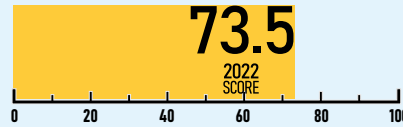


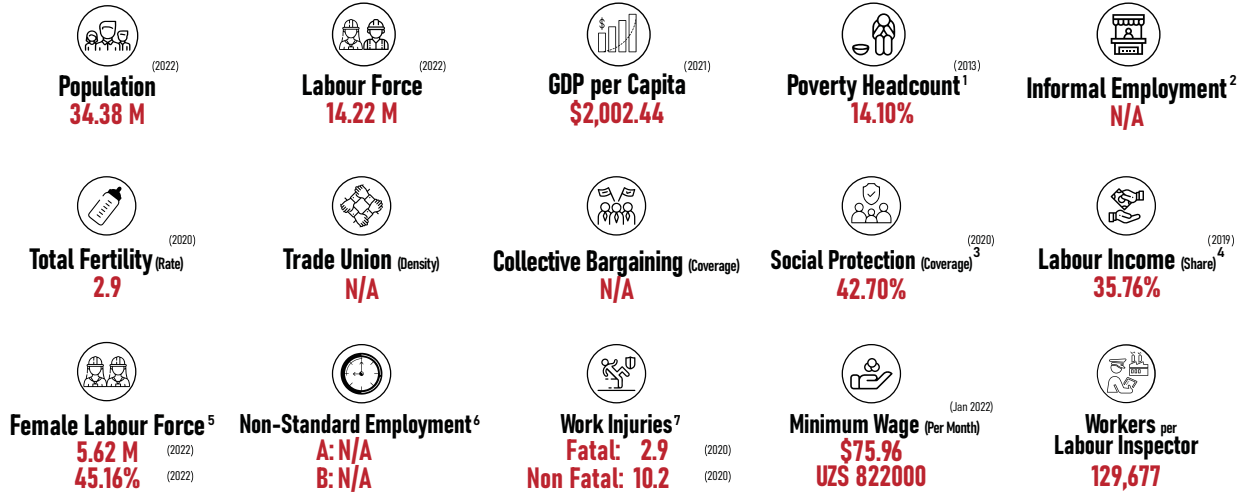


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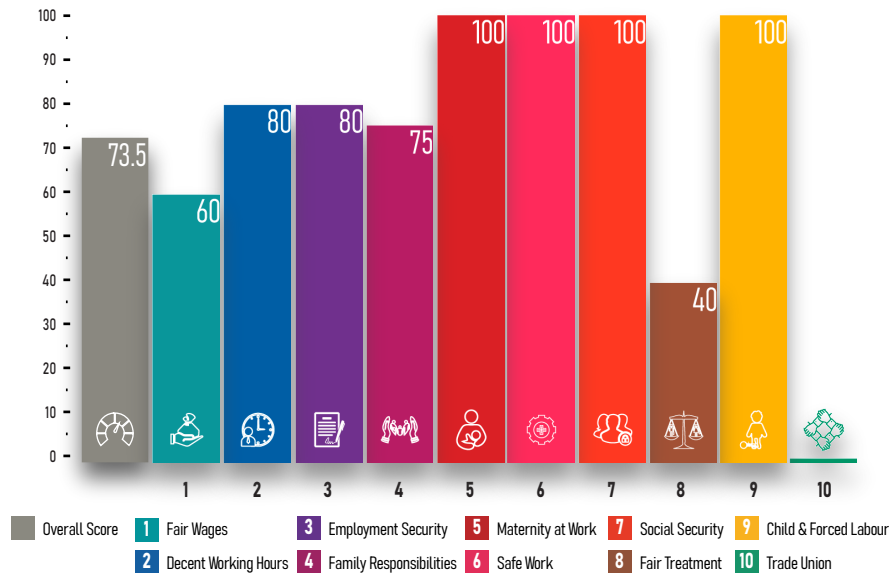
2020 SCORE
Caucasus and Central Asia
Lower-middle income
Reasonable Access to Decent Work
LRI RATING

Contextual Indicators



Sources: World Bank
International Labour Organization
WageIndicator Minimum Wages and Living Wages Database
M = Million

Legislative Performance Indicators



Introduction

The Labour Rights Index 2022 (LRI 2022) is a de-jure index covering 135 economies and structured around the working lifespan of a worker. In total, 46 questions or evaluation criteria are scored across 10 indicators. The overall score is calculated by taking the average of each indicator, with 100 being the highest possible score. The Index uses a rating system, ranging from "Total Lack of Decent Work" to "Decent Work". The Labour Rights Index aims at an active contribution to the Sustainable Development Goals, by providing necessary (complementary) insights into de jure provisions on issues covered in particular by SDG8 (Decent Jobs), SDG 5 (Gender Equality), SDG 10 (Reduced Inequalities) and SDG 16 (Strong Institutions). The Index is based on national labour legislation, applicable on 1 January 2022. The Index does not take into account COVID-19 related labour market measures in its scoring.

Uzbekistan's overall score is 73.5 out of 100. The overall score for Uzbekistan is lower than the regional average observed across Caucasus and Central Asia (79.5). Within the Caucasus and Central Asia, the highest score is observed for Azerbaijan.

¹ Proportion of population living below the national poverty line (%), as measured under SDG 1.2.1

² Share of informal employment in total employment (%), as measured under SDG 8.3.1

³ Proportion of the country population covered by social protection floors, as measured under SDG 1.3.1

⁴ Labour income (income of employees + partly income of the self-employed) as a percentage of GDP, as measured under SDG 10.4.1

⁵ The female labour force is shown in absolute number along with the female labour force participation rate

⁶ Non-Standard Employment has been defined as Part-Time Employment (A) and Temporary Employment (B)

⁷ Rate of fatal and non-fatal injuries per 100,000 workers, as measured under SDG 8.8.1

The country rating is based on the overall score of 0-100, with the following coding:

(90.5-100) Decent Work | (80.5-90) Approaching Decent Work | (70.5-80) Reasonable Access to Decent Work | (60.5-70) Limited Access to Decent Work | (50.5-60) Basic Access to Decent Work | (0-50) Total Lack of Decent Work

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	Question ⁹	Answer	Legal Basis	Trend ¹²
1. Fair Wages	Does the law prescribe minimum wage rates in the country?	Yes	Decree of the President of the Republic of Uzbekistan dated 17.08.2021 No. PF-6279	●
	Does the law require regular payment of wages?	No	§110, 153, 154, 161 and 164 of the Labour Code, 1995	●
	Does the law require overtime compensation be at least 125% of the regular hourly rate?	Yes	§157 of the Labour Code, 1995	●
	Does the law require additional compensation for working on a weekly rest day?	No	§157 of the Labour Code, 1995	●
	Does the law require additional compensation for night work?	Yes	§122 and 158 of the Labour Code, 1995	●
2. Decent Working Hours	Does the law stipulate general working hours as 48 hours or lower?	Yes	§115, 124, 125 and 157 of the Labour Code, 1995	●
	Does the law restrict maximum working hours including overtime to 56 hours per week?	Yes	§125 of the Labour Code, 1995	●
	Does the law require a weekly rest of at least 24 hours?	Yes	§115 and 129 of the Labour Code, 1995	●
	Does the law require paid public holidays?	Yes	§131,132 and 157 of the Labour Code, 1995	●
	Does the law require at least three working weeks of paid annual leave?	No	§133,134, 142-148, 151 and 244 of the Labour Code, 1995	●
3. Employment Security	Does the law require written employment contracts or at least written employment particulars?	Yes	§72 to 75, 81 and 83 of the Labour Code, 1995	●
	Does the law restrict the hiring of fixed-term contract workers?	Yes	§75 and 76 of the Labour Code, 1995	●
	Does the law limit the length of probation period including renewals to a maximum of 3 months?	Yes	§84-87 of the Labour Code, 1995	●
	Does the law require a 30-day notice before contract termination?	No	§99-103 of the Labour Code, 1995	●
	Does the law require severance pay at the rate of at least 2 weeks of wages for every year of service?	Yes	§106, 109 and 110 of the Labour Code, 1995	●
4. Family Responsibilities	Does the law require parental leave for parents?	Yes	§234 of the Labour Code, 1995	●
	Does the law require at least one week of paid paternity leave for fathers?	No	No applicable provisions could be located	●
	Does the law require flexible work arrangements for workers with family responsibilities?	Yes	§228, 229, 230 and 234 of the Labour Code, 1995	●
	Does the law require paid nursing breaks?	Yes	§236 of the Labour Code, 1995	●
5. Maternity at Work	Does the law prohibit inquiring about pregnancy during recruitment?	Yes	§224 of the Labour Code, 1995	●
	Does the law require paid maternity leave of at least 14 weeks?	Yes	§233 of the Labour Code, 1995	●
	Does the law require cash maternity benefit be at least 67% of a worker's former wage?	Yes	§233 and 234 of the Labour Code, 1995; ISSA Country Profile for Uzbekistan	●
	Does the law require maternity benefit be paid through contributory social insurance or universal benefits system?	Yes	§233 and 234 of the Labour Code, 1995; ISSA Country Profile for Uzbekistan	●
	Does the law protect workers from dismissals during or on account of pregnancy?	Yes	§234 and 237 of the Labour Code, 1995	●
6. Safe Work	Does the law require provision of free personal protective equipment to workers from employer?	Yes	§211-214, 217, 221 and 222 of the Labour Code, 1995	●
	Does the law require the employer to train workers on health and safety issues?	Yes	§215 of the Labour Code, 1995; §25 of Law on Labour Protection, 2016	●
	Does the law restrict work that is prejudicial to the health of the mother or the child?	Yes	§226, 227 and 228 of the Labour Code, 1995	●
	Does the law provide for employment injury benefit?	Yes	§285 of the Labour Code, 1995; §15, 21 and 37 of the Law on State Pensions, 1993	●
	Does the law provide for an old age pension?	Yes	§289 of Labour Code, 1995; §7, 8, 25-29, and 33 of the Law on State Pensions, 1993; ISSA Country Profile for Uzbekistan	●
7. Social Security	Does the law provide for a dependants/survivors' pension?	Yes	§291-294 of the Labour Code, 1995; §19, 26-29, and 56 of the Law on State Pensions, 1993; ISSA Country Profile for Uzbekistan	●
	Does the law provide for unemployment benefit?	Yes	§65 of the Labour Code, 1995; ISSA Country Profile for Uzbekistan	●
	Does the law require paid sick leave for the first 6 months of sickness?	Yes	§285 of the Labour Code, 1995; ISSA Country Profile for Uzbekistan	●
	Does the law provide for invalidity benefit?	Yes	§290 of the Labour Code, 1995; §15, 16, 17, 22, 26-29 of the Law on State Pensions, 1993	●
	Does the law require equal remuneration for work of equal value?	No	No applicable legal provisions could be located	●
8. Fair Treatment	Does the law prohibit sexual harassment in employment?	No	§3, 4, 9, 23-28 of the Law on Protection from Harassment, 2019; §135 of the Criminal Code 1994	●
	Does the law prohibit discrimination in employment matters? ¹⁰	Yes	§18 of the Uzbekistan's Constitution of 1992; §6 of the Labour Code, 1995	●
	Does the law allow women to do the same jobs as men?	No	§225 of the Labour Code, 1995	●
	Does the law guarantee basic labour protections for gig economy workers?	Yes	Law on State Pensions, 1993; ISSA Country Profile for Uzbekistan	●
	Does the law prohibit employment of children?	Yes	§15, 77 and 242 of the Labour Code, 1996; §49 of the Administrative Code, 1994	●
9. Child and Forced Labour	Does the law set employment entry age equal to or higher than the compulsory schooling age?	Yes	§4 and 9 of the Law on Education, 2020	●
	Does the law prohibit the employment of children in hazardous work under the age of 18 years?	Yes	§241 and 245 of the Labour Code, 1996; §49-1 of the Administrative Code, 1994	●
	Does the law prohibit forced labour?	Yes	§7 of the Labour Code, 1996; §51 of the Administrative Code, 1994; §135 and 148(2) of the Criminal Code, 1994	●
	Does the law allow workers to form and join unions of their own choice?	No	§1, 2 & 4 of the Law on Trade Unions, 2019; USDOS CRHRP 2021; CEACR, C87, Obs. 2020	●
10. Trade Union	Does the law allow workers to bargain collectively with employers through their representative unions?	No	§29 of the Law on Trade Unions, 2019; CEACR, C98, Obs. 2018	●
	Does the law provide for the right to strike?	No	USDOS CRHRP 2021	●
	Does the law prohibit employers from terminating employment contracts of striking workers?	No	§8 of the Law on Trade Unions 2019; USDOS CRHRP 2021	●

Covid 19 and Labour Market in Uzbekistan*

Total Covid Cases	0.24 Million
Total Covid Deaths	1,637
Partial Vaccinated	59.0%
Fully Vaccinated	46.0%

Wage Subsidies	●
Social Security Contributions (deferrals/waivers)	●
Paid Sick Leave	●
Add. Unemployment Benefits	●

Protection from Dismissals	●
Telework/flexible work	●
Improved Health Access	●
Training (activation measures)	●

⁹ The Index has 10 indicators and 46 evaluation criteria or questions.

¹⁰ The prohibited grounds for discrimination are "race, colour, sex, religion, political opinion, national extraction or social origin, age, disability and trade union membership". A score of 1 is assigned only if a country has prohibited discrimination on at least 7 of the above 10 grounds.

¹¹ A country's score on LRI's Trade Union indicator must also be read together SDG indicator 8.8.2 which measures the level of national compliance with labour rights (freedom of association and collective bargaining) based on ILO textual sources and national legislation. It has a range from 0 to 10, with 0 being the best possible score (indicating higher levels of compliance with FACB rights) and 10 the worst (indicating lower levels of compliance with FACB rights). No score is available for the Uzbekistan on SDG 8.8.2

The Index uses Observations/Direct Requests from ILO CEACR and the US Department of State's Country Reports on Human Rights Practices (US DOS CRHRP) to measure a country's compliance on the Trade Union indicator.

¹² In order to measure the trend in country's legislative performance over the last edition of the Labour Rights Index (2020), the legislative table indicates improvement or worsening of labour rights in country through the following colours.

- Score increase
- Score decrease
- Score adjustment
- No change