

Table 5. Governance\*  
Ratings History and Regional Breakdown

	1997 GOV	1998 GOV	1999- 2000 GOV	2001 GOV	2002 GOV	2003 GOV	2004 GOV	2005 NGOV	2005 LGOV	2006 NGOV	2006 LGOV
<b>New EU Members</b>											
Czech Rep.	2,00	2,00	2,00	2,00	2,25	2,25	2,25	2,50	2,00	2,50	2,00
Estonia	2,25	2,25	2,25	2,25	2,25	2,25	2,25	2,25	2,50	2,25	2,50
Hungary	1,75	1,75	2,50	3,00	3,00	2,50	2,50	2,00	2,25	2,00	2,25
Latvia	2,50	2,50	2,50	2,25	2,25	2,25	2,25	2,25	2,50	2,00	2,50
Lithuania	2,50	2,50	2,50	2,50	2,50	2,50	2,50	2,50	2,50	2,50	2,50
Poland	1,75	1,75	1,75	1,75	2,00	2,00	2,00	2,50	2,00	2,75	2,00
Slovakia	3,75	3,75	3,00	2,75	2,25	2,25	2,25	2,00	2,25	2,00	2,00
Slovenia	2,50	2,50	2,25	2,50	2,25	2,25	2,00	2,00	1,50	2,00	1,50
<b>Average</b>	<b>2,38</b>	<b>2,38</b>	<b>2,34</b>	<b>2,38</b>	<b>2,34</b>	<b>2,28</b>	<b>2,25</b>	<b>2,25</b>	<b>2,19</b>	<b>2,25</b>	<b>2,16</b>
<b>Median</b>	<b>2,38</b>	<b>2,38</b>	<b>2,38</b>	<b>2,38</b>	<b>2,25</b>	<b>2,25</b>	<b>2,25</b>	<b>2,25</b>	<b>2,25</b>	<b>2,13</b>	<b>2,13</b>
<b>The Balkans</b>											
Albania	4,75	5,00	4,75	4,25	4,25	4,25	4,25	4,25	3,25	4,00	2,75
Bosnia	n/a	6,00	6,00	6,00	5,50	5,25	5,00	4,75	4,75	4,75	4,75
Bulgaria	4,25	4,00	3,75	3,50	3,50	3,75	3,75	3,50	3,50	3,00	3,00
Croatia	4,00	4,00	4,00	3,50	3,50	3,75	3,75	3,50	3,75	3,50	3,75
Macedonia	4,00	4,00	3,00	3,75	4,25	4,50	4,00	4,00	4,00	3,75	3,75
Romania	4,25	4,00	3,50	3,75	3,75	3,75	3,75	3,50	3,00	3,50	3,00
Yugoslavia	n/a	5,00	5,50	5,25	4,25	4,25	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Serbia	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	4,00	4,00	3,75	4,00	3,75
Montenegro	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	4,00	4,50	3,50	4,50	3,50
Kosovo	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	6,00	5,75	5,50	5,75	5,50
<b>Average</b>	<b>4,25</b>	<b>4,57</b>	<b>4,36</b>	<b>4,29</b>	<b>4,14</b>	<b>4,21</b>	<b>4,28</b>	<b>4,19</b>	<b>3,89</b>	<b>4,08</b>	<b>3,75</b>
<b>Median</b>	<b>4,25</b>	<b>4,00</b>	<b>4,00</b>	<b>3,75</b>	<b>4,25</b>	<b>4,25</b>	<b>4,00</b>	<b>4,00</b>	<b>3,75</b>	<b>4,00</b>	<b>3,75</b>
<b>Non-Baltic Former Soviet States</b>											
Armenia	4,50	4,50	4,50	4,50	4,50	4,75	4,75	5,00	5,50	5,00	5,50
Azerbaijan	6,25	6,25	6,25	6,25	6,00	5,75	5,75	6,00	6,00	6,00	6,00
Belarus	6,00	6,25	6,25	6,25	6,50	6,50	6,50	6,75	6,50	7,00	6,50
Georgia	4,50	5,00	4,50	4,75	5,00	5,50	5,75	5,50	6,00	5,50	5,75
Kazakhstan	5,50	5,50	5,00	5,00	5,75	6,25	6,25	6,50	6,25	6,75	6,25
Kyrgyzstan	4,25	4,50	5,00	5,25	5,50	6,00	6,00	6,00	5,75	6,00	6,25
Moldova	4,25	4,50	4,50	4,50	4,75	5,25	5,50	5,75	5,75	5,75	5,75
Russia	4,00	4,50	4,50	5,00	5,25	5,00	5,25	5,75	5,75	6,00	5,75
Tajikistan	7,00	6,75	6,25	6,00	6,00	6,00	5,75	6,00	5,75	6,25	5,75
Turkmenistan	6,75	6,75	6,75	6,75	6,75	6,75	7,00	7,00	7,00	7,00	7,00
Ukraine	4,50	4,75	4,75	4,75	5,00	5,00	5,25	5,00	5,25	4,50	5,25
Uzbekistan	6,00	6,25	6,25	6,00	6,00	6,25	6,25	6,50	6,25	7,00	6,75
<b>Average</b>	<b>5,29</b>	<b>5,46</b>	<b>5,38</b>	<b>5,42</b>	<b>5,58</b>	<b>5,75</b>	<b>5,83</b>	<b>5,98</b>	<b>5,98</b>	<b>6,06</b>	<b>6,04</b>
<b>Median</b>	<b>5,00</b>	<b>5,25</b>	<b>5,00</b>	<b>5,13</b>	<b>5,63</b>	<b>5,88</b>	<b>5,75</b>	<b>6,00</b>	<b>5,88</b>	<b>6,00</b>	<b>5,88</b>

NOTES: The ratings are based on a scale of 1 to 7, with 1 representing the highest level of democratic progress and 7 the lowest. The 2006 ratings reflect the period January 1 through December 31, 2005.

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