

## Tool: The Open Budget Index

**Purpose of the tool:** Learn about budget transparency, oversight institutions and opportunities for public participation from a comparative perspective.

**How to use the tool:** A comprehensive website shows the general results of the Survey. The information includes general results, results by country and results in all the previous edition of the survey.

## Activity: Learning about budget transparency oversight institutions and public participation in your country

Individual task and plenary

### Instructions

- Enter the Open Budget Survey website: <https://www.internationalbudget.org/open-budget-survey/>.
- Enter “Results by country”.
- Scroll down and select your country (if your country is not included in the survey, choose any other country that interests you).
- Read the “Country summary” document.
- Once you have read the document, answer the following questions and share your answers with the group.

### Questions

1. What was your country’s score for transparency, and how does it compare with those of other countries in your region?
2. How many of the eight budget documents does your country produce?
3. Has budget transparency improved in your country over time?
4. Which document do you think is more likely to contain information about the health budget? Why?

5. What are the main recommendations for your country on budget oversight and public participation?
6. Do these results surprise you?