

Labour Force Statistics

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System of labour force statistics - scope

Statistics on earnings Participation **Statistics** in on child **Statistics** employment labour, on labour and the migration, demand forced labour labour etc. market Statistics on occupational

Decent work indicator framework

SDG indicator framework

Various resolutions, recommendations, guidelines, conventions

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System of labour force statistics - sources

Labour force survey

Designed to apply latest statistical standards with representative samples

Other household surveys

- General e.g. Census of Population, income and expenditure surveys
- Specialised/focussed Mixed surveys for informality, child labour surveys etc., time-use

Establishment surveys

Earnings and labour demand in formal sector in particular

Administrative sources

 Registered unemployment and employment



International Labour Organisation – role and key focus

- Statistical standard setting
 - International Conference of Labour Statisticians
 - 19th ICLS 2013 standards on work, employment and labour underutilization (expanded scope and updated definitions)
 - 20th ICLS 2018 work relationships (status in employment and work)
 - 21st ICLS 2023 informality
- Maintaining ILOSTAT database and related dissemination
- Technical assistance and capacity building
 - Through network of regional statistical advisors supported by headquarters

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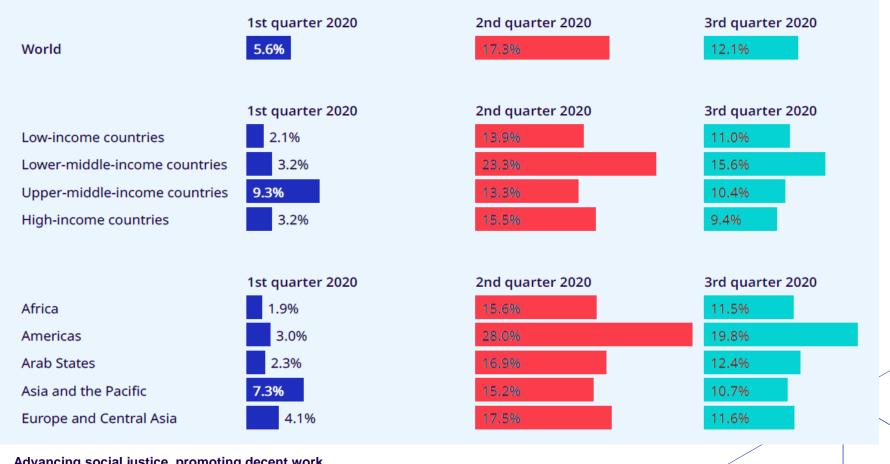
Key current/recent priorities and developments

- Promotion and support for implementation of latest standards
 - Requires update of labour force surveys in particular
- Extending range of data on ILOSTAT based on access to survey microdata where possible
 - COVID-19 monitor
- Supporting countries to respond to COVID-19 impacts on labour force statistics
 - Maintaining labour force survey data collection
 - Type of information to collect and report
 - Possible use of rapid surveys



COVID-19 Impacts – ILO COVID-19 nowcasting

Figure 3. Working-hour losses, world and by region and income group, first, second and third quarters of 2020 (percentage)



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Key resources

LFS Guidance

https://ilostat.ilo.org/resources/lfs-resources/

COVID-19 Guidance https://ilostat.ilo.org/topics/covid-19/#guidance

COVID-19 Monitors

https://www.ilo.org/global/topics/coronavirus/impacts-and-responses/WCMS_755910/lang--en/index.htm

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https://ilostat.ilo.org/data/