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Global estimates and trends 2000-2012

The Conceptual Framework of the ILO CL Global Estimates



Children in Employment (5-17 years old) ICLS, para 12

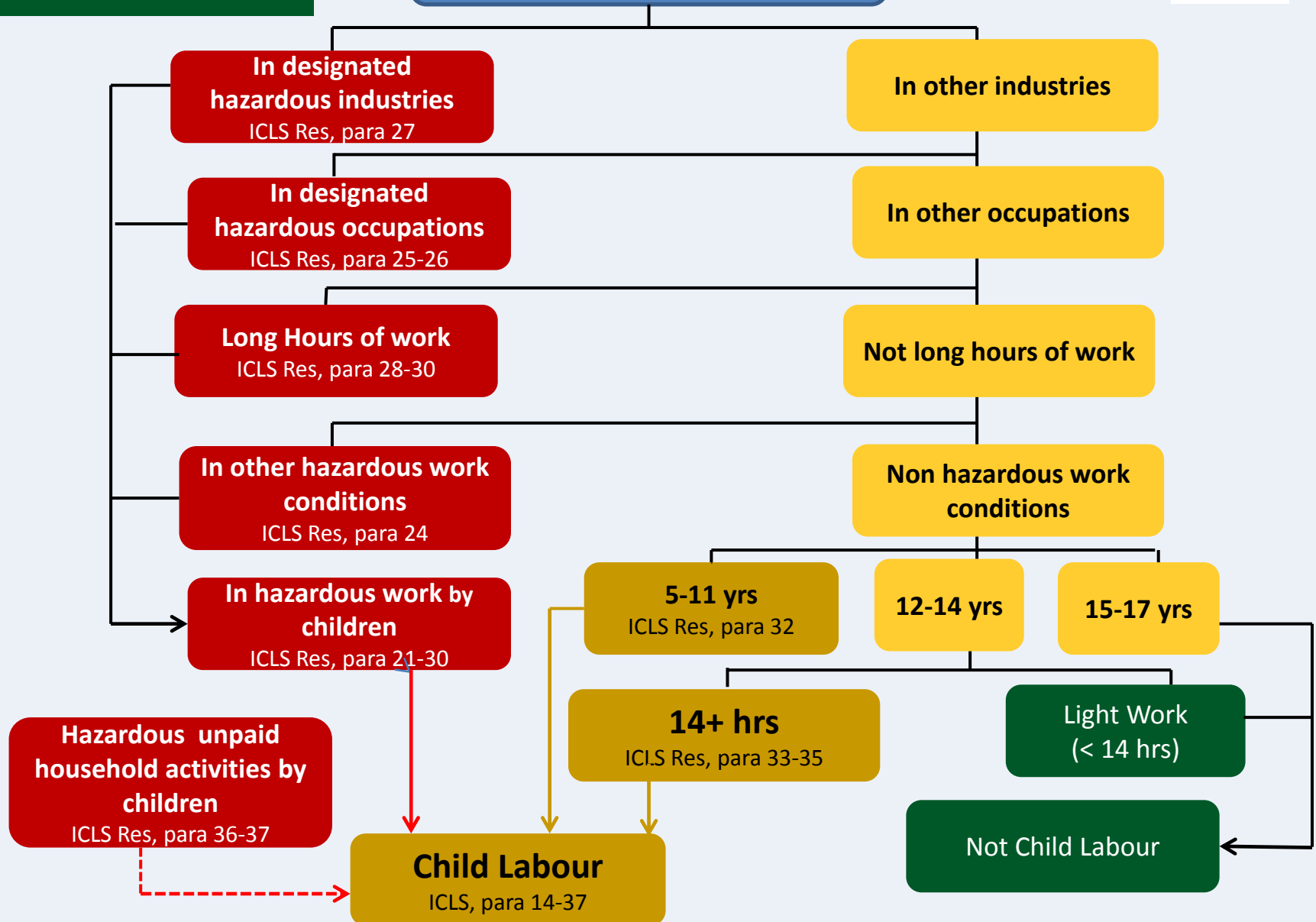


Table 8. Children in employment, child labour and hazardous work by sex, age group and region, 2012

Sex, age group and region		Total children	Children in employment		Child labour		Hazardous work	
		('000)	('000)	%	('000)	%	('000)	%
World (5-17 years)		1,585,566	264,427	16.7	167,956	10.6	85,344	5.4
Sex	Boys	819,877	148,327	18.1	99,766	12.2	55,048	6.7
	Girls	765,690	116,100	15.2	68,190	8.9	30,296	4.0
Age group	5-11 years	858,925	73,072	8.5	73,072	8.5	18,499	2.2
	12-14 years	362,146	70,994	19.6	47,381	13.1	19,342	5.3
	5-14 years	1,221,071	144,066	11.8	120,453	9.9	37,841	3.1
	15-17 years	364,495	120,362	33.0	47,503	13.0	47,503	13.0
Region	Asia and the Pacific	835,334	129,358	15.5	77,723	9.3	33,860	4.1
	Latin America and the Caribbean	142,693	17,843	12.5	12,505	8.8	9,638	6.8
	Sub Saharan Africa	275,397	83,570	30.3	59,031	21.4	28,767	10.4
	MENA	110,411	13,307	12.1	9,244	8.4	5,224	4.7

Figure 11. Global trends in number of children in child labour and hazardous work, 5-17 years age group, 2000-2012

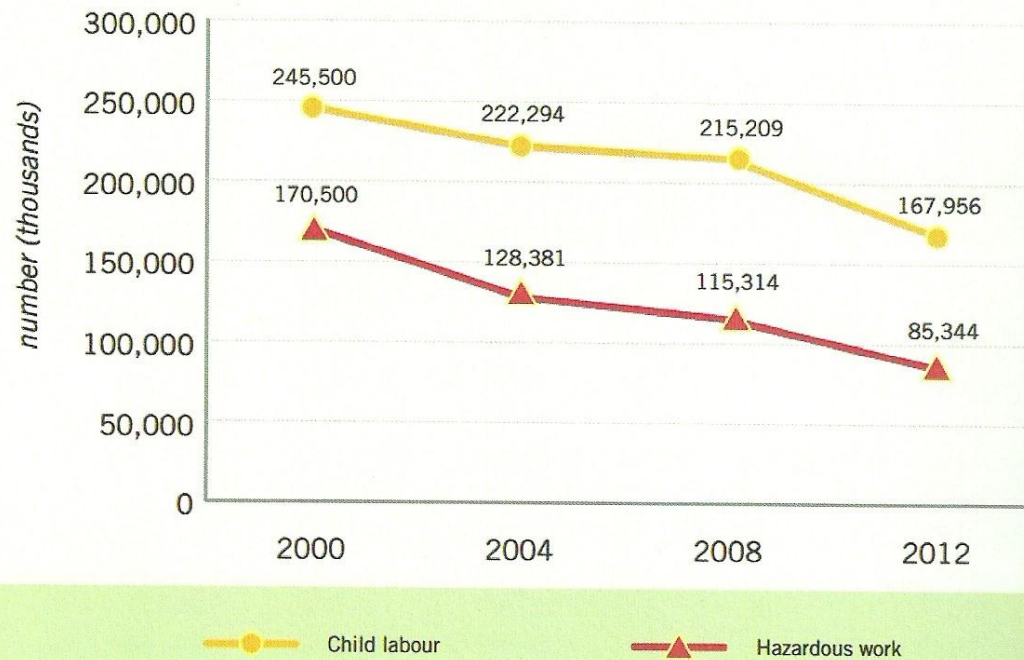


Figure 10. Global trends in incidence of child labour and hazardous work, 5-17 years age group, 2000-2012

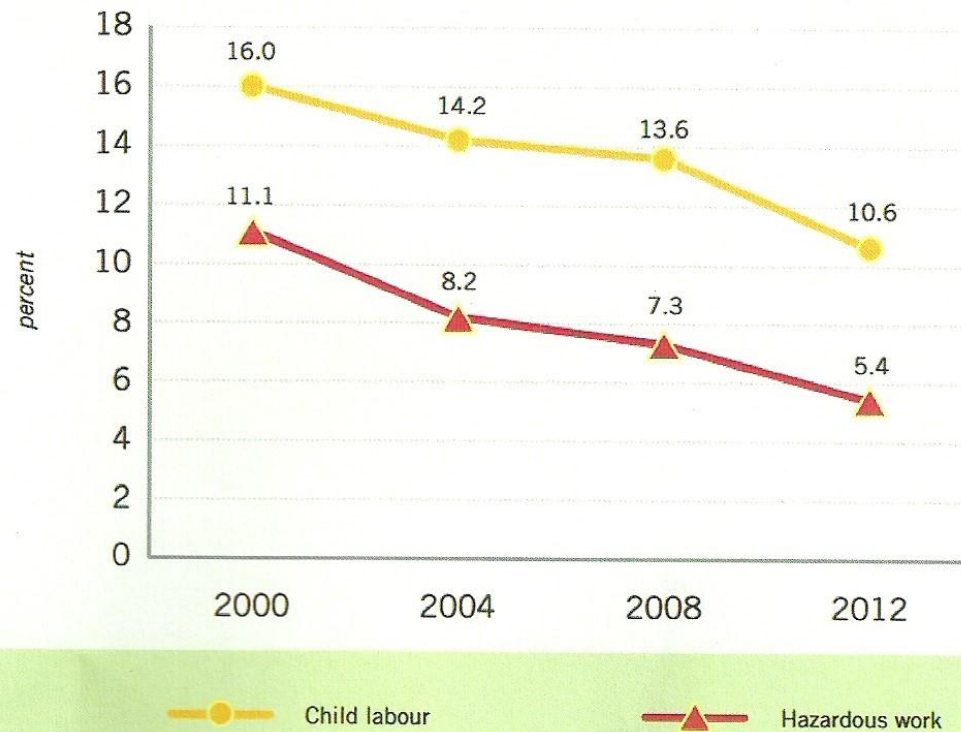


Table 10. Children in employment, child labour and hazardous work by region, 5-17 years age group, 2008 and 2012^(a)

Region		Children population	Children in employment		Child labour		Hazardous work	
		('000)	('000)	%	('000)	%	('000)	%
Asia and the Pacific	2008	853,895	174,460	20.4	113,607	13.3	48,164	5.6
	2012	835,334	129,358	15.5	77,723	9.3	33,860	4.1
Latin America and the Caribbean	2008	141,043	18,851	13.4	14,125	10.0	9,436	6.7
	2012	142,693	17,843	12.5	12,505	8.8	9,638	6.8
Sub-Saharan Africa	2008	257,108	84,229	32.8	65,064	25.3	38,736	15.1
	2012	275,397	83,570	30.3	59,031	21.4	28,767	10.4

Note: (a) Results concerning regional trends in child labour are presented for 2008 and 2012 only, due to data limitations in the global estimates prior to 2008.

Table 9. Children in employment, child labour and hazardous work by sex and age group, 2000-2012

		Total children	Children in employment		Child labour		Hazardous work	
		('000)	('000)	%	('000)	%	('000)	%
World (5-17 years)	2000	1,531,400	351,900	23.0	245,500	16.0	170,500	11.1
	2004	1,566,300	322,729	20.6	222,294	14.2	128,381	8.2
	2008	1,586,288	305,669	19.3	215,209	13.6	115,314	7.3
	2012	1,585,566	264,427	16.7	167,956	10.6	85,344	5.4
Sex								
Boys	2000	786,500	184,200	23.4	132,200	16.8	95,700	12.2
	2004	804,000	171,150	21.3	119,575	14.9	74,414	9.3
	2008	819,891	175,777	21.4	127,761	15.6	74,019	9.0
	2012	819,877	148,327	18.1	99,766	12.2	55,048	6.7
Girls	2000	744,900	167,700	22.5	113,300	15.2	74,800	10.0
	2004	762,300	151,579	19.9	102,720	13.5	53,966	7.1
	2008	766,397	129,892	16.9	87,508	11.4	41,296	5.4
	2012	765,690	116,100	15.2	68,190	8.9	30,296	4.0
Age group								
5-14 years	2000	1,199,400	211,000	17.6	186,300	15.5	111,300	9.3
	2004	1,206,500	196,047	16.2	170,383	14.1	76,470	6.3
	2008	1,216,854	176,452	14.5	152,850	12.6	52,895	4.3
	2012	1,221,071	144,066	11.8	120,453	9.9	37,841	3.1
15-17 years	2000	332,000	140,900	42.4	59,200	17.8	59,200	17.8
	2004	359,800	126,682	35.2	51,911	14.4	51,911	14.4
	2008	369,433	129,217	35.0	62,419	16.9	62,419	16.9
	2012	364,495	120,362	33.0	47,503	13.0	47,503	13.0

Children all over the globe also have a Dream – We must help them to realize it.

