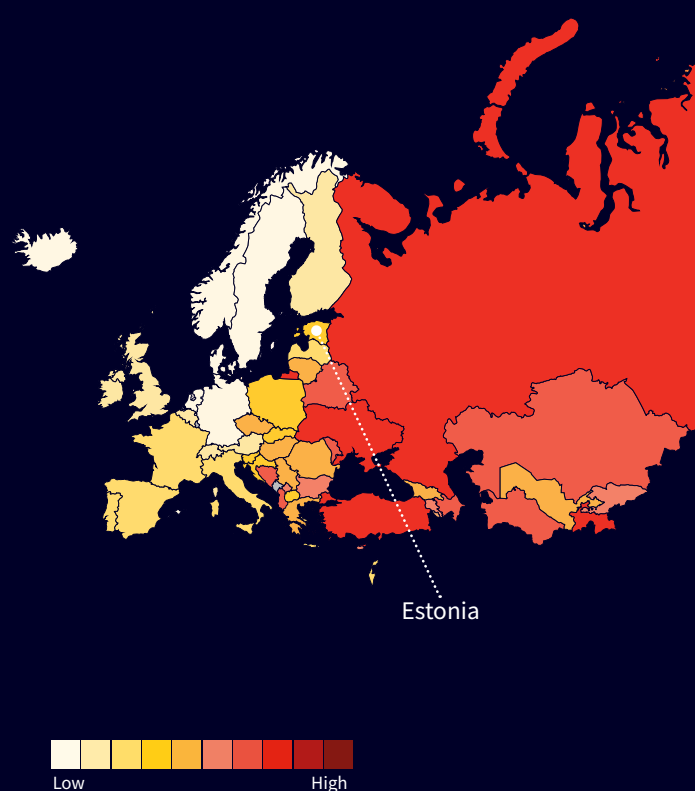


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Figure 1.
Prevalence of modern slavery
across Europe and Central Asia



KEY STATS

Population (2021) 1,326,539

GDP per capita, PPP (Current Intl \$) \$37,645

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PREVALENCE OF
MODERN SLAVERY
per 1,000 people

5,000

NUMBER OF PEOPLE LIVING
IN MODERN SLAVERY

15/100

VULNERABILITY TO
MODERN SLAVERY

56/100

GOVERNMENT RESPONSE
TO MODERN SLAVERY

The scale of modern slavery

According to the 2023 Global Slavery Index, an estimated 4.1 in every thousand people were in modern slavery in Estonia at any point in 2021. In other words, 5,000 people experienced forced labour or forced marriage in Estonia in 2021. In terms of prevalence of modern slavery, Estonia ranks 107th globally and 30th within Europe and Central Asia.

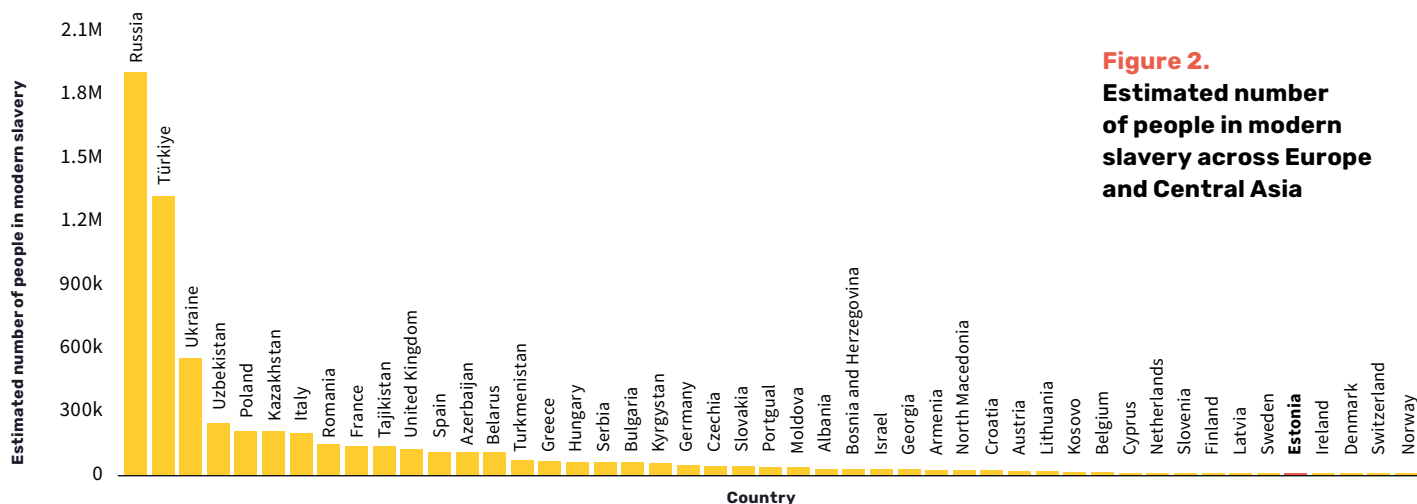


Figure 2.
Estimated number
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and Central Asia

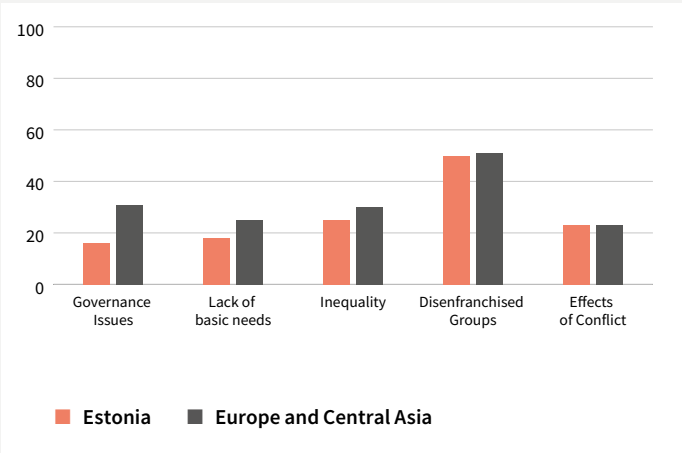
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Vulnerability to modern slavery

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, Estonia is rated as 15 and has below average vulnerability for the region. Vulnerability is highest in terms of disenfranchised groups.

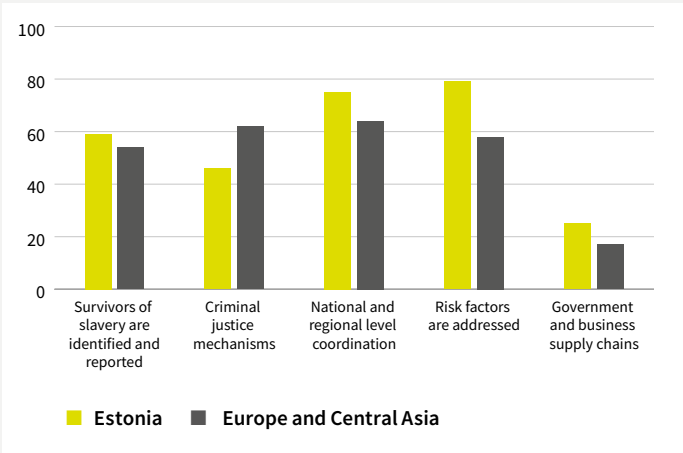
Figure 3.
Vulnerability of Estonia to modern slavery by dimension of vulnerability, compared to the regional average



Government response to modern slavery

The government of Estonia scored 56 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 the least action on addressing risk in government and business supply chains.

Figure 4.
Response of the government of Estonia to modern slavery by government response milestone, compared with the regional average



Priority Recommendations for the government of Estonia:

1

Criminalise forced labour in line with international conventions.

2

Increase the legal age of marriage for males and females to 18 years without exceptions.

3

Develop an evidence-based National Action Plan in coordination with relevant stakeholders to tackle modern slavery.

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