**What factors make a country successful?**

Some people believe that economic progress is the only way to measure a country’s success. Certainly, economics is important: growth of economics leads to growth of working places amount and appearance of new specialties in related areas. The fact of having stable well-paid work allows for country citizens ability to buy more things, and constant demand for goods increases economic growth **~~significantly~~ MUCH** more.

But to have **A** whole picture we need to consider more factors in comparison to other countries such as: happiness level of people, popularity of culture of this country in the world, number of suicides and level of consuming alcohol per person, average life age etc.

The happiness level could be got by making surveys with some definite set of questions. It should be performed by several (non-government) organizations and repeatedly year by year to get trends in time.

The popularity of culture could be got by counting amount of tourist yearly and comparison of popularity of books and films created by authors of this country in the world. In addition, we could compare number of winners of some famous prizes/awards or number of famous sportsmen/scientists.

Comparison of such metrics (per country person) as: number of suicides, level of consuming alcohol and number of prisoners could allow us to compare bad side of life in different countries. Definitely, an average age of life is **A** good indicator too.

What about importance of factors – I think that factors related to danger of life or health of citizens are more important, but others should be taken into consideration too.