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Economy Profile

Kyrgyz Republic



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for Domestic Firms in **190** Economies

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Doing Business 2018 Indicators
(in order of appearance in the document)

Starting a business	Procedures, time, cost and paid-in minimum capital to start a limited liability company
Dealing with construction permits	Procedures, time and cost to complete all formalities to build a warehouse and the quality control and safety mechanisms in the construction permitting system
Getting electricity	Procedures, time and cost to get connected to the electrical grid, the reliability of the electricity supply and the transparency of tariffs
Registering property	Procedures, time and cost to transfer a property and the quality of the land administration system
Getting credit	Movable collateral laws and credit information systems
Protecting minority investors	Minority shareholders' rights in related-party transactions and in corporate governance
Paying taxes	Payments, time and total tax rate for a firm to comply with all tax regulations as well as post-filing processes
Trading across borders	Time and cost to export the product of comparative advantage and import auto parts
Enforcing contracts	Time and cost to resolve a commercial dispute and the quality of judicial processes
Resolving insolvency	Time, cost, outcome and recovery rate for a commercial insolvency and the strength of the legal framework for insolvency
Labor market regulation	Flexibility in employment regulation and aspects of job quality

About Doing Business

The Doing Business project provides objective measures of business regulations and their enforcement across 190 economies and selected cities at the subnational and regional level.

The Doing Business project, launched in 2002, looks at domestic small and medium-size companies and measures the regulations applying to them through their life cycle.

Doing Business captures several important dimensions of the regulatory environment as it applies to local firms. It provides quantitative indicators on regulation for starting a business, dealing with construction permits, getting electricity, registering property, getting credit, protecting minority investors, paying taxes, trading across borders, enforcing contracts and resolving insolvency. Doing Business also measures features of labor market regulation. Although Doing Business does not present rankings of economies on the labor market regulation indicators or include the topic in the aggregate distance to frontier score or ranking on the ease of doing business, it does present the data for these indicators.

By gathering and analyzing comprehensive quantitative data to compare business regulation environments across economies and over time, Doing Business encourages economies to compete towards more efficient regulation; offers measurable benchmarks for reform; and serves as a resource for academics, journalists, private sector researchers and others interested in the business climate of each economy.

In addition, Doing Business offers detailed [subnational reports](#), which exhaustively cover business regulation and reform in different cities and regions within a nation. These reports provide data on the ease of doing business, rank each location, and recommend reforms to improve performance in each of the indicator areas. Selected cities can compare their business regulations with other cities in the economy or region and with the 190 economies that Doing Business has ranked.

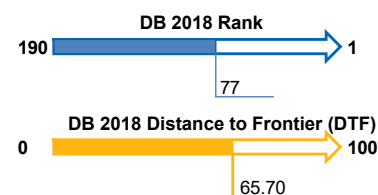
The first Doing Business report, published in 2003, covered 5 indicator sets and 133 economies. This year's report covers 11 indicator sets and 190 economies. Most indicator sets refer to a case scenario in the largest business city of each economy, except for 11 economies that have a population of more than 100 million as of 2013 (Bangladesh, Brazil, China, India, Indonesia, Japan, Mexico, Nigeria, Pakistan, the Russian Federation and the United States) where Doing Business, also collected data for the second largest business city. The data for these 11 economies are a population-weighted average for the 2 largest business cities. The project has benefited from feedback from governments, academics, practitioners and reviewers. The initial goal remains: to provide an objective basis for understanding and improving the regulatory environment for business around the world.

The distance to frontier (DTF) measure shows the distance of each economy to the "frontier," which represents the best performance observed on each of the indicators across all economies in the Doing Business sample since 2005. An economy's distance to frontier is reflected on a scale from 0 to 100, where 0 represents the lowest performance and 100 represents the frontier. The ease of doing business ranking ranges from 1 to 190. The ranking of 190 economies is determined by sorting the aggregate distance to frontier scores, rounded to two decimals.

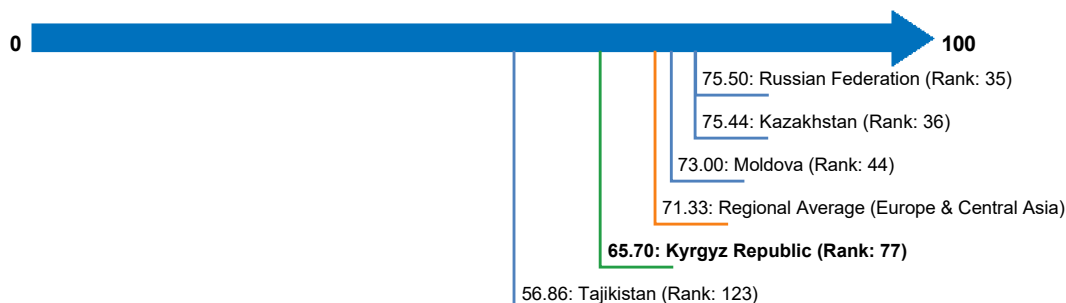
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Ease of Doing Business in
Kyrgyz Republic

Region	Europe & Central Asia
Income Category	Lower middle income
Population	6,082,700
GNI Per Capita (US\$)	1,100
City Covered	Bishkek

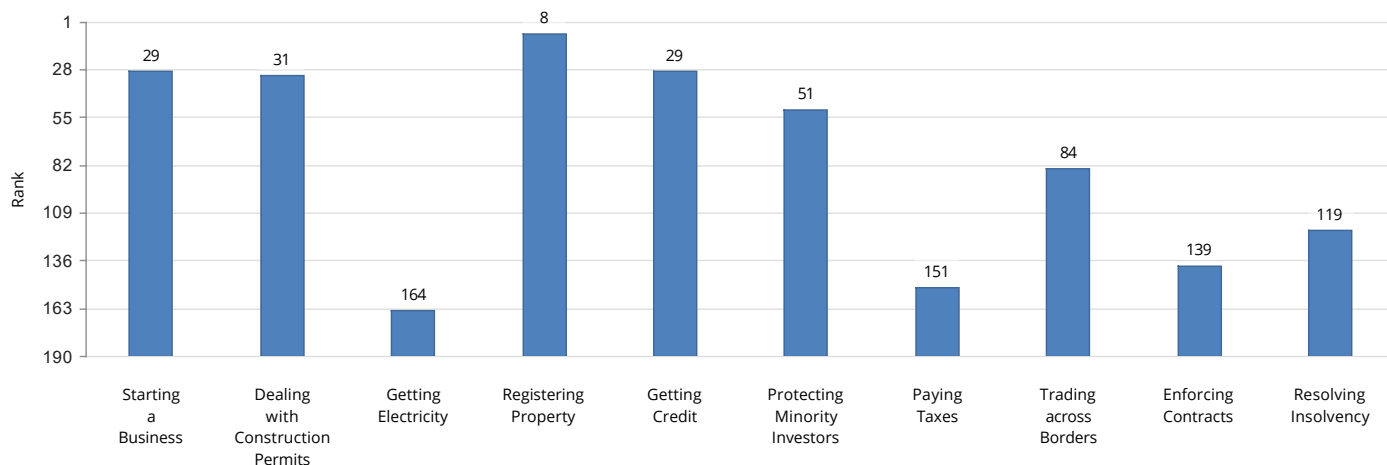


DB 2018 Distance to Frontier (DTF)

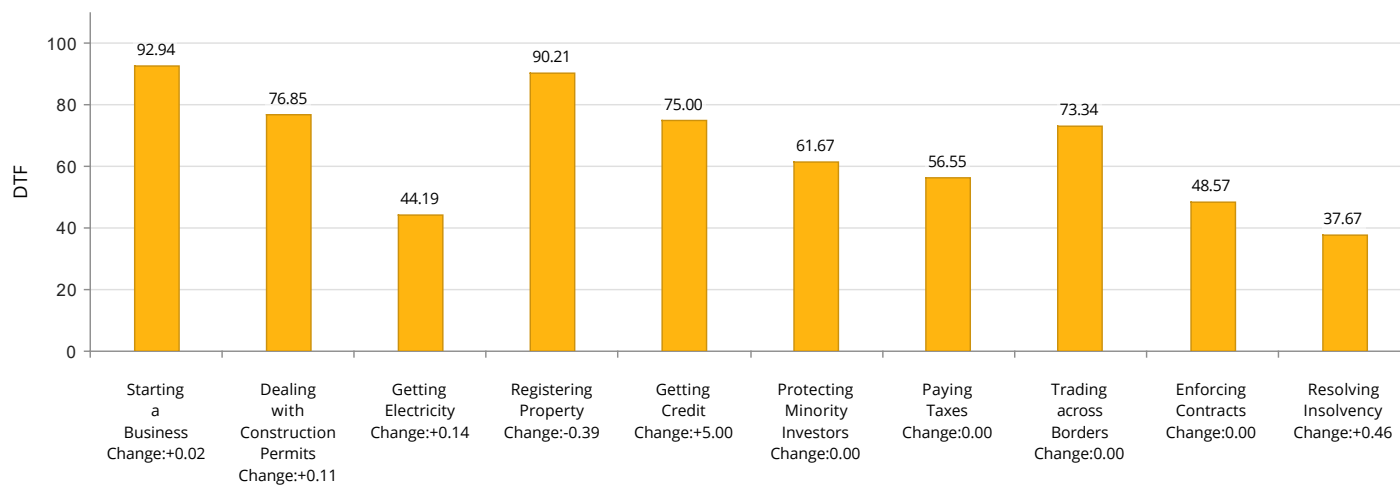


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Rankings on Doing Business topics - Kyrgyz Republic



Distance to Frontier (DTF) on Doing Business topics - Kyrgyz Republic



Starting a Business

This topic measures the paid-in minimum capital requirement, number of procedures, time and cost for a small- to medium-sized limited liability company to start up and formally operate in economy's largest business city.

To make the data comparable across 190 economies, Doing Business uses a standardized business that is 100% domestically owned, has start-up capital equivalent to 10 times income per capita, engages in general industrial or commercial activities and employs between 10 and 50 people one month after the commencement of operations, all of whom are domestic nationals. Starting a Business considers two types of local limited liability companies that are identical in all aspects, except that one company is owned by 5 married women and the other by 5 married men. The distance to frontier score for each indicator is the average of the scores obtained for each of the component indicators.

The latest round of data collection for the project was completed in June 2017. [See the methodology for more information.](#)

What the indicators measure	Case study assumptions
Procedures to legally start and operate a company (number)	<p>To make the data comparable across economies, several assumptions about the business and the procedures are used. It is assumed that any required information is readily available and that the entrepreneur will pay no bribes.</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pre-registration (for example, name verification or reservation, notarization) • Registration in economy's largest business city • Post-registration (for example, social security registration, company seal) • Obtaining approval from spouse to start business or leave home to register company • Obtaining any gender-specific permission that can impact company registration, company operations and process of getting national identity card 	<p>The business:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Is a limited liability company (or its legal equivalent). If there is more than one type of limited liability company in the economy, the most common among domestic firms is chosen. Information on the most common form is obtained from incorporation lawyers or the statistical office. - Operates in the economy's largest business city and the entire office space is approximately 929 square meters (10,000 square feet). For 11 economies the data are also collected for the second largest business city. - Is 100% domestically owned and has five owners, none of whom is a legal entity; and has a start-up capital of 10 times income per capita and has a turnover of at least 100 times income per capita. - Performs general industrial or commercial activities, such as the production or sale of goods or services to the public. The business does not perform foreign trade activities and does not handle products subject to a special tax regime, for example, liquor or tobacco. It does not use heavily polluting production processes. - Leases the commercial plant or offices and is not a proprietor of real estate and the amount of the annual lease for the office space is equivalent to 1 times income per capita. - Does not qualify for investment incentives or any special benefits. - Has at least 10 and up to 50 employees one month after the commencement of operations, all of whom are domestic nationals. - Has a company deed 10 pages long.
Time required to complete each procedure (calendar days)	<p>The owners:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Have reached the legal age of majority. If there is no legal age of majority, they are assumed to be 30 years old. - Are sane, competent, in good health and have no criminal record. - Are married and the marriage is monogamous and registered with the authorities. - Where the answer differs according to the legal system applicable to the woman or man in question (as may be the case in economies where there is legal plurality), the answer used will be the one that applies to the majority of the population.
Cost required to complete each procedure (% of income per capita)	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Official costs only, no bribes • No professional fees unless services required by law or commonly used in practice 	
Paid-in minimum capital (% of income per capita)	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Funds deposited in a bank or with third party before registration or up to 3 months after incorporation 	

Standardized Company

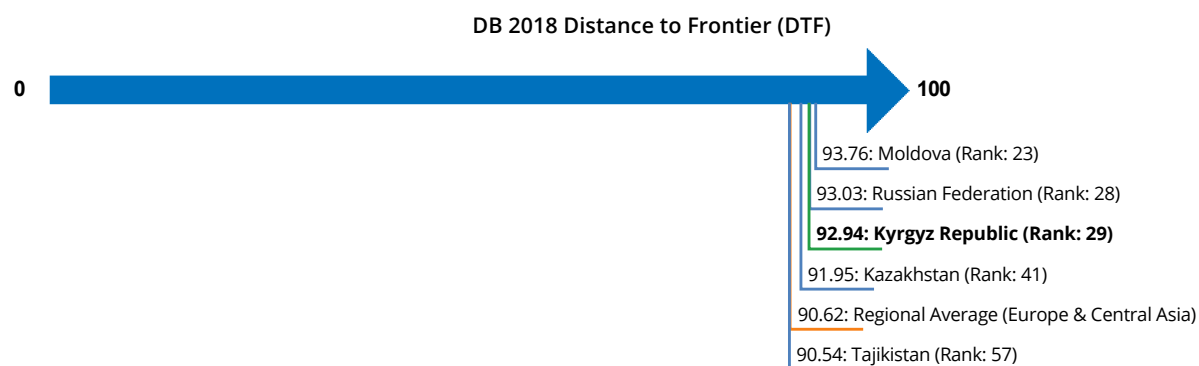
Legal form Private Limited Liability Company

Paid-in minimum capital requirement KGS 0

City Covered Bishkek

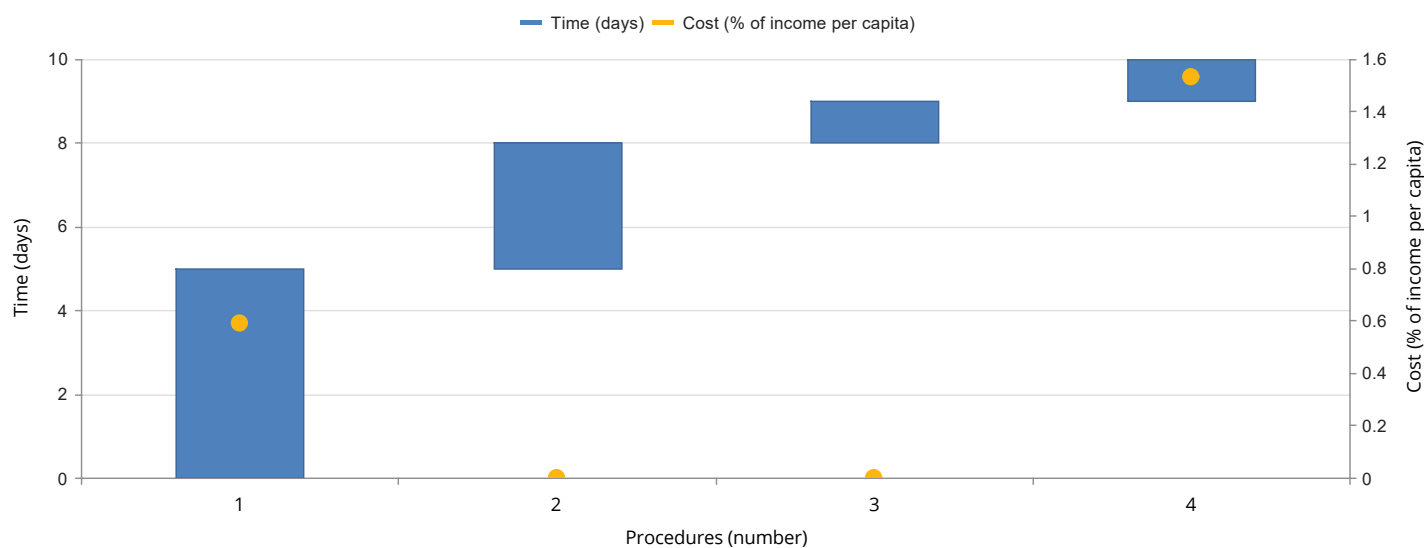
Indicator	Kyrgyz Republic	Europe & Central Asia	OECD high income	Overall Best Performer
Procedure – Men (number)	4	5.2	4.9	1.00 (New Zealand)
Time – Men (days)	10	10.1	8.5	0.50 (New Zealand)
Cost – Men (% of income per capita)	2.1	4.4	3.1	0.00 (United Kingdom)
Procedure – Women (number)	4	5.2	4.9	1.00 (New Zealand)
Time – Women (days)	10	10.1	8.5	0.50 (New Zealand)
Cost – Women (% of income per capita)	2.1	4.4	3.1	0.00 (United Kingdom)
Paid-in min. capital (% of income per capita)	0.0	3.4	8.7	0.00 (113 Economies)

Figure – Starting a Business in Kyrgyz Republic and comparator economies – Ranking and DTF



Note: The ranking of economies on the ease of starting a business is determined by sorting their distance to frontier scores for starting a business. These scores are the simple average of the distance to frontier scores for each of the component indicators.

Figure – Starting a Business in Kyrgyz Republic – Procedure, Time and Cost



* This symbol is shown beside procedure numbers that take place simultaneously with the previous procedure.

Note: Online procedures account for 0.5 days in the total time calculation. For economies that have a different procedure list for men and women, the graph shows the time for women. For more information on methodology, see the Doing Business website (<http://www.doingbusiness.org/methodology>). For details on the procedures reflected here, see the summary below.

Details – Starting a Business in Kyrgyz Republic – Procedure, Time and Cost

No.	Procedures	Time to Complete	Associated Costs
1	<p>Register at the One-stop shop</p> <p>Agency : One-stop shop (local registration office) at the Ministry of Justice</p> <p>Companies with merely Kyrgyz ownership should be registered at the local office of registration (in Bishkek, there are several offices for registering a local company). Companies with foreign investments should be registered in the Ministry of Justice itself.</p> <p>The following documents need to be submitted at the time of registration:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Application; 2. Decision on Company Formation (notarized); 3. Copy of passport (one for each owner); 4. Power of Attorney for submission of registration documents; 5. Paper-folder. <p>Once the application documents are received, the Ministry of Justice provides information on the newly formed company to the Tax Service, Statistical Committee and the Social Fund. The notifications happen as follows:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Within 2 hours the basic information is provided to Statistical Committee; 2. Ministry of Justice determines the company's code according to the General Classifier of Enterprises and Organizations (код ОКПО) 3. Once classification number is determined, it is provided to the Tax Service together with other relevant information. 4. Tax Service assigns TIN for the newly registered company. 5. Once TIN is assigned, it is provided to the Ministry of Justice, Statistical Committee, and Social Fund. 6. Copy of passport general directors 	5 days	KGS 407 (registration fee) + KGS 20 (bank processing fee)

2 Apply for “parameters” at the State Tax Service

3 days

no charge

Agency : State Tax Service

Entrepreneurs have to go to the tax authority in order to apply for a set of customized characteristics (Parameters). The Parameters are issued in about 3 days.

Documents that have to be submitted to the STS:

1. Registration Certificate (received from the Ministry of Justice);
2. Registration Application;
3. Tax Registration Application;
4. Registration Form of the taxpayer;
5. Decision on Company Formation (notarized);
6. Copy of passport (for each owner and for director);
7. Power of Attorney for submitting the documents for registering the company;
8. Paper-folder;
9. Articles of Association.

3 Obtain notification from the Social Fund

1 day

no charge

Agency : Social Fund

Entrepreneurs need to visit the Social Fund in person in order to obtain the Notification (извещение), which includes relevant for the Social Fund information (e.g., number of employees). This is required to pay future monthly social contributions.

4 Obtain permission to make company seal and make a seal

1 day

KGS 125 (permission cost) + KGS 450 to 1,500 (service fee)

Agency : Sealmaker

The seal-making company requests permission to make its client's company seal. The cost of the seal depends on the delivery time (e.g., 2 hours versus 1 day). The faster the delivery, the higher the cost. The Presidential decree No. 182 makes the use of the seal optional, however in practice, companies still use it.

♀ Applies to women only.

⇒ Takes place simultaneously with previous procedure.

Dealing with Construction Permits

This topic tracks the procedures, time and cost to build a warehouse—including obtaining necessary the licenses and permits, submitting all required notifications, requesting and receiving all necessary inspections and obtaining utility connections. In addition, the Dealing with Construction Permits indicator measures the building quality control index, evaluating the quality of building regulations, the strength of quality control and safety mechanisms, liability and insurance regimes, and professional certification requirements. The most recent round of data collection was completed in June 2017. [See the methodology for more information](#)

What the indicators measure

Procedures to legally build a warehouse (number)

- Submitting all relevant documents and obtaining all necessary clearances, licenses, permits and certificates
- Submitting all required notifications and receiving all necessary inspections
- Obtaining utility connections for water and sewerage
- Registering and selling the warehouse after its completion

Time required to complete each procedure (calendar days)

- Does not include time spent gathering information
- Each procedure starts on a separate day—though procedures that can be fully completed online are an exception to this rule
- Procedure is considered completed once final document is received
- No prior contact with officials

Cost required to complete each procedure (% of warehouse value)

- Official costs only, no bribes

Building quality control index (0-15)

- Sum of the scores of six component indices:
- Quality of building regulations (0-2)
- Quality control before construction (0-1)
- Quality control during construction (0-3)
- Quality control after construction (0-3)
- Liability and insurance regimes (0-2)
- Professional certifications (0-4)

Case study assumptions

To make the data comparable across economies, several assumptions about the construction company, the warehouse project and the utility connections are used.

The construction company (BuildCo):

- Is a limited liability company (or its legal equivalent) and operates in the economy's largest business city. For 11 economies the data are also collected for the second largest business city.
- Is 100% domestically and privately owned; has five owners, none of whom is a legal entity. Has a licensed architect and a licensed engineer, both registered with the local association of architects or engineers. BuildCo is not assumed to have any other employees who are technical or licensed experts, such as geological or topographical experts.
- Owns the land on which the warehouse will be built and will sell the warehouse upon its completion.

The warehouse:

- Will be used for general storage activities, such as storage of books or stationery.
- Will have two stories, both above ground, with a total constructed area of approximately 1,300.6 square meters (14,000 square feet). Each floor will be 3 meters (9 feet, 10 inches) high and will be located on a land plot of approximately 929 square meters (10,000 square feet) that is 100% owned by BuildCo, and the warehouse is valued at 50 times income per capita.
- Will have complete architectural and technical plans prepared by a licensed architect. If preparation of the plans requires such steps as obtaining further documentation or getting prior approvals from external agencies, these are counted as procedures.
- Will take 30 weeks to construct (excluding all delays due to administrative and regulatory requirements).

The water and sewerage connections:

- Will be 150 meters (492 feet) from the existing water source and sewer tap. If there is no water delivery infrastructure in the economy, a borehole will be dug. If there is no sewerage infrastructure, a septic tank in the smallest size available will be installed or built.
- Will have an average water use of 662 liters (175 gallons) a day and an average wastewater flow of 568 liters (150 gallons) a day. Will have a peak water use of 1,325 liters (350 gallons) a day and a peak wastewater flow of 1,136 liters (300 gallons) a day.
- Will have a constant level of water demand and wastewater flow throughout the year; will be 1 inch in diameter for the water connection and 4 inches in diameter for the sewerage connection.

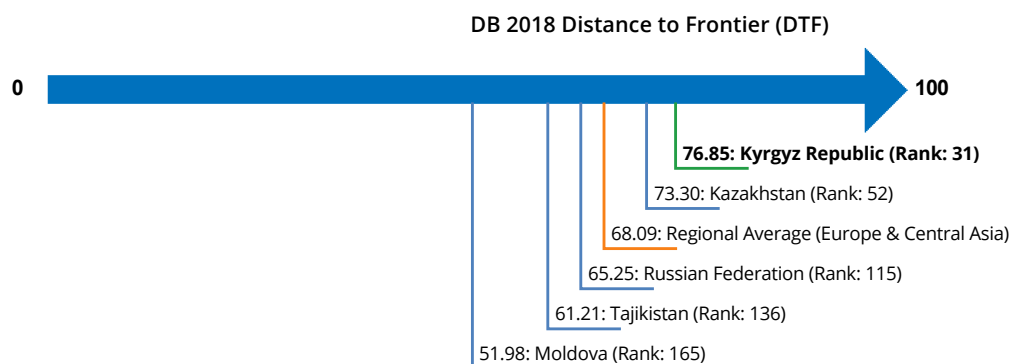
Standardized Warehouse

Estimated value of warehouse KGS 3,601,278.90

City Covered Bishkek

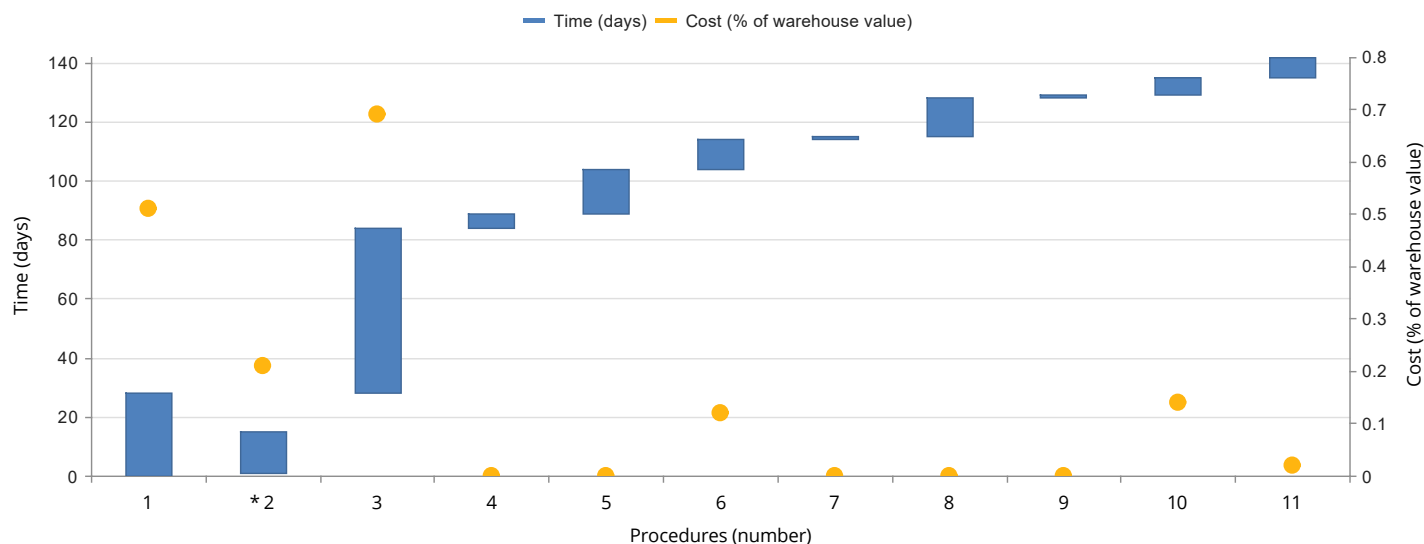
Indicator	Kyrgyz Republic	Europe & Central Asia	OECD high income	Overall Best Performer
Procedures (number)	11	16.0	12.5	7.00 (Denmark)
Time (days)	142	168.3	154.6	27.5 (Korea, Rep.)
Cost (% of warehouse value)	1.7	4.0	1.6	0.10 (5 Economies)
Building quality control index (0-15)	11.0	11.4	11.4	15.00 (3 Economies)

Figure – Dealing with Construction Permits in Kyrgyz Republic and comparator economies – Ranking and DTF



Note: The ranking of economies on the ease of dealing with construction permits is determined by sorting their distance to frontier scores for dealing with construction permits. These scores are the simple average of the distance to frontier scores for each of the component indicators.

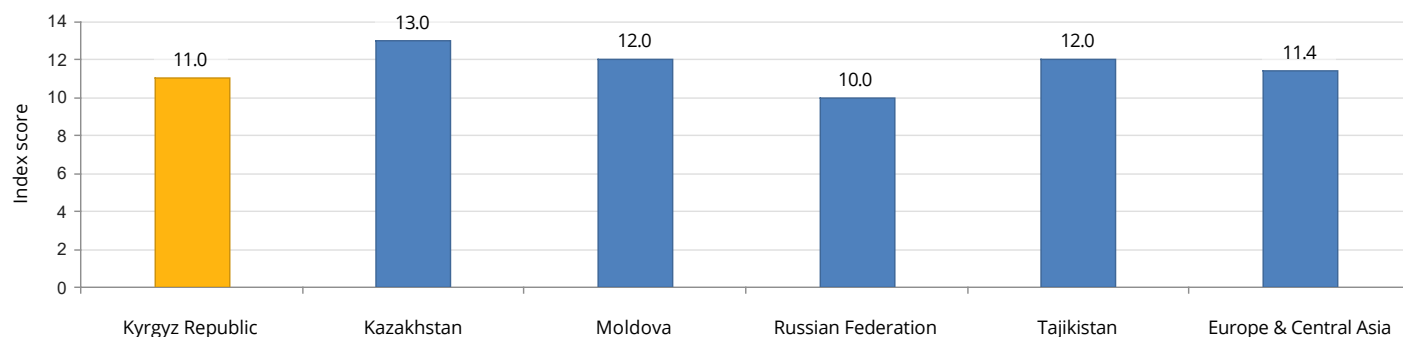
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Figure – Dealing with Construction Permits in Kyrgyz Republic and comparator economies – Measure of Quality



Details – Dealing with Construction Permits in Kyrgyz Republic – Procedure, Time and Cost

No.	Procedures	Time to Complete	Associated Costs
1	<p>File application of intention and obtain city planning regulation of architectural planning conditions (АПЗ) from the unit of State Department for Architecture and Construction Supervision</p> <p>Agency : State Department for Architecture and Construction Supervision of Bishkek City</p> <p>In accordance with the Regulation "On Order for Issuing Permits for Project Designs, Construction and Real Estate Modification and Order for Commissioning Completed Building the Kyrgyz Republic" approved by Government of KR on May 30, 2008, by Resolution # 252, the issuance of Architectural Planning Conditions (APU) shall be conducted according to One-Stop-Shop principle. The list of documents required for issuance of APU was reduced. In particular, a business is only expected to complete an established application form which contains information on the type of upcoming construction and submit it along with the following documents: copy of the land title that verifies that a land plot was purchased or leased, letter of attorney, and invoice on advanced payment (advance payment is required while obtaining an APU, the remainder is paid after a business receives the APU).</p> <p>A territorial architecture and construction body, within 3 business days, performs the check for compliance of an application form with requirements set by urban planning documentation. In case of non-compliance, the territorial architecture and construction body issues a Report on Non-compliance of Construction and returns the application without approval. In each case the body is obliged to indicate the established types of permitted land use pursuant to the urban planning documentation.</p> <p>In case the territorial architecture and construction body approves the application, it submits the application for further approval to the sanitary and epidemiology body, fire authority, and environmental authority. After that, the application is forwarded to the utilities companies by the main coordinating agency - State Construction Department - for obtaining technical terms to install utility systems using One-Stop-Shop principle without participation of the applicant.</p> <p>As of February 12, 2009, Government Resolution #121 introduced amendments to the Regulation "On Order for Issuing Permits for Project Designs, Construction and Real Estate Modification and Order for Commissioning Completed Building the Kyrgyz Republic" approved by Government of KR on May 30, 2008, by Resolution #252. There are now only two technical conditions that must be obtained in a compulsory manner -- water/ sewage and electricity. The remaining communications can be obtained on a voluntary basis by applicants and are not linked to obtaining the architectural planning conditions. Meanwhile, if the applicant suggests alternative solutions to connecting to engineering facilities, then requests for technical conditions are not filed at all. Based on the functional purpose of the building, approvals from sanitary and fire authorities are applied using a risk-based system. Simple objects would not require approvals from these authorities.</p>	28 days	KGS 18,500

Additionally, requirements for documents to be submitted along with the application have been clarified. These administrative simplifications made the process of issuance of architectural planning conditions faster and possible to comply within the time-limit of 20 working days (28 calendar days).

Despite reforms in disclosing the information on fee schedules, the process of cost calculation for this procedure remains nontransparent.

The payment can be made at the counter of State Architecture Department of Bishkek City. Then the shares of each respective utility provider are transferred without BuildCo visiting each separately.

APU is executed in two copies - one is issued to the applicant and the other is filed with the architecture and construction body.

⇒ **2 Request and obtain topographic and geological survey conclusions of land from Kyrgyz GILZ** 14 days KGS 7,500

Agency : Kyrgyz GILZ

Although there are several licensed companies that provide these services, Kyrgyz GILZ has the biggest database of maps that date back the longest and is the only licensed institution in the country with the proper equipment and capacity. Engineering-geological studies have not been done since the collapse of the Soviet Union, therefore, any new land developed would require BuildCo to request the full study. However, there are certain parts of the city that can be considered to have the proper geological study. In that case BuildCo would have to request a certificate on geological survey, assuming that the actual geological survey which is very costly (up to USD 3,000.00) or the survey of adjacent plot has been done. The cost for this certificate can be anywhere between KGS 5.00 to KGS 10,000.00.

3 Request approval of project, expertise of project documents and obtain building permit 56 days KGS 25,000

Agency : State Expertise Authority / State Department for Architecture and Construction Supervision

This procedure consists of three stages: approval of project documents, expertise of documents and issuance of building permit. All three stages are done under the one-stop shop principle. A single application is filed by the applicant to obtain all these approvals.

The approval of project documents consists of two stages: initial review of drawings and plans and other relevant chapters of the projects is done by the territorial branch of State Architecture Department. BuildCo submits at this stage its application along with the following documents:

- Project documents (drawings, plans); private projects are not required to submit any financial segment of the project (abolished by the Resolution #252)
- Engineer-geological study (for expertise)
- Copies of letters authorizing persons responsible for construction works: technical supervision, author supervision; and for contractor (for construction permit)
- Copies of licenses for construction works (for construction permit)

BuildCo must obtain an approval from the respective Institute of State Agency of Architecture and Construction and other licensed agencies which

have the right to provide an engineering assessment of objects no lower than two stories, stating the possibility of reconstructing, re-profiling or re-planning of objects (for construction permit). Any other documents are considered illegal.

The authority must issue its approval within 10 working days.

Following that it will send two copies of all documents for review by the State Expertise Authority. According to Resolution #252 (30.05.2008), and Government Resolution #75 as of February 4, 2009, the expertise can be conducted by private companies, but until now there has not been a single license issued for expertise works.

The nature of the expert assessment has been changed as well. In the past, the expert assessment was focused on the cost estimate of the project, which is prohibited by the above-mentioned regulation.

The expert assessment of the project design documents is conducted by the State Expertise Authority and its territorial bodies or privately licensed companies to check the following aspects:

- Compliance of the object with requirements set by the architectural planning conditions, project design terms and city planning documentation
- Justification of space-planning and construction decisions, construction materials and equipment, solidity and durability of the bearing structure of buildings
- Checking the results of the geotechnical survey

Based on the results of the conducted expert assessment, the State Expertise Authority prepares a report on compliance of the project design documents with normative requirements. In case of any irregularities, the State Expertise Authority prepares another report on bringing the project design documentation in compliance which identifies the irregularities or a report on refusal of approving the project design.

Under current legislation there are categories of objects that do not require state expert assessment. There are notions of mandatory and voluntary expert assessment and possibility for expert assessment of project documentation by private experts or organizations. BuildCo's case would qualify for the expert assessment.

No later than one day following the approval date, which is 20 working days for projects higher than 1000 sq. m., the report with the positive expert assessment is submitted to State Architecture and Construction Supervision for issuing a construction permit.

The State Architecture and Construction Supervision has to issue the building permit within 10 working days. Otherwise, the silence-is-consent principle applies. However, in practice the State Architecture and Construction Supervision does not accept silence as consent rule. Amendments regarding construction supervision process were made to Law "On Changes to Law of the Kyrgyz Republic" #101 as of March 30, 2009, "On City Construction and Architecture of the Kyrgyz Republic" Article 40, and Government Resolution #95 "On approving the Order on Classification of Construction Object Characteristics and Order of Conducting State Architecture-Construction Supervision, Reconstruction and Other Real Estate Objects in the Kyrgyz Republic." According to these reforms the

building supervision process is now based on a risk-based approach. Compulsory state control over the building process is applied for buildings that fall into high-risk category. Low-risk categories (i.e., buildings less than 1,350 sq. m.) are now subject to author and technical supervision and do not require state supervision. Thus, it removes the need for signing a special contract with State Architecture and Construction Supervision and paying the respective fees. Both author and technical supervision can be done by BuildCo staff.

4 Request and obtain authorization to conduct earthwork in the road section 5 days no charge

Agency : City Road Department of Municipality of Bishkek

According to Decision of Bishkek City Council as of February 4, 2009 which eliminated Resolution of Bishkek City Council #194 as of 9 June 2003, applicants now need to obtain only a warrant (naryad) for conducting works in public road area. The previous requirement has been eliminated under the general administrative simplification process. The authority responsible for issuing this document is now the City Road Department under Municipality of Bishkek, formed in August 2008, and replaced the Authority of District Administrations. Under the new provision there is no fee related to this procedure.

5 Request and obtain equipment operating authorization 15 days no charge

Agency : State Inspection for Supervision of Industry Safety and Mountain Supervision under the Ministry of Natural Resources of Kyrgyz Republic

Under the existing regulation, this authorization is required to allow the use of cranes, excavators and elevators. Five days before using the equipment, BuildCo will file a request, followed by a visit by the inspector from the Inspection by Gostekhnadzor. The inspector, having reviewed the equipment to be used, stamps and signs the technical passport of the new projects.

Regulatory simplification reform process also eliminated duplicating legislation concerning the fees for equipment operation authorization. This eliminated the grounds for officers by the State Technical Supervision to levy fees.

6 Receive connection to water and sewage services 10 days KGS 4,253

Agency : Bishkekvodokanal

Connection can be done without prior inspection if the location has existing utility infrastructure. According to the tariff approved by the City Council of Bishkek (Decree of 30.04.2009. № 68), water connection costs 2,074.4 soms per cubic meter and sewerage connection costs 2,178.1 soms per cubic meter, plus 12% VAT and 2% sales tax.

The website with tariffs is: <http://www.water.elcat.kg/page3.html>

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| <p>7 Request act of acceptance of object for use</p> <p>Agency : State Inspection on Environmental and Technical Safety</p> <p>Within 10 days after completion of construction, BuildCo files a request to the State Inspection on Environmental and Technical Safety of Act of Acceptance of Object for Use. This approval must be issued within 10 working days. If the Act is not issued within the established time limit, the silence-is-consent rule applies. The Act must be signed by the applicant, author of project, general contractor, and a representative of State Architecture and Construction Supervision's regional branch who performed the technical supervision during construction.</p> <p>Government Resolution #121 as of February 12, 2009 removed the requirement for participation of fire and sanitary authorities in the final inspection.</p> | 1 day | no charge |
| <p>8 Receive inspection and obtain the act of acceptance of object for use</p> <p>Agency : State Inspection on Environmental and Technical Safety</p> <p>The inspection may take place depending on the case. Sometimes if the supervising technical inspector provides sound feedback to the regional head office, the inspection may not be required. However, a separate visit is paid to obtain the actual copy of the Act. The Act is a legal document that allows the immediate use of the building.</p> | 13 days | no charge |
| <p>9 Receive inspection from the State Registration Service for the technical inventory of the building</p> <p>Agency : State Registration Service</p> <p>After obtaining the act of Acceptance, BuildCo has to obtain the technical passport. State Registration Service conducts an inspection of the completed building in order to issue the technical inventory of the building (technical passport).</p> | 1 day | no charge |
| <p>10 Obtain a technical inventory of the building</p> <p>Agency : State Registration Service</p> <p>Before registering the building with the real property registry, BuildCo must obtain a "technical passport." This describes the structure of building, units, dimensions, building layout, and the like. The technical inventory costs KGS 2,600.00 if obtained in 10 days, and KGS 5,100.00 if obtained in 4 working days.</p> | 6 days | KGS 5,100 |

11 Register the building with the real estate registry

7 days

KGS 833

Agency : State Registration Service

Registration of buildings is a mandatory procedure. BuildCo must provide the following documents to the State Registration Service:

- Application
- Documents confirming the ownership title (the plot plan, the local plan, and the “technical passport”* of the warehouse)
- Receipt of payment for registration
- State certificate on land ownership
- Occupancy permit
- Power of attorney

After examining the submitted documents, a registrar issues a report for registration of the building, makes a log entry, and issues a registration card, a copy of which is provided to BuildCo.

The registration costs KGS 832,79 according to the official fee schedule published on the website of the State Registration Service:
http://grs.gov.kg/ru/subord/dkrpni/dkrpni_price/

⇒ Takes place simultaneously with previous procedure.

Details – Dealing with Construction Permits in Kyrgyz Republic – Measure of Quality

	Answer	Score
Building quality control index (0-15)		11.0
Quality of building regulations index (0-2)		2.0
How accessible are building laws and regulations in your economy? (0-1)	Available online; Free of charge; In official gazette.	1.0
Which requirements for obtaining a building permit are clearly specified in the building regulations or on any accessible website, brochure or pamphlet? (0-1)	List of required documents; Fees to be paid; Required preapprovals.	1.0
Quality control before construction index (0-1)		1.0
Which third-party entities are required by law to verify that the building plans are in compliance with existing building regulations? (0-1)	Licensed architect; Licensed engineer.	1.0
Quality control during construction index (0-3)		2.0
What types of inspections (if any) are required by law to be carried out during construction? (0-2)	Inspections by in-house engineer.	1.0
Do legally mandated inspections occur in practice during construction? (0-1)	Mandatory inspections are always done in practice.	1.0
Quality control after construction index (0-3)		3.0
Is there a final inspection required by law to verify that the building was built in accordance with the approved plans and regulations? (0-2)	Yes, final inspection is done by government agency; Yes, in- house engineer submits report for final inspection.	2.0
Do legally mandated final inspections occur in practice? (0-1)	Final inspection always occurs in practice.	1.0
Liability and insurance regimes index (0-2)		0.0
Which parties (if any) are held liable by law for structural flaws or problems in the building once it is in use (Latent Defect Liability or Decennial Liability)? (0-1)	No party is held liable under the law.	0.0

Which parties (if any) are required by law to obtain an insurance policy to cover possible structural flaws or problems in the building once it is in use (Latent Defect Liability Insurance or Decennial Insurance)? (0-1)

No party is required by law to obtain insurance .

0.0

Professional certifications index (0-4)

3.0

What are the qualification requirements for the professional responsible for verifying that the architectural plans or drawings are in compliance with existing building regulations? (0-2)

Minimum number of years of experience;
University degree in architecture or engineering;
Passing a certification exam.

2.0

What are the qualification requirements for the professional who supervises the construction on the ground? (0-2)

University degree in engineering, construction or construction management;
Passing a certification exam.

1.0

⚡ Getting Electricity

This topic measures the procedures, time and cost required for a business to obtain a permanent electricity connection for a newly constructed warehouse. Additionally, the reliability of supply and transparency of tariffs index measures reliability of supply, transparency of tariffs and the price of electricity. The most recent round of data collection for the project was completed in June 2017. [See the methodology for more information.](#)

What the indicators measure	Case study assumptions
Procedures to obtain an electricity connection (number)	To make the data comparable across economies, several assumptions are used.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Submitting all relevant documents and obtaining all necessary clearances and permits Completing all required notifications and receiving all necessary inspections Obtaining external installation works and possibly purchasing material for these works Concluding any necessary supply contract and obtaining final supply 	The warehouse: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Is owned by a local entrepreneur and is used for storage of goods. - Is located in the economy's largest business city. For 11 economies the data are also collected for the second largest business city. - Is located in an area where similar warehouses are typically located and is in an area with no physical constraints. For example, the property is not near a railway. - Is a new construction and is being connected to electricity for the first time. - Has two stories with a total surface area of approximately 1,300.6 square meters (14,000 square feet). The plot of land on which it is built is 929 square meters (10,000 square feet).
Time required to complete each procedure (calendar days)	The electricity connection: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Is a permanent one with a three-phase, four-wire Y connection with a subscribed capacity of 140-kilo-volt-ampere (kVA) with a power factor of 1, when 1 kVA = 1 kilowatt (kW). - Has a length of 150 meters. The connection is to either the low- or medium-voltage distribution network and is either overhead or underground, whichever is more common in the area where the warehouse is located and requires works that involve the crossing of a 10-meter road (such as by excavation or overhead lines) but are all carried out on public land. There is no crossing of other owners' private property because the warehouse has access to a road. - Does not require work to install the internal wiring of the warehouse. This has already been completed up to and including the customer's service panel or switchboard and the meter base.
Cost required to complete each procedure (% of income per capita)	The monthly consumption: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - It is assumed that the warehouse operates 30 days a month from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. (8 hours a day), with equipment utilized at 80% of capacity on average and that there are no electricity cuts (assumed for simplicity reasons) and the monthly energy consumption is 26,880 kilowatt-hours (kWh); hourly consumption is 112 kWh. - If multiple electricity suppliers exist, the warehouse is served by the cheapest supplier. - Tariffs effective in March of the current year are used for calculation of the price of electricity for the warehouse. Although March has 31 days, for calculation purposes only 30 days are used.
The reliability of supply and transparency of tariffs index (0-8)	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Duration and frequency of power outages (0-3) Tools to monitor power outages (0-1) Tools to restore power supply (0-1) Regulatory monitoring of utilities' performance (0-1) Financial deterrents limiting outages (0-1) Transparency and accessibility of tariffs (0-1) 	
Price of electricity (cents per kilowatt-hour)*	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Price based on monthly bill for commercial warehouse in case study 	

*Note: Doing Business measures the price of electricity, but it is not included in the distance to frontier score nor the ranking on the ease of getting electricity.

Standardized Connection

Price of electricity (US cents per kWh)

3.4

Name of utility

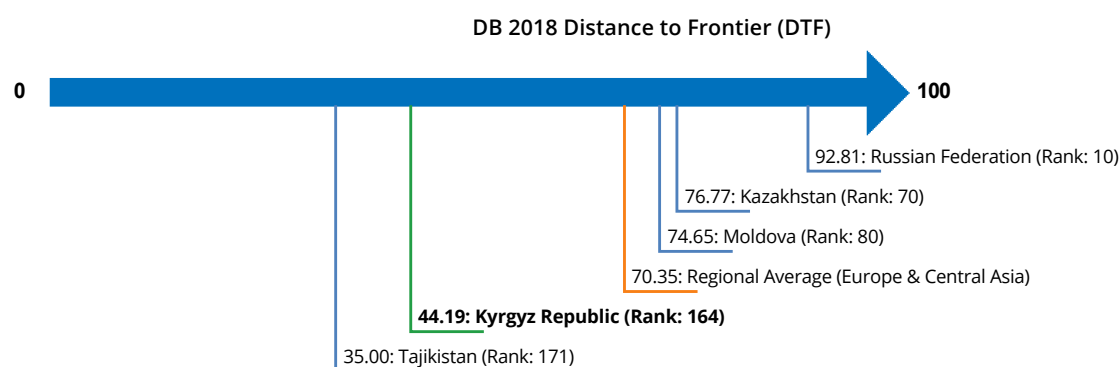
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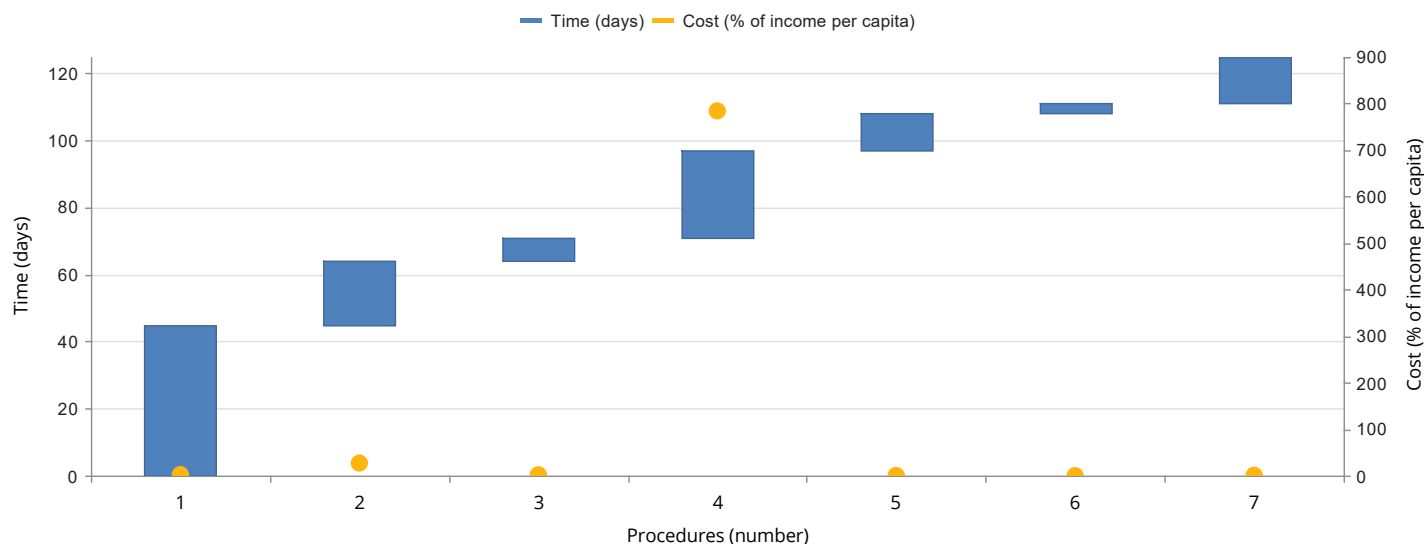
Indicator	Kyrgyz Republic	Europe & Central Asia	OECD high income	Overall Best Performer
Procedures (number)	7	5.4	4.7	2 (United Arab Emirates)
Time (days)	125	113.7	79.1	10 (United Arab Emirates)
Cost (% of income per capita)	814.4	344.3	63.0	0.00 (Japan)
Reliability of supply and transparency of tariff index (0-8)	0	5.3	7.4	8.00 (28 Economies)

Figure – Getting Electricity in Kyrgyz Republic and comparator economies – Ranking and DTF



Note: The ranking of economies on the ease of getting electricity is determined by sorting their distance to frontier scores for getting electricity. These scores are the simple average of the distance to frontier scores for each of the component indicators.

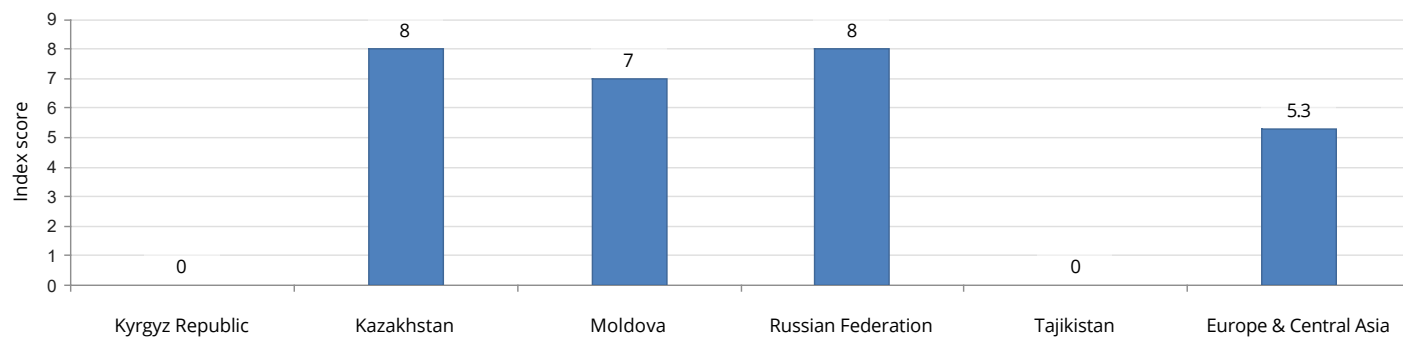
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Figure – Getting Electricity in Kyrgyz Republic and comparator economies – Measure of Quality



Details – Getting Electricity in Kyrgyz Republic – Procedure, Time and Cost

No.	Procedures	Time to Complete	Associated Costs
1	<p>Submit application and await technical conditions from Severelektro</p> <p>Agency : Department of Architecture and Construction</p> <p>The applicant submits an application for connection to the Department of Architecture and Construction which forwards the application to the utility. The Architecture Department has all the construction documents and hence the only required document is the application for connection. However, the applicant will most of the time visit Severelektro directly to ensure that the application has been delivered and considered. The payment for technical conditions is also made at Severelektro.</p>	45 calendar days	KGS 1,496
2	<p>Await completion and approval of project design for external works</p> <p>Agency : Private project design firm</p> <p>After the technical conditions are issued the customer hires a private electrical design firm to prepare a design of the external part of the connection. The internal wiring plan can be prepared together with the external design. On behalf of the customer the electrical design firm receives approvals of the plan at the Department of Architecture and Construction.</p>	19 calendar days	KGS 19,402
3	<p>Obtain excavation permit from municipality</p> <p>Agency : Office of Capital Construction of the Bishkek City Municipality</p> <p>Electrical contractor obtains an excavation permit (ордер на раскопки).</p>	7 calendar days	KGS 1,200
4	<p>Await completion of external works by private electrical contractor</p> <p>Agency : Private electrical contractor</p> <p>After the electrical plan of the external connection is approve the customer hires a private electrical contractor to carry out all the external connection works.</p> <p>The meter is installed together with the rest of the electrical equipment by the hired private electrical contractor.</p>	26 calendar days	KGS 563,894.5
5	<p>Await and receive inspection of completed works by Severelektro</p> <p>Agency : Severelektro</p> <p>After the external connection works are completed the electrical installation is checked by various departments of Severelektro during one inspection. After the inspection an operation permit is issued. Both the internal wiring and the external works are inspected. The electrical contractor is required to submit documents specifying measurements and tests of the wiring.</p> <p>Someone from the applicant's party is required to be present during the inspection.</p>	11 calendar days	KGS 121

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| 6 | Await and receive inspection and authorization from State Energy Inspectorate | 3 calendar days | KGS 0 |
| <p>Agency : Gosekotehinspektsiya (State Inspectorate for environmental and technical safety)</p> <p>After the inspection by Gosekotehinspektsiya (State Inspectorate for environmental and technical safety), it will give an authorization for connection.</p> | | | |
| 7 | Sign supply contract with Severelektro and receive electricity flow | 14 calendar days | KGS 484 |
| <p>Agency : Severelektro</p> <p>After the inspections are completed and an operation permit is issued, a supply contract can be concluded in the contract department of Severelektro. After the conclusion of the supply contract the representative of Severelektro visits the site to turn on the electricity.</p> | | | |

⇒ Takes place simultaneously with previous procedure.

Details – Getting Electricity in Kyrgyz Republic – Measure of Quality

	Answer
Reliability of supply and transparency of tariff index (0-8)	0
Total duration and frequency of outages per customer a year (0-3)	0
System average interruption duration index (SAIDI)	..
System average interruption frequency index (SAIFI)	..
What is the minimum outage time (in minutes) that the utility considers for the calculation of SAIDI/SAIFI	N/A
Mechanisms for monitoring outages (0-1)	0
Does the distribution utility use automated tools to monitor outages?	No
Mechanisms for restoring service (0-1)	0
Does the distribution utility use automated tools to restore service?	No
Regulatory monitoring (0-1)	1
Does a regulator—that is, an entity separate from the utility—monitor the utility's performance on reliability of supply?	Yes
Financial deterrents aimed at limiting outages (0-1)	0
Does the utility either pay compensation to customers or face fines by the regulator (or both) if outages exceed a certain cap?	No
Communication of tariffs and tariff changes (0-1)	1
Are effective tariffs available online?	Yes
Link to the website, if available online	www.reglatortek.kg www.severelctro.kg
Are customers notified of a change in tariff ahead of the billing cycle?	Yes

Note:

If the duration and frequency of outages is 100 or less, the economy is eligible to score on the Reliability of supply and transparency of tariff index.

If the duration and frequency of outages is not available, or is over 100, the economy is not eligible to score on the index.

If the minimum outage time considered for SAIDI/SAIFI is over 5 minutes, the economy is not eligible to score on the index.

Registering Property

This topic examines the steps, time and cost involved in registering property, assuming a standardized case of an entrepreneur who wants to purchase land and a building that is already registered and free of title dispute. In addition, the topic also measures the quality of the land administration system in each economy. The quality of land administration index has five dimensions: reliability of infrastructure, transparency of information, geographic coverage, land dispute resolution, and equal access to property rights. The most recent round of data collection for the project was completed in June 2017. [See the methodology for more information.](#)

What the indicators measure

Procedures to legally transfer title on immovable property (number)

- Preregistration procedures (for example, checking for liens, notarizing sales agreement, paying property transfer taxes)
- Registration procedures in the economy's largest business city.
- Postregistration procedures (for example, filling title with municipality)

Time required to complete each procedure (calendar days)

- Does not include time spent gathering information
- Each procedure starts on a separate day - though procedures that can be fully completed online are an exception to this rule
- Procedure is considered completed once final document is received
- No prior contact with officials

Cost required to complete each procedure (% of property value)

- Official costs only (such as administrative fees, duties and taxes).
- Value Added Tax, Capital Gains Tax and illicit payments are excluded

Quality of land administration index (0-30)

- Reliability of infrastructure index (0-8)
- Transparency of information index (0-6)
- Geographic coverage index (0-8)
- Land dispute resolution index (0-8)
- Equal access to property rights index (-2-0)

Case study assumptions

To make the data comparable across economies, several assumptions about the parties to the transaction, the property and the procedures are used.

The parties (buyer and seller):

- Are limited liability companies (or the legal equivalent).
- Are located in the periurban area of the economy's largest business city. For 11 economies the data are also collected for the second largest business city.
- Are 100% domestically and privately owned.
- Have 50 employees each, all of whom are nationals.
- Perform general commercial activities.

The property (fully owned by the seller):

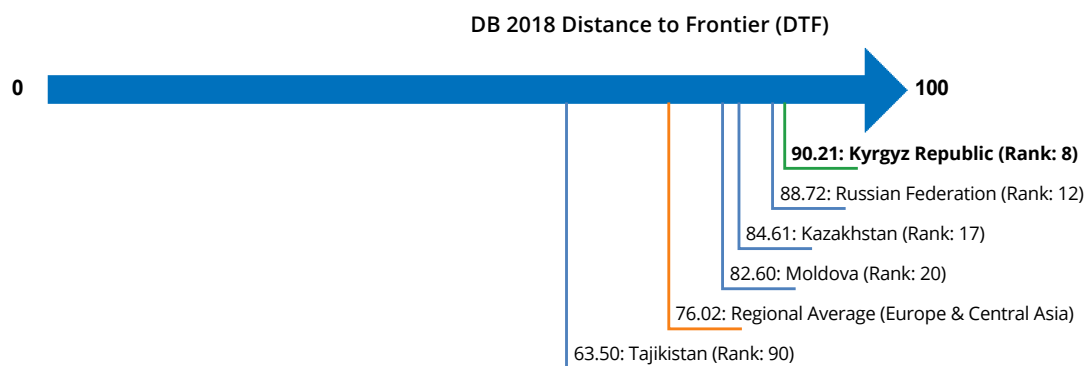
- Has a value of 50 times income per capita, which equals the sale price.
- Is fully owned by the seller.
- Has no mortgages attached and has been under the same ownership for the past 10 years.
- Is registered in the land registry or cadastre, or both, and is free of title disputes.
- Is located in a periurban commercial zone, and no rezoning is required.
- Consists of land and a building. The land area is 557.4 square meters (6,000 square feet). A two-story warehouse of 929 square meters (10,000 square feet) is located on the land. The warehouse is 10 years old, is in good condition, has no heating system and complies with all safety standards, building codes and legal requirements. The property, consisting of land and building, will be transferred in its entirety.
- Will not be subject to renovations or additional construction following the purchase.
- Has no trees, natural water sources, natural reserves or historical monuments of any kind.
- Will not be used for special purposes, and no special permits, such as for residential use, industrial plants, waste storage or certain types of agricultural activities, are required.
- Has no occupants, and no other party holds a legal interest in it.

Standard Property Transfer

Property value	KGS 3,601,278.90
City Covered	Bishkek

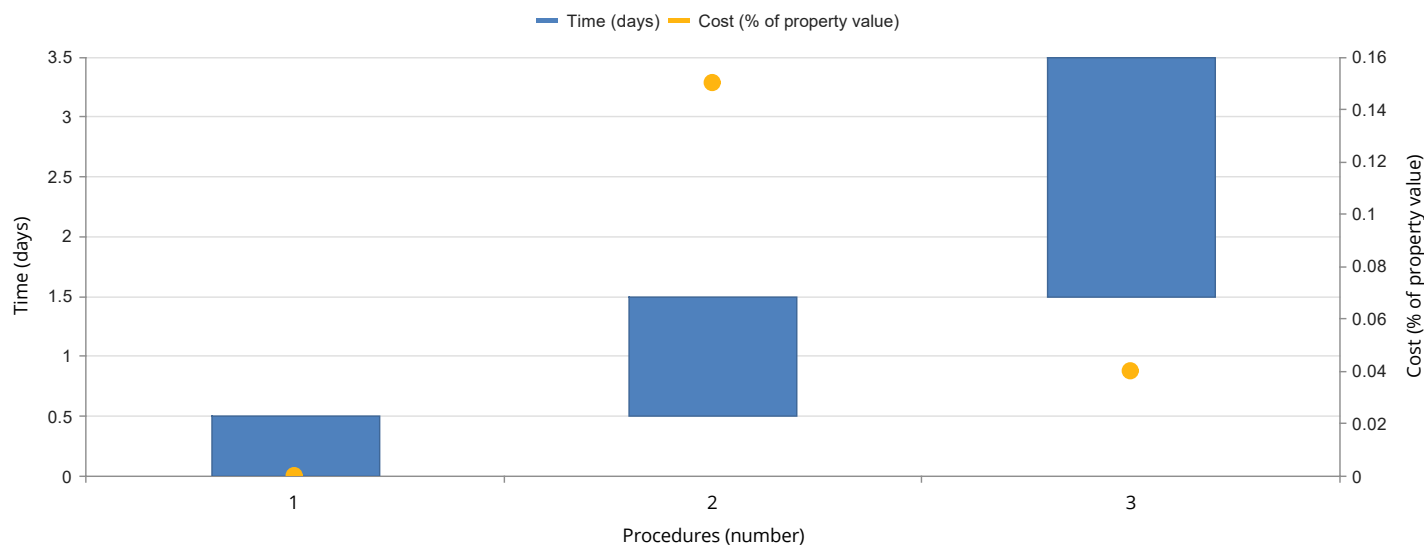
Indicator	Kyrgyz Republic	Europe & Central Asia	OECD high income	Overall Best Performer
Procedures (number)	3	5.3	4.6	1.00 (4 Economies)
Time (days)	3.5	20.4	22.3	1.00 (3 Economies)
Cost (% of property value)	0.2	2.5	4.2	0.00 (5 Economies)
Quality of the land administration index (0-30)	24.0	19.8	22.7	29.00 (Singapore)

Figure – Registering Property in Kyrgyz Republic and comparator economies – Ranking and DTF



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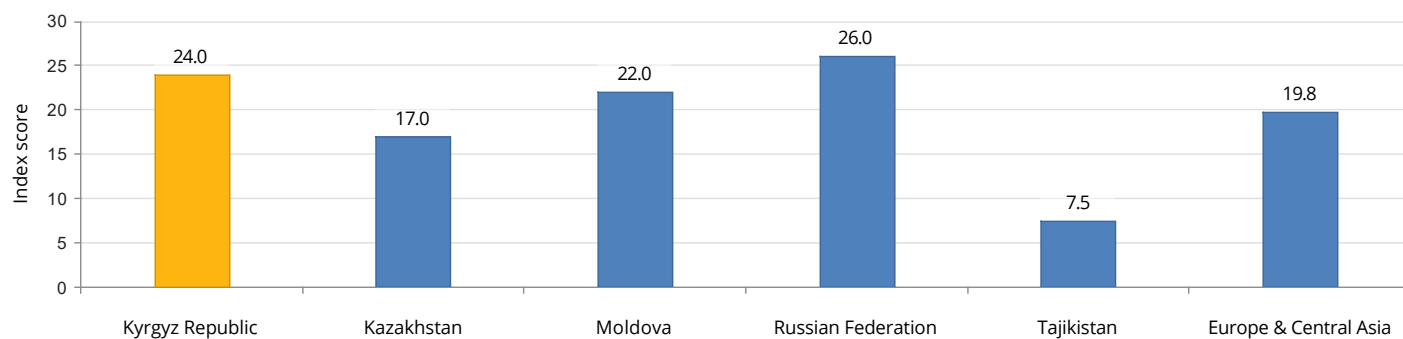
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Figure – Registering Property in Kyrgyz Republic and comparator economies – Measure of Quality



Details – Registering Property in Kyrgyz Republic – Procedure, Time and Cost

No.	Procedures	Time to Complete	Associated Costs
1	<p>The seller obtains the Extract from the Gosregister (Land Registry)</p> <p>Agency : State Registration Service under the Government of the Kyrgyz Republic</p> <p>In case the parties chose to notarize their sale-purchase agreement, the buyer requests the seller to provide him with the Registration Certificate evidencing his rights to the property. This Certificate indicates the owner of the property and provides information on the existence or absence of encumbrances over the property.</p> <p>The documentation shall include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Application (in the established form); • Identification documents. 	<p>Less than a day, (online procedure)</p> <p>Expedited procedure - 1 business day (1-2 calendar days)</p> <p>Regular procedure - 3 business days (3-5 calendar days)</p>	<p>KGS 171 (online);</p> <p>KGS 208.45 (legal entities);</p> <p>KGS 417 (expedited)</p>
2	<p>A public notary or a lawyer prepares the sale-purchase agreement</p> <p>Agency : Public Notary or lawyer</p> <p>The Law of the Kyrgyz Republic on Amendments to the Civil Code of the Kyrgyz Republic #104 of 30.03.2009 introduced voluntary notary certification of property disposal (sale and acquisition) contract. Previously, it was mandatory to notarize the sale-purchase agreement with a public notary. Now, parties have a choice to have notaries register such contracts or make a transaction and register it directly with the State Register.</p> <p>According to the Resolution of the Government of the Kyrgyz Republic #44 dated 20 January 2012 a state duty for verification of transactions on alienation of immovable property is set in the amount of 5,000 KGS. The cost for notarization of documents depends on the form of a notary public. In case of state notaries, the cost is 10 KGS per one document, in case of private notaries, the cost may vary from 50 to 70 KGS per one document.</p> <p>The parties must also notarize copies of their respective charters and/or foundation agreements and corporate registration certificates (to be later presented to the registrar).</p> <p>During the notarization, the parties will be required to submit copies of the parties' respective charters and foundation agreements, corporate registration certificates, resolutions of the management bodies on the purchase/sale of the property, powers of attorney, a certificate evidencing the balance sheet value of the property, and certain other corporate documents. The seller shall also present the registration certificate evidencing the seller's title to the property</p>	<p>1 day</p>	<p>KGS 5,000 fixed fee (state duty) + KGS 300-500 (notarization, depending on the notary)</p>

3 The buyer applies to Gosregister for registration of the title transfer

Agency : State Registration Service under the Government of the Kyrgyz Republic

The buyer appears at the local office of Gosregister and presents all the required documents. The buyer (the seller may pay it upon agreement between the parties) pays the registration fee and delivers to the registrar the receipt evidencing the payment and a formal application for the registration of the title transfer. The notarized sale purchase agreement must be presented to the local office of Gosregister no later than 30 days from the moment of its signing (otherwise a penalty fee is charged).

The Gosregister issues the receipt about the acceptance of the documents for the registration and conduct the registration within 2 days or 1 day, if the Procedure is expedited. The buyer receives his own copy of the agreement where the Registry certified the registration, as well as the technical documents (technical passport and state act on land property right) where Registry made correspondent alterations. In case when buyer and seller chose to register transaction without notary certification, directly at the State Register, the Procedures 1 and 2 are not needed.

The documentation shall include:

- Application (in the established form)
- State act on land property right;
- Technical original passport;
- The signed and notarized sale and purchase agreement (Obtained in Procedure 2);
- Powers of attorney (if needed), notarized copies of the buyer charter and/or foundation agreement, corporate registration certificate, resolution of the management body on the purchase of the property.

The cost for the procedures was updated with the Order #215 of November 19, 2013 of the State Register Office. Thus, the cost for the 2 day registration is KGS 831 and for expedited procedure is KGS 1591. In practice, the expedited procedure still takes 2 business days.

Expedited procedure - 1 business day (1-2 calendar days)
Regular procedure - 2 business days (2-4 calendar days)

KGS 831 (regular) and KGS 1591 (expedited) are applicable if the transaction has been notarized in notary public.

⇒ Takes place simultaneously with previous procedure.

Details – Registering Property in Kyrgyz Republic – Measure of Quality

	Answer	Score
Quality of the land administration index (0-30)		24.0
Reliability of infrastructure index (0-8)		6.0
What is the institution in charge of immovable property registration?	Bishkek Registration Office of the Department of cadastre and registration under the State Registry	
In what format are the majority of title or deed records kept in the largest business city—in a paper format or in a computerized format (scanned or fully digital)?	Computer/Scanned	1.0
Is there an electronic database for checking for encumbrances (liens, mortgages, restrictions and the like)?	Yes	1.0
Institution in charge of the plans showing legal boundaries in the largest business city:	Bishkek Registration Office of the Department of cadastre and registration under the State Registry	
In what format are the majority of maps of land plots kept in the largest business city—in a paper format or in a computerized format (scanned or fully digital)?	Computer/Scanned	1.0
Is there an electronic database for recording boundaries, checking plans and providing cadastral information (geographic information system)?	Yes	1.0
Is the information recorded by the immovable property registration agency and the cadastral or mapping agency kept in a single database, in different but linked databases or in separate databases?	Single database	1.0
Do the immovable property registration agency and cadastral or mapping agency use the same identification number for properties?	Yes	1.0
Transparency of information index (0-6)		3.5
Who is able to obtain information on land ownership at the agency in charge of immovable property registration in the largest business city?	Anyone who pays the official fee	1.0
Is the list of documents that are required to complete any type of property transaction made publicly available—and if so, how?	Yes, online	0.5

Link for online access:	http://www.gosreg.kg/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=217&Itemid=250	
Is the applicable fee schedule for any property transaction at the agency in charge of immovable property registration in the largest business city made publicly available—and if so, how?	Yes, online	0.5
Link for online access:	http://www.gosreg.kg/images/price.pdf	
Does the agency in charge of immovable property registration commit to delivering a legally binding document that proves property ownership within a specific time frame—and if so, how does it communicate the service standard?	Yes, online	0.5
Link for online access:	http://www.gosreg.kg/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=217&Itemid=250	
Is there a specific and separate mechanism for filing complaints about a problem that occurred at the agency in charge of immovable property registration?	No	0.0
Contact information:		
Are there publicly available official statistics tracking the number of transactions at the immovable property registration agency?	No	0.0
Number of property transfers in the largest business city in 2016:		
Who is able to consult maps of land plots in the largest business city?	Anyone who pays the official fee	0.5
Is the applicable fee schedule for accessing maps of land plots made publicly available—and if so, how?	Yes, online	0.5
Link for online access:	http://gosreg.kg/images/price.pdf	
Does the cadastral or mapping agency commit to delivering an updated map within a specific time frame—and if so, how does it communicate the service standard?	No	0.0
Link for online access:		
Is there a specific and separate mechanism for filing complaints about a problem that occurred at the cadastral or mapping agency?	No	0.0
Contact information:		
Geographic coverage index (0–8)	8.0	

Are all privately held land plots in the economy formally registered at the immovable property registry?	Yes	2.0
Are all privately held land plots in the largest business city formally registered at the immovable property registry?	Yes	2.0
Are all privately held land plots in the economy mapped?	Yes	2.0
Are all privately held land plots in the largest business city mapped?	Yes	2.0
Land dispute resolution index (0–8)		6.5
Does the law require that all property sale transactions be registered at the immovable property registry to make them opposable to third parties?	Yes	1.5
Is the system of immovable property registration subject to a state or private guarantee?	Yes	0.5
Is there a specific compensation mechanism to cover for losses incurred by parties who engaged in good faith in a property transaction based on erroneous information certified by the immovable property registry?	Yes	0.5
Does the legal system require a control of legality of the documents necessary for a property transaction (e.g., checking the compliance of contracts with requirements of the law)?	Yes	0.5
If yes, who is responsible for checking the legality of the documents?	Registrar; Notary.	
Does the legal system require verification of the identity of the parties to a property transaction?	Yes	0.5
If yes, who is responsible for verifying the identity of the parties?	Registrar; Notary.	
Is there a national database to verify the accuracy of identity documents?	No	0.0
For a standard land dispute between two local businesses over tenure rights of a property worth 50 times gross national income (GNI) per capita and located in the largest business city, what court would be in charge of the case in the first instance?	Bishkek Interdistrict Court on Economic Disputes	
How long does it take on average to obtain a decision from the first-instance court for such a case (without appeal)?	Less than a year	3.0
Are there any statistics on the number of land disputes in the first instance?	No	0.0
Number of land disputes in the largest business city in 2016:		
Equal access to property rights index (-2–0)		0.0
Do unmarried men and unmarried women have equal ownership rights to property?	Yes	0.0
Do married men and married women have equal ownership rights to property?	Yes	0.0

Getting Credit

This topic explores two sets of issues—the strength of credit reporting systems and the effectiveness of collateral and bankruptcy laws in facilitating lending. The most recent round of data collection for the project was completed in June 2017. [See the methodology for more information.](#)

What the indicators measure

Strength of legal rights index (0–12)

- Rights of borrowers and lenders through collateral laws (0–10)
- Protection of secured creditors' rights through bankruptcy laws (0–2)

Depth of credit information index (0–8)

- Scope and accessibility of credit information distributed by credit bureaus and credit registries (0–8)

Credit bureau coverage (% of adults)

- Number of individuals and firms listed in largest credit bureau as a percentage of adult population

Credit registry coverage (% of adults)

- Number of individuals and firms listed in credit registry as a percentage of adult population

Case study assumptions

Doing Business assesses the sharing of credit information and the legal rights of borrowers and lenders with respect to secured transactions through 2 sets of indicators. The depth of credit information index measures rules and practices affecting the coverage, scope and accessibility of credit information available through a credit registry or a credit bureau. The strength of legal rights index measures the degree to which collateral and bankruptcy laws protect the rights of borrowers and lenders and thus facilitate lending. For each economy it is first determined whether a unitary secured transactions system exists. Then two case scenarios, case A and case B, are used to determine how a nonpossessory security interest is created, publicized and enforced according to the law. Special emphasis is given to how the collateral registry operates (if registration of security interests is possible). The case scenarios involve a secured borrower, company ABC, and a secured lender, BizBank.

In some economies the legal framework for secured transactions will allow only case A or case B (not both) to apply. Both cases examine the same set of legal provisions relating to the use of movable collateral.

Several assumptions about the secured borrower (ABC) and lender (BizBank) are used:

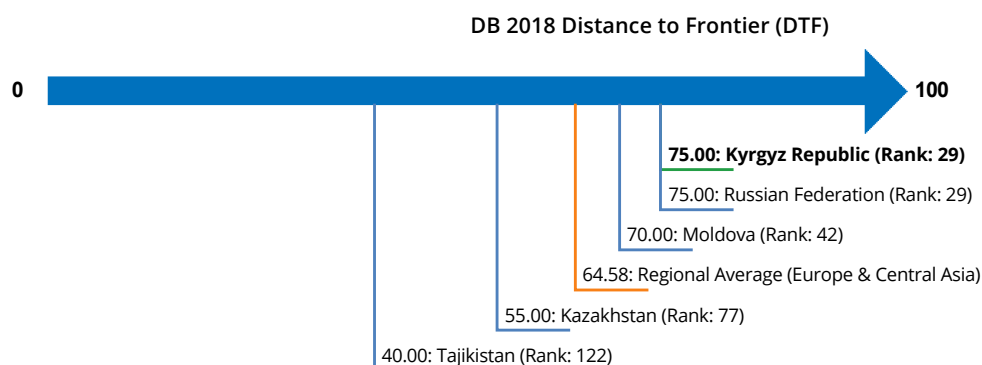
- ABC is a domestic limited liability company (or its legal equivalent).
- ABC has up to 50 employees.
- ABC has its headquarters and only base of operations in the economy's largest business city. For 11 economies the data are also collected for the second largest business city.
- Both ABC and BizBank are 100% domestically owned.

The case scenarios also involve assumptions. In case A, as collateral for the loan, ABC grants BizBank a nonpossessory security interest in one category of movable assets, for example, its machinery or its inventory. ABC wants to keep both possession and ownership of the collateral. In economies where the law does not allow nonpossessory security interests in movable property, ABC and BizBank use a fiduciary transfer-of-title arrangement (or a similar substitute for nonpossessory security interests).

In case B, ABC grants BizBank a business charge, enterprise charge, floating charge or any charge that gives BizBank a security interest over ABC's combined movable assets (or as much of ABC's movable assets as possible). ABC keeps ownership and possession of the assets.

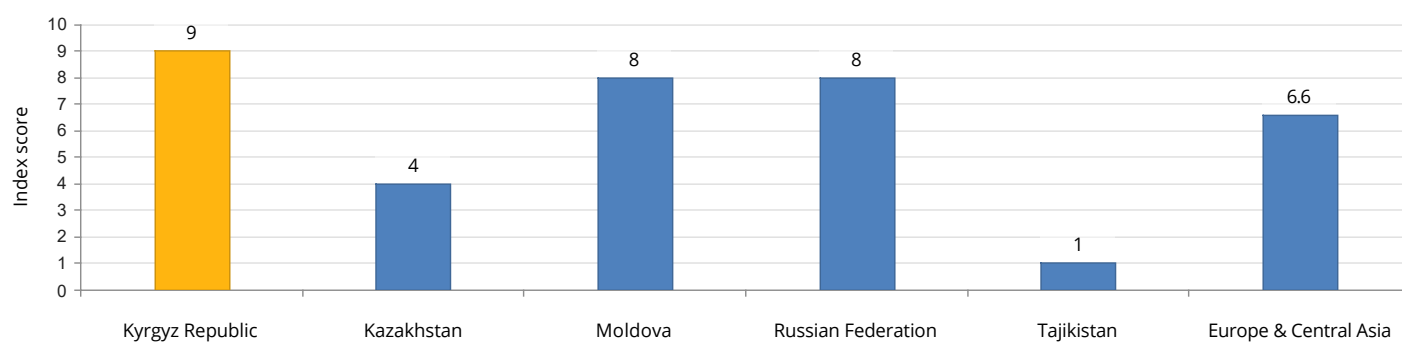
Indicator	Kyrgyz Republic	Europe & Central Asia	OECD high income	Overall Best Performer
Strength of legal rights index (0-12)	9	6.6	6.0	12.00 (4 Economies)
Depth of credit information index (0-8)	6	6.3	6.6	8.00 (34 Economies)
Credit registry coverage (% of adults)	0.0	22.2	18.3	100.00 (3 Economies)
Credit bureau coverage (% of adults)	37.0	42.8	63.7	100.00 (23 Economies)

Figure – Getting Credit in Kyrgyz Republic and comparator economies – Ranking and DTF



Note: The ranking of economies on the ease of getting credit is determined by sorting their distance to frontier scores for getting credit. These scores are the distance to frontier score for the sum of the strength of legal rights index and the depth of credit information index.

Figure – Legal Rights in Kyrgyz Republic and comparator economies



Details – Legal Rights in Kyrgyz Republic

Strength of legal rights index (0-12)

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Does an integrated or unified legal framework for secured transactions that extends to the creation, publicity and enforcement of functional equivalents to security interests in movable assets exist in the economy? No

Does the law allow businesses to grant a non possessory security right in a single category of movable assets, without requiring a specific description of collateral? Yes

Does the law allow businesses to grant a non possessory security right in substantially all of its assets, without requiring a specific description of collateral? Yes

May a security right extend to future or after-acquired assets, and does it extend automatically to the products, proceeds and replacements of the original assets? Yes

Is a general description of debts and obligations permitted in collateral agreements; can all types of debts and obligations be secured between parties; and can the collateral agreement include a maximum amount for which the assets are encumbered? Yes

Is a collateral registry in operation for both incorporated and non-incorporated entities, that is unified geographically and by asset type, with an electronic database indexed by debtor's name? Yes

Does a notice-based collateral registry exist in which all functional equivalents can be registered? No

Does a modern collateral registry exist in which registrations, amendments, cancellations and searches can be performed online by any interested third party? Yes

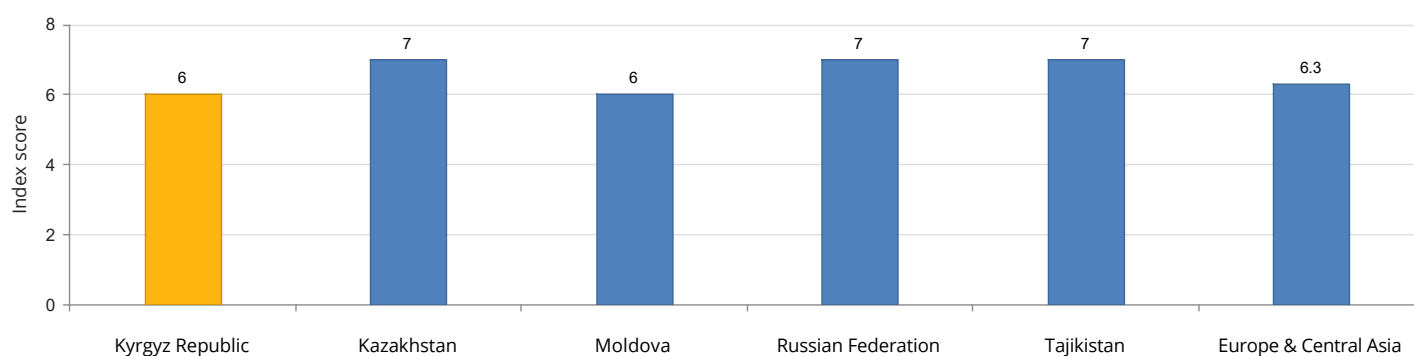
Are secured creditors paid first (i.e. before tax claims and employee claims) when a debtor defaults outside an insolvency procedure? Yes

Are secured creditors paid first (i.e. before tax claims and employee claims) when a business is liquidated? Yes

Are secured creditors subject to an automatic stay on enforcement when a debtor enters a court-supervised reorganization procedure? Does the law protect secured creditors' rights by providing clear grounds for relief from the stay and sets a time limit for it? No

Does the law allow parties to agree on out of court enforcement at the time a security interest is created? Does the law allow the secured creditor to sell the collateral through public auction or private tender, as well as, for the secured creditor to keep the asset in satisfaction of the debt? Yes

Figure – Credit Information in Kyrgyz Republic and comparator economies



Details – Credit Information in Kyrgyz Republic

Depth of credit information index (0-8)	Credit bureau	Credit registry	Score
Are data on both firms and individuals distributed?	Yes	No	1
Are both positive and negative credit data distributed?	Yes	No	1
Are data from retailers or utility companies - in addition to data from banks and financial institutions - distributed?	No	No	0
Are at least 2 years of historical data distributed? (Credit bureaus and registries that distribute more than 10 years of negative data or erase data on defaults as soon as they are repaid obtain a score of 0 for this component.)	Yes	No	1
Are data on loan amounts below 1% of income per capita distributed?	Yes	No	1
By law, do borrowers have the right to access their data in the credit bureau or credit registry?	Yes	No	1
Can banks and financial institutions access borrowers' credit information online (for example, through an online platform, a system-to-system connection or both)?	Yes	No	1
Are bureau or registry credit scores offered as a value-added service to help banks and financial institutions assess the creditworthiness of borrowers?	No	No	0

Score ("yes" to either public bureau or private registry)

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Note: An economy receives a score of 1 if there is a "yes" to either bureau or registry. If the credit bureau or registry is not operational or covers less than 5% of the adult population, the total score on the depth of credit information index is 0.

Coverage	Credit bureau	Credit registry
Number of individuals	1,434,014	0
Number of firms	3,743	0
Total	1,437,757	0
Percentage of adult population	37.0	0.0

Protecting Minority Investors

This topic measures the strength of minority shareholder protections against misuse of corporate assets by directors for their personal gain as well as shareholder rights, governance safeguards and corporate transparency requirements that reduce the risk of abuse. The most recent round of data collection for the project was completed in June 2017. [See the methodology for more information.](#)

What the indicators measure

- **Extent of disclosure index (0–10):** Review and approval requirements for related-party transactions; Disclosure requirements for related-party transactions
- **Extent of director liability index (0–10):** Ability of minority shareholders to sue and hold interested directors liable for prejudicial related-party transactions; Available legal remedies (damages, disgorgement of profits, fines, imprisonment, rescission of the transaction)
- **Ease of shareholder suits index (0–10):** Access to internal corporate documents; Evidence obtainable during trial and allocation of legal expenses
- **Extent of conflict of interest regulation index (0–10):** Simple average of the extent of disclosure, extent of director liability and ease of shareholder indices
- **Extent of shareholder rights index (0–10):** Shareholders' rights and role in major corporate decisions
- **Extent of ownership and control index (0–10):** Governance safeguards protecting shareholders from undue board control and entrenchment
- **Extent of corporate transparency index (0–10):** Corporate transparency on ownership stakes, compensation, audits and financial prospects
- **Extent of shareholder governance index (0–10):** Simple average of the extent of shareholders rights, extent of ownership and control and extent of corporate transparency indices
- **Strength of minority investor protection index (0–10):** Simple average of the extent of conflict of interest regulation and extent of shareholder governance indices

Case study assumptions

To make the data comparable across economies, a case study uses several assumptions about the business and the transaction.

The business (Buyer):

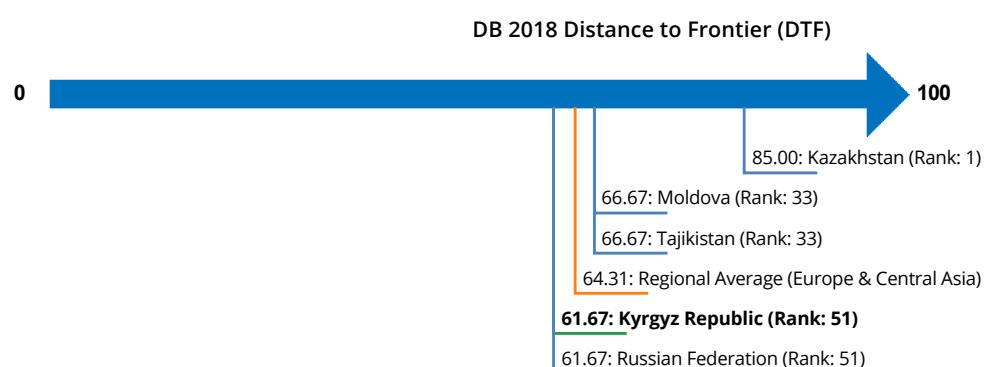
- Is a publicly traded corporation listed on the economy's most important stock exchange. If the number of publicly traded companies listed on that exchange is less than 10, or if there is no stock exchange in the economy, it is assumed that Buyer is a large private company with multiple shareholders.
- Has a board of directors and a chief executive officer (CEO) who may legally act on behalf of Buyer where permitted, even if this is not specifically required by law.
- Has a supervisory board (applicable to economies with a two-tier board system) on which 60% of the shareholder-elected members have been appointed by Mr. James, who is Buyer's controlling shareholder and a member of Buyer's board of directors.
- Has not adopted any bylaws or articles of association that differ from default minimum standards and does not follow any nonmandatory codes, principles, recommendations or guidelines relating to corporate governance.
- Is a manufacturing company with its own distribution network.

The transaction involves the following details:

- Mr. James owns 60% of Buyer and elected two directors to Buyer's five-member board.
- Mr. James also owns 90% of Seller, a company that operates a chain of retail hardware stores. Seller recently closed a large number of its stores.
- Mr. James proposes that Buyer purchase Seller's unused fleet of trucks to expand Buyer's distribution of its food products, a proposal to which Buyer agrees. The price is equal to 10% of Buyer's assets and is higher than the market value.
- The proposed transaction is part of the company's ordinary course of business and is not outside the authority of the company.
- Buyer enters into the transaction. All required approvals are obtained, and all required disclosures made (that is, the transaction is not fraudulent).
- The transaction causes damages to Buyer. Shareholders sue Mr. James and the other parties that approved the transaction.

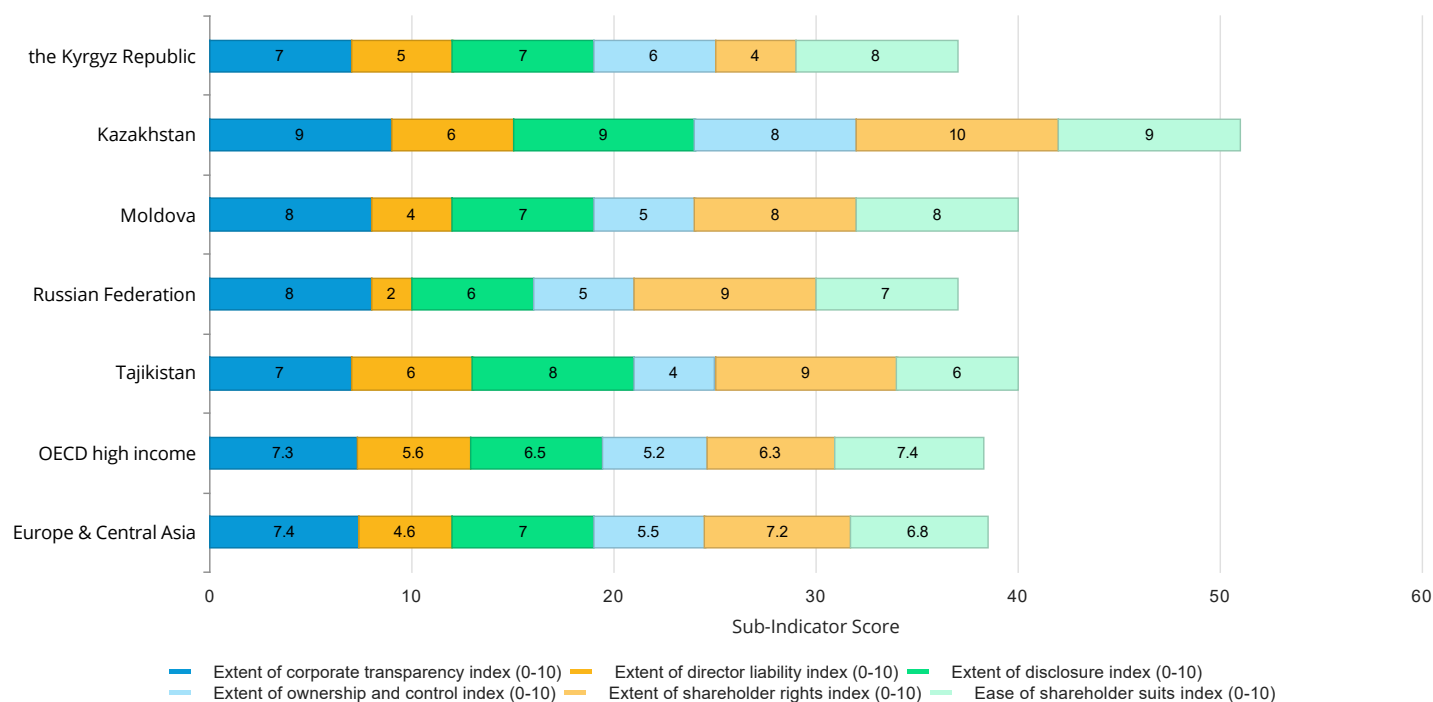
Indicator	Kyrgyz Republic	Europe & Central Asia	OECD high income	Overall Best Performer
Extent of conflict of interest regulation index (0-10)	6.7	6.3	6.4	9.3 (New Zealand)
Extent of shareholder governance index (0-10)	5.7	6.6	6.4	9.00 (Kazakhstan)

Figure – Protecting Minority Investors in Kyrgyz Republic and comparator economies – Ranking and DTF



Note: The ranking of economies on the strength of minority investor protections is determined by sorting their distance to frontier scores for protecting minority investors. These scores are the simple average of the distance to frontier scores for the extent of conflict of interest regulation index and the extent of shareholder governance index.

Figure – Protecting Minority Investors in Kyrgyz Republic and comparator economies – Measure of Quality



Details – Protecting Minority Investors in Kyrgyz Republic – Measure of Quality

	Answer	Score
Extent of conflict of interest regulation index (0-10)		6.7
Extent of disclosure index (0-10)		7
Which corporate body is legally sufficient to approve the Buyer-Seller transaction? (0-3)	Board of directors excluding interested members	2.0
Must an external body review the terms of the transaction before it takes place? (0-1)	Yes	1.0
Must Mr. James disclose his conflict of interest to the board of directors? (0-2)	Full disclosure of all material facts	2.0
Must Buyer disclose the transaction in published periodic filings (annual reports)? (0-2)	Disclosure on the transaction and on the conflict of interest	2.0
Must Buyer immediately disclose the transaction to the public and/or shareholders? (0-2)	No disclosure obligation	0.0
Extent of director liability index (0-10)		5
Can shareholders representing 10% of Buyer's share capital sue directly or derivatively for the damage the transaction caused to Buyer? (0-1)	Yes	1.0
Can shareholders hold the interested director liable for the damage the transaction caused to Buyer? (0-2)	Not liable	0.0
Can shareholders hold the other directors liable for the damage the transaction caused to Buyer (0-2)	Liable if negligent	1.0
Must Mr. James pay damages for the harm caused to Buyer upon a successful claim by shareholders? (0-1)	Yes	1.0
Must Mr. James repay profits made from the transaction upon a successful claim by shareholders? (0-1)	Yes	1.0
Is Mr. James disqualified or fined and imprisoned upon a successful claim by shareholders? (0-1)	No	0.0
Can a court void the transaction upon a successful claim by shareholders? (0-2)	Voidable if negligently concluded	1.0
Ease of shareholder suits index (0-10)		8
Before suing can shareholders representing 10% of Buyer's share capital inspect the transaction documents? (0-1)	Yes	1.0

Can the plaintiff obtain any documents from the defendant and witnesses at trial? (0-3)	Any relevant document	3.0
Can the plaintiff request categories of documents from the defendant without identifying specific ones? (0-1)	No	0.0
Can the plaintiff directly question the defendant and witnesses at trial? (0-2)	Yes	2.0
Is the level of proof required for civil suits lower than that of criminal cases? (0-1)	Yes	1.0
Can shareholder plaintiffs recover their legal expenses from the company? (0-2)	Yes if successful	1.0
Extent of shareholder governance index (0-10)		5.7
Extent of shareholder rights index (0-10)		4
Does the sale of 51% of Buyer's assets require shareholder approval?	Yes	1.0
Can shareholders representing 10% of Buyer's share capital call for a meeting of shareholders?	No	0.0
Must Buyer obtain its shareholders' approval every time it issues new shares?	Yes	1.0
Do shareholders automatically receive preemption rights every time Buyer issues new shares?	No	0.0
Must shareholders approve the election and dismissal of the external auditor?	No	0.0
Are changes to the rights of a class of shares only possible if the holders of the affected shares approve?	Yes	1.0
Assuming that Buyer is a limited company, does the sale of 51% of its assets require member approval?	No	0.0
Assuming that Buyer is a limited company, can members representing 10% call for a meeting of members?	No	0.0
Assuming that Buyer is a limited company, must all members consent to add a new member?	Yes	1.0
Assuming that Buyer is a limited company, must a member first offer to sell their interest to the existing members before they can sell to non-members?	No	0.0
Extent of ownership and control index (0-10)		6
Is it forbidden to appoint the same individual as CEO and chair of the board of directors?	Yes	1.0
Must the board of directors include independent and nonexecutive board members?	No	0.0
Can shareholders remove members of the board of directors without cause before the end of their term?	Yes	1.0
Must the board of directors include a separate audit committee exclusively comprising board members?	Yes	1.0
Must a potential acquirer make a tender offer to all shareholders upon acquiring 50% of Buyer?	Yes	1.0

Must Buyer pay declared dividends within a maximum period set by law?	Yes	1.0
Is a subsidiary prohibited from acquiring shares issued by its parent company?	No	0.0
Assuming that Buyer is a limited company, must Buyer have a mechanism to resolve disagreements among members?	Yes	1.0
Assuming that Buyer is a limited company, must a potential acquirer make a tender offer to all shareholders upon acquiring 50% of Buyer?	No	0.0
Assuming that Buyer is a limited company, must Buyer distribute profits within a maximum period set by law?	No	0.0
Extent of corporate transparency index (0-10)		7
Must Buyer disclose direct and indirect beneficial ownership stakes representing 5%?	Yes	1.0
Must Buyer disclose information about board members' primary employment and directorships in other companies?	Yes	1.0
Must Buyer disclose the compensation of individual managers?	Yes	1.0
Must a detailed notice of general meeting be sent 21 days before the meeting?	No	0.0
Can shareholders representing 5% of Buyer's share capital put items on the general meeting agenda?	Yes	1.0
Must Buyer's annual financial statements be audited by an external auditor?	Yes	1.0
Must Buyer disclose its audit reports to the public?	Yes	1.0
Assuming that Buyer is a limited company, must members meet at least once a year?	No	0.0
Assuming that Buyer is a limited company, can members representing 5% put items on the meeting agenda?	No	0.0
Assuming that Buyer is a limited company, must Buyer's annual financial statements be audited by an external auditor?	Yes	1.0

Paying Taxes

This topic records the taxes and mandatory contributions that a medium-size company must pay or withhold in a given year, as well as measures the administrative burden in paying taxes and contributions. The most recent round of data collection for the project was completed on June 30, 2017 covering for the Paying Taxes indicator calendar year 2016 (January 1, 2016 – December 31, 2016).

Last year (Doing Business 2017) the scope of data collection was expanded to better understand the overall tax environment in an economy. The questionnaire was expanded to include new questions on post-filing processes: VAT refund and tax audit. The data shows where postfiling processes and practices work efficiently and what drives the differences in the overall tax compliance cost across economies.

The new section covers both the legal framework and the administrative burden on businesses to comply with postfiling processes.

[See the methodology for more information.](#)

What the indicators measure

Tax payments for a manufacturing company in 2016 (number per year adjusted for electronic and joint filing and payment)

- Total number of taxes and contributions paid, including consumption taxes (value added tax, sales tax or goods and service tax)
- Method and frequency of filing and payment

Time required to comply with 3 major taxes (hours per year)

- Collecting information, computing tax payable
- Completing tax return, filing with agencies
- Arranging payment or withholding
- Preparing separate tax accounting books, if required

Total tax and contribution rate (% of profit before all taxes)

- Profit or corporate income tax
- Social contributions, labor taxes paid by employer
- Property and property transfer taxes
- Dividend, capital gains, financial transactions taxes
- Waste collection, vehicle, road and other taxes

Postfiling Index

- Time to comply with a VAT refund
- Time to receive a VAT refund
- Time to comply with a corporate income tax audit
- Time to complete a corporate income tax audit

Case study assumptions

Using a case scenario, Doing Business records taxes and mandatory contributions a medium size company must pay in a year, and measures the administrative burden of paying taxes, contributions and dealing with postfiling processes. Information is also compiled on frequency of filing and payments, time taken to comply with tax laws, time taken to comply with the requirements of postfiling processes and time waiting.

To make data comparable across economies, several assumptions are used:

- TaxpayerCo is a medium-size business that started operations on January 1, 2015. It produces ceramic flowerpots and sells them at retail. All taxes and contributions recorded are paid in the second year of operation (calendar year 2016). Taxes and mandatory contributions are measured at all levels of government.

The VAT refund process:

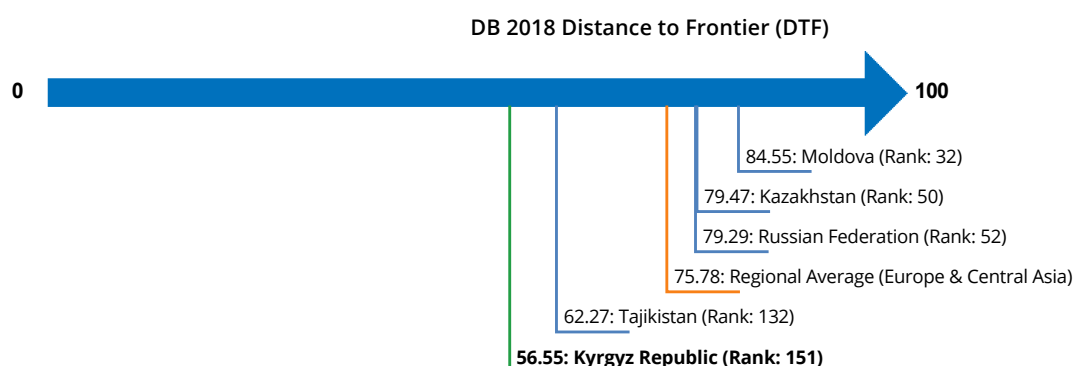
- In June 2016, TaxpayerCo. makes a large capital purchase: the value of the machine is 65 times income per capita of the economy. Sales are equally spread per month (1,050 times income per capita divided by 12) and cost of goods sold are equally expensed per month (875 times income per capita divided by 12). The machinery seller is registered for VAT and excess input VAT incurred in June will be fully recovered after four consecutive months if the VAT rate is the same for inputs, sales and the machine and the tax reporting period is every month. Input VAT will exceed Output VAT in June 2016.

The corporate income tax audit process:

- An error in calculation of income tax liability (for example, use of incorrect tax depreciation rates, or incorrectly treating an expense as tax deductible) leads to an incorrect income tax return and a corporate income tax underpayment. TaxpayerCo. discovered the error and voluntarily notified the tax authority. The value of the underpaid income tax liability is 5% of the corporate income tax liability due. TaxpayerCo. submits corrected information after the deadline for submitting the annual tax return, but within the tax assessment period.

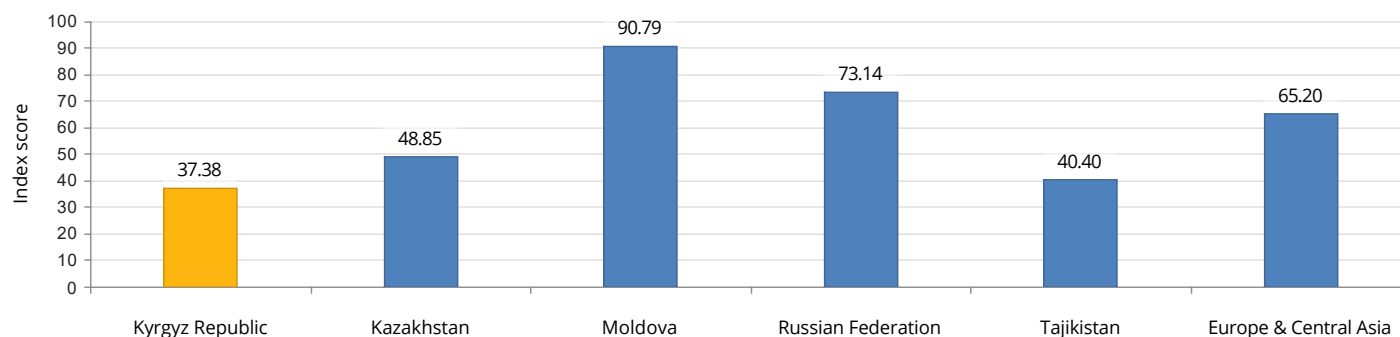
Indicator	Kyrgyz Republic	Europe & Central Asia	OECD high income	Overall Best Performer
Payments (number per year)	51	16.5	10.9	3 (Hong Kong SAR, China)
Time (hours per year)	225	218.4	160.7	50 (Estonia)
Total tax and contribution rate (% of profit)	29.0	33.1	40.1	18.47 (32 Economies)
Postfiling index (0-100)	37.38	65.20	83.45	99.38 (Estonia)

Figure – Paying Taxes in Kyrgyz Republic and comparator economies – Ranking and DTF



Note: The ranking of economies on the ease of paying taxes is determined by sorting their distance to frontier scores on the ease of paying taxes. These scores are the simple average of the distance to frontier scores for each of the four component indicators – number of tax payments, time, total tax rate and postfiling index – with a threshold and a nonlinear transformation applied to one of the component indicators, the total tax rate. The nonlinear distance to frontier for the total tax rate is equal to the distance to frontier for the total tax rate to the power of 0.8. The threshold is defined as the total tax rate at the 15th percentile of the overall distribution for all years included in the analysis up to and including Doing Business 2015, which is 26.1%. All economies with a total tax rate below this threshold receive the same score as the economy at the threshold.

Figure – Paying Taxes in Kyrgyz Republic and comparator economies – Measure of Quality



Details – Paying Taxes in Kyrgyz Republic

Tax or mandatory contribution	Payments (number)	Notes on Payments	Time (hours)	Statutory tax rate	Tax base	Total tax and contribution rate (% of profit)	Notes on TTR
Pension fund contributions	12.0		71.0	15%	gross salaries	16.92	
Corporate income tax	4.0		59.0	10%	taxable profit	6.42	
Tax on property (immovable)	4.0			KGS 14,000	taxable value of building	2.74	
Medical insurance and rehabilitation fund contributions	0.0	jointly		2.25%	gross salaries	2.54	
Interest tax	1.0			10%	interest income	0.26	
Land tax	4.0			KGS 2.9 per square meter	land area	0.05	
Tax on property (movable)	1.0			0.5%	book value of vehicles	0.04	
Sales tax	12.0			From 0% to 2%, dependent on (i) the type of payment (in cash or not), and the good is subject to VAT.	turnover	0.00	not included
Employee paid - Social security contributions	0.0	jointly		10%	gross salaries	0.00	withheld

Fuel tax	1.0		KGS 2.21 per liter	number of liters	0.00	
Value added tax (VAT)	12.0	95.0	12%	value added	0.00	not included
Totals	51	225			29.0	

Details – Paying Taxes in Kyrgyz Republic – Tax by Type

Taxes by type	Answer
Profit tax (% of profit)	6.4
Labor tax and contributions (% of profit)	19.5
Other taxes (% of profit)	3.1

Details – Paying Taxes in Kyrgyz Republic – Measure of Quality

	Answer	Score
Postfiling index (0-100)		37.38

VAT refunds

Does VAT exist?	Yes	
Does a VAT refund process exist per the case study?	No	
Restrictions on VAT refund process	Restricted to international traders	
Percentage of cases exposed to a VAT audit (%)	Not applicable	
Is there a mandatory carry forward period?	No	
Time to comply with VAT refund (hours)	No VAT refund per case study scenario	0
Time to obtain a VAT refund (weeks)	No VAT refund per case study scenario	0

Corporate income tax audits

Does corporate income tax exist?	Yes	
Percentage of cases exposed to a corporate income tax audit (%)	75% - 100%	
Time to comply with a corporate income tax audit (hours)	20.0	66.06

Time to complete a corporate income tax audit (weeks)

5.3

83.48

Notes: Names of taxes have been standardized. For instance income tax, profit tax, tax on company's income are all named corporate income tax in this table.

The hours for VAT include all the VAT and sales taxes applicable.

The hours for Social Security include all the hours for labor taxes and mandatory contributions in general.

The postfiling index is the average of the scores on time to comply with VAT refund, time to obtain a VAT refund, time to comply with a corporate income tax audit and time to complete a corporate income tax audit.

N/A = Not applicable.

Trading across Borders

Doing Business records the time and cost associated with the logistical process of exporting and importing goods. Doing Business measures the time and cost (excluding tariffs) associated with three sets of procedures—documentary compliance, border compliance and domestic transport—within the overall process of exporting or importing a shipment of goods. The most recent round of data collection for the project was completed in June 2017. [See the methodology for more information.](#)

Given the importance of trade digitalization, in Doing Business 2018, the Trading across Borders questionnaire included research questions on the availability and status of implementation of Electronic Data Interchange (EDI) and Single Window (SW) systems. With this information, Doing Business built a comprehensive dataset on the adoption and level of sophistication of electronic platforms in 190 economies. These data are not used to compute the distance to frontier score or ranking of the ease of doing business. The new dataset on EDI and SW systems is available [here](#).

What the indicators measure

Documentary compliance

- Obtaining, preparing and submitting documents during transport, clearance, inspections and port or border handling in origin economy
- Obtaining, preparing and submitting documents required by destination economy and any transit economies
- Covers all documents required by law and in practice, including electronic submissions of information

Border compliance

- Customs clearance and inspections
- Inspections by other agencies (if applied to more than 20% of shipments)
- Handling and inspections that take place at the economy's port or border

Domestic transport

- Loading or unloading of the shipment at the warehouse or port/border
- Transport between warehouse and port/border
- Traffic delays and road police checks while shipment is en route

Case study assumptions

To make the data comparable across economies, a few assumptions are made about the traded goods and the transactions:

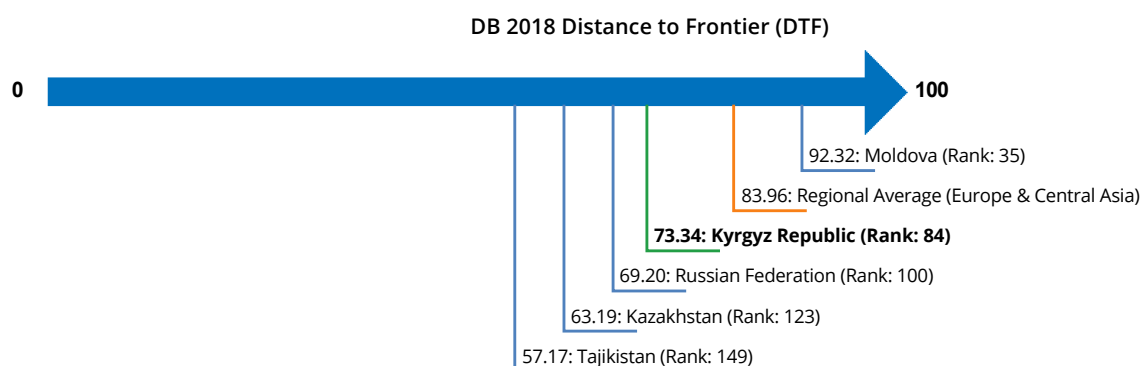
Time: Time is measured in hours, and 1 day is 24 hours (for example, 22 days are recorded as $22 \times 24 = 528$ hours). If customs clearance takes 7.5 hours, the data are recorded as is. Alternatively, suppose documents are submitted to a customs agency at 8:00a.m., are processed overnight and can be picked up at 8:00a.m. the next day. The time for customs clearance would be recorded as 24 hours because the actual procedure took 24 hours.

Cost: Insurance cost and informal payments for which no receipt is issued are excluded from the costs recorded. Costs are reported in U.S. dollars. Contributors are asked to convert local currency into U.S. dollars based on the exchange rate prevailing on the day they answer the questionnaire. Contributors are private sector experts in international trade logistics and are informed about exchange rates.

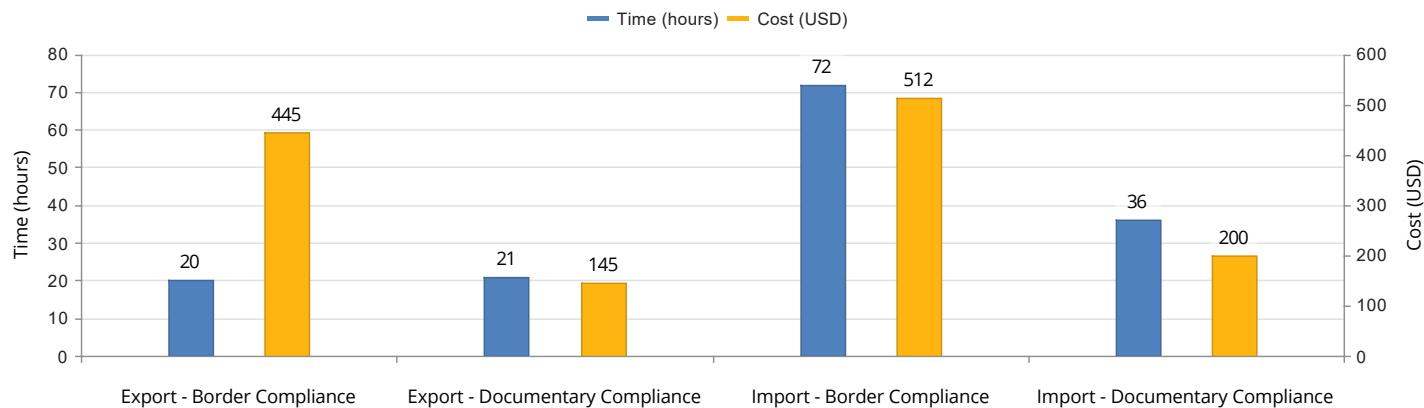
Assumptions of the case study: - For all 190 economies covered by Doing Business, it is assumed a shipment is in a warehouse in the largest business city of the exporting economy and travels to a warehouse in the largest business city of the importing economy. - It is assumed each economy imports 15 metric tons of containerized auto parts (HS 8708) from its natural import partner—the economy from which it imports the largest value (price times quantity) of auto parts. It is assumed each economy exports the product of its comparative advantage (defined by the largest export value) to its natural export partner—the economy that is the largest purchaser of this product. Shipment value is assumed to be \$50,000. - The mode of transport is the one most widely used for the chosen export or import product and the trading partner, as is the seaport, or land border crossing. - All electronic information submissions requested by any government agency in connection with the shipment are considered to be documents obtained, prepared and submitted during the export or import process. - A port or border is a place (seaport, airport or land border crossing) where merchandise can enter or leave an economy. - Relevant government agencies include customs, port authorities, road police, border guards, standardization agencies, ministries or departments of agriculture or industry, national security agencies and any other government authorities.

Indicator	Kyrgyz Republic	Europe & Central Asia	OECD high income	Overall Best Performer
Time to export: Border compliance (hours)	20	28.0	12.7	0 (17 Economies)
Cost to export: Border compliance (USD)	445	191.4	149.9	0.00 (19 Economies)
Time to export: Documentary compliance (hours)	21	27.9	2.4	1.0 (25 Economies)
Cost to export: Documentary compliance (USD)	145	113.8	35.4	0.00 (19 Economies)
Time to import: Border compliance (hours)	72	25.9	8.7	0.00 (21 Economies)
Cost to import: Border compliance (USD)	512	185.1	111.6	0.00 (27 Economies)
Time to import: Documentary compliance (hours)	36	27.3	3.5	1.0 (30 Economies)
Cost to import: Documentary compliance (USD)	200	94.7	25.6	0.00 (30 Economies)

Figure – Trading across Borders in Kyrgyz Republic and comparator economies – Ranking and DTF



Note: The ranking of economies on the ease of trading across borders is determined by sorting their distance to frontier scores for trading across borders. These scores are the simple average of the distance to frontier scores for the time and cost for documentary compliance and border compliance to export and import (domestic transport is not used for calculating the ranking).

Figure – Trading across Borders in Kyrgyz Republic – Time and Cost**Details – Trading across Borders in Kyrgyz Republic**

Characteristics	Export	Import
Product	HS 62 : Articles of apparel and clothing accessories, not knitted or crocheted	HS 8708: Parts and accessories of motor vehicles
Trade partner	Russian Federation	China
Border	Sypatai Batyr (Chaldybar) border crossing	Lugovaya (Kazakhstan) and Kara Balta (Kyrgyzstan) check points; Chaldybar border crossing
Distance (km)	90	90
Domestic transport time (hours)	5	5
Domestic transport cost (USD)	110	110

Details – Trading across Borders in Kyrgyz Republic – Components of Border Compliance

	Time to Complete (hours)	Associated Costs (USD)
Export: Clearance and inspections required by customs authorities	15.0	435.0
Export: Clearance and inspections required by agencies other than customs	2.0	10.0
Export: Port or border handling	3.0	0.0
Import: Clearance and inspections required by customs authorities	32.9	299.1
Import: Clearance and inspections required by agencies other than customs	3.1	12.4
Import: Port or border handling	36.0	200.0

Details – Trading across Borders in Kyrgyz Republic – Trade Documents

Export	Import
Certificate of conformity	Certificate of conformity
Certificate of origin	Certificate of origin
CMR	Customs import declaration
Commercial invoice	DKD-delivery control document
Contract for transportation	Document certifying cost of transportation
Customs export declaration	Document certifying payment of customs fees
Document certifying payment of customs fees	Invoice
Invoice	Invoice for transportation of the shipment
Packing list	Packing list
Power of attorney to freight forwarder	Sales and purchase contract
Sale-purchase agreement	Cargo handling receipts
Transit declaration	Transit declaration

Enforcing Contracts

The enforcing contracts indicator measures the time and cost for resolving a commercial dispute through a local first-instance court, and the quality of judicial processes index, evaluating whether each economy has adopted a series of good practices that promote quality and efficiency in the court system. The most recent round of data collection was completed in June 2017. [See the methodology for more information.](#)

What the indicators measure

Time required to enforce a contract through the courts (calendar days)

- Time to file and serve the case
- Time for trial and to obtain the judgment
- Time to enforce the judgment

Cost required to enforce a contract through the courts (% of claim)

- Attorney fees
- Court fees
- Enforcement fees

Quality of judicial processes index (0-18)

- Court structure and proceedings (-1-5)
- Case management (0-6)
- Court automation (0-4)
- Alternative dispute resolution (0-3)

Case study assumptions

The dispute in the case study involves the breach of a sales contract between 2 domestic businesses. The case study assumes that the court hears an expert on the quality of the goods in dispute. This distinguishes the case from simple debt enforcement.

To make the data comparable across economies, Doing Business uses several assumptions about the case:

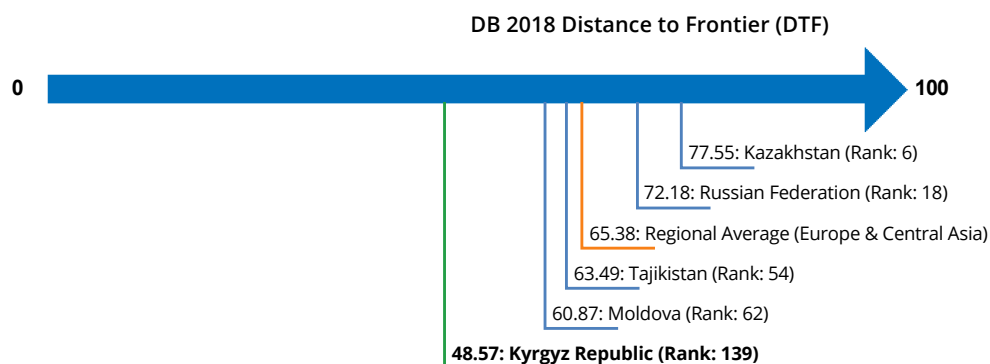
- The dispute concerns a lawful transaction between two businesses (Seller and Buyer), both located in the economy's largest business city. For 11 economies the data are also collected for the second largest business city.
- The buyer orders custom-made goods, then fails to pay.
- The value of the dispute is 200% of the income per capita or the equivalent in local currency of USD 5,000, whichever is greater.
- The seller sues the buyer before the court with jurisdiction over commercial cases worth 200% of income per capita or \$5,000.
- The seller requests a pretrial attachment to secure the claim.
- The dispute on the quality of the goods requires an expert opinion.
- The judge decides in favor of the seller; there is no appeal.
- The seller enforces the judgment through a public sale of the buyer's movable assets.

Standardized Case

Claim value	KGS 292,146.00
Court name	Bishkek Inter-District Court
City Covered	Bishkek

Indicator	Kyrgyz Republic	Europe & Central Asia	OECD high income	Overall Best Performer
Time (days)	410	489.9	577.8	164.00 (Singapore)
Cost (% of claim value)	47.0	26.2	21.5	9.00 (Iceland)
Quality of judicial processes index (0-18)	4.0	10.0	11.0	15.50 (Australia)

Figure – Enforcing Contracts in Kyrgyz Republic and comparator economies – Ranking and DTF



Note: The ranking of economies on the ease of enforcing contracts is determined by sorting their distance to frontier scores for enforcing contracts. These scores are the simple average of the distance to frontier scores for each of the component indicators.

Figure – Enforcing Contracts in Kyrgyz Republic – Time and Cost

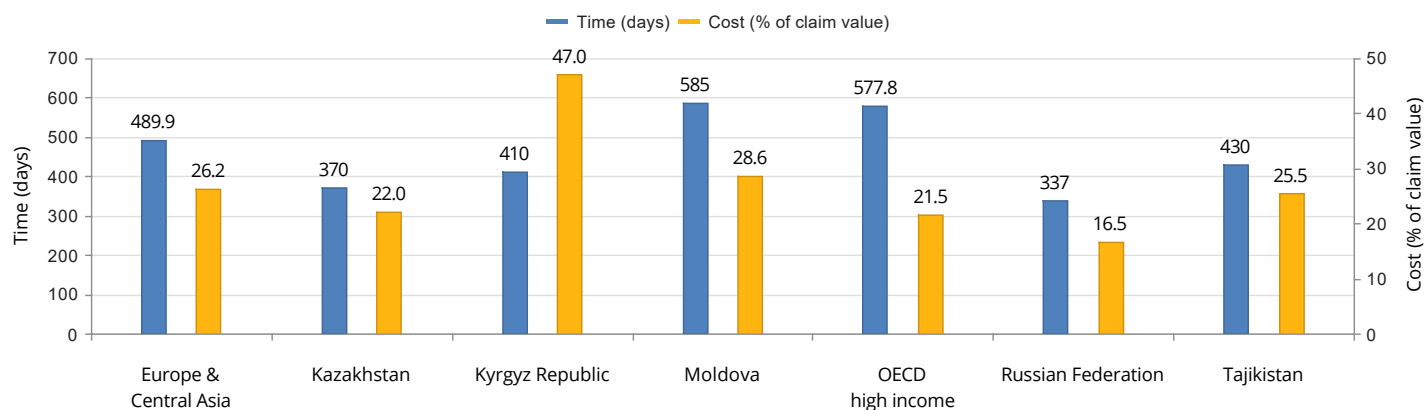
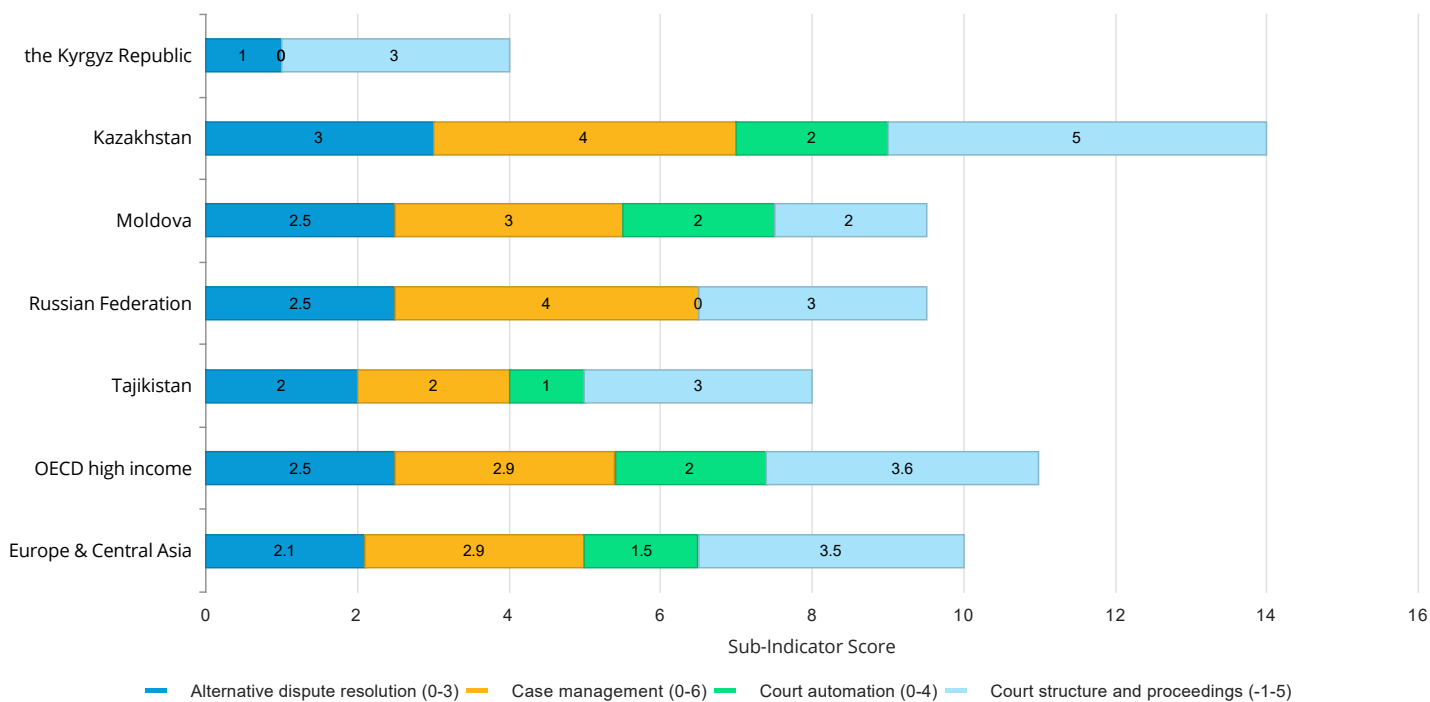


Figure – Enforcing Contracts in Kyrgyz Republic and comparator economies – Measure of Quality



Details – Enforcing Contracts in Kyrgyz Republic

	Indicator
Time (days)	410
Filing and service	20
Trial and judgment	240
Enforcement of judgment	150
Cost (% of claim value)	47.0
Attorney fees	22
Court fees	15
Enforcement fees	10
Quality of judicial processes index (0-18)	4.0
Court structure and proceedings (-1-5)	3.0
Case management (0-6)	0.0
Court automation (0-4)	0.0
Alternative dispute resolution (0-3)	1.0

Details – Enforcing Contracts in Kyrgyz Republic – Measure of Quality

	Answer	Score
Quality of judicial processes index (0-18)		4.0
Court structure and proceedings (-1-5)		3.0
1. Is there a court or division of a court dedicated solely to hearing commercial cases?	Yes	1.5
2. Small claims court		0.0
2.a. Is there a small claims court or a fast-track procedure for small claims?	No	
2.b. If yes, is self-representation allowed?	n.a.	
3. Is pretrial attachment available?	Yes	1.0
4. Are new cases assigned randomly to judges?	Yes, but manual	0.5
5. Does a woman's testimony carry the same evidentiary weight in court as a man's?	Yes	0.0
Case management (0-6)		0.0
1. Time standards		0.0
1.a. Are there laws setting overall time standards for key court events in a civil case?	Yes	
1.b. If yes, are the time standards set for at least three court events?	No	
1.c. Are these time standards respected in more than 50% of cases?	No	
2. Adjournments		0.0
2.a. Does the law regulate the maximum number of adjournments that can be granted?	No	
2.b. Are adjournments limited to unforeseen and exceptional circumstances?	No	
2.c. If rules on adjournments exist, are they respected in more than 50% of cases?	n.a.	
3. Can two of the following four reports be generated about the competent court: (i) time to disposition report; (ii) clearance rate report; (iii) age of pending cases report; and (iv) single case progress report?	No	0.0
4. Is a pretrial conference among the case management techniques used before the competent court?	No	0.0
5. Are there any electronic case management tools in place within the competent court for use by judges?	No	0.0
6. Are there any electronic case management tools in place within the competent court for use by lawyers?	No	0.0
Court automation (0-4)		0.0
1. Can the initial complaint be filed electronically through a dedicated platform within the competent court?	No	0.0

2. Is it possible to carry out service of process electronically for claims filed before the competent court?	No	0.0
3. Can court fees be paid electronically within the competent court?	No	0.0
4. Publication of judgments		0.0
4.a Are judgments rendered in commercial cases at all levels made available to the general public through publication in official gazettes, in newspapers or on the internet or court website?	No	
4.b. Are judgments rendered in commercial cases at the appellate and supreme court level made available to the general public through publication in official gazettes, in newspapers or on the internet or court website?	No	
Alternative dispute resolution (0-3)		1.0
1. Arbitration		0.5
1.a. Is domestic commercial arbitration governed by a consolidated law or consolidated chapter or section of the applicable code of civil procedure encompassing substantially all its aspects?	No	
1.b. Are there any commercial disputes—aside from those that deal with public order or public policy—that cannot be submitted to arbitration?	No	
1.c. Are valid arbitration clauses or agreements usually enforced by the courts?	No	
2. Mediation/Conciliation		0.5
2.a. Is voluntary mediation or conciliation available?	Yes	
2.b. Are mediation, conciliation or both governed by a consolidated law or consolidated chapter or section of the applicable code of civil procedure encompassing substantially all their aspects?	No	
2.c. Are there financial incentives for parties to attempt mediation or conciliation (i.e., if mediation or conciliation is successful, a refund of court filing fees, income tax credits or the like)?	No	

Resolving Insolvency

Doing Business studies the time, cost and outcome of insolvency proceedings involving domestic legal entities. These variables are used to calculate the recovery rate, which is recorded as cents on the dollar recovered by secured creditors through reorganization, liquidation or debt enforcement (foreclosure or receivership) proceedings. To determine the present value of the amount recovered by creditors, Doing Business uses the lending rates from the International Monetary Fund, supplemented with data from central banks and the Economist Intelligence Unit.

The most recent round of data collection for the project was completed in June 2017. [See the methodology for more information.](#)

What the indicators measure

Time required to recover debt (years)

- Measured in calendar years
- Appeals and requests for extension are included

Cost required to recover debt (% of debtor's estate)

- Measured as percentage of estate value
- Court fees
- Fees of insolvency administrators
- Lawyers' fees
- Assessors' and auctioneers' fees
- Other related fees

Outcome

- Whether business continues operating as a going concern or business assets are sold piecemeal

Recovery rate for creditors

- Measures the cents on the dollar recovered by secured creditors
- Outcome for the business (survival or not) determines the maximum value that can be recovered
- Official costs of the insolvency proceedings are deducted
- Depreciation of furniture is taken into account
- Present value of debt recovered

Strength of insolvency framework index (0- 16)

- Sum of the scores of four component indices:
- Commencement of proceedings index (0-3)
- Management of debtor's assets index (0-6)
- Reorganization proceedings index (0-3)
- Creditor participation index (0-4)

Case study assumptions

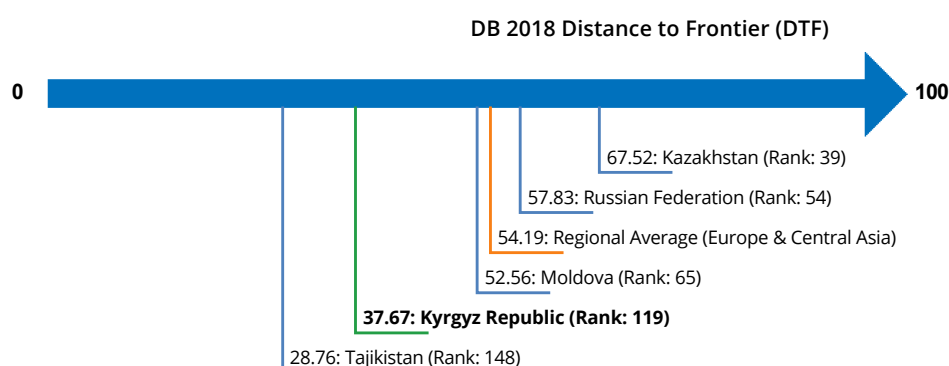
To make the data on the time, cost and outcome comparable across economies, several assumptions about the business and the case are used:

- A hotel located in the largest city (or cities) has 201 employees and 50 suppliers. The hotel experiences financial difficulties.
- The value of the hotel is 100% of the income per capita or the equivalent in local currency of USD 200,000, whichever is greater.
- The hotel has a loan from a domestic bank, secured by a mortgage over the hotel's real estate. The hotel cannot pay back the loan, but makes enough money to operate otherwise.

In addition, Doing Business evaluates the adequacy and integrity of the existing legal framework applicable to liquidation and reorganization proceedings through the strength of insolvency framework index. The index tests whether economies adopted internationally accepted good practices in four areas: commencement of proceedings, management of debtor's assets, reorganization proceedings and creditor participation.

Indicator	Kyrgyz Republic	Europe & Central Asia	OECD high income	Overall Best Performer
Recovery rate (cents on the dollar)	35.2	38.0	71.2	93.1 (Norway)
Time (years)	1.5	2.3	1.7	0.4 (Ireland)
Cost (% of estate)	15.0	13.1	9.1	1.00 (Norway)
Outcome (0 as piecemeal sale and 1 as going concern)	0
Strength of insolvency framework index (0-16)	6.0	10.8	12.1	15.00 (6 Economies)

Figure – Resolving Insolvency in Kyrgyz Republic and comparator economies – Ranking and DTF



Note: The ranking of economies on the ease of resolving insolvency is determined by sorting their distance to frontier scores for resolving insolvency. These scores are the simple average of the distance to frontier scores for the recovery rate and the strength of insolvency framework index.

Figure – Resolving Insolvency in Kyrgyz Republic – Time and Cost

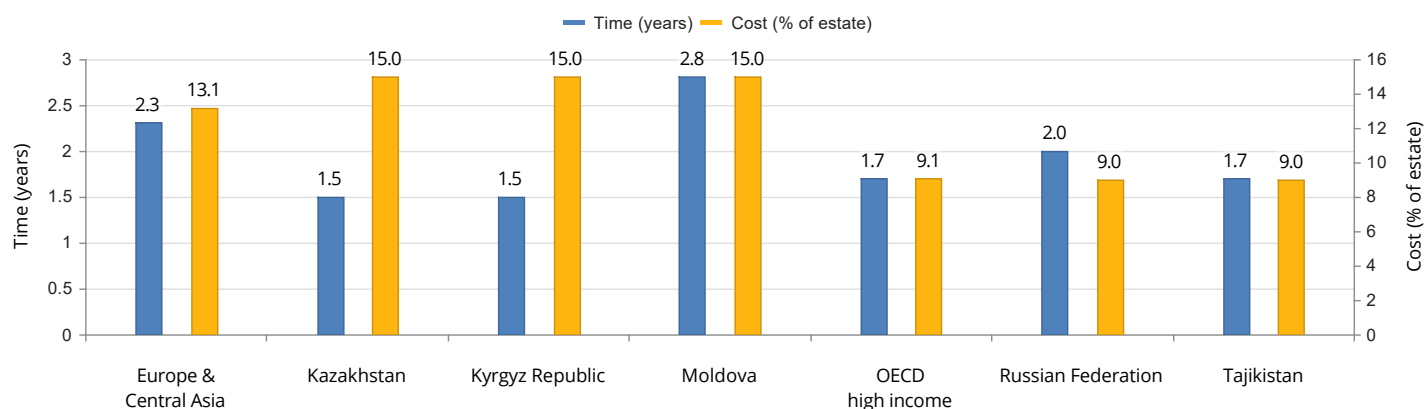


Figure – Resolving Insolvency in Kyrgyz Republic and comparator economies – Measure of Quality

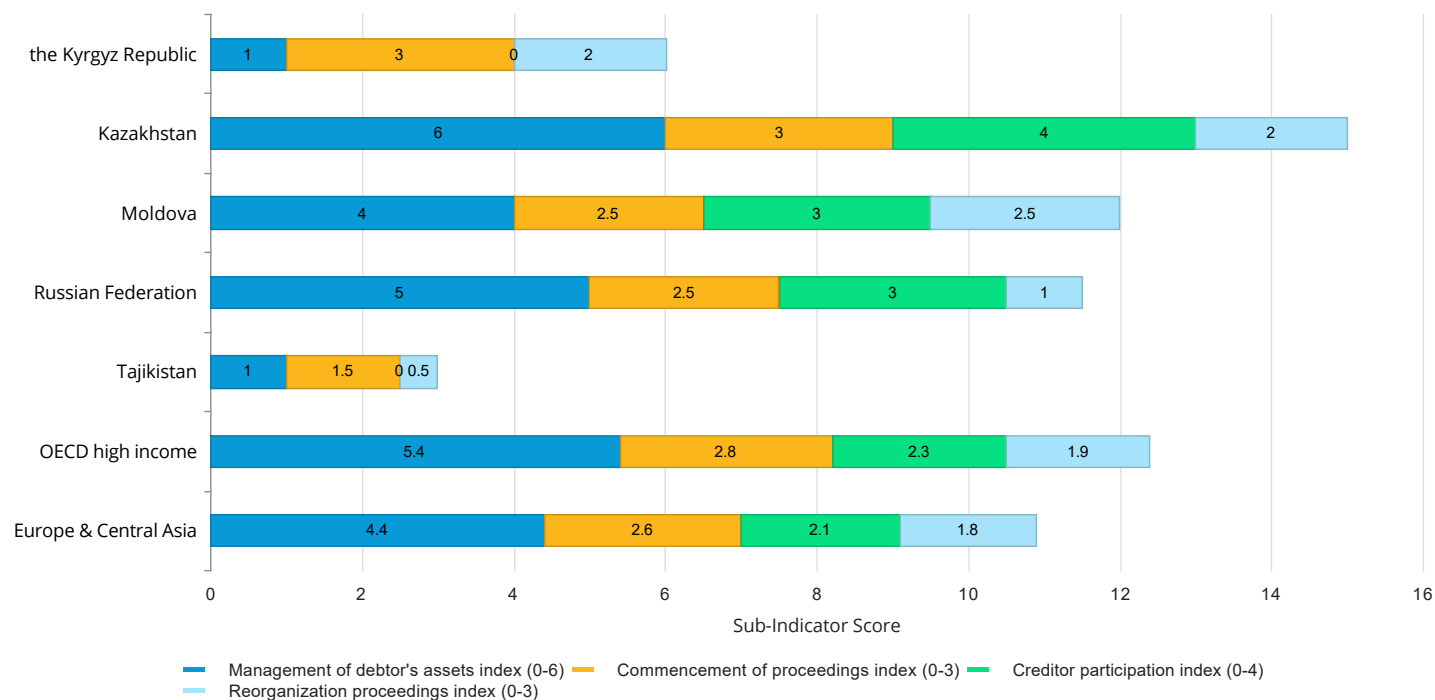
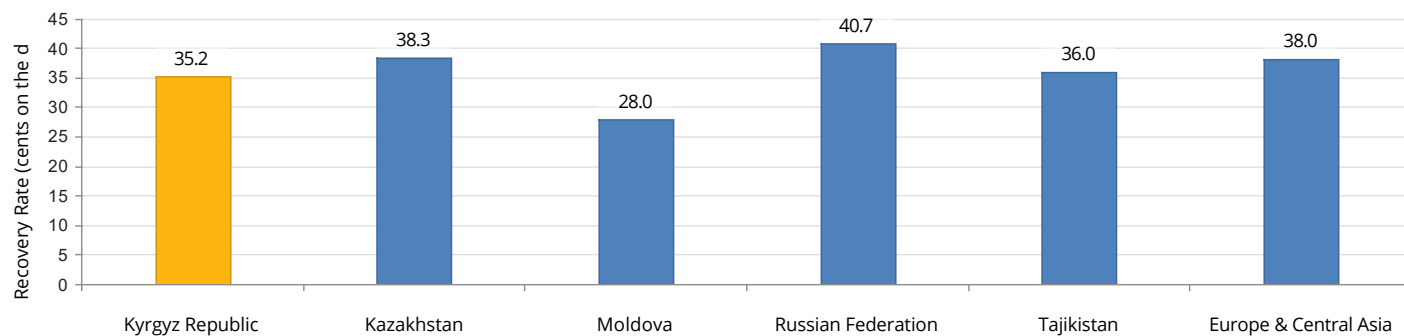


Figure – Resolving Insolvency in Kyrgyz Republic and comparator economies – Recovery Rate



Details – Resolving Insolvency in Kyrgyz Republic

Indicator	Answer	Explanation
Proceeding	foreclosure	Foreclosure (direct enforcement of security interest in court without commencement of collective bankruptcy proceedings) is the cheapest and most effective option for the Bank. In accordance with Article 334 of the Civil Code of the Kyrgyz Republic, enforcement of security interest to satisfy demands of the creditor may be carried out in case of non-performance or insufficient performance of the secured obligation by the debtor.
Outcome	piecemeal sale	Only companies undergoing reorganization procedure continue operating. In all other cases, the company stops operating, so the only option is to sell the assets piecemeal.
Time (in years)	1.5	According to the law it would take 2-3 months for submission of the claim to the court, court hearings and court decision. Also, according to the law it would take 30 days for submission of the appeal and court hearing in the 2nd instance. It would take around 6 months for the execution of the court ruling. With the consideration of the possible adjournments by the courts and difficulties in assets disposal, it takes up to 1.5 years to complete foreclosure proceedings.
Cost (% of estate)	15.0	Major expenses include attorneys' fees (around 5%), auctioneer's fee (around 5%), remuneration of other professionals involved in the foreclosure proceedings (around 5%), and court fees (0.5%).
Recovery rate (cents on the dollar)	35.2	

Details – Resolving Insolvency in Kyrgyz Republic – Measure of Quality

	Answer	Score
Strength of insolvency framework index (0-16)		6.0
Commencement of proceedings index (0-3)		3.0
What procedures are available to a DEBTOR when commencing insolvency proceedings?	(a) Debtor may file for both liquidation and reorganization	1.0
Does the insolvency framework allow a CREDITOR to file for insolvency of the debtor?	(a) Yes, a creditor may file for both liquidation and reorganization	1.0
What basis for commencement of the insolvency proceedings is allowed under the insolvency framework?	(c) Both (a) and (b) options are available, but only one of them needs to be complied with	1.0
Management of debtor's assets index (0-6)		1.0
Does the insolvency framework allow the continuation of contracts supplying essential goods and services to the debtor?	No	0.0
Does the insolvency framework allow the rejection by the debtor of overly burdensome contracts?	No	0.0
Does the insolvency framework allow avoidance of preferential transactions?	Yes	1.0
Does the insolvency framework allow avoidance of undervalued transactions?	No	0.0
Does the insolvency framework provide for the possibility of the debtor obtaining credit after commencement of insolvency proceedings?	No	0.0
Does the insolvency framework assign priority to post-commencement credit?	(c) No priority is assigned to post-commencement creditors	0.0
Reorganization proceedings index (0-3)		2.0
Which creditors vote on the proposed reorganization plan?	(b) Only creditors whose rights are affected by the proposed plan	1.0
Does the insolvency framework require that dissenting creditors in reorganization receive at least as much as what they would obtain in a liquidation?	Yes	1.0

Are the creditors divided into classes for the purposes of voting on the reorganization plan, does each class vote separately and are creditors in the same class treated equally?	No	0.0
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Creditor participation index (0-4)		0.0
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Does the insolvency framework require approval by the creditors for selection or appointment of the insolvency representative?	No	0.0
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Does the insolvency framework require approval by the creditors for sale of substantial assets of the debtor?	No	0.0
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Does the insolvency framework provide that a creditor has the right to request information from the insolvency representative?	No	0.0
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Does the insolvency framework provide that a creditor has the right to object to decisions accepting or rejecting creditors' claims?	No	0.0
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Note: Even if the economy's legal framework includes provisions related to insolvency proceedings (liquidation or reorganization), the economy receives 0 points for the strength of insolvency framework index, if time, cost and outcome indicators are recorded as "no practice".

Labor Market Regulation

Doing Business presents the data for the labor market regulation indicators in an annex. The report does not present rankings of economies on these indicators or include the topic in the aggregate distance to frontier score or ranking on the ease of doing business. Detailed data collected on labor market regulation are available on the Doing Business website (<http://www.doingbusiness.org/data/exploretopics/labor-market-regulation>).

The most recent round of data collection was completed in June 2017. [See the methodology for more information.](#)

What the indicators measure

Hiring

(i) whether fixed-term contracts are prohibited for permanent tasks; (ii) maximum cumulative duration of fixed-term contracts; (iii) length of the probationary period; (iv) minimum wage.

Working hours

(i) maximum number of working days allowed per week; (ii) premiums for work: at night, on a weekly rest day and overtime; (iii) whether there are restrictions on work at night, work on a weekly rest day and for overtime work; (iv) whether nonpregnant and nonnursing women can work same night hours as men; (v) length of paid annual leave.

Redundancy rules

(i) whether redundancy can be basis for terminating workers; (ii) whether employer needs to notify and/or get approval from third party to terminate 1 redundant worker and a group of 9 redundant workers; (iii) whether law requires employer to reassign or retrain a worker before making worker redundant; (iv) whether priority rules apply for redundancies and reemployment.

Redundancy cost

(i) notice period for redundancy dismissal; (ii) severance payments due when terminating a redundant worker.

Job quality

(i) whether law mandates equal remuneration for work of equal value and nondiscrimination based on gender in hiring; (ii) whether law mandates paid or unpaid maternity leave; (iii) length of paid maternity leave; (iv) whether employees on maternity leave receive 100% of wages; (v) availability of five fully paid days of sick leave a year; (vi) eligibility requirements for unemployment protection.

Case study assumptions

To make the data comparable across economies, several assumptions about the worker and the business are used.

The worker:

- Is a cashier in a supermarket or grocery store, age 19, with one year of work experience.
- Is a full-time employee.
- Is not a member of the labor union, unless membership is mandatory.

The business:

- Is a limited liability company (or the equivalent in the economy).
- Operates a supermarket or grocery store in the economy's largest business city. For 11 economies the data are also collected for the second largest business city.
- Has 60 employees.
- Is subject to collective bargaining agreements if such agreements cover more than 50% of the food retail sector and they apply even to firms that are not party to them.
- Abides by every law and regulation but does not grant workers more benefits than those mandated by law, regulation or (if applicable) collective bargaining agreements.

Details – Labor Market Regulation in Kyrgyz Republic

	Answer
Hiring	
Fixed-term contracts prohibited for permanent tasks?	Yes
Maximum length of a single fixed-term contract (months)	60.0
Maximum length of fixed-term contracts, including renewals (months)	60.0
Minimum wage applicable to the worker assumed in the case study (US\$/month)	17.4
Ratio of minimum wage to value added per worker	0.1
Maximum length of probationary period (months)	3.0
Working hours	
Standard workday	8.0
Maximum number of working days per week	6.0
Premium for night work (% of hourly pay)	50.0
Premium for work on weekly rest day (% of hourly pay)	100.0
Premium for overtime work (% of hourly pay)	50.0
Restrictions on night work?	No
Whether nonpregnant and nonnursing women can work the same night hours as men	Yes
Restrictions on weekly holiday?	No
Restrictions on overtime work?	No
Paid annual leave for a worker with 1 year of tenure (working days)	20.0
Paid annual leave for a worker with 5 years of tenure (working days)	20.0
Paid annual leave for a worker with 10 years of tenure (working days)	20.0
Paid annual leave (average for workers with 1, 5 and 10 years of tenure, in working days)	20.0
Redundancy rules	
Dismissal due to redundancy allowed by law?	Yes
Third-party notification if one worker is dismissed?	No
Third-party approval if one worker is dismissed?	No
Third-party notification if nine workers are dismissed?	No
Third-party approval if nine workers are dismissed?	No

Retraining or reassignment obligation before redundancy?	No
Priority rules for redundancies?	No
Priority rules for reemployment?	No
Redundancy cost	
Notice period for redundancy dismissal for a worker with 1 year of tenure	4.3
Notice period for redundancy dismissal for a worker with 5 years of tenure	4.3
Notice period for redundancy dismissal for a worker with 10 years of tenure	4.3
Notice period for redundancy dismissal (average for workers with 1, 5 and 10 years of tenure)	4.3
Severance pay for redundancy dismissal for a worker with 1 year of tenure	13.0
Severance pay for redundancy dismissal for a worker with 5 years of tenure	13.0
Severance pay for redundancy dismissal for a worker with 10 years of tenure	13.0
Severance pay for redundancy dismissal (average for workers with 1, 5 and 10 years of tenure)	13.0
Job quality	
Equal remuneration for work of equal value?	No
Gender nondiscrimination in hiring?	No
Paid or unpaid maternity leave mandated by law?	Yes
Minimum length of maternity leave (calendar days)?	126.0
Receive 100% of wages on maternity leave?	No
Five fully paid days of sick leave a year?	No
Unemployment protection after one year of employment?	Yes
Minimum contribution period for unemployment protection (months)?	12.0

Business Reforms in Kyrgyz Republic

In the year ending June 1, 2017, 119 economies implemented 264 total reforms across the different areas measured by Doing Business. Doing Business has recorded more than 2,900 regulatory reforms making it easier to do business since 2004. Reforms inspired by Doing Business have been implemented by economies in all regions. The following are the reforms for Kyrgyz Republic implemented since Doing Business 2008.

✓ = Doing Business reform making it easier to do business. ✕ = Change making it more difficult to do business.

DB2018

✕ **Registering Property:** The Kyrgyz Republic made property registration less transparent by no longer making official statistics on property transfers available to the public.

✓ **Getting Credit:** The Kyrgyz Republic strengthened access to credit by adopting two new decrees that establish a unified and modern collateral registry. The Kyrgyz Republic also improved its credit information system by adopting a new law on exchanging credit information.

DB2017

✓ **Trading across Borders:** The Kyrgyz Republic decreased time and cost for exporting by becoming a member of the Euroasian Economic Union.

DB2016

✓ **Registering Property:** The Kyrgyz Republic made transferring property easier by introducing an online procedure for obtaining the nonencumbrance certificates.

✓ **Getting Credit:** In the Kyrgyz Republic the credit bureau improved access to credit information by beginning to distribute both positive and negative credit information.

DB2012

✕ **Paying Taxes:** The Kyrgyz Republic made paying taxes costlier for firms by introducing a real estate tax, though it also reduced the sales tax rate.

DB2011

✓ **Starting a Business:** The Kyrgyz Republic eased business start-up by eliminating the requirement to have the signatures of company founders notarized.

✕ **Resolving Insolvency:** The Kyrgyz Republic streamlined insolvency proceedings and updated requirements for administrators, but new formalities added to prevent abuse of proceedings made closing a business more difficult.

DB2010

✓ **Starting a Business:** The Kyrgyz Republic made starting a business easier by eliminating the minimum capital requirement, reducing the registration time and abolishing certain postregistration fees as well as the need to open a bank account before registration.

✓ **Dealing with Construction Permits:** The Kyrgyz Republic made dealing with construction permits easier by streamlining the fee structure, introducing a risk-based system of approval and construction supervision, allowing low-risk projects to take responsibility for construction supervision and simplifying the process of obtaining utility connections.

✓ **Registering Property:** The Kyrgyz Republic made registering property easier by simplifying documentation requirements and making notarization optional.

✓ **Getting Credit:** The Kyrgyz Republic strengthened its secured transactions system through amendments to its civil code and pledge law making secured lending more flexible, allowing a general description of encumbered assets and of debts and obligations and providing for the automatic extension of a security right to proceeds of the original asset.

✓ **Paying Taxes:** The Kyrgyz Republic made paying taxes less costly for companies by reducing the rates of several taxes, including

the corporate income tax.

✓ **Trading across Borders:** The Kyrgyz Republic made trading across borders easier and less time consuming by eliminating some previously required documents and simplifying inspection procedures.

Labor Market Regulation: The Kyrgyz Republic eliminated the requirement for third-party notification for redundancy dismissals. In addition, it repealed the retraining or reassignment obligations and priority rules for reemployment that apply in cases of redundancy dismissals.

DB2009

✓ **Starting a Business:** The Kyrgyz Republic made starting a business easier by creating a one-stop shop that streamlined and simplified business registration processes and by eliminating other formalities.

✓ **Dealing with Construction Permits:** The Kyrgyz Republic made dealing with construction permits easier by introducing a one-stop shop for procedures relating to building permits, more strictly defining time limits for issuance of approvals and clarifying the responsibilities of construction authorities and local municipalities.

✓ **Protecting Minority Investors:** The Kyrgyz Republic strengthened investor protections by granting minority investors standing to undertake legal actions to protect their rights as shareholders, by requiring an independent assessment of related-party transactions before approval and by increasing remedies in cases of director negligence.

DB2008

✗ **Registering Property:** The Kyrgyz Republic made registering property more costly by increasing the registration fees.

✓ **Paying Taxes:** The Kyrgyz Republic made paying taxes less costly for companies by reducing the corporate income tax rate and abolishing social security contributions.

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