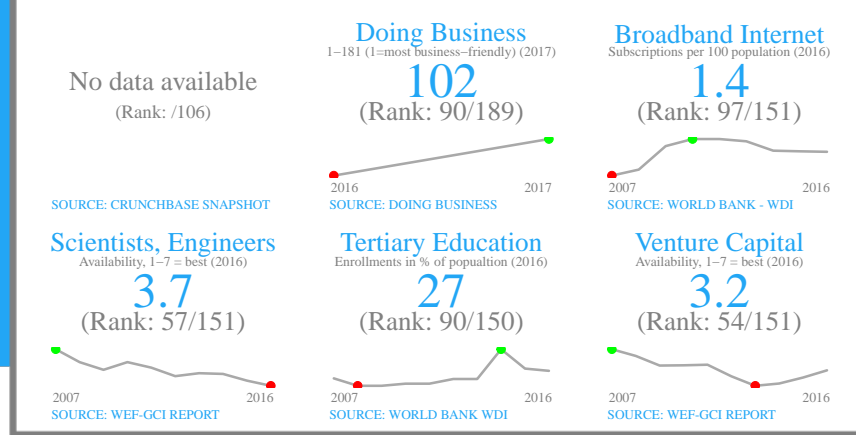


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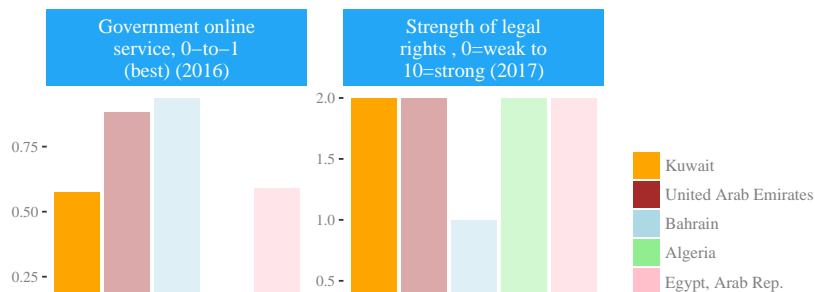
## Country Snapshot



## POLICY

Laws, regulations, and government initiatives

## GOVERNMENT INDEXES



SOURCE: GLOBAL INFORMATION TECH. REPORT; WDI

## INVESTMENT FRIENDLINESS

Time needed to setup a foreign business

number of days (2012)

(Rank: /87)

FDI Regulation Index (aggregated across telecoms, media, electric)

100=full ownership allowed (2012)

(Rank: /84)

Procedures to set up a foreign business

number of procedures (2012)

(Rank: /87)

Efficiency of legal framework in settling disputes

1-7 = best (2016)

**4.4**

(Rank: 40/151)

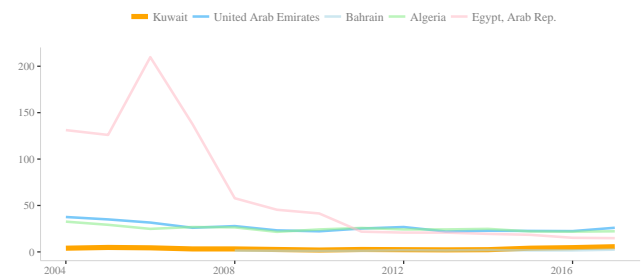
SOURCE: INVESTING ACROSS BORDERS; WDI

## DOING BUSINESS 2017

	2016	DTF 2017	Change	2016 Rank	2017 Rank	Change
<b>Ease of doing business index</b>	<b>60.12</b>	<b>59.55</b>	<b>-0.57</b>	<b>98</b>	<b>102</b>	<b>-4</b>
Dealing with Construction Permits	60.82	60.72	-0.1	141	144	-3
Enforcing Contracts	60.51	60.51	0	65	66	-1
Getting Credit	40	40	0	109	118	-9
Getting Electricity	61.51	61.47	-0.04	113	115	-2
Paying Taxes	92.48	92.48	0	6	6	0
Protecting Minority Investors	55	55	0	78	81	-3
Registering Property	68.38	68.37	-0.01	66	67	-1
Resolving Insolvency	32	32.9	0.9	108	108	0
Starting a Business	74.51	66.77	-7.74	149	173	-24
Trading Across Borders	48.9	50.57	1.67	159	157	2

SOURCE: DOING BUSINESS

## COST OF BUSINESS STARTUP PROCEDURES, % of GNI per capita



SOURCE: WORLD BANK WDI

## HUMAN CAPITAL

State of educational institutions and access to skilled labor

## AVAILABILITY OF SKILLED LABOR AND EDUCATION (1-7, 7 = best)

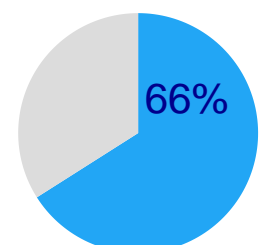
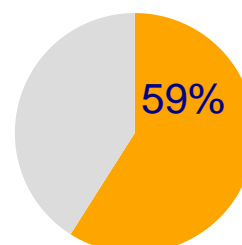


SOURCE: WEF-GCI REPORT

## POPULATION EMPLOYED IN SERVICES SECTOR (% total employed population)

Kuwait (2014)

MEA (average, 2014)



SOURCE: WORLD BANK WDI

## FINANCING

Sources of capital available for digital entrepreneurs, including debt, equity, grants, blended financing, etc

### FDI, PUBLIC CAPITAL MARKET AND VENTURE CAPITAL

FDI, net inflows  
BoP, current US\$, as % GDP (2015)

0.25

(Rank: 182/195)



No data available

(Rank: /136)

Market Capitaliz. of Listed Companies  
% of GDP (2006)

105

(Rank: 15/115)



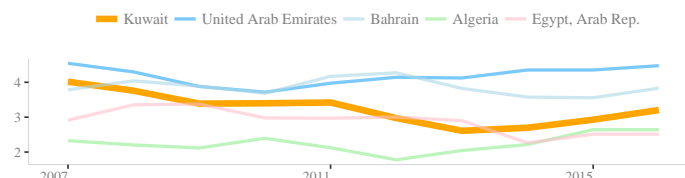
SOURCE: WEF-GCI REPORT; WORLD BANK - WDI

### INFORMAL INVESTORS RATE (% of 18-64 population)

Data not available

SOURCE: GLOBAL ENTREPRENEURSHIP MONITOR - ADULT POPULATION

### VENTURE CAPITAL AVAILABILITY (1-7, best)

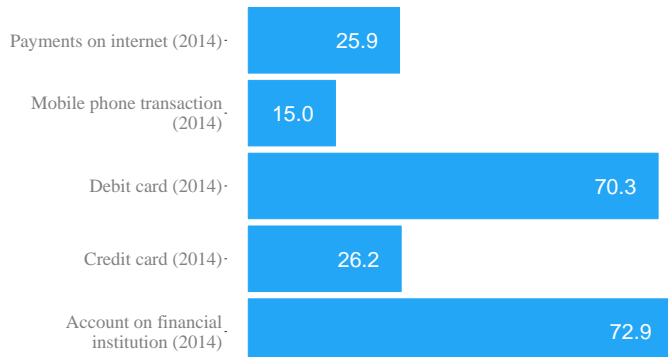


SOURCE: WEF-GCI REPORT

## MARKETS

Existence of early customers and distribution channels

### FINANCIAL INCLUSION (% age 15+)



SOURCE: WORLD BANK - FINDEX

### DIGITAL COMMERCE & INTERNET ACCESS

New business density

new registrations per 1,000 people ages 15-64 (2009)

(Rank: /137)

Ratio of online/in store purchases

Percentage (2016)

(Rank: /54)

Firms using email to interact with clients/suppliers (%)

% of firms (2010)

(Rank: /146)

Firms with their own Website

% of firms (2014)

(Rank: /143)

ICT service exports

% of service exports, BoP (2014)

39

(Rank: 16/178)

SOURCE: ES; WEF-GCI REPORT; WDI; CONSUMER BAROMETER

## CULTURE

Societal attitudes toward entrepreneurship

	Avg 2003-2011	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	
Company spending on R&D, 1-7 = best	2.8	2.6	2.7	2.5	2.6	2.9	2.8	
Listed domestic companies, total, Number	146.4	215.0	199.0	196.0	NA	0.0	—	
Perceived Capabilities, NA	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
Fear of Failure Rate, NA	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
Tech Startups, NA	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
High Status Successful Entrepreneurship, NA	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
Media Attention for Entrepreneurship, NA	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
Total early-stage Entrepr. Activity (TEA), NA	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
Improvement-Driven Opp. Entrepr. Activity: Rel. Prevalence, NA	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
New Product early-stage Entrepr. Activity, NA	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	

SOURCE: ES; WEF-GCI REPORT; WDI; CONSUMER BAROMETER

## SUPPORTS

Infrastructure and support services available through incubators, accelerators and other NGOs

	Avg 2003-2011	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	
% firms identifying transportation as major constraint, NA	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
% of firms with an annual fin. Statem. reviewed by ext. audit., NA	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
Quality of electricity supply, 1-7 = best	4.9	5.0	5.0	5.2	5.0	5.2	5.5	
Broadband Internet, Subscriptions per 100 population	1.2	1.7	1.7	1.6	1.4	1.4	1.4	
Internet bandwidth, kb/s/capita	12.5	12.5	6.0	6.0	9.8	50.1	48.6	
Access to electricity, % population	94.1	NA	97.7	NA	NA	NA	—	
ICT goods imports, % total goods imports	5.5	NA	NA	6.8	7.2	NA	—	
Internet users, per 100 population	39.4	65.8	70.5	75.5	78.7	82.1	—	

SOURCE: ES; WEF-GCI REPORT; WORLD BANK - WDI