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The IMD World Competitiveness Yearbook 2006 provides several customized rankings, whether global, by size, by wealth, by regions, etc. The Overall Competitiveness Scoreboard (excerpts below) is calculated by combining four factors of competitiveness: Economic Performance, Government Efficiency, Business Efficiency and Infrastructure.

THE TOP 20 (OUT OF 61)				SELECTED RANKING CHANGES			
SCORE 2006	COUNTRY	2005	2006	CHANGE	COUNTRY	2005	2006
100.0	USA	1	1	+12	China	31	19
96.9	Hong Kong	2	2	+10	India	39	29
91.0	Singapore	3	3	+ 5	Malaysia	28	23
90.2	Iceland	4	4	+ 4	Austria	17	13
86.0	Denmark	7	5	+ 4	Japan	21	17
82.5	Australia	9	6	+ 3	Mexico	56	53
81.7	Canada	5	7				
81.5	Switzerland	8	8	- 9	Korea	29	38
81.5	Luxembourg	10	9	- 6	New Zealand	16	22
80.9	Finland	6	10	- 5	France	30	35
80.6	Ireland	12	11	- 5	Thailand	27	32
79.7	Norway	15	12	- 5	Chile	19	24
79.3	Austria	17	13	- 3	Italy	53	56
77.0	Sweden	14	14				
75.9	Netherlands	13	15				
75.5	Bavaria	18	16				
74.2	Japan	21	17				
73.0	Taiwan	11	18				
71.5	China	31	19				
71.4	Estonia	26	20				

(NB: The Scores are actually indices (0 to 100) generated for the unique purpose of constructing charts and graphics.)