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► Viet Nam National Child Labour Survey 2018

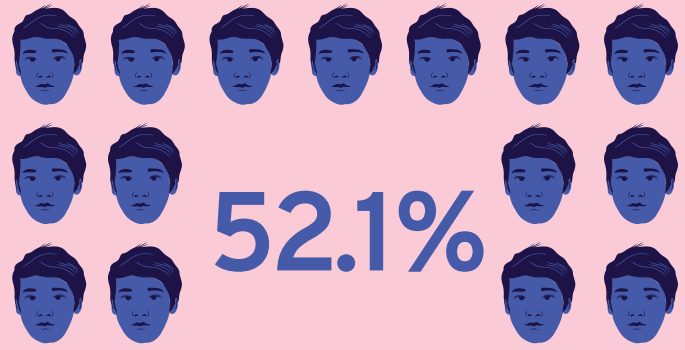


► Child Population

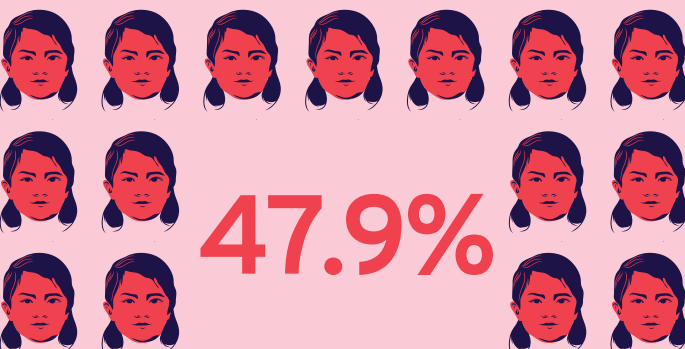
Child population aged 5 - 17 years

19,254,271

20.3%

 of the total population

20.3%



47.9%

Non-working children

17,500,205

90.9%

Working children

1,754,066

9.1%

Children not in
child labour

722,122

41.2 %

Children
in child labour

1,031,944

58.8%

Children in child labour
not engaging in heavy,
dangerous and
hazardous jobs

512,139

49.6%

Children in child labour
engaging in heavy,
dangerous and
hazardous jobs

519,805

50.4%



94.4%

of children attend either pre-school, general education or vocational training, which has increased by more than **4 percentage points** compared to 2012

The school attendance rate of children participating in work in 2018 also **increased** by **nearly 20%** compared to 2012

43.6%

63%

2012

2018

School

► Comparison



Working
Children



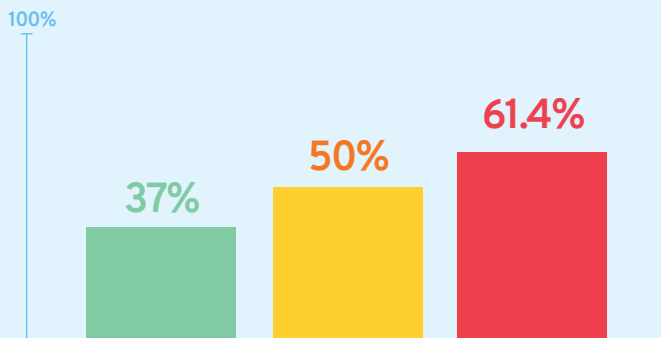
Child
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Hazardous
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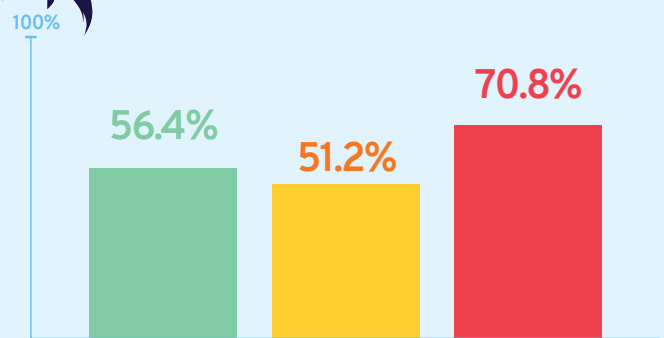
Percentage of children not in school



It is clear from these findings that increasing intensity of involvement in economic activities has a **negative impact** on **children's involvement in education**.



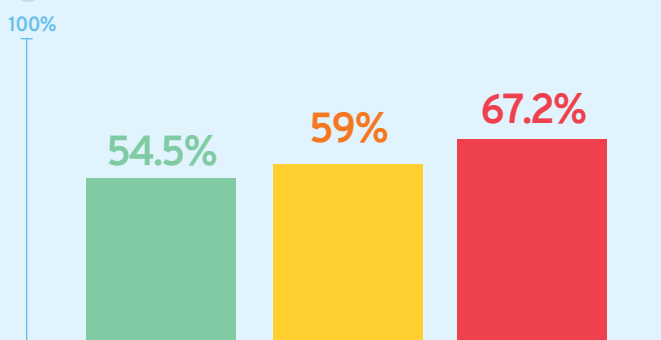
Children aged from 15-17 years old



In all groups, **15-17 year olds** predominate.



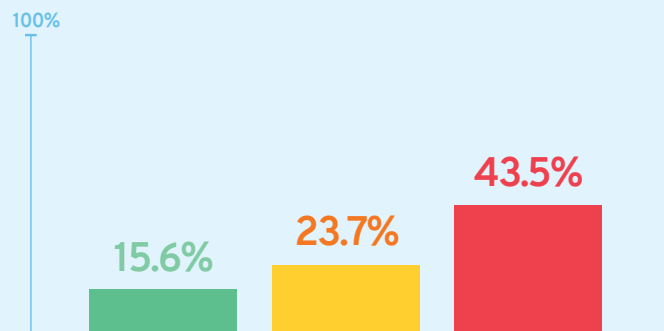
The share of boys engaged in labour



As economic activities intensify, **the share of male engagement increases**.



Rate of engagement in industry and construction sector



Rate of employment in **the industry/construction sector rises** as intensity of economic participation increases.



20.1%



34.2%



40.6%

The rate of children working for **over 40 hours per week** rises alongside the **intensity of economic engagement**.

► Working Children

Working children include 5 to 17 year olds who participate in economic activities for at least 1 hour at any day in the reference week. Not all working children are in child labour.



The survey identified an estimated

1,754,066

working children accounting for
9.11% of 5-17 year olds in Viet Nam

Boys are more likely to engage
in work than girls



54.5%



45.5%

Children working
for over 40 hours
per week



20.1%

59.7%

of children work in the agriculture,
forestry and fishery sector

22.9%

Service Sector

15.6%

Industry and
Construction
Sector

Other Sectors

85%

 of working children
live in rural areas

► Child Labour

Child labour is work that has been prohibited for children either because of their age or because of the nature of the tasks involved. If a child starts work at too young an age, works for too many hours, or undertakes work that impacts their physical or mental health, development or schooling, this constitutes child labour.



1,031,944

5-17 year olds are engaged in child labour.
This is equal to

58.8%

of working children

5.4%

of 5-17 year olds in Viet Nam

Boys are more likely to engage
in child labour than girls



59%



41%

84%

of children in child labour
live in rural areas



71.3%



of children in child labour could not estimate their
average monthly income in the past 12 months.

However, the average income estimated
(predominantly by 15-17 year olds) was around
2.5 million VND (US\$108) per month.

This is equivalent to **three fourths** of the average
income of an adult employee.

More than half of children in child labour are
15 to 17 years old

5-12



30.8%

13-14



18%

15-17



51.2%

53.6%

of children in child labour work in the agriculture, forestry and fishery sector

20.8%

Service Sector

23.7%

Industry and Construction Sector

Other Sectors

Common risks and accidents faced by children in child labour

Dislocations and bruises

4.2%

Wounds

13.3%

Respiratory related diseases

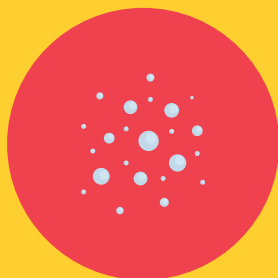
2.4%

Skin and eye related diseases

3.5%

Children in child labour face many risks at work due to dangerous working conditions. Boys aged 15-17 years of age are the most likely group to encounter risks at work.

27.7%



have contact with dust, rubbish and smoke

11.5%



experience vibrations and strong movement

10.8%



experience extreme temperatures

8%



have contact with chemical substances



34.2%

of children in child labour work over 40 hours per week



51.2%

of whom were 15-17 years of age

► Hazardous Child Labour

Hazardous child labour is work which jeopardises the health, safety or morals of a child. This includes work such as construction, mining, work involving dangerous chemicals, heavy machinery, alcohol or illicit activities.



519,805

5-17 year olds are engaged in hazardous child labour. This is equal to

2.7%

child population aged 5 -17

29.6%

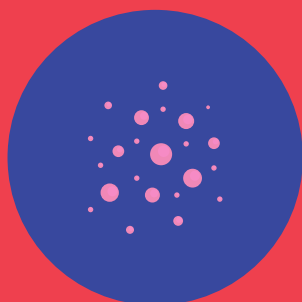
of working children

50.4%

of children in child labour

Children in hazardous child labour face heightened risks at work due to unsafe working conditions.

36.4%



are in contact with
dust rubbish and smoke

20.8%



lift heavy objects

21.8%



experience vibrations
and strong movement

18%



operate machines

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