

Measurement of decent work based on guidance received at the Tripartite Meeting of Experts on the Measurement of Decent Work (September 2008)

Substantive element of the Decent Work Agenda	Statistical Indicators	Legal Framework Indicators
<p>Numbers in brackets refer to ILO strategic objectives:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Standards and fundamental principles and rights at work; Employment; Social protection; Social dialogue. 	<p>Selection of relevant statistical indicators that allow monitoring progress made with regard to the substantive elements.</p> <p>M – Main decent work indicators A – Additional decent work indicators F – Candidate for future inclusion / developmental work to be done by the Office C – Economic and social context for decent work (S) indicates that an indicator should be reported separately for men and women in addition to the total.</p>	<p>L – Descriptive indicators providing information on rights at work and the legal framework for decent work. Description of relevant national legislation, policies and institutions in relation to the substantive elements of the Decent Work Agenda; where relevant, information on the qualifying conditions, the benefit level and its financing; evidence of implementation effectiveness (as recorded by ILO supervisory bodies); estimates of coverage of workers in law and in practice; information on the ratification of relevant ILO Conventions.</p>
<p>Employment opportunities (1 + 2)</p>	<p>M – Employment-to-population ratio, 15-64 years (S) M – Unemployment rate (S) M – Youth not in education and not in employment, 15-24 years (S) M – Informal employment (S) A – Labour force participation rate, 15-64 years (1) [to be used especially where statistics on Employment-to-population ratio and/or Unemployment rate (total) are not available] A – Youth unemployment rate, 15-24 years (S) A – Unemployment by level of education (S) A – Employment by status in employment (S) A – Proportion of own-account and contr. family workers in total employment (S) [to be used especially where statistics on informal employment are not available] A – Share of wage employment in non-agricultural employment (S) F – Labour underutilization (S) Memo item: Time-related underemployment rate (S) (grouped as A under "Decent Working Time"</p>	<p>L – Government commitment to full employment L – Unemployment insurance</p>
<p>Adequate earnings and productive work (1 + 3)</p>	<p>M – Working poverty rate (S) M – Low pay rate (below 2/3 of median hourly earnings) (S) A – Average hourly earnings in selected occupations (S) A – Average real wages (S) A – Minimum wage as % of median wage A – Manufacturing wage index A – Employees with recent job training (past year / past 4 weeks) (S)</p>	<p>L – Minimum wage</p>
<p>Decent Working Time (1 + 3)*</p>	<p>M – Excessive working time (more than 48 hours per week: 'usual' hours) (S) A – Usual hours worked (standardized hour bands) (S) A – Annual hours worked per employed person (S) A – Time-related underemployment rate (S) F – Paid annual leave (developmental work to be done by the Office; additional indicator)</p>	<p>L – Maximum hours of work L – Paid annual leave</p>
<p>Combining work, family and personal life (1 + 3)</p>	<p>F – Asocial / unusual hours (Developmental work to be done by the Office) F – Maternity protection (developmental work to be done by the Office; main indicator)</p>	<p>L – Maternity leave (incl. weeks of leave, and rate of benefits) L – Parental leave*</p>
<p>Work that should be abolished (1 + 3)</p>	<p>M – Child labour [as defined by ICLS resolution] (S) M – Other worst forms of child labour (S)** A – Hazardous child labour (S) A – Forced labour (S)**</p>	<p>L – Child labour (incl. public policies to combat it) L – Forced labour (incl. public policies to combat it)</p>
<p>Stability and security of work (1, 2 + 3)</p>	<p>Stability and security of work (developmental work to be done): M - Precarious Employment rate ** A - Job tenure** A - Subsistence worker rate** A – Real earnings casual workers** (S) Memo item: Informal employment grouped under employment opportunities.</p>	<p>L – Termination of employment* (incl. notice of termination in weeks) Memo item: 'Unemployment insurance' grouped under employment opportunities; needs to be interpreted in conjunction for 'flexicurity'.</p>
<p>Equal opportunity and treatment in employment (1, 2 + 3)</p>	<p>M – Occupational segregation by sex M – Female share of employment in senior and middle management* (ISCO88 groups 11 and 12) A – Gender wage gap A – Share of women in wage employment in the non-agricultural sector A – Indicator for Fundamental Principles and Rights at Work (Elimination of discrimination in respect of employment and occupation) to be developed by the Office A – Measure for discrimination by race / ethnicity / of indigenous people / of (recent) migrant workers / of rural workers where relevant and available at the national level. F – Measure of dispersion for sectoral / occupational distribution of (recent) migrant workers F – Measure for employment of persons with disabilities Memo item: Indicators under other substantive elements marked (S) indicator should be reported separately for men and women in addition to the total.</p>	<p>L – Equal opportunity and treatment* L – Equal remuneration of men and women for work of equal value*</p>
<p>Safe work environment (1 + 3)</p>	<p>M – Occupational injury rate, fatal A – Occupational injury rate, nonfatal A – Time lost due to occupational injuries A – Labour inspection (inspectors per 10,000 employed persons)</p>	<p>L – Employment injury benefits* L – Safety and health labour inspection</p>
<p>Social security (1 + 3)</p>	<p>M – Share of population aged 65 and above benefiting from a pension (S) M – Public social security expenditure (% of GDP) A – Healthcare exp. not financed out of pocket by private households A – Share of population covered by (basic) health care provision (S) F – Share of econ. active population contributing to a pension scheme (S) F – Public expenditure on needs based cash income support (% of GDP) F – Beneficiaries of cash income support (% of the poor) F – Sick leave (developmental work to be done by the Office; additional indicator) [Interpretation in conjunction with legal framework and labour market statistics.]</p>	<p>L – Pension L – Incapacity for work due to sickness / sick leave L – Incapacity for work due to invalidity Memo item: 'Unemployment insurance' grouped under employment opportunities.</p>
<p>Social dialogue, workers' and employers' representation (1 + 4)</p>	<p>M – Union density rate (S) M – Enterprises belonging to employer organization [rate] M – Collective bargaining coverage rate (S) M – Days not worked due to strikes and lockouts** F – Indicator for Fundamental principles and rights at work (Freedom of association and collective bargaining) to be developed by the Office</p>	<p>L – Freedom of association and the right to organize L – Collective bargaining right L – Tripartite consultations</p>

<p>Economic and social context for decent work</p>	<p>C – Children not in school (% by age) (S) C – Estimated % of working age population who are HIV positive C – Labour productivity (GDP per employed person, level and growth rate) C – Income inequality (percentile ratio P90/P10, income or consumption) C – Inflation rate (CPI) C – Employment by branch of economic activity C – Education of adult population (adult literacy rate, adult secondary-school graduation rate) (S) C – Labour share in GDP C (additional) – Real GDP per capita in PPP\$ (level and growth rate) C (additional) – Female share of employment by industry (ISIC tabulation category) C (additional) – Wage / earnings inequality (percentile ratio P90/P10)</p>	<p>L – Labour administration** Developmental work to be done by the Office to reflect environment for Sustainable enterprises, incl. indicators for (i) education, training and lifelong learning, (ii) entrepreneurial culture, (iii) enabling legal and regulatory framework, (iv) fair competition, and (v) rule of law and secure property rights. Developmental work to be done by the Office to reflect other institutional arrangements, such as scope of labour law and scope of labour ministry and other relevant ministries.</p>
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