

The Global Innovation Index (GII) ranks world economies according to their innovation capabilities.

Consisting of **roughly 80 indicators**, grouped into innovation inputs and outputs, the Gll **aims to capture the multi-dimensional facets of innovation**.

France ranking in the Global Innovation Index 2023



> France GII Ranking (2020-2023)

The table shows the rankings of France over the past four years. Data availability and changes to the GII model framework influence year-on-year comparisons of the GII rankings. The statistical confidence interval for the ranking of France in the GII 2023 is between ranks 11 and 13.

	GII Position	Innovation Inputs	Innovation Outputs
2020	12th	16th	12th
2021	11th	17th	10th
2022	12th	13th	11th
2023	11th	17th	11th

France performs better in innovation outputs than innovation inputs in 2023.

This year France ranks 17th in innovation inputs. This position is lower than last year.

France ranks 11th in innovation outputs. This position is the same as last year.

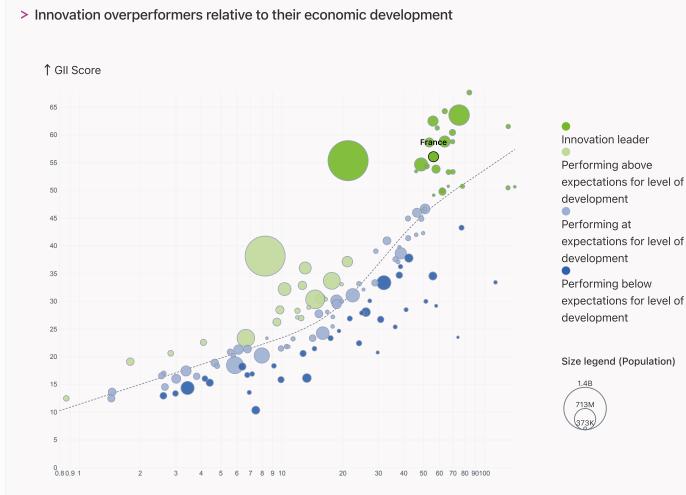


→ Expected vs. observed innovation performance

The bubble chart below shows the relationship between income levels (GDP per capita) and innovation performance (GII score). The trend line gives an indication of the expected innovation performance according to income level. Economies appearing above the trend line are performing better than expected and those below are performing below expectations.



> France is an innovation leader, ranking in the top 25 of the GII.

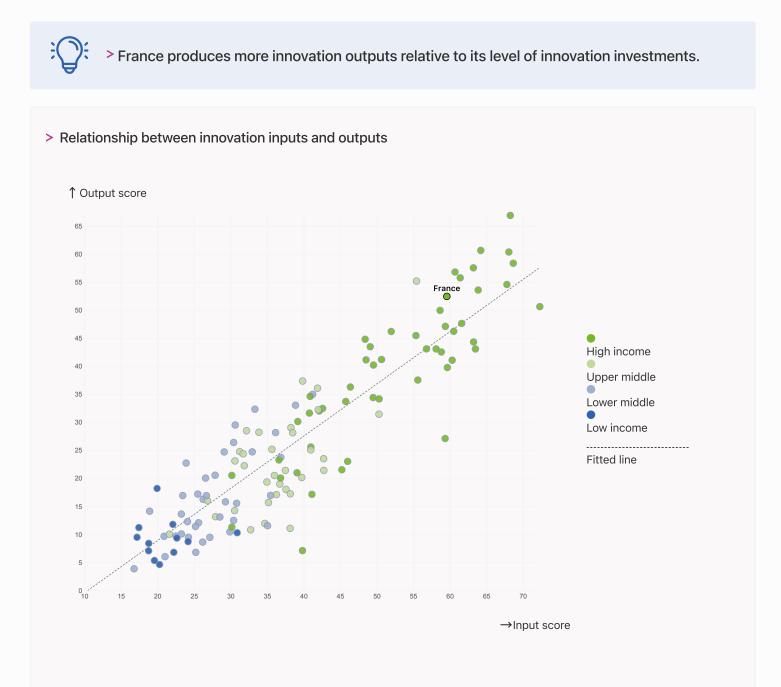


 \rightarrow GDP per capita, PPP logarithmic scale (thousands of \$)



→ Effectively translating innovation investments into innovation outputs

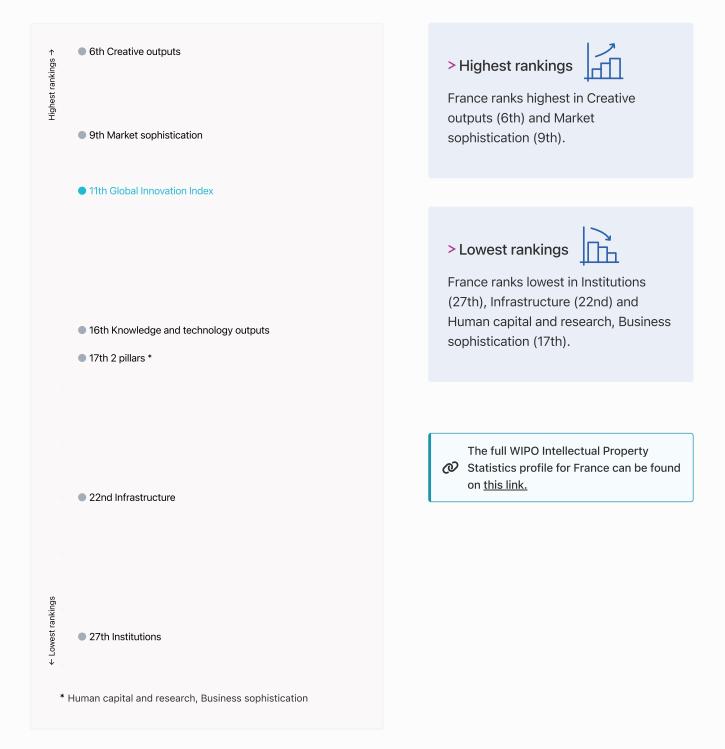
The chart below shows the relationship between innovation inputs and innovation outputs. Economies above the line are effectively translating costly innovation investments into more and higher-quality outputs.





→ Overview of France's rankings in the seven areas of the GII in 2023

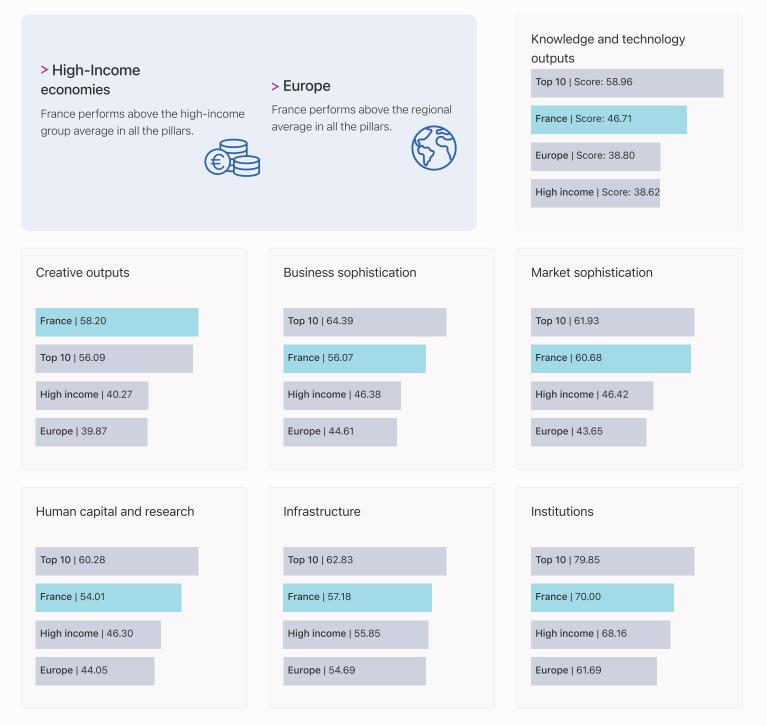
The chart shows the ranking for each of the seven areas that the GII comprises. The strongest areas for France are those that rank above the GII (shown in blue) and the weakest are those that rank below.





Benchmark of France against other country groupings for each of the seven areas of the GII Index

The charts shows the relative position of France (blue bar) against other country groupings (grey bars), for each of the seven areas of the GII Index.





→ Innovation strengths and weaknesses in France

The table below gives an overview of the indicator strengths and weaknesses of France in the GII 2023.

> France's main innovation strengths are Intangible asset intensity, top 15, % (rank 2), Firms offering formal training, % (rank 2) and Global brand value, top 5,000 (rank 4).

Strengths

Weaknesses

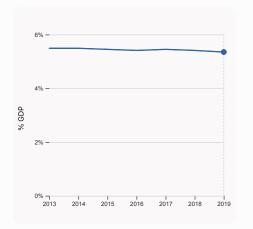
Rank	Code	Indicator name	Rank	Code	Indicator name
2	7.1.1	Intangible asset intensity, top 15, %	105	6.2.1	Labor productivity growth, %
2	5.1.2	Firms offering formal training, %	80	5.3.4	FDI net inflows, % GDP
4	7.1.3	Global brand value, top 5,000	64	2.1.5	Pupil-teacher ratio, secondary
5	6.1.5	Citable documents H-index	60	3.1.1	ICT access
7	6.2.3	Software spending, % GDP	56	3.2.3	Gross capital formation, % GDP
8	7.1.4	Industrial designs by origin/bn PPP\$ GDP	53	6.1.3	Utility models by origin/bn PPP\$ GDP
9	3.1.2	ICT use	50	6.3.4	ICT services exports, % total trade
9	2.3.4	QS university ranking, top 3	48	3.3.3	ISO 14001 environment/bn PPP\$ GDP
9	2.3.3	Global corporate R&D investors, top 3, mn US\$	46	3.3.1	GDP/unit of energy use
10	4.3.3	Domestic market scale, bn PPP\$	41	2.1.3	School life expectancy, years



→ France's innovation system

As far as practicable, the plots below present unscaled indicator data.

> Innovation inputs in France



2.1.1 Expenditure on education, % GDP

was equal to 5.35% GDP in 2019, down by 0.06 percentage points from the year prior and equivalent to an indicator rank of 25.

2.5% -

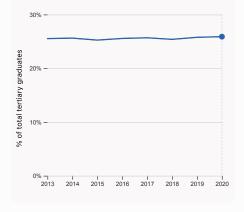
2%

1.5%

1%

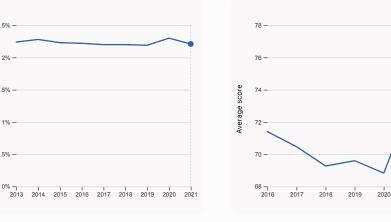
0.5% -

% GDP



2.2.2 Graduates in science and engineering, %

was equal to 25.89% of total tertiary graduates in 2020, up by 0.12 percentage points from the year prior - and equivalent to an indicator rank of 39.

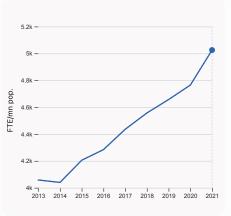


2.3.4 QS university ranking, top 3

was equal to an average score of 76.9 for the top 3 universities in 2022, up by 4.58% from the year prior - and equivalent to an indicator rank of 9.

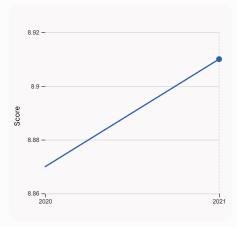
2021

2022



2.3.1 Researchers, FTE/mn pop.

was equal to 5,025.43 FTE/mn pop. in 2021, up by 5.47% from the year prior - and equivalent to an indicator rank of 18.

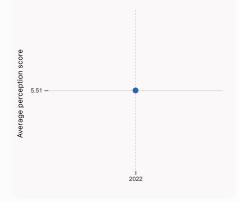


3.1.1 ICT access

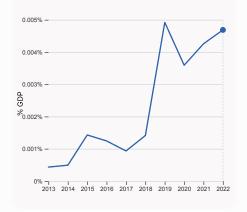
was equal to a score of 8.91 in 2021, up by 0.45% from the year prior - and equivalent to an indicator rank of 60.

2.3.2 Gross expenditure on R&D, % GDP

was equal to 2.21% GDP in 2021, down by 0.09 percentage points from the year prior and equivalent to an indicator rank of 17.

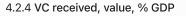




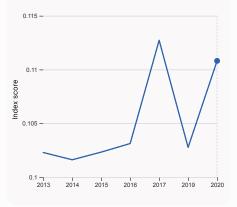


4.1.1 Finance for startups and scaleups

was equal to an average perception score of 5.51 in 2022, equivalent to an indicator rank of 17.

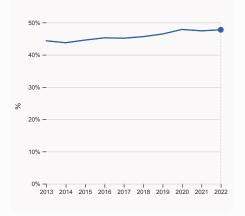


was equal to 0.00469% GDP in 2022, up by 0.00043 percentage points from the year prior – and equivalent to an indicator rank of 17.



4.3.2 Domestic industry diversification

was equal to an index score of 0.111 in 2020, up by 7.83% from the year prior – and equivalent to an indicator rank of 27.

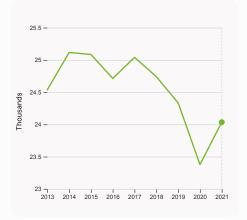


5.1.1 Knowledge-intensive employment, %

was equal to 47.74% in 2022, up by 0.32 percentage points from the year prior – and equivalent to an indicator rank of 14.

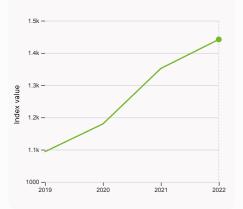


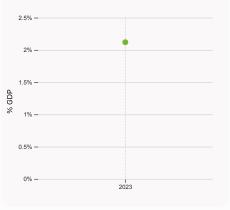
> Innovation outputs in France



6.1.1 Patents by origin

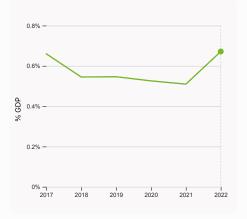
was equal to 24.036 Thousands in 2021, up by 2.82% from the year prior – and equivalent to an indicator rank of 12.





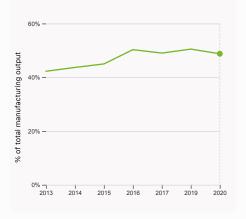
6.2.2 Unicorn valuation, % GDP

was equal to 2.12 % GDP in 2023 – and equivalent to an indicator rank of 18.



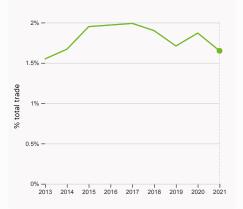
6.2.3 Software spending, % GDP

was equal to 0.671% GDP in 2022, up by 0.16 percentage points from the year prior – and equivalent to an indicator rank of 7.



6.2.4 High-tech manufacturing, %

was equal to 48.78% of total manufacturing output in 2020, down by 1.73 percentage points from the year prior – and equivalent to an indicator rank of 12.

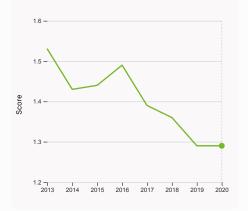


6.3.1 Intellectual property receipts, % total trade

was equal to 1.65% total trade in 2021, down by 0.22 percentage points from the year prior – and equivalent to an indicator rank of 14.

6.1.5 Citable documents H-index

was equal to an index value of 1,442 in 2022, up by 6.66% from the year prior – and equivalent to an indicator rank of 5.



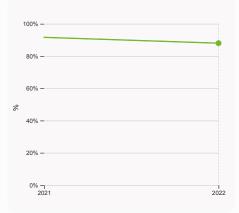
6.3.2 Production and export complexity

was equal to a score of 1.29 in 2020, up by with no change from the year prior – and equivalent to an indicator rank of 18.



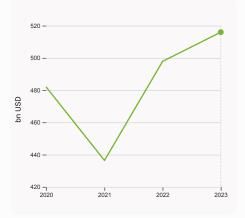
6.3.3 High-tech exports

was equal to 97,528,027,196 USD in 2021, up by 11.95% from the year prior – and equivalent to an indicator rank of 17.



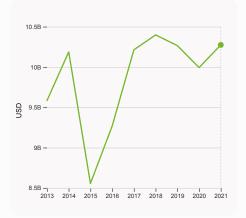
7.1.1 Intangible asset intensity, top 15, %

was equal to 87.99% in 2022, down by 3.63 percentage points from the year prior – and equivalent to an indicator rank of 2.



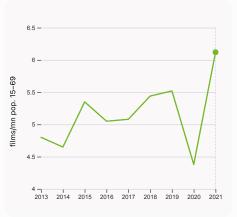
7.1.3 Global brand value, top 5,000

was equal to 515.991 bn USD in 2023, up by 3.64% from the year prior – and equivalent to an indicator rank of 4.



7.2.1 Cultural and creative services exports

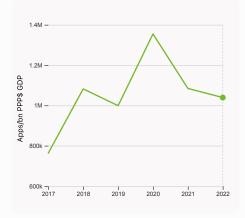
was equal to 10,274,004,000 USD in 2021, up by 2.81% from the year prior – and equivalent to an indicator rank of 25.



7.2.2 National feature films/mn pop. 15-69

was equal to 6.12 films/mn pop. 15–69 in 2021, up by 39.73% from the year prior – and equivalent to an indicator rank of 17.





7.3.4 Mobile app creation/bn PPP\$ GDP

was equal to 1,039,209.01 Apps/bn PPP\$ GDP in 2022, down by 4.17% from the year prior – and equivalent to an indicator rank of 17.



→ France's innovation top performers

> 2.3.3 Global corporate R&D investors from France

Rank	Firm	Industry	R&D	R&D Growth	R&D Intensity
			[mn EUR]	[%]	[%]
32	SANOFI	Pharmaceuticals & Biotechnology	5,689	3	15
77	RENAULT	Automobiles & Parts	2,361	-14	5
120	VALEO	Automobiles & Parts	1,555	-0	9
123	SCHNEIDER	Electronic & Electrical Equipment	1,539	9	5

Source: European Commission's Joint Research Centre (https://iri.jrc.ec.europa.eu/scoreboard/2022-eu-industrial-rd-investment-scoreboard). Note: European Commission's Joint Research Centre ranks the top 2,500 firms by R&D investment annually.

> 2.3.4 QS university ranking of France's top universities

Rank	University	Score
26	UNIVERSITE PSL (PARIS SCIENCES & LETTRES)	83.80
48	INSTITUT POLYTECHNIQUE DE PARIS	76.80
60	SORBONNE UNIVERSITY	70.10

Source: QS Quacquarelli Symonds Ltd (https://www.topuniversities.com/university-rankings/world-university-rankings/2023).

Note: QS Quacquarelli Symonds Ltd annually assesses over 1,200 universities across the globe and scores them between [0,100]. Ranks can represent a single value "x", a tie "x=" or a range "x-y".

> 6.2.2 Top Unicorn Companies in France

Rank	Unicorn Company	Industry	City	Valuation, bn USD
1	DOCTOLIB	Health	Paris	6
2	BACK MARKET	E-commerce & direct-to-consumer	Paris	6
3	CONTENTSQUARE	Internet software & services	Paris	6

Source: CBInsights, Tracker – The Complete List of Unicorn Companies: https://www.cbinsights.com/research-unicorn-companies



> 7.1.1 Top 15 intangible-asset intensive companies in France

Rank	Firm	Intensity, %
1	LVMH MOET HENNESSY LOUIS VUITTON SE	93.11
2	L'OREAL SA	91.21
3	CHRISTIAN DIOR SE	88.54

Source: Brand Finance (https://brandirectory.com/reports/gift-2022).

Note: Brand Finance only provides within economy ranks.

> 7.1.3 Top 5,000 companies in France with highest global brand value

Rank	Brand	Industry	Brand Value, mn USD
1	LOUIS VUITTON	Apparel	26,289.9
2	TOTALENERGIES	Oil & Gas	20,723.2
3	CHANEL	Apparel	19,386.4

Source: Brand Finance (https://brandirectory.com). Note: Rank corresponds to within economy ranks.



GII 2023 rank

France

Output rank 11	Input rank 17	Income High	Regio		
			Score / Value	Rank	
🏦 Institutions			70.0	27	
1.1.2 Government ef 1.2 Regulatory env 1.2.1 Regulatory qua 1.2.2 Rule of law* 1.2.3 Cost of reduce 1.3 Business enviro 1.3.1 Policies for doi	bility for businesses* fectiveness* ironment lity* lancy dismissal onment		66.4 61.1 71.7 83.0 74.2 77.5 13.0 60.6 58.9 62.3	 34 43 25 22 24 22 41 33 40 20 	\diamond
😤 Human capit	tal and research		54.0	17	
2.1.3 School life exp 2.1.4 PISA scales in 2.1.5 Pupil-teacher of 2.2 Tertiary educa 2.2.1 Tertiary enrolm 2.2.2 Graduates in s 2.2.3 Tertiary inbout 2.3 Research and o 2.3.1 Researchers, F 2.3.2 Gross expendi	Inding/pupil, secondary, 9 ectancy, years reading, maths and scien ratio, secondary tion ment, % gross science and engineering, and mobility, % development (R&D) TE/mn pop. ture on R&D, % GDP ate R&D investors, top 3,	nce %	60.3 5.4 25.1 15.9 493.7 13.4 39.2 69.3 25.9 9.2 62.5 5,025.4 2.2 80.4 77.9	35 25 19 41 25 64 35 41 39 28 12 18 17 9 9	
🍫 Infrastructu	re		57.2	22	
3.1.1 ICT access* 3.1.2 ICT use* 3.1.3 Government's 3.1.4 E-participation 3.2 General infrast 3.2.1 Electricity outp 3.2.2 Logistics perfo 3.2.3 Gross capital f 3.3 Ecological sust 3.3.1 GDP/unit of en 3.3.2 Environmental	y* ructure out, GWh/mn pop. ormance* formation, % GDP tainability ergy use	ologies (ICTs)	84.1 83.7 95.6 86.4 70.9 48.1 8,069.8 81.8 24.9 39.3 12.2 73.9 1.9	23 60 (9 (20 37 22 18 13 56 (33 46 (12 48 (
🔟 Market sophi	stication		60.7	9	
 4.1.2 Domestic cred 4.1.3 Loans from mi 4.2 Investment 4.2.1 Market capital 4.2.2 Venture capital 4.2.3 VC recipients, 4.2.4 VC received, v 4.3 Trade, diversif 	I (VC) investors, deals/br deals/bn PPP\$ GDP ralue, % GDP ication, and market sca l ate, weighted avg., % istry diversification	GDP 1 PPP\$ GDP	58.1 70.3 122.0 n/a 35.4 ● 92.7 0.3 0.2 0.0 88.5 1.5 95.7 3,688.3	 19 17 20 n/a 18 24 12 17 8 20 27 10 	•

Population (mn)	GDP, PPP\$ (bn)	GDP per cap	ita, PF	P\$
64.6	3,688.3	56,199	9.9	
		Score / Value	Rank	
🚔 Business sophisticat	ion	56.1	17	
5.1 Knowledge workers		69.1	7	
5.1.1 Knowledge-intensive em		47.7	14	
5.1.2 Firms offering formal tra		67.9	2 (
5.1.3 GERD performed by bus		1.5	17	
5.1.4 GERD financed by busin 5.1.5 Females employed w/ad		56.8 25.3	19 19	
5.2 Innovation linkages	valiceu uegrees, 76	47.3	23	\diamond
5.2.1 University-industry R&D	collaboration ⁺	58.6	38	\diamond
5.2.2 State of cluster develop		69.2	24	
5.2.3 GERD financed by abroa	ad, % GDP	0.2	23	
5.2.4 Joint venture/strategic a	alliance deals/bn PPP\$ GDP	0.1	24	
5.2.5 Patent families/bn PPP\$	GDP	2.9	13	
5.3 Knowledge absorption		51.9	15	
5.3.1 Intellectual property pay		1.4	23	
5.3.2 High-tech imports, % to 5.3.3 ICT services imports, %		9.4 3.0	44 17	
5.3.4 FDI net inflows, % GDP		1.8	80 0	<u> </u>
5.3.5 Research talent, % in bu	isinesses	61.8	11	
🛠 Knowledge and tech	nology outputs	46.7	16	
6.1 Knowledge creation		43.7	21	
6.1.1 Patents by origin/bn PPP	\$ GDP	7.2	12	
6.1.2 PCT patents by origin/br		2.1	15	
6.1.3 Utility models by origin/l		0.1	53 ()
6.1.4 Scientific and technical		n/a	n/a	
6.1.5 Citable documents H-ind	dex	77.9 51.2	5 C	
6.2 Knowledge impact 6.2.1 Labor productivity grow	th %	-0.3	105 (<u> </u>
6.2.2 Unicorn valuation, % GE		2.1	18	
6.2.3 Software spending, % G		0.7	7	
6.2.4 High-tech manufacturin		48.8	12	
6.3 Knowledge diffusion		45.3	23	
6.3.1 Intellectual property rec	eipts, % total trade	1.7	14	
6.3.2 Production and export of		79.5	18	
6.3.3 High-tech exports, % to		10.4	17	
6.3.4 ICT services exports, %		2.4	50 0)
6.3.5 ISO 9001 quality/bn PPF	S GDP	6.6 58.2	44 6	
Creative outputs			3	
7.1 Intangible assets7.1.1 Intangible asset intensity	top 15 %	74.9 88.0	2	
7.1.2 Trademarks by origin/bn		97.6	15	
7.1.3 Global brand value, top §		18.4	4	
7.1.4 Industrial designs by orig		11.0	8	
7.2 Creative goods and serv	ices	33.1	22	
7.2.1 Cultural and creative ser	vices exports, % total trade	1.1	25	
7.2.2 National feature films/m		6.1	17	
7.2.3 Entertainment and medi		51.6	15	
7.2.4 Creative goods exports,	% total trade	1.6	31	
7.3 Online creativity	as (TLDs)/th pap 15 60	49.9	26 16	
7.3.1 Generic top-level domain7.3.2 Country-code TLDs/th p		49.3 27.2	16 26	
7.3.3 GitHub commits/mn pop		46.8	23	
7.3.4 Mobile app creation/bn l		76.4	17	

NOTES: • indicates a strength; O a weakness; • an income group strength; \diamond an income group weakness; * an index; ⁺ a survey question, • indicates that the economy's data are older than the base year; see appendices for details, including the year of the data, at https://www.wipo.int/gii-ranking. Square brackets [] indicate that the data minimum coverage (DMC) requirements were not met at the sub-pillar or pillar level.



→ Data availability

The following tables list indicators that are either missing or outdated for France.



> France has missing data for one indicator and outdated data for three indicators.

> Missing data for France

Code	Indicator name	Economy Year	Model Year	Source
4.1.3	Loans from microfinance institutions, % GDP	n/a	2021	International Monetary Fund, Financial Access Survey (FAS)

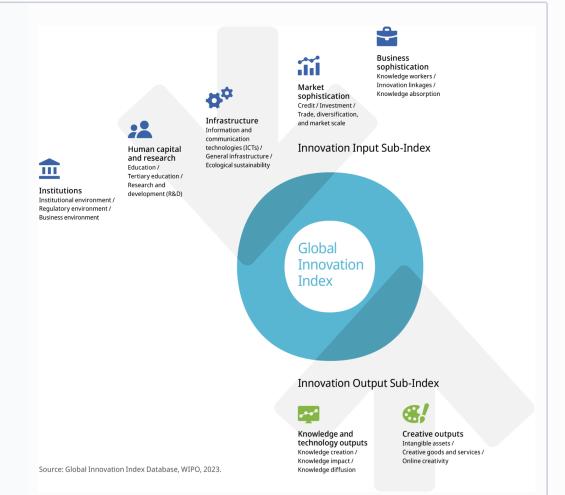
> Outdated data for France

Code	Indicator name	Economy Year	Model Year	Source
2.1.1	Expenditure on education, % GDP	2019	2021	UNESCO Institute for Statistics
2.1.5	Pupil-teacher ratio, secondary	2019	2020	UNESCO Institute for Statistics
4.2.1	Market capitalization, % GDP	2018	2020	World Federation of Exchanges; World Bank



→ About the Global Innovation Index

- The Global Innovation Index (GII) is published by the World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO), a specialized agency of the United Nations.
- Recognizing that innovation is a key driver of economic development, the GII aims to provide an innovation ranking and rich analysis referencing around 130 economies. Over the last decade, the GII has established itself as both a leading reference on innovation and a "tool for action" for economies that incorporate the GII into their innovation agendas.



The Index is a ranking of the innovation capabilities and results of world economies. It measures innovation based on criteria that include institutions, human capital and research, infrastructure, credit, investment, linkages; the creation, absorption and diffusion of knowledge; and creative outputs.

The GII has two sub-indices: the Innovation Input Sub-Index and the Innovation Output Sub-Index, and seven pillars, each consisting of three sub-pillars.