

Starting a business is easier in Ghana or Rwanda than China or India

The Distance To Frontier (DTF) score measures the difference between an economy's score and the best score ever realized on the World Bank's Doing Business Report. Results presented in the 2016 report show that it takes fewer days and less procedures to register a business in Burundi (DTF score of 95%), Ghana (84%) and Rwanda (83%) than it does in China (78%) and India (72%). These three African countries are among others that offer a highly conducive regulatory environment for businesses and which are attractive to investors.

The extent to which minority investors are protected from exploitation is important as an indicator of good business practice. South Africa leads African countries in this category with a score of 72%, Nigeria (68%) and Mauritius (65%) come in second and third. These three African countries have better investor protection legislation than the United States (63%), Japan (63%) and Ghana (57%) among other developed economies.

