

# FACTSHEET

## Doing Business Index (DB)

<b>Created by:</b>	World Bank	<b>Publication Frequency:</b>	Annual
<b>Meaning:</b>	It is a tool designed for policy makers and researchers. It allows the government to create business policies and jobs. It allows researchers to have data for greater understanding of the role of business regulations in the economic development of a country	<b>Last year reported:</b>	2018

<b>Objective:</b>	It focuses on regulations that affect small and medium-sized domestic firms that operate in the largest business city of an economy.
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<b>Data collected:</b>	Number of countries under study:	190
	Sources of information: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• The relevant laws and regulations (under the advice of experts)</li><li>• Extensive consultation with more than 13,000 local experts (lawyers, business consultants, accountants, freight forwarders, government officials and other professionals routinely administering or advising on legal and regulatory requirements)</li><li>• Visits to the countries to verify the data and recruit respondents.</li></ul>	

<b>Methodology:</b>	Doing Business covers 11 areas
	The ranking of economies is determined by the order of distance added to the frontier (rounded to two decimal places).
	In recent years, Doing Business introduced improvements to all of its indicator sets. Each methodology expansion was recalculated for one year to provide comparable indicator values and DTF scores for the previous year. Rankings are calculated for Doing Business 2018 only. Year-to-year changes in the number of economies, number of indicators and methodology affect the comparability of prior years.

<b>Indicators measure:</b>	<b>Indicators that measure costs of regulatory processes</b>	<b>Indicators that measure the Strength of Legal Institutions</b>
	Starting a business, dealing with construction permits, getting electricity, registering property, paying taxes, trading across borders.	Getting credit, protecting minority investors, enforcing contracts, resolving insolvency and labor market regulation (not included in Doing Business rankings).