. Growth of Money Supply | 9.7 | (1.6) | 8.4 | (7.8) | 8.3 | (8.6) | 9.4 | (3.2) | 7.6 | (12.0) | 8.1 | (9.3) | 8.7 | (6.6) |
| B. Inflation Variability | 9.6 | (1.0) | 8.3 | (4.2) | 9.4 | (1.5) | 9.1 | (2.2) | 9.2 | (2.0) | 9.7 | (0.6) | 9.4 | (1.5) |
| C. Recent Annual Inflation | 8.9 | (5.5) | 7.0 | (14.9) | 8.0 | (9.8) | 8.8 | (6.1) | 9.3 | (3.3) | 9.4 | (2.9) | 9.1 | (4.5) |
| D. Freedom to Own Foreign Currency | 10.0 | | 10.0 | | 10.0 | | 10.0 | | 10.0 | | 10.0 | | 10.0 | |
| 4. Freedom to Exchange with Foreigners | 6.3 | | 5.8 | | 6.0 | | 7.0 | | 7.4 | | 7.6 | | 7.7 | |
| A. Taxes on International Trade | 7.5 | | 6.8 | | 7.4 | | 7.6 | | 6.5 | | 7.7 | | 8.5 | |
| (i) Taxes as Percentage of Exports and Imports | 7.5 | (3.7) | 7.1 | (4.4) | 7.6 | (3.6) | 7.9 | (3.2) | 7.9 | (3.1) | 8.8 | (1.8) | 9.0 | (1.5) |
| (ii) Mean Tariff Rate | | | 6.6 | (17.0) | 7.1 | (14.5) | 7.3 | (13.3) | 7.2 | (14.2) | 8.4 | (8.2) | 8.9 | (5.7) |
| (iii) Variability of Tariff Rates | | | | | | | | | 4.3 | (14.3) | 6.0 | (10.1) | 7.7 | (5.7) |
| B. Regulatory Trade Barriers | | | | | | | | | | | 6.4 | | 8.8 | |
| (i) Hidden Import Barriers | | | | | | | | | | | 6.4 | | 8.1 | |
| (ii) Costs of Importing | | | | | | | | | | | | | 9.5 | |
| C. Size of Trade Sector | 5.6 | | 4.7 | | 4.9 | | 5.4 | | 5.0 | | 5.4 | | 5.3 | |
| D. Difference between Official and Black Market Exchange Rates | 10.0 | | 9.8 | | 9.8 | | 10.0 | | 10.0 | | 10.0 | | 10.0 | |
| E. Restrictions on Capital Markets | 2.0 | | 2.0 | | 2.0 | | 5.0 | | 8.0 | | 8.3 | | 6.1 | |
| (i) Access to Foreign Capital | | | | | | | | | | | | | 8.5 | 9.1 |
| (ii) Restrictions on Capital Transactions with Foreigners | 2.0 | | 2.0 | | 2.0 | | 5.0 | | 8.0 | | 8.0 | | 3.1 | |
| 5. Regulation of Credit, Labor and Business | 5.4 | | 5.8 | | 6.5 | | 6.6 | | 6.4 | | 7.4 | | 7.3 | |
| A. Regulation of Credit Markets | 7.9 | | 6.1 | | 8.4 | | 8.7 | | 9.7 | | 9.3 | | 8.9 | |
| (i) Private Ownership of Banks | 8.0 | | 8.0 | | 8.0 | | 8.0 | | 10.0 | | 10.0 | | 10.0 | |
| (ii) Competition from Foreign Banks | | | | | | | | | | | 7.9 | | 6.5 | |
| (iii) Extension of Credit to Private Sector | 5.8 | | 6.4 | | 7.1 | | 8.0 | | 9.0 | | 9.2 | | 9.2 | |
| (iv) Avoidance of Negative Real Interest Rates | 10.0 | | 4.0 | | 10.0 | | 10.0 | | 10.0 | | 10.0 | | 10.0 | |
| (v) Controls on Interest Rates | | | | | | | | | | | 8.1 | | 8.2 | |
| B. Regulation of Labor Markets | | | | | | | | | 6.6 | | 5.4 | | 5.6 | |
| (i) Impact of Minimum Wage | | | | | | | | | | | 3.6 | | 4.5 | |
| (ii) Flexibility in Hiring and Firing | | | | | | | | | | 4.5 | 4.5 | | 3.1 | |
| (iii) Collective Bargaining | 5.2 | | 5.2 | | 5.2 | | 5.2 | | 5.2 | | 5.2 | | 5.5 | |
| (iv) Incentives from Unemployment Benefits | | | | | | | | | | | 3.9 | | 4.7 | |
| (v) Military Conscription | 0.0 | | 10.0 | | 10.0 | | 10.0 | | 10.0 | | 10.0 | | 10.0 | |
| C. Regulation of Business | | | | | | | | | | | 7.5 | | 7.3 | |
| (i) Price Controls | | | | | | | | | 6.0 | | 7.0 | | 7.0 | |
| (ii) Administrative Obstacles for New Businesses | | | | | | | | | | | | | 6.7 | |
| (iii) Time Spent with Government Bureaucracy | | | | | | | | | | | 7.2 | | 6.2 | |
| (iv) Ease of Starting a New Business | | | | | | | | | | | 6.8 | | 7.4 | |
| (v) Irregular Payments to Government Officials | | | | | | | | | | | 9.2 | | 9.0 | |

Austria

| | 1970 | 1975 | 1980 | 1985 | 1990 | 1995 | 2000 |
|---|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| Summary Ratings (Rank) ▶ | 6.2 (24) | 5.8 (22) | 6.2 (20) | 6.3 (21) | 6.8 (17) | 7.0 (29) | 7.5 (15) |
| 1. Size of Government: Expenditures, Taxes and Enterprises | 4.5 | 3.9 | 3.1 | 3.0 | 3.6 | 3.3 | 3.9 |
| A. Government Consumption | 5.5 (21.5) | 4.8 (23.8) | 4.5 (24.8) | 4.3 (25.2) | 4.4 (25.0) | 4.0 (26.4) | 4.2 (25.9) |
| B. Transfers and Subsidies | 6.1 (14.9) | 4.9 (19.4) | 4.1 (22.1) | 3.8 (23.1) | 4.0 (22.4) | 3.3 (25.2) | 3.6 (23.9) |
| C. Government Enterprises and Investment | 2.0 | 2.0 (45.0) | 2.0 (44.5) | 2.0 (42.0) | 2.0 | 2.0 | 4.0 |
| D. Top Marginal Tax Rate | | 4.0 (54) | 2.0 (62) | 2.0 (62) | 4.0 (50) | 4.0 (50) | 4.0 (50) |
| 2. Legal Structure and Security of Property Rights | | | 8.0 | 7.9 | 8.3 | 8.6 | 9.3 |
| A. Judicial Independence | | | | | | 8.8 | 9.0 |
| B. Impartial Courts | | | | | | 7.7 | 9.0 |
| C. Protection of Intellectual Property | | | | | | 7.7 | 8.7 |
| D. Military Interference | | | | | | | 10.0 |
| E. Integrity of Legal System | | | | | | 10.0 | 10.0 |
| 3. Access to Sound Money | 8.4 | 7.9 | 8.4 | 8.4 | 9.6 | 9.5 | 9.5 |
| A. Growth of Money Supply | 9.6 (1.8) | 8.5 (7.7) | 9.8 (1.0) | 9.5 (2.3) | 9.2 (4.0) | 8.6 (6.8) | 9.0 (5.0) |
| B. Inflation Variability | 9.7 (0.7) | 9.5 (1.2) | 9.6 (0.9) | 9.5 (1.2) | 9.7 (0.6) | 9.7 (0.8) | 9.6 (1.0) |
| C. Recent Annual Inflation | 9.1 (4.7) | 8.7 (6.5) | 9.0 (5.0) | 9.4 (3.1) | 9.3 (3.5) | 9.6 (2.1) | 9.5 (2.4) |
| D. Freedom to Own Foreign Currency | 5.0 | 5.0 | 5.0 | 5.0 | 10.0 | 10.0 | 10.0 |
| 4. Freedom to Exchange with Foreigners | 6.7 | 6.0 | 6.3 | 6.5 | 7.0 | 8.0 | 8.3 |
| A. Taxes on International Trade | 8.3 | 7.9 | 8.6 | 8.8 | 7.9 | 8.7 | 9.1 |
| (i) Taxes as Percentage of Exports and Imports | 8.3 (2.6) | 8.9 (1.7) | 9.5 (0.7) | 9.6 (0.6) | 9.5 (0.7) | 9.9 (0.2) | 9.9 (0.2) |
| (ii) Mean Tariff Rate | | 6.9 (15.4) | 7.7 (11.6) | 8.0 (10.0) | 8.3 (8.7) | 8.7 (6.7) | 9.3 (3.5) |
| (iii) Variability of Tariff Rates | | | | | 6.0 (10.1) | 7.6 (5.9) | 8.0 (5.0) |
| B. Regulatory Trade Barriers | | | | | | 8.1 | 9.2 |
| (i) Hidden Import Barriers | | | | | | 8.1 | 8.8 |
| (ii) Costs of Importing | | | | | | | 9.5 |
| C. Size of Trade Sector | 6.5 | 4.3 | 4.6 | 5.4 | 5.1 | 4.6 | 5.4 |
| D. Difference between Official and Black Market Exchange Rates | 10.0 | 10.0 | 10.0 | 10.0 | 10.0 | 10.0 | 10.0 |
| E. Restrictions on Capital Markets | 2.0 | 2.0 | 2.0 | 2.0 | 5.0 | 8.5 | 8.1 |
| (i) Access to Foreign Capital | | | | | | 9.0 | 9.3 |
| (ii) Restrictions on Capital Transactions with Foreigners | 2.0 | 2.0 | 2.0 | 2.0 | 5.0 | 8.0 | 6.9 |
| 5. Regulation of Credit, Labor and Business | 5.1 | 5.3 | 5.4 | 5.5 | 5.4 | 5.8 | 6.4 |
| A. Regulation of Credit Markets | 7.2 | 6.4 | 7.0 | 7.6 | 7.5 | 6.7 | 8.0 |
| (i) Private Ownership of Banks | 5.0 | 5.0 | 5.0 | 5.0 | 5.0 | 5.0 | 8.0 |
| (ii) Competition from Foreign Banks | | | | | | 6.5 | 5.7 |
| (iii) Extension of Credit to Private Sector | 8.5 | 8.1 | 7.9 | 7.8 | 7.4 | 7.3 | 8.2 |
| (iv) Avoidance of Negative Real Interest Rates | 8.0 | 6.0 | 8.0 | 10.0 | 10.0 | 8.0 | 10.0 |
| (v) Controls on Interest Rates | | | | | | 7.8 | 8.1 |
| B. Regulation of Labor Markets | 3.2 | 4.8 | 4.6 | 4.6 | 4.6 | 4.3 | 3.9 |
| (i) Impact of Minimum Wage | | | | | | 4.6 | 4.6 |
| (ii) Flexibility in Hiring and Firing | | | | | 4.8 | 4.8 | 3.1 |
| (iii) Collective Bargaining | 4.5 | 4.5 | 4.5 | 4.5 | 4.5 | 4.5 | 3.5 |
| (iv) Incentives from Unemployment Benefits | 5.0 | 5.0 | 4.4 | 4.4 | 4.2 | 4.5 | 5.2 |
| (v) Military Conscription | 0.0 | 5.0 | 5.0 | 5.0 | 5.0 | 3.0 | 3.0 |
| C. Regulation of Business | | | | | | 6.4 | 7.3 |
| (i) Price Controls | | | | | 5.0 | 8.0 | 8.0 |
| (ii) Administrative Obstacles for New Businesses | | | | | | | 7.5 |
| (iii) Time Spent with Government Bureaucracy | | | | | | 6.5 | 7.4 |
| (iv) Ease of Starting a New Business | | | | | | 3.7 | 5.4 |
| (v) Irregular Payments to Government Officials | | | | | | 7.5 | 8.3 |

Bahamas

| | 1970 | 1975 | 1980 | 1985 | 1990 | 1995 | 2000 |
|---|-----------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|
| Summary Ratings (Rank) ▶ | | 6.7 (9) | 6.4 (17) | 6.3 (21) | 6.2 (34) | 6.2 (56) | 7.1 (35) |
| 1. Size of Government: Expenditures, Taxes and Enterprises | 7.9 | 8.1 | 7.7 | 7.2 | 7.3 | 8.0 | 7.7 |
| A. Government Consumption | | 6.6 (17.6) | 6.8 (16.9) | 6.9 (16.5) | 7.2 (15.6) | 6.2 (18.9) | |
| B. Transfers and Subsidies | 9.8 (1.4) | 10.0 (0.5) | 10.0 (0.5) | 10.0 (0.1) | 9.9 (1.0) | 9.9 (1.0) | 7.1 |
| C. Government Enterprises and Investment | 6.0 | 6.0 (24.2) | 4.0 | 2.0 | 2.0 | 6.0 | 6.0 |
| D. Top Marginal Tax Rate | | 10.0 (0) | 10.0 (0) | 10.0 (0) | 10.0 (0) | 10.0 (0) | 10.0 (0) |
| 2. Legal Structure and Security of Property Rights | | | | 5.7 | 5.7 | 4.1 | 7.1 |
| A. Judicial Independence | | | | | | | |
| B. Impartial Courts | | | | | | | |
| C. Protection of Intellectual Property | | | | | | | |
| D. Military Interference | | | | | | | 10.0 |
| E. Integrity of Legal System | | | | | | 4.1 | 6.7 |
| 3. Access to Sound Money | 9.0 | 6.5 | 6.1 | 6.4 | 6.8 | 7.0 | 6.8 |
| A. Growth of Money Supply | | 9.6 (-1.9) | 7.9 (10.3) | 9.6 (2.2) | 8.7 (6.6) | 9.1 (4.6) | 7.8 (11.0) |
| B. Inflation Variability | 9.3 (1.8) | 8.7 (3.3) | 8.6 (3.5) | 7.9 (5.3) | 9.3 (1.7) | 9.3 (1.6) | 9.7 (0.8) |
| C. Recent Annual Inflation | 8.8 (6.2) | 7.9 (10.7) | 8.0 (10.0) | 8.3 (8.5) | 9.4 (3.2) | 9.4 (2.8) | 9.7 (1.6) |
| D. Freedom to Own Foreign Currency | | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| 4. Freedom to Exchange with Foreigners | | 5.1 | 4.6 | 4.8 | 4.5 | 4.8 | |
| A. Taxes on International Trade | 4.7 | 4.1 | 4.3 | 3.7 | 3.6 | 3.1 | 2.8 |
| (i) Taxes as Percentage of Exports and Imports | 4.7 (7.9) | 4.1 (8.8) | 4.6 (8.1) | 3.8 (9.3) | 3.6 (9.6) | 3.1 (10.3) | 2.7 (11.0) |
| (ii) Mean Tariff Rate | | | 4.0 (29.8) | 3.5 (32.3) | | | 3.0 (35.0) |
| (iii) Variability of Tariff Rates | | | | | | | |
| B. Regulatory Trade Barriers | | | | | | | |
| (i) Hidden Import Barriers | | | | | | | |
| (ii) Costs of Importing | | | | | | | |
| C. Size of Trade Sector | | 5.8 | 4.5 | 4.5 | 3.5 | 3.1 | |
| D. Difference between Official and Black Market Exchange Rates | 7.2 | 7.2 | 6.0 | 7.8 | 7.4 | 9.6 | 9.2 |
| E. Restrictions on Capital Markets | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 1.5 |
| (i) Access to Foreign Capital | | | | | | | |
| (ii) Restrictions on Capital Transactions with Foreigners | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 1.5 |
| 5. Regulation of Credit, Labor and Business | | 7.0 | 7.0 | 7.3 | 6.7 | 7.2 | 6.8 |
| A. Regulation of Credit Markets | 9.7 | 8.7 | 8.6 | 9.4 | 9.3 | 9.4 | 9.5 |
| (i) Private Ownership of Banks | 10.0 | 10.0 | 10.0 | 10.0 | 10.0 | 10.0 | 10.0 |
| (ii) Competition from Foreign Banks | | | | | | | |
| (iii) Extension of Credit to Private Sector | 9.5 | 8.0 | 7.9 | 8.1 | 7.9 | 8.2 | 8.5 |
| (iv) Avoidance of Negative Real Interest Rates | | 8.0 | 8.0 | 10.0 | 10.0 | 10.0 | 10.0 |
| (v) Controls on Interest Rates | | | | | | | |
| B. Regulation of Labor Markets | | | | | | | |
| (i) Impact of Minimum Wage | | | | | | | |
| (ii) Flexibility in Hiring and Firing | | | | | | | |
| (iii) Collective Bargaining | | | | | | | |
| (iv) Incentives from Unemployment Benefits | | | | | | | |
| (v) Military Conscription | | 10.0 | 10.0 | 10.0 | 10.0 | 10.0 | 10.0 |
| C. Regulation of Business | | | | | | | |
| (i) Price Controls | | | | | 4.0 | 4.0 | 4.0 |
| (ii) Administrative Obstacles for New Businesses | | | | | | | |
| (iii) Time Spent with Government Bureaucracy | | | | | | | |
| (iv) Ease of Starting a New Business | | | | | | | |
| (v) Irregular Payments to Government Officials | | | | | | | |

Bahrain

| | 1970 | 1975 | 1980 | 1985 | 1990 | 1995 | 2000 |
|---|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|
| Summary Ratings (Rank) ▶ | | | 7.3 (6) | 6.9 (15) | 6.8 (17) | 7.1 (25) | 7.3 (24) |
| 1. Size of Government: Expenditures, Taxes and Enterprises | | 6.0 | 6.8 | 6.0 | 5.9 | 6.2 | 6.8 |
| A. Government Consumption | | | 3.2 (29.0) | 0.0 (43.5) | 0.0 (43.8) | 1.4 (35.2) | 3.8 (27.2) |
| B. Transfers and Subsidies | | | 9.8 (1.2) | 10.0 (0.0) | 9.6 (1.8) | 9.3 (3.1) | 9.4 (2.6) |
| C. Government Enterprises and Investment | 0.0 | 2.0 (76.4) | 4.0 (29.8) | 4.0 (31.7) | 4.0 | 4.0 | 4.0 |
| D. Top Marginal Tax Rate | | 10.0 (0) | 10.0 (0) | 10.0 (0) | 10.0 (0) | 10.0 (0) | 10.0 (0) |
| 2. Legal Structure and Security of Property Rights | | | | 5.7 | 5.7 | 6.2 | 5.9 |
| A. Judicial Independence | | | | | | | |
| B. Impartial Courts | | | | | | | |
| C. Protection of Intellectual Property | | | | | | | |
| D. Military Interference | | | | | | | 5.0 |
| E. Integrity of Legal System | | | | | | 7.0 | 8.3 |
| 3. Access to Sound Money | 9.0 | 7.8 | 8.1 | 8.6 | 8.8 | 9.5 | 9.6 |
| A. Growth of Money Supply | 7.9 (10.5) | 7.1 (14.4) | 6.4 (18.1) | 8.5 (7.7) | 9.5 (2.7) | 9.6 (-2.1) | 9.3 (3.3) |
| B. Inflation Variability | 9.4 (1.4) | 7.1 (7.2) | 6.8 (8.0) | 6.3 (9.2) | 6.9 (7.7) | 8.7 (3.3) | 9.6 (1.1) |
| C. Recent Annual Inflation | 9.7 (1.6) | 6.8 (16.1) | 9.2 (3.9) | 9.6 (-1.8) | 8.6 (6.8) | 9.8 (1.0) | 9.7 (1.6) |
| D. Freedom to Own Foreign Currency | | 10.0 | 10.0 | 10.0 | 10.0 | 10.0 | 10.0 |
| 4. Freedom to Exchange with Foreigners | | | 7.3 | 7.1 | 7.3 | 6.9 | 7.5 |
| A. Taxes on International Trade | | | 9.4 | 9.2 | 9.3 | 9.1 | 8.5 |
| (i) Taxes as Percentage of Exports and Imports | | | 9.4 (0.9) | 9.5 (0.7) | 9.3 (1.1) | 9.1 (1.4) | 8.5 (2.3) |
| (ii) Mean Tariff Rate | | | | 8.8 (6.0) | | | |
| (iii) Variability of Tariff Rates | | | | | | | |
| B. Regulatory Trade Barriers | | | | | | | |
| (i) Hidden Import Barriers | | | | | | | |
| (ii) Costs of Importing | | | | | | | |
| C. Size of Trade Sector | | 7.6 | 6.9 | 6.2 | 6.8 | 5.5 | 4.0 |
| D. Difference between Official and Black Market Exchange Rates | | 10.0 | 10.0 | 10.0 | 10.0 | 10.0 | 10.0 |
| E. Restrictions on Capital Markets | | | | | | | |
| (i) Access to Foreign Capital | 2.0 | 2.0 | 2.0 | 2.0 | 2.0 | 2.0 | 6.9 |
| (ii) Restrictions on Capital Transactions with Foreigners | 2.0 | 2.0 | 2.0 | 2.0 | 2.0 | 2.0 | 6.9 |
| 5. Regulation of Credit, Labor and Business | | 7.2 | 7.1 | 7.0 | 6.4 | 6.6 | 6.5 |
| A. Regulation of Credit Markets | 10.0 | 9.0 | 8.7 | 8.4 | 8.5 | 8.2 | 8.7 |
| (i) Private Ownership of Banks | | 8.0 | 8.0 | 8.0 | 8.0 | 8.0 | 8.0 |
| (ii) Competition from Foreign Banks | | | | | | | |
| (iii) Extension of Credit to Private Sector | 10.0 | 9.9 | 9.4 | 8.7 | 7.5 | 8.7 | 8.0 |
| (iv) Avoidance of Negative Real Interest Rates | | | | | 10.0 | 8.0 | 10.0 |
| (v) Controls on Interest Rates | | | | | | | |
| B. Regulation of Labor Markets | | | | | | | |
| (i) Impact of Minimum Wage | | | | | | | |
| (ii) Flexibility in Hiring and Firing | | | | | | | |
| (iii) Collective Bargaining | | | | | | | |
| (iv) Incentives from Unemployment Benefits | | | | | | | |
| (v) Military Conscription | | 10.0 | 10.0 | 10.0 | 10.0 | 10.0 | 10.0 |
| C. Regulation of Business | | | | | | | |
| (i) Price Controls | | | | | 4.0 | 4.0 | 4.0 |
| (ii) Administrative Obstacles for New Businesses | | | | | | | |
| (iii) Time Spent with Government Bureaucracy | | | | | | | |
| (iv) Ease of Starting a New Business | | | | | | | |
| (v) Irregular Payments to Government Officials | | | | | | | |

Bangladesh

| | 1970 | 1975 | | 1980 | | 1985 | | 1990 | | 1995 | | 2000 | |
|---|-----------|----------|--------|----------|--------|----------|--------|----------|---------|----------|--------|-----------|--------|
| Summary Ratings (Rank) ▶ | | 3.8 (66) | | 3.7 (96) | | 4.1 (93) | | 4.3 (96) | | 5.3 (86) | | 5.1 (107) | |
| 1. Size of Government: Expenditures, Taxes and Enterprises | | 6.0 | | 4.3 | | 4.3 | | 4.8 | | 5.7 | | 5.2 | |
| A. Government Consumption | | 10.0 | (3.3) | 9.9 | (6.4) | 10.0 | (5.4) | 7.5 | (14.4) | 7.4 | (15.0) | 6.4 | (18.4) |
| B. Transfers and Subsidies | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| C. Government Enterprises and Investment | 2.0 | 2.0 | (50.4) | 2.0 | (44.4) | 2.0 | (46.6) | 2.0 | (47.1) | 4.0 | (34.0) | 4.0 | (32.0) |
| D. Top Marginal Tax Rate | | | | 1.0 | (60) | 1.0 | (60) | | | | | | |
| 2. Legal Structure and Security of Property Rights | | | | 2.5 | | 2.5 | | 2.4 | | 6.2 | | 2.9 | |
| A. Judicial Independence | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| B. Impartial Courts | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| C. Protection of Intellectual Property | | | | | | | | | | | | 2.0 | |
| D. Military Interference | | | | | | | | | | | | 3.3 | |
| E. Integrity of Legal System | | | | | | | | | | 7.0 | | 3.3 | |
| 3. Access to Sound Money | 8.5 | 2.0 | | 4.5 | | 6.0 | | 6.9 | | 6.4 | | 6.9 | |
| A. Growth of Money Supply | | 7.8 | (10.9) | 6.4 | (18.0) | 7.4 | (13.1) | 9.5 | (2.7) | 7.7 | (11.3) | 8.9 | (5.3) |
| B. Inflation Variability | 7.0 (7.5) | 0.0 | (29.1) | 4.2 | (14.4) | 8.8 | (3.1) | 9.2 | (2.1) | 9.0 | (2.4) | 9.1 | (2.2) |
| C. Recent Annual Inflation | 9.9 (0.5) | 0.0 | (74.5) | 7.3 | (13.4) | 7.8 | (11.1) | 9.0 | (4.9) | 8.7 | (6.7) | 9.5 | (2.3) |
| D. Freedom to Own Foreign Currency | | 0.0 | | 0.0 | | 0.0 | | 0.0 | | 0.0 | | 0.0 | |
| 4. Freedom to Exchange with Foreigners | | 2.6 | | 2.1 | | 2.2 | | 2.3 | | 3.3 | | 4.9 | |
| A. Taxes on International Trade | | 4.7 | | 0.5 | | 0.0 | | 0.6 | | 0.0 | | 3.7 | |
| (i) Taxes as Percentage of Exports and Imports | | 4.7 | (7.9) | 1.1 | (13.4) | 0.0 | (17.9) | 1.9 | (12.1) | | | 3.7 | (9.5) |
| (ii) Mean Tariff Rate | | | | 0.0 | (99.9) | 0.0 | (86.0) | 0.0 | (102.2) | 0.0 | (81.2) | 5.6 | (22.0) |
| (iii) Variability of Tariff Rates | | | | | | | | 0.0 | (50.4) | 0.0 | (26.1) | 1.9 | (20.3) |
| B. Regulatory Trade Barriers | | | | | | | | | | | | 4.7 | |
| (i) Hidden Import Barriers | | | | | | | | | | | | 4.7 | |
| (ii) Costs of Importing | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| C. Size of Trade Sector | 1.9 | 0.0 | | 1.7 | | 2.8 | | 2.7 | | 3.9 | | 3.1 | |
| D. Difference between Official and Black Market Exchange Rates | | 0.0 | | 0.0 | | 0.0 | | 0.0 | | 4.4 | | 10.0 | |
| E. Restrictions on Capital Markets | 0.0 | 0.0 | | 0.0 | | 0.0 | | 0.0 | | 0.0 | | 2.9 | |
| (i) Access to Foreign Capital | | | | | | | | | | | | 5.9 | |
| (ii) Restrictions on Capital Transactions with Foreigners | 0.0 | 0.0 | | 0.0 | | 0.0 | | 0.0 | | 0.0 | | 0.0 | |
| 5. Regulation of Credit, Labor and Business | | 4.6 | | 5.0 | | 5.3 | | 5.2 | | 5.1 | | 5.7 | |
| A. Regulation of Credit Markets | 0.0 | 1.4 | | 3.4 | | 4.2 | | 5.8 | | 5.1 | | 6.5 | |
| (i) Private Ownership of Banks | 0.0 | 0.0 | | 0.0 | | 0.0 | | 0.0 | | 0.0 | | 2.0 | |
| (ii) Competition from Foreign Banks | | | | | | | | | | | | 5.9 | |
| (iii) Extension of Credit to Private Sector | | 2.8 | | 4.3 | | 6.6 | | 7.3 | | 7.4 | | 8.0 | |
| (iv) Avoidance of Negative Real Interest Rates | | | | 6.0 | | 6.0 | | 10.0 | | 8.0 | | 10.0 | |
| (v) Controls on Interest Rates | | | | | | | | | | | | 3.7 | |
| B. Regulation of Labor Markets | | | | | | | | | | | | 6.6 | |
| (i) Impact of Minimum Wage | | | | | | | | | | | | 4.6 | |
| (ii) Flexibility in Hiring and Firing | | | | | | | | | | | | 5.0 | |
| (iii) Collective Bargaining | | | | | | | | | | | | 6.6 | |
| (iv) Incentives from Unemployment Benefits | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| (v) Military Conscriptation | | 10.0 | | 10.0 | | 10.0 | | 10.0 | | 10.0 | | 10.0 | |
| C. Regulation of Business | | | | | | | | | | | | 4.0 | |
| (i) Price Controls | | | | | | | | 0.0 | | 0.0 | | 0.0 | |
| (ii) Administrative Obstacles for New Businesses | | | | | | | | | | | | 7.6 | |
| (iii) Time Spent with Government Bureaucracy | | | | | | | | | | | | 5.7 | |
| (iv) Ease of Starting a New Business | | | | | | | | | | | | 4.6 | |
| (v) Irregular Payments to Government Officials | | | | | | | | | | | | 1.9 | |

Barbados

| | 1970 | | 1975 | | 1980 | | 1985 | | 1990 | | 1995 | | 2000 | |
|---|----------|--------|----------|--------|----------|--------|----------|--------|----------|--------|----------|--------|------|--------|
| Summary Ratings (Rank) ▶ | 5.8 (22) | | 5.7 (37) | | 6.0 (29) | | 5.9 (41) | | 5.9 (65) | | 5.8 (82) | | | |
| 1. Size of Government: Expenditures, Taxes and Enterprises | 8.1 | | 5.8 | | 5.8 | | 5.4 | | 6.2 | | 6.5 | | 5.2 | |
| A. Government Consumption | 7.0 | (16.2) | 6.4 | (18.3) | 6.1 | (19.3) | 4.5 | (24.6) | 4.7 | (24.1) | 5.1 | (22.7) | 4.6 | (24.3) |
| B. Transfers and Subsidies | 9.3 | (2.9) | 10.0 | (0.2) | 10.0 | (0.2) | 10.0 | (0.0) | 10.0 | (0.5) | 10.0 | (0.0) | | |
| C. Government Enterprises and Investment | 8.0 | (19.2) | 6.0 | (26.8) | 6.0 | (22.8) | 6.0 | (22.5) | 6.0 | | 6.0 | | 6.0 | |
| D. Top Marginal Tax Rate | | | 1.0 | (65) | 1.0 | (60) | 1.0 | (60) | 4.0 | (50) | 5.0 | (40) | 5.0 | (40) |
| 2. Legal Structure and Security of Property Rights | | | | | | | 5.7 | | 5.7 | | 4.1 | | | |
| A. Judicial Independence | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| B. Impartial Courts | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| C. Protection of Intellectual Property | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| D. Military Interference | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| E. Integrity of Legal System | | | | | | | | | | | 4.1 | | | |
| 3. Access to Sound Money | 8.8 | | 5.5 | | 5.0 | | 6.7 | | 6.5 | | 7.1 | | 6.5 | |
| A. Growth of Money Supply | | | 8.1 | (9.5) | 6.9 | (15.3) | 8.8 | (5.8) | 8.6 | (7.1) | 8.9 | (-5.4) | 7.7 | (11.7) |
| B. Inflation Variability | 9.1 | (2.3) | 6.3 | (9.2) | 7.6 | (6.0) | 8.6 | (3.5) | 8.6 | (3.4) | 9.5 | (1.3) | 8.6 | (3.4) |
| C. Recent Annual Inflation | 8.5 | (7.3) | 7.7 | (11.7) | 5.5 | (22.6) | 9.2 | (4.1) | 8.9 | (5.5) | 10.0 | (0.3) | 9.5 | (2.4) |
| D. Freedom to Own Foreign Currency | | | 0.0 | | 0.0 | | 0.0 | | 0.0 | | 0.0 | | 0.0 | |
| 4. Freedom to Exchange with Foreigners | | | 4.8 | | 5.4 | | 5.3 | | 4.7 | | 5.1 | | 5.3 | |
| A. Taxes on International Trade | 6.6 | | 7.1 | | 7.5 | | 7.2 | | 6.1 | | 6.6 | | 6.2 | |
| (i) Taxes as Percentage of Exports and Imports | 6.6 | (5.1) | 7.1 | (4.4) | 7.5 | (3.7) | 7.7 | (3.4) | 7.6 | (3.6) | 7.8 | (3.3) | | |
| (ii) Mean Tariff Rate | | | | | | | 6.6 | (17.0) | | | 7.2 | (14.1) | 6.2 | (19.0) |
| (iii) Variability of Tariff Rates | | | | | | | | | 4.5 | (13.7) | 4.8 | (13.1) | | |
| B. Regulatory Trade Barriers | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| (i) Hidden Import Barriers | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| (ii) Costs of Importing | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| C. Size of Trade Sector | 3.9 | | 2.7 | | 3.6 | | 3.3 | | 1.1 | | 1.3 | | 2.2 | |
| D. Difference between Official and Black Market Exchange Rates | | | 6.0 | | 7.8 | | 7.8 | | 8.0 | | 9.4 | | 9.8 | |
| E. Restrictions on Capital Markets | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| (i) Access to Foreign Capital | 0.0 | | 0.0 | | 0.0 | | 0.0 | | 0.0 | | 0.0 | | 0.0 | |
| (ii) Restrictions on Capital Transactions with Foreigners | 0.0 | | 0.0 | | 0.0 | | 0.0 | | 0.0 | | 0.0 | | 0.0 | |
| 5. Regulation of Credit, Labor and Business | | | 6.9 | | 6.4 | | 6.9 | | 6.6 | | 6.6 | | 6.4 | |
| A. Regulation of Credit Markets | 9.5 | | 8.0 | | 7.2 | | 8.4 | | 8.2 | | 8.2 | | 7.7 | |
| (i) Private Ownership of Banks | | | 8.0 | | 8.0 | | 8.0 | | 8.0 | | 8.0 | | 8.0 | |
| (ii) Competition from Foreign Banks | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| (iii) Extension of Credit to Private Sector | 9.5 | | 8.1 | | 7.6 | | 7.1 | | 6.7 | | 6.6 | | 7.1 | |
| (iv) Avoidance of Negative Real Interest Rates | | | | | 6.0 | | 10.0 | | 10.0 | | 10.0 | | 8.0 | |
| (v) Controls on Interest Rates | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| B. Regulation of Labor Markets | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| (i) Impact of Minimum Wage | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| (ii) Flexibility in Hiring and Firing | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| (iii) Collective Bargaining | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| (iv) Incentives from Unemployment Benefits | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| (v) Military Conscription | | | 10.0 | | 10.0 | | 10.0 | | 10.0 | | 10.0 | | 10.0 | |
| C. Regulation of Business | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| (i) Price Controls | | | | | | | | | 6.0 | | 6.0 | | 6.0 | |
| (ii) Administrative Obstacles for New Businesses | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| (iii) Time Spent with Government Bureaucracy | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| (iv) Ease of Starting a New Business | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| (v) Irregular Payments to Government Officials | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |

Belgium

| | 1970 | 1975 | 1980 | 1985 | 1990 | 1995 | 2000 |
|---|------------|------------|------------|------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| Summary Ratings (Rank) ▶ | 7.7 (3) | 6.8 (8) | 7.1 (7) | 7.2 (6) | 7.3 (7) | 7.2 (23) | 7.5 (15) |
| 1. Size of Government: Expenditures, Taxes and Enterprises | 5.6 | 4.0 | 3.6 | 3.6 | 4.4 | 4.0 | 3.7 |
| A. Government Consumption | 6.4 (18.3) | 5.6 (20.9) | 5.4 (21.6) | 5.8 (20.3) | 6.4 (18.1) | 6.2 (18.9) | 3.5 (28.3) |
| B. Transfers and Subsidies | 4.5 (20.8) | 2.4 (28.5) | 3.1 (26.0) | 2.6 (27.6) | 3.3 (25.0) | 3.0 (26.3) | 3.4 (24.9) |
| C. Government Enterprises and Investment | 6.0 | 6.0 (25.0) | 6.0 (26.8) | 6.0 (25.3) | 6.0 (27.0) | 6.0 | 6.0 |
| D. Top Marginal Tax Rate | | 2.0 (64) | 0.0 (76) | 0.0 (76) | 2.0 (55-61) | 1.0 (58-64) | 2.0 (58-63) |
| 2. Legal Structure and Security of Property Rights | 8.3 | 7.4 | 7.8 | 7.9 | 8.3 | 7.3 | 8.3 |
| A. Judicial Independence | | | | | | 5.8 | 7.3 |
| B. Impartial Courts | | | | | | 6.4 | 8.2 |
| C. Protection of Intellectual Property | | | | | | 6.9 | 7.6 |
| D. Military Interference | | | | | | | 10.0 |
| E. Integrity of Legal System | | | | | | 10.0 | 8.3 |
| 3. Access to Sound Money | 9.6 | 8.7 | 9.5 | 9.6 | 9.6 | 9.7 | 9.6 |
| A. Growth of Money Supply | 9.7 (-1.3) | 8.6 (6.9) | 9.6 (1.9) | 9.7 (1.6) | 9.4 (2.9) | 9.4 (3.0) | 9.1 (4.7) |
| B. Inflation Variability | 9.7 (0.7) | 8.8 (3.0) | 9.4 (1.6) | 9.8 (0.6) | 9.6 (1.0) | 9.6 (0.9) | 9.8 (0.6) |
| C. Recent Annual Inflation | 9.1 (4.6) | 7.5 (12.3) | 9.2 (4.2) | 8.8 (6.1) | 9.4 (3.1) | 9.7 (1.7) | 9.5 (2.5) |
| D. Freedom to Own Foreign Currency | 10.0 | 10.0 | 10.0 | 10.0 | 10.0 | 10.0 | 10.0 |
| 4. Freedom to Exchange with Foreigners | 9.7 | 8.8 | 8.9 | 9.4 | 9.1 | 8.7 | 8.9 |
| A. Taxes on International Trade | 9.7 | 9.1 | 9.0 | 9.2 | 8.5 | 8.7 | 9.0 |
| (i) Taxes as Percentage of Exports and Imports | 9.7 (0.4) | 10.0 (0.0) | 9.8 (0.3) | 9.8 (0.3) | 9.7 (0.4) | 9.7 (0.4) | 9.7 (0.4) |
| (ii) Mean Tariff Rate | | 8.1 (9.4) | 8.2 (8.8) | 8.5 (7.5) | 8.5 (7.4) | 8.7 (6.7) | 9.3 (3.5) |
| (iii) Variability of Tariff Rates | | | | | 7.1 (7.2) | 7.6 (5.9) | 8.0 (5.0) |
| B. Regulatory Trade Barriers | | | | | | 8.3 | 8.9 |
| (i) Hidden Import Barriers | | | | | | 8.3 | 8.2 |
| (ii) Costs of Importing | | | | | | | 9.5 |
| C. Size of Trade Sector | 9.0 | 6.3 | 6.7 | 8.6 | 7.9 | 7.0 | 7.4 |
| D. Difference between Official and Black Market Exchange Rates | 10.0 | 10.0 | 10.0 | 10.0 | 10.0 | 10.0 | 10.0 |
| E. Restrictions on Capital Markets | 10.0 | 10.0 | 10.0 | 10.0 | 10.0 | 9.3 | 9.2 |
| (i) Access to Foreign Capital | | | | | | 8.6 | 9.9 |
| (ii) Restrictions on Capital Transactions with Foreigners | 10.0 | 10.0 | 10.0 | 10.0 | 10.0 | 10.0 | 8.5 |
| 5. Regulation of Credit, Labor and Business | 5.3 | 5.2 | 5.5 | 5.4 | 5.1 | 6.1 | 7.0 |
| A. Regulation of Credit Markets | 8.5 | 7.2 | 8.6 | 8.1 | 8.4 | 8.2 | 8.3 |
| (i) Private Ownership of Banks | 10.0 | 10.0 | 10.0 | 10.0 | 10.0 | 10.0 | 10.0 |
| (ii) Competition from Foreign Banks | | | | | | 7.9 | 8.0 |
| (iii) Extension of Credit to Private Sector | 5.4 | 5.7 | 5.8 | 4.3 | 5.2 | 5.0 | 5.2 |
| (iv) Avoidance of Negative Real Interest Rates | 10.0 | 6.0 | 10.0 | 10.0 | 10.0 | 10.0 | 10.0 |
| (v) Controls on Interest Rates | | | | | | 7.0 | 8.3 |
| B. Regulation of Labor Markets | 2.9 | 3.4 | 3.5 | 3.5 | 3.6 | 4.9 | 5.0 |
| (i) Impact of Minimum Wage | | | | | | 3.9 | 5.1 |
| (ii) Flexibility in Hiring and Firing | | | | | 3.8 | 3.8 | 3.1 |
| (iii) Collective Bargaining | 4.5 | 4.5 | 4.5 | 4.5 | 4.5 | 4.5 | 4.2 |
| (iv) Incentives from Unemployment Benefits | 3.3 | 2.8 | 3.0 | 3.0 | 3.3 | 2.6 | 2.7 |
| (v) Military Conscriptation | 1.0 | 3.0 | 3.0 | 3.0 | 3.0 | 10.0 | 10.0 |
| C. Regulation of Business | | | | | | 5.3 | 7.6 |
| (i) Price Controls | | | | | 2.0 | 5.0 | 6.0 |
| (ii) Administrative Obstacles for New Businesses | | | | | | | 8.2 |
| (iii) Time Spent with Government Bureaucracy | | | | | | 6.5 | 8.9 |
| (iv) Ease of Starting a New Business | | | | | | 4.6 | 6.4 |
| (v) Irregular Payments to Government Officials | | | | | | 5.1 | 8.3 |

Belize

| | 1970 | 1975 | 1980 | 1985 | 1990 | 1995 | 2000 | | | | | |
|---|------|--------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|--------|------|--------|------|--------|
| Summary Ratings (Rank) ▶ | | | 5.8 (30) | 5.7 (41) | 5.8 (47) | 6.6 (39) | 6.2 (70) | | | | | |
| 1. Size of Government: Expenditures, Taxes and Enterprises | 6.5 | | 5.2 | 5.0 | 4.9 | 6.3 | 6.0 | | | | | |
| A. Government Consumption | 6.9 | (16.4) | 6.1 | (19.3) | 5.0 | (23.1) | 5.6 | (20.9) | 6.6 | (17.7) | 6.3 | (18.4) |
| B. Transfers and Subsidies | | | 9.4 | (2.6) | 9.2 | (3.6) | 9.8 | (1.2) | 9.8 | (1.2) | 9.7 | (1.6) |
| C. Government Enterprises and Investment | 6.0 | (34.4) | 0.0 | (51.0) | 2.0 | (49.9) | 0.0 | (55.5) | 4.0 | (38.3) | 2.0 | (47.7) |
| D. Top Marginal Tax Rate | | | | | 4.0 | (50) | 4.0 | (45) | 5.0 | (45) | | |
| 2. Legal Structure and Security of Property Rights | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| A. Judicial Independence | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| B. Impartial Courts | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| C. Protection of Intellectual Property | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| D. Military Interference | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| E. Integrity of Legal System | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 3. Access to Sound Money | 8.7 | 6.6 | 6.2 | 6.6 | 6.8 | 7.2 | 6.8 | | | | | |
| A. Growth of Money Supply | | | 8.8 | (6.2) | 9.3 | (3.3) | 8.5 | (7.6) | 9.8 | (1.0) | 8.3 | (8.7) |
| B. Inflation Variability | 9.0 | (2.6) | 6.7 | (8.3) | 8.5 | (3.8) | 7.5 | (6.3) | 8.8 | (3.0) | 9.6 | (1.0) |
| C. Recent Annual Inflation | 8.5 | (7.4) | 6.6 | (16.9) | 7.7 | (11.4) | 9.6 | (-1.9) | 9.9 | (0.3) | 9.2 | (3.9) |
| D. Freedom to Own Foreign Currency | | | 0.0 | | 0.0 | | 0.0 | | 0.0 | | 0.0 | |
| 4. Freedom to Exchange with Foreigners | | | 5.0 | | 4.4 | | 5.1 | | 5.6 | | 5.3 | |
| A. Taxes on International Trade | | | 4.2 | | 4.7 | | 2.8 | | 2.7 | | 5.6 | |
| (i) Taxes as Percentage of Exports and Imports | | | 4.2 | (8.7) | 2.7 | (10.9) | 2.8 | (10.8) | 2.7 | (10.9) | 5.6 | (6.6) |
| (ii) Mean Tariff Rate | | | | | 6.6 | (17.0) | | | | | | |
| (iii) Variability of Tariff Rates | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| B. Regulatory Trade Barriers | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| (i) Hidden Import Barriers | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| (ii) Costs of Importing | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| C. Size of Trade Sector | | 6.5 | 4.3 | | 4.1 | | 4.6 | | 2.9 | | 2.8 | |
| D. Difference between Official and Black Market Exchange Rates | | 3.6 | 3.2 | | 0.0 | | 5.0 | | 9.4 | | 9.2 | |
| E. Restrictions on Capital Markets | | | 5.0 | | 5.0 | | 5.0 | | 5.0 | | 0.8 | |
| (i) Access to Foreign Capital | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| (ii) Restrictions on Capital Transactions with Foreigners | | | 5.0 | | 5.0 | | 5.0 | | 5.0 | | 0.8 | |
| 5. Regulation of Credit, Labor and Business | | | 6.9 | | 6.8 | | 6.3 | | 7.3 | | 6.8 | |
| A. Regulation of Credit Markets | | 9.1 | 8.1 | | 7.8 | | 9.4 | | 9.6 | | 8.9 | |
| (i) Private Ownership of Banks | | | | | | | 10.0 | | 10.0 | | 10.0 | |
| (ii) Competition from Foreign Banks | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| (iii) Extension of Credit to Private Sector | | 9.1 | 8.2 | | 7.7 | | 8.2 | | 8.7 | | 8.8 | |
| (iv) Avoidance of Negative Real Interest Rates | | | 8.0 | | 8.0 | | 10.0 | | 10.0 | | 8.0 | |
| (v) Controls on Interest Rates | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| B. Regulation of Labor Markets | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| (i) Impact of Minimum Wage | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| (ii) Flexibility in Hiring and Firing | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| (iii) Collective Bargaining | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| (iv) Incentives from Unemployment Benefits | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| (v) Military Conscription | | | 10.0 | | 10.0 | | 10.0 | | 10.0 | | 10.0 | |
| C. Regulation of Business | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| (i) Price Controls | | | | | | | 0.0 | | 6.0 | | 6.0 | |
| (ii) Administrative Obstacles for New Businesses | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| (iii) Time Spent with Government Bureaucracy | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| (iv) Ease of Starting a New Business | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| (v) Irregular Payments to Government Officials | | | | | | | | | | | | |

Benin

| | 1970 | | 1975 | | 1980 | | 1985 | | 1990 | | 1995 | | 2000 | |
|---|------|--------|------|--------|----------|--------|----------|--------|----------|--------|----------|--------|----------|--------|
| Summary Ratings (Rank) ▶ | | | | | 5.2 (57) | | 4.8 (77) | | 5.1 (70) | | 4.9 (95) | | 5.8 (82) | |
| 1. Size of Government: Expenditures, Taxes and Enterprises | 5.4 | | 5.5 | | 4.7 | | 3.6 | | 4.2 | | 4.0 | | 6.5 | |
| A. Government Consumption | 8.7 | (10.3) | 9.0 | (9.4) | 9.3 | (8.2) | 7.2 | (15.5) | 8.3 | (11.7) | 8.1 | (12.5) | 8.9 | (9.6) |
| B. Transfers and Subsidies | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| C. Government Enterprises and Investment | 2.0 | (50.0) | 2.0 | (45.9) | 0.0 | (53.7) | 0.0 | (53.5) | 0.0 | (55.2) | 0.0 | (60.1) | 4.0 | (33.9) |
| D. Top Marginal Tax Rate | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 2. Legal Structure and Security of Property Rights | | | | | 4.7 | | 4.2 | | 4.4 | | 4.9 | | | |
| A. Judicial Independence | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| B. Impartial Courts | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| C. Protection of Intellectual Property | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| D. Military Interference | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| E. Integrity of Legal System | | | | | | | | | | | 5.2 | | | |
| 3. Access to Sound Money | 6.7 | | 5.2 | | 6.3 | | 6.1 | | 6.7 | | 5.2 | | 6.5 | |
| A. Growth of Money Supply | 8.6 | (6.8) | 5.8 | (20.8) | 8.4 | (8.0) | 8.0 | (10.0) | 9.9 | (0.7) | 8.7 | (6.3) | 9.3 | (3.7) |
| B. Inflation Variability | 9.3 | (1.8) | 7.8 | (5.4) | 8.7 | (3.2) | 7.2 | (6.9) | 8.3 | (4.2) | 5.0 | (12.5) | 7.8 | (5.6) |
| C. Recent Annual Inflation | 9.0 | (5.1) | 7.2 | (14.3) | 8.0 | (10.2) | 9.0 | (-4.9) | 8.8 | (6.1) | 6.9 | (15.4) | 9.2 | (4.2) |
| D. Freedom to Own Foreign Currency | 0.0 | | 0.0 | | 0.0 | | 0.0 | | 0.0 | | 0.0 | | 0.0 | |
| 4. Freedom to Exchange with Foreigners | | | 5.3 | | 5.1 | | 5.3 | | | | | | 5.3 | |
| A. Taxes on International Trade | | | 3.9 | | 2.9 | | 2.5 | | | | | | | |
| (i) Taxes as Percentage of Exports and Imports | | | 3.9 | (9.2) | 2.9 | (10.6) | | | | | | | | |
| (ii) Mean Tariff Rate | | | | | | | 2.5 | (37.4) | | | | | | |
| (iii) Variability of Tariff Rates | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| B. Regulatory Trade Barriers | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| (i) Hidden Import Barriers | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| (ii) Costs of Importing | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| C. Size of Trade Sector | 3.8 | | 4.8 | | 4.8 | | 6.1 | | 3.7 | | 4.3 | | 3.5 | |
| D. Difference between Official and Black Market Exchange Rates | 9.6 | | 9.6 | | 9.6 | | 9.8 | | 9.2 | | 9.8 | | 10.0 | |
| E. Restrictions on Capital Markets | 0.0 | | 0.0 | | 0.0 | | 0.0 | | 0.0 | | 0.0 | | 0.0 | |
| (i) Access to Foreign Capital | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| (ii) Restrictions on Capital Transactions with Foreigners | 0.0 | | 0.0 | | 0.0 | | 0.0 | | 0.0 | | 0.0 | | 0.0 | |
| 5. Regulation of Credit, Labor and Business | | | | | 5.1 | | 4.8 | | 5.0 | | 5.6 | | 5.1 | |
| A. Regulation of Credit Markets | 4.9 | | 5.0 | | 5.3 | | 5.9 | | 6.3 | | 6.2 | | 7.6 | |
| (i) Private Ownership of Banks | 0.0 | | 0.0 | | 0.0 | | 0.0 | | 2.0 | | 10.0 | | 10.0 | |
| (ii) Competition from Foreign Banks | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| (iii) Extension of Credit to Private Sector | 9.8 | | 10.0 | | 9.9 | | 9.8 | | 8.8 | | 6.6 | | 8.8 | |
| (iv) Avoidance of Negative Real Interest Rates | | | | | 6.0 | | 8.0 | | 8.0 | | 2.0 | | 4.0 | |
| (v) Controls on Interest Rates | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| B. Regulation of Labor Markets | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| (i) Impact of Minimum Wage | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| (ii) Flexibility in Hiring and Firing | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| (iii) Collective Bargaining | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| (iv) Incentives from Unemployment Benefits | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| (v) Military Conscription | | | | | | | 1.0 | | 1.0 | | 1.0 | | 1.0 | |
| C. Regulation of Business | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| (i) Price Controls | | | | | | | | | | | 2.0 | | 2.0 | |
| (ii) Administrative Obstacles for New Businesses | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| (iii) Time Spent with Government Bureaucracy | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| (iv) Ease of Starting a New Business | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| (v) Irregular Payments to Government Officials | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |

Bolivia

| | 1970 | | 1975 | | 1980 | | 1985 | | 1990 | | 1995 | | 2000 | |
|---|------|--------|------|--------|----------|--------|-----------|-----------|----------|--------|----------|--------|----------|--------|
| Summary Ratings (Rank) ▶ | | | | | 4.3 (82) | | 3.5 (103) | | 5.5 (53) | | 7.0 (29) | | 6.7 (51) | |
| 1. Size of Government: Expenditures, Taxes and Enterprises | 5.9 | | 7.0 | | 5.4 | | 6.9 | | 6.8 | | 7.2 | | 7.5 | |
| A. Government Consumption | | | 7.3 | (15.1) | 6.7 | (17.1) | 8.1 | (12.5) | 7.9 | (13.3) | 7.3 | (15.2) | 7.1 | (15.8) |
| B. Transfers and Subsidies | 9.9 | (1.0) | 9.8 | (1.3) | 9.7 | (1.6) | 9.6 | (1.8) | 9.4 | (2.8) | 9.5 | (2.5) | 8.8 | (5.0) |
| C. Government Enterprises and Investment | 2.0 | (44.0) | 4.0 | (28.9) | 2.0 | (50.1) | 2.0 | (42.5) | 0.0 | (60.7) | 2.0 | (51.1) | 4.0 | (33.5) |
| D. Top Marginal Tax Rate | | | | | 3.0 | (48) | 8.0 | (30) | 10.0 | (10) | 10.0 | (13) | 10.0 | (13) |
| 2. Legal Structure and Security of Property Rights | | | | | 2.3 | | 1.7 | | 3.2 | | 6.2 | | 3.4 | |
| A. Judicial Independence | | | | | | | | | | | | | 2.2 | |
| B. Impartial Courts | | | | | | | | | | | | | 3.3 | |
| C. Protection of Intellectual Property | | | | | | | | | | | | | 1.7 | |
| D. Military Interference | | | | | | | | | | | | | 5.0 | |
| E. Integrity of Legal System | | | | | | | | | | | 7.0 | | 5.0 | |
| 3. Access to Sound Money | 9.4 | | 6.3 | | 5.1 | | 0.0 | | 4.8 | | 7.6 | | 9.3 | |
| A. Growth of Money Supply | 8.9 | (5.6) | 5.8 | (20.9) | 6.2 | (19.1) | 0.0 | (566.0) | 2.4 | (38.0) | 4.3 | (28.3) | 9.3 | (-3.4) |
| B. Inflation Variability | 9.4 | (1.5) | 1.0 | (22.5) | 3.8 | (15.5) | 0.0 | (4769.2) | 0.0 | (85.9) | 8.4 | (4.0) | 8.6 | (3.5) |
| C. Recent Annual Inflation | 9.2 | (3.8) | 8.4 | (7.8) | 0.5 | (47.3) | 0.0 | (12336.7) | 6.7 | (16.3) | 7.7 | (11.4) | 9.1 | (4.6) |
| D. Freedom to Own Foreign Currency | 10.0 | | 10.0 | | 10.0 | | 0.0 | | 10.0 | | 10.0 | | 10.0 | |
| 4. Freedom to Exchange with Foreigners | 4.2 | | 6.0 | | 4.8 | | 5.3 | | 6.4 | | 7.3 | | 7.3 | |
| A. Taxes on International Trade | 2.6 | | 4.1 | | 4.8 | | 5.7 | | 7.6 | | 8.7 | | 8.6 | |
| (i) Taxes as Percentage of Exports and Imports | 2.6 | (11.1) | 4.1 | (8.9) | 4.8 | (7.8) | 5.3 | (7.0) | 8.5 | (2.3) | 8.6 | (2.1) | 8.5 | (2.2) |
| (ii) Mean Tariff Rate | | | | | | | 6.0 | (19.8) | 6.7 | (16.7) | 8.1 | (9.7) | 8.2 | (9.0) |
| (iii) Variability of Tariff Rates | | | | | | | | | | | 9.6 | (1.1) | 9.2 | (2.0) |
| B. Regulatory Trade Barriers | | | | | | | | | | | | | 5.5 | |
| (i) Hidden Import Barriers | | | | | | | | | | | | | 4.8 | |
| (ii) Costs of Importing | | | | | | | | | | | | | 6.2 | |
| C. Size of Trade Sector | 6.1 | | 6.5 | | 3.4 | | 2.4 | | 4.9 | | 4.7 | | 4.6 | |
| D. Difference between Official and Black Market Exchange Rates | 2.2 | | 9.0 | | 5.6 | | 8.2 | | 9.4 | | 9.8 | | 10.0 | |
| E. Restrictions on Capital Markets | 2.0 | | 2.0 | | 2.0 | | 2.0 | | 2.0 | | 5.0 | | 7.8 | |
| (i) Access to Foreign Capital | | | | | | | | | | | | | 8.6 | |
| (ii) Restrictions on Capital Transactions with Foreigners | 2.0 | | 2.0 | | 2.0 | | 2.0 | | 2.0 | | 5.0 | | 6.9 | |
| 5. Regulation of Credit, Labor and Business | | | | | 3.8 | | | | 6.2 | | 6.8 | | 6.1 | |
| A. Regulation of Credit Markets | 3.3 | | 6.5 | | 2.5 | | 0.0 | | 9.3 | | 8.5 | | 8.2 | |
| (i) Private Ownership of Banks | | | | | | | | | 10.0 | | 8.0 | | 10.0 | |
| (ii) Competition from Foreign Banks | | | | | | | | | | | | | 5.1 | |
| (iii) Extension of Credit to Private Sector | 3.3 | | 6.5 | | 5.0 | | | | 10.0 | | 9.6 | | 9.6 | |
| (iv) Avoidance of Negative Real Interest Rates | | | | | 0.0 | | 0.0 | | 8.0 | | 8.0 | | 8.0 | |
| (v) Controls on Interest Rates | | | | | | | | | | | | | 6.3 | |
| B. Regulation of Labor Markets | | | | | | | | | | | | | 4.7 | |
| (i) Impact of Minimum Wage | | | | | | | | | | | | | 3.1 | |
| (ii) Flexibility in Hiring and Firing | | | | | | | | | | | | | 4.9 | |
| (iii) Collective Bargaining | | | | | | | | | | | | | 7.1 | |
| (iv) Incentives from Unemployment Benefits | | | | | | | | | | | | | 5.5 | |
| (v) Military Conscription | 3.0 | | 3.0 | | 3.0 | | 3.0 | | 3.0 | | 3.0 | | 3.0 | |
| C. Regulation of Business | | | | | | | | | | | | | 5.5 | |
| (i) Price Controls | | | | | | | | | 6.0 | | 8.0 | | 9.0 | |
| (ii) Administrative Obstacles for New Businesses | | | | | | | | | | | | | 5.5 | |
| (iii) Time Spent with Government Bureaucracy | | | | | | | | | | | | | 3.9 | |
| (iv) Ease of Starting a New Business | | | | | | | | | | | | | 3.9 | |
| (v) Irregular Payments to Government Officials | | | | | | | | | | | | | 5.1 | |

Botswana

| | 1970 | 1975 | 1980 | 1985 | 1990 | 1995 | 2000 |
|---|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|
| Summary Ratings (Rank) ▶ | | | 5.5 (47) | 5.7 (41) | 5.7 (48) | 6.2 (56) | 7.0 (38) |
| 1. Size of Government: Expenditures, Taxes and Enterprises | 5.8 | 3.8 | 3.6 | 3.3 | 3.7 | 4.8 | 5.3 |
| A. Government Consumption | 5.6 (21.0) | 4.5 (24.8) | 3.7 (27.5) | 1.0 (36.7) | 1.6 (34.4) | 0.0 (45.9) | 0.0 (49.0) |
| B. Transfers and Subsidies | 9.7 (1.5) | 8.6 (5.5) | 8.8 (4.9) | 8.1 (7.3) | 8.3 (6.6) | 8.2 (7.2) | 8.0 (7.7) |
| C. Government Enterprises and Investment | 2.0 (34.6) | 2.0 (46.3) | 2.0 (44.9) | 2.0 (53.2) | 2.0 | 4.0 | 4.0 |
| D. Top Marginal Tax Rate | | 0.0 (75) | 0.0 (75) | 2.0 (60) | 3.0 (50) | 7.0 (35) | 9.0 (25) |
| 2. Legal Structure and Security of Property Rights | | | | 6.3 | 6.3 | 6.2 | 7.1 |
| A. Judicial Independence | | | | | | | |
| B. Impartial Courts | | | | | | | |
| C. Protection of Intellectual Property | | | | | | | |
| D. Military Interference | | | | | | | 10.0 |
| E. Integrity of Legal System | | | | | | 7.0 | 6.7 |
| 3. Access to Sound Money | 9.6 | 4.4 | 5.3 | 5.3 | 5.6 | 7.9 | 8.6 |
| A. Growth of Money Supply | | | 8.6 (6.8) | 9.2 (4.1) | 6.9 (15.3) | 10.0 (0.0) | 7.4 (13.1) |
| B. Inflation Variability | 9.5 (1.3) | 6.9 (7.7) | 6.4 (8.9) | 6.5 (8.9) | 6.6 (8.6) | 8.3 (4.3) | 8.6 (3.4) |
| C. Recent Annual Inflation | 9.8 (1.1) | 6.3 (18.8) | 6.2 (19.1) | 5.5 (22.7) | 8.8 (6.0) | 8.1 (9.3) | 8.3 (8.7) |
| D. Freedom to Own Foreign Currency | | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 5.0 | 10.0 |
| 4. Freedom to Exchange with Foreigners | | | 6.6 | 6.7 | 7.2 | 6.5 | 7.7 |
| A. Taxes on International Trade | | 3.1 | 4.8 | 7.0 | 6.3 | 4.2 | 6.8 |
| (i) Taxes as Percentage of Exports and Imports | | 3.1 (10.4) | 1.5 (12.8) | 5.3 (7.1) | 5.6 (6.6) | 5.2 (7.1) | 6.0 (6.1) |
| (ii) Mean Tariff Rate | | | 8.1 (9.4) | 8.8 (6.0) | 7.8 (11.0) | 6.1 (19.7) | 8.6 (7.2) |
| (iii) Variability of Tariff Rates | | | | | 5.5 (11.3) | 1.2 (21.9) | 6.0 (10.0) |
| B. Regulatory Trade Barriers | | | | | | | |
| (i) Hidden Import Barriers | | | | | | | |
| (ii) Costs of Importing | | | | | | | |
| C. Size of Trade Sector | 5.9 | 7.2 | 7.0 | 7.7 | 8.1 | 5.6 | 6.7 |
| D. Difference between Official and Black Market Exchange Rates | | 1.2 | 8.0 | 5.6 | 8.6 | 9.6 | 10.0 |
| E. Restrictions on Capital Markets | | | 5.0 | 5.0 | 5.0 | 5.0 | 6.9 |
| (i) Access to Foreign Capital | | | | | | | |
| (ii) Restrictions on Capital Transactions with Foreigners | | | 5.0 | 5.0 | 5.0 | 5.0 | 6.9 |
| 5. Regulation of Credit, Labor and Business | | | 6.3 | 6.9 | 5.9 | 5.8 | 6.5 |
| A. Regulation of Credit Markets | | 9.1 | 6.5 | 8.1 | 5.9 | 6.6 | 8.0 |
| (i) Private Ownership of Banks | | | | | 5.0 | 5.0 | 5.0 |
| (ii) Competition from Foreign Banks | | | | | | | |
| (iii) Extension of Credit to Private Sector | | 9.1 | 8.9 | 8.1 | 8.8 | 8.8 | 9.0 |
| (iv) Avoidance of Negative Real Interest Rates | | | 4.0 | 8.0 | 4.0 | 6.0 | 10.0 |
| (v) Controls on Interest Rates | | | | | | | |
| B. Regulation of Labor Markets | | | | | | | |
| (i) Impact of Minimum Wage | | | | | | | |
| (ii) Flexibility in Hiring and Firing | | | | | | | |
| (iii) Collective Bargaining | | | | | | | |
| (iv) Incentives from Unemployment Benefits | | | | | | | |
| (v) Military Conscriptation | | 10.0 | 10.0 | 10.0 | 10.0 | 10.0 | 10.0 |
| C. Regulation of Business | | | | | | | |
| (i) Price Controls | | | | | 6.0 | 6.0 | 6.0 |
| (ii) Administrative Obstacles for New Businesses | | | | | | | |
| (iii) Time Spent with Government Bureaucracy | | | | | | | |
| (iv) Ease of Starting a New Business | | | | | | | |
| (v) Irregular Payments to Government Officials | | | | | | | |

Brazil

| | 1970 | 1975 | 1980 | 1985 | 1990 | 1995 | 2000 |
|---|------------|------------|------------|-------------|--------------|-------------|------------|
| Summary Ratings (Rank) ▶ | 5.4 (38) | 4.5 (56) | 4.1 (90) | 3.4 (105) | 4.1 (100) | 4.5 (108) | 5.8 (82) |
| 1. Size of Government: Expenditures, Taxes and Enterprises | 6.1 | 5.4 | 5.3 | 5.1 | 6.7 | 6.3 | 6.7 |
| A. Government Consumption | 7.6 (14.2) | 7.7 (13.8) | 8.3 (11.6) | 7.9 (13.0) | 4.5 (24.5) | 4.5 (24.7) | 4.9 (23.4) |
| B. Transfers and Subsidies | 5.9 (15.5) | 4.7 (19.9) | 6.8 (12.4) | 7.4 (10.0) | 7.2 (10.7) | 6.5 (13.3) | 6.0 (15.3) |
| C. Government Enterprises and Investment | 4.0 (38.3) | 4.0 (35.8) | 2.0 (49.2) | 4.0 (36.0) | 6.0 (24.9) | 6.0 (17.8) | 8.0 (17.1) |
| D. Top Marginal Tax Rate | 7.0 (45) | 5.0 (50) | 4.0 (55) | 1.0 (60) | 9.0 (25) | 8.0 (35) | 8.0 (28) |
| 2. Legal Structure and Security of Property Rights | 6.2 | 5.4 | 5.9 | 5.7 | 6.2 | 5.8 | 5.4 |
| A. Judicial Independence | | | | | | 5.6 | 5.5 |
| B. Impartial Courts | | | | | | 6.7 | 6.2 |
| C. Protection of Intellectual Property | | | | | | 4.1 | 5.1 |
| D. Military Interference | | | | | | | 6.7 |
| E. Integrity of Legal System | | | | | | 7.0 | 3.3 |
| 3. Access to Sound Money | 5.9 | 3.6 | 1.3 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 5.1 |
| A. Growth of Money Supply | 5.1 (24.3) | 3.9 (30.6) | 1.6 (41.8) | 0.0 (137.8) | 0.0 (648.7) | 0.0 (708.0) | 6.9 (15.6) |
| B. Inflation Variability | 6.9 (7.7) | 7.3 (6.7) | 3.4 (16.6) | 0.0 (53.1) | 0.0 (878.9) | 0.0 (851.5) | 0.0 (32.2) |
| C. Recent Annual Inflation | 6.6 (17.1) | 3.2 (34.0) | 0.0 (87.5) | 0.0 (231.7) | 0.0 (2509.5) | 0.0 (77.6) | 8.6 (7.0) |
| D. Freedom to Own Foreign Currency | 5.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 5.0 |
| 4. Freedom to Exchange with Foreigners | 3.8 | 2.7 | 3.4 | 1.8 | 3.4 | 5.4 | 5.6 |
| A. Taxes on International Trade | 5.6 | 6.2 | 3.3 | 2.6 | 4.8 | 7.7 | 6.2 |
| (i) Taxes as Percentage of Exports and Imports | 5.6 (6.6) | 6.2 (5.7) | 3.3 (10.0) | 7.9 (3.2) | 7.5 (3.7) | 8.1 (2.8) | 4.5 (8.3) |
| (ii) Mean Tariff Rate | | | | 0.0 (55.6) | 4.0 (30.0) | 7.6 (12.0) | 7.3 (13.6) |
| (iii) Variability of Tariff Rates | | | | 0.0 (26.2) | 3.0 (17.5) | 7.2 (6.9) | 6.9 (7.8) |
| B. Regulatory Trade Barriers | | | | | | 5.3 | 5.3 |
| (i) Hidden Import Barriers | | | | | | 5.3 | 4.0 |
| (ii) Costs of Importing | | | | | | | 6.7 |
| C. Size of Trade Sector | 2.4 | 4.2 | 4.0 | 4.2 | 0.7 | 1.1 | 2.5 |
| D. Difference between Official and Black Market Exchange Rates | 7.2 | 0.2 | 6.4 | 0.2 | 8.0 | 9.4 | 10.0 |
| E. Restrictions on Capital Markets | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 3.6 | 4.2 |
| (i) Access to Foreign Capital | | | | | | 7.3 | 7.6 |
| (ii) Restrictions on Capital Transactions with Foreigners | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.8 |
| 5. Regulation of Credit, Labor and Business | 5.2 | 5.2 | 4.9 | 4.3 | 4.4 | 5.1 | 6.1 |
| A. Regulation of Credit Markets | 6.4 | 6.5 | 5.3 | 3.4 | 3.9 | 4.9 | 6.9 |
| (i) Private Ownership of Banks | 5.0 | 5.0 | 5.0 | 5.0 | 5.0 | 5.0 | 5.0 |
| (ii) Competition from Foreign Banks | | | | | | 6.5 | 7.1 |
| (iii) Extension of Credit to Private Sector | 8.3 | 8.4 | 6.8 | 5.3 | 6.8 | 8.2 | 7.3 |
| (iv) Avoidance of Negative Real Interest Rates | 6.0 | 6.0 | 4.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 8.0 |
| (v) Controls on Interest Rates | | | | | | 3.8 | 5.8 |
| B. Regulation of Labor Markets | | | | | 4.8 | 5.3 | 4.6 |
| (i) Impact of Minimum Wage | | | | | | 6.7 | 3.5 |
| (ii) Flexibility in Hiring and Firing | | | | | 6.2 | 6.2 | 5.3 |
| (iii) Collective Bargaining | 5.2 | 5.2 | 5.2 | 5.2 | 5.2 | 5.2 | 5.5 |
| (iv) Incentives from Unemployment Benefits | | | | | | 5.5 | 6.0 |
| (v) Military Conscription | 3.0 | 3.0 | 3.0 | 3.0 | 3.0 | 3.0 | 3.0 |
| C. Regulation of Business | | | | | | 5.2 | 6.7 |
| (i) Price Controls | | | | | 0.0 | 6.0 | 7.0 |
| (ii) Administrative Obstacles for New Businesses | | | | | | | 7.7 |
| (iii) Time Spent with Government Bureaucracy | | | | | | 5.6 | 7.4 |
| (iv) Ease of Starting a New Business | | | | | | 6.0 | 5.7 |
| (v) Irregular Payments to Government Officials | | | | | | 3.3 | 5.7 |

Bulgaria

| | 1970 | 1975 | 1980 | 1985 | 1990 | 1995 | 2000 |
|---|------|------|-----------|------------|------------|------------|-------------|
| Summary Ratings (Rank) ▶ | | | | 5.6 (45) | 4.3 (96) | 4.6 (104) | 5.5 (97) |
| 1. Size of Government: Expenditures, Taxes and Enterprises | | | 4.5 | 4.5 | 2.5 | 4.0 | 4.9 |
| A. Government Consumption | | | 9.0 (9.3) | 8.1 (12.4) | 4.9 (23.3) | 6.5 (17.8) | 6.6 (17.5) |
| B. Transfers and Subsidies | | | | 5.4 (17.5) | 2.7 (27.2) | 6.6 (13.0) | 5.8 (15.9) |
| C. Government Enterprises and Investment | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 (96.4) | 0.0 (55.6) | 2.0 (44.8) |
| D. Top Marginal Tax Rate | | | | | | 3.0 (50) | 5.0 (38) |
| 2. Legal Structure and Security of Property Rights | | | | 7.2 | 7.2 | 6.2 | 5.4 |
| A. Judicial Independence | | | | | | | 4.2 |
| B. Impartial Courts | | | | | | | 4.5 |
| C. Protection of Intellectual Property | | | | | | | 3.4 |
| D. Military Interference | | | | | | | 8.3 |
| E. Integrity of Legal System | | | | | | 7.0 | 6.7 |
| 3. Access to Sound Money | | | | 6.5 | 4.4 | 1.3 | 4.8 |
| A. Growth of Money Supply | | | | | 7.4 (13.1) | 0.0 (67.0) | 1.2 (-44.2) |
| B. Inflation Variability | | | | 9.4 (1.4) | 5.6 (10.9) | 0.0 (66.4) | 0.0 (172.1) |
| C. Recent Annual Inflation | | | | 10.0 (0.2) | 4.8 (26.2) | 0.0 (62.9) | 7.9 (10.4) |
| D. Freedom to Own Foreign Currency | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 5.0 | 10.0 |
| 4. Freedom to Exchange with Foreigners | | | | 4.2 | 4.3 | 7.0 | 7.1 |
| A. Taxes on International Trade | | | | 6.4 | 8.4 | 6.4 | 7.9 |
| (i) Taxes as Percentage of Exports and Imports | | | | 6.4 (5.4) | 9.1 (1.3) | 7.9 (3.2) | 9.2 (1.2) |
| (ii) Mean Tariff Rate | | | | | 7.7 (11.4) | 6.6 (17.2) | 7.8 (11.0) |
| (iii) Variability of Tariff Rates | | | | | | 4.7 (13.3) | 6.8 (8.1) |
| B. Regulatory Trade Barriers | | | | | | | 6.4 |
| (i) Hidden Import Barriers | | | | | | | 4.4 |
| (ii) Costs of Importing | | | | | | | 8.5 |
| C. Size of Trade Sector | | | 4.7 | 6.5 | 5.0 | 6.6 | 5.9 |
| D. Difference between Official and Black Market Exchange Rates | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 9.0 | 10.0 |
| E. Restrictions on Capital Markets | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 5.0 | 5.0 |
| (i) Access to Foreign Capital | | | | | | | 7.0 |
| (ii) Restrictions on Capital Transactions with Foreigners | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 5.0 | 3.1 |
| 5. Regulation of Credit, Labor and Business | | | | | 3.0 | 4.7 | 5.5 |
| A. Regulation of Credit Markets | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 1.7 | 4.3 | 6.1 |
| (i) Private Ownership of Banks | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 2.0 | 8.0 |
| (ii) Competition from Foreign Banks | | | | | | | 5.2 |
| (iii) Extension of Credit to Private Sector | | | | | 1.0 | 3.0 | 7.1 |
| (iv) Avoidance of Negative Real Interest Rates | | | | | 4.0 | 8.0 | 4.0 |
| (v) Controls on Interest Rates | | | | | | | 5.3 |
| B. Regulation of Labor Markets | | | | | | | 4.9 |
| (i) Impact of Minimum Wage | | | | | | | 2.6 |
| (ii) Flexibility in Hiring and Firing | | | | | | | 4.3 |
| (iii) Collective Bargaining | | | | | | | 7.9 |
| (iv) Incentives from Unemployment Benefits | | | | | | | 6.8 |
| (v) Military Conscriptation | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 1.0 | 3.0 |
| C. Regulation of Business | | | | | | | 5.4 |
| (i) Price Controls | | | | | 0.0 | 4.0 | 6.0 |
| (ii) Administrative Obstacles for New Businesses | | | | | | | 6.1 |
| (iii) Time Spent with Government Bureaucracy | | | | | | | 6.0 |
| (iv) Ease of Starting a New Business | | | | | | | 2.5 |
| (v) Irregular Payments to Government Officials | | | | | | | 6.6 |

Burundi

| | 1970 | 1975 | 1980 | 1985 | 1990 | 1995 | 2000 |
|---|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|
| Summary Ratings (Rank) ▶ | | 4.3 (58) | 4.2 (85) | 4.6 (83) | 4.7 (83) | 4.6 (104) | 5.6 (92) |
| 1. Size of Government: Expenditures, Taxes and Enterprises | 4.4 | 4.2 | 4.5 | 4.7 | 4.4 | 5.8 | 6.5 |
| A. Government Consumption | 8.8 (10.1) | 8.5 (11.2) | 9.1 (9.2) | 9.4 (8.2) | 8.7 (10.3) | 8.1 (12.5) | 8.0 (12.9) |
| B. Transfers and Subsidies | | | | | | 9.3 (3.2) | 9.4 (2.6) |
| C. Government Enterprises and Investment | 0.0 (72.5) | 0.0 (55.3) | 0.0 (67.7) | 0.0 (82.4) | 0.0 (82.5) | 0.0 | 2.0 |
| D. Top Marginal Tax Rate | | | | | | | |
| 2. Legal Structure and Security of Property Rights | | | 4.7 | 4.2 | 4.4 | 4.9 | |
| A. Judicial Independence | | | | | | | |
| B. Impartial Courts | | | | | | | |
| C. Protection of Intellectual Property | | | | | | | |
| D. Military Interference | | | | | | | |
| E. Integrity of Legal System | | | | | | 5.2 | |
| 3. Access to Sound Money | 8.9 | 5.4 | 4.9 | 6.1 | 6.5 | 5.7 | 6.0 |
| A. Growth of Money Supply | 9.2 (4.1) | 8.8 (6.1) | 5.3 (23.3) | 8.5 (7.3) | 9.9 (0.8) | 7.6 (12.0) | 7.5 (12.7) |
| B. Inflation Variability | 8.4 (3.9) | 7.2 (7.1) | 7.6 (6.0) | 7.1 (7.4) | 7.2 (6.9) | 8.1 (4.9) | 6.6 (8.6) |
| C. Recent Annual Inflation | 9.0 (5.2) | 5.8 (21.1) | 6.7 (16.4) | 9.0 (5.1) | 8.8 (6.0) | 7.0 (15.2) | 5.1 (24.3) |
| D. Freedom to Own Foreign Currency | | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 5.0 |
| 4. Freedom to Exchange with Foreigners | | 2.2 | 1.9 | 2.9 | 3.7 | 2.3 | 4.5 |
| A. Taxes on International Trade | | 1.9 | 0.0 | 1.2 | 1.3 | 2.1 | 1.9 |
| (i) Taxes as Percentage of Exports and Imports | | 1.9 (12.2) | 0.0 (18.1) | 0.0 (17.0) | 0.0 (22.9) | 1.6 (12.6) | 1.1 (13.3) |
| (ii) Mean Tariff Rate | | | | 2.4 (37.9) | 2.6 (37.0) | 2.6 (36.9) | 2.6 (36.9) |
| (iii) Variability of Tariff Rates | | | | | | | |
| B. Regulatory Trade Barriers | | | | | | | |
| (i) Hidden Import Barriers | | | | | | | |
| (ii) Costs of Importing | | | | | | | |
| C. Size of Trade Sector | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| D. Difference between Official and Black Market Exchange Rates | 5.4 | 0.8 | 1.0 | 5.0 | 8.8 | 1.2 | 10.0 |
| E. Restrictions on Capital Markets | | | | | | | |
| (i) Access to Foreign Capital | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 2.3 |
| (ii) Restrictions on Capital Transactions with Foreigners | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 2.3 |
| 5. Regulation of Credit, Labor and Business | | 5.2 | 4.8 | 5.2 | 4.5 | 4.5 | 5.5 |
| A. Regulation of Credit Markets | 3.2 | 3.1 | 2.9 | 4.0 | 3.3 | 3.9 | 5.2 |
| (i) Private Ownership of Banks | 2.0 | 2.0 | 2.0 | 2.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| (ii) Competition from Foreign Banks | | | | | | | |
| (iii) Extension of Credit to Private Sector | 4.3 | 4.3 | 4.8 | 3.9 | 5.8 | 7.8 | 9.7 |
| (iv) Avoidance of Negative Real Interest Rates | | | 2.0 | 6.0 | 4.0 | 4.0 | 6.0 |
| (v) Controls on Interest Rates | | | | | | | |
| B. Regulation of Labor Markets | | | | | | | |
| (i) Impact of Minimum Wage | | | | | | | |
| (ii) Flexibility in Hiring and Firing | | | | | | | |
| (iii) Collective Bargaining | | | | | | | |
| (iv) Incentives from Unemployment Benefits | | | | | | | |
| (v) Military Conscription | | 10.0 | 10.0 | 10.0 | 10.0 | 10.0 | 10.0 |
| C. Regulation of Business | | | | | | | |
| (i) Price Controls | | | | | 0.0 | 2.0 | 4.0 |
| (ii) Administrative Obstacles for New Businesses | | | | | | | |
| (iii) Time Spent with Government Bureaucracy | | | | | | | |
| (iv) Ease of Starting a New Business | | | | | | | |
| (v) Irregular Payments to Government Officials | | | | | | | |

Cameroon

| | 1970 | 1975 | 1980 | 1985 | 1990 | 1995 | 2000 |
|---|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|
| Summary Ratings (Rank) ▶ | | | 5.8 (30) | 5.8 (38) | 5.7 (48) | 5.4 (80) | 5.5 (97) |
| 1. Size of Government: Expenditures, Taxes and Enterprises | 4.7 | 6.6 | 7.4 | 5.5 | 5.4 | 5.6 | 5.5 |
| A. Government Consumption | 7.5 (14.5) | 7.9 (13.1) | 8.2 (12.2) | 8.2 (12.3) | 7.0 (16.1) | 8.6 (10.7) | 8.5 (11.0) |
| B. Transfers and Subsidies | | 9.8 (1.4) | 9.9 (0.8) | 10.0 (0.6) | 9.4 (2.7) | 9.7 (1.6) | 9.7 (1.7) |
| C. Government Enterprises and Investment | 2.0 (47.6) | 2.0 (54.7) | 4.0 (27.7) | 2.0 (41.7) | 4.0 (32.0) | 4.0 | 4.0 |
| D. Top Marginal Tax Rate | | | | 2.0 (60) | 1.0 (60) | 0.0 (66) | 0.0 (69) |
| 2. Legal Structure and Security of Property Rights | | | 5.8 | 5.8 | 5.8 | 6.2 | 4.7 |
| A. Judicial Independence | | | | | | | |
| B. Impartial Courts | | | | | | | |
| C. Protection of Intellectual Property | | | | | | | |
| D. Military Interference | | | | | | | 6.7 |
| E. Integrity of Legal System | | | | | | 7.0 | 3.3 |
| 3. Access to Sound Money | 5.7 | 6.4 | 5.4 | 6.4 | 7.1 | 5.8 | 6.4 |
| A. Growth of Money Supply | 7.7 (11.6) | 7.9 (10.4) | 6.8 (15.8) | 8.5 (7.7) | 9.2 (-4.1) | 9.4 (-3.2) | 8.4 (8.0) |
| B. Inflation Variability | 6.8 (8.0) | 9.0 (2.4) | 7.6 (5.9) | 9.3 (1.7) | 9.4 (1.6) | 7.3 (6.6) | 7.3 (6.9) |
| C. Recent Annual Inflation | 8.4 (7.9) | 8.8 (6.0) | 7.2 (14.3) | 7.8 (11.2) | 9.7 (1.6) | 6.6 (17.0) | 9.8 (1.2) |
| D. Freedom to Own Foreign Currency | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| 4. Freedom to Exchange with Foreigners | | 4.8 | 5.1 | 6.2 | 5.5 | 5.2 | 5.8 |
| A. Taxes on International Trade | | 1.1 | 2.7 | 5.9 | 6.4 | 3.7 | 5.1 |
| (i) Taxes as Percentage of Exports and Imports | | 1.1 (13.4) | 2.7 (11.0) | 5.9 (6.1) | 6.4 (5.4) | 4.9 (7.7) | 3.9 (9.2) |
| (ii) Mean Tariff Rate | | | | | | 6.3 (18.7) | 6.3 (18.4) |
| (iii) Variability of Tariff Rates | | | | | | 0.0 (29.6) | |
| B. Regulatory Trade Barriers | | | | | | | |
| (i) Hidden Import Barriers | | | | | | | |
| (ii) Costs of Importing | | | | | | | |
| C. Size of Trade Sector | 5.5 | 5.2 | 5.2 | 6.9 | 3.5 | 4.1 | 4.8 |
| D. Difference between Official and Black Market Exchange Rates | 9.6 | 9.6 | 9.6 | 9.8 | 9.2 | 9.8 | 10.0 |
| E. Restrictions on Capital Markets | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.8 |
| (i) Access to Foreign Capital | | | | | | | |
| (ii) Restrictions on Capital Transactions with Foreigners | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.8 |
| 5. Regulation of Credit, Labor and Business | | | 5.2 | 5.2 | 5.1 | 4.5 | 5.0 |
| A. Regulation of Credit Markets | 0.0 | 0.0 | 3.0 | 3.0 | 5.2 | 4.0 | 4.9 |
| (i) Private Ownership of Banks | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 2.0 | 2.0 |
| (ii) Competition from Foreign Banks | | | | | | | |
| (iii) Extension of Credit to Private Sector | | | | | 7.7 | 6.1 | 6.8 |
| (iv) Avoidance of Negative Real Interest Rates | | | 6.0 | 6.0 | 8.0 | 4.0 | 6.0 |
| (v) Controls on Interest Rates | | | | | | | |
| B. Regulation of Labor Markets | | | | | | | |
| (i) Impact of Minimum Wage | | | | | | | |
| (ii) Flexibility in Hiring and Firing | | | | | | | |
| (iii) Collective Bargaining | | | | | | | |
| (iv) Incentives from Unemployment Benefits | | | | | | | |
| (v) Military Conscription | | 10.0 | 10.0 | 10.0 | 10.0 | 10.0 | 10.0 |
| C. Regulation of Business | | | | | | | |
| (i) Price Controls | | | | | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| (ii) Administrative Obstacles for New Businesses | | | | | | | |
| (iii) Time Spent with Government Bureaucracy | | | | | | | |
| (iv) Ease of Starting a New Business | | | | | | | |
| (v) Irregular Payments to Government Officials | | | | | | | |

Canada

| | 1970 | 1975 | 1980 | 1985 | 1990 | 1995 | 2000 |
|---|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| Summary Ratings (Rank) ▶ | 7.3 (5) | 6.7 (9) | 7.1 (7) | 7.2 (6) | 7.5 (5) | 7.8 (8) | 8.0 (8) |
| 1. Size of Government: Expenditures, Taxes and Enterprises | 3.9 | 5.2 | 4.9 | 4.7 | 5.3 | 5.3 | 6.0 |
| A. Government Consumption | 3.8 (27.2) | 3.3 (28.9) | 3.3 (28.8) | 3.3 (28.8) | 3.3 (28.6) | 3.7 (27.5) | 4.5 (24.6) |
| B. Transfers and Subsidies | | 7.7 (9.1) | 6.2 (14.5) | 5.7 (16.3) | 5.9 (15.6) | 5.5 (16.9) | 6.3 (13.9) |
| C. Government Enterprises and Investment | 8.0 (18.5) | 8.0 (15.8) | 8.0 (12.6) | 8.0 (14.8) | 8.0 (13.7) | 8.0 (14.8) | 10.0 (10.6) |
| D. Top Marginal Tax Rate | 0.0 (82-91) | 2.0 (59-67) | 2.0 (60-68) | 2.0 (50-63) | 4.0 (44-54) | 4.0 (44-54) | 3.0 (44-51) |
| 2. Legal Structure and Security of Property Rights | 8.3 | 5.8 | 7.2 | 7.9 | 8.3 | 8.9 | 9.3 |
| A. Judicial Independence | | | | | | 9.5 | 9.2 |
| B. Impartial Courts | | | | | | 8.9 | 9.2 |
| C. Protection of Intellectual Property | | | | | | 7.3 | 8.0 |
| D. Military Interference | | | | | | | 10.0 |
| E. Integrity of Legal System | | | | | | 10.0 | 10.0 |
| 3. Access to Sound Money | 9.3 | 8.8 | 9.2 | 9.0 | 9.6 | 9.5 | 9.3 |
| A. Growth of Money Supply | 8.4 (7.8) | 8.7 (6.5) | 9.7 (1.7) | 7.6 (11.9) | 9.2 (3.9) | 9.0 (5.1) | 8.4 (7.8) |
| B. Inflation Variability | 9.8 (0.5) | 8.5 (3.9) | 9.3 (1.7) | 8.7 (3.2) | 9.6 (0.9) | 9.7 (0.7) | 9.4 (1.6) |
| C. Recent Annual Inflation | 9.0 (4.8) | 8.0 (10.2) | 7.8 (11.0) | 9.5 (2.4) | 9.4 (3.1) | 9.5 (2.7) | 9.5 (2.7) |
| D. Freedom to Own Foreign Currency | 10.0 | 10.0 | 10.0 | 10.0 | 10.0 | 10.0 | 10.0 |
| 4. Freedom to Exchange with Foreigners | 8.5 | 7.4 | 7.6 | 7.7 | 7.5 | 7.4 | 7.9 |
| A. Taxes on International Trade | 8.4 | 7.5 | 8.1 | 8.4 | 7.9 | 5.9 | 6.7 |
| (i) Taxes as Percentage of Exports and Imports | 8.4 (2.4) | 7.5 (3.7) | 8.4 (2.4) | 8.9 (1.7) | 9.2 (1.2) | 9.5 (0.7) | 9.8 (0.3) |
| (ii) Mean Tariff Rate | | 7.4 (13.0) | 7.8 (11.2) | 7.9 (10.5) | 8.1 (9.4) | 8.0 (10.1) | 9.1 (4.4) |
| (iii) Variability of Tariff Rates | | | | | 6.5 (8.8) | 0.3 (24.2) | 1.1 (22.3) |
| B. Regulatory Trade Barriers | | | | | | 7.2 | 8.5 |
| (i) Hidden Import Barriers | | | | | | 7.2 | 7.5 |
| (ii) Costs of Importing | | | | | | | 9.5 |
| C. Size of Trade Sector | 7.7 | 3.9 | 4.2 | 4.5 | 3.9 | 5.3 | 5.8 |
| D. Difference between Official and Black Market Exchange Rates | 10.0 | 10.0 | 10.0 | 10.0 | 10.0 | 10.0 | 10.0 |
| E. Restrictions on Capital Markets | 8.0 | 8.0 | 8.0 | 8.0 | 8.0 | 8.4 | 8.6 |
| (i) Access to Foreign Capital | | | | | | 8.8 | 8.8 |
| (ii) Restrictions on Capital Transactions with Foreigners | 8.0 | 8.0 | 8.0 | 8.0 | 8.0 | 8.0 | 8.5 |
| 5. Regulation of Credit, Labor and Business | 6.6 | 6.3 | 6.8 | 6.7 | 6.7 | 7.7 | 7.6 |
| A. Regulation of Credit Markets | 9.1 | 8.1 | 9.7 | 9.7 | 9.7 | 8.4 | 8.5 |
| (i) Private Ownership of Banks | 10.0 | 10.0 | 10.0 | 10.0 | 10.0 | 10.0 | 10.0 |
| (ii) Competition from Foreign Banks | | | | | | 5.5 | 5.1 |
| (iii) Extension of Credit to Private Sector | 7.2 | 8.4 | 9.2 | 9.2 | 9.2 | 8.3 | 8.8 |
| (iv) Avoidance of Negative Real Interest Rates | 10.0 | 6.0 | 10.0 | 10.0 | 10.0 | 10.0 | 10.0 |
| (v) Controls on Interest Rates | | | | | | 7.8 | 8.2 |
| B. Regulation of Labor Markets | 7.4 | 7.2 | 7.3 | 7.2 | 7.1 | 7.1 | 6.4 |
| (i) Impact of Minimum Wage | | | | | | 6.1 | 4.3 |
| (ii) Flexibility in Hiring and Firing | | | | | 6.5 | 6.5 | 5.1 |
| (iii) Collective Bargaining | 7.2 | 7.2 | 7.2 | 7.2 | 7.2 | 7.2 | 7.8 |
| (iv) Incentives from Unemployment Benefits | 5.1 | 4.4 | 4.8 | 4.5 | 4.5 | 5.8 | 4.8 |
| (v) Military Conscription | 10.0 | 10.0 | 10.0 | 10.0 | 10.0 | 10.0 | 10.0 |
| C. Regulation of Business | | | | | | 7.7 | 8.0 |
| (i) Price Controls | | | | | 9.0 | 7.0 | 9.0 |
| (ii) Administrative Obstacles for New Businesses | | | | | | | 7.2 |
| (iii) Time Spent with Government Bureaucracy | | | | | | 7.1 | 7.2 |
| (iv) Ease of Starting a New Business | | | | | | 7.8 | 7.6 |
| (v) Irregular Payments to Government Officials | | | | | | 8.8 | 9.1 |

Central African Republic

| | 1970 | | 1975 | | 1980 | | 1985 | | 1990 | | 1995 | | 2000 | |
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| Summary Ratings (Rank) ▶ | | | | | 4.6 (74) | | 4.2 (91) | | 4.9 (77) | | 4.8 (97) | | 5.0 (109) | |
| 1. Size of Government: Expenditures, Taxes and Enterprises | 2.7 | | 4.5 | | 3.8 | | 3.6 | | 3.7 | | 3.8 | | 4.3 | |
| A. Government Consumption | 5.3 | (21.9) | 7.0 | (16.3) | 7.7 | (13.9) | 7.2 | (15.7) | 7.4 | (14.8) | 7.7 | (14.0) | 8.5 | (11.1) |
| B. Transfers and Subsidies | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| C. Government Enterprises and Investment | 0.0 | (68.3) | 2.0 | (39.0) | 0.0 | (65.7) | 0.0 | (67.0) | 0.0 | (51.8) | 0.0 | (54.8) | 0.0 | |
| D. Top Marginal Tax Rate | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 2. Legal Structure and Security of Property Rights | | | | | 4.7 | | 4.2 | | 4.4 | | 4.9 | | | |
| A. Judicial Independence | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| B. Impartial Courts | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| C. Protection of Intellectual Property | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| D. Military Interference | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| E. Integrity of Legal System | | | | | | | | | | | 5.2 | | | |
| 3. Access to Sound Money | 6.3 | | 5.6 | | 4.9 | | 4.3 | | 7.1 | | 5.1 | | 6.8 | |
| A. Growth of Money Supply | 8.9 | (5.6) | 8.6 | (7.0) | 5.6 | (22.1) | 8.5 | (7.3) | 10.0 | (-0.2) | 7.0 | (15.0) | 9.6 | (-2.0) |
| B. Inflation Variability | 7.3 | (6.8) | 7.6 | (6.1) | 7.5 | (6.2) | 5.6 | (10.9) | 8.9 | (2.9) | 6.0 | (9.9) | 7.7 | (5.7) |
| C. Recent Annual Inflation | 9.1 | (4.5) | 6.1 | (19.3) | 6.3 | (18.3) | 3.2 | (34.2) | 9.5 | (2.3) | 7.3 | (13.4) | 9.7 | (-1.5) |
| D. Freedom to Own Foreign Currency | 0.0 | | 0.0 | | 0.0 | | 0.0 | | 0.0 | | 0.0 | | 0.0 | |
| 4. Freedom to Exchange with Foreigners | | | | | 5.2 | | 5.3 | | 4.7 | | 5.5 | | 5.1 | |
| A. Taxes on International Trade | | | | | 2.9 | | 3.6 | | 3.0 | | 6.2 | | 5.6 | |
| (i) Taxes as Percentage of Exports and Imports | | | | | 2.9 | (10.6) | | | 2.3 | (11.5) | | | 4.3 | (8.6) |
| (ii) Mean Tariff Rate | | | | | | | 3.6 | (32.0) | 3.6 | (32.0) | 6.3 | (18.6) | 6.3 | (18.6) |
| (iii) Variability of Tariff Rates | | | | | | | | | | | 6.2 | (9.6) | 6.2 | (9.5) |
| B. Regulatory Trade Barriers | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| (i) Hidden Import Barriers | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| (ii) Costs of Importing | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| C. Size of Trade Sector | 7.5 | | 5.5 | | 5.3 | | 4.7 | | 3.0 | | 3.2 | | 1.9 | |
| D. Difference between Official and Black Market Exchange Rates | 9.6 | | 9.6 | | 9.6 | | 9.8 | | 9.2 | | 9.8 | | 10.0 | |
| E. Restrictions on Capital Markets | 0.0 | | 0.0 | | 0.0 | | 0.0 | | 0.0 | | 0.0 | | 0.0 | |
| (i) Access to Foreign Capital | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| (ii) Restrictions on Capital Transactions with Foreigners | 0.0 | | 0.0 | | 0.0 | | 0.0 | | 0.0 | | 0.0 | | 0.0 | |
| 5. Regulation of Credit, Labor and Business | | | | | | | 3.8 | | 4.4 | | 4.9 | | 3.9 | |
| A. Regulation of Credit Markets | 0.0 | | 0.0 | | 0.0 | | 4.0 | | 6.3 | | 4.9 | | 4.7 | |
| (i) Private Ownership of Banks | 0.0 | | 0.0 | | 0.0 | | 0.0 | | 2.0 | | 2.0 | | 2.0 | |
| (ii) Competition from Foreign Banks | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| (iii) Extension of Credit to Private Sector | | | | | | | | | 6.9 | | 6.6 | | 6.2 | |
| (iv) Avoidance of Negative Real Interest Rates | | | | | | | | 8.0 | 10.0 | | 6.0 | | 6.0 | |
| (v) Controls on Interest Rates | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| B. Regulation of Labor Markets | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| (i) Impact of Minimum Wage | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| (ii) Flexibility in Hiring and Firing | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| (iii) Collective Bargaining | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| (iv) Incentives from Unemployment Benefits | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| (v) Military Conscription | | | | | 0.0 | | 0.0 | | 0.0 | | 0.0 | | 0.0 | |
| C. Regulation of Business | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| (i) Price Controls | | | | | | | | | 0.0 | | 0.0 | | 0.0 | |
| (ii) Administrative Obstacles for New Businesses | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| (iii) Time Spent with Government Bureaucracy | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| (iv) Ease of Starting a New Business | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| (v) Irregular Payments to Government Officials | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |

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| | 1970 | 1975 | 1980 | 1985 | 1990 | 1995 | 2000 |
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| Summary Ratings (Rank) ▶ | | | | 4.5 (86) | 5.4 (54) | 5.5 (79) | 5.6 (92) |
| 1. Size of Government: Expenditures, Taxes and Enterprises | 2.4 | 2.7 | 2.1 | 4.3 | 6.2 | 6.3 | 6.5 |
| A. Government Consumption | 4.8 (23.7) | 5.4 (21.6) | 4.1 (26.0) | 8.6 (10.8) | 8.7 (10.5) | 9.1 (9.1) | 8.9 (9.7) |
| B. Transfers and Subsidies | | | | | 9.9 (0.9) | 9.9 (0.8) | |
| C. Government Enterprises and Investment | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 (95.7) | 0.0 (94.0) | 0.0 (54.5) | 4.0 (37.5) |
| D. Top Marginal Tax Rate | | | | | | | |
| 2. Legal Structure and Security of Property Rights | | | 4.7 | 4.2 | 4.4 | 4.9 | |
| A. Judicial Independence | | | | | | | |
| B. Impartial Courts | | | | | | | |
| C. Protection of Intellectual Property | | | | | | | |
| D. Military Interference | | | | | | | |
| E. Integrity of Legal System | | | | | | 5.2 | |
| 3. Access to Sound Money | 6.9 | 6.3 | 6.3 | 5.3 | 5.8 | 5.2 | 6.3 |
| A. Growth of Money Supply | 9.1 (4.5) | 7.7 (11.5) | 7.3 (13.5) | 5.8 (20.9) | 9.3 (-3.7) | 9.7 (1.6) | 8.7 (6.7) |
| B. Inflation Variability | 9.4 (1.5) | 9.2 (1.9) | 9.8 (0.6) | 6.0 (10.0) | 6.2 (9.5) | 2.8 (17.9) | 7.1 (7.2) |
| C. Recent Annual Inflation | 9.2 (3.9) | 8.4 (8.2) | 8.3 (8.7) | 9.3 (3.8) | 7.7 (11.4) | 8.2 (8.9) | 9.2 (3.8) |
| D. Freedom to Own Foreign Currency | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| 4. Freedom to Exchange with Foreigners | | 5.5 | | | 6.1 | 6.6 | 5.8 |
| A. Taxes on International Trade | | 3.9 | | | 7.4 | 8.5 | 6.2 |
| (i) Taxes as Percentage of Exports and Imports | | 3.9 (9.2) | | | 7.4 (3.9) | 8.5 (2.2) | |
| (ii) Mean Tariff Rate | | | | | | | 6.8 (15.8) |
| (iii) Variability of Tariff Rates | | | | | | | 5.6 (10.9) |
| B. Regulatory Trade Barriers | | | | | | | |
| (i) Hidden Import Barriers | | | | | | | |
| (ii) Costs of Importing | | | | | | | |
| C. Size of Trade Sector | 6.7 | 6.0 | 6.1 | 6.2 | 5.9 | 6.7 | 4.5 |
| D. Difference between Official and Black Market Exchange Rates | 9.6 | 9.6 | 9.6 | 9.8 | 9.2 | 9.8 | 10.0 |
| E. Restrictions on Capital Markets | | | | | | | |
| (i) Access to Foreign Capital | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| (ii) Restrictions on Capital Transactions with Foreigners | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| 5. Regulation of Credit, Labor and Business | | | | 4.2 | 4.3 | 4.2 | 3.9 |
| A. Regulation of Credit Markets | | 2.0 | 2.0 | 5.0 | 4.8 | 3.5 | 3.3 |
| (i) Private Ownership of Banks | | 2.0 | 2.0 | 2.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| (ii) Competition from Foreign Banks | | | | | | | |
| (iii) Extension of Credit to Private Sector | | | | | 6.3 | 6.4 | 6.0 |
| (iv) Avoidance of Negative Real Interest Rates | | | | 8.0 | 8.0 | 4.0 | 4.0 |
| (v) Controls on Interest Rates | | | | | | | |
| B. Regulation of Labor Markets | | | | | | | |
| (i) Impact of Minimum Wage | | | | | | | |
| (ii) Flexibility in Hiring and Firing | | | | | | | |
| (iii) Collective Bargaining | | | | | | | |
| (iv) Incentives from Unemployment Benefits | | | | | | | |
| (v) Military Conscription | | 10.0 | 10.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| C. Regulation of Business | | | | | | | |
| (i) Price Controls | | | | | 4.0 | 4.0 | 4.0 |
| (ii) Administrative Obstacles for New Businesses | | | | | | | |
| (iii) Time Spent with Government Bureaucracy | | | | | | | |
| (iv) Ease of Starting a New Business | | | | | | | |
| (v) Irregular Payments to Government Officials | | | | | | | |

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| | 1970 | 1975 | 1980 | 1985 | 1990 | 1995 | 2000 |
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| Summary Ratings (Rank) ▶ | 3.4 (54) | 3.5 (71) | 5.1 (61) | 5.7 (41) | 6.5 (26) | 7.3 (18) | 7.5 (15) |
| 1. Size of Government: Expenditures, Taxes and Enterprises | 5.0 | 4.0 | 5.0 | 5.7 | 6.5 | 7.3 | 7.1 |
| A. Government Consumption | 7.2 (15.5) | 6.6 (17.7) | 7.4 (15.0) | 6.9 (16.7) | 7.8 (13.6) | 7.8 (13.6) | 7.0 (16.1) |
| B. Transfers and Subsidies | 5.9 (15.4) | 7.3 (10.5) | 6.6 (12.9) | 6.0 (15.3) | 7.3 (10.5) | 7.4 (10.0) | 6.5 (13.4) |
| C. Government Enterprises and Investment | 2.0 (42.1) | 0.0 (77.0) | 4.0 (32.2) | 8.0 (16.1) | 7.0 (20.5) | 8.0 (16.6) | 10.0 (12.3) |
| D. Top Marginal Tax Rate | | 2.0 (60) | 2.0 (58) | 2.0 (56) | 4.0 (50) | 6.0 (45) | 5.0 (45) |
| 2. Legal Structure and Security of Property Rights | 1.1 | 3.9 | 6.4 | 5.0 | 6.2 | 6.6 | 6.5 |
| A. Judicial Independence | | | | | | 6.6 | 5.8 |
| B. Impartial Courts | | | | | | 7.1 | 6.5 |
| C. Protection of Intellectual Property | | | | | | 5.6 | 5.3 |
| D. Military Interference | | | | | | | 6.7 |
| E. Integrity of Legal System | | | | | | 7.0 | 8.3 |
| 3. Access to Sound Money | 5.1 | 0.0 | 2.3 | 7.0 | 7.2 | 8.0 | 9.3 |
| A. Growth of Money Supply | 1.0 (44.9) | 0.0 (210.7) | 0.0 (99.5) | 7.9 (10.7) | 4.8 (25.9) | 5.4 (22.9) | 9.1 (4.5) |
| B. Inflation Variability | 7.5 (6.2) | 0.0 (233.7) | 0.0 (80.6) | 6.2 (9.6) | 8.3 (4.2) | 8.4 (4.0) | 9.0 (2.4) |
| C. Recent Annual Inflation | 1.9 (40.7) | 0.0 (334.7) | 4.2 (28.8) | 3.9 (30.7) | 5.8 (21.2) | 8.1 (9.3) | 9.2 (3.8) |
| D. Freedom to Own Foreign Currency | 10.0 | 0.0 | 5.0 | 10.0 | 10.0 | 10.0 | 10.0 |
| 4. Freedom to Exchange with Foreigners | 2.4 | 5.2 | 6.3 | 5.2 | 6.9 | 7.5 | 7.4 |
| A. Taxes on International Trade | 4.6 | 3.1 | 8.7 | 6.7 | 8.2 | 8.5 | 8.7 |
| (i) Taxes as Percentage of Exports and Imports | 9.2 (1.2) | 6.3 (5.6) | 8.1 (2.8) | 6.2 (5.7) | 7.5 (3.7) | 7.7 (3.5) | 8.2 (2.8) |
| (ii) Mean Tariff Rate | 0.0 (105.0) | 0.0 (55.0) | 8.0 (10.0) | 4.0 (30.0) | 7.0 (15.0) | 7.8 (11.0) | 8.0 (10.0) |
| (iii) Variability of Tariff Rates | | | 10.0 (0.0) | 10.0 (0.0) | 10.0 (0.0) | 10.0 (0.0) | 9.8 (0.5) |
| B. Regulatory Trade Barriers | | | | | | 7.1 | 8.4 |
| (i) Hidden Import Barriers | | | | | | 7.1 | 8.3 |
| (ii) Costs of Importing | | | | | | | 8.5 |
| C. Size of Trade Sector | 2.8 | 6.6 | 5.5 | 6.4 | 7.5 | 5.7 | 5.8 |
| D. Difference between Official and Black Market Exchange Rates | 0.2 | 9.0 | 8.8 | 5.6 | 10.0 | 9.6 | 10.0 |
| E. Restrictions on Capital Markets | 2.0 | 2.0 | 2.0 | 2.0 | 2.0 | 6.5 | 4.3 |
| (i) Access to Foreign Capital | | | | | | 8.0 | 8.6 |
| (ii) Restrictions on Capital Transactions with Foreigners | 2.0 | 2.0 | 2.0 | 2.0 | 2.0 | 5.0 | 0.0 |
| 5. Regulation of Credit, Labor and Business | | 4.6 | 5.7 | 5.7 | 5.8 | 7.2 | 7.0 |
| A. Regulation of Credit Markets | | 4.8 | 7.5 | 8.2 | 8.4 | 9.0 | 8.4 |
| (i) Private Ownership of Banks | | 2.0 | 5.0 | 8.0 | 8.0 | 8.0 | 8.0 |
| (ii) Competition from Foreign Banks | | | | | | 8.2 | 6.0 |
| (iii) Extension of Credit to Private Sector | | 7.5 | 9.6 | 8.6 | 9.3 | 9.9 | 9.8 |
| (iv) Avoidance of Negative Real Interest Rates | | | 8.0 | 8.0 | 8.0 | 10.0 | 10.0 |
| (v) Controls on Interest Rates | | | | | | 7.0 | 7.8 |
| B. Regulation of Labor Markets | | | | | 4.9 | 5.3 | 4.9 |
| (i) Impact of Minimum Wage | | | | | | 5.7 | 3.4 |
| (ii) Flexibility in Hiring and Firing | | | | | 6.9 | 6.9 | 5.6 |
| (iii) Collective Bargaining | | | | 7.9 | 7.9 | 7.9 | 8.9 |
| (iv) Incentives from Unemployment Benefits | | | | | | 5.9 | 6.5 |
| (v) Military Conscription | 3.0 | 3.0 | 3.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| C. Regulation of Business | | | | | | 7.3 | 7.8 |
| (i) Price Controls | | | | | | 10.0 | 9.0 |
| (ii) Administrative Obstacles for New Businesses | | | | | | | 7.9 |
| (iii) Time Spent with Government Bureaucracy | | | | | | 6.2 | 7.9 |
| (iv) Ease of Starting a New Business | | | | | | 6.5 | 5.7 |
| (v) Irregular Payments to Government Officials | | | | | | 6.6 | 8.5 |

China

| | 1970 | 1975 | 1980 | 1985 | 1990 | 1995 | 2000 |
|---|------------|-------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|
| Summary Ratings (Rank) ▶ | | | 3.7 (96) | 4.9 (74) | 4.6 (92) | 5.1 (93) | 5.3 (101) |
| 1. Size of Government: Expenditures, Taxes and Enterprises | 4.3 | 4.3 | 2.6 | 3.9 | 3.6 | 4.0 | 3.8 |
| A. Government Consumption | 8.6 (10.7) | 8.6 (10.9) | 5.3 (22.1) | 5.7 (20.5) | 5.9 (19.8) | 6.1 (19.4) | 5.5 (21.2) |
| B. Transfers and Subsidies | | | | | | | |
| C. Government Enterprises and Investment | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 (81.9) | 0.0 (66.1) | 0.0 (66.2) | 0.0 (54.4) | 0.0 (54.1) |
| D. Top Marginal Tax Rate | | | | 6.0 (45) | 5.0 (45) | 6.0 (45) | 6.0 (45) |
| 2. Legal Structure and Security of Property Rights | | | | 6.8 | 5.8 | 5.0 | 4.1 |
| A. Judicial Independence | | | | | | 3.8 | 3.3 |
| B. Impartial Courts | | | | | | 4.9 | 4.2 |
| C. Protection of Intellectual Property | | | | | | 4.2 | 3.2 |
| D. Military Interference | | | | | | | 3.3 |
| E. Integrity of Legal System | | | | | | 7.0 | 6.7 |
| 3. Access to Sound Money | 5.8 | 6.6 | 6.2 | 6.0 | 6.5 | 5.4 | 6.5 |
| A. Growth of Money Supply | | | 6.0 (20.0) | 7.3 (13.3) | 8.1 (9.3) | 6.1 (19.7) | 8.6 (7.2) |
| B. Inflation Variability | 8.4 (4.0) | 9.7 (0.8) | 9.5 (1.3) | 8.6 (3.4) | 8.9 (2.8) | 8.1 (4.8) | 7.6 (6.1) |
| C. Recent Annual Inflation | 9.1 (-4.7) | 10.0 (-0.1) | 9.2 (3.8) | 8.0 (10.1) | 8.9 (5.7) | 7.4 (13.2) | 9.9 (0.3) |
| D. Freedom to Own Foreign Currency | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| 4. Freedom to Exchange with Foreigners | | | 2.8 | 4.9 | 3.9 | 6.4 | 6.7 |
| A. Taxes on International Trade | | | 3.2 | 2.7 | 3.2 | 3.9 | 7.2 |
| (i) Taxes as Percentage of Exports and Imports | | | 6.2 (5.7) | 3.3 (10.0) | 7.5 (3.7) | 9.2 (1.2) | 9.3 (1.0) |
| (ii) Mean Tariff Rate | | | 0.1 (49.5) | 2.1 (39.5) | 1.9 (40.3) | 2.5 (37.5) | 6.6 (16.8) |
| (iii) Variability of Tariff Rates | | | | | 0.0 (32.1) | 0.0 (28.0) | 5.6 (11.1) |
| B. Regulatory Trade Barriers | | | | | | 4.6 | 6.0 |
| (i) Hidden Import Barriers | | | | | | 4.6 | 4.4 |
| (ii) Costs of Importing | | | | | | | 7.7 |
| C. Size of Trade Sector | 0.0 | 2.0 | 2.9 | 7.0 | 7.4 | 10.0 | 9.8 |
| D. Difference between Official and Black Market Exchange Rates | 2.0 | 5.2 | 5.0 | 7.8 | 0.0 | 8.6 | 7.8 |
| E. Restrictions on Capital Markets | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 2.0 | 5.0 | 4.9 | 2.7 |
| (i) Access to Foreign Capital | | | | | | 4.8 | 4.7 |
| (ii) Restrictions on Capital Transactions with Foreigners | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 2.0 | 5.0 | 5.0 | 0.8 |
| 5. Regulation of Credit, Labor and Business | 3.2 | 3.2 | 3.0 | 3.0 | 3.4 | 4.5 | 5.2 |
| A. Regulation of Credit Markets | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 4.6 | 5.4 |
| (i) Private Ownership of Banks | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| (ii) Competition from Foreign Banks | | | | | | 4.6 | 2.3 |
| (iii) Extension of Credit to Private Sector | | | | | | 9.8 | 9.4 |
| (iv) Avoidance of Negative Real Interest Rates | | | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 4.0 | 10.0 |
| (v) Controls on Interest Rates | | | | | | 1.7 | 1.8 |
| B. Regulation of Labor Markets | | | | | 3.2 | 4.5 | 4.7 |
| (i) Impact of Minimum Wage | | | | | | 5.8 | 4.4 |
| (ii) Flexibility in Hiring and Firing | | | | | 4.3 | 4.3 | 5.1 |
| (iii) Collective Bargaining | 4.5 | 4.5 | 4.5 | 4.5 | 5.2 | 6.2 | 7.7 |
| (iv) Incentives from Unemployment Benefits | | | | | | 6.4 | 6.2 |
| (v) Military Conscription | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| C. Regulation of Business | | | | | | 4.4 | 5.6 |
| (i) Price Controls | | | | | | 4.0 | 3.0 |
| (ii) Administrative Obstacles for New Businesses | | | | | | | 7.6 |
| (iii) Time Spent with Government Bureaucracy | | | | | | 4.8 | 5.4 |
| (iv) Ease of Starting a New Business | | | | | | 6.1 | 6.5 |
| (v) Irregular Payments to Government Officials | | | | | | 2.9 | 5.5 |

Colombia

| | 1970 | 1975 | 1980 | 1985 | 1990 | 1995 | 2000 |
|---|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|
| Summary Ratings (Rank) ▶ | 4.8 (43) | 4.7 (52) | 4.5 (76) | 5.0 (69) | 4.9 (77) | 5.3 (86) | 5.6 (92) |
| 1. Size of Government: Expenditures, Taxes and Enterprises | 6.2 | 7.0 | 5.4 | 5.9 | 6.7 | 6.8 | 5.4 |
| A. Government Consumption | 8.4 (11.3) | 8.5 (11.0) | 8.1 (12.6) | 7.8 (13.4) | 7.8 (13.6) | 6.3 (18.5) | 3.8 (27.1) |
| B. Transfers and Subsidies | | 9.3 (3.0) | 9.3 (2.9) | 8.9 (4.4) | 9.1 (3.7) | 9.0 (4.1) | 8.7 (5.2) |
| C. Government Enterprises and Investment | 4.0 (31.7) | 4.0 (32.8) | 2.0 (41.5) | 2.0 (53.9) | 2.0 (43.9) | 4.0 (34.1) | 2.0 (40.2) |
| D. Top Marginal Tax Rate | | 6.0 (41) | 2.0 (56) | 5.0 (49) | 8.0 (30) | 8.0 (30) | 7.0 (35) |
| 2. Legal Structure and Security of Property Rights | 2.8 | 3.3 | 4.0 | 3.4 | 3.4 | 2.8 | 3.5 |
| A. Judicial Independence | | | | | | 3.7 | 3.5 |
| B. Impartial Courts | | | | | | 3.5 | 5.8 |
| C. Protection of Intellectual Property | | | | | | 4.1 | 3.3 |
| D. Military Interference | | | | | | | 3.3 |
| E. Integrity of Legal System | | | | | | 0.0 | 1.7 |
| 3. Access to Sound Money | 6.1 | 5.0 | 4.5 | 6.5 | 4.5 | 5.0 | 7.1 |
| A. Growth of Money Supply | 7.4 (13.1) | 6.9 (15.6) | 5.3 (23.7) | 6.6 (17.0) | 4.4 (27.8) | 4.8 (26.1) | 7.4 (13.1) |
| B. Inflation Variability | 9.0 (2.6) | 7.7 (5.6) | 8.3 (4.2) | 9.3 (1.7) | 9.1 (2.3) | 9.2 (2.1) | 7.9 (5.2) |
| C. Recent Annual Inflation | 8.0 (9.9) | 5.4 (22.9) | 4.5 (27.6) | 5.0 (24.9) | 4.3 (28.6) | 6.0 (19.8) | 8.2 (9.2) |
| D. Freedom to Own Foreign Currency | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 5.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 5.0 |
| 4. Freedom to Exchange with Foreigners | 4.1 | 3.3 | 3.7 | 3.8 | 4.2 | 6.3 | 6.3 |
| A. Taxes on International Trade | 4.6 | 5.1 | 4.1 | 4.1 | 5.5 | 7.8 | 7.8 |
| (i) Taxes as Percentage of Exports and Imports | 4.6 (8.1) | 5.1 (7.4) | 4.8 (7.8) | 5.0 (7.5) | 6.0 (6.0) | 8.0 (2.9) | 8.4 (2.4) |
| (ii) Mean Tariff Rate | | | 3.3 (33.5) | 3.3 (33.6) | 3.9 (30.4) | 7.3 (13.3) | 7.6 (11.8) |
| (iii) Variability of Tariff Rates | | | | | 6.7 (8.3) | 8.0 (4.9) | 7.5 (6.2) |
| B. Regulatory Trade Barriers | | | | | | 5.2 | 6.1 |
| (i) Hidden Import Barriers | | | | | | 5.2 | 4.9 |
| (ii) Costs of Importing | | | | | | | 7.3 |
| C. Size of Trade Sector | 4.1 | 4.1 | 3.8 | 3.0 | 4.6 | 4.2 | 3.7 |
| D. Difference between Official and Black Market Exchange Rates | 7.8 | 4.2 | 6.8 | 8.2 | 6.6 | 8.6 | 10.0 |
| E. Restrictions on Capital Markets | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 6.0 | 3.9 |
| (i) Access to Foreign Capital | | | | | | 7.0 | 7.9 |
| (ii) Restrictions on Capital Transactions with Foreigners | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 5.0 | 0.0 |
| 5. Regulation of Credit, Labor and Business | | | 5.2 | 5.2 | 5.5 | 5.6 | 5.7 |
| A. Regulation of Credit Markets | | 8.0 | 8.0 | 8.0 | 8.2 | 7.9 | 7.4 |
| (i) Private Ownership of Banks | | 8.0 | 8.0 | 8.0 | 8.0 | 8.0 | 8.0 |
| (ii) Competition from Foreign Banks | | | | | | 7.7 | 5.6 |
| (iii) Extension of Credit to Private Sector | | | | | 8.6 | 8.1 | 8.1 |
| (iv) Avoidance of Negative Real Interest Rates | | | 8.0 | 8.0 | 8.0 | 8.0 | 8.0 |
| (v) Controls on Interest Rates | | | | | | 6.0 | 5.0 |
| B. Regulation of Labor Markets | | | | | | 4.8 | 3.9 |
| (i) Impact of Minimum Wage | | | | | | 6.8 | 2.8 |
| (ii) Flexibility in Hiring and Firing | | | | | 5.5 | 5.5 | 4.2 |
| (iii) Collective Bargaining | | | | | | | 5.9 |
| (iv) Incentives from Unemployment Benefits | | | | | | 5.7 | 5.5 |
| (v) Military Conscription | 3.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 1.0 | 1.0 |
| C. Regulation of Business | | | | | | 4.1 | 5.8 |
| (i) Price Controls | | | | | | 5.0 | 6.0 |
| (ii) Administrative Obstacles for New Businesses | | | | | | | 6.4 |
| (iii) Time Spent with Government Bureaucracy | | | | | | 6.2 | 6.8 |
| (iv) Ease of Starting a New Business | | | | | | 2.6 | 3.8 |
| (v) Irregular Payments to Government Officials | | | | | | 2.4 | 5.9 |

Congo, Democratic Republic of

| | 1970 | 1975 | 1980 | 1985 | 1990 | 1995 | 2000 |
|---|------------|------------|------------|------------|-------------|--------------|--------------|
| Summary Ratings (Rank) ▶ | 4.9 (42) | 4.7 (52) | 3.4 (102) | 3.8 (100) | 3.6 (106) | 3.6 (121) | 3.2 (123) |
| 1. Size of Government: Expenditures, Taxes and Enterprises | 3.6 | 4.9 | 5.0 | 3.4 | 5.2 | 5.8 | 4.4 |
| A. Government Consumption | 7.2 (15.5) | 7.8 (13.4) | 9.0 (9.3) | 9.1 (9.0) | 8.0 (12.7) | 10.0 (5.7) | 9.0 (9.3) |
| B. Transfers and Subsidies | | 9.9 (1.0) | 10.0 (0.6) | | 9.9 (0.8) | 10.0 (0.5) | 7.6 |
| C. Government Enterprises and Investment | 0.0 (56.8) | 0.0 (58.8) | 0.0 (60.2) | 0.0 (45.5) | 2.0 (31.1) | 2.0 | 0.0 |
| D. Top Marginal Tax Rate | | 2.0 (60) | 1.0 (60) | 1.0 (60) | 1.0 (60) | 1.0 (60) | 1.0 (60) |
| 2. Legal Structure and Security of Property Rights | | | 2.4 | 2.5 | 2.4 | 1.1 | 1.7 |
| A. Judicial Independence | | | | | | | |
| B. Impartial Courts | | | | | | | |
| C. Protection of Intellectual Property | | | | | | | |
| D. Military Interference | | | | | | | 0.0 |
| E. Integrity of Legal System | | | | | | 0.0 | 1.7 |
| 3. Access to Sound Money | 6.3 | 5.7 | 0.4 | 1.2 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 2.5 |
| A. Growth of Money Supply | 5.7 (21.7) | 6.7 (16.6) | 1.6 (42.2) | 0.0 (52.5) | 0.0 (99.5) | 0.0 (2294.3) | 0.0 (2290.0) |
| B. Inflation Variability | 0.0 (26.2) | 8.4 (3.9) | 0.0 (25.5) | 0.0 (25.3) | 0.0 (30.2) | 0.0 (9932.5) | 0.0 (202.5) |
| C. Recent Annual Inflation | 9.3 (-3.3) | 7.5 (12.5) | 0.0 (51.4) | 4.8 (25.8) | 0.0 (109.0) | 0.0 (466.4) | 0.0 (176.0) |
| D. Freedom to Own Foreign Currency | 10.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 10.0 |
| 4. Freedom to Exchange with Foreigners | 4.3 | 2.8 | 3.8 | 6.4 | 5.9 | 7.0 | |
| A. Taxes on International Trade | 0.0 | 0.0 | 4.2 | 5.0 | 4.9 | 7.8 | 7.9 |
| (i) Taxes as Percentage of Exports and Imports | 0.0 (19.7) | 0.0 (19.0) | 3.1 (10.3) | 4.4 (8.4) | 3.9 (9.1) | 7.8 (3.3) | 7.9 (3.2) |
| (ii) Mean Tariff Rate | | | 5.3 (23.6) | 5.5 (22.4) | 5.9 (20.7) | | |
| (iii) Variability of Tariff Rates | | | | | | | |
| B. Regulatory Trade Barriers | | | | | | | |
| (i) Hidden Import Barriers | | | | | | | |
| (ii) Costs of Importing | | | | | | | |
| C. Size of Trade Sector | 5.2 | 3.5 | 4.5 | 8.1 | 8.6 | 7.9 | |
| D. Difference between Official and Black Market Exchange Rates | 6.2 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 8.8 | 6.0 | 9.2 | 1.4 |
| E. Restrictions on Capital Markets | 2.0 | 2.0 | 2.0 | 2.0 | 2.0 | 2.0 | 2.3 |
| (i) Access to Foreign Capital | | | | | | | |
| (ii) Restrictions on Capital Transactions with Foreigners | 2.0 | 2.0 | 2.0 | 2.0 | 2.0 | 2.0 | 2.3 |
| 5. Regulation of Credit, Labor and Business | 5.3 | 5.5 | 5.6 | 5.7 | 4.6 | 4.0 | 4.0 |
| A. Regulation of Credit Markets | 3.4 | 3.9 | 4.3 | 4.7 | 2.9 | 3.1 | 0.0 |
| (i) Private Ownership of Banks | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| (ii) Competition from Foreign Banks | | | | | | | |
| (iii) Extension of Credit to Private Sector | 6.9 | 7.8 | 8.7 | 9.5 | 8.6 | 9.3 | |
| (iv) Avoidance of Negative Real Interest Rates | | | | | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| (v) Controls on Interest Rates | | | | | | | |
| B. Regulation of Labor Markets | | | | | | | |
| (i) Impact of Minimum Wage | | | | | | | |
| (ii) Flexibility in Hiring and Firing | | | | | | | |
| (iii) Collective Bargaining | | | | | | | |
| (iv) Incentives from Unemployment Benefits | | | | | | | |
| (v) Military Conscription | 10.0 | 10.0 | 10.0 | 10.0 | 10.0 | 10.0 | 10.0 |
| C. Regulation of Business | | | | | | | |
| (i) Price Controls | | | | | 2.0 | 2.0 | 2.0 |
| (ii) Administrative Obstacles for New Businesses | | | | | | | |
| (iii) Time Spent with Government Bureaucracy | | | | | | | |
| (iv) Ease of Starting a New Business | | | | | | | |
| (v) Irregular Payments to Government Officials | | | | | | | |

Congo, Republic of

| | 1970 | 1975 | 1980 | 1985 | 1990 | 1995 | 2000 |
|---|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|
| Summary Ratings (Rank) ► | | | 4.8 (71) | 4.6 (83) | 4.7 (83) | 5.4 (80) | 4.9 (113) |
| 1. Size of Government: Expenditures, Taxes and Enterprises | 6.8 | 2.9 | 1.9 | 2.4 | 3.5 | 4.7 | 3.5 |
| A. Government Consumption | 6.7 (17.2) | 5.8 (20.3) | 3.7 (27.3) | 4.7 (23.9) | 6.4 (18.2) | 6.5 (17.9) | 1.6 (34.6) |
| B. Transfers and Subsidies | 9.7 (1.4) | | | | | 9.3 (3.1) | 9.5 (2.3) |
| C. Government Enterprises and Investment | 4.0 (24.8) | 0.0 (44.6) | 0.0 (44.2) | 0.0 (59.4) | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| D. Top Marginal Tax Rate | | | | | 4.0 (50) | 3.0 (50) | 3.0 (50) |
| 2. Legal Structure and Security of Property Rights | | | 4.7 | 3.1 | 3.0 | 6.2 | 2.3 |
| A. Judicial Independence | | | | | | | |
| B. Impartial Courts | | | | | | | |
| C. Protection of Intellectual Property | | | | | | | |
| D. Military Interference | | | | | | | 0.0 |
| E. Integrity of Legal System | | | | | | 7.0 | 3.3 |
| 3. Access to Sound Money | 6.5 | 6.6 | 5.3 | 6.1 | 5.8 | 5.7 | 6.8 |
| A. Growth of Money Supply | 8.3 (8.7) | 8.1 (9.3) | 8.3 (8.6) | 8.3 (8.4) | 9.3 (-3.6) | 9.6 (2.1) | 8.7 (6.6) |
| B. Inflation Variability | 8.6 (3.6) | 9.9 (0.3) | 7.0 (7.4) | 6.4 (9.0) | 4.2 (14.5) | 4.0 (14.9) | 8.8 (2.9) |
| C. Recent Annual Inflation | 9.3 (3.7) | 8.3 (8.3) | 6.0 (20.1) | 9.5 (2.5) | 9.8 (-0.8) | 9.3 (3.4) | 9.8 (-0.9) |
| D. Freedom to Own Foreign Currency | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| 4. Freedom to Exchange with Foreigners | 6.0 | 6.5 | 6.8 | 6.1 | 5.9 | 6.7 | 7.0 |
| A. Taxes on International Trade | 4.9 | 6.4 | 7.5 | 3.6 | 4.5 | 6.7 | 7.3 |
| (i) Taxes as Percentage of Exports and Imports | 4.9 (7.7) | 6.4 (5.4) | 7.5 (3.8) | | 4.5 (8.2) | 7.6 (3.6) | 8.8 (1.8) |
| (ii) Mean Tariff Rate | | | | 3.6 (32.0) | | 6.3 (18.6) | 6.5 (17.6) |
| (iii) Variability of Tariff Rates | | | | | | 6.2 (9.5) | 6.6 (8.6) |
| B. Regulatory Trade Barriers | | | | | | | |
| (i) Hidden Import Barriers | | | | | | | |
| (ii) Costs of Importing | | | | | | | |
| C. Size of Trade Sector | 7.1 | 8.1 | 8.8 | 9.0 | 7.5 | 8.9 | 9.5 |
| D. Difference between Official and Black Market Exchange Rates | 9.6 | 9.6 | 9.6 | 9.8 | 9.2 | 9.8 | 10.0 |
| E. Restrictions on Capital Markets | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| (i) Access to Foreign Capital | | | | | | | |
| (ii) Restrictions on Capital Transactions with Foreigners | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| 5. Regulation of Credit, Labor and Business | | | 5.2 | 5.5 | 5.1 | 3.9 | 4.8 |
| A. Regulation of Credit Markets | 0.0 | 0.0 | 3.0 | 4.0 | 5.5 | 2.9 | 4.5 |
| (i) Private Ownership of Banks | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| (ii) Competition from Foreign Banks | | | | | | | |
| (iii) Extension of Credit to Private Sector | | | | | 6.4 | 6.6 | 7.5 |
| (iv) Avoidance of Negative Real Interest Rates | | | 6.0 | 8.0 | 10.0 | 2.0 | 6.0 |
| (v) Controls on Interest Rates | | | | | | | |
| B. Regulation of Labor Markets | | | | | | | |
| (i) Impact of Minimum Wage | | | | | | | |
| (ii) Flexibility in Hiring and Firing | | | | | | | |
| (iii) Collective Bargaining | | | | | | | |
| (iv) Incentives from Unemployment Benefits | | | | | | | |
| (v) Military Conscription | | 10.0 | 10.0 | 10.0 | 10.0 | 10.0 | 10.0 |
| C. Regulation of Business | | | | | | | |
| (i) Price Controls | | | | | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| (ii) Administrative Obstacles for New Businesses | | | | | | | |
| (iii) Time Spent with Government Bureaucracy | | | | | | | |
| (iv) Ease of Starting a New Business | | | | | | | |
| (v) Irregular Payments to Government Officials | | | | | | | |

Costa Rica

| | 1970 | | 1975 | | 1980 | | 1985 | | 1990 | | 1995 | | 2000 | |
|---|------|--------|---------|--------|----------|--------|----------|--------|----------|--------|----------|--------|----------|--------|
| Summary Ratings (Rank) ▶ | | | 6.7 (9) | | 5.8 (30) | | 5.4 (55) | | 6.8 (17) | | 6.6 (39) | | 7.3 (24) | |
| 1. Size of Government: Expenditures, Taxes and Enterprises | 7.8 | | 6.7 | | 5.7 | | 5.2 | | 7.2 | | 6.6 | | 7.1 | |
| A. Government Consumption | 7.5 | (14.6) | 6.6 | (17.5) | 5.4 | (21.8) | 5.7 | (20.8) | 5.0 | (22.9) | 5.0 | (22.9) | 5.0 | (22.9) |
| B. Transfers and Subsidies | 9.8 | (1.2) | 9.0 | (4.1) | 8.5 | (6.0) | 8.2 | (7.2) | 8.8 | (5.0) | 8.2 | (7.0) | 8.4 | (6.2) |
| C. Government Enterprises and Investment | 6.0 | (28.2) | 6.0 | (29.7) | 4.0 | (36.2) | 4.0 | (34.1) | 6.0 | (21.0) | 4.0 | (27.1) | 6.0 | (23.2) |
| D. Top Marginal Tax Rate | | | 5.0 | (50) | 5.0 | (50) | 3.0 | (50) | 9.0 | (25) | 9.0 | (25) | 9.0 | (25) |
| 2. Legal Structure and Security of Property Rights | | | | | 5.2 | | 5.3 | | 5.5 | | 4.1 | | 6.9 | |
| A. Judicial Independence | | | | | | | | | | | | | 6.3 | |
| B. Impartial Courts | | | | | | | | | | | | | 6.8 | |
| C. Protection of Intellectual Property | | | | | | | | | | | | | 4.5 | |
| D. Military Interference | | | | | | | | | | | | | 10.0 | |
| E. Integrity of Legal System | | | | | | | | | | 4.1 | | | 6.7 | |
| 3. Access to Sound Money | 9.2 | | 7.1 | | 7.8 | | 4.9 | | 8.1 | | 7.7 | | 7.6 | |
| A. Growth of Money Supply | 9.0 | (4.9) | 6.8 | (16.0) | 6.9 | (15.6) | 3.6 | (32.1) | 7.4 | (13.0) | 7.3 | (13.4) | 4.5 | (27.7) |
| B. Inflation Variability | 9.1 | (2.2) | 6.5 | (8.8) | 8.2 | (4.5) | 0.2 | (24.4) | 8.7 | (3.3) | 7.6 | (6.0) | 8.2 | (4.6) |
| C. Recent Annual Inflation | 8.5 | (7.3) | 5.1 | (24.5) | 6.2 | (18.8) | 5.9 | (20.5) | 6.3 | (18.6) | 5.7 | (21.3) | 7.8 | (11.0) |
| D. Freedom to Own Foreign Currency | 10.0 | | 10.0 | | 10.0 | | 10.0 | | 10.0 | | 10.0 | | 10.0 | |
| 4. Freedom to Exchange with Foreigners | 6.9 | | 5.9 | | 3.4 | | 4.9 | | 6.7 | | 7.7 | | 8.1 | |
| A. Taxes on International Trade | 7.3 | | 6.1 | | 3.2 | | 1.8 | | 5.6 | | 7.3 | | 8.5 | |
| (i) Taxes as Percentage of Exports and Imports | 7.3 | (4.1) | 6.1 | (5.9) | 6.5 | (5.3) | 5.4 | (6.9) | 5.3 | (7.0) | 6.9 | (4.6) | 9.2 | (1.2) |
| (ii) Mean Tariff Rate | | | | | 0.0 | (55.0) | 0.0 | (53.0) | 6.7 | (16.4) | 8.0 | (10.2) | 9.3 | (3.3) |
| (iii) Variability of Tariff Rates | | | | | | | 0.0 | (61.8) | 4.8 | (12.9) | 6.9 | (7.7) | 6.9 | (7.8) |
| B. Regulatory Trade Barriers | | | | | | | | | | | | | 6.6 | |
| (i) Hidden Import Barriers | | | | | | | | | | | | | 5.2 | |
| (ii) Costs of Importing | | | | | | | | | | | | | 8.0 | |
| C. Size of Trade Sector | 4.2 | | 4.7 | | 3.6 | | 4.1 | | 4.9 | | 5.0 | | 5.9 | |
| D. Difference between Official and Black Market Exchange Rates | 10.0 | | 8.4 | | 0.0 | | 5.2 | | 10.0 | | 10.0 | | 10.0 | |
| E. Restrictions on Capital Markets | 5.0 | | 2.0 | | 2.0 | | 5.0 | | 5.0 | | 8.0 | | 9.6 | |
| (i) Access to Foreign Capital | | | | | | | | | | | | | 9.3 | |
| (ii) Restrictions on Capital Transactions with Foreigners | 5.0 | | 2.0 | | 2.0 | | 5.0 | | 5.0 | | 8.0 | | 10.0 | |
| 5. Regulation of Credit, Labor and Business | | | 7.3 | | 6.9 | | 6.8 | | 6.7 | | 7.0 | | 6.8 | |
| A. Regulation of Credit Markets | 9.7 | | 9.3 | | 8.2 | | 8.1 | | 8.5 | | 8.9 | | 8.2 | |
| (i) Private Ownership of Banks | 10.0 | | 10.0 | | 10.0 | | 10.0 | | 10.0 | | 10.0 | | 10.0 | |
| (ii) Competition from Foreign Banks | | | | | | | | | | | | | 6.2 | |
| (iii) Extension of Credit to Private Sector | 9.4 | | 8.6 | | 6.4 | | 8.3 | | 7.5 | | 8.8 | | 8.6 | |
| (iv) Avoidance of Negative Real Interest Rates | | | | | | | 6.0 | | 8.0 | | 8.0 | | 8.0 | |
| (v) Controls on Interest Rates | | | | | | | | | | | | | 4.6 | |
| B. Regulation of Labor Markets | | | | | | | | | | | | | 6.0 | |
| (i) Impact of Minimum Wage | | | | | | | | | | | | | 3.5 | |
| (ii) Flexibility in Hiring and Firing | | | | | | | | | | | | | 5.0 | |
| (iii) Collective Bargaining | | | | | | | | | | | | | 5.0 | |
| (iv) Incentives from Unemployment Benefits | | | | | | | | | | | | | 6.5 | |
| (v) Military Conscription | | | 10.0 | | 10.0 | | 10.0 | | 10.0 | | 10.0 | | 10.0 | |
| C. Regulation of Business | | | | | | | | | | | | | 6.3 | |
| (i) Price Controls | | | | | | | | | 6.0 | | 6.0 | | 8.0 | |
| (ii) Administrative Obstacles for New Businesses | | | | | | | | | | | | | 6.8 | |
| (iii) Time Spent with Government Bureaucracy | | | | | | | | | | | | | 6.2 | |
| (iv) Ease of Starting a New Business | | | | | | | | | | | | | 4.7 | |
| (v) Irregular Payments to Government Officials | | | | | | | | | | | | | 5.9 | |

Côte d'Ivoire

| | 1970 | | 1975 | | 1980 | | 1985 | | 1990 | | 1995 | | 2000 | |
|---|------|--------|------|--------|----------|--------|----------|--------|----------|--------|----------|--------|----------|--------|
| Summary Ratings (Rank) ▶ | | | | | 5.3 (51) | | 5.6 (45) | | 5.2 (67) | | 5.7 (73) | | 5.9 (80) | |
| 1. Size of Government: Expenditures, Taxes and Enterprises | 4.1 | | 3.7 | | 4.9 | | 3.7 | | 4.1 | | 6.0 | | 7.7 | |
| A. Government Consumption | 6.1 | (19.2) | 5.3 | (22.0) | 5.5 | (21.2) | 6.1 | (19.4) | 6.2 | (18.9) | 7.4 | (15.0) | 7.6 | (14.1) |
| B. Transfers and Subsidies | | | | | 9.0 | (4.2) | | | | | 9.4 | (2.6) | 9.6 | (2.1) |
| C. Government Enterprises and Investment | 2.0 | (39.6) | 2.0 | (39.7) | 0.0 | (52.4) | 0.0 | (66.7) | 2.0 | (42.1) | 4.0 | (32.8) | 6.0 | (28.0) |
| D. Top Marginal Tax Rate | | | | | 5.0 | (45) | 5.0 | (45) | 4.0 | (45) | 3.0 | (49) | | |
| 2. Legal Structure and Security of Property Rights | | | | | | | 5.7 | | 4.8 | | 6.2 | | 3.5 | |
| A. Judicial Independence | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| B. Impartial Courts | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| C. Protection of Intellectual Property | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| D. Military Interference | | | | | | | | | | | | | 1.7 | |
| E. Integrity of Legal System | | | | | | | | | | | 7.0 | | 5.0 | |
| 3. Access to Sound Money | 6.9 | | 5.9 | | 4.6 | | 6.6 | | 6.9 | | 4.9 | | 6.8 | |
| A. Growth of Money Supply | 8.8 | (5.9) | 8.3 | (8.5) | 7.2 | (14.3) | 9.0 | (5.0) | 9.2 | (-3.9) | 7.8 | (10.9) | 8.9 | (5.6) |
| B. Inflation Variability | 9.2 | (2.0) | 6.0 | (9.9) | 6.2 | (9.6) | 7.6 | (6.1) | 9.3 | (1.6) | 3.6 | (16.1) | 8.8 | (2.9) |
| C. Recent Annual Inflation | 9.4 | (3.0) | 9.1 | (4.3) | 5.2 | (24.1) | 9.9 | (0.3) | 9.1 | (-4.5) | 8.3 | (8.5) | 9.5 | (2.5) |
| D. Freedom to Own Foreign Currency | 0.0 | | 0.0 | | 0.0 | | 0.0 | | 0.0 | | 0.0 | | 0.0 | |
| 4. Freedom to Exchange with Foreigners | | | | | 5.6 | | 6.0 | | 5.3 | | 5.8 | | 6.2 | |
| A. Taxes on International Trade | | | | | 3.0 | | 3.7 | | 3.1 | | 4.3 | | 5.7 | |
| (i) Taxes as Percentage of Exports and Imports | | | | | 1.5 | (12.8) | 2.1 | (11.8) | 2.7 | (10.9) | 0.0 | (17.3) | 2.3 | (11.6) |
| (ii) Mean Tariff Rate | | | | | 4.5 | (27.5) | 5.3 | (23.3) | 3.4 | (33.0) | 3.4 | (33.0) | 9.0 | (4.8) |
| (iii) Variability of Tariff Rates | | | | | | | | | | | 9.4 | (1.5) | 5.7 | (10.7) |
| B. Regulatory Trade Barriers | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| (i) Hidden Import Barriers | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| (ii) Costs of Importing | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| C. Size of Trade Sector | 6.5 | | 7.4 | | 7.0 | | 8.0 | | 5.8 | | 6.9 | | 7.4 | |
| D. Difference between Official and Black Market Exchange Rates | 9.6 | | 9.6 | | 9.6 | | 9.8 | | 9.2 | | 9.8 | | 10.0 | |
| E. Restrictions on Capital Markets | 0.0 | | 0.0 | | 0.0 | | 0.0 | | 0.0 | | 0.0 | | 0.0 | |
| (i) Access to Foreign Capital | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| (ii) Restrictions on Capital Transactions with Foreigners | 0.0 | | 0.0 | | 0.0 | | 0.0 | | 0.0 | | 0.0 | | 0.0 | |
| 5. Regulation of Credit, Labor and Business | | | | | 6.2 | | 5.8 | | 4.9 | | 5.7 | | 5.4 | |
| A. Regulation of Credit Markets | | | 2.0 | | 6.6 | | 7.1 | | 6.4 | | 6.4 | | 7.3 | |
| (i) Private Ownership of Banks | | | 2.0 | | 2.0 | | 2.0 | | 2.0 | | 8.0 | | 8.0 | |
| (ii) Competition from Foreign Banks | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| (iii) Extension of Credit to Private Sector | | | | | 9.7 | | 9.3 | | 9.2 | | 7.3 | | 7.8 | |
| (iv) Avoidance of Negative Real Interest Rates | | | | | 8.0 | | 10.0 | | 8.0 | | 4.0 | | 6.0 | |
| (v) Controls on Interest Rates | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| B. Regulation of Labor Markets | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| (i) Impact of Minimum Wage | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| (ii) Flexibility in Hiring and Firing | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| (iii) Collective Bargaining | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| (iv) Incentives from Unemployment Benefits | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| (v) Military Conscription | 0.0 | | 10.0 | | 10.0 | | 5.0 | | 5.0 | | 5.0 | | 5.0 | |
| C. Regulation of Business | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| (i) Price Controls | | | | | | | | | 0.0 | | 2.0 | | 2.0 | |
| (ii) Administrative Obstacles for New Businesses | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| (iii) Time Spent with Government Bureaucracy | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| (iv) Ease of Starting a New Business | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| (v) Irregular Payments to Government Officials | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |

Croatia

| | 1970 | 1975 | 1980 | 1985 | 1990 | 1995 | 2000 |
|---|------|------|------|------|------|-----------|-------------|
| Summary Ratings (Rank) ► | | | | | | 4.1 (112) | 5.6 (92) |
| 1. Size of Government: Expenditures, Taxes and Enterprises | | | | | | 2.6 | 3.3 |
| A. Government Consumption | | | | | | 1.9 | (33.4) |
| B. Transfers and Subsidies | | | | | | 5.9 | (15.5) |
| C. Government Enterprises and Investment | | | | | | 0.0 | 2.0 |
| D. Top Marginal Tax Rate | | | | | | | 4.0 (35-53) |
| 2. Legal Structure and Security of Property Rights | | | | | | | 7.1 |
| A. Judicial Independence | | | | | | | |
| B. Impartial Courts | | | | | | | |
| C. Protection of Intellectual Property | | | | | | | |
| D. Military Interference | | | | | | | 8.3 |
| E. Integrity of Legal System | | | | | | | 8.3 |
| 3. Access to Sound Money | | | | | 2.5 | 3.4 | 6.2 |
| A. Growth of Money Supply | | | | | | 0.0 | (62.4) |
| B. Inflation Variability | | | | | | 0.0 | (573.3) |
| C. Recent Annual Inflation | | | | | 0.0 | (500.0) | 8.4 (8.0) |
| D. Freedom to Own Foreign Currency | | | | | 5.0 | 5.0 | 5.0 |
| 4. Freedom to Exchange with Foreigners | | | | | | 6.1 | 6.1 |
| A. Taxes on International Trade | | | | | | 7.0 | 7.7 |
| (i) Taxes as Percentage of Exports and Imports | | | | | | 7.0 | (4.6) |
| (ii) Mean Tariff Rate | | | | | | | |
| (iii) Variability of Tariff Rates | | | | | | | |
| B. Regulatory Trade Barriers | | | | | | | |
| (i) Hidden Import Barriers | | | | | | | |
| (ii) Costs of Importing | | | | | | | |
| C. Size of Trade Sector | | | | | | 4.8 | 4.5 |
| D. Difference between Official and Black Market Exchange Rates | | | | | 0.0 | 8.4 | 10.0 |
| E. Restrictions on Capital Markets | | | | | 0.0 | 2.0 | 0.0 |
| (i) Access to Foreign Capital | | | | | | | |
| (ii) Restrictions on Capital Transactions with Foreigners | | | | | 0.0 | 2.0 | 0.0 |
| 5. Regulation of Credit, Labor and Business | | | | | | 4.2 | 5.5 |
| A. Regulation of Credit Markets | | | | | 0.0 | 3.4 | 7.7 |
| (i) Private Ownership of Banks | | | | | 0.0 | 0.0 | 10.0 |
| (ii) Competition from Foreign Banks | | | | | | | |
| (iii) Extension of Credit to Private Sector | | | | | | 6.1 | 7.2 |
| (iv) Avoidance of Negative Real Interest Rates | | | | | | 4.0 | 6.0 |
| (v) Controls on Interest Rates | | | | | | | |
| B. Regulation of Labor Markets | | | | | | | |
| (i) Impact of Minimum Wage | | | | | | | |
| (ii) Flexibility in Hiring and Firing | | | | | | | |
| (iii) Collective Bargaining | | | | | | | |
| (iv) Incentives from Unemployment Benefits | | | | | | | |
| (v) Military Conscription | | | | | | 3.0 | 3.0 |
| C. Regulation of Business | | | | | | | |
| (i) Price Controls | | | | | 0.0 | 2.0 | 4.0 |
| (ii) Administrative Obstacles for New Businesses | | | | | | | |
| (iii) Time Spent with Government Bureaucracy | | | | | | | |
| (iv) Ease of Starting a New Business | | | | | | | |
| (v) Irregular Payments to Government Officials | | | | | | | |

Cyprus

| | 1970 | 1975 | 1980 | 1985 | 1990 | 1995 | 2000 |
|---|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|
| Summary Ratings (Rank) ▶ | | 6.0 (19) | 5.6 (41) | 5.6 (45) | 5.9 (41) | 6.4 (43) | 6.2 (70) |
| 1. Size of Government: Expenditures, Taxes and Enterprises | 8.5 | 6.2 | 6.0 | 5.8 | 5.3 | 6.2 | 5.9 |
| A. Government Consumption | | 6.6 (17.7) | 6.8 (17.0) | 6.5 (18.1) | 5.2 (22.4) | 5.5 (21.2) | 4.8 (23.8) |
| B. Transfers and Subsidies | 9.1 (3.9) | 7.3 (10.3) | 8.3 (6.6) | 7.9 (8.1) | 7.9 (8.3) | 7.3 (10.3) | 6.9 (11.9) |
| C. Government Enterprises and Investment | 8.0 (11.1) | 8.0 (12.3) | 8.0 (18.1) | 8.0 (17.4) | 8.0 | 8.0 | 8.0 |
| D. Top Marginal Tax Rate | | 3.0 (54) | 1.0 (60) | 1.0 (60) | 0.0 (62) | 4.0 (42) | 4.0 (42) |
| 2. Legal Structure and Security of Property Rights | | | | 4.0 | 6.7 | 6.2 | 7.1 |
| A. Judicial Independence | | | | | | | |
| B. Impartial Courts | | | | | | | |
| C. Protection of Intellectual Property | | | | | | | |
| D. Military Interference | | | | | | | 8.3 |
| E. Integrity of Legal System | | | | | | 7.0 | 8.3 |
| 3. Access to Sound Money | 4.8 | 5.2 | 5.7 | 6.7 | 7.0 | 7.2 | 6.8 |
| A. Growth of Money Supply | | | 6.4 (18.0) | 9.1 (4.6) | 9.5 (2.3) | 9.8 (1.1) | 8.4 (8.2) |
| B. Inflation Variability | | 8.6 (3.6) | 9.1 (2.4) | 8.9 (2.8) | 9.7 (0.7) | 9.6 (0.9) | 9.6 (1.0) |
| C. Recent Annual Inflation | 9.5 (2.4) | 7.2 (14.2) | 7.3 (13.5) | 8.9 (5.7) | 8.9 (5.3) | 9.5 (2.6) | 9.2 (4.1) |
| D. Freedom to Own Foreign Currency | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| 4. Freedom to Exchange with Foreigners | 5.6 | 5.7 | 5.7 | 5.8 | 5.4 | 5.5 | 5.8 |
| A. Taxes on International Trade | 6.2 | 7.7 | 7.0 | 6.8 | 5.5 | 7.7 | 7.9 |
| (i) Taxes as Percentage of Exports and Imports | 6.2 (5.7) | 7.7 (3.5) | 7.3 (4.0) | 7.1 (4.4) | 7.2 (4.2) | 8.3 (2.6) | 9.2 (1.3) |
| (ii) Mean Tariff Rate | | | 6.6 (17.1) | 6.5 (17.6) | 6.7 (16.5) | 7.2 (14.0) | 6.7 (16.4) |
| (iii) Variability of Tariff Rates | | | | | 2.5 (18.7) | | |
| B. Regulatory Trade Barriers | | | | | | | |
| (i) Hidden Import Barriers | | | | | | | |
| (ii) Costs of Importing | | | | | | | |
| C. Size of Trade Sector | 3.8 | 3.8 | 4.0 | 4.4 | 4.2 | 2.8 | 2.7 |
| D. Difference between Official and Black Market Exchange Rates | 9.8 | 8.8 | 9.2 | 9.8 | 9.0 | 9.0 | 10.0 |
| E. Restrictions on Capital Markets | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| (i) Access to Foreign Capital | | | | | | | |
| (ii) Restrictions on Capital Transactions with Foreigners | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| 5. Regulation of Credit, Labor and Business | | 6.7 | 5.2 | 5.6 | 5.1 | 7.0 | 5.4 |
| A. Regulation of Credit Markets | 8.5 | 8.4 | 7.1 | 8.3 | 8.8 | 8.9 | 8.9 |
| (i) Private Ownership of Banks | | 8.0 | 8.0 | 8.0 | 8.0 | 8.0 | 8.0 |
| (ii) Competition from Foreign Banks | | | | | | | |
| (iii) Extension of Credit to Private Sector | 9.1 | 9.2 | 9.3 | 8.9 | 8.5 | 8.7 | 8.7 |
| (iv) Avoidance of Negative Real Interest Rates | 8.0 | 8.0 | 4.0 | 8.0 | 10.0 | 10.0 | 10.0 |
| (v) Controls on Interest Rates | | | | | | | |
| B. Regulation of Labor Markets | | | | | | | |
| (i) Impact of Minimum Wage | | | | | | | |
| (ii) Flexibility in Hiring and Firing | | | | | | | |
| (iii) Collective Bargaining | | | | | | | |
| (iv) Incentives from Unemployment Benefits | | | | | | | |
| (v) Military Conscription | | | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| C. Regulation of Business | | | | | | | |
| (i) Price Controls | | | | | 0.0 | 2.0 | 2.0 |
| (ii) Administrative Obstacles for New Businesses | | | | | | | |
| (iii) Time Spent with Government Bureaucracy | | | | | | | |
| (iv) Ease of Starting a New Business | | | | | | | |
| (v) Irregular Payments to Government Officials | | | | | | | |

Czech Republic

| | 1970 | 1975 | 1980 | 1985 | 1990 | 1995 | 2000 |
|---|------|------|------|------|------|----------|----------|
| Summary Ratings (Rank) ► | | | | | | 5.8 (69) | 7.0 (38) |
| 1. Size of Government: Expenditures, Taxes and Enterprises | | | | | | 3.6 | 5.3 |
| A. Government Consumption | | | | | | 3.0 | 4.0 |
| B. Transfers and Subsidies | | | | | 0.0 | (37.2) | (26.5) |
| C. Government Enterprises and Investment | | | | | | 2.4 | 2.4 |
| D. Top Marginal Tax Rate | | | | | | (28.4) | (28.6) |
| | | | | | | 4.0 | 8.0 |
| | | | | | | 5.0 | 7.0 |
| | | | | | | (43) | (32) |
| 2. Legal Structure and Security of Property Rights | | | | 6.8 | 7.2 | 6.1 | 6.9 |
| A. Judicial Independence | | | | | | 6.2 | 6.0 |
| B. Impartial Courts | | | | | | 3.6 | 4.5 |
| C. Protection of Intellectual Property | | | | | | 4.5 | 5.6 |
| D. Military Interference | | | | | | | 10.0 |
| E. Integrity of Legal System | | | | | | 10.0 | 8.3 |
| 3. Access to Sound Money | | | | | | 6.0 | 9.2 |
| A. Growth of Money Supply | | | | | | 6.0 | 9.3 |
| B. Inflation Variability | | | | | | (20.0) | (3.5) |
| C. Recent Annual Inflation | | | | | | 4.9 | 8.5 |
| D. Freedom to Own Foreign Currency | | | | | | (12.8) | (3.8) |
| | | | | | | 7.9 | 9.2 |
| | | | | | | (10.4) | (3.9) |
| | | | | | | 5.0 | 10.0 |
| 4. Freedom to Exchange with Foreigners | | | | | | 7.8 | 7.8 |
| A. Taxes on International Trade | | | | | | 8.4 | 6.7 |
| (i) Taxes as Percentage of Exports and Imports | | | | | | 9.2 | 9.7 |
| (ii) Mean Tariff Rate | | | | | | (1.1) | (0.5) |
| (iii) Variability of Tariff Rates | | | | | | 8.7 | 8.6 |
| B. Regulatory Trade Barriers | | | | | | (6.7) | (6.8) |
| (i) Hidden Import Barriers | | | | | | 7.4 | 1.9 |
| (ii) Costs of Importing | | | | | | (6.4) | (20.2) |
| C. Size of Trade Sector | | | | | | 7.4 | 7.9 |
| D. Difference between Official and Black Market Exchange Rates | | | | | | 7.4 | 7.3 |
| E. Restrictions on Capital Markets | | | | | | 7.4 | 8.5 |
| (i) Access to Foreign Capital | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 7.4 | 7.4 |
| (ii) Restrictions on Capital Transactions with Foreigners | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 10.0 | 10.0 |
| | | | | | | 5.7 | 7.0 |
| | | | | | | 6.4 | 7.9 |
| | | | | | | 5.0 | 6.2 |
| 5. Regulation of Credit, Labor and Business | | | | | 3.2 | 5.4 | 5.7 |
| A. Regulation of Credit Markets | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 5.6 | 5.7 |
| (i) Private Ownership of Banks | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 5.0 | 2.0 |
| (ii) Competition from Foreign Banks | | | | | | 5.1 | 4.9 |
| (iii) Extension of Credit to Private Sector | | | | | | 6.5 | 8.0 |
| (iv) Avoidance of Negative Real Interest Rates | | | | | | 6.0 | 8.0 |
| (v) Controls on Interest Rates | | | | | | 6.1 | 6.3 |
| B. Regulation of Labor Markets | | | | | | 5.0 | 5.2 |
| (i) Impact of Minimum Wage | | | | | | 6.6 | 5.1 |
| (ii) Flexibility in Hiring and Firing | | | | | 5.6 | 5.6 | 5.3 |
| (iii) Collective Bargaining | | | | | | 5.2 | 7.7 |
| (iv) Incentives from Unemployment Benefits | | | | | | 4.8 | 5.0 |
| (v) Military Conscription | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 3.0 | 3.0 |
| C. Regulation of Business | | | | | | 5.4 | 6.1 |
| (i) Price Controls | | | | | | 6.0 | 4.0 |
| (ii) Administrative Obstacles for New Businesses | | | | | | | 7.8 |
| (iii) Time Spent with Government Bureaucracy | | | | | | 5.9 | 8.1 |
| (iv) Ease of Starting a New Business | | | | | | 6.0 | 5.5 |
| (v) Irregular Payments to Government Officials | | | | | | 3.9 | 4.9 |