

Statistics for the SDGs - indicators for national priorities



Name of the indicator	8.2.a Ease of Doing Business Index (ranking positions in Doing Business)
Sustainable Development Goal	Goal 8. Decent work and economic growth
Priority	Entrepreneurship development (legal facilitation in conducting economic activity and access to financial instruments)
Definition	The country position in Doing Business ranking concerning ease of doing business. The higher ranking position is, the simpler rules regulating matters on conducting an enterprise are and a stronger protection of property by law is.
Unit	position in the ranking
Available dimensions	total
Methodological explanations	<p>Ease of doing business index is meant to measure regulations directly affecting businesses and does not directly measure more general conditions such as a nation's proximity to large markets, quality of infrastructure, inflation, or crime. A nation's ranking on the index is based on the average of 10 subindices:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. starting a business - procedures, time, cost and minimum capital to open a new business; 2. dealing with construction permits - procedures, time and cost to build a warehouse; 3. getting electricity - time and cost required for a business to obtain a permanent electricity connection for a newly constructed warehouse; 4. registering property - procedures, time and cost to register commercial real estate; 5. getting credit - strength of legal rights index, depth of credit information index; 6. protecting investors - indices on the extent of disclosure, extent of director liability and ease of shareholder suits; 7. paying taxes - number of taxes paid, hours per year spent preparing tax returns and total tax payable as share of gross profit; 8. trading across borders - number of documents, cost and time necessary to export and import; 9. enforcing contracts - procedures, time and cost to enforce a debt contract; 10. resolving insolvency - time, cost and recovery rate under bankruptcy proceeding.
Data source	World Bank
Data availability	Annual data; since 2012
Notes	Doing Business report is prepared once a year and it is based on data from the year preceding its publication. Data presented in Platforma SDG as 2013 come from the Doing Business report from 2014.