

APPENDIX C: DIFFERENCES BETWEEN DATA IN 2007 DB REPORT AND DB
WEB SITE (OCTOBER 2007) FOR SAME DATA COLLECTION PERIOD

	Number of differences	Reason	Written explanation	Differences of 10% or less
Starting a business				
Procedures (number)	24	Data corrections] Not found	10
Time (days)	32	Data corrections		
Cost (% of income per capita)	19	Data corrections		
Minimum capital (% of income per capita)	11	Data corrections		
Dealing with licenses^a				
Procedures (number)	130	Methodology change/ data corrections] Page 68 of <i>Doing Business 2008</i>	—
Time (days)	148	Methodology change/ data corrections		
Cost (% of income per capita)	106	Methodology change/ data corrections		
Employing workers				
Difficulty of hiring index (0–100)	44	Methodology change] Page 68 of <i>Doing Business 2008</i>	—
Rigidity of hours index (0–100)	40	Methodology change		
Difficulty of firing index (0–100)	46	Methodology change		
Firing cost (weeks of salary)	28	Methodology change		
Registering property				
Procedures (number)	10	Data corrections] Not found	1
Time (days)	17	Data corrections		
Cost (% of property value)	29	Data corrections		
Getting credit				
Depth of credit information index (0–10)	12	Data corrections] Not found	—
Strength of legal rights index (0–10)	46	Data corrections		
Protecting investors				
Extent of disclosure index (0–10)	34	Data corrections] Not found	—
Extent of director liability index (0–10)	23	Data corrections		
Ease of shareholder suits index (0–10)	33	Data corrections		

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	Number of differences	Reason	Written explanation	Differences of 10% or less
Paying taxes^a				
Payments (number per year)	127	Methodology change/ data corrections	Page 78 of <i>Doing Business 2008</i>	—
Time (hours per year)	54	Methodology change/ data corrections		—
Total tax rate (% of profit)	160	Methodology change/ data corrections		—
Trading across borders				
Documents to export (number)	104	Data corrections	Not found	9
Time to export (days)	109	Data corrections		38
Cost to export (US\$ per container)	121	Data corrections		40
Documents to import (number)	124	Data corrections		19
Time to import (days)	114	Data corrections		37
Cost to import (US\$ per container)	116	Data corrections		34
Enforcing contracts^a				
Procedures (number)	166	Methodology change/ data corrections	Page 68 of <i>Doing Business 2008</i>	—
Time (days)	78	Methodology change/ data corrections		—
Cost (% of claim)	157	Methodology change/ data corrections		—
Closing a business				
Recovery rate (cents on the dollar)	22	Data corrections	Not found	3

a. According to the DB team, for these three indicators, the methodology changes affect so many countries that it is difficult to separate corrected errors from methodology revisions.