

CHALLENGES AND EXPERIENCES on calculation of MDG employment indicators for Tanzania

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LFS in Tanzania - 1990/91, 2000/01 and 2006

✦ Only 2000/01 and 2006 surveys were used.

✦ Data for 1990/91 not available for computations.

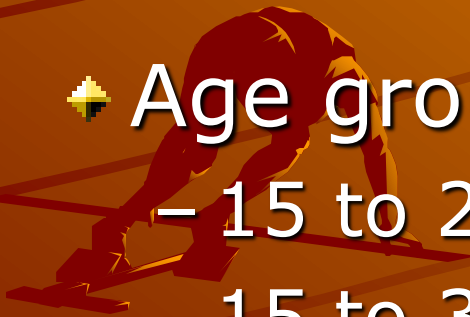


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- ✦ All the three surveys covered Tanzania mainland only.
- ✦ Data from Tanzania Zanzibar is not available, hence unable to get indicators for Tanzania, (United Republic of).
- ✦ The surveys years intervals made mid-years estimations for some variables for the 4 indicators difficult.

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- ◆ Age limit for employed population was 10+ in 1990/91 & 2000/01 vs 15+ in 2006)
- ◆ Age grouping for Youths population
 - 15 to 24 years (standard) International
 - 15 to 34 years (national) Tanzania

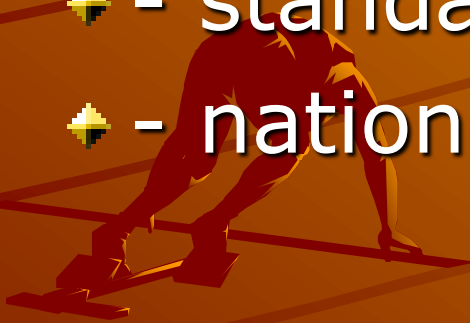


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- ◆ Existence of two employment definitions:

- ◆ - standard (international)

- ◆ - national (Tanzania)



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✦ To be 'unemployed', by standard definition we mean:

- Not working (q.6=2 and q.7a=2)
- Available for any work (q.8=1)



'national definition'

✦ To be 'unemployed', by national definition we mean:

- Not working (q.6=2 and q.7a=2)
- Available for any work (q.8=1)
- With marginal attachment to their employment (q.19a=2)



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- ✦ Tanzania uses both definitions,
e.g. Employment to pop ratio
for pop 15+ (2006 ILFS) is
85.4% for standard and
79.2% for national definition



Labour productivity

- ✦ Calculations for 2000 used GDP for year 2000 and employed pop 15+ from 2000/01 ILFS
- ✦ Calculations by using GDP - at current prices or at constant prices -



Working poverty rates

- ✦ HBS is being conducted after every 5 years (2000/01 and 2007. This makes yearly estimations for poverty rates difficult.
- ✦ Estimation of working poverty rates,
 - ✦ Basic needs poverty lines or
 - ✦ food poverty lines



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