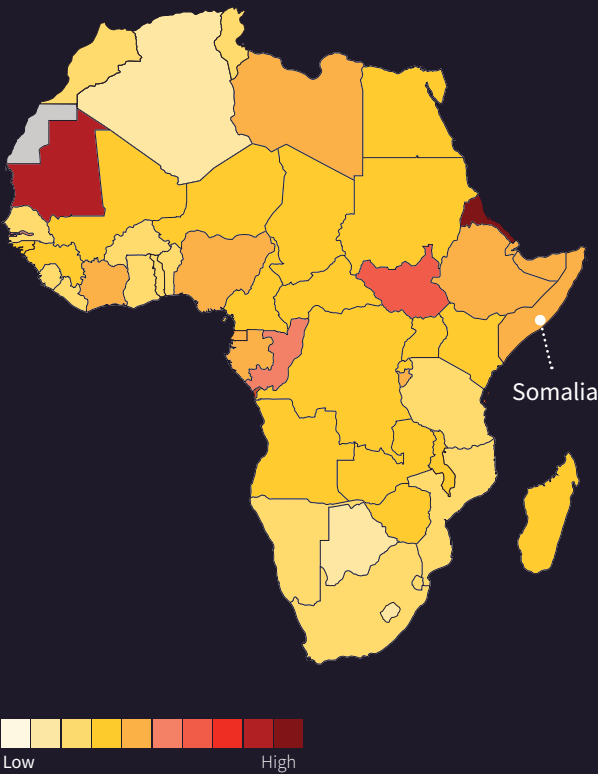


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Figure 1.
Estimated prevalence of modern slavery across Africa



KEY STATS

Population (2021) 15,893,219

GDP per capita, PPP (Current intl \$) \$1,246

6.2

PREVALENCE OF MODERN SLAVERY
per 1,000 people

98,000

NUMBER OF PEOPLE LIVING IN MODERN SLAVERY

98/100

VULNERABILITY TO MODERN SLAVERY

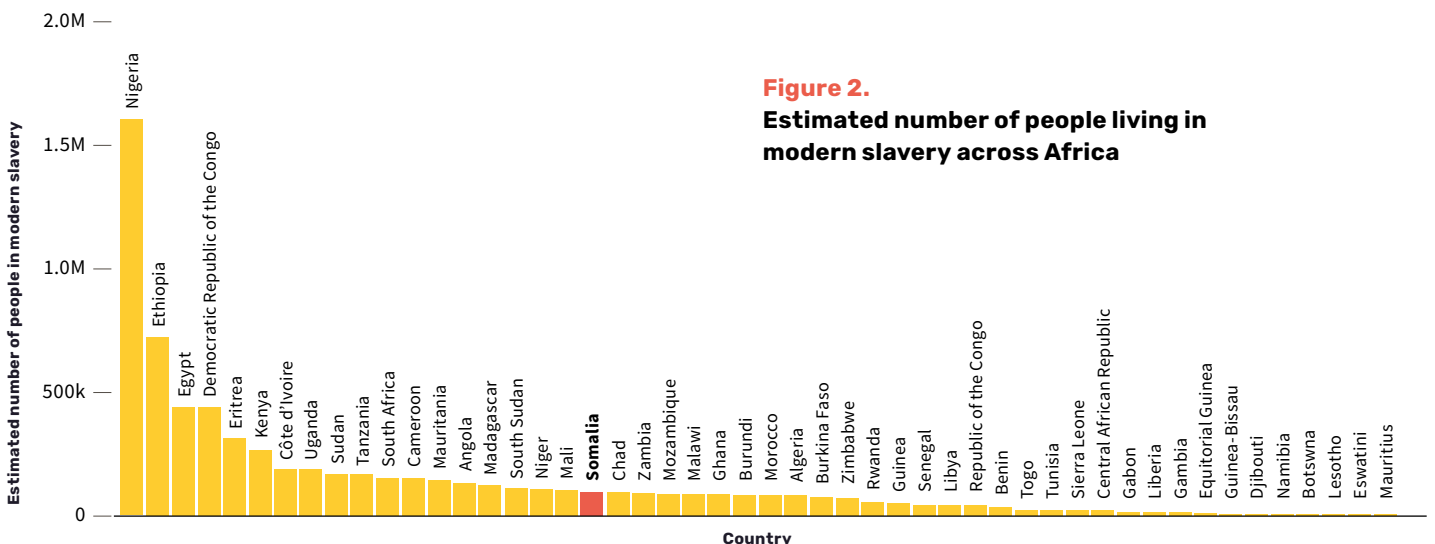
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GOVERNMENT RESPONSE TO MODERN SLAVERY

The scale of modern slavery

According to the 2023 Global Slavery Index, an estimated 6.2 in every thousand people were in modern slavery in Somalia at any point in 2021. In other words, 98,000 people experienced forced labour or forced marriage in Somalia in 2021. In terms of prevalence of modern slavery, Somalia ranks 73rd globally and 14th within Africa.

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



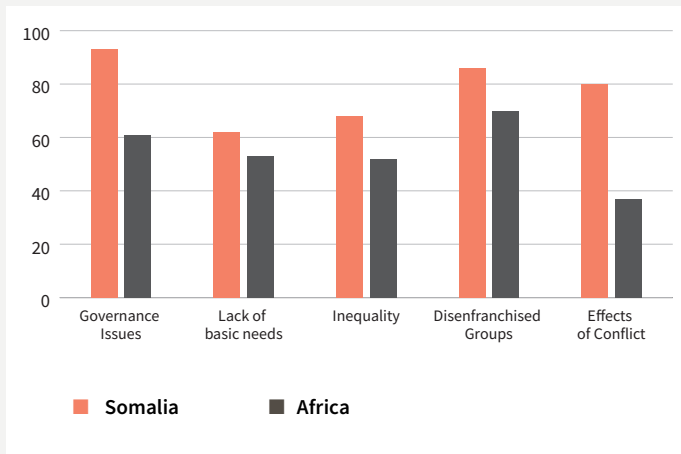
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Vulnerability to modern slavery

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, Somalia is rated as 98 and has above average vulnerability for the region. Vulnerability is highest in terms of governance issues.

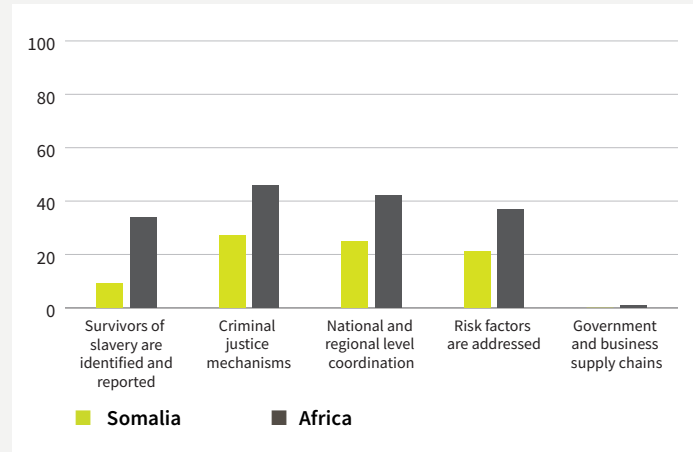
Figure 3.
Vulnerability of Somalia to modern slavery by dimension, compared to the regional average



Government response to modern slavery

The government of Somalia scored 18 out of 100 in their response to modern slavery. This places the government's response below 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 Somalia's responses to modern slavery by milestone, compared with the regional average



Priority Recommendations for the government of Somalia

- 1 Criminalise the use of children in armed conflict and ensure that laws are enforced and offenders are given proportionate sentences.
- 2 Criminalise human trafficking in line with international conventions.
- 3 Increase the legal age of marriage for males and females to 18 years without exceptions.

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