

Ghana and 4 other countries in Sub-Saharan Africa provide better personal safety & security than the BRIC countries

The Legatum Prosperity Index (LPI) 2014 assess levels of prosperity in 142 countries by combining 8 core sub-indices including safety and security, personal freedom, governance and economy (standardized scores from -5=Low to 5=High). Six of the 10 most improved countries on the LPI (2013 to 2014) are in Sub-Saharan Africa (SSA) and they include Kenya and Rwanda, both of which are more improved than India. In support of this result, the Economy Sub-Index also shows that SSA has 6 of the 10 most economically improved countries.

The Personal Freedom Sub-Index (PFSI) measures the performance and progress of nations in guaranteeing individual freedom and encouraging social tolerance. Benin (26) leads Africa and outranks Brazil (27) and Italy (63). Twelve other countries in SSA including Ghana (60) and Kenya (66) outrank India (78), China (117) and Russia (124) in the PFSI. On the Safety and Security Sub-Index, Africa's top five countries (Ghana (60), Djibouti (79), Burkina Faso (80), Namibia (82), Botswana (84)) outrank all BRIC (86,96,119,97) nations.

