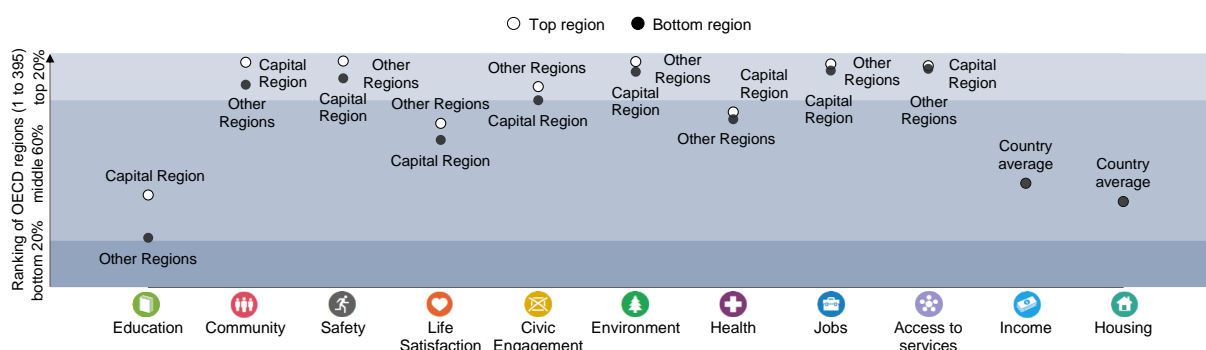


REGIONAL WELL-BEING IN OECD COUNTRIES: ICELAND

Both Icelandic regions are among the top 20% of the OECD regions in community, safety, civic engagement, environment, jobs and access to services. Iceland's lowest regional performances are found in education and housing.

Relative performance of Icelandic regions by well-being dimension



Note: Relative ranking of the regions with the best and worst outcomes in the 11 well-being dimensions, with respect to all 395 OECD regions. The eleven dimensions are ordered by decreasing regional disparities in the country. Each well-being dimension is measured by the indicators in the table below. Data on housing are not available.

Source: OECD Regional Well-Being Database: www.oecdregionalwellbeing.org

With the exception of the disposable income per capita, the number of rooms per person and the share of the labour force with at least a secondary degree, both Icelandic regions perform better than the OECD average in all well-being indicators.

How do the top and bottom regions in Iceland fare on the well-being indicators?

	Icelandic regions		Country average	OECD average
	Top 20%	Bottom 20%		
Education				
Labour force with at least upper secondary education (%), 2014	75.8	62.0	67.0	74.3
Community				
Perceived social support network (%), average 2006-14	97.6	95.6	96.9	88.9
Safety				
Homicide Rate (per 100 000 people), 2013	0.0	0.5	0.3	3.4
Life satisfaction				
Self-evaluation of life satisfaction (scale from 0 to 10), average 2006-14	7.3	7.1	7.4	6.7
Civic engagement				
Voters in last national election (%), 2015	82.7	79.6	81.5	68.1
Environment				
Level of air pollution in PM 2.5 ($\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$), 2013	1.7	2.9	1.8	10.4
Health				
Life Expectancy at birth (years), 2013	82.1	82.1	82.1	79.7
Age-adjusted mortality rate (per 1 000 people), 2013	7.3	7.5	7.3	8.4
Jobs				
Employment rate (%), 2014	82.3	81.5	81.3	66.3
Unemployment rate (%), 2014	4.0	5.4	4.9	8.6
Access to services				
Households with broadband access (%), 2014	93.0	91.0	93.0	69.8
Income				
Disposable income per capita (in USD PPP), 2013	n.a.	n.a.	16 635	17 916
Housing				
Rooms per person, 2013	n.a.	n.a.	1.6	1.8

Note: Data in the first two columns refer to average values in regions at the top and the bottom 20% of national ranking. The OECD average is computed for 34 countries except for life expectancy at birth (33 countries).

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