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According to Transparency International's recently released 2010 Barometer, rates of corruption in the world are rising. Six out of ten respondents say that corruption has gotten worse over the past three years, and most alarmingly, rates of bribe-paying to the police have nearly doubled since 2006. However, as the chart below illustrates, Georgia fares extremely well in this global assessment, as the only post Soviet country in this list where less than 6% of respondents reported paying bribes in the past year. Georgia thus is way ahead of several EU countries, including Austria, France, Greece and Poland.

Armenia is already in the top three league of corruption, and Azerbaijan in the top two. Note that this matches our own corruption data from Armenia, which we collected for MAAC. We are releasing this with a press conference today. More on that to follow.

Percentage of respondents who paid a bribe in the last year

%	Country
>50	Afghanistan, Cambodia, Cameroon, India, Iraq, Liberia, Nigeria, Palestine, Senegal, Sierra Leone, Uganda
30-49.9	Azerbaijan, Bolivia, El Salvador, Ghana, Kenya, Lebanon, Lithuania, Mexico, Moldova, Mongolia, Pakistan, Ukraine, Vietnam, Zambia
20-29.9	Armenia, Belarus, Bosnia & Herzegovina, Chile, Colombia, FYR Macedonia, Hungary, Papua New Guinea, Peru, Romania, Russia, Solomon Islands, Thailand, Turkey, Venezuela
6-19.9	Argentina, Austria, Bulgaria, China, Czech Republic, Fiji, France, Greece, Indonesia, Italy, Japan, Kosovo, Latvia, Luxembourg, Malaysia, Poland, Philippines, Serbia, Singapore, Taiwan, Vanuatu
<6	Australia, Brazil, Canada, Croatia, Denmark, Finland, Georgia, Germany, Hong Kong, Iceland, Ireland, Israel, South Korea, Netherlands, New Zealand, Norway, Portugal, Slovenia, Spain, Switzerland, UK, US

Source: Transparency International Global Corruption Barometer 2010

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