

Iceland

Key indicators

Population (millions), 2006.....	0.3
GDP (PPP) per capita (US\$), 2006.....	40,112.3
Internet users per 100 inhabitants, 2006	65.3
Internet bandwidth (mB/s) per 10,000 inhabitants, 2004.....	42.3

Networked Readiness Index

Year (number of economies)	Rank
2007–2008 (127)	8
2006–2007 (122)	8
2005–2006 (115)	4

Global Competitiveness Index 2007–2008 (131)	23
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Environment component 1

Market environment 10

1.01 Venture capital availability, 2007.....	12
1.02 Financial market sophistication, 2007	20
1.03 Availability of latest technologies, 2007	3
1.04 State of cluster development, 2007.....	41
1.05 Utility patents*, 2006.....	16
1.06 High-tech exports*, 2004.....	72
1.07 Burden of government regulation, 2007	2
1.08 Extent and effect of taxation, 2007.....	9
1.09 Total tax rate*, 2007	14
1.10 Time required to start a business*, 2007.....	4
1.11 No. of procedures required to start a business*, 2007	9
1.12 Intensity of local competition, 2007	40
1.13 Freedom of the press, 2007.....	13
1.14 Accessibility of digital content, 2007.....	7

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2.01 Effectiveness of law-making bodies, 2007	8
2.02 Laws relating to ICT, 2007.....	13
2.03 Judicial independence, 2007	11
2.04 Intellectual property protection, 2007	12
2.05 Efficiency of legal framework, 2007.....	13
2.06 Property rights, 2007.....	10
2.07 Quality of competition in the ISP sector, 2007	12
2.08 No. of procedures to enforce a contract* , 2007.....	5
2.09 Time to enforce a contract* , 2007	30

Infrastructure environment 1

3.01 Telephone lines*, 2006.....	3
3.02 Secure Internet servers*, 2006.....	1
3.03 Electricity production*, 2003.....	1
3.04 Availability of scientists and engineers, 2007	20
3.05 Quality of scientific research institutions, 2007	29
3.06 Tertiary enrollment* , 2005	14
3.07 Education expenditure*, 2005.....	3

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4.01 Quality of math and science education, 2007	33
4.02 Quality of the educational system, 2007.....	6
4.03 Internet access in schools, 2007.....	1
4.04 Buyer sophistication, 2007	25
4.05 Residential telephone connection charge*, 2005	4
4.06 Residential monthly telephone subscription*, 2005	16
4.07 High-speed monthly broadband subscription*, 2006.....	21
4.08 Lowest cost of broadband*, 2006	13
4.09 Cost of mobile telephone call*, 2005.....	12

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5.01 Extent of staff training, 2007.....	14
5.02 Local availability of research and training, 2007	22
5.03 Quality of management schools, 2007	20
5.04 Company spending on R&D, 2007.....	20
5.05 University-industry research collaboration, 2007.....	20
5.06 Business telephone connection charge*, 2005	4
5.07 Business monthly telephone subscription*, 2005	14
5.08 Local supplier quality, 2007	22
5.09 Local supplier quantity, 2007.....	28
5.10 Computer, comm., and other services imports* , 2005	66

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6.01 Government prioritization of ICT, 2007.....	14
6.02 Gov't procurement of advanced tech products, 2007	33
6.03 Importance of ICT to gov't vision of the future, 2007.....	10
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7.01 Mobile telephone subscribers* , 2006.....	15
7.02 Personal computers*, 2005	24
7.03 Broadband Internet subscribers*, 2006	3
7.04 Internet users*, 2006.....	10
7.05 Internet bandwidth*, 2004	18

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8.01 Prevalence of foreign technology licensing, 2007.....	17
8.02 Firm-level technology absorption, 2007	1
8.03 Capacity for innovation, 2007.....	21
8.04 Availability of new telephone lines, 2007	5
8.05 Extent of business Internet use, 2007.....	10

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9.01 Government success in ICT promotion, 2007.....	13
9.02 Availability of government online services, 2007	7
9.03 ICT use and government efficiency, 2007.....	4
9.04 Presence of ICT in government offices, 2007	8
9.05 E-Participation Index* , 2007.....	91

* Hard data

Note: For further details and explanation, please refer to the section "How to Read the Country/Economy Profiles" at the beginning of this chapter.