

Angola - Country Brief

Global Talent Competitiveness Index (GTCI) 2025

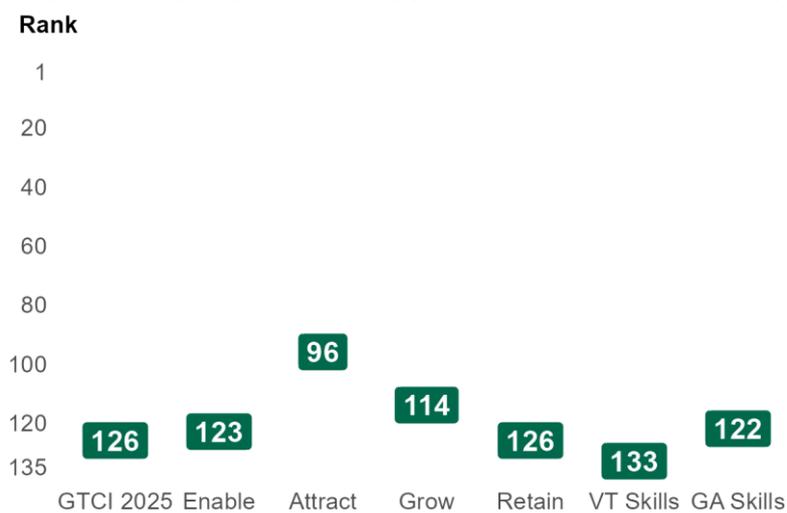


Total population:	37.89 million
GDP:	US\$ 109.764 billion
GDP (PPP) per capita:	US\$ 8,870 (99 out of 135 countries)
Country income level:	Lower-middle income
GTCI 2025 ranking:	126 (out of 135)

Global GTCI position

In GTCI 2025, Angola is ranked 126th out of a sample of 135 countries (Figure 1). When it comes to sub-pillars, the strongest showings of Angola relate to External Openness, Formal Education and Lifelong Learning, among others. Still, more could be done to improve the economy's performances in the Sustainability, Internal Openness and Employability sub-pillars.

Figure 1: Angola global ranking (GTCI sample of 135 countries)



Note: VT Skills = Vocational and Technical Skills; GA Skills = Generalist Adaptive Skills.

Comparison with different groups of countries

Angola is situated in Sub-Saharan Africa and is classified as Lower-middle income. Within its region, the country is ranked 24th out of 31 countries (Table 1).



Angola is ranked 34th within the group of Lower-middle income countries (implying that 3 percent of countries rank lower).

Table 1: Angola performance vs. income groups and regions

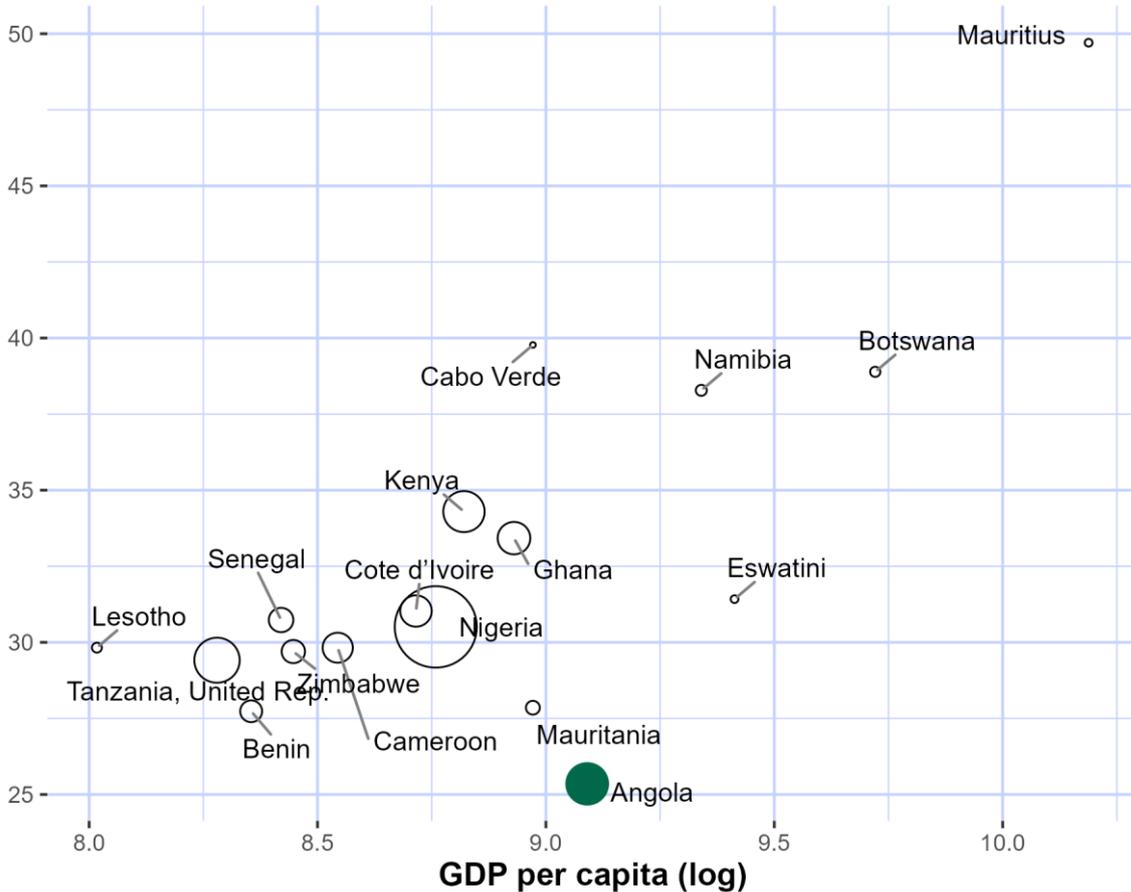
Comparison group	Top 3 scorers of the group	Score GAP: Angola score minus group highest score	Share of countries in the group ranked below Angola
Region			
Central and Southern Asia	Uzbekistan, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan	-18.0	0%
Eastern, Southeastern Asia and Oceania	Singapore, Australia, New Zealand	-47.9	6%
Europe	Switzerland, Denmark, Finland	-47.8	0%
Latin America and the Caribbean	Chile, Uruguay, Costa Rica	-27.3	0%
Northern Africa and Western Asia	Israel, United Arab Emirates, Cyprus	-34.8	5%
Northern America	United States of America, Canada	-44.1	0%
Sub-Saharan Africa	Mauritius, Seychelles, South Africa	-24.4	23%
Income group			
High income	Singapore, Switzerland, Denmark	-47.9	0%
Upper-middle income	Georgia, Malaysia, Mauritius	-25.6	0%
Lower-middle income	Uzbekistan, Jordan, Philippines	-18.0	3%
Low income	Rwanda, Malawi, Gambia	-8.6	62%

Comparison with group of competitors

Angola's group of competitors is defined as lower-middle-income and upper-middle-income countries located in Sub-Saharan Africa. It comprises a group of 17 economies. Figure 2 plots how Angola fares against each competitor in terms of GTCI score and GDP per capita.

As can be seen, Angola's GTCI score and GDP per capita are, respectively, lower and higher than the corresponding medians of its group of competitors. Thus, Angola is underachieving against its group of competitors. Thus, the country's talent competitiveness is below what would be expected given its income level.

Figure 2: GTCI score and GDP per capita (log) of Angola and its identified competitors



Note: Bubble size indicates country population.

Performance against its income group and region

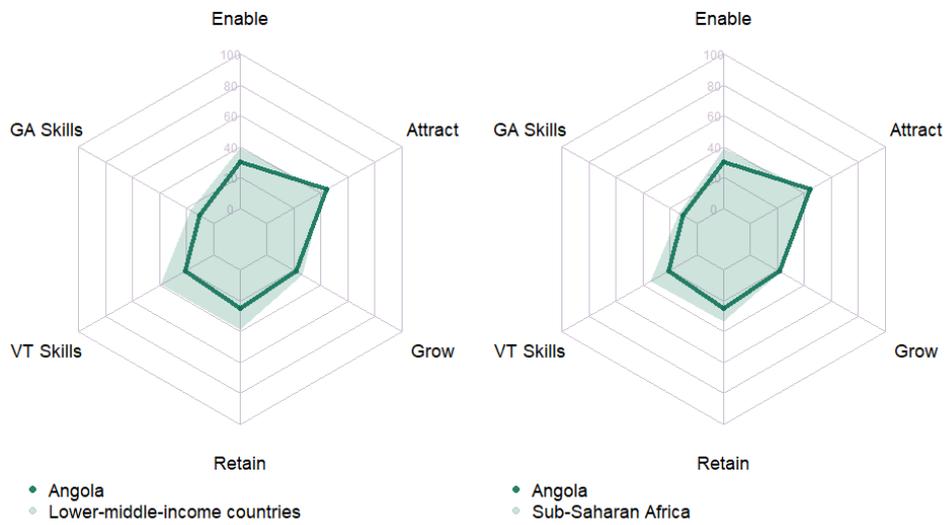
Lower-middle-income countries

Angola is ranked 34th in the group of lower-middle-income countries (Figure 3, left panel). In terms of pillar performance, it has a higher score than the income group average in one of the six pillars: Attract. At the sub-pillar level, it outperforms lower-middle-income countries in two of the fourteen sub-pillars: External Openness and Formal Education.

Sub-Saharan Africa

Angola is ranked 24th within Sub-Saharan Africa (Figure 3, right panel). It has a score above the regional average in one of the six pillars: Attract. With regard to sub-pillars, it outperforms the average in Sub-Saharan Africa in two of the fourteen sub-pillars: External Openness and Formal Education.

Figure 3: Angola pillar scores vs. averages of relevant income group and region



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Longer-term trends in talent competitiveness

Across all GTCI editions from 2015 to 2025, Angola’s ranking ranges from 126th to 131st place (see Figure 4).

Figure 4: Evolution of GTCI rank for Angola, 2015-2025





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