

Potential Index 1997-1999

(140 economies)

Rank	Economy	Score (0-1)
1	United States	0.711
2	Singapore	0.497
3	United Kingdom	0.492
4	Canada	0.485
5	Norway	0.481
6	Sweden	0.466
7	Germany	0.464
8	Netherlands	0.455
9	Belgium and Luxembourg	0.451
10	Finland	0.449
11	Japan	0.442
12	France	0.441
13	Hong Kong, China	0.424
14	Switzerland	0.417
15	Denmark	0.415
16	Australia	0.414
17	Korea, Republic of	0.411
18	Ireland	0.410
19	Iceland	0.407
20	Taiwan Province of China	0.384
21	Israel	0.379
22	Qatar	0.379
23	United Arab Emirates	0.379
24	Austria	0.376
25	Italy	0.356
26	Spain	0.346
27	New Zealand	0.327
28	Brunei Darussalam	0.309
29	Malaysia	0.304
30	Slovenia	0.303
31	Saudi Arabia	0.303
32	Portugal	0.295
33	Bahrain	0.287
34	Kuwait	0.286
35	Greece	0.282
36	Russian Federation	0.272
37	Bahamas	0.265
38	Malta	0.264
39	Czech Republic	0.262
40	Estonia	0.257
41	Cyprus	0.256
42	China	0.256
43	Poland	0.253
44	Chile	0.245
45	Hungary	0.245
46	Argentina	0.245
47	Libyan Arab Jamahiriya	0.241
48	Panama	0.238
49	Slovakia	0.235
50	Lebanon	0.232
51	Thailand	0.232
52	Mexico	0.230
53	Croatia	0.227
54	El Salvador	0.227
55	Botswana	0.219

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56	Costa Rica	0.218
57	Venezuela	0.217
58	Guyana	0.217
59	Oman	0.215
60	Lithuania	0.211
61	Philippines	0.210
62	Dominican Republic	0.208
63	Bulgaria	0.206
64	Uruguay	0.205
65	Jordan	0.204
66	Latvia	0.202
67	Mongolia	0.202
68	Belarus	0.197
69	Trinidad and Tobago	0.197
70	South Africa	0.193
71	Egypt	0.192
72	Tunisia	0.191
73	Brazil	0.188
74	Jamaica	0.186
75	Namibia	0.185
76	Gabon	0.183
77	Iran, Islamic Rep.	0.183
78	Bolivia	0.181
79	Suriname	0.180
80	Viet Nam	0.178
81	Turkey	0.178
82	Peru	0.176
83	Papua New Guinea	0.171
84	Indonesia	0.170
85	Gambia	0.170
86	Ukraine	0.166
87	India	0.165
88	Syrian Arab Republic	0.164
89	Colombia	0.162
90	Honduras	0.159
91	Algeria	0.159
92	Morocco	0.159
93	Nigeria	0.156
94	Yemen	0.155
95	Uganda	0.152
96	Cote d'Ivoire	0.152
97	Kazakhstan	0.151
98	Paraguay	0.151
99	Mali	0.147
100	Uzbekistan	0.147
101	Romania	0.145
102	Guatemala	0.143
103	Ecuador	0.143
104	Malawi	0.142
105	TFYR Macedonia	0.141
106	Guinea	0.140
107	Sri Lanka	0.136
108	Congo, Rep.	0.134
109	Albania	0.133
110	Burkina Faso	0.133

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111	Myanmar	0.133
112	Zimbabwe	0.132
113	Bangladesh	0.132
114	Ghana	0.128
115	Nicaragua	0.126
116	Togo	0.125
117	Madagascar	0.124
118	Cameroon	0.124
119	Senegal	0.122
120	Moldova, Republic of	0.121
121	Niger	0.120
122	Mozambique	0.119
123	Kenya	0.117
124	Angola	0.116
125	Armenia	0.116
126	Ethiopia	0.114
127	Zambia	0.114
128	Pakistan	0.113
129	United Republic of Tanzania	0.111
130	Sudan	0.109
131	Azerbaijan	0.108
132	Kyrgyzstan	0.100
133	Benin	0.095
134	Nepal	0.094
135	Haiti	0.092
136	Georgia	0.072
137	Tajikistan	0.070
138	Congo, Dem. Rep.	0.061
139	Rwanda	0.052
140	Sierra Leone	0.044

Source: UNCTAD.