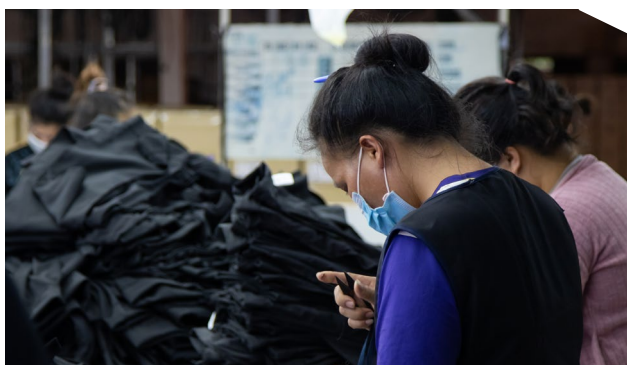




► Data show that a significant proportion (57 per cent) of workers in the formal sector are not covered by social security.

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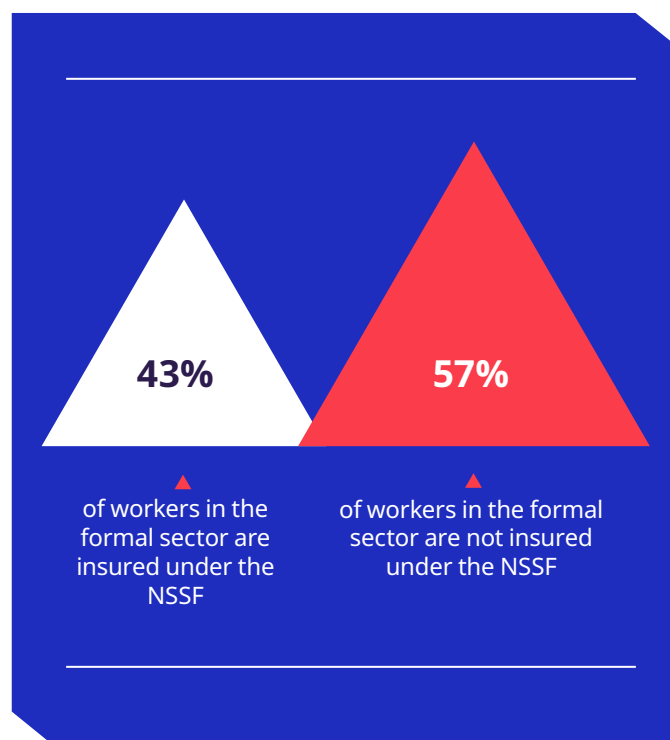
Not all workers within the formal sector are insured. Of the 0.11 million formal-sector workers, 0.05 million (c.49,000 or 43 per cent) are insured under the NSSF, while 0.06 million (c.64,000 or 57 per cent) are not covered by social security. Outside the formal sector, the LFS estimates just under 107,000 workers are insured, equating to about 8 per cent of the workforce outside of the formal sector.



Workers in a garment factory. ©ILO



A worker in the agricultural sector. ©ILO



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