

CHAPTER 5: COUNTRY DATA TABLES

This chapter presents detailed data on the component variables used in constructing the economic freedom index for the countries included in this study. For each country, we present the overall economic freedom index rating and the ranking of that country for the years 1970, 1975, 1980, 1985, 1990, 1995, and 1999 (or most recent year). Like all the scores in the index, these are values out of 10; 10 is the highest possible score and zero (0) is the lowest.

Under the column, Components of Economic Freedom, the titles in bold-face indicate the seven areas of economic freedom that are combined to generate an overall score. Each of the rows in

bold-face gives the scores (out of 10) for that particular area for each year.

Underneath each area title are the titles of the components that are combined to generate that particular area's score. In these rows are the scores (out of 10) for each year for which we have data. In parentheses beside some scores are the actual data used to derive that particular component rating.

A more complete description of each component, including the methodology used to calculate the ratings, can be found in the Chapter 1 Appendix: Explanatory Notes and Data Sources.

The full data-set is available on-line at the website: <http://www.freetheworld.com/>.

