

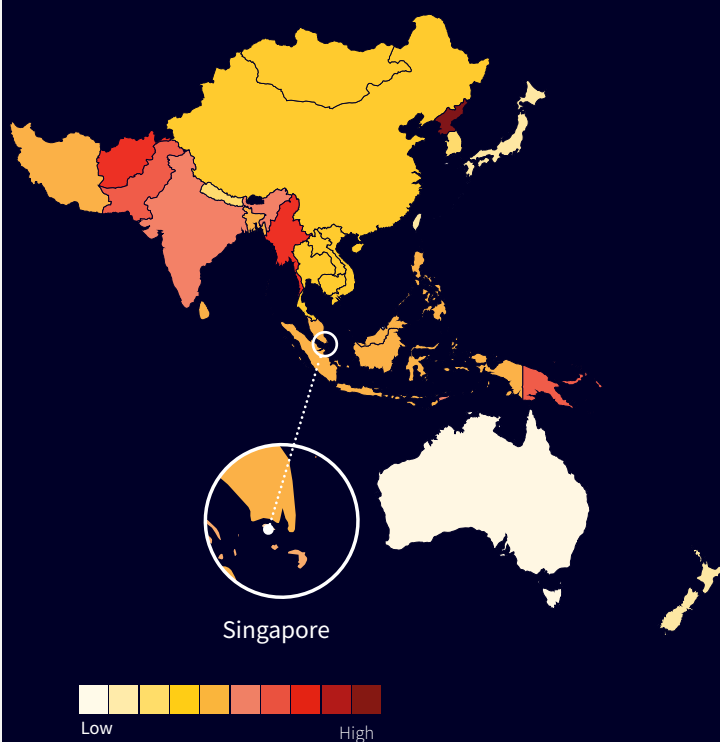
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## Global Slavery Index 2023

### Country Snapshot



**Figure 1.**  
Prevalence of modern slavery  
across Asia and the Pacific



#### KEY STATS

Population (2021) 5,850,343  
GDP per capita, PPP (Current intl \$) \$99,681

**2.1**

PREVALENCE OF  
MODERN SLAVERY  
per 1,000 people

**12,000**

NUMBER OF PEOPLE LIVING  
IN MODERN SLAVERY

**24/100**

VULNERABILITY TO  
MODERN SLAVERY

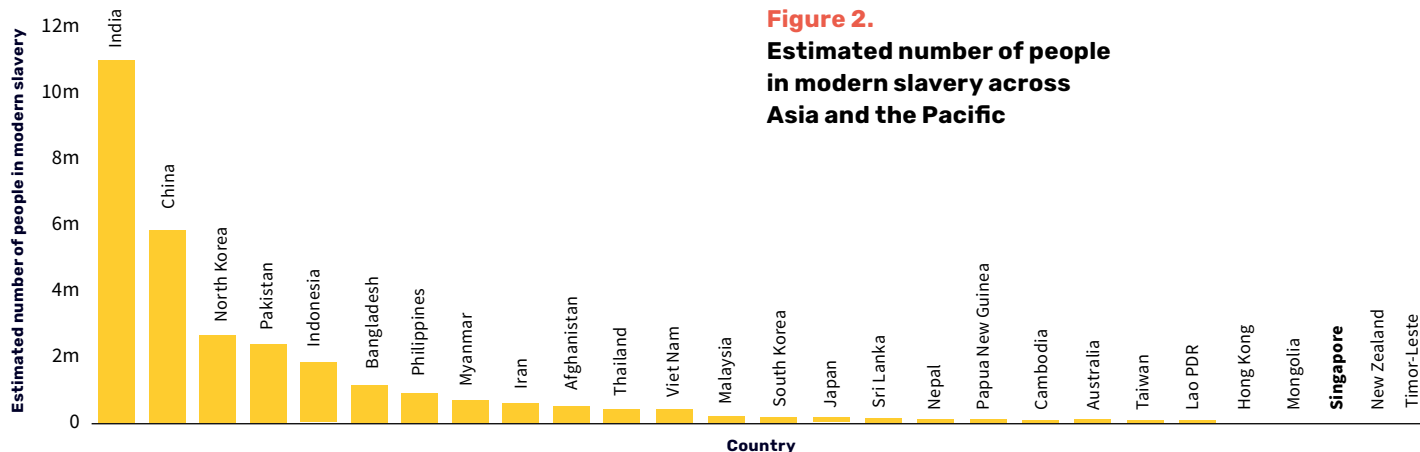
**47/100**

GOVERNMENT RESPONSE  
TO MODERN SLAVERY

#### The scale of modern slavery

According to the 2023 Global Slavery Index, an estimated 2.1 in every thousand people were in modern slavery in Singapore at any point in 2021. In other words, 12,000 people experienced forced labour or forced marriage in Singapore in 2021. In terms of prevalence of modern slavery, Singapore ranks 138th globally and 23rd within Asia and the Pacific.

**Figure 2.**  
Estimated number of people  
in modern slavery across  
Asia and the Pacific



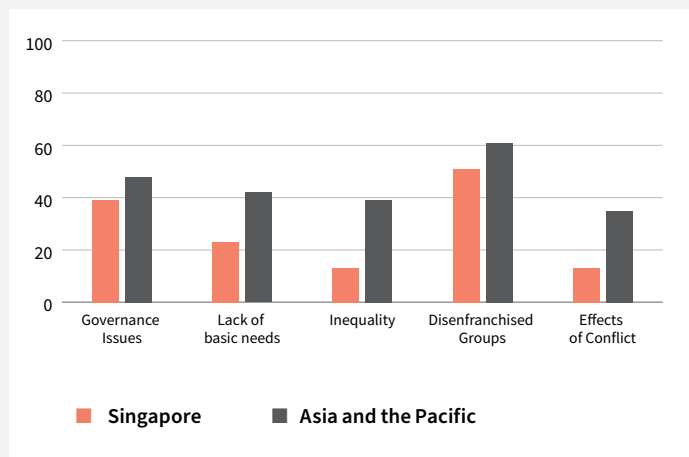
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## Vulnerability to modern slavery

How vulnerable a country’s people are to modern slavery is dependent on a range of factors which reflect the strength of governance, access to basic needs, inequality, disenfranchised groups, and effects of conflict. On a scale of 0 to 100, with 100 being the highest vulnerability to modern slavery, Singapore is rated as 24 and has below average vulnerability for the region. Vulnerability is highest in terms of disenfranchised groups.

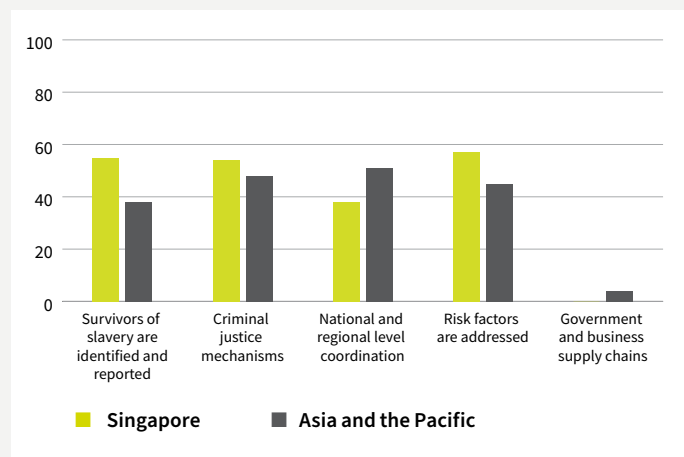
**Figure 3.**  
**Vulnerability of Singapore to modern slavery by dimension, compared to the regional average**



## Government response to modern slavery

The government of Singapore scored 47 out of 100 in their response to modern slavery. This places the government’s response above the average regional response. Of the five areas of response assessed (milestones), the government has taken most action on addressing risk factors of modern slavery and least action on addressing risk in government and business supply chains.

**Figure 4.**  
**Government of Singapore’s responses to modern slavery by milestone, compared with the regional average**



## Priority Recommendations for the government of Singapore

- 1** Increase the legal age of marriage for males and females to 18 years without exceptions.
- 2** Remove laws or policies that prevent or make it difficult for workers to leave abusive employers without risking loss of their visa, deportation, and/or loss of security deposits.
- 3** Ensure victims of modern slavery are not deported for immigration violations by instituting policies around screening for victims, providing training on victim identification for immigration and law enforcement officials, and providing visas to stay in the country.