# Serving citizens scorecards

This chapter describes how OECD countries are performing in terms of access, responsiveness and quality of services, based on the OECD Serving Citizens Framework, which seeks to address the main determinants of satisfaction with services. The scorecards summarise key aspects of countries' services systems (access, responsiveness and quality) by displaying a subset of sector-specific measures from education, health and justice. They illustrate how the performance of public services can be compared, even when they are organised in different ways and address different aspects of societal and individual life. Although country rankings are provided, these are only calculated to compare indicators that differ in measurement units and the underlying phenomena they measure. As such, the scorecards do not provide a unified picture of which countries have the best overall services, nor should they be used for this purpose.

The Serving Citizens Scorecards were introduced in the 2017 Government at a Glance, and the indicators were selected by experts from the OECD on each subject. The criteria were: 1) adequacy (i.e. the indicator represents the concept being measured); 2) policy relevance; 3) data availability and coverage; and 4) data interpretability (i.e. no ambiguity that a higher/lower value means better/worse performance). The selected indicators intend to provide an overview of the relevant aspects for each service. For this reason, the choice of measures differs among services (e.g. school enrolment for education and health care coverage for health care are measures of access).

Table 14.1. The OECD Serving Citizens Framework

Access	Responsiveness	Quality
Health care coverage     Out-of-pocket payments as a share of total health spending     Percentage of people with unmet health care needs since the start of the pandemic     Private expenditure on education as a share of total spending on education (primary to tertiary)     Enrolment at age 3 and 4 in early childhood and pre-primary education     First-time tertiary enrolment rates under 25     People can access and afford civil justice	Courtesy and treatment  • Doctor often or always explains things in a way that is easy to understand	Effective delivery of services and outcomes     Primary care physician and medical specialist offices using electronic medical records     Diabetes hospital admission in adults     Thirty-day mortality after admission to hospital for ischaemic stroke     Five-year breast cancer survival rate     Mean PISA score in reading     Index of cognitive adaptability     Index of self-efficacy regarding global issues     Civil justice is effectively enforced     Civil justice is free from improper government influence     Criminal adjudication system is timely and effective     People do not resort to violence to redress personal grievances
Geographic proximity     People receiving telephone and online health care services since the start of the pandemic     Percentage of students who have access to a computer to do homework at home	Match of services to special needs  Young people (aged 15-29) years not in education, employment or training (NEET)  Schools where study help is provided (school staff' help and rooms)  Indexes of shortage of education staff and education material	Consistency in service delivery and outcomes  Share of students below level 2 proficiency in reading  Percentage of variance in reading score explained by socio-economic background
Access to information  Alternative dispute resolution mechanisms are accessible, impartial and effective	Timeliness  Same or next-day appointment with doctor or nurse the last time needed care  Median waiting time for cataract surgery from specialist assessment to treatment  Disposition time for first instance civil and commercial non-litigious cases  Disposition time for first instance civil and commercial litigious cases  Disposition time for first instance administrative cases	Security/Safety  • Effective control of crime

Note: The indicators in italics are included in the scorecards

#### Scorecard interpretation

Each scorecard focuses on one dimension of the framework (access, responsiveness or quality) and compares across services (education, health and justice). For each indicator, countries are classified into three groups: 1) green for values above (or below, depending on the indicator) a standard deviation from the mean; 2) red for values below (or above, depending on the indicator) a standard deviation from the mean; and 3) orange for values within one standard deviation of the mean.

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Additionally, each country is ranked among those countries for which data are available, so as to provide additional information on performance (the country with the best performance is ranked number 1). If several countries have the same value for an indicator, they are assigned the same rank.

When trend data are available, arrows indicate whether countries' absolute performance has improved ( $\uparrow$ ), declined ( $\downarrow$ ) or remained stable ( $\rightarrow$ ). Unless specified otherwise, the criterion for showing improvement or decline is a change of 1 percentage point (if the indicator is expressed as a percentage) or of 1%.

The last row of the scorecard indicates both the base year and the reference year for the comparison.

#### Access to services

Most OECD countries have achieved universal health care coverage, either through private or public insurance schemes. Coverage has remained stable among most top performers since 2014. In Greece, the last economic crisis meant around 30% of the population lost access to care, but by 2018 the country had once more achieved universal coverage after introducing remedial legislation in 2016 to secure funding for the system and restore universal coverage. In Lithuania health care coverage increased by 6 p.p. between 2014 and 2018. The National Health Insurance Fund provides coverage for all residents of the country, subject to confirmed insurance status, so the 2% of people who are not covered may be those who lost their employment and had not made the mandatory contributions to the health care system, or people living abroad registered as residents (OECD/European Observatory, 2019). On the other hand, Mexico has seen a reduction in health care coverage from 93% in 2014 to 88% in 2018, in line with declining spending on health as a proportion of GDP (OECD, 2021).

The range of services covered by health insurance schemes and the extent to which patients have to cover expenses from their own budgets vary across OECD countries. For example, in Mexico, given the limited coverage of health care, a large proportion of health expenditure comes from citizens' pockets. However, the share of out-of-pocket (OOP) expenditure on household consumption alone does not indicate whether citizens are benefiting from access to care. During the COVID-19 pandemic, a large proportion of citizens had to forego care due to lockdown restrictions and the lack of remote alternatives, such as telemedicine. For instance, in Germany OOP spending as a share of health expenditure is in line with the OECD mean, but a larger proportion of citizens than in other countries were able to keep their doctors' appointments.

Education systems across the OECD provide universal access to education for children of compulsory school age, which varies across countries. However, access to early childhood and tertiary education depends partially on public resources made available to finance them. For instance, in Colombia, a large share of expenditure on education from primary to tertiary level comes from private sources, which results in lower enrolment rates in early childhood and primary education among 4-year-olds, and in tertiary education for those under the age of 25. In other countries, such as Finland, where there is a tracking system in place (i.e. students are assigned to classes or types of secondary education curricula according to their achievements), the relationships between public funding and enrolment rates at the two ends of the education cycle are not linear.

The high share of private funding in some countries is due to grants and transfers to individuals or private institutions. For example, the United Kingdom has achieved 100% enrolment in early childhood education because every 4-year-old is entitled to 15 hours of free care whether in public or private institutions. Chile introduced a law in 2018 that established tertiary education as a right that should be accessible for everyone without discrimination. In order to implement this law, universities can request financing from the government to provide free tertiary education, but they are not obliged to do so. Chile has achieved the highest enrolment rate under the age of 25 in the OECD. Chile's first-time tertiary enrolment rate under the age of 25 has also increased between 2013 and 2018.

In order to access justice, individuals must be aware of their rights and of the mechanisms in place to resolve their disputes, and be able to afford the costs that the process entails. Civil justice in Denmark, Germany, and the Netherlands are the most affordable and accessible for citizens, according to data from World Justice Project (WJP). Alternative dispute resolution (ADR) is a way of settling disputes outside of the courtroom. The WJP expert survey asks about the integrity of arbitrators, the costs and timeliness of ADRs, and the enforcement of settlements in commercial cases. According to these data, ADRs in Estonia, Japan, Korea and Norway are the most accessible, impartial and effective.

### Responsiveness of services

Communication between health care providers and patients helps to improve patients' involvement in their own health, by allowing them to make informed decisions about the care that they receive. While a majority of patients in OECD countries with available information reported that their doctor always or often explains things in a way that they can understand, in Australia and New Zealand virtually all patients report that they experience this with their doctors.

Long waiting times can worsen patients' symptoms and reduce their satisfaction with health care. In the majority of countries with available information, the share of citizens who were not able to get an appointment on the same or the next day the last time they needed care increased between 2016 and 2020. Germany was the only country which improved

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over that period, and was also the best-performing country. Some countries, like Sweden, are better at providing prompt elective surgery (such as cataract operations) than they are at providing next-day appointments with general practitioners. In others, like Australia, the opposite is true.

Responsive education systems are those that manage to keep students in education until they have acquired the necessary skills to thrive in the labour market. Across the OECD, the age when compulsory education ends ranges from 16 in Colombia to 19 in Iceland and Switzerland. Consequently, these latter countries, along with Luxembourg, the Netherlands and Sweden, have the smallest share of 15-29 year-olds who are not in employment, education or training (NEET), although the situation is improving in almost all countries. What most of these countries have in common is that they make efforts to ensure that all students can access the necessary resources to learn. School principals report that these countries supply the material resources (from infrastructure to textbooks) needed to provide instruction and, in the case of Sweden, school staff help students with their homework if necessary. In contrast, the school system in Chile is not very responsive to students' needs: despite having the highest enrolment rates in tertiary education, it has one of the highest NEET rates.

Delays in resolving judicial cases can cause plaintiffs to drop their cases, incur unnecessary costs, or dissuade them from pursuing a legal route to solve future issues. The time needed to resolve a case depends on factors including the procedures followed to allocate and solve cases, the complexity of the case, the number of staff working for the judiciary system, the number of incoming cases, and the use of technology to reduce administrative work. Among the countries for which data are available, Hungary, Lithuania and the Netherlands take the least amount of time to resolve cases in first instance courts for civil and commercial (litigious and non-litigious) cases and administrative cases.

### **Quality of services**

The provision of public services is aimed at improving citizens' quality of life and wellbeing in various areas. For example, health systems are responsible for protecting them from ill health and the judicial system has a significant role in ensuring the rule of law and the respect for human rights, making citizens feel safe. School systems are responsible for equipping students with the knowledge, skills and tools they need for their lifelong development.

The health system is responsible for preventing health problems and addressing acute or chronic health problems when they arise (i.e. treatment). For example, diabetes is a chronic condition that has well-established treatments, most of which can be delivered at the primary care level, in order to prevent unnecessary hospitalisations. Other conditions, such as ischaemic stroke and breast cancer can be treated once detected. Japan's health care system is effective in treating stroke and breast cancer, and its 30-day mortality rate following stroke hospitalisation has improved between 2007 and 2017. Other countries, such as Lithuania and Poland, are less effective in both preventing and treating health problems, although the situation is improving. Some countries, such as Korea, perform better in some of these indicators than others.

The best-performing education systems are those that combine quality and equity: Canada and Estonia have the best overall performance in Programme for International Student Assessment (PISA) reading but also the smallest share of students below proficiency level 2, and the least variation in scores explained by student's socio-economic background. In contrast, the Slovak Republic has one of the worst performances in all of these indicators.

In terms of the judicial system, the WJP compiles data on the enforcement of the law around the world by asking experts and the general population how likely individuals are to pursue self-administered justice by resorting to violence to redress grievances, how likely the government is to influence a judge in a lawsuit against the state and how likely court decisions are to be enforced. In Denmark and Norway, justice systems are effective and impartial, and people resolve their disputes in a pacific manner.

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#### Scorecard 1. Access to services



Performance one standard deviation above (below) the mean.

Performance within one standard deviation from the mean.

Performance one standard deviation below (above) the mean.

Countries are listed in alphabetical order. The number in the cell indicates the position of each country among all countries for which data are available. Arrows indicate whether absolute performance has improved  $(\uparrow)$ , declined  $(\downarrow)$  or remained stable  $(\rightarrow)$ .

			Health o	are				Educ	Justice						
	Healti cove		Out-of-pocket expenditure as a share of total health spending		Unmet care needs during COVID-19	Private expenditure on education (primary to tertiary)		Enrolment rate at age 4 (in early childhood and primary education)		enrolme	e tertiary ent rates er 25	access a	le can nd afford ustice	Alternative dispute resolutic mechanisms are accessible, impartial and effective	
Australia	1	$\rightarrow$	19	<b>↑</b>	n.a.	34	<b>\</b>	24	<b>↑</b>	n.	n.a.		<b>↑</b>	11	$\rightarrow$
Austria	2	$\rightarrow$	20	$\rightarrow$	4	7	<b>\</b>	15	1	15	$\rightarrow$	9	1	23	$\rightarrow$
Belgium	3	$\rightarrow$	23	$\rightarrow$	16	8	$\rightarrow$	4	$\rightarrow$	7	1	7	1	10	$\rightarrow$
Canada	1	$\rightarrow$	14	$\rightarrow$	n.a.	26	$\rightarrow$	n	a.	n.a.		23	<b>↑</b>	20	$\rightarrow$
Chile	9	$\rightarrow$	34	<b>↑</b>	n.a.	35	1	27	<b>↑</b>	1	1	16 ↓		21	$\rightarrow$
Colombia	6	$\downarrow$	15	<b>↑</b>	n.a.	31	1	30	1	26	1	24	1	25	$\rightarrow$
Czech Republic	1	$\rightarrow$	12	$\rightarrow$	8	12	1	23	1	13	$\downarrow$	18	$\rightarrow$	9	$\rightarrow$
Denmark	1	$\rightarrow$	10	$\rightarrow$	3	2	1	2	1	12	$\downarrow$	3	1	5	$\rightarrow$
Estonia	8	$\rightarrow$	28	$\downarrow$	7	9	$\rightarrow$	20	$\rightarrow$	22	1	8	1	2	$\rightarrow$
Finland	1	$\rightarrow$	21	$\rightarrow$	2	1	$\rightarrow$	28	1	20	1	13	1	17	$\rightarrow$
France	2	$\rightarrow$	1	$\rightarrow$	9	16	$\rightarrow$	1	$\rightarrow$	n.	a.	17	1	6	$\rightarrow$
Germany	2	$\rightarrow$	7	$\rightarrow$	1	17	$\rightarrow$	11	<b>\</b>	17	$\rightarrow$	2	1	8	$\rightarrow$
Greece	1	1	35	$\rightarrow$	6	n.	a.	n.a	1.	n.	a.	19	1	22	$\rightarrow$
Hungary	10	$\downarrow$	29	<b>↑</b>	21	19	<b>↑</b>	10	1	n.	a.	26	1	28	$\rightarrow$
Iceland	1	$\rightarrow$	16	<b>↑</b>	n.a.	6	$\rightarrow$	7	$\rightarrow$	21	<b>\</b>	n.a.		n.a.	
Ireland	1	$\rightarrow$	6	<b>↑</b>	10	20	<b>\</b>	1	1	n.	a.	n.a.		n.a.	
Israel	1	$\rightarrow$	25	<b>↑</b>	n.a.	25	<b>↑</b>	3	$\downarrow$	n.	a.	n.a.		n.a.	
Italy	1	$\rightarrow$	27	$\downarrow$	15	14	$\downarrow$	13	$\downarrow$	16	<b>↑</b>	21	<b>↑</b>	26	$\rightarrow$
Japan	1	$\rightarrow$	8	$\rightarrow$	n.a.	30	<b>+</b>	9	$\rightarrow$	n.	a.	10	1	3	$\rightarrow$
Korea	1	$\rightarrow$	33	<b>↑</b>	n.a.	29	1	16		n.	.a.	15	$\downarrow$	4	$\rightarrow$
Latvia	1	1	36	$\rightarrow$	18	13	$\downarrow$	17	1	n.	a.	n.	a.	n.a.	
Lithuania	5	1	32	$\rightarrow$	20	15	$\rightarrow$	26		6	<b>1</b>		a.	n.a.	
Luxembourg	n.	a.	2	$\rightarrow$	12	4		8	$\downarrow$	27	<b>+</b>	n.	a.	n.a.	
Mexico	13	<b>\</b>	37	$\rightarrow$	n.a.	22	<b>↑</b>	22	1	18	1	29	<b>\</b>	29	$\rightarrow$
Netherlands	2	$\rightarrow$	3	$\rightarrow$	11	23	$\rightarrow$	12	$\downarrow$	11	1	1	$\rightarrow$	7	$\rightarrow$
New Zealand	1	$\rightarrow$	9	$\rightarrow$	n.a.	28	$\rightarrow$	18	<b>+</b>	14	<b>+</b>	6	$\rightarrow$	14	$\rightarrow$
Norway	1	$\rightarrow$	13	$\rightarrow$	n.a.	3	<b>\</b>	6	$\rightarrow$	8	1	12	1	1	$\rightarrow$
Poland	11	1	24	<b>↑</b>	17	11	$\rightarrow$	25	1	3	<b>+</b>	20	$\rightarrow$	18	$\rightarrow$
Portugal	1	$\rightarrow$	31	$\downarrow$	19	21	1	19	<b>↑</b>	9	$\rightarrow$	14	1	12	$\rightarrow$
Slovak Republic	7	$\rightarrow$	22	$\rightarrow$	5	18	1	29	1	24	$\downarrow$	n.	a.	n.	a.
Slovenia	1	$\rightarrow$	5	<b>↑</b>	14	10	$\rightarrow$	21	1	4	<b>+</b>	11	<u></u>	19	$\rightarrow$
Spain	1	$\rightarrow$	26	$\rightarrow$	15	24	<b>+</b>	5	$\rightarrow$	5	1	5	<u> </u>	13	$\rightarrow$
Sweden	1	$\rightarrow$	11	<u> </u>	13	5	$\rightarrow$	14	$\rightarrow$	23	<u> </u>	4	1	15	$\rightarrow$
Switzerland	1	$\rightarrow$	30	<del>-</del>	n.a.	n.a.		32	1	25 ↑		n.	a.	n.a.	
Turkey	4	$\rightarrow$	18	$\rightarrow$	n.a.	27	<u></u>	33	1	2			<b></b>	27	$\rightarrow$
United Kingdom	1	$\rightarrow$	17	<del>\</del>	n.a.	33	<b>+</b>	1	1	10	<u> </u>	25 27	<del> </del>	16	$\rightarrow$
United States	12	1	4	$\rightarrow$	n.a.	32	$\rightarrow$	31	<b>↑</b>	19	<b>+</b>	28	<u> </u>	24	$\rightarrow$
Year	2018	2014	2018	2014	2020	2017	2013	2017	2013	2018	2013	2020	2016	2020	2016

Note: Countries are listed in alphabetical order. The number in the cell indicates the position of each country among all countries for which data are available. For health care coverage countries were clustered as follows: green, 95-100% health care coverage; orange, 90-95% coverage; and red, less than 90% coverage. Data on health care coverage for Japan and the Slovak Republic are for 2017 instead of 2018. Data for Greece are for 2015 instead of 2014. Unmet care needs during COVID-19 refers to the proportion of people who reported that they forewent health care appointments or treatment since the start of the pandemic. In Australia, New Zealand, the United Kingdom and the United States, the high share of private expenditure on education is associated with a large share of students receiving loans and scholarships. Data for private expenditure on education for Greece are from 2015. For access and affordability of civil justice and alternative dispute resolution mechanisms indicators, improvement (decline) entails an increase (decrease) of 0.1 points in the index. Details on data for other indicators are provided in the corresponding sections

Countries are ranked in ascending order, except in OOP expenditure as a share of total health spending, unmet care needs during COVID-19, and private expenditures on education, for which they are ranked in descending order.

Source: OECD (2020), OECD Health Statistics (database); Eurofound (2020), Living, Working and COVID-19; OECD (2020) Education at a Glance (database); World Justice Project (2020) Rule of Law Index 2020.

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### Scorecard 2. Responsiveness of services



Performance one standard deviation above (below) the mean.

Performance within one standard deviation from the mean.

Performance one standard deviation below (above) the mean.

Countries are listed in alphabetical order. The number in the cell indicates the position of each country among all countries for which data are available. Arrows indicate whether absolute performance has improved  $(\uparrow)$ , declined  $(\downarrow)$  or remained stable  $(\rightarrow)$ .

		Health	n care					Educ	ation		Justice						
	Doctor often or always explains things in a way that is easy to understand	Got same or next-day appointment with doctor last time needed care		or next-day appointment waiting with doctor last time Med		NEET aged 15-29 years		Index of shortage of educational material		School staff help students with homework		Disposition time for civil and commercial litigious cases		Disposition time for civil and commercial non-litigious cases		Disposition time for administrativ cases	
Australia	1	3 ↓		11 1		14	1	3	$\rightarrow$	3	<b>↑</b>	n.	a.	n.	a.	n.	.a.
Austria	n.a.	n.	a.	n	.a.	8	1	16	<b>+</b>	35	1	5	<b>\</b>	7	<b>↑</b>	19	
Belgium	n.a.	n.	a.	n	n.a.		1	20	1	19	1	n.	a.	n.	a.	14	1
Canada	4	9	<b>+</b>	7	<b>+</b>	21	1	2	$\rightarrow$	5	1	n.	a.	n.	a.	n.	.a.
Chile	n.a.	n.	a.	12	<b>\</b>	30	1	13	<b>\</b>	31	1	n.	a.	n.	a.	n.a.	
Colombia	n.a.	n.	a.	n	.a.	34	$\downarrow$	37	$\rightarrow$	36	$\rightarrow$	n.	a.	n.	a.	n.a.	
Czech Republic	n.a.	n.	a.	n	.a.	18	1	24	<b>+</b>	22	<b>\</b>	7	1	12	1	17	$\rightarrow$
Denmark	n.a.	n.	a.	3	<b>↑</b>	10	$\rightarrow$	8	1	8	<b>\</b>	12	$\downarrow$	9	$\downarrow$	n	.a.
Estonia	n.a.	n.	a.	15	<b>+</b>	17	1	22	<b>+</b>	21	<b>↑</b>	6	$\downarrow$	10	$\downarrow$	4	1
Finland	n.a.	n.	a.	12	<b>↑</b>	11	1	23	$\rightarrow$	11	<b>↑</b>	16	1	8	1	10	1
France	2	5	<b>\</b>	n	.a.	25	1	10	1	14	1	21	<b>\</b>	16	$\downarrow$	12	1
Germany	5	1 1		n	.a.	7	1	27	<b>↓</b>	25	1	13	$\downarrow$	n.	a.	18	<b>\</b>
Greece	n.a.	n.a.		n.a.		31	<b>+</b>	35	<b>+</b>	28	<b>+</b>	23	$\downarrow$	n.	a.	21	
Hungary	n.a.	n.	a.	2	<b></b>	26	<b>↑</b>	32	1	16	1	8	$\downarrow$	2	<b>↑</b>	2	1
Iceland	n.a.	n.a.		n.a.		6	<b>↑</b>	11	<b>↓</b>	10	1	n.a.		n.a.		n.a.	
Ireland	n.a.	n.a.		n.a.		23	<b>↑</b>	25	1	23	<b>↑</b>	n.a.		n.a.		n.a.	
Israel	n.a.	n.	.a.	9		24	1	28	1	15	1	19		n.a.		1	
Italy	n.a.	n.	.a.	1 ↓		33	<b>+</b>	29	1	32	<b>↑</b>	22	$\rightarrow$	18	$\downarrow$	22	1
Japan	n.a.	n.	.a.	n.a.		n.a.		36	$\rightarrow$	n	.a.	n.a.		n.a.		n.a.	
Korea	n.a.	n.	.a.	n.a.		n.a.		30	$\rightarrow$	34	<b> </b>	n.	.a.	n.a.		n.a.	
Latvia	n.a.		.a.	n.a.		13	<b>↑</b>	15	<b>\</b>	13	<b>↑</b>	15	<b>↑</b>	3	<b>↑</b>	11	<b>\</b>
Lithuania	n.a.	n.	.a.	n.a.		20	$\rightarrow$	21	1	7	<b>↑</b>	1	<b>↑</b>	1	$\downarrow$	5	1
Luxembourg	n.a.	n.	.a.	n.a.		3	<b>↑</b>	5	1	9	<b>+</b>	2	<b>↑</b>	n.	.a.	n	.a.
Mexico	n.a.		.a.	n.a.		32	<b>↑</b>	33	$\rightarrow$	30	<b>↑</b>	n.a.		n.a.		n.a.	
Netherlands	4	2	<b></b>	5		2	<b>↑</b>	9	<b>↑</b>	18	<b>↑</b>	3	<b>↑</b>	5		8	<b></b>
New Zealand	1	4	$\downarrow$	10	$\downarrow$	19	<b>↑</b>	12	<b>↑</b>	6	<b>↑</b>	n.	a.	n.	a.	n.	.a.
Norway	5	8	$\downarrow$	14	<b>+</b>	5	1	18	$\rightarrow$	24	1	11	$\rightarrow$	17	$\downarrow$	n.	.a.
Poland	n.a.	n.	a.	16	1	22	1	14	<b>+</b>	12	<b>↑</b>	16	<b>\</b>	4	<b>+</b>	3	1
Portugal	n.a.	n.a.		13	$\downarrow$	12	1	34	<b>+</b>	17	<b>+</b>	14		n.	a.	23	
Slovak Republic	n.a.	n.a.			.a.	29	$\rightarrow$	31	<b>+</b>	27	<b>+</b>	9	1	13	<b>↑</b>	15	<b>+</b>
Slovenia	n.a.	n.a.			.a.	9	$\rightarrow$	17	<b>+</b>	26	<b>↑</b>	17	<b>+</b>	11	1	16	<b>+</b>
Spain	n.a.	n.a.		8 1		28	<u> </u>	26	$\rightarrow$	29	<b>↑</b>	20	<b>+</b>	15	<b>+</b>	13	1
Sweden	7	10	<u></u>	4		4	1	6	1	1	1	10	<b>+</b>	14	<b>+</b>	6	<b>+</b>
Switzerland	3	5 ↓				1	1	7	<b>+</b>	20	<b>↑</b>	4	1	n.a.		9	1
Turkey	n.a.	1		n.a. n.a.		35	<b>↑</b>	1	1	33	$\rightarrow$	18	<b>+</b>	6		7	1
United Kingdom	6	6 4		6	<b>1</b>	15	<b>↑</b>	19	$\rightarrow$	2	$\rightarrow$	-	a.	n.	a.	20	<b>+</b>
United States	3	7	<b>+</b>	n.a.		27	<u> </u>	4	1	4	$\rightarrow$		.a.		a.	n.a.	
Year	2017	2020 2016		2019 2014		2020	2009	2018	2015	2018	2015	2018	2014	2018	2014	2018	2014

Note: The index of shortage of educational material is based on school principals' perception. For the index of shortage of educational material, an improvement implies that the country moved up two positions in the ranking and a decline implies that the country moved down two positions. Details on data for other indicators are provided in the corresponding sections.

Countries are ranked in ascending order, except in median waiting times for cataract surgery, NEET aged 15-29 years, index of shortage of education material, disposition time for litigious civil and commercial cases, disposition time for non-litigious civil and commercial cases, and disposition time for administrative cases, for which they are ranked in descending order.

Source: Commonwealth Fund Health Policy Survey (2016 and 2020); OECD Health Statistics (database); OECD Education at a Glance (database); OECD (2015 and 2018) PISA (database); CEPEJ (2020), European Commission for the Efficiency of Justice (database).

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### Scorecard 3. Quality of services



Performance one standard deviation above (below) the mean.

Performance within one standard deviation from the mean.

Performance one standard deviation below (above) the mean.

Countries are listed in alphabetical order. The number in the cell indicates the position of each country among all countries for which data are available. Arrows indicate whether absolute performance has improved  $(\uparrow)$ , declined  $(\downarrow)$  or remained stable  $(\rightarrow)$ .

			Health o	are				Educ	ation		Justice						
		s hospita- tion		g stroke disation	5-year breast cancer survival rate (all stages)	t Share of variation students of reading performance		Civil justice is effectively enforced		Civil justice is free from improper government influence		not r to vio to re pers	esort esort elence dress eonal ances				
Australia	21	$\downarrow$	13	<b>1</b>	2	12	$\rightarrow$	15	$\rightarrow$	12	12	$\rightarrow$	3	$\rightarrow$	8	$\rightarrow$	
Austria	25	1	15	1	16	22	$\rightarrow$	23	$\rightarrow$	23	7	$\rightarrow$	6	$\rightarrow$	5	$\rightarrow$	
Belgium	20	1	22	1	10	17	$\rightarrow$	20	$\rightarrow$	32	8	$\rightarrow$	6	$\rightarrow$	10	$\rightarrow$	
Canada	13	$\rightarrow$	19	1	5	2	$\rightarrow$	4	$\downarrow$	3	10	$\rightarrow$	4	$\rightarrow$	6	$\rightarrow$	
Chile	18	1	23	<b>1</b>	n.a.	34	$\rightarrow$	34	$\rightarrow$	21	20	$\rightarrow$	15	$\rightarrow$	16	$\rightarrow$	
Colombia	6	1	14	$\downarrow$	n.a.	36	↓	36	<b>\</b>	27	26	$\rightarrow$	18	$\rightarrow$	17	$\rightarrow$	
Czech Republic	26	1	28	<b>↑</b>	20	20	$\rightarrow$	18	$\rightarrow$	30	18	$\rightarrow$	12	$\rightarrow$	8	$\rightarrow$	
Denmark	14	1	7	1	12	13	$\rightarrow$	7	$\rightarrow$	11	6	$\rightarrow$	2	$\rightarrow$	2	$\rightarrow$	
Estonia	16	1	25		21	1	$\rightarrow$	1	$\rightarrow$	1	14	$\rightarrow$	8	$\rightarrow$	7	$\rightarrow$	
Finland	17	1	21	1	6	3	$\rightarrow$	3	<b>+</b>	9	3	$\rightarrow$	3	$\rightarrow$	4	$\rightarrow$	
France	23	1	17	1	n.a.	18	$\rightarrow$	19	$\rightarrow$	34	11	$\rightarrow$	10	$\rightarrow$	12	$\rightarrow$	
Germany	28	1	12	1	13	15	$\rightarrow$	17	$\downarrow$	31	4	$\rightarrow$	3	$\rightarrow$	8	$\rightarrow$	
Greece	n	.a.	n.	a.	n.a.	33	$\rightarrow$	31	$\rightarrow$	16	25	$\rightarrow$	16	$\rightarrow$	13	$\rightarrow$	
Hungary	n.	.a.	n.	.a.	n.a.	26	$\rightarrow$	27	$\rightarrow$	36	28	$\rightarrow$	21	$\downarrow$	5	$\rightarrow$	
Iceland	1	<b></b>	4	<b>↑</b>	n.a.	28	$\rightarrow$	29	$\downarrow$	2	n.a.		n.a.		n.a.		
Ireland	11	1	20	1	19	4	$\rightarrow$	2	$\rightarrow$	15	n	.a.	n.a.		n.a.		
Israel	7	1	11	1	7	29	$\rightarrow$	32	<b>+</b>	28	n	.a.	n.a.		n.a.		
Italy	2	1	16	<b>1</b>	13	25	$\rightarrow$	22	$\rightarrow$	8	29	$\rightarrow$	14	$\rightarrow$	14	$\rightarrow$	
Japan	n	.a.	1	1	3	11	<b>+</b>	8	<b>+</b>	6	13	<b>1</b>	11	$\rightarrow$	4	$\rightarrow$	
Korea	33	1	2	1	n.a.	5	$\rightarrow$	6	$\rightarrow$	7	9	$\rightarrow$	13	$\rightarrow$	6	$\rightarrow$	
Latvia	19	1	34	<b>+</b>	n.a.	24	$\rightarrow$	21	<b>1</b>	4		.a.	n.a.		n.a.		
Lithuania	30	1	33		24	27	$\rightarrow$	26	$\rightarrow$	24		.a.	n.a.		n.a.		
Luxembourg	24	1	24	<b>1</b>	n.a.	30	<del> </del>	30	<del> </del>	35		.a.	n.a.		n.a.		
Mexico	34	1	n.	a .	n.a.	35	$\rightarrow$	35	$\rightarrow$	26	27	→	20	<u>→</u>	18	<u> </u>	
Netherlands	5	1	8	1	n.a.	21	<del>_</del>	25	<u>,</u>	13	2	$\rightarrow$	5	$\rightarrow$	7	$\rightarrow$	
New Zealand	22	1	18	<u> </u>	8	8	$\rightarrow$	12	$\rightarrow$	22	16	→	7	$\rightarrow$	8	$\rightarrow$	
Norway	10	<u> </u>	3	1	9	14	T T	14	<u> </u>	5	5	$\rightarrow$	1	$\rightarrow$	1	$\rightarrow$	
Poland	29	1	32	1	22	6	$\rightarrow$	5	$\rightarrow$	18	23	$\rightarrow$	19	<u> </u>	3	$\rightarrow$	
Portugal	4	1	30	<u> </u>	8	19	$\rightarrow$	16	$\rightarrow$	25	24	$\rightarrow$	10	$\rightarrow$	6	$\rightarrow$	
Slovak Republic	31	1	29	<u> </u>	23	32	$\rightarrow$	33	$\rightarrow$	33		.a.	n.		n.		
Slovenia	15	<u> </u>	31	<u> </u>	17	16	J	10	T T	20	19	.u. →	17	u. →	1	→	
Spain	3	1	27	<u> </u>	15		.a.		.a.	n.a.	22	$\rightarrow$	15	$\rightarrow$	9	$\rightarrow$	
Sweden	12	<u> </u>	10	<u> </u>	n.a.	7	.a. →	11	.a. →	14	1	$\rightarrow$	3	$\rightarrow$	8	$\rightarrow$	
Switzerland	8	<u> </u>	9	<u> </u>	11	23	$\rightarrow$	24	$\rightarrow$	29							
Turkey	32		5		18	31	<u>→</u>	28	<u>→</u>	17	n.a. 21 →		n.a. →		n.a. 15 →		
United Kingdom	9	<b>+</b>	26	<b>1</b>	14	10	$\rightarrow$	9	$\rightarrow$	10	15	$\rightarrow$	9	$\rightarrow$	8	$\rightarrow$	
United States	27	<b>*</b>	6	<u> </u>	1	9	$\rightarrow$	13	$\rightarrow$	19	17	$\rightarrow$	14	$\rightarrow$	11	$\rightarrow$	
Year	2017	2012	2017	2007	2010-2014	2018	2015	2018	2015	2018	2020	2016	2020	2016	2020	2016	
ισαι	2017	2012	2017	2007	2010-2014	2010	2010	2010	2010	2010	2020	2010	2020	2010	2020	2010	

Note: For five-year breast-cancer survival rates, data for the Czech Republic and Iceland are for 2004-09 instead of 2010-14. Data for Italy, Germany, Japan, Spain, Switzerland, Turkey and the United States cover less than 100% of the national population. Level 2 proficiency in reading indicates that students are able to identify the main idea in a text of moderate length, find information based on explicit, though sometimes complex, criteria, and reflect on the purpose and form of texts when explicitly directed to do so. For the PISA mean score in reading, the share of students below level 2 proficiency in reading and the percentage variation of reading performance explained by socio-economic level, only countries for which the difference in mean scores between 2018 and 2015 is statistically significant are shown as improving/declining. For the indicators civil justice is effectively enforced, civil justice is free from improper government influence and people do not resort to violence to redress personal grievances, an improvement (decline) entails an increase (decrease) of 0.1 points in the index. Details on data for other indicators are provided in the corresponding sections.

Countries are ranked in ascending order, except in diabetes hospitalisation, 30-day mortality following stroke hospitalisation, share of students below level 2 proficiency in reading, and percentage variation in reading performance explained by socioeconomic background, for which they are ranked in descending order.

Source: OECD Health Statistics (database); OECD (2018) PISA (database); World Justice Project (2020) Rule of Law Index 2020.



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