Belize Public Financial Management Profile



Introduction

This note presents a series of charts which provide an **overview** of Belize's recent public financial management (PFM) performance based on this country's 2014 Public Expenditure and Financial Accountability (PEFA) assessment. Comparisons are made between Belize's performance and the performance of the other twenty-three countries that had PEFA assessments published in 2014-2015. All analyses have been prepared using results reported from using the 2011 PEFA methodology.

Overall PFM performance

Individual country PFM performance has been determined by applying the following points scale to reported individual performance indicator (PI) scores as presented in Table 1. No points were allocated to PIs that were not scored because either data was unavailable, a D score was given or the PI was

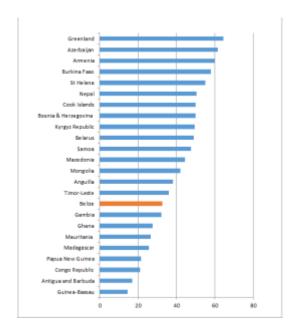
not applicable.

Table 1: PI scoring methodology

PEFA PI score	Points allocated
Α	3
B+	2.5
В	2
C+	1.5
С	1
D+	.5
D	0

The graph in Figure 1 below shows Belize's overall score was ranked 16th out of the twenty-four countries.

Figure 1: Aggregate PEFA scores for 24 countries



Details of the distribution of overall country scores across PFM performance categories, as determined by PFMConnect, are presented in Table 2. Belize's overall score was 32.5 points.

Table 2: Distribution of country PFM performance levels

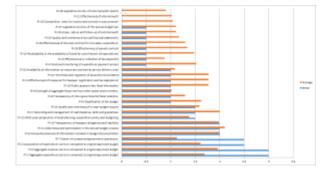
PFM performance	Overall Scores	Number of countries
Very strong	66.37-84	0
Strong	49.57-66.36	8
Moderate	32.77-49.56	7
Weak	15.97-32.76	8
Very weak	0-15.96	1
Total		24

Belize's overall PFM performance is classified as "weak".

PI performance

The graph in Figure 2 below shows the scores for Belize's individual PIs compared with the average score recorded for each PI across the twenty-four PEFA assessments we have studied. Please note that no scores were recorded for the top three indicators in Figure 2 (PI-8 and PI-23) as these indicators were given D scores in the PEFA assessment.

Figure 2: Belize PI score comparisons



Download a pdf version of Figure 2 here (<u>Belize PIs</u>) to review individual PI scores in more detail.

Twenty-eight PIs were assessed. Six PIs had scores above the country average, one PI had a score equal to the country average whilst twenty-one PIs had scores below the country average.

Performance across key PFM activities

The graph in Figure 3 below shows the average scores for the six key PFM activities compared with the average score recorded for these activities across the twenty-four country PEFA assessments we have studied.

PFM-Out-Turns: Credibility of the budget (Pls 1-4)

Key Cross-Cutting Issues:
Comprehensive ress and Transparency (Pis 5-10)

Policy-Based Budgeting (Pis 11-12)

Predictability and Control in Budget Execution (Pis 13-21)

Accounting, Recording and Reporting (Pis 22-25)

External Scrutiny and Audit (Pis 26-28)

Figure 3: Belize key PFM activity comparisons

Two key PFM activities recorded scores above the country average whilst four activities recorded scores below the country average.

PEFA ASSESSMENT

You can download the 2014 PEFA assessment for Belize here.