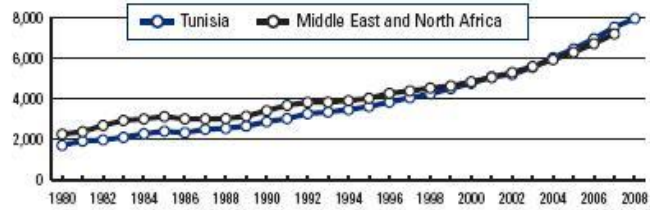


Tunisia

Key indicators

Population (millions), 2008.....	10.4
GDP (US\$ billions), 2008.....	40.3
GDP per capita (US\$), 2008.....	3,907.2
GDP (PPP) as share (%) of world total, 2008.....	0.12

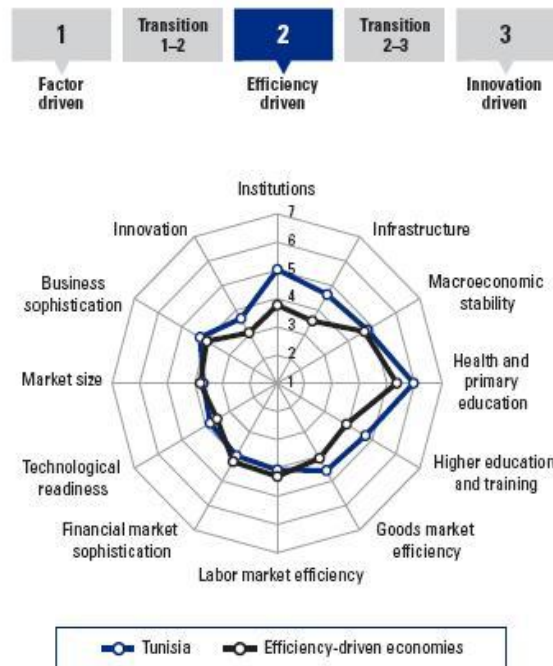
GDP (PPP int'l \$) per capita, 1980–2008



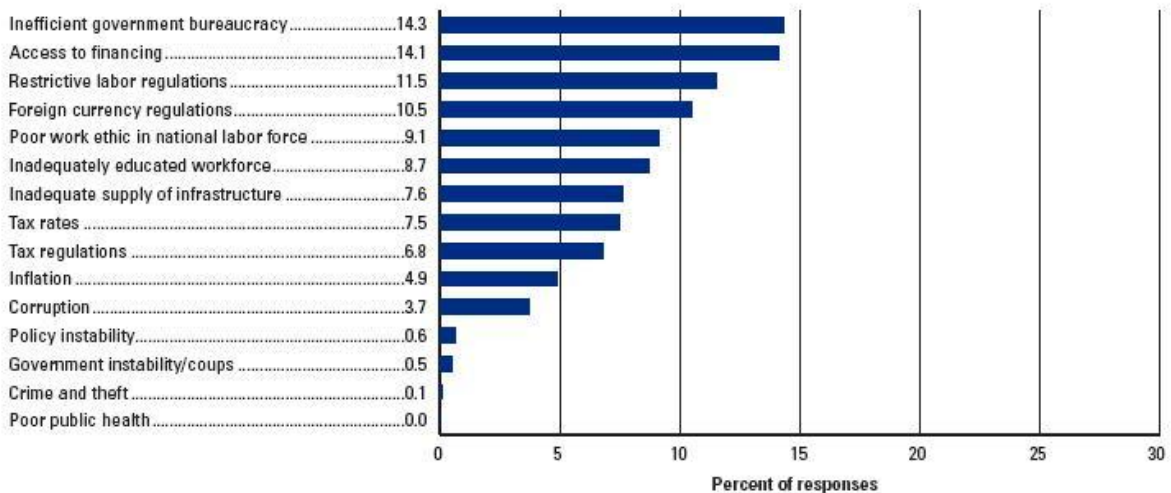
Global Competitiveness Index

	Rank (out of 133)	Score (1–7)
GCI 2009–2010	40	4.5
GCI 2008–2009 (out of 134).....	36	4.6
GCI 2007–2008 (out of 131).....	32	4.6
Basic requirements	35	5.1
1st pillar: Institutions.....	23	5.0
2nd pillar: Infrastructure.....	37	4.6
3rd pillar: Macroeconomic stability.....	55	4.8
4th pillar: Health and primary education.....	30	6.0
Efficiency enhancers	56	4.1
5th pillar: Higher education and training.....	32	4.7
6th pillar: Goods market efficiency.....	39	4.6
7th pillar: Labor market efficiency.....	98	4.1
8th pillar: Financial market sophistication.....	87	4.0
9th pillar: Technological readiness.....	55	3.8
10th pillar: Market size.....	66	3.7
Innovation and sophistication factors	45	3.9
11th pillar: Business sophistication.....	54	4.2
12th pillar: Innovation.....	38	3.6

Stage of development



The most problematic factors for doing business



Note: From a list of 15 factors, respondents were asked to select the five most problematic for doing business in their country/economy and to rank them between 1 (most problematic) and 5. The bars in the figure show the responses weighted according to their rankings.

The Global Competitiveness Index in detail

■ Competitive Advantage ■ Competitive Disadvantage

INDICATOR	RANK/133	INDICATOR	RANK/133
1st pillar: Institutions		6th pillar: Goods market efficiency	
1.01 Property rights	42 ■	6.01 Intensity of local competition	40 ■
1.02 Intellectual property protection	43 ■	6.02 Extent of market dominance	27 ■
1.03 Diversion of public funds	22 ■	6.03 Effectiveness of anti-monopoly policy	24 ■
1.04 Public trust of politicians	16 ■	6.04 Extent and effect of taxation	17 ■
1.05 Judicial independence	44 ■	6.05 Total tax rate*	108 ■
1.06 Favoritism in decisions of government officials	18 ■	6.06 No. of procedures required to start a business*	85 ■
1.07 Wastefulness of government spending	5 ■	6.07 Time required to start a business*	29 ■
1.08 Burden of government regulation	24 ■	6.08 Agricultural policy costs	8 ■
1.09 Efficiency of legal framework in settling disputes	23 ■	6.09 Prevalence of trade barriers	62 ■
1.10 Efficiency of legal framework in challenging regs	28 ■	6.10 Tariff barriers*	130 ■
1.11 Transparency of government policymaking	23 ■	6.11 Prevalence of foreign ownership	43 ■
1.12 Business costs of terrorism	43 ■	6.12 Business impact of rules on FDI	7 ■
1.13 Business costs of crime and violence	20 ■	6.13 Burden of customs procedures	55 ■
1.14 Organized crime	27 ■	6.14 Degree of customer orientation	48 ■
1.15 Reliability of police services	29 ■	6.15 Buyer sophistication	49 ■
1.16 Ethical behavior of firms	31 ■	7th pillar: Labor market efficiency	
1.17 Strength of auditing and reporting standards	62 ■	7.01 Cooperation in labor-employer relations	29 ■
1.18 Efficacy of corporate boards	54 ■	7.02 Flexibility of wage determination	118 ■
1.19 Protection of minority shareholders' interests	11 ■	7.03 Rigidity of employment*	108 ■
2nd pillar: Infrastructure		7.04 Hiring and firing practices	66 ■
2.01 Quality of overall infrastructure	35 ■	7.05 Firing costs*	28 ■
2.02 Quality of roads	39 ■	7.06 Pay and productivity	65 ■
2.03 Quality of railroad infrastructure	28 ■	7.07 Reliance on professional management	50 ■
2.04 Quality of port infrastructure	41 ■	7.08 Brain drain	48 ■
2.05 Quality of air transport infrastructure	30 ■	7.09 Female participation in labor force*	124 ■
2.06 Available seat kilometers*	71 ■	8th pillar: Financial market sophistication	
2.07 Quality of electricity supply	34 ■	8.01 Financial market sophistication	72 ■
2.08 Telephone lines*	81 ■	8.02 Financing through local equity market	43 ■
3rd pillar: Macroeconomic stability		8.03 Ease of access to loans	56 ■
3.01 Government surplus/deficit*	88 ■	8.04 Venture capital availability	36 ■
3.02 National savings rate*	69 ■	8.05 Restriction on capital flows	89 ■
3.03 Inflation*	37 ■	8.06 Strength of investor protection*	110 ■
3.04 Interest rate spread*	55 ■	8.07 Soundness of banks	76 ■
3.05 Government debt*	89 ■	8.08 Regulation of securities exchanges	43 ■
4th pillar: Health and primary education		8.09 Legal rights index*	98 ■
4.01 Business impact of malaria	1 ■	9th pillar: Technological readiness	
4.02 Malaria incidence*	1 ■	9.01 Availability of latest technologies	40 ■
4.03 Business impact of tuberculosis	39 ■	9.02 Firm-level technology absorption	38 ■
4.04 Tuberculosis incidence*	47 ■	9.03 Laws relating to ICT	34 ■
4.05 Business impact of HIV/AIDS	23 ■	9.04 FDI and technology transfer	25 ■
4.06 HIV prevalence*	15 ■	9.05 Mobile telephone subscriptions*	75 ■
4.07 Infant mortality*	70 ■	9.06 Internet users*	61 ■
4.08 Life expectancy*	53 ■	9.07 Personal computers*	72 ■
4.09 Quality of primary education	25 ■	9.08 Broadband Internet subscribers*	72 ■
4.10 Primary enrollment*	54 ■	10th pillar: Market size	
4.11 Education expenditure*	12 ■	10.01 Domestic market size index*	70 ■
5th pillar: Higher education and training		10.02 Foreign market size index*	65 ■
5.01 Secondary enrollment*	66 ■	11th pillar: Business sophistication	
5.02 Tertiary enrollment*	70 ■	11.01 Local supplier quantity	19 ■
5.03 Quality of the educational system	19 ■	11.02 Local supplier quality	59 ■
5.04 Quality of math and science education	7 ■	11.03 State of cluster development	75 ■
5.05 Quality of management schools	25 ■	11.04 Nature of competitive advantage	62 ■
5.06 Internet access in schools	46 ■	11.05 Value chain breadth	32 ■
5.07 Local availability of research and training services	33 ■	11.06 Control of international distribution	47 ■
5.08 Extent of staff training	31 ■	11.07 Production process sophistication	49 ■
		11.08 Extent of marketing	65 ■
		11.09 Willingness to delegate authority	80 ■
		12th pillar: Innovation	
		12.01 Capacity for innovation	51 ■
		12.02 Quality of scientific research institutions	49 ■
		12.03 Company spending on R&D	43 ■
		12.04 University-industry collaboration in R&D	52 ■
		12.05 Gov't procurement of advanced tech products	10 ■
		12.06 Availability of scientists and engineers	9 ■
		12.07 Utility patents*	76 ■

* Hard data

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