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### AP investigation finds forced labor in palm oil industry

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The Associated Press (AP) has been actively investigating forced labor conditions in supply chains for several years. [A recent investigation<sup>\[1\]</sup>](#) into palm oil plantations in Southeast Asia found that many workers were routinely forced to hand over their passports; were not paid commensurate with the work they were doing; and, when workers tried to stand up for their rights, they were threatened or harassed.

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