

# PingER Data Explorer

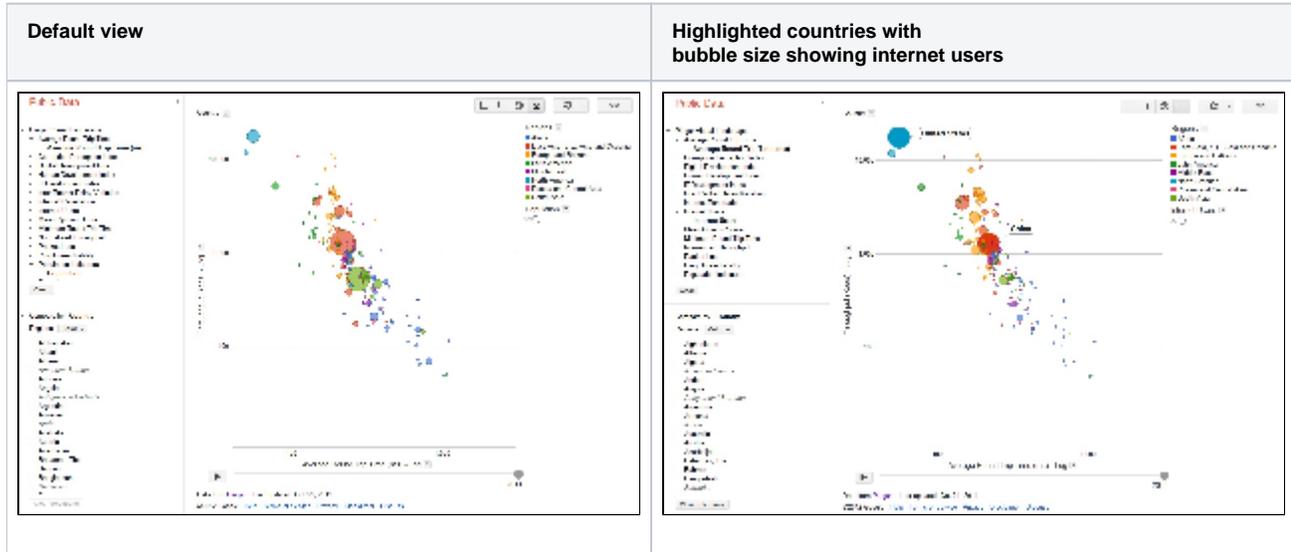
## Motivation

[Pinger data explorer](#) is primarily used to visualize the trends in the Internet end-to-end performance statistics measured over 170 countries from +90 active PingER monitoring hosts. Having gathered data since 1998, the explorer graphs enable the users to study the trends, step changes, significant improvements/degradations.

The data can be viewed in 4 different ways: Motion bubble chart, Motion Map, Motion Histogram and Line Chart.

The different sets of charts (w.r.t. regions) enables the users to study the progress made by countries in comparison to their neighbours as well as the world in general.

Below are some examples of the Motion bubble chart:



## Usage

By default the pinger data explorer shows the bubble chart between throughput in log scale to average\_rtt in log scale. Each bubble represents a country. The size of the bubble shows population of the country. The color of the bubble shows the region of the country. The motion is the time. The time granularity is by the year. Click on the play button to initiate motion.

- On the left, there are two panels: PingER Visual Landscape and Compare by Country
- PingER Visual Landscape shows the metrics which are measured by PingER and which can be compared to other metrics or indices of the world.
- Click on a metric name, a sub heading of the metric will appear. Click the sub heading, a menu will open which will allow you to choose the metric to be displayed at X-axis, Y axis; or to color the bubbles on the basis of this metric; or to size the bubbles on the basis of this metric.
- Other PingER metrics that are available include minimum\_rtt, ipdv, packet\_loss, internet users, population, n throughput, MOS, Ping unreachability, Corruption Perception Index (CPI), Digital Opportunity Index (DOI), Human Development Index (HDI), ICT Development Index (IDI) and internet penetration index.
- A log scale or a linear scale can be chosen for X and Y axis by going to the chart options (top right), a drop down menu appears which allows you to select default colors; allows you to set same bubble size for all bubbles; and allows you to show the trails.
- The lower left panel allows you to compare countries within a selected region or with all the countries of the world.
- In the lower left panel, below compare by country, and next to regions there is a drop down menu of colors. This allows you to choose countries to be compared in a region or with all the regions; and also allows you to color the bubbles according to regions. By default it is set to compare all the countries of the world.
- Move the cursor over a bubble to identify the values for the bubble.
- Move the cursor over a colored legend symbol to blink the bubbles associated with the symbol's color.
- To follow the changes in detail simply move the slider bar with the mouse.
- One can select a bubble by clicking on it to provide a label for the bubble that persists with the motion. The trails check box leaves a trail to follow the motion of selected bubbles.
- By clicking the link at the right top of the page, one may select the vantage point, the observed region and the granularity of the measurements.
- Only one axis (or metric) can be chosen for Motion map, Motion histogram and Line chart. Line chart requires countries of interest to be selected to view the line chart of that metric with respect to years as it does not have motion feature.

## Implementation Details

### HTML Output

To create a motion chart, the data must be populated in a data structure (as stated by [Google public data explorer](#) and copied below, the complete dataset can be found [here](#) ):

```

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  xmlns:geo="http://www.google.com/publicdata/dataset/google/geo"
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  xmlns:time="http://www.google.com/publicdata/dataset/google/time"
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    </name>
    <description>
      <value>Some very interesting statistics about countries and their connectivity</value>
    </description>
    <url>
      <value>http://www-iepm.slac.stanford.edu/pinger/</value>
    </url>
  </info>

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    </name>
    <url>
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    </url>
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    </topic>

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      </info>
    </topic>
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      </info>
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      </info>
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    .
    .
    .
    .
  </topics>

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    <!-- As noted in the tutorial, this concept should extend quantity:amount.-->

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```

<concept id="population">
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    </name>
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    </description>
  </info>
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  <type ref="integer"/>
</concept>

  <concept id="ipdv">
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      <value>ipdv</value>
    </name>
    <description>
      <value>Inter Packet Delay Variation</value>
    </description>
  </info>
  <topic ref="ipdv_indicators"/>
  <type ref="float"/>
</concept>
.
.
.
.

<!-- This country concept is defined for educational purposes only. A country
concept exists in the Google geo dataset. See:

http://code.google.com/apis/publicdata/docs/canonical/geo.html -->
  <concept id="region" extends="geo:location">
  <info>
    <name>
      <value>Regions</value>
    </name>
    <description>
      <value>My list of Regions</value>
    </description>
  </info>
  <type ref="string"/>
  <property id="name">
    <info>
      <name><value xml:lang="en">Regions</value></name>
      <description>
        <value xml:lang="en">The official name of the region</value>
      </description>
    </info>
    <type ref="string"/>
  </property>
  <table ref="region_table"/>
</concept>

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      <value>Country</value>
    </name>
    <description>
      <value>My list of countries</value>
    </description>
  </info>
  <type ref="string"/>
  <property id="name">
    <info>

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        <name><value xml:lang="en">Country name</value></name>
        <description>
          <value xml:lang="en">The official name of the country</value>
        </description>
      </info>
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    </property>
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</concept>

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    <name>
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    </name>
    <description>
      <value>The percent of the labor force that is unemployed, not seasonally
        adjusted.</value>
    </description>
    <url><value>http://www.bls.gov/cps/cps_htgm.htm</value></url>
  </info>
  <topic ref="population_indicators"/>
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    <value>true</value>
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</concept>

</concepts>

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  <dimension concept="country"/>
  <dimension concept="time:year"/>
  <metric concept="population"/>
    <metric concept="average_rtt"/>
  <metric concept="ipdv"/>
  <metric concept="minimum_rtt"/>
  <metric concept="MOS"/>
  <metric concept="nthroughput"/>
  <metric concept="throughput"/>
  <metric concept="unreachability"/>
    <metric concept="packet_loss"/>
    <metric concept="internetusers"/>
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</slice>

</slices>

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  </data>
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  <column id="region" type="string" />

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    <column id="name" type="string" />
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</data>
</table>

<table id="countries_slice_population_table">
  <column id="country" type="string"/>
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  <column id="population" type="integer"/>
  <column id="average_rtt" type="float"/>
  <column id="ipdv" type="float"/>
  <column id="minimum_rtt" type="float"/>
  <column id="MOS" type="float"/>
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  <column id="throughput" type="float"/>
  <column id="unreachability" type="float"/>
  <column id="packet_loss" type="float"/>
  <column id="internetusers" type="float"/>
  <data>
    <file format="csv" encoding="utf-8">file.csv</file>
  </data>
</table>

</tables>

</dspl>

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The data must comply with the formatting requirements of [Google data explorer](#) and mentioned below:

- The column headings in the first line of the data file must *exactly* match the concept id and the property id of the concept with which the data is associated (though order may vary).
- Each row must have exactly the same number of elements as the number of properties on the concept (even if the value is empty).
- Each value for the concept's id field (here, the country code) must be unique and non-empty (an empty field is one with zero or only whitespace characters).
- Values for properties that reference other concepts must either be empty or be a valid value of the referenced concept.
- Values that contain the comma character must be represented without comma; for example 23,400 must be represented as 23400.

The [complete folder that was uploaded to Google Explorer is available here](#) .

## Relevant Files

The scripts and files are placed at /afs/slac.stanford.edu/package/pinger/explorer . Two scripts have to be run for generating the data file in the format required by the google data explorer. First script is generate-metric-files-for-explorer.pl . This script takes metric values from prmout folder (<http://www-iepm.slac.stanford.edu/pinger/prmout/> AKA /afs/slac/g/www/www-iepm/pinger/prmout (you can use `ls -lt /afs/slac/g/www/www-iepm/pinger/prmout/ | grep SLAC | grep allyear | more` to find the latest relevant files, see below) and transposes the data such that years are now incremented vertically and not horizontally.

```

ls -lt /afs/slac/g/www/www-iepm/pinger/prmout/ | grep SLAC | grep allyear | more
-rw-rw-rw- 1 cottrell sf 17108 Jan 4 09:26 unreachability-EDU.SLAC.STANFORD.N3-country-allyear.csv
-rw-rw-rw- 1 cottrell sf 18886 Jan 4 09:23 ipdv-EDU.SLAC.STANFORD.N3-country-allyear.csv
-rw-rw-rw- 1 cottrell sf 18524 Jan 4 09:20 packet_loss-EDU.SLAC.STANFORD.N3-country-allyear.csv
-rw-rw-rw- 1 cottrell sf 21477 Jan 4 09:16 minimum_rtt-EDU.SLAC.STANFORD.N3-country-allyear.csv
-rw-rw-rw- 1 cottrell sf 18099 Jan 4 09:13 alpha-EDU.SLAC.STANFORD.N3-country-allyear.csv
-rw-rw-rw- 1 cottrell sf 15112 Jan 4 09:06 MOS-EDU.SLAC.STANFORD.N3-country-allyear.csv
-rw-rw-rw- 1 cottrell sf 30900 Jan 4 08:48 nthroughput-EDU.SLAC.STANFORD.N3-country-allyear.csv
-rw-rw-rw- 1 cottrell sf 21426 Jan 4 08:30 throughput-EDU.SLAC.STANFORD.N3-country-allyear.csv
-rw-rw-rw- 1 cottrell sf 21561 Jan 4 08:27 average_rtt-EDU.SLAC.STANFORD.N3-country-allyear.csv
-rw-rw-rw- 1 pinger sf 3359 Jan 4 08:08 nthroughput-EDU.SLAC.STANFORD.N3-continent-allyear.csv
-rw-rw-rw- 1 pinger sf 2190 Jan 4 08:02 minimum_rtt-EDU.SLAC.STANFORD.N3-continent-allyear.csv
-rw-rw-rw- 1 pinger sf 1837 Jan 4 07:58 ipdv-EDU.SLAC.STANFORD.N3-continent-allyear.csv
-rw-rw-rw- 1 pinger sf 2196 Jan 4 07:53 average_rtt-EDU.SLAC.STANFORD.N3-continent-allyear.csv
-rw-rw-rw- 1 pinger sf 1253 Jan 4 07:49 MOS-EDU.SLAC.STANFORD.N3-continent-allyear.csv
-rw-rw-rw- 1 pinger sf 1754 Jan 4 07:43 unreachability-EDU.SLAC.STANFORD.N3-continent-allyear.csv
-rw-rw-rw- 1 pinger sf 2225 Jan 4 07:39 throughput-EDU.SLAC.STANFORD.N3-continent-allyear.csv
-rw-rw-rw- 1 pinger sf 1824 Jan 4 07:34 packet_loss-EDU.SLAC.STANFORD.N3-continent-allyear.csv
-rw-rw-rw- 1 pinger sf 1485 Jan 4 2014 alpha-EDU.SLAC.STANFORD.N3-continent-allyear.csv

```

The above files are updated using the command:

```
/afs/slac/package/pinger/analysis/analyze-allyears.pl --basedir /nfs/slac/g/net/pinger --usemetric --dataset hep --set_metric 4
```

that is run quarterly from a [trscntab file](#), thus you should not need to do anything.

The files generated by `/afs/slac/package/pinger/explorer/generate-metric-files-for-explorer.pl` are:

```
326cottrell@rhel6-64i:~$ls -lt /afs/slac.stanford.edu/package/pinger/explorer
total 639
-rw-rw-r-- 1 amberzeb sg 36293 Jan 4 09:37 MOS.csv
-rw-rw-r-- 1 amberzeb sg 42913 Jan 4 09:37 average_rtt.csv
-rw-rw-r-- 1 amberzeb sg 40238 Jan 4 09:37 ipdv.csv
-rw-rw-r-- 1 amberzeb sg 42829 Jan 4 09:37 minimum_rtt.csv
-rw-rw-r-- 1 amberzeb sg 51327 Jan 4 09:37 nthroughput.csv
-rw-rw-r-- 1 amberzeb sg 39876 Jan 4 09:37 packet_loss.csv
-rw-rw-r-- 1 amberzeb sg 40887 Jan 4 09:37 throughput.csv
-rw-rw-r-- 1 amberzeb sg 35982 Jan 4 09:37 unreachability.csv
```

These are then given as an input to the script `generate-alldata-for-pinger-data-explorer.pl` (I think `/afs/slac.stanford.edu/package/pinger/explorer/generate-alldata-file-for-pinger-data-explorer.pl`), which outputs the data for all the metrics altogether in one file named `file.csv`. This file is in the format as required by the google data explorer.

The metric files placed in `prnout`, for example, `average_rtt-EDU.SLAC.STANFORD.N3-country-allyearly.csv` have the data in the format shown below:

```
allyearly,?,1998,1999,2000,2001,2002,2003,2004,2005,2006,2007,2008,2009,2010,2011
EDU.SLAC.STANFORD.N3-to-Afghanistan,.....,767.453,732.841,728.492,750.940,743.080
EDU.SLAC.STANFORD.N3-to-Albania,.....,234.933,235.681,254.324,225.474
EDU.SLAC.STANFORD.N3-to-Algeria,.....,197.772,271.337,354.233,242.616,369.479,224.162,239.514
EDU.SLAC.STANFORD.N3-to-Andorra,.....,171.471,166.487,172.334,180.878,181.307
EDU.SLAC.STANFORD.N3-to-Angola,.....,622.280,610.272,642.821,556.701,617.649,.
EDU.SLAC.STANFORD.N3-to-Argentina,.....,210.563,196.282,269.567,284.886,285.094,310.711
EDU.SLAC.STANFORD.N3-to-Armenia,.....,
553.942,433.564,590.536,613.230,532.564,370.588,255.761,248.554,237.400
EDU.SLAC.STANFORD.N3-to-Australia,.....,211.440,193.981,180.105,181.620,190.176,179.072
EDU.SLAC.STANFORD.N3-to-Austria,.....,180.361,185.830,178.831,180.726,180.207
EDU.SLAC.STANFORD.N3-to-Azerbaijan,.....,257.763,269.463,256.694,252.713
EDU.SLAC.STANFORD.N3-to-Bahamas,.....,109.626,110.701,817.097,112.252
EDU.SLAC.STANFORD.N3-to-Bahrain,.....,664.547,333.670,316.139,313.444,295.960
EDU.SLAC.STANFORD.N3-to-Bangladesh,.....,
1562.224,1222.391,1039.782,1084.855,842.794,545.756,496.707,426.840,350.780,371.552
EDU.SLAC.STANFORD.N3-to-Belarus,.....,
1770.143,2322.474,227.052,206.936,205.880,222.485,258.829,281.173,205.689
EDU.SLAC.STANFORD.N3-to-Belgium,.....,158.697,160.445,158.798,164.117,160.686
EDU.SLAC.STANFORD.N3-to-Benin,.....,417.760,535.608,382.265,366.215,485.181,377.928,331.121
EDU.SLAC.STANFORD.N3-to-Bhutan,.....,622.936,356.257,327.709,332.479
EDU.SLAC.STANFORD.N3-to-Bolivia,.....,381.975,368.615,304.993,262.934,227.907,202.485
EDU.SLAC.STANFORD.N3-to-Bosnia Herzegovina,.....,207.925,209.180,194.950,203.405,204.102
EDU.SLAC.STANFORD.N3-to-Botswana,.....,416.286,431.282,443.501
EDU.SLAC.STANFORD.N3-to-Brazil,.....,
195.192,213.593,246.179,279.903,208.264,229.659,236.297,238.008,237.791,236.176
EDU.SLAC.STANFORD.N3-to-Brunei,.....,309.591,498.171,339.716,269.697,285.392,266.995,265.540,296.008
EDU.SLAC.STANFORD.N3-to-Bulgaria,.....,193.049,211.796,202.603,205.785,200.523
EDU.SLAC.STANFORD.N3-to-Burkina Faso,.....,
1006.037,1004.097,904.836,765.485,306.416,339.176,321.502,367.969,330.849
EDU.SLAC.STANFORD.N3-to-Burundi,.....,889.260,845.340,665.150,666.138,670.703,686.103
EDU.SLAC.STANFORD.N3-to-Cambodia,.....,261.756,253.511,253.505,225.453,233.720
```

The script `/afs/slac.stanford.edu/package/pinger/explorer/generate-metric-files-for-explorer.pl` converts the metric files in the format below:

AFG,1998,  
AFG,1999,  
AFG,2000,  
AFG,2001,  
AFG,2002,  
AFG,2003,  
AFG,2004,  
AFG,2005,  
AFG,2006,  
AFG,2007,767.453  
AFG,2008,732.841  
AFG,2009,728.492  
AFG,2010,750.940  
AFG,2011,743.080  
ALB,1998,  
ALB,1999,  
ALB,2000,  
ALB,2001,  
ALB,2002,  
ALB,2003,  
ALB,2004,  
ALB,2005,  
ALB,2006,  
ALB,2007,  
ALB,2008,234.933  
ALB,2009,235.681  
ALB,2010,254.324  
ALB,2011,225.474  
DZA,1998,  
DZA,1999,

With all the metric files in the above format, a file has to be generated with data for allmetrics altogether as below:

```

country,year,population,average_rtt,ipdv,minimum_rtt,MOS,nthroughput,throughput,unreachability,packet_loss,
internetusers
FG,1998,18511480, , , , , , , ,
FG,1999,19038420, , , , , , , ,
FG,2000,19701940, , , , , , , ,
FG,2001,20531160, , , , , , , ,1000
AFG,2002,21487079, , , , , , , ,1000
AFG,2003,22507368, , , , , , , ,20000
AFG,2004,23499850, , , , , , , ,25000
AFG,2005,24399948, , , , , , , ,300000
AFG,2006,25183615, , , , , , , ,535000
AFG,2007,25877544,766.542,14.959,684.521, , ,104.390,12.784,12.784,500000
AFG,2008,26528741,732.168,11.963,688.990, , ,185.696,6.971,6.971,500000
AFG,2009,27207291,757.940,15.615,679.949, , ,162.520,9.399,9.399,100000
AFG,2010,27962207,758.457,16.102,673.438, , ,145.039,4.791,4.791,900472.2222
AFG,2011,28809167,748.252,12.247,695.982, , ,182.375,1.448,1.448,1016522.222
AFG,2012,29726803,742.298,12.135,696.738, , ,289.165,27.145,27.145,
AFG,2013,30682500,729.152,13.043,561.894, , ,335.934,37.886,37.886,
AFG,2014,31627506,506.886,5.919,306.091, , ,303.197,0.232,0.232,
AFG,2015,32510236,334.816,2.335,161.226, , ,392.257,0.214,0.214,
AFG,2016,34832396,310.830,2.485,275.268, , ,585.247,0.572,0.572,
AFG,2017,69664776,289.552,0.982,256.032, , ,694.266,0.580,0.580,
AFG,2018,71406395,290.077,3.220,263.951, , ,865.366,16.359,16.359,
AFG,2019,73148014,272.802,1.064,232.858, , ,800.593,0.255,0.255,
ALB,1998,3128530, , , , , , , ,2000
ALB,1999,3108778, , , , , , , ,2500
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ALB,2002,3051010, , , , , , , ,12000
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ALB,2004,3026939, , , , , , , ,75000
ALB,2005,3011487, , , , , , , ,188000
ALB,2006,2992547, , , , , , , ,300000
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ALB,2010,2913021,240.834,4.107,210.101, , ,323.681,2.985,2.985,719805.7143
ALB,2011,2904780,219.940,0.858,192.671, , ,669.506,0.476,0.476,783557.6786
ALB,2012,2900489,217.436,0.661,183.491, , ,1324.090,0.839,0.839,
ALB,2013,2897366,215.515,7.396,178.691, , ,503.866,0.086,0.086,
ALB,2014,2894475,210.308,1.616,176.654, , ,839.650,0.126,0.126,
ALB,2015,3540536,209.244,0.606,191.528, , ,868.063,0.111,0.111,
ALB,2016,3793431,199.113,2.030,182.726, , ,915.164,0.240,0.240,
ALB,2017,11949284,203.075,5.471,176.711, , ,837.439,0.932,0.932,
ALB,2018,12138955,183.536,1.630,175.506, , ,816.885,0.315,0.315,
ALB,2019,12328626,187.683,1.180,179.347, , ,991.819,0.471,0.471,
DZA,1998,30336880, , , , , , , ,6000
DZA,1999,30766551, , , , , , , ,60000

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## Miscellaneous Details

- Tool: The interactive graph was generated using the [Google Public Data Explorer](https://www.google.com/publicdata/directory). Also see <https://www.google.com/publicdata/directory>
- Now the data for Pinger Data Explorer is under [pinger.slac@gmail.com](mailto:pinger.slac@gmail.com) (May/2016).
- Data: The data presented here was collected by the [PingER](#) project, processed by [prmout](#). The same data is available in [tabular format](#). The statistics of Population and internet users were acquired from the [World bank](#), the country to region mapping was obtained by the geographical [data base](#) maintained by the PingER project, the Corruption Perception Index (CPI) was taken from [Transparency International](#) and extracted from [Wikipedia](#), the Digital Opportunity Index (DOI) is obtained from [ITU's ICT Statistics](#), Human Development Index (HDI) is obtained from [UNDP Human development reports](#) and ICT Development Index (IDI) is obtained from [ITU Reports](#).
- Please note that while all the statistics were acquired over several years (i.e. since 1998), the Internet usage statistics were documented in Nov. 2007.
- Loading: The time to load and render the web page is largely determined speed of the link, the file length (about a MByte that is determined by the number of metrics and frequency of data points and the number of metrics) and the speed of the client rendering.
- Metrics: Average RTT (ms), Normalized Throughput (Kbps), Throughput (Kbps), Internet Users (#), Population (#), Minimum RTT (ms), Packet Loss (%), Unreachability (%), IPDV (ms), MOS, IDI, HDI, DOI, CPI and Internet penetration Index.
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## Problems

For some countries stars or asterisks appear instead of bubble. This is because of no data available for the size of the bubble. For example if there is no data for population of Chile but there is data for its metrics, then the bubble would be replaced by an asterick and the metric values would be shown in motion like normal.