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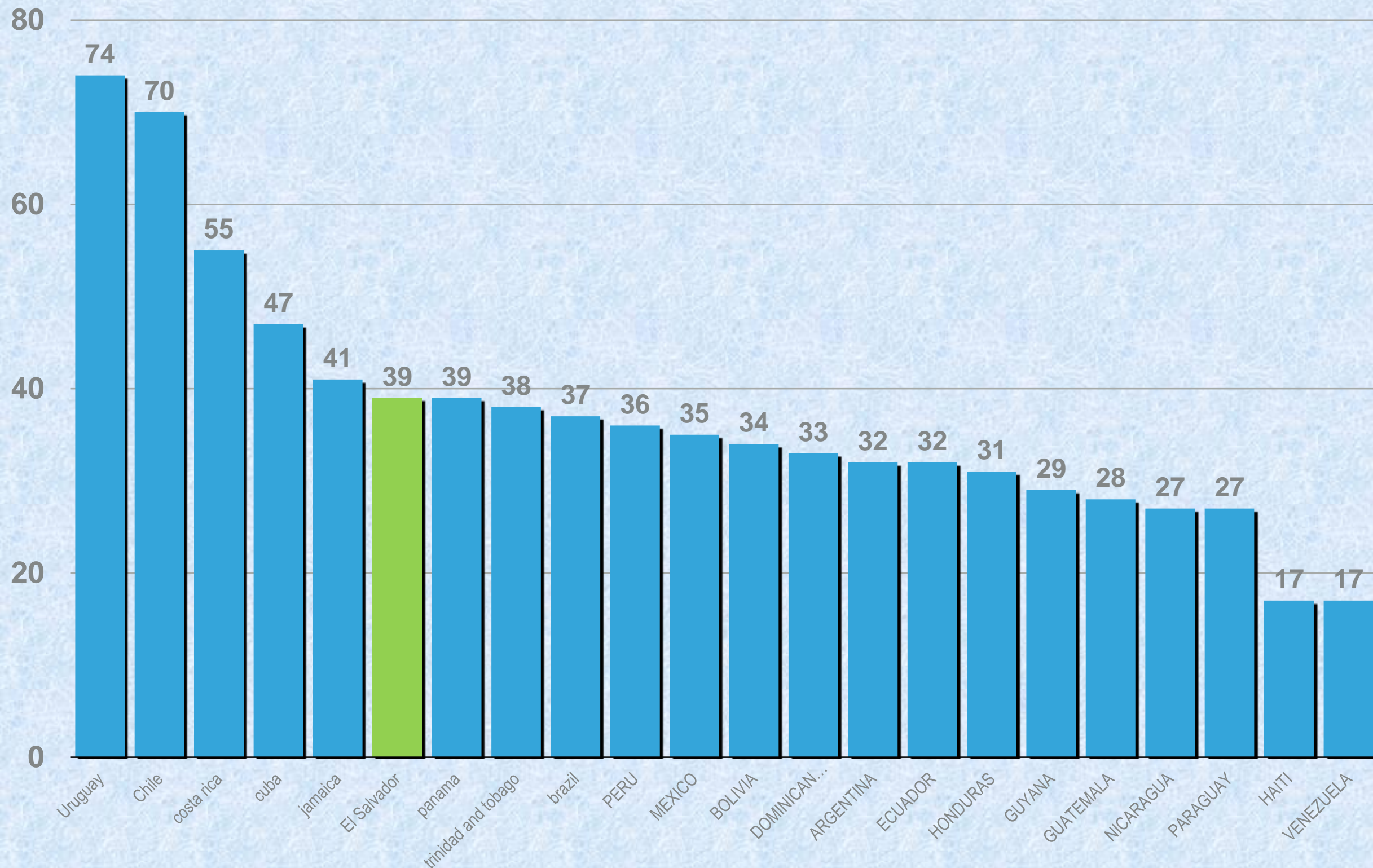
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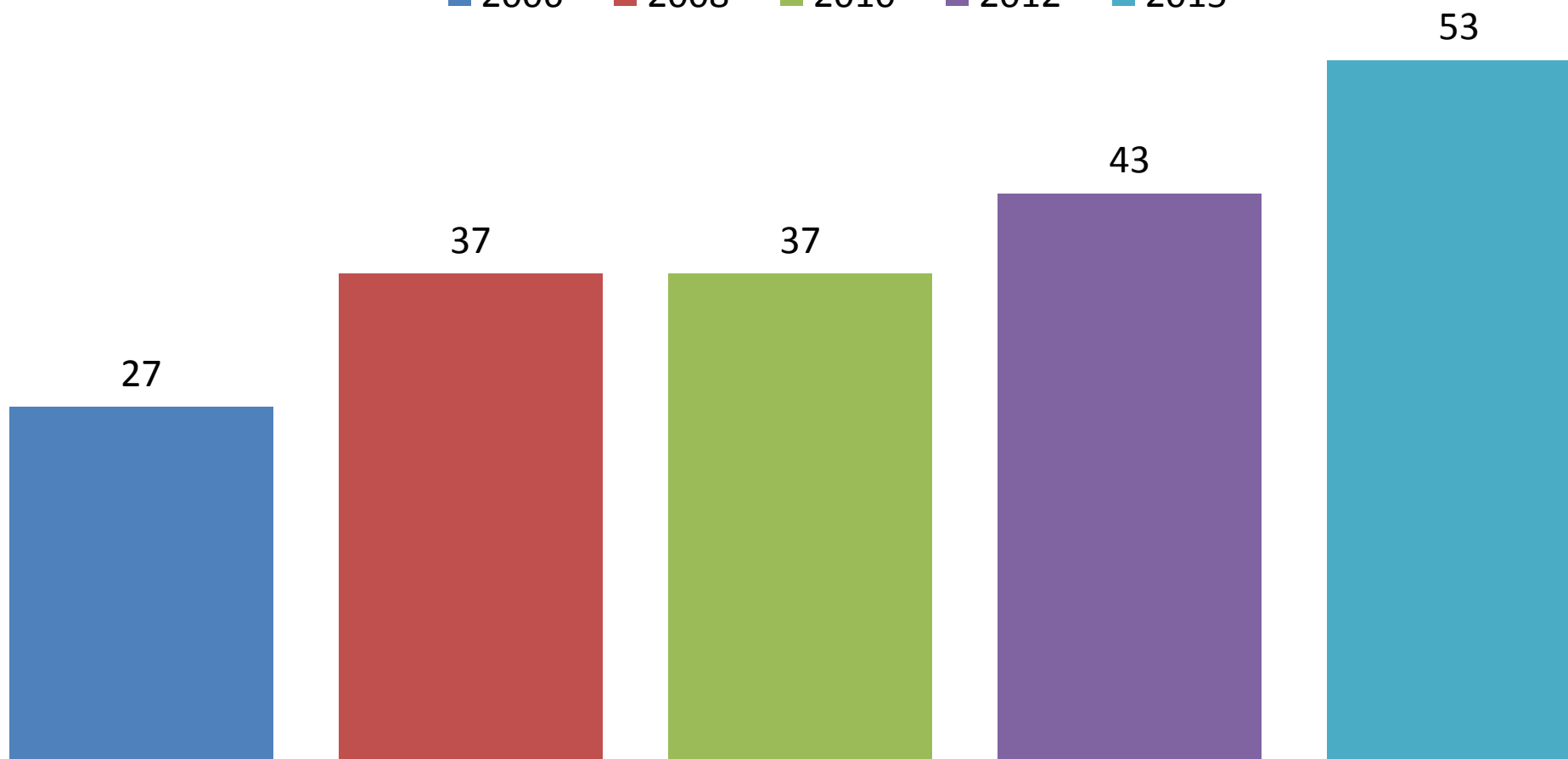
A country or territory's score indicates the perceived level of public sector corruption on a scale of 0 (highly corrupt) to 100 (very clean). Source: Transparency International.

ASCENDING POSITIONS IN INTERNATIONAL TRANSPARENCY INDEXES

- ▶ El Salvador climbed 10 positions in the latest publication of the Open Budget Index (OBI). This index is published by the International Budget Partnership, the world's only independent measure of budget transparency, participation and oversight.

OPEN BUDGET INDEX

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Source: Open Budget Partnership

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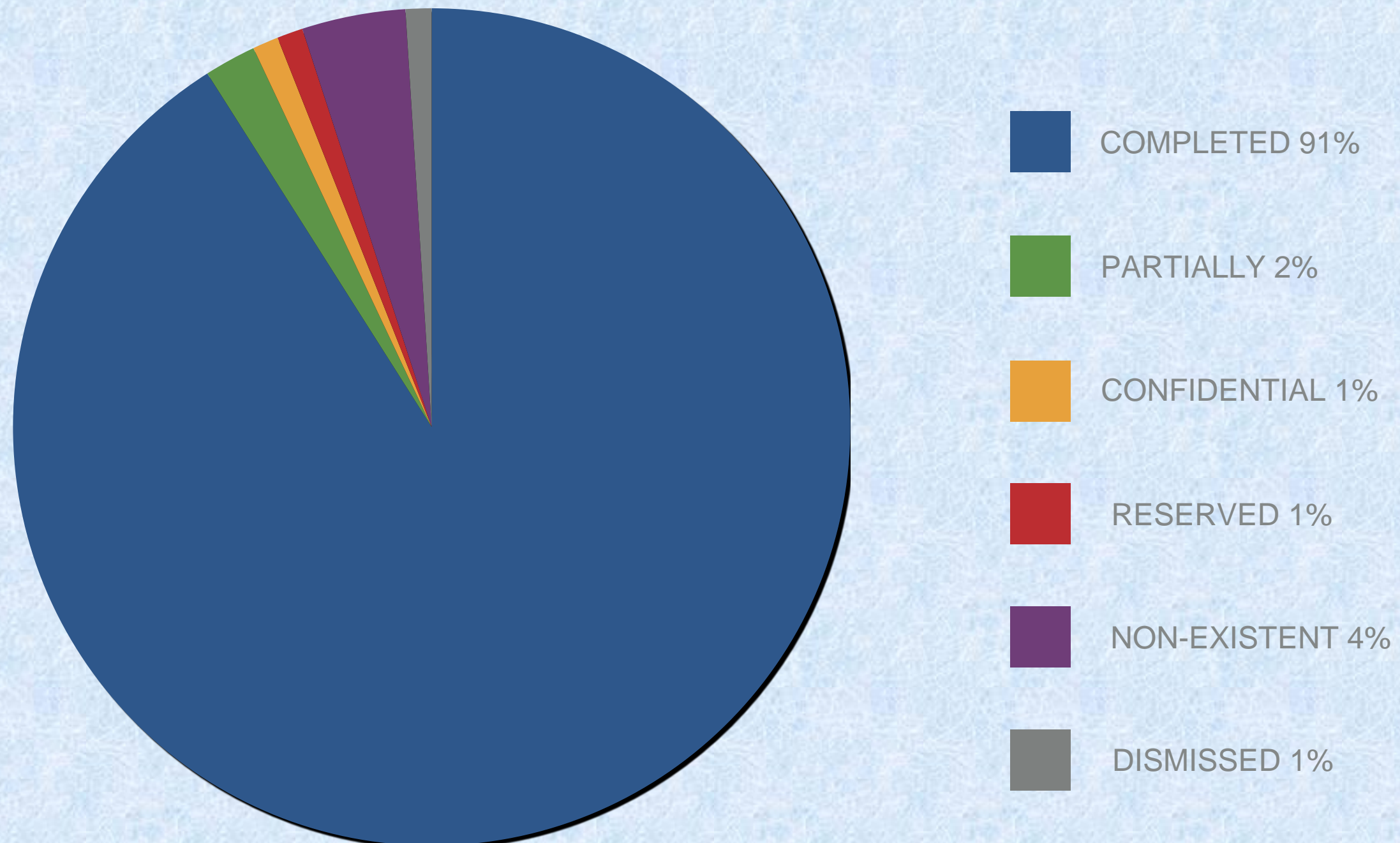
THE ISSUE IS NOT WHETHER THERE'S CORRUPTION OR NOT, BUT RATHER WHAT IS BEING DONE TO FIGHT IT

To date, El Salvador has made progress in:

- The Law on Public Access to Information.
- Creation of the Secretary of Transparency at Cabinet level in 2014.
- Enforcement of mandatory declaration of Assets of Government Officials.
- Establishing the Open Government platform and a Citizens Observatory.
- An independent Supreme Court of Justice and an independent Attorney General.

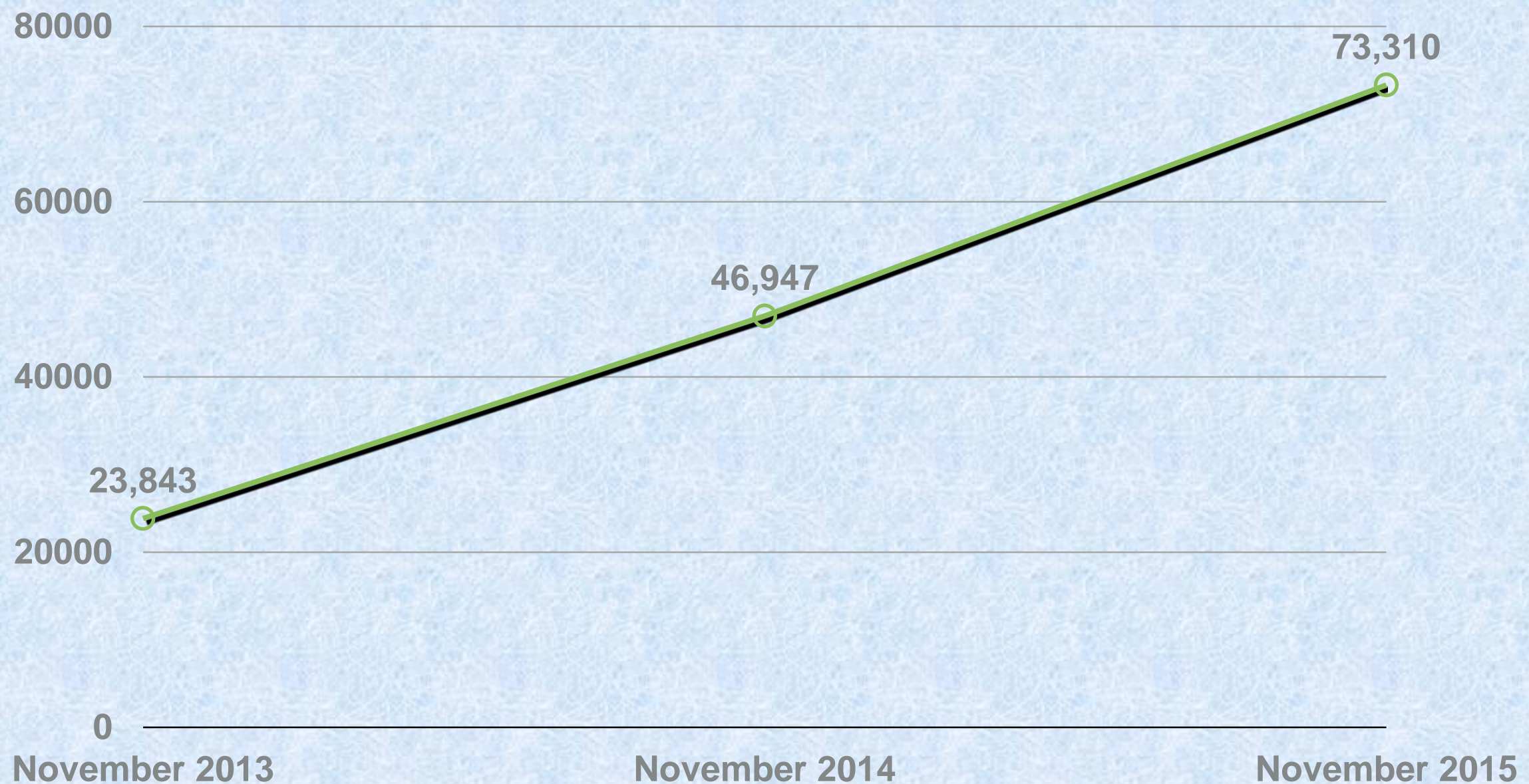
OFFICES OF INFORMATION AND RESPONSE (OIR)

- ▶ Processed requests: types of response. May 2013 - May 2015.



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- Information Requests. November 2013 - November 2015





Cases under investigation:

- One former President on trial.
- Two other former presidents under investigation.
- A Congressman and former Director of the Social Security Institute under court investigation.



UNODC Project

The project is aimed at strengthening the overall capabilities of El Salvador to prevent, investigate and prosecute corruption, and to implement, in collaboration with the major anti-corruption institutions, joint actions to strengthen the legal framework for the investigation and prosecution of this phenomenon.

- *Support legislative reforms and the creation of anti corruption strategies*
- *Increased capacity to detect, investigate and prosecute*
- *Increased capacity for interagency and international cooperation*
- *Awareness and sensitization*
- *Strengthening Internal Control and Inspection capabilities.*



Component 1:

Through the integration of an interagency team, this component will propose necessary legislative measures to amend the penal code, the anti-money laundering law, the law for the protection of victims and witnesses, the law on mutual legal assistance and extradition, as well as the implementation of the Probity Law.

Additionally, an effective and coordinated anti-corruption strategy will be designed and implemented to promote the participation of all sectors of society and that reflects the principles of the rule of law, management of public affairs and public property, integrity, transparency and accountability.



Component 2:

This component will develop sustainable, innovative training modules that can be institutionalized, supported by the Prosecutors Training School, the Judicial Training School and the National Public Security Academy.



Component 3:

This component will enhance the capabilities of inter-agency cooperation and collaboration, as well as the importance of clearly defining the roles of the different authorities and standard operating procedures.



Component 4:

This component will support the Salvadoran authorities to sensitize both the public and private sectors in relation to the reforms undertaken. It is aimed at increasing the awareness of public officials on ethical practices and conduct anti-corruption standards.

The combination of awareness efforts will have the purpose of contributing to the creation of an anti-corruption culture at all levels of the institutions of El Salvador.



Component 5:

This component will support building the capacity of the Division of Internal Affairs to detect and investigate corruption crimes through specialized training. It will also provide technical assistance for the establishment of a system to protect informants from reprisals that result from filing a complaint with the Internal Comptroller of the National Civil Police and Investigations Department of the Supreme Court of Justice.