

# **CORRUPTION PERCEPTIONS INDEX 2013.**



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From children denied an education, to elections decided by money not votes, public sector corruption comes in many forms. Bribes and backroom deals don't just steal resources from the most vulnerable – they undermine justice and economic development, and destroy public trust in leaders.

But while the results of corruption are clear, the real extent of the problem is harder to pin down. Corruption is shadowy and secretive by nature. We all know corruption is a problem, but how bad is it, and what can be done?

This is where the Corruption Perceptions Index comes in. Based on expert opinion, the index measures the perceived levels of public sector corruption in countries worldwide, scoring them from 0 (highly corrupt) to 100 (very clean). Covering 177 countries, the 2013 index paints a worrying picture. While a handful perform well, not one single country gets a perfect score. More than two-thirds score less than 50.

The need for greater accountability is clear, and leaders cannot look the other way. But recognising the problem is only the first step – governments need to turn pledges into actions. All citizens deserve bribe-free services, and leaders that are answerable to the public, not to powerful friends. Working together, we can make this a reality.

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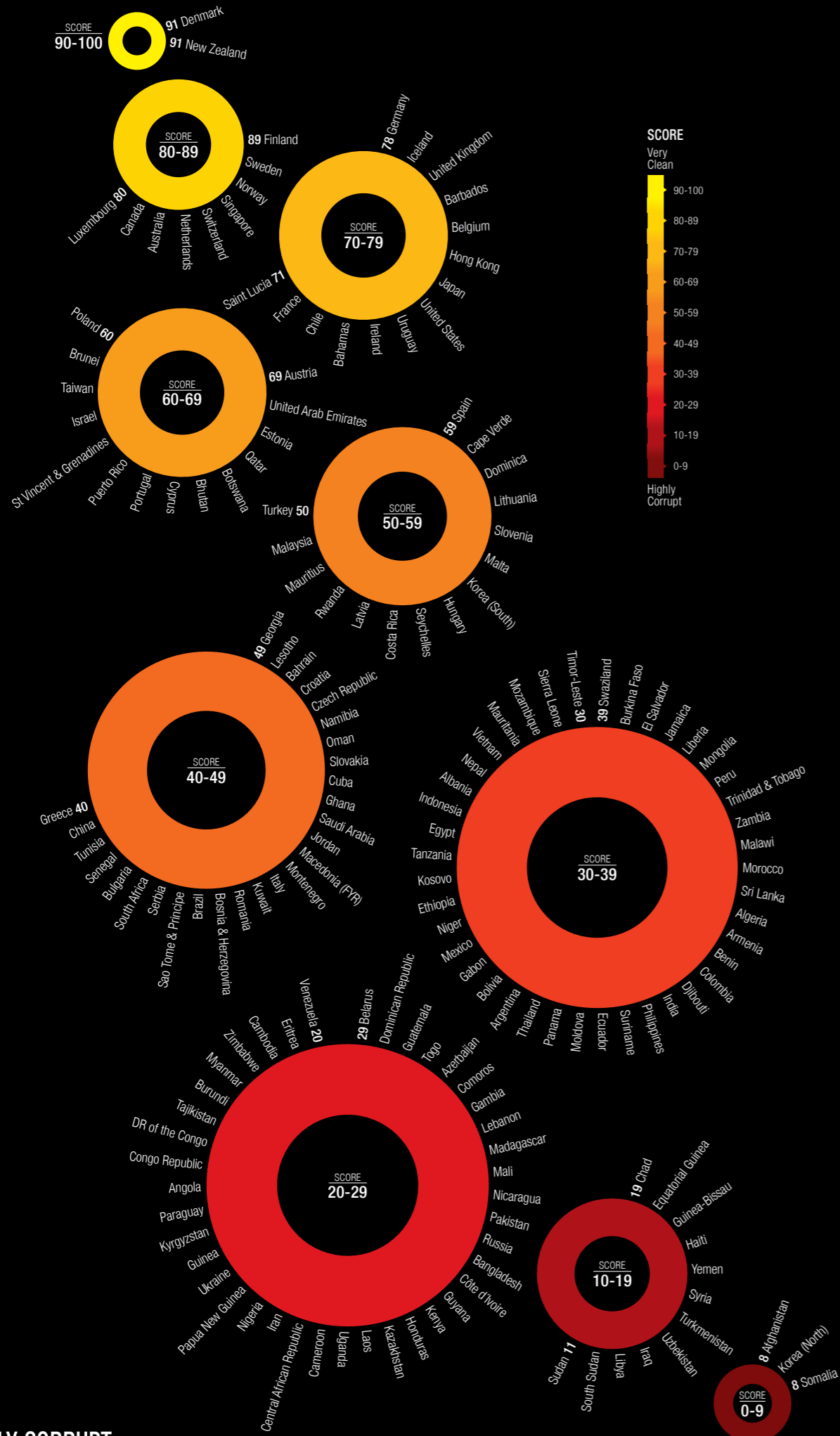
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# VISUALISING THE DATA.

We all know corruption is a problem, but how bad is it? For the Corruption Perceptions Index 2013, we ranked 177 countries and territories around the world on their perceived levels of public sector corruption. Here are the results.

Scoring less than 50 out of 100, almost 70 per cent of countries are perceived to have a serious corruption problem. No country achieves a perfect score. How corrupt is your country?

**How to read the infographic**

Countries and territories in the Corruption Perceptions Index are scored and ranked. The colour indicates the level of perceived corruption and the size of the circle shows the percentage of countries that fall within the score range. Countries are listed in order of rank going clockwise.

## 69%

The percentage of countries worldwide that score less than 50 – indicating a serious corruption problem.

**AMERICAS**

66% score below 50  
Top: Canada  
Bottom: Haiti



**EU & WESTERN EUROPE**

23% score below 50  
Top: Denmark  
Bottom: Greece



**ASIA PACIFIC**

64% score below 50  
Top: New Zealand  
Bottom: Afghanistan, Korea (North)



**MIDDLE EAST & NORTH AFRICA**

84% score below 50  
Top: United Arab Emirates  
Bottom: Sudan



**EASTERN EUROPE & CENTRAL ASIA**

95% score below 50  
Top: Turkey  
Bottom: Turkmenistan, Uzbekistan



**SUB-SAHARAN AFRICA**

90% score below 50  
Top: Botswana  
Bottom: Somalia



