

Norway

Key indicators

Population (millions), 2007.....	4.7
GDP (PPP) per capita (int'l \$), 2007	53,152
Internet users per 100 population, 2007	80.9
Internet bandwidth (mB/s) per 10,000 population, 2005.....	93.1
Mobile telephone subscribers per 100 population, 2007....	110.5

Networked Readiness Index

Edition (number of economies)	Rank
2008–2009 (134)	8
2007–2008 (127)	10
2006–2007 (122)	10
Global Competitiveness Index 2008–2009 (134)	15

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Environment component	7
Market environment	19
1.01 Venture capital availability.....	2
1.02 Financial market sophistication	19
1.03 Availability of latest technologies	6
1.04 State of cluster development.....	20
1.05 Utility patents, 2007*	19
1.06 High-tech exports, 2006*	57
1.07 Burden of government regulation	49
1.08 Extent and effect of taxation.....	55
1.09 Total tax rate, 2007*	66
1.10 Time required to start a business, 2008*	25
1.11 No. of procedures required to start a business, 2008*	26
1.12 Intensity of local competition	21
1.13 Freedom of the press.....	5
1.14 Accessibility of digital content.....	10
Political and regulatory environment	6
2.01 Effectiveness of law-making bodies.....	4
2.02 Laws relating to ICT	7
2.03 Judicial independence	12
2.04 Intellectual property protection	12
2.05 Efficiency of legal framework.....	6
2.06 Property rights	9
2.07 Quality of competition in the ISP sector	5
2.08 Number of procedures to enforce a contract, 2008*	37
2.09 Time to enforce a contract, 2008*	18
Infrastructure environment	5
3.01 Number of telephone lines, 2007*	26
3.02 Secure Internet servers, 2007*	12
3.03 Electricity production, 2005*	1
3.04 Availability of scientists and engineers.....	18
3.05 Quality of scientific research institutions	22
3.06 Tertiary enrollment, 2006*	10
3.07 Education expenditure, 2006*	9

Readiness component

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Individual readiness

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4.01 Quality of math and science education	56
4.02 Quality of the educational system.....	11
4.03 Internet access in schools.....	20
4.04 Buyer sophistication	15
4.05 Residential telephone connection charge, 2006*	24
4.06 Residential monthly telephone subscription, 2006*	17
4.07 High-speed monthly broadband subscription, 2006*	9
4.08 Lowest cost of broadband, 2006*	16
4.09 Cost of mobile telephone call, 2005*	6

Business readiness

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5.01 Extent of staff training.....	7
5.02 Local availability of research and training services.....	18
5.03 Quality of management schools.....	22
5.04 Company spending on R&D	19
5.05 University-industry research collaboration	17
5.06 Business telephone connection charge, 2006*	24
5.07 Business monthly telephone subscription, 2006*	10
5.08 Local supplier quality	11
5.09 Local supplier quantity	22
5.10 Computer, comm., and other services imports, 2007*	60

Government readiness

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6.01 Government prioritization of ICT	14
6.02 Gov't procurement of advanced tech products	16
6.03 Importance of ICT to government vision of the future	16
6.04 E-Government Readiness Index, 2008*	3

Usage component

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Individual usage	8
7.01 Mobile telephone subscribers, 2007*	28
7.02 Personal computers, 2006*	15
7.03 Broadband Internet subscribers, 2007*	7
7.04 Internet users, 2007*	2
7.05 Internet bandwidth, 2005*	10

Business usage

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8.01 Prevalence of foreign technology licensing	5
8.02 Firm-level technology absorption	9
8.03 Capacity for innovation	13
8.04 Availability of new telephone lines	9
8.05 Extent of business Internet use	14

Government usage

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9.01 Government success in ICT promotion	15
9.02 Availability of government online services	11
9.03 ICT use and government efficiency	13
9.04 Presence of ICT in government offices	9
9.05 E-Participation Index, 2008*	16

* 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.