COUNTRY PROFILE: NICARAGUA

Population: 6.5 Millions
Internet users: 1.8 Millions

GDP: 12 471 Millions current US$ (GDP growth: -5.3%)
Merchandise trade: 12 258 Millions current US$
Land area: 120 340 km²

E-COMMERCE ASSESSMENT - 2017-20

Rank in UNCTAD B2C E-commerce Index: 122/152
Rank in ITU ICT Development Index: 130/176
Rank in WEF Networked Readiness Index: -/134

Internet users, 27.9
Fixed broadband subscriptions, 3.3
Active mobile broadband subscriptions, 18.0

FIXED BROADBAND INTERNET TARIFFS, PPP $/month

Debit card used in the past year:
NICARAGUA, 6.2
LATIN AMERICA & THE CARIBBEAN, 23.5
WORLD, 32.6

Credit card used in the past year:
NICARAGUA, #N/A
LATIN AMERICA & THE CARIBBEAN, 20.1
WORLD, 29.3

Mobile phone or the internet used to access a financial institution account in the past year:
NICARAGUA, 1.7
LATIN AMERICA & THE CARIBBEAN, 10.3
WORLD, 23.2

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#### TRADE LOGISTICS - 2017-19

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<th>Country</th>
<th>Percent of population having mail delivered at home</th>
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#### SKILLS DEVELOPMENT - 2013-17

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#### FINANCING FOR eCOMMERCE - 2013-17

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#### LEGAL AND REGULATORY FRAMEWORKS - 2020

**NICARAGUA**
- Electronic transactions:
- Consumer protection:
- Privacy and data protection:
- Cybercrime:

COUNTRY PROFILE: GENERAL NOTES

NOTES:
- For merchandise trade - sum of exports and imports.
- Country groups are weighted using population for most indicators with the exception of those on skills development, financing for e-commerce and days to clear direct exports through customs. Regional average values relate to developing economies in those regions.

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