

Table Ranking on countries by the World Economic Forum's Global Competitiveness Index

	SE	FIN	D	NL	DK	B	F	IRL	ES	IT	PT	GR
Overall	3	4	6	7	8	15	18	29	36	43	45	90
Quality of institutions	2	4	19	10	5	27	28	23	49	88	51	96
<i>Regulatory pressure</i>	26	11	88	51	19	127	116	59	110	140	128	133
<i>Efficiency of justice administration</i>	2	3	19	9	8	51	22	37	73	133	131	121
Goods market efficiency	7	21	26	9	16	14	38	13	66	59	62	107
<i>Procedures to start a business</i>	8	8	63	34	15	8	23	15	107	34	34	134
Labour market efficiency	25	15	64	23	6	44	68	17	119	123	122	126
<i>Cooperation in labour-employer relations</i>	7	16	22	5	3	57	133	29	111	118	110	130
<i>Hiring & firing practices</i>	138	64	132	121	1	131	136	84	137	126	140	125
<i>Pay and productivity</i>	79	47	38	66	52	92	56	25	126	125	112	122
Quality of primary education	18	1	36	14	27	2	28	11	93	42	61	75
Quality of higher education	8	3	17	10	16	6	34	11	98	88	76	120

Explanation: excerpt from a ranking of 142 countries: higher figures mean poorer performance. The European problem nations, except Ireland, perform clearly less well than the EMU core nations. Scores in key policy areas are marked red for particularly poor or green for particularly high performance compared to overall scores.