

LEGATUM PROSPERITY INDEX TABLE

2008

Overall Rank	Country	Economic Competitiveness										Comparative Liveability										Country							
		Invests productively					Commercialises new ideas					Avoids dependence			Fosters freedom and opportunity			Creates an environment for wellbeing			Alleviates sources of misery				Builds social supports				
		Rank	Score	...via growth in invested capital	...via good governance	...via competitive markets	...via better education	...via economic openness	...by commercialising innovation	...via entrepreneurship	...on commodity exports	...on foreign aid	...via freedom of choice	...via equality of opportunity	...via good governance	...via a pleasant environment	...via a moderate climate	...via time for leisure	...via high incomes	...via good health	...via low unemployment		...via family life	...via community life	...via Religious freedom	...via Religious belief	Score	Rank	
1	Australia	6	19	18	17	1	21	-1	12	13	1	8	11	9	17	11	0	15	17	10	6	7	19	8	-8	17	10	Australia	
2	Austria	9	15	19	15	-2	22	6	11	-20	5	8	16	9	16	10	9	18	17	14	4	10	16	8	-3	18	8	Austria	
2	Finland	12	12	13	17	-4	6	4	15	0	4	8	18	21	20	19	10	14	17	10	3	15	13	7	-8	20	5	Finland	
4	Germany	3	21	14	13	-8	25	4	17	2	6	8	6	9	15	9	5	19	14	9	0	9	8	3	-15	14	15	Germany	
4	Singapore	1	27	19	19	6	8	47	25	4	-16	8	3	4	12	11	-11	-28	15	13	7	7	3	-15	4	12	17	Singapore	
4	United States	7	16	18	14	18	13	-1	19	-1	7	8	12	4	12	7	-4	-3	24	6	6	14	22	10	6	17	11	United States	
7	Switzerland	15	12	18	15	-15	13	6	13	-3	7	8	14	11	19	11	13	7	19	14	8	12	20	10	-6	20	4	Switzerland	
8	Hong Kong	2	21	17	19	28	3	46	21	-3	6	8	13	1	11	-28	-11	17	19	-3	6	-11	6	7		9	19	Hong Kong	
9	Denmark	20	10	16	19	-20	8	4	12	-7	4	8	16	16	20	13	9	45	18	9	7	14	21	7	-17	21	2	Denmark	
9	New Zealand	10	13	8	17	-4	12	-1	10	13	5	8	13	13	18	20	3	13	10	10	0	7	25	10	-8	17	12	New Zealand	
11	Netherlands	17	11	14	16	-2	3	10	13	3	-1	8	12	16	17	4	7	27	17	11	8	11	27	10	-12	20	6	Netherlands	
12	Sweden	21	9	10	15	-10	6	5	14	-4	4	8	17	23	18	14	10	12	17	11	6	12	22	10	-17	20	3	Sweden	
13	Japan	4	21	22	11	-3	12	-4	21	2	7	8	7	-19	10	-6	-7	0	14	3	7	7	1	0	-12	8	22	Japan	
13	Belgium	13	12	20	13	-2	-1	20	10	2	0	8	14	3	14	-1	6	28	16	9	3	8	8	7	-10	15	14	Belgium	
14	Canada	18	11	14	16	-3	7	3	15	-19	1	8	16	12	17	8	9	5	16	11	5	13	18	10	1	18	9	Canada	
14	France	11	13	18	10	-4	11	-1	14	-3	7	8	7	0	12	-1	3	20	15	12	2	11	4	-3	-15	13	16	France	
14	Norway	26	8	19	13	-20	16	3	10	-20	-13	8	17	28	18	15	13	31	23	9	8	12	21	7	-13	23	1	Norway	
14	United Kingdom	14	12	10	17	-3	10	1	16	2	6	8	10	6	16	7	10	16	16	8	6	16	11	10	-7	16	13	United Kingdom	
19	Israel	8	16	12	8	21	11	4	13	2	7	4	0	-5	7	-11	-9	-6	14	7	2	3	6	3	2	8	21	Israel	
20	Ireland	24	8	15	17	-3	-2	7	10	11	7	8	15	6	14	18	12	3	22	12	7	15	17	10	2	20	7	Ireland	
21	Taiwan	5	20	16	8	32	6	11	20	2	-1	8	-9	-17	6	-19	-2	-3	4	-2	0	7	2	10	-9	2	37	Taiwan	
22	Spain	28	7	14	9	-4	-4	2	7	7	7	8	9	10	9	-6	-4	23	11	12	0	9	-5	5	-8	10	18	Spain	
23	Czech Republic	16	12	7	8	4	14	15	7	2	5	5	7	-11	6	-2	-4	-3	7	3	0	-12	-1	10	-18	4	31	Czech Republic	
23	Slovenia	23	8	5	8	0	12	12	4	2	5	5	15	-8	9	6	-5	2	8	6	0	3	4	5	-12	8	24	Slovenia	
25	Italy	29	6	18	5	-4	-4	-1	6	2	7	8	0	-9	5	-9	-3	-3	13	11	4	3	4	3	0	8	23	Italy	
26	Korea, South	19	11	12	7	-2	-1	-4	21	2	5	8	-4	-19	5	-9	-12	-19	8	-5	0	-2	3	10	-9	2	35	Korea, South	
27	Chile	25	8	0	11	9	4	5	0	9	-3	7	-3	3	11	-7	-4	-3	-1	-2	5	-2	4	5	7	3	33	Chile	
28	United Arab Emirates	39	2	6	6	-15	-2	3	6	2	-23	8	12	9	1	12	-12	9	9	0	8	-2	-8	-2		8	20	United Arab Emirates	
29	Malaysia	32	6	-1	7	8	9	8	-4	2	-7	6	7	6	2	6	10	-3	-2	6	8	4	9	-12		5	29	Malaysia	
30	Kuwait	35	3	2	2	-21	18	1	4	11	-38	8	2	4	-1	-1	-21	-28	10	12	0	9	-9	-17		5	27	Kuwait	
31	Argentina	36	3	-3	-7	32	1	-8	1	7	3	7	-4	9	-3	-6	-3	-3	1	6	1	-4	-9	0	6	2	34	Argentina	
31	Slovakia	22	9	-3	8	0	18	20	4	15	3	2	-12	-19	6	-10	-10	-3	3	-3	0	-8	-3	5	-3	0	48	Slovakia	
33	Portugal	46	1	7	8	-6	-11	7	2	16	6	8	16	-2	10	6	-2	-3	6	6	0	0	-13	10	2	6	25	Portugal	
34	Greece	43	1	8	5	-1	-4	-1	1	2	7	8	-7	-7	5	-7	-7	-7	9	8	0	-12	-8	-11	0	3	32	Greece	
35	Thailand	38	2	-3	1	12	-8	3	0	12	2	8	9	-18	-3	12	10	-3	-4	1	10	6	9	-1		2	40	Thailand	
36	Estonia	30	6	9	11	-8	0	17	2	20	-4	-2	-1	-13	9	0	-14	-3	3	-10	9	-23	-12	10	-16	-2	53	Estonia	
36	Uruguay	47	0	-6	2	19	-3	-5	-5	-7	5	6	4	-5	5	14	-4	-3	-2	5	0	0	-7	10		2	36	Uruguay	
38	Costa Rica	58	-3	-5	1	1	-6	-1	-3	0	6	7	13	8	3	11	8	-3	-2	12	5	8	3	10	5	2	36	Costa Rica	
38	Poland	37	3	-1	3	-1	2	12	6	0	6	3	3	-21	4	-5	-10	-3	1	-1	-3	-12	-10	10	5	0	47	Poland	
38	South Africa	41	1	-6	5	4	1	-6	0	10	4	4	-8	15	5	-4	-1	-3	-2	-13	-16	-4	-4	10	9	1	43	South Africa	
41	Hungary	33	6	6	7	-9	6	17	7	2	6	4	-9	-21	6	-6	-9	-3	4	-8	0	-15	-12	5	-11	-2	54	Hungary	
41	Latvia	27	7	5	6	3	6	14	0	17	2	-2	-6	-7	5	0	-13	-3	1	-14	4	-27	-11	-3	-8	-3	60	Latvia	
43	Brazil	44	1	-5	-3	11	-2	-8	4	7	5	8	7	-9	-2	0	7	-3	-4	4	1	1	-1	7	12	1	44	Brazil	
43	Mexico	49	0	-1	0	1	-1	4	2	5	4	7	0	5	-2	-2	2	-3	-2	6	8	-1	-7	0	10	2	39	Mexico	
45	Botswana	54	-1	1	4	3	-10	-6	-2	7	2	2	6	1	5	17	0	-3	-1	-18	-7	3	-10	7		2	38	Botswana	
45	Saudi Arabia	62	-4	11	-5	-2	-9	-3	-1	-4	-38	8	-10	2	-9	6	-2	-3	2	8	5	7	3	-24	12	4	30	Saudi Arabia	
47	Romania	31	6	-5	-2	11	14	13	1	14	4	8	1	-11	-2	-11	-13	-3	-3	-11	4	-16	-17	-6	7	-5	65	Romania	
48	Croatia	50	0	0	2	-6	6	-2	1	6	3	3	-6	-12	1	0	-10	-3	0	0	0	-10	-9	5	-1	-1	49	Croatia	
49	Tunisia	52	0	-4	2	4	-6	-1	-1	9	-3	3	-2	7	-4	1	-5	-3	-4	3	-4	-4	-12	-11		-2	52	Tunisia	
50	Jordan	42	1	-6	0	9	12	2	-6	-11	4	-12	-1	-6	-5	-3	-3	-3	-7	8	-3	7	-12	-17	13	-4	63	Jordan	
51	Panama	64	-4	-5	-1	-2	5	-8	-10	0	7	6	1	6	0	4	10	-3	-5	10	2	10	1	3		2	42	Panama	
51	Philippines	53	0	-8	-3	19	-3	-2	-12	-2	6	4	7	5	-4	8	12	-3	-5	7	0	3	-2	0	7	11	-3	56	Philippines
52	Trinidad and Tobago	81	-8	-4	2	-25	4	0	-1	24	-42	7	7	2	0	-4	7	-3	2	1	5	-4	9	7		5	28	Trinidad and Tobago	
54	China	51	0	-6	-3	-2	-5	-4	12	9	7	7	3	4	-11	4	-12	-3	-5	11	7	-4	-13	-21		-3	59	China	
55	Namibia	61	-4	-4	-1	2	-6	-1	-5	0	3	-7	3	11	0	8	3	-3	-5	-3	6	-1	-7	10		-1	50	Namibia	
56	Kazakhstan	40	1	-3	-8	12	8	1	1	10	-22	8	0	-10	-11	-10	-22	-3	-4	-15	3	-14	-9	-12		-6	74	Kazakhstan	
57	Russia	34	4	1	-7	0	15	-9	16	16	-9	5	-10	-10	-9	-23	-19	-3	-2	-22	4	-22	-12	-6	-10	-8	82	Russia	
58	Dominican Republic	78	-7	-6	-6	3	-7	-9	-4	-3		7	9	-2	-5	1	8	-3	-4	3	-5	0	8	10	10	2	41	Dominican Republic	
58	Venezuela	74	-7	-7	-13	14	-3	-9	-5	-2	-19	7	6	7	-10	6	9	-3	-5	11	1	-1	-3	10	11	0	45	Venezuela	
60	Sri Lanka	59	-3	-8	-6	-1	9	-5	-11	9		-7	-1	-1	-6	2	12	-3	-7	0	4	8	8	2		-4	61	Sri Lanka	
61	Colombia	75	-7	-8	-2	-1	-1	-8	-12	1	1	1	4	1	-4	2	8	-3	-5	6	-1	10	-3	6		0	46	Colombia	
61	Turkey	63	-4	-3	0	-3	-9	3	-4	1	8	6	-																