

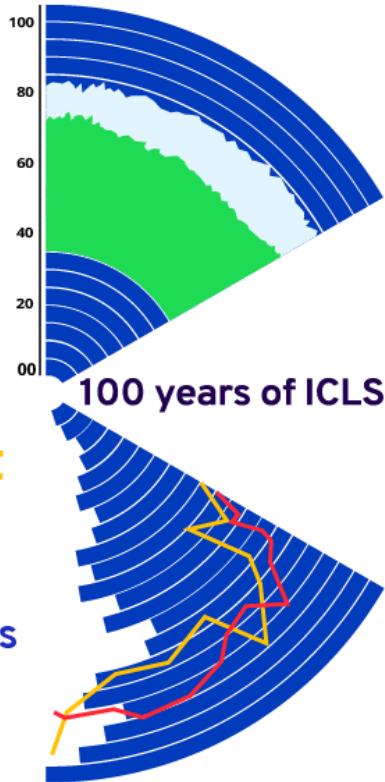


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Integrating child labour statistics into national statistical systems

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Child labour: Country practices and guidance

Travail des enfants: pratiques nationales et orientations

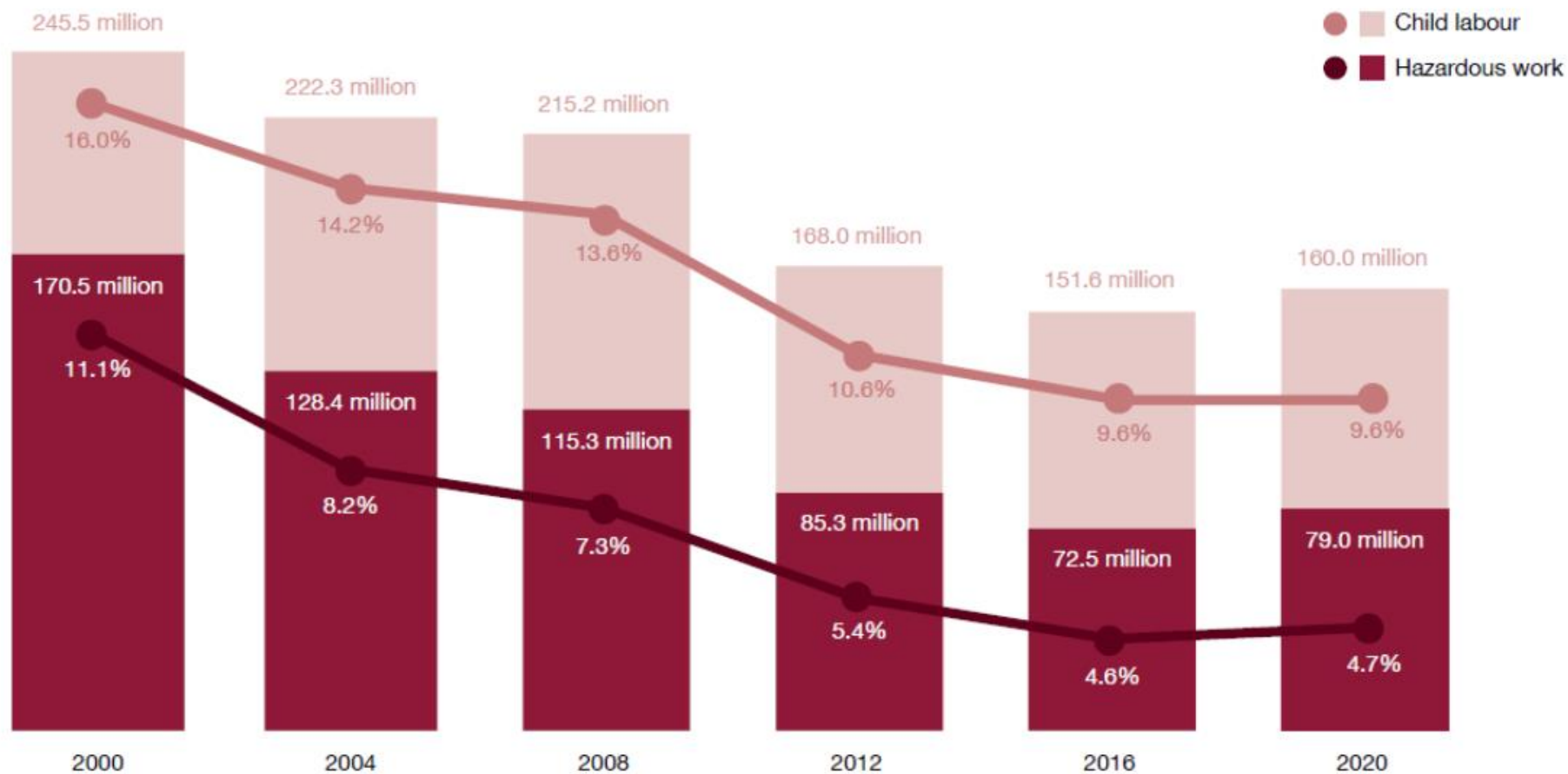
Trabajo infantil: prácticas de los países y orientaciones

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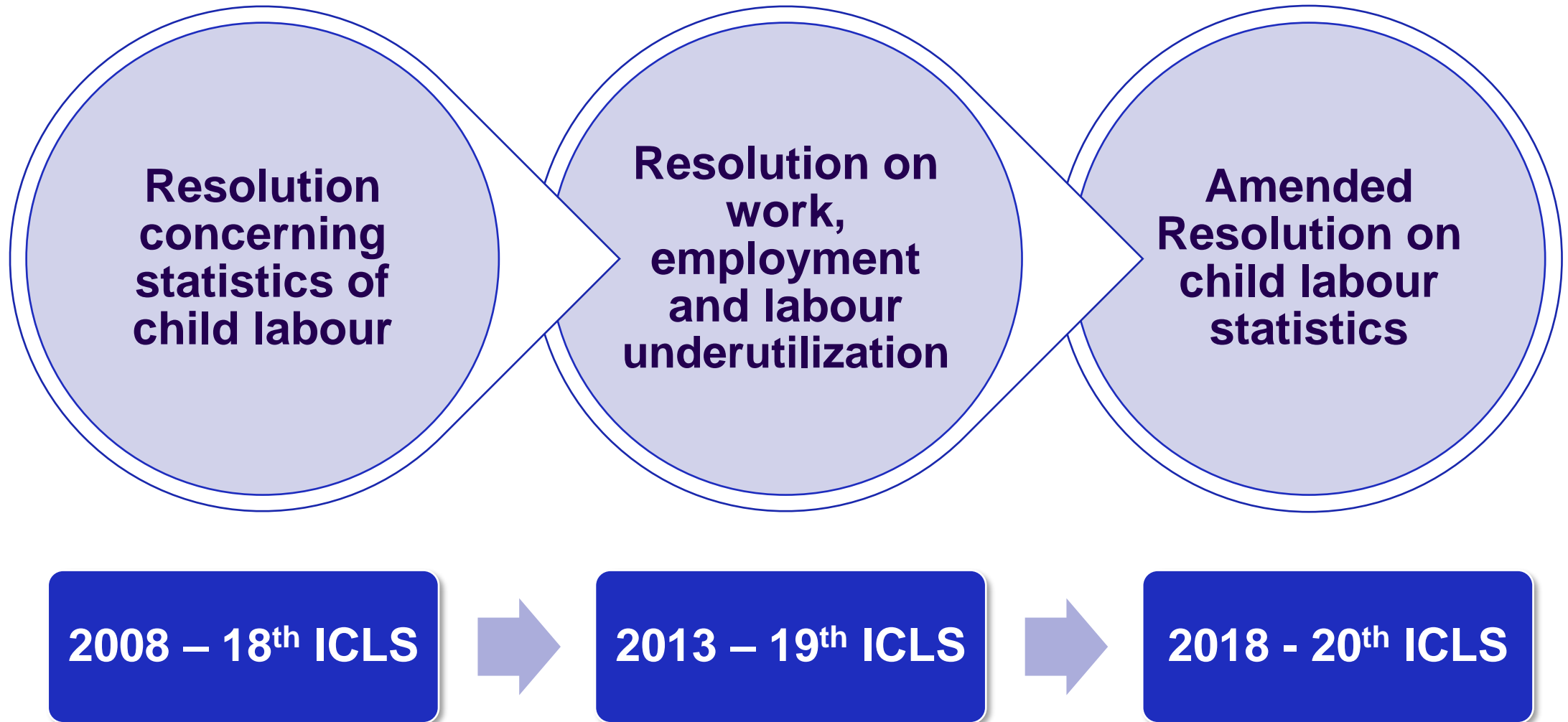
Les participants à la Conférence sont invités à: *a)* passer en revue le document de séance sur les statistiques du travail des enfants et faire part de leurs observations sur les options proposées pour intégrer les enquêtes sur le travail des enfants dans les systèmes statistiques nationaux; *b)* suggérer d'autres approches possibles pour intégrer les enquêtes sur le travail des enfants dans les systèmes statistiques nationaux.

Se invita a los participantes en la Conferencia a que: *a)* examinen el documento de sala relativo a las estadísticas sobre el trabajo infantil y den su opinión sobre las opciones propuestas para integrar las encuestas sobre trabajo infantil en el sistema nacional de estadística, y *b)* asesoren sobre otros posibles enfoques para integrar las encuestas sobre trabajo infantil en el sistema nacional de estadística.

Global progress against child labour has stalled since 2016



Development of statistical standards on child labour and the ICLS



Implementation of Updated Statistical Framework for child labour measurement, examples

Stand-alone NCLS

- Egypt (2023)
- Honduras (2023)
- Bangladesh (2022)
- Burkina Faso (2022)
- Nigeria (2022)

Integrated into LFS and other surveys

- Lao-PDR (2022)
- Samoa (2022)
- Cabo Verde (2022)
- The Gambia (2021)
- Uganda (2021)
- Mali (2020-2021)

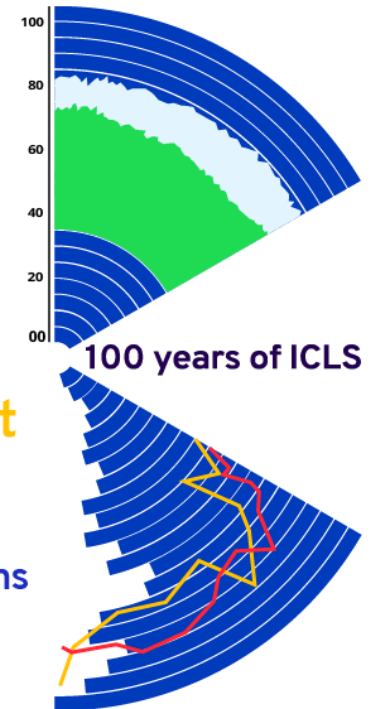
Resolution to amend the 18th ICLS Resolution concerning statistics of child labour

“2. Countries should, depending on national circumstances, develop an adequate system of child labour statistics as an integral part of their statistical programmes.”



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► Objectives of the Room document

- Technical aspects required for successful integration of CL statistics into national statistical systems
- Concept of mainstreaming
- Types of child labour surveys
- Key characteristics of base surveys necessary for mainstreaming

► Mainstreaming Child Labour Surveys into national statistical systems

- Involves strategically scheduling the implementation of such surveys on a periodic basis as part of the broader national statistical programme.
- Independently or in conjunction with other surveys
- National or Sectoral
- Base survey → household-based survey conducted on a regular basis

Forms of Child Labour Surveys

Modular surveys

Linked surveys

Stand-alone surveys

Vehicle of mainstreaming: Key characteristics of the base survey for effective mainstreaming

- National or quasi-national scope
- Contain a maximum number of the main measurement and classification variables of child labour surveys
- Adequate sample size to accommodate child labour survey requirements
- Preferably, a multi-stage sample design for linking flexibility
- Preferably, a regular survey frequency to ensure continuous integration

► Labour force surveys as a vehicle for mainstreaming

ADVANTAGES

- Pivotal role in gathering data on child labour
- Household-based, national scope with multistage-designs
- Substantial sample sizes, regular periodicity, coverage of 15-17
- Already include key CL survey variables and indicators

APPROACH

- Lower the age limit to cover 5-17
- Measure the outstanding key variables
- Periodicity may differ from LFS
 - Minimize duplication and impact
- 15 and above already answering questions
- Include CL information elements at last stage of LFS operations
- Outgoing rotation group

▶ **Linked surveys as a vehicle for mainstreaming**

- Base survey sample design limitations may exclude vulnerable groups
- Suitable when crucial to avoid adding a module to the base survey that might affect its primary results
- The linkage may be introduced at any of the stages of sampling of the base survey:
 - At the first stage of sampling, i.e., at the PSU level
 - At the second stage of sampling, i.e., at the household level
 - At the third stage of sampling, i.e., at the individual level

Examples of linkage at PSU level

- Selection of Additional PSUs at Implementation Stage:
 - Additional PSUs incorporated during the implementation of the base survey (LFS).
 - For instance, when a LFS PSU exhibits child labour rates exceeding a certain threshold, neighbouring PSUs beyond the LFS scope are adaptively included in the sample.
 - This selection process follows the principles of adaptive cluster sampling.

▶ Examples of linkage at household level

- Selection of additional households at the implementation stage
 - Base survey implementation, listing may incorporate screening for households with working children.
 - Positively screened households can be included in the Child Labour (CL) survey sample with certainty or with a higher probability than other households in the PSU.

Key parameters of survey design

- Scope and periodicity
- Sample size
- Design effect

ILO statistical and research tools on child labour

- a) Child labour model questionnaires
- b) Reporting templates
- c) Sampling resources
- d) Training curriculum
- e) Other research resources

► Discussion points

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