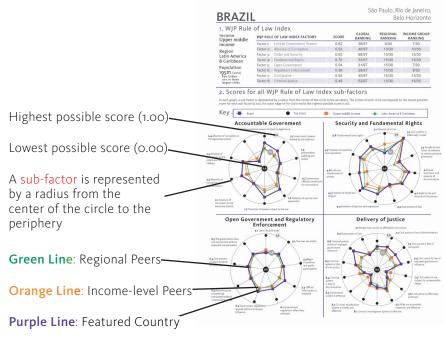
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# How to read the Country Profiles

Each country profile presents the featured country's scores for each of the WJP Rule of Law Index's factors and sub-factors, and draws comparisons between the scores of the featured country and the scores of other indexed countries that share regional and income level similarities. All variables used to score each of the eight independent factors are coded and rescaled to range between 0 and 1, where 1 signifies the highest score and 0 signifies the lowest score.

### SECTION 1—SCORES FOR THE RULE OF LAW FACTORS

The table in Section 1 displays the featured country's aggregate scores by factor and the country's rankings within its regional and income level groups.



# SECTION 2— DISAGGREGATED SCORES

Section 2 displays four graphs that show the country's disaggregated scores for each of the sub-factors that compose the WJP Rule of Law Index.

Each graph shows a circle that corresponds to one concept measured by the Index. Each sub-factor is represented by a radius running from the center of the circle to the periphery. The center of each circle corresponds to the lowest possible score for each sub-factor (0.00) and the outer edge of the circle marks the highest possible score for each sub-factor (1.00). Higher scores signify a higher adherence to the rule of law.

The country scores are shown in purple. The graphs also show the average scores

of all countries indexed within the region (in green) and all countries indexed with comparable per capita income levels (in orange). As a point of reference, the graphs also show the score achieved for each sub-factor by the top performer amongst all 97 countries indexed (in black). COUNTRY PROFILE | HOW TO READ THE COUNTRY PROFILES

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# UNITED STATES

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# New York, Los Angeles, Chicago

Income High income	WJP RULE OF LAW INDEX FACTORS		SCORE	GLOBAL RANKING	REGIONAL RANKING	INCOME GROUP RANKING
	Factor 1:	Limited Government Powers	0.77	17/97	12/16	17/29
Region Western Europe & North America Population 314m (2012) 82% Urban 13% in three	Factor 2:	Absence of Corruption	0.78	18/97	12/16	17/29
	Factor 3:	Order and Security	0.83	22/97	12/16	19/29
	Factor 4:	Fundamental Rights	0.73	25/97	14/16	22/29
	Factor 5:	Open Government	0.77	13/97	9/16	13/29
	Factor 6:	Regulatory Enforcement	0.70	19/97	11/16	17/29
	Factor 7:	Civil Justice	0.65	22/97	12/16	19/29
	Factor 8:	Criminal Justice	0.65	26/97	14/16	24/29
largest cities						

# 2. Scores for all WJP Rule of Law Index sub-factors

In each graph, a sub-factor is represented by a radius from the center of the circle to the periphery. The center of each circle corresponds to the lowest possible score for each sub-factor (0.00); the outer edge of the circle marks the highest possible score (1.00).

