

Laos

Overall Risk Score: 76

Level: high

This score is a composite of the four domain scores discussed below.

Snapshot

- **Size:** 230800 square km
- **CY12 GDP/Person:** \$1417
- **CY11 GDP/Person:** \$1266
- **Population:** 6646k

The bar chart below shows Lao's total risk scores in 4 domains: (1) Business Interactions with Government, (2) Anti-Bribery Laws and Enforcement (3) Government and Civil Service Transparency and (4) Capacity for Civil Society Oversight. The four domain scores are weighted and combined and a risk penalty is added for individual domain scores that exceed the overall country risk score. Each country is given a score from 1 to 100 for each domain, and for the total bribery risk. A higher score indicates a higher risk of business bribery.

- 1. Business Interactions with Government:** Lao scores 78 on this measure, indicating high risk of intensive interaction with the government, high regulatory burden, and a high expectation of bribes.
- 2. Anti-Bribery Laws and Enforcement:** Lao's score of 51 is moderate.
- 3. Government and Civil Service Transparency:** Lao's score of 66 indicates a relatively low quality of administration and governmental transparency.
- 4. Capacity for Civil Society Oversight:** Lao's score of 71 suggests a high risk.

