

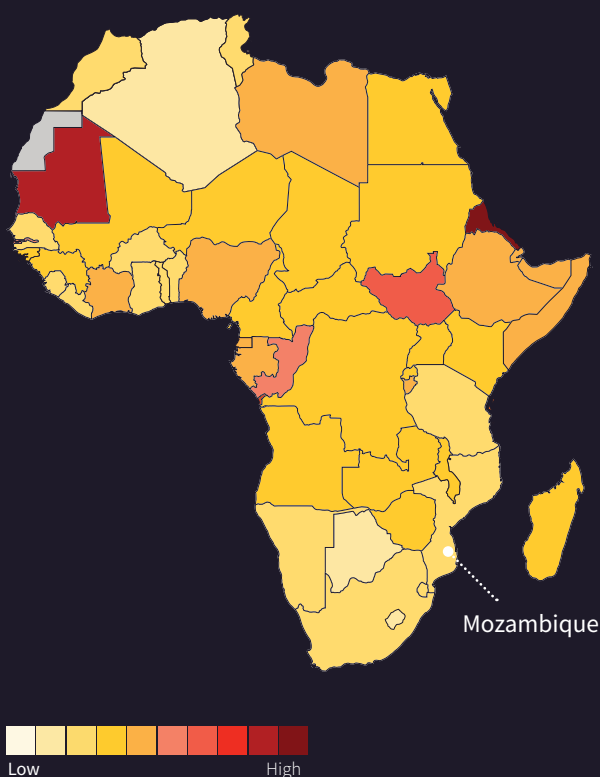
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## Global Slavery Index 2023

### Country Snapshot



**Figure 1.**  
Estimated prevalence of modern slavery across Africa



#### KEY STATS

**Population (2021)** 31,255,435  
**GDP per capita, PPP (Current intl \$)** \$1,297

**3.0**

**PREVALENCE OF MODERN SLAVERY**  
per 1,000 people

**93,000**

**NUMBER OF PEOPLE LIVING IN MODERN SLAVERY**

**67/100**

**VULNERABILITY TO MODERN SLAVERY**

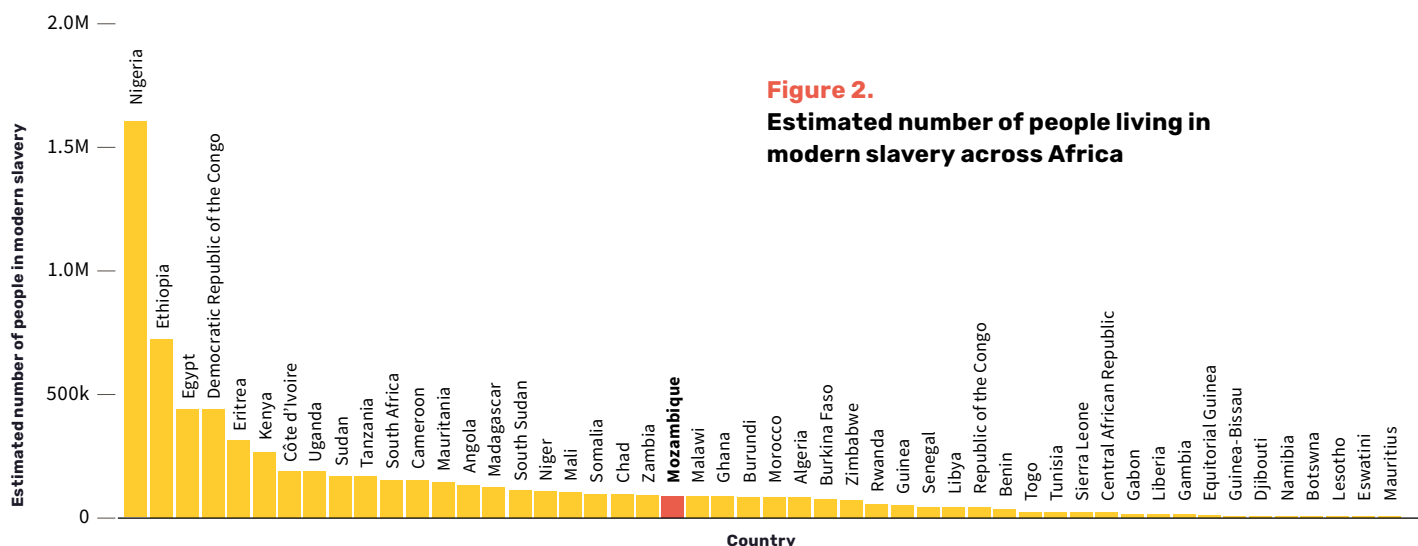
**45/100**

**GOVERNMENT RESPONSE TO MODERN SLAVERY**

#### The scale of modern slavery

According to the 2023 Global Slavery Index, an estimated 3.0 in every thousand people were in modern slavery in Mozambique at any point in 2021. In other words, 93,000 people experienced forced labour or forced marriage in Mozambique in 2021. In terms of prevalence of modern slavery, Mozambique ranks 128th globally and 39th within Africa.

**Figure 2.**  
Estimated number of people living in modern slavery across Africa



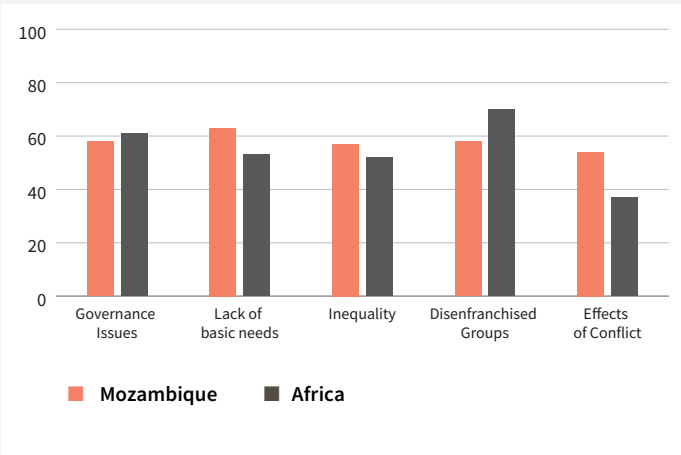
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## Vulnerability to modern slavery

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, Mozambique is rated as 67 and has above average vulnerability for the region. Vulnerability is highest in terms of lack of basic needs.

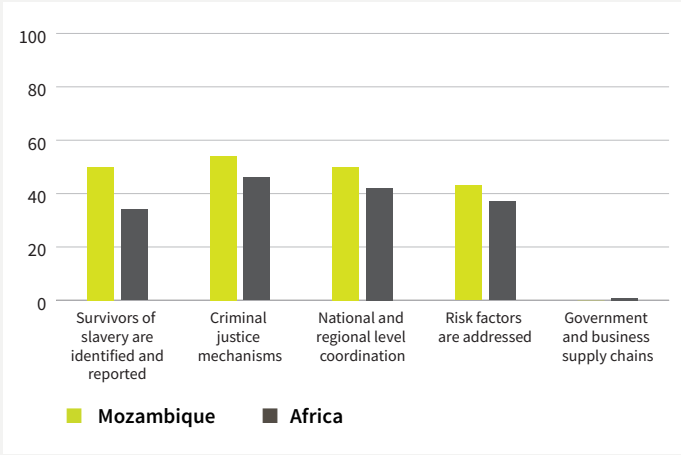
**Figure 3.**  
**Vulnerability of Mozambique to modern slavery by dimension, compared to the regional average**



## Government response to modern slavery

The government of Mozambique scored 45 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 effective criminal justice mechanisms and the least action on addressing risk in government and business supply chains.

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



## Priority Recommendations for the government of Mozambique

- 1 Criminalise the use of children in armed conflict and ensure that laws are enforced and offenders are given proportionate sentences.
- 2 Criminalise forced labour in line with international conventions.
- 3 Criminalise commercial sexual exploitation of children in line with international conventions.

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For more information on modern slavery, visit the Global Slavery Index 2023 website.

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