

Doing Business in South Africa 2018

Comparing *Business Regulation for Domestic Firms in
9 Urban Areas and 4 Maritime Ports* with 189 Other Economies

Subnational *Doing Business*—going beyond business capitals

Doing Business en España 2015

Doing Business
in Kenya 2016

Doing Business
in Kazakhstan 2017

Doing Business in the
European Union 2018:
Croatia, the Czech Republic,
Portugal and Slovakia

Doing Business in
South Africa 2018

- go **beyond** the **largest business city**
- cover regulations at **all levels**
- capture **local differences**
- provide replicable **good practices**
- help cities tell their stories and **compete**
- use local government participation to **promote reform**

Subnational *Doing Business* creates data for informed policymaking

Generates micro-level data on business regulations globally comparable.

Diagnostic Tool

Reform Instrument

Monitoring Device

Creates baseline that can be used to measure progress over time.

Identifies bottlenecks, highlights opportunities for improvement and presents good practices.

Second benchmarking in 9 urban areas and 4 maritime ports



Dealing with Construction Permits



Getting Electricity



Registering Property



Enforcing Contracts



Trading across Borders

9 urban areas

- Buffalo City (East London)
- Cape Town (Cape Town)
- Ekurhuleni (Germiston)
- eThekweni (Durban)
- Johannesburg (Johannesburg)
- Mangaung (Bloemfontein)
- Msunduzi (Pietermaritzburg)
- Nelson Mandela Bay (Port Elizabeth)
- Tshwane (Pretoria)

4 maritime ports

- Cape Town
- Durban
- Ngqura
- Port Elizabeth

No location has the top performance in all areas

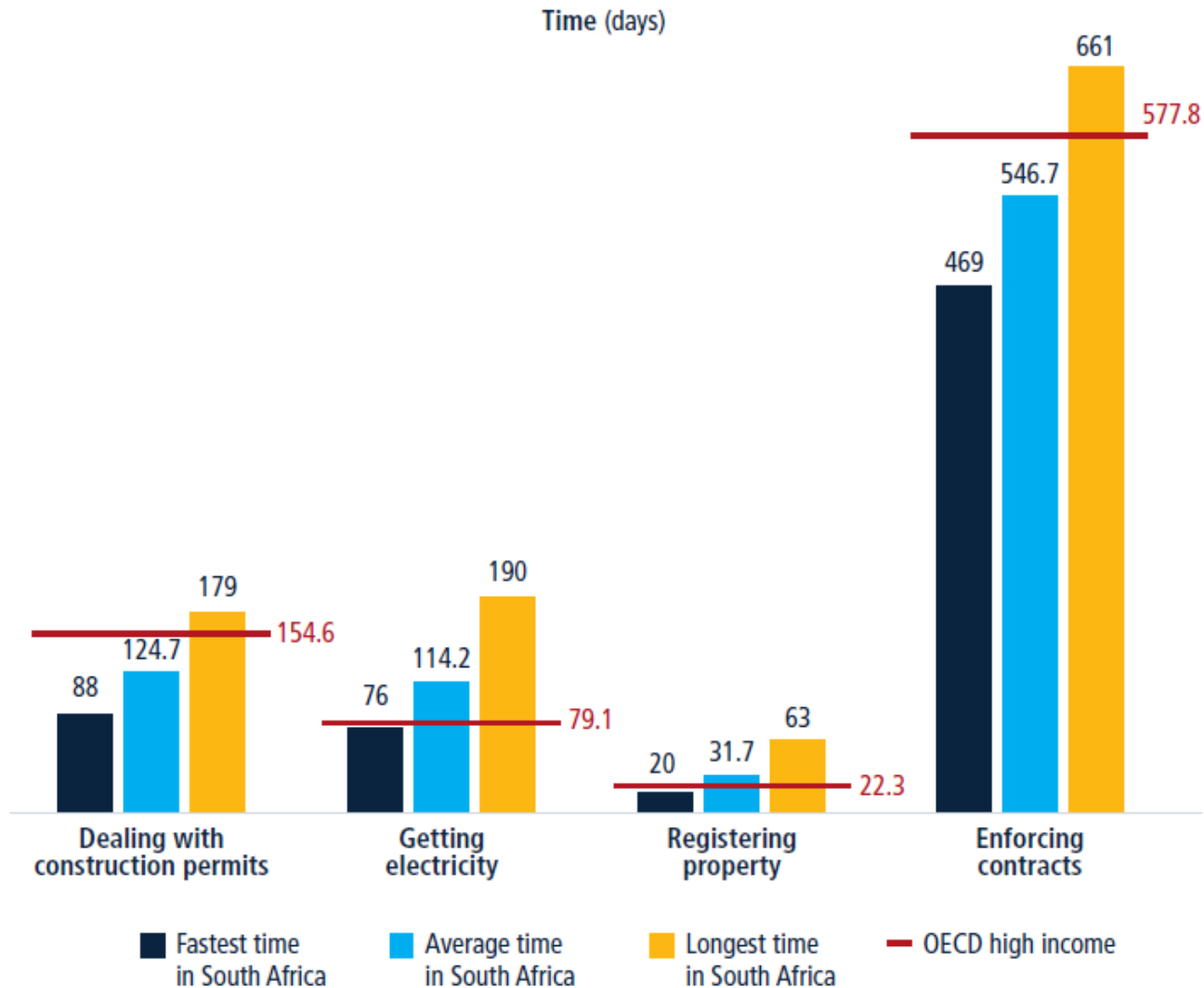
Location	Dealing with construction permits		Getting electricity		Registering property		Enforcing contracts	
	Distance to frontier score (0–100)	Ranking (1–9)	Distance to frontier score (0–100)	Ranking (1–9)	Distance to frontier score (0–100)	Ranking (1–9)	Distance to frontier score (0–100)	Ranking (1–9)
Buffalo City (East London)	71.66	6	59.40	5	57.81	6	↑ 51.48	9
Cape Town (Cape Town)	75.48	1	↑ 79.81	1	54.69	7	54.71	7
Ekurhuleni (Germiston)	71.81	4	52.09	6	58.48	4	55.58	5
eThekweni (Durban)	73.65	2	↑ 69.40	2	54.58	8	55.74	4
Johannesburg (Johannesburg)	↑ 68.16	8	↑ 68.77	3	59.68	2	54.10	8
Mangaung (Bloemfontein)	↑ 71.25	7	59.82	4	↑ 59.73	1	59.01	1
Msunduzi (Pietermaritzburg)	↑ 73.17	3	↑ 47.59	8	52.78	9	58.78	2
Nelson Mandela Bay (Port Elizabeth)	↑ 71.70	5	↑ 42.19	9	57.93	5	54.85	6
Tshwane (Pretoria)	↑ 66.25	9	51.24	7	59.39	3	56.14	3

Performance varies widely across regulatory areas

Doing Business rank (1–190 economies)

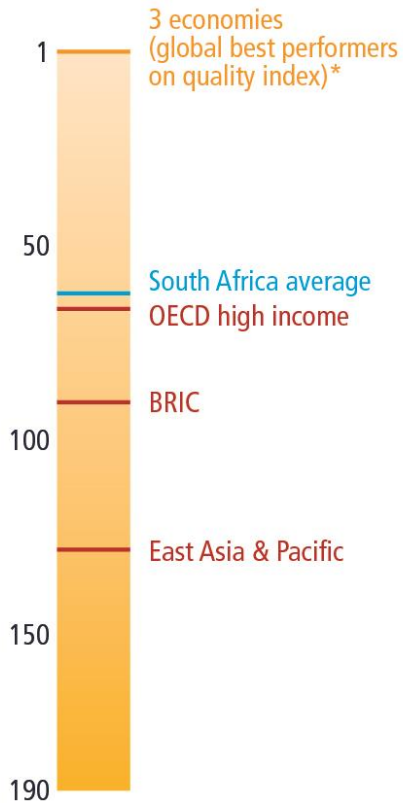


Processes are still complex and costly, however they are relatively fast

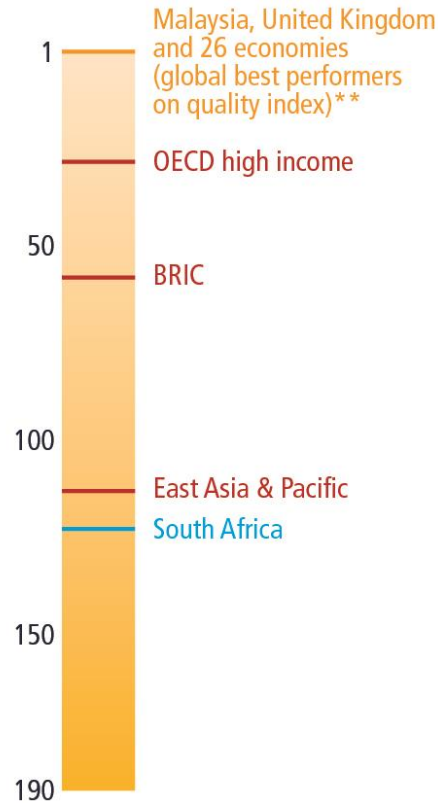


There is still room for improvement in the quality of regulation

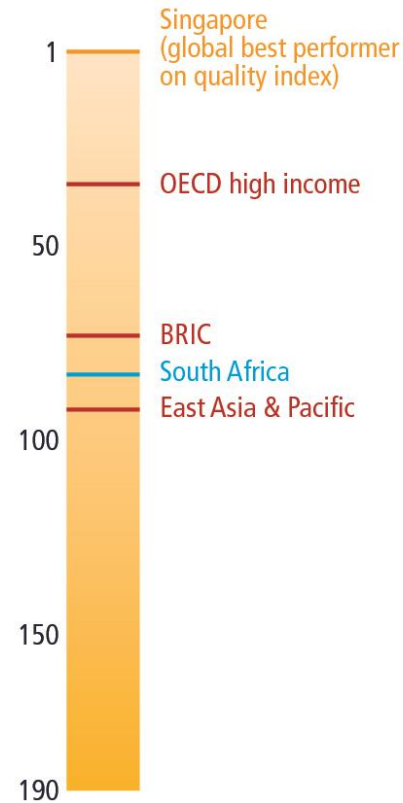
Dealing with construction permits



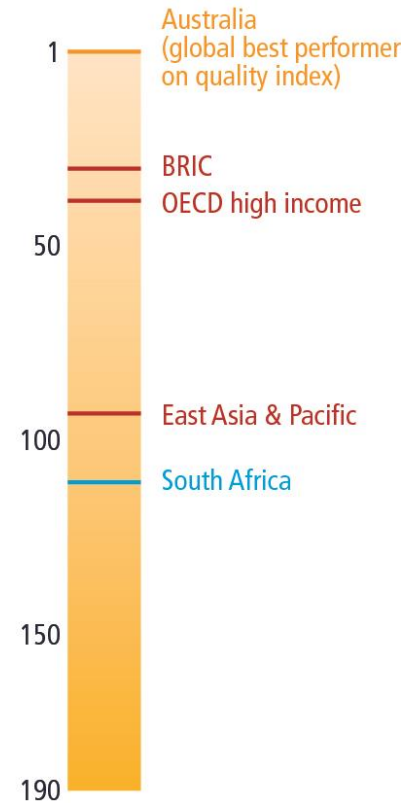
Getting electricity



Registering property



Enforcing contracts



Since 2015, the largest improvements were in 2 areas



Getting
Electricity

Cape Town

eThekweni

Johannesburg

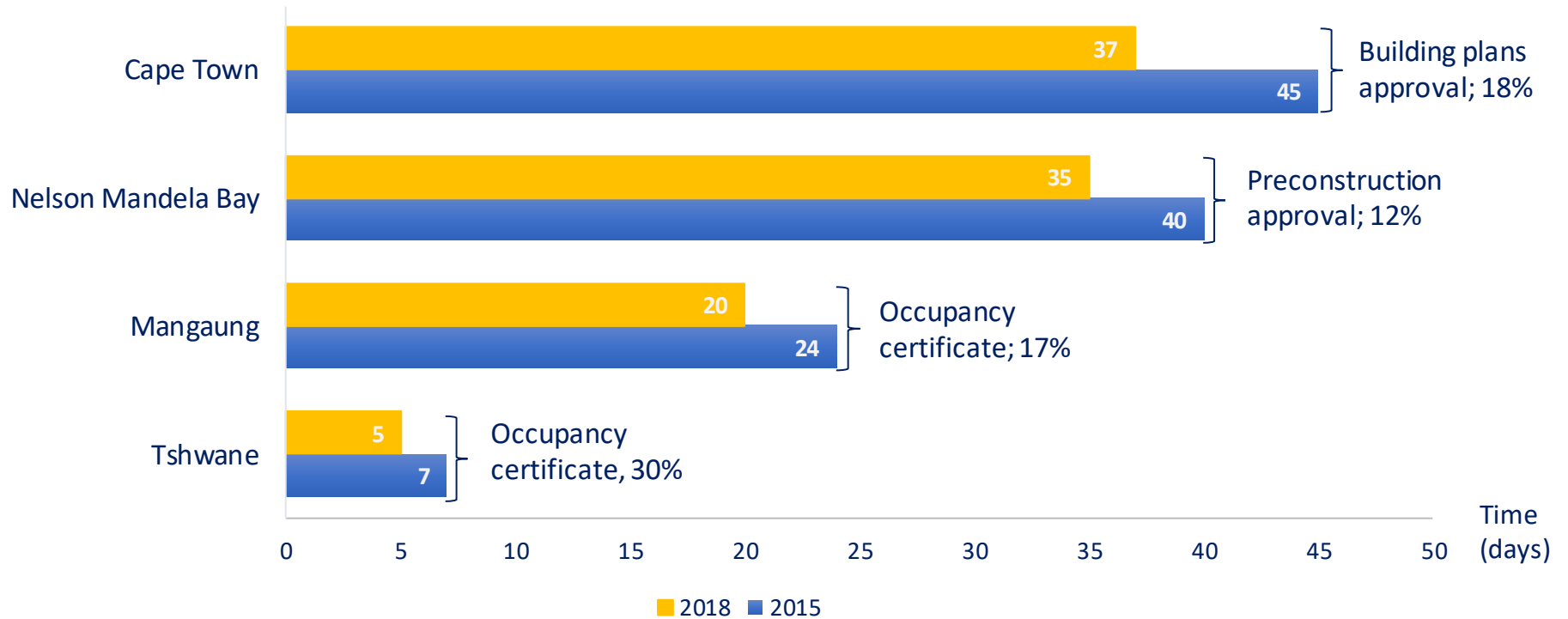
Nelson Mandela Bay



Registering
Property

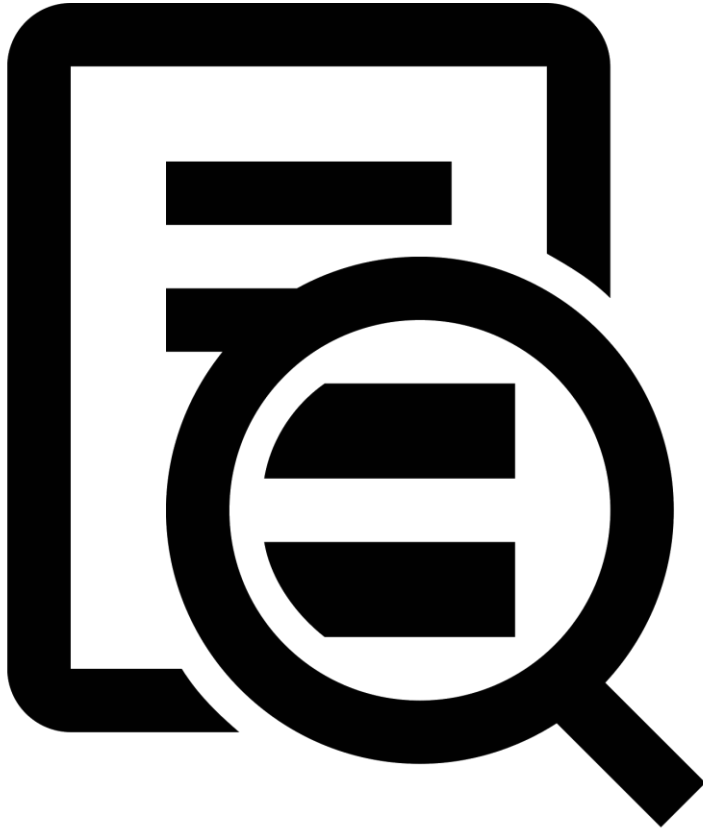
Mangaung

There were smaller improvements in construction permitting



Three locations now monitor the reliability of electricity supply using SAIDI/SAIFI

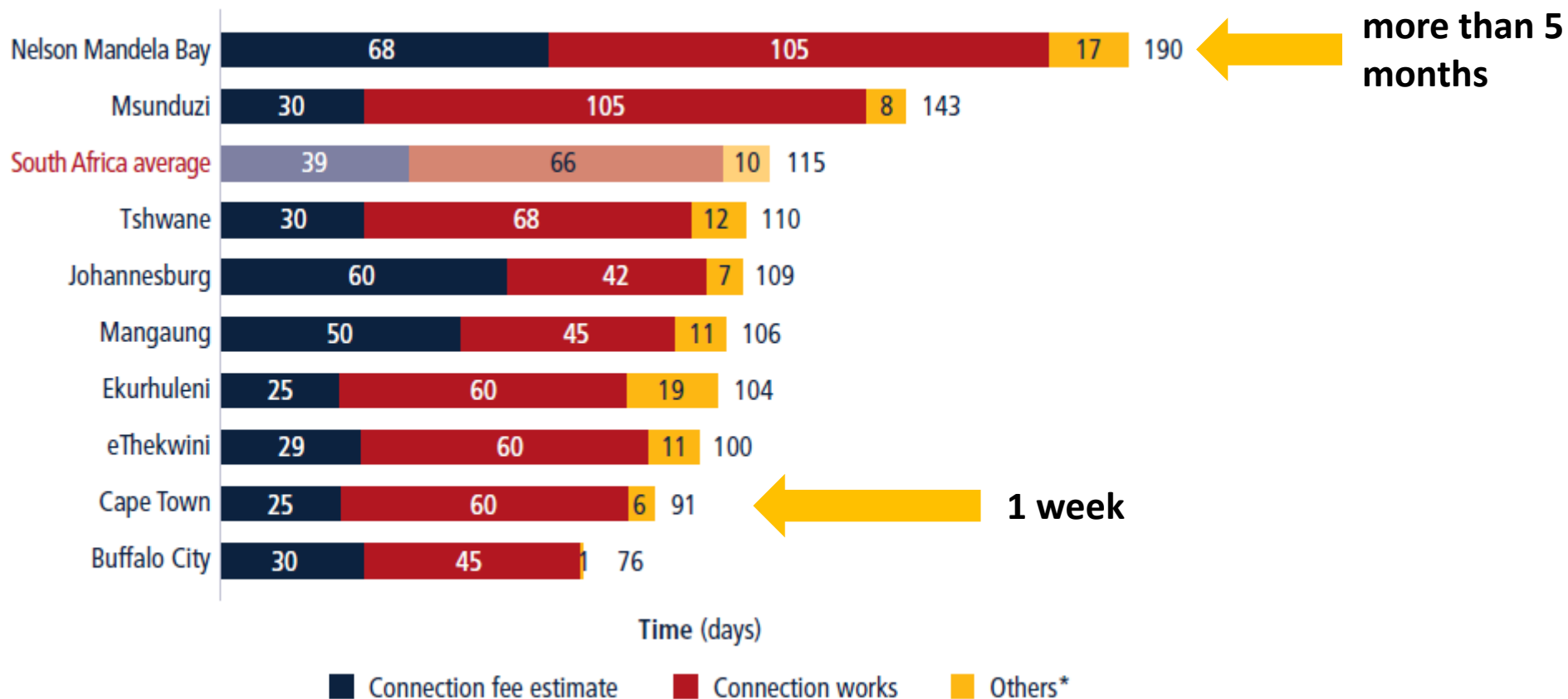
More than
120 *Doing Business* economies



Reliability of supply and
transparency of tariffs index
(0-8 points)

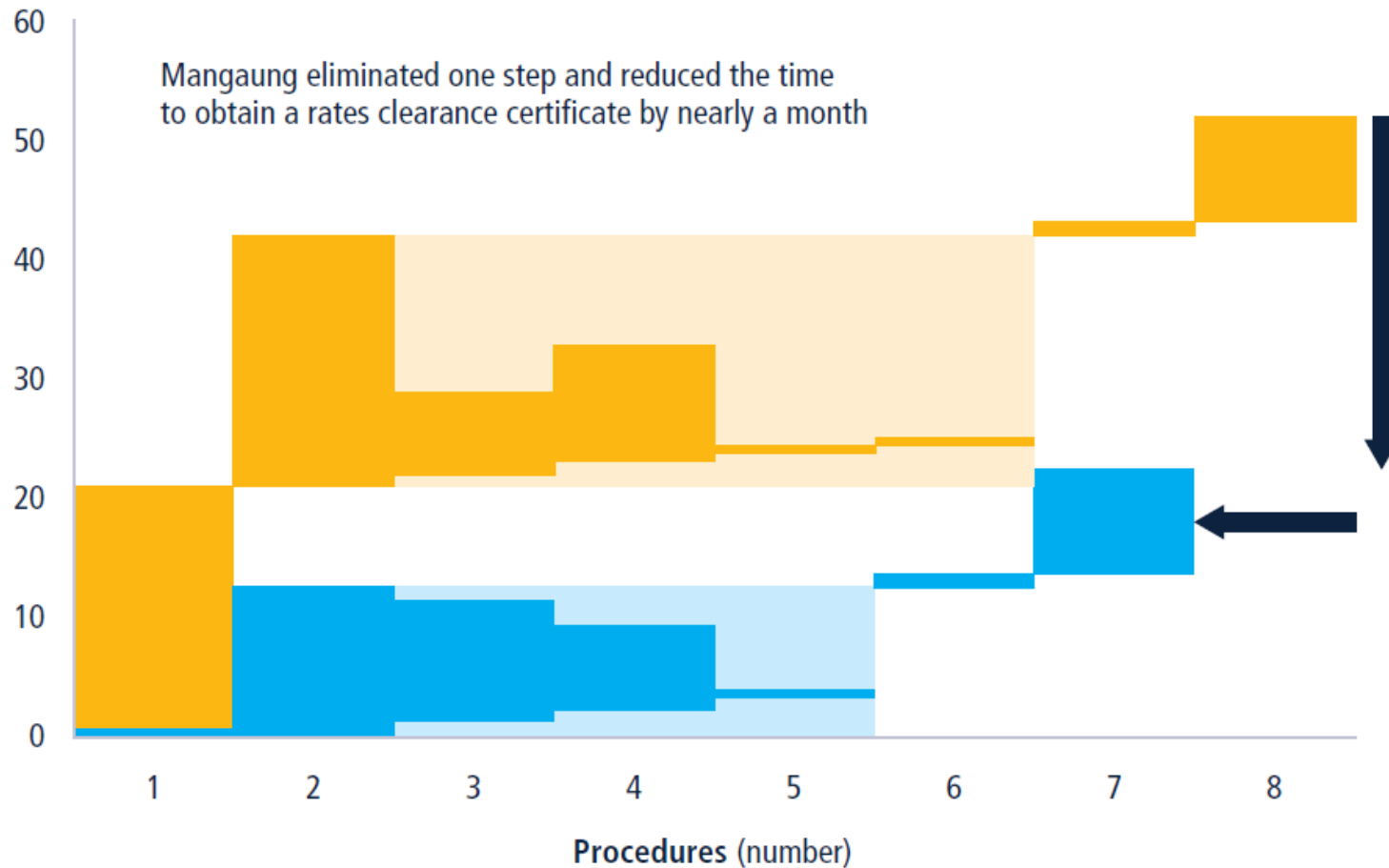
	2015	2018
Cape Town	0 points	6 points
eThekweni	0 points	4 points
Johannesburg	0 points	4 points

Two locations also reduced time to connect to the grid

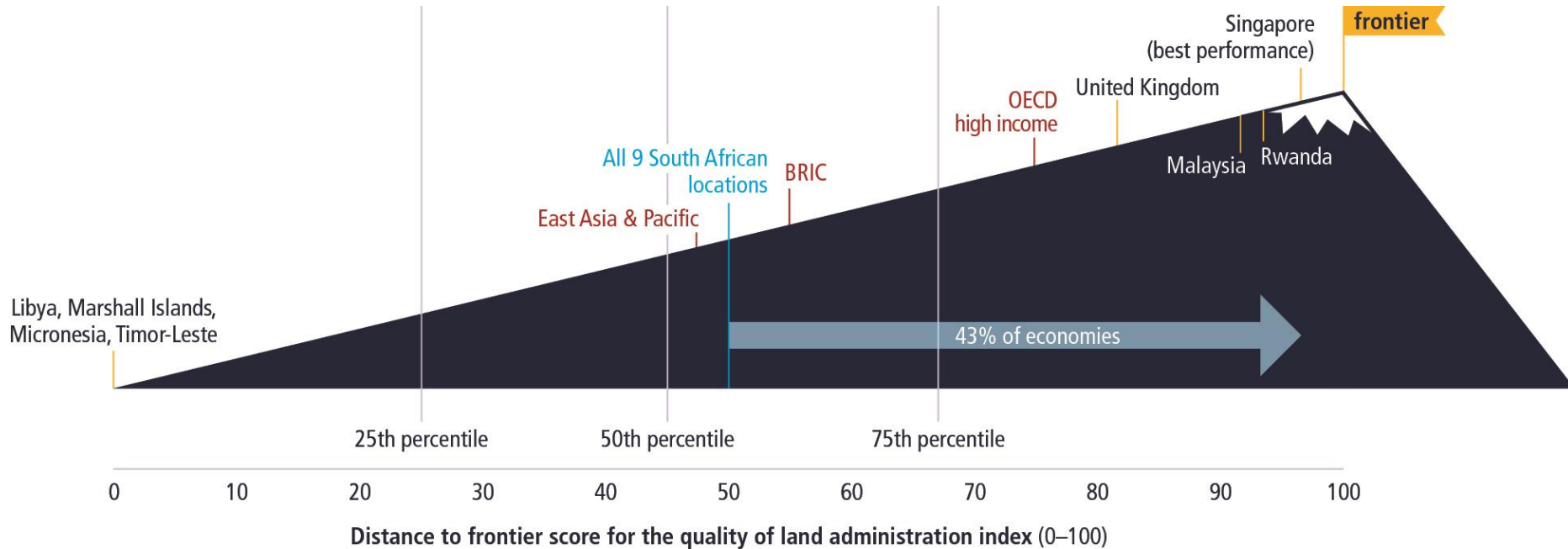


Mangaung cut time to transfer property—through better coordination and automation

Time to register a property (days)

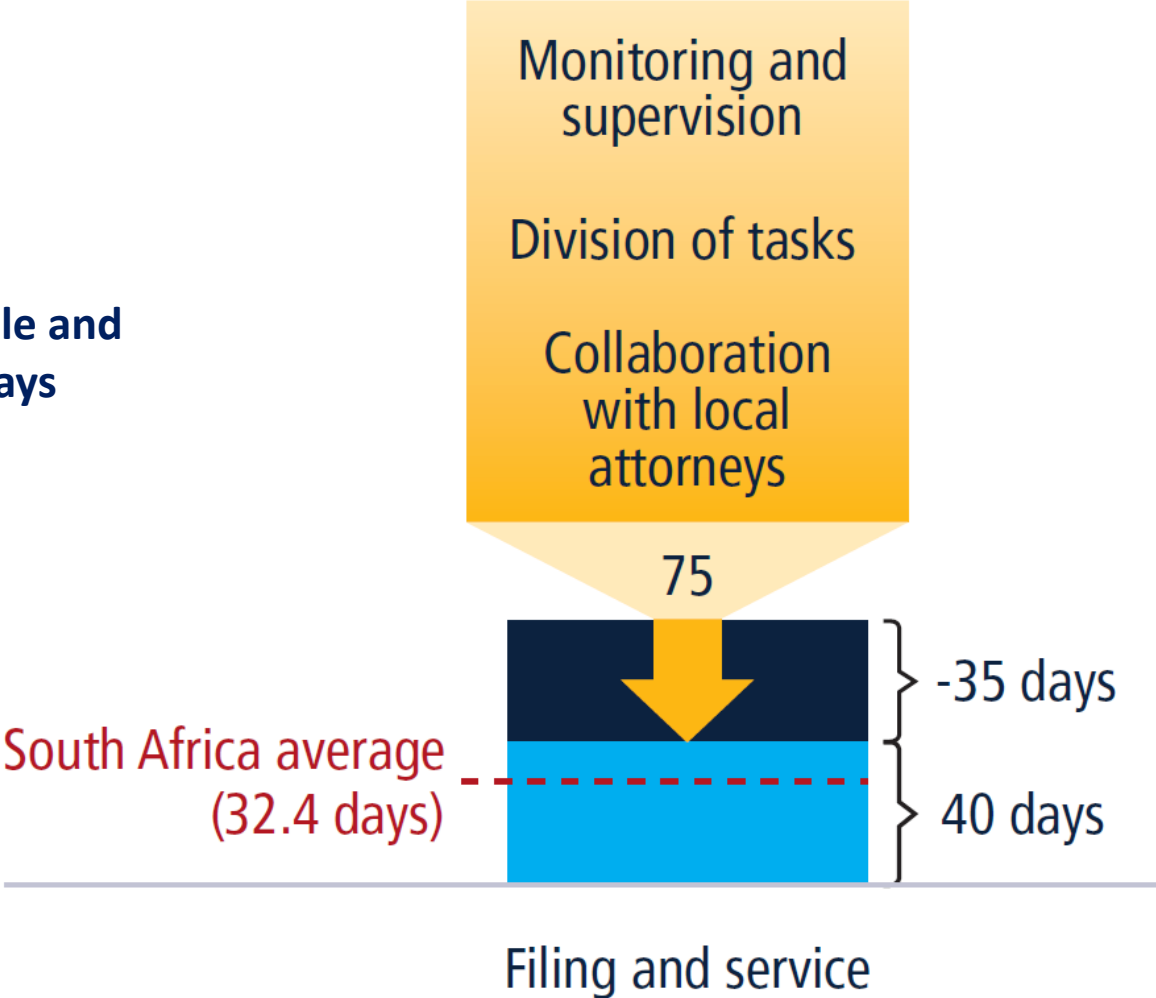


Globally 43% of economies perform better on the quality of land administration

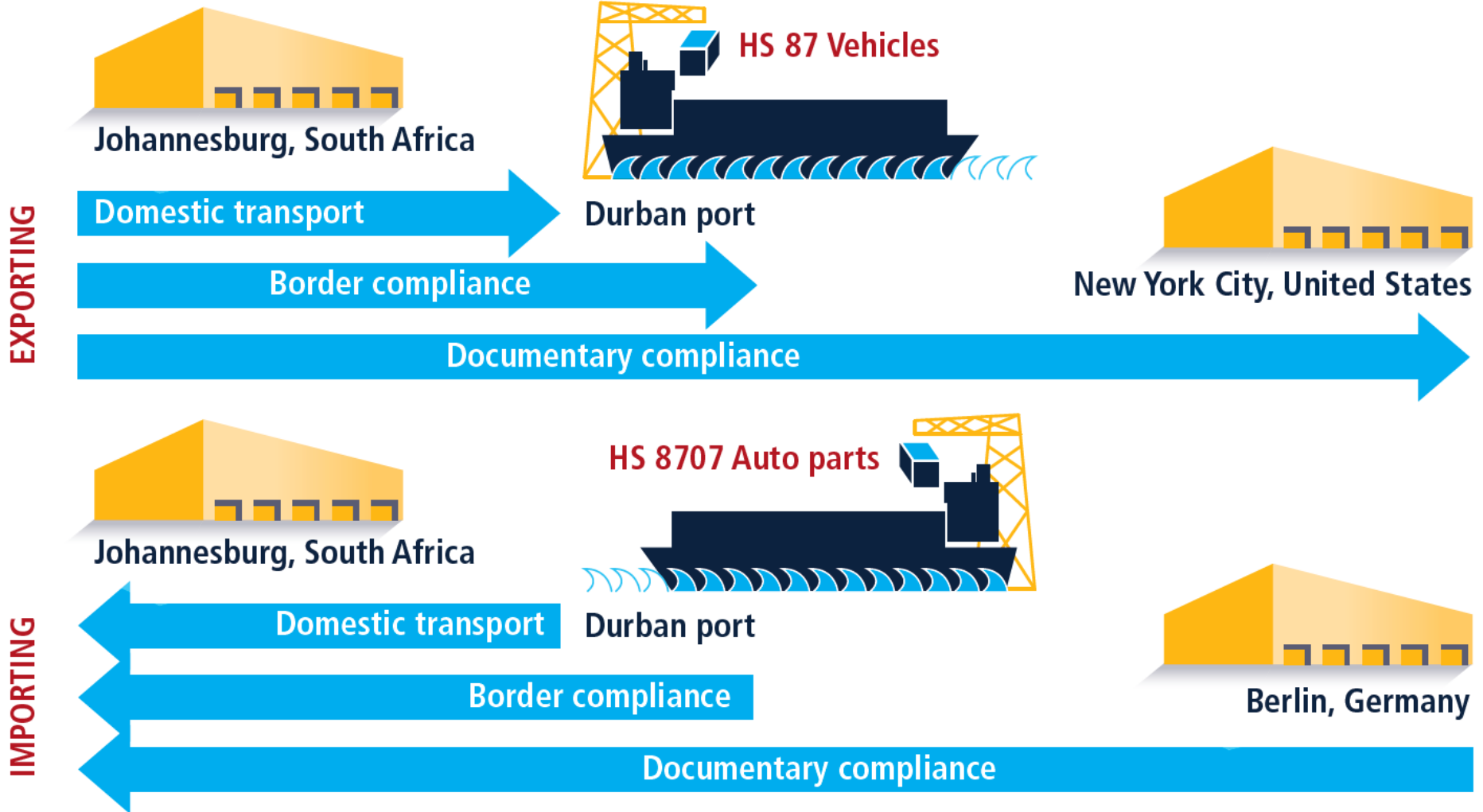


Smaller improvements in filing time may signal future reforms

Buffalo City cut time to file and serve process by 35 days



Doing Business measures three areas of cross-border trade

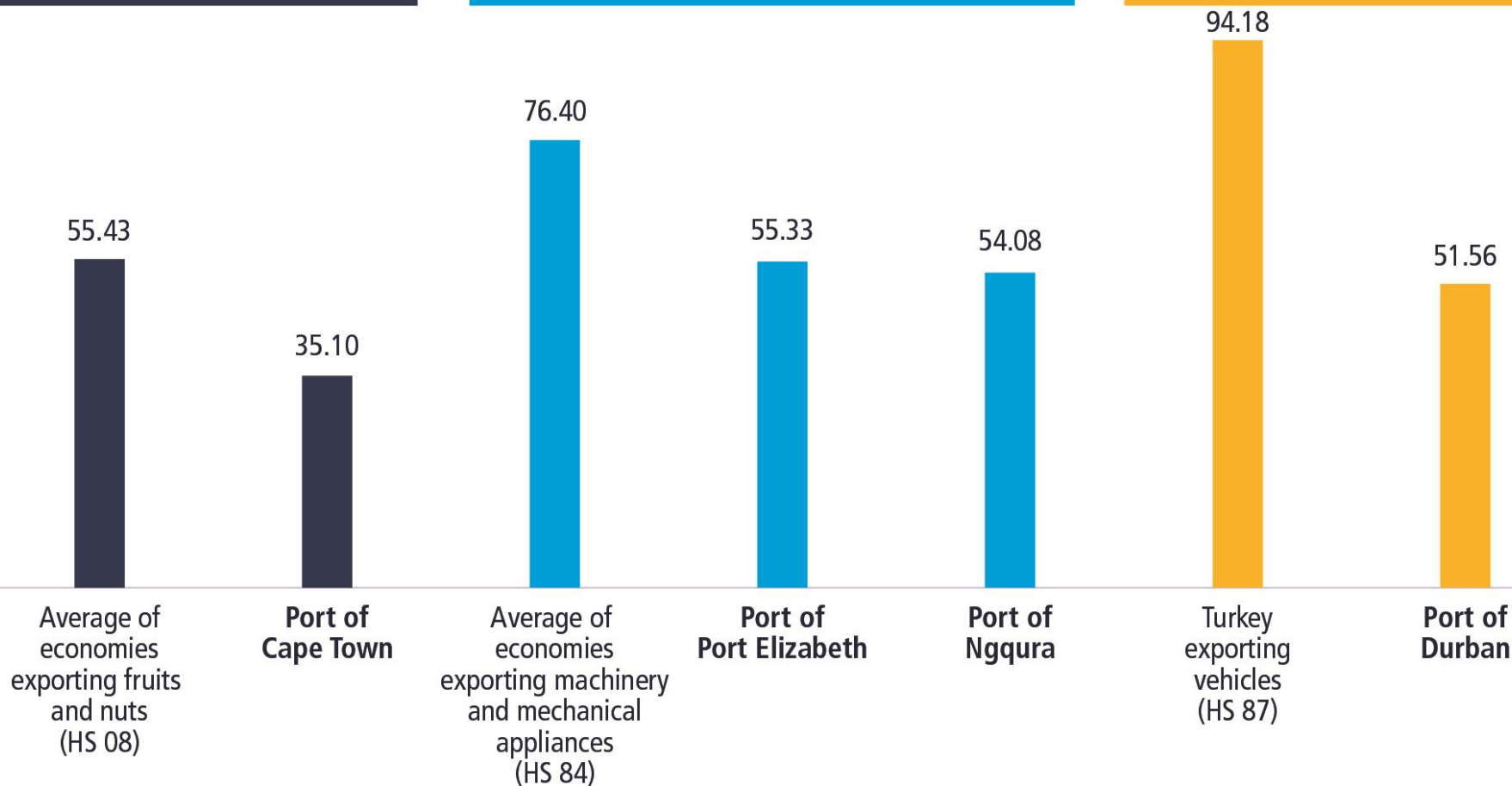


There is still room to streamline export processes in South Africa

Distance to frontier score (0–100)

100

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The way forward: addressing cross-cutting issues

Coordination within municipalities

Collaboration at different levels of government

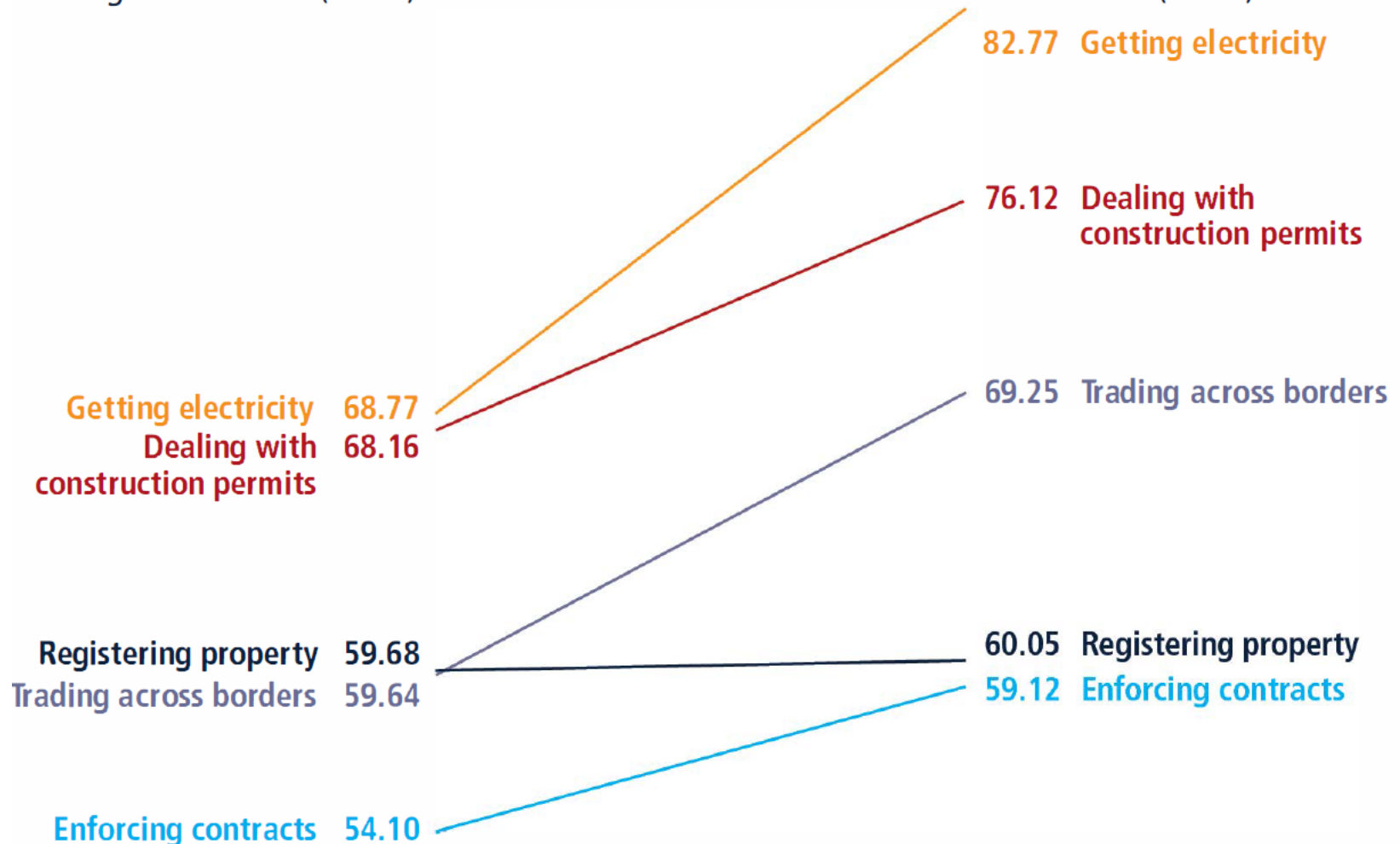
Proper resource allocation and implementation

Improved prospect for future reform successes

The potential for improvement—through the emulation of good practices—is striking

South Africa (Johannesburg)
Distance to frontier score in
Doing Business 2018 (0–100)

Best South African performance
Hypothetical distance to
frontier score (0–100)





Thank you!

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