

Maplecroft Energy Security Ranking Shows Six G20 Countries at High Risk

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G20 members USA, China, Germany, France, Italy and South Korea, have been categorised as high risk countries according to the Energy Security Index released by global risk specialist, Maplecroft, today.

The ranking, which covers 209 countries, also reveals five G20 countries in the bottom 25 least at risk; with Australia at 209, Indonesia 206, Russia 200, Canada 193 and Saudi Arabia 188.

Four key areas of energy security were measured to create the index and ranking:

1. Availability of domestic oil, gas and coal supplies
2. Dependence of each country on oil and gas and the diversity of energy sources used
3. Fossil fuel consumption and the oil and gas dependency of a country's economy
4. Reliance of each country on imported oil, gas, coal and electricity and the security of the sources

"This ranking shows the growing importance for countries to reduce overall energy consumption and to diversify away from a reliance on non-renewable energy sources", stated Alyson Warhurst, Founding Director of Maplecroft. "We are seeing nations become increasingly reliant on imports to fulfil their energy needs and this makes them vulnerable in terms of their energy security."

A number of European nations including Belgium, Finland and Slovakia fall into the extreme risk category because of their high dependence on imported energy.

The G20 ranking is taken from Maplecroft's Energy Security Index of 209 countries. The index is supported by an interactive GIS map and both are available at www.global-risks.com.

Country	Ranking	Risk Rating
Italy	60	High Risk
France	81	High Risk
South Korea	97	High Risk
Germany	105	High Risk
China	108	High Risk
USA	113	High Risk
Turkey	124	Medium Risk
Brazil	133	Medium Risk
India	139	Medium Risk
South Africa	146	Medium Risk

Country	Ranking	Risk Rating
UK	157	Medium Risk
Japan	173	Medium Risk
Argentina	182	Medium Risk
Saudi Arabia	186	Medium Risk
Mexico	188	Low Risk
Canada	193	Low Risk
Russia	199	Low Risk
Indonesia	206	Low Risk
Australia	209	Low Risk

Highest risk = 1

Lowest risk = 209

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