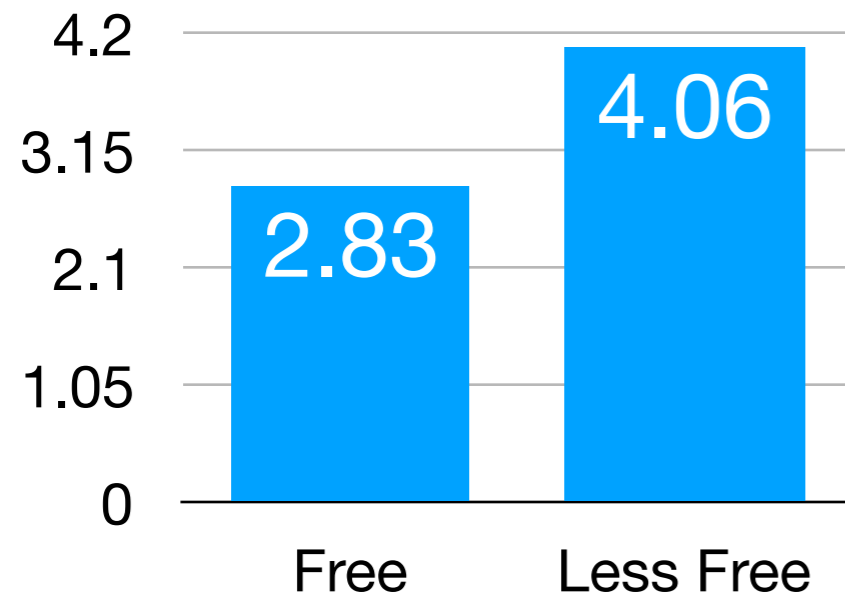


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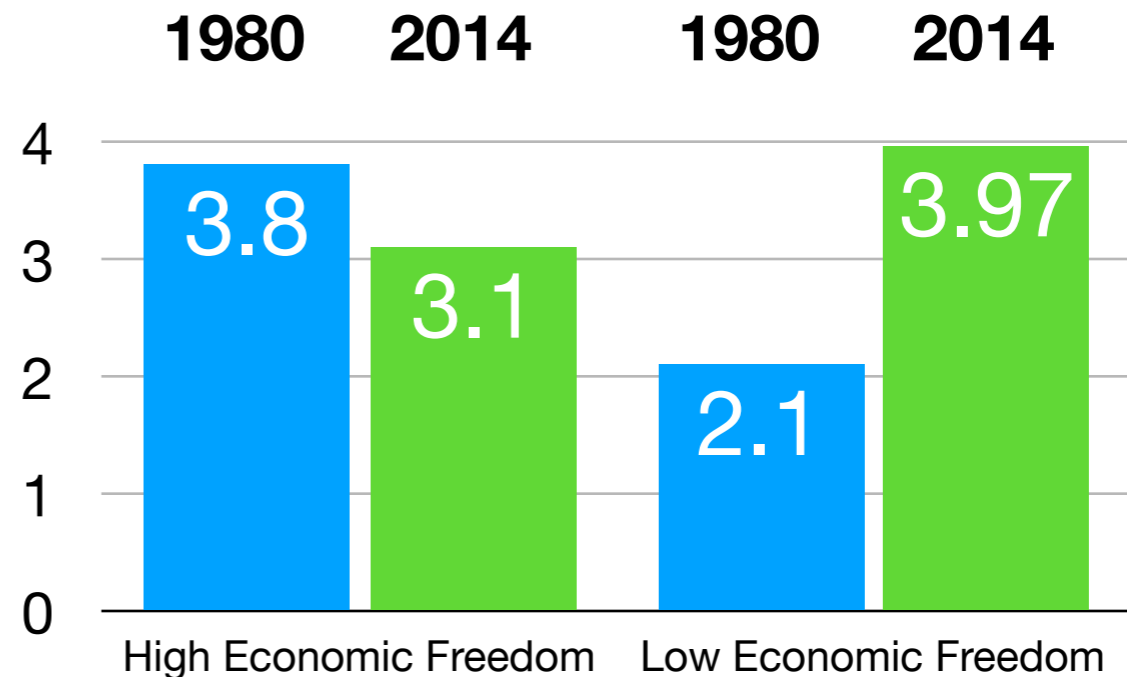
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**Economic Growth in Politically 'Free' and 'Unfree' Nations**  
GDP Growth (%) in \$PPP 2014



Source: Political Freedom scores from Cato Institute; 2014, high freedom states are those with score of >6.95. GDP Growth data from IMF. Data prepared by House of Commons Library

**Economic Growth in Economically 'Free' and 'Unfree' Nations**  
GDP Growth (%) in \$PPP 1980 vs 2014



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