

Bulgaria in the international rankings

Pos	Position	Year	Countries	Ranking/Index	Organisation	Criteria
↓	39 (38-2016)	2017	190	Doing Business	The World Bank	Starting a Business (82); Dealing with Construction Permits (48); Electricity supply (104); Registering Property (60); Getting Credit (32); Protecting Investors (13); Paying Taxes (83); Trading Across Borders (21); Enforcing Contracts (49); Resolving insolvency (48)
↑	38 (45-2015)	2016	139	Best Countries for Business	Forbes magazine	Trade Freedom (7); Monetary Freedom (35); Property Rights (66); Innovation (64); Technology (38); Red Tape (68) Investor Protection (13); Corruption (66); Personal Freedom (42); Tax Burden (68); Market Performance (stock market) (7)
↑	50 (55-2015)	2016	61	World Competitiveness	International Institute for Management Development	Economic Performance; Business Efficiency; Government Efficiency; Infrastructure
↑	50 (54-2015-2016)	2016-2017	138	Global competitiveness index	World Economic Forum	Institutions (97); Infrastructure (70); Macroeconomic Environment (42); Health and primary education (57); Higher education and training (56); Goods market efficiency (57); Labor market efficiency (54); Financial market development (59); Technological adoption (38); Market size (65); Business sophistication(79); Innovation (65)
↓	57 (51-2015)	2016	149	Prosperity Index	Legatum Institute	Economy (73); Entrepreneurship and opportunities (71); Governance(78); Education(39); Health(91); Safety and security (48); Personal freedom (66); Social capital (111); Natural environment (41)
↓	45 (42-2015)	2016	157	Economic Freedom of the World	The Fraser Institute (Canada)	Size of Government (56); Legal System and Property Rights (88); Sound Money (52); Freedom to Trade Internationally (33); Regulation of Credit, Labor, and Business - total 46; Credit (38); Labour (52); Business (103)
↑	47 (60-2016)	2017	178	Index of Economic Freedom	The Heritage Foundation, The Wall Street Journal	Rule of law (property rights, freedom from corruption); Government size (fiscal freedom, government spending); Regulatory efficiency (business freedom, labor freedom, monetary freedom); Market openness (trade freedom, investment freedom, financial freedom)
↓	47 (46-2015)	2016	167	Democracy Index	The Economist	Electoral processes; Functioning of government; Political participation; Political culture; Civil liberties
↓	55 (54-2015)	2016	125	Country Attractiveness Index in the Venture Capital & Private Equity	IESE Business School	Economic activity (76) Capital market (53); Taxes (68); Investors protection and corporate governance (81); Social environment (61); Entrepreneurship opportunities(50)
↑	7 (8-2008)	2009	67	Tax Misery & Reform Index	Forbes Magazine	Corporated income; Personal income;Wealth tax; Employer social securities; Employee social securities; VAT

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↑	56 (59-2015)	2016	188	Human Development Index	United Nations	Life expectancy; education and Gross national income per-capita (as an indicator of standard of living)
↑	30 (31-2015)	2016	207	Index of Globalization	KOF Swiss Economic Institute	Economic globalization (30); Social globalization(45); Political globalization (43)
↑	88 (93-2015)	2016	230	Gross Domestic Product per capita	Central Intelligence Agency (USA)	Gross domestic product; population
↓	7 (2-2015)	2016	35	Business process outsourcing and shared service location index	Cushman & Wakefield LLP (C&W)	Talent/labour force; business environment; time to first supply; it infrastructure; economic risk; corporate risk; energy risk; cost of labour; building costs; inflation; property costs
↑	29 (32-2015)	2016	163	Global peace index	Vision of humanity	Ongoing domestic and international conflict; Militarisation; Societal safety and security
↑	41 (43-2015)	2016	144	The Global Gender Gap Rankings	World Economic Forum	Economic participation and opportunity (43); Educational attainment (65); Health and survival (40); Political empowerment (51)
↑	29 (31-2015)	2016	30	EuroHealth Consumer Index	The Health Consumer Powerhouse	Patient rights and information; Accessibility (waiting times for treatment); Outcomes; Prevention; Pharmaceuticals
↑	109 (113-2016)	2017	180	World press freedom index	Reporters without borders	Pluralism; Media independence; Environment and self-censorship; Legislative framework; Transparency; Infrastructure; Abuses
↓	80 (78-2016)	2017	195	Freedom of the press	Freedom house	Legal environment; Political environment; Economic environment
↑	33 (41-2014)	2016	180	Environmental performance index	Yale Center for Environmental Law & Policy	Health Impacts; Air Quality; Water and Sanitation; Water Resources; Agriculture; Forests; Fisheries; Biodiversity and Habitat; Climate and Energy
↑	66 (68-2015)	2016	128	International Property Index	Property Rights Alliance	Legal and Political Environment (73); Physical Property Rights (70); Intellectual Property Rights (67)
↓	75 (69-2015)	2016	176	Corruption perceptions index	Transparency International The Global coalition against corruption	Aggregate indicator that brings together data from a number of different independent sources, business analysis and experts opinions
↑	52 (73-2014)	2016	193	E-Government Development Index	United Nations	Online service index; telecommunication index; human capital index
↓	18 (17-2012)	2015	100	Open budget index	The International Budget Partnership	Public hearings organized by legislatures during budget discussions; Public consultations undertaken by the executive when it is formulating the national budget; Formal communication mechanisms - complaints and suggestions from the public to assist in formulating and conducting audit programs; Available to the public; Comprehensiveness of budget data
↑	38 (39-2015)	2016	128	Global Innovation Index	INSEAD (Business school)	Innovation Output Sub-Index (35); Innovation Input Sub-Index (49)
↓	72 (47-2014)	2016	160	Logistics performance Index	The World Bank	Customs (97); Infrastructure (101); International shipments (67); Logistics quality and competence (52); Tracking and tracing (80); Timeliness (72)

Legend: ↑ Bulgaria improved its position

↓ Bulgaria worsened its position

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