



## Child Labour: a definition





Work that deprives children of their childhood, their potential and their dignity, and that is harmful to physical and mental development.



### It refers to work that:

1) is mentally, physically, socially or morally dangerous and harmful to children

2) interferes with their schooling





## depriving them of the opportunity to attend school



# obliging them to leave school prematurely



trying to combine school with excessively long and heavy work



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## CHILD LABOUR IN THE WORLD



215,000,000 Child labourers, 5-17 years old 115,000,000 Engaged in hazardous work, 5-17 years old







#### ECONOMIC ACTIVITIES



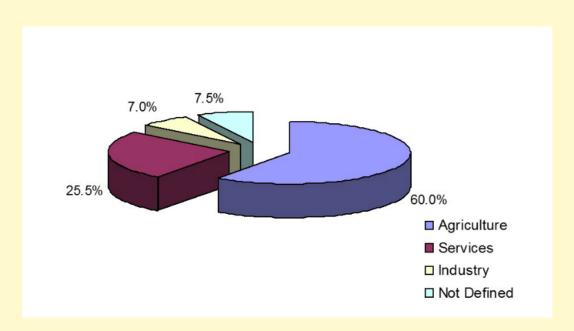
The **agriculture** sector: activities in agriculture, hunting, forestry, and fishing.

The **industry** sector includes mining and quarrying, manufacturing, construction, and public utilities (electricity, gas and water).

The **services** sector consists of wholesale and retail trade; restaurants and hotels; transport, storage, and communications; finance, insurance, real-estate, and business services.

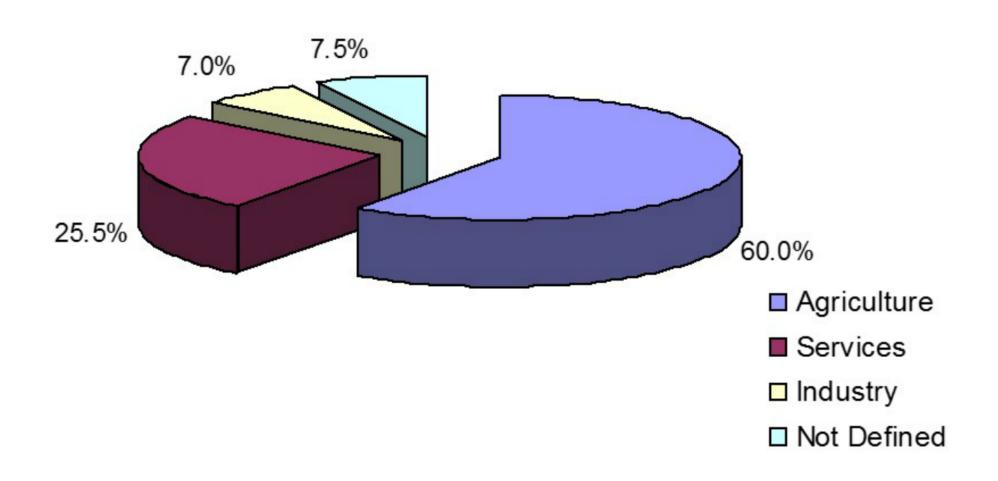


#### Sectoral distribution of working children, 2008





#### working children, 2008





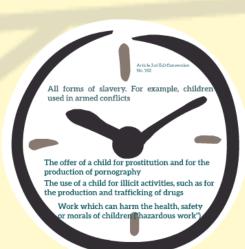
# WHO IS FIGHTING?

The International Labour Organization (ILO) is an agency of the United Nations devoted to promoting social justice and internationally recognized human and labour rights.



#### THE PRIORITY:

to eliminate without delay the worst forms of child labour





Article 3 of ILO Convention No. 182:

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