

# Australia



Name of Resource	National Action Plan to Combat Human Trafficking and Slavery 2015–2019
Type	Policy
Country / jurisdiction	Australia
Enacting authority	Government of Australia
Entry into force / date of approval	1 December 2014
Description	<p>The National Action Plan is largely focused on the measures and policies implemented by the Australian Government to combat trafficking in human beings and slavery in Australia. Australia's strategy to combat trafficking in human beings and slavery is founded on three equally important needs: to prevent trafficking and slavery; the need to detect and prosecute offenders; and the need to provide support for trafficked people. The initiatives and practices under the National Action Plan equally focus on trafficking in human beings, slavery and slavery-like practices including forced labour, servitude and forced marriage.</p> <p>The prevention of trafficking in human beings in supply chains is mentioned in the sections on exploitation in supply chains, international and regional leadership and governance and monitoring.</p>
Availability	ENG: <a href="https://www.homeaffairs.gov.au/criminal-justice/files/trafficking-national-action-plan-combat-human-trafficking-slavery-2015-19.pdf">https://www.homeaffairs.gov.au/criminal-justice/files/trafficking-national-action-plan-combat-human-trafficking-slavery-2015-19.pdf</a>

Name of Resource	Human rights in supply chains: Promoting positive practice
Type	Report / analysis
Country / jurisdiction	Australia
Enacting authority	Australian Human Rights Commission, Australian Centre for Corporate Social Responsibility, Global Compact Network Australia
Entry into force / date of approval	December 2015
Description	<p>The report provides a unique insight into the current drivers, practices, and challenges of Australian businesses in managing human rights in their supply chains. The report provides practical guidance to assist businesses with identifying and addressing human rights risks in their supply chains.</p> <p>The research also sought to map how Australian businesses currently deal with human rights issues in their supply chains. Even as business leaders face hurdles dealing with vast, complex global supply chains, the report findings point to opportunities for increasing visibility and power to influence human rights outcomes through stronger relationships and partnerships.</p>

Availability	ENG: <a href="https://www.humanrights.gov.au/sites/default/files/document/publication/2015_AHRC_ACCSR_HR_in_supply_chains_0.pdf">https://www.humanrights.gov.au/sites/default/files/document/publication/2015_AHRC_ACCSR_HR_in_supply_chains_0.pdf</a>
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Name of Resource	Modern slavery and global supply chains. Interim report of the Joint Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade's inquiry into establishing a Modern Slavery Act in Australia
Type	Report / analysis
Country / jurisdiction	Australia
Enacting authority	Parliament of the Commonwealth of Australia, Joint Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade
Entry into force / date of approval	August 2017
Description	<p>The report addresses how Australia can better combat modern slavery domestically and around the world in order to eradicate these exploitative practices. The document tries to answer the question of whether Australia should introduce a Modern Slavery Act similar to and improving on the United Kingdom's Modern Slavery Act 2015.</p> <p>The interim report summarises and examines the operation of section 54 of the United Kingdom Modern Slavery Act and other international examples of supply chain reporting and due diligence requirements. It highlights the significant support from Australian businesses and organisations to introduce supply chain transparency reporting, and outlines many key principles identified by submitters and witnesses to consider in the development of any proposed legislation.</p>
Availability	ENG: <a href="http://parlinfo.aph.gov.au/parlInfo/download/committees/reportjnt/024092/toc_pdf/Modernslaveryandglobalsupplychains.pdf;fileType=application%2Fpdf">http://parlinfo.aph.gov.au/parlInfo/download/committees/reportjnt/024092/toc_pdf/Modernslaveryandglobalsupplychains.pdf;fileType=application%2Fpdf</a>

Name of Resource	Modern Slavery in Supply Chains Reporting Requirement. Public Consultation Paper and Regulation Impact Statement
Type	Policy
Country / jurisdiction	Australia
Enacting authority	Attorney-General's Department, Australian Government
Entry into force / date of approval	August 2017
Description	The reporting obligation will require large corporations and other entities operating in Australia to publish annual statements, outlining their actions to address modern slavery in their operations and supply chains. This will support the business community to respond more effectively to modern slavery and develop and maintain responsible and transparent supply chains.
Availability	ENG: <a href="https://www.lawcouncil.asn.au/docs/9292e36a-9fc2-e711-93fb-005056be13b5/3361%20-%20Modern%20Slavery%20in%20Supply%20Chains%20Reporting%20Requirement.pdf">https://www.lawcouncil.asn.au/docs/9292e36a-9fc2-e711-93fb-005056be13b5/3361%20-%20Modern%20Slavery%20in%20Supply%20Chains%20Reporting%20Requirement.pdf</a>

Name of Resource	Modern Slavery Act 2018
Type	Legislation
Country / jurisdiction	Australia

Enacting authority	Parliament
Entry into force / date of approval	10 December 2018
Description	This Act requires entities based, or operating, in Australia, which have an annual consolidated revenue of more than \$100 million, to report annually on the risks of modern slavery in their operations and supply chains, and actions to address those risks. Other entities based, or operating, in Australia may report voluntarily.
Availability	ENG: <a href="https://www.legislation.gov.au/Details/C2018A00153">https://www.legislation.gov.au/Details/C2018A00153</a>