

CONVENTION 160

NEW ZEALAND

ARTICLE 22 OF THE CONSTITUTION OF THE ILO

Simplified report for the period 1 June 2005 to 31 May 2010
made by the Government of New Zealand on the

LABOUR STATISTICS CONVENTION, 1985 (No. 160)

I: Please give a list of the laws and regulations, etc., which apply the provisions of the Convention. Where this has not already been done please forward copies of the said legislation, etc., to the International Labour Office with this report. Please give any available information concerning the extent to which these laws and regulations have been enacted or modified to permit, or as a result of, ratification.

The provisions of the Convention are applied by the:

- Statistics Act 1975
- Employment Relations Act 2000
- Injury Prevention, Rehabilitation, and Compensation Act 2001

Copies of this legislation have previously been supplied to the International Labour Organisation.

II: Please indicate in detail for each of the following Articles of Parts I and III and for each Article accepted in Part II of the Convention, the provisions of the above-mentioned laws and regulations, etc., or other measures, under which each Article is applied. In addition, please provide any information specifically requested below under individual Articles.

If the Committee of Experts or the Conference Committee on the Application of Standards has requested additional information or has made an observation on the measures adopted to apply the Convention, please supply the information asked for or indicate the action taken by your Government to settle the points in question.

General Comment

Relevant changes to New Zealand policy and practice which have occurred since the last report on the Labour Statistics Convention No.160 are outlined below. For all other details regarding New Zealand's application of this convention, please refer the Government's report for the period November 2001 to 31 May 2003.

I. GENERAL PROVISIONS

Article 2

In designing or revising the concepts, definitions and methodology used in the collection, compilation and publication of the statistics required under this Convention, Members shall take into consideration the latest standards and guide-lines established under the auspices of the International Labour Organisation.

Please indicate, for each of the Articles of Part II in respect of which your Government has accepted the obligations, whether the latest standards and guide-lines established under the auspices of the International Labour Organisation have been followed and the reasons for any departures therefrom.

The latest standards and guidelines are considered, and for the most part implemented, for all of the articles of Part II. Areas where New Zealand does not meet the latest standards and guidelines were outlined in our previous reports for the periods November 2001 to 31 May 2003 and 1 June 2003 to 31 May 2005.

Article 3

In designing or revising the concepts, definitions and methodology used in the collection, compilation and publication of the statistics required under this Convention, the representative organisations of employers and workers, where they exist, shall be consulted with a view to taking into account their needs and to ensuring their co-operation.

Please indicate, for each of the Articles of Part II in respect of which your Government has accepted the obligations, the manner in which the representative organisations of employers and workers* if any, were consulted.

For each of the articles of Part II, the needs of both the New Zealand Council of Trade Unions (NZCTU) and Business New Zealand have been considered. In the development of new surveys or methods, both organisations are invited to be part of the process.

Article 5

Each Member which ratifies this Convention undertakes to communicate to the International Labour Office, as soon as practicable, the published statistics compiled in pursuance of the Convention and information concerning their publication, in particular—

(a) the reference information appropriate to the means of dissemination used (titles and reference numbers in the case of printed publications and the equivalent descriptions in the case of data disseminated in other forms); and

(b) the most recent dates or periods for which the different types of statistics are available, and the dates of their publication or release.

Please indicate, for each of the Articles of Part II in respect of which your Government has accepted the obligations:

(a) the name and type of source of the statistics;

(b) the title and reference number of the principal publication in which the statistics appear;

(c) the form and frequency in which statistics are communicated to the International Labour Office; and

(d) the periodicity of the statistics or the most recent date for which they are available at the time of this report.

Relevant changes that have taken place to New Zealand policy and practice since the previous report are as follows:

Reference numbers have changed for all of the 'Hot off the Press' publications. The 'Hot off the Press' titles and new reference numbers are listed below:

- Household Labour Force Survey 'Hot Off The Press' - ISSN 1178-0487
- Quarterly Employment Survey 'Hot Off The Press' - ISSN 1178-0649
- New Zealand Income Survey 'Hot Off The Press' - ISSN 1178-0614
- National Accounts 'Hot Off The Press' - ISSN 1178-0568
- Consumers price index 'Hot Off The Press' - ISSN 1178-0452
- Household Economic Survey 'Hot Off The Press' - ISSN 1178-0479
- Work Stoppages 'Hot Off The Press' - ISSN 1178-0703

Article 9

New Zealand now also provides a customised quarterly subscription to Quarterly Employment Survey data.

Article 14

Work-related injury claims accepted and administered by the Accident Compensation Corporation under the *Injury Prevention, Rehabilitation and Compensation Act 2001*.

Hot off the Press "Injury Statistics – Work-related claims: 2008". Reference number ISSN 1178-2160. This release presents March year final statistics for 2007 and provisional figures for 2008 and is published annually.

Article 13

- a) Household Economic Survey - Sample Survey
Household Economic Survey (Income) - Sample Survey
- b) Household Economic Survey 'Hot Off The Press' - ISSN 1178-0479
Household Economic Survey (Income) 'Hot Off The Press' - ISSN 1178-0479
- d) Household Economic Survey - 3 yearly
Household Economic Survey (Income) - in the two intervening years between the Household Economic Survey

Article 6

Detailed descriptions of the sources, concepts, definitions and methodology used in collecting and compiling statistics in pursuance of this Convention shall be—

- (a) produced and updated to reflect significant changes;**
- (b) communicated to the International Labour Office as soon as practicable; and**
- (c) published by the competent national body.**

Please indicate, for each of the Articles of Part II in respect of which your Government has accepted the obligations, the title and reference number of the principal publication which contains the detailed descriptions referred to in this Article.

The changes to reference numbers as stated under Article 5 also apply under this article.

II. BASIC LABOUR STATISTICS

Article 13

Statistics of household expenditure or, where appropriate, family expenditure and, where possible, household income or, where appropriate, family income shall be compiled covering all types and sizes of private households or families, and in such a way as to be representative of the country as a whole.

Please state the coverage of the statistics compiled. If statistics of household income or family income are not compiled, please state the reasons.

These statistics are covered by the **Household Economic Survey** and the **Household Economic Survey (Income)**. The Household Economic Survey (Income) is a shortened version of the full triennial Household Economic Survey (HES). HES (Income) runs in the two intervening years between the full HES to collect data on household and personal income, living standards, and housing cost expenditure.

The survey target population and household membership rules of the Household Economic Survey (Income) are the same as that of the Household Economic Survey, which were detailed in the Government's report for the period November 2001 to 31 May 2003.

III. ACCEPTANCE OF OBLIGATIONS

Article 16

Please supply, for the Articles of Part II which have not been accepted by your Government, the information requested in paragraph 4, and to the extent possible, any statistics compiled on the subjects covered by those Articles as well as particulars of their sources, methodology and publication as requested in the present report form.

This is not applicable to New Zealand as we have accepted all of the provisions of Convention 160.

Article 17

If advantage has been taken of paragraph 1 and/or of paragraph 3 of this Article, please supply in your first report, and in subsequent reports, the particulars called for in paragraph 2 of this Article for each of the relevant Articles of Part II.

This is not applicable as New Zealand has not limited the scope of the statistics referred to in Part II.

Section III:

Please indicate the statistical authority or authorities responsible for compiling each of the different types of statistics in compliance with the requirements of this Convention.

Statistics New Zealand

Section IV:

Please give a general appreciation of the manner in which the Convention is applied in your country.

New Zealand legislation requires New Zealand to collect and compile statistics on:

- Labour and manpower, including conditions of employment; work descriptions; wages, including direct and indirect emoluments; hours of work and labour disputes
- Accidents, including industrial injuries
- Incomes, earnings, and related emoluments; expenditure and taxation
- Prices of property (real, personal, and choices in action) and of commodities and services at any or all transaction levels

These Statistics are published as outlined in Article 5.

Section V:

Please indicate the representative organisations of employers and workers to which copies of the present report have been communicated in accordance with article 23, paragraph 2, of the Constitution of the International Labour Organisation.

Business New Zealand

The New Zealand Council of Trade Unions

Response to the Direct Request of the Committee of Experts on the Application of Conventions and Recommendations (CEACR) on Convention 160

Article 12 of the Convention: Consumer price indices

Noting the Government's indication in relation to Article 12 that the latest standards and guidelines have been followed, the Committee would be grateful if it would indicate which standards and guidelines are referred to (Article 2).

Please see the updated reference to article 12 under Article 2 in the report above.

Article 14: Statistics of occupational injuries and occupational diseases

Noting that the provisions of the Convention on statistics of occupational injuries are in general applied and that the compilation of injury statistics is currently at the development stage with a view to integrating the various administrative sources of data and completing the coverage of these statistics, the Committee asks the Government to keep the ILO informed of any progress in this regard and to provide any available information on the compilation of statistics of occupational injuries.

The Committee would be grateful if the Government would ensure that statistical publications containing data on occupational injuries are communicated to the ILO, and particularly the publication "Injury Statistics: Work-related Injuries" (Article 5).

The production and publication of statistics on work-related claims for injuries now occurs annually and statistics for 2002 to 2008 are available. This collection is released as a Hot Off the Press, which includes a summary of the results and an excel table set published on Statistics New Zealand's website. Table Builder tables, which enable users to generate data tables to their own specifications, were also developed for this collection and provided on the Statistics New Zealand website. The latest release is listed in article 14 under Article 2 in the report above.

In 2011 Statistics New Zealand will publish and further develop the "Serious Injury Outcome Indicators" that include indicators of work-related injuries. These indicators have been produced annually for the New Zealand Injury Prevention Strategy Secretariat and the latest reports are listed below:

Gulliver P, Cryer C, Davie G. A Chartbook of the New Zealand Injury Prevention Strategy Serious Injury Outcome: 1994 – 2008. Injury Prevention Research Unit (University of Otago) OR081 Wellington: New Zealand Injury Prevention Strategy Secretariat, ACC. January 2010.

Gulliver P, Cryer C, Davie G. A Chartbook of the New Zealand Injury Prevention Strategy Serious Injury Outcome Indicators for Maori; 1996 – 2008. Injury Prevention Research Unit (University of Otago) OR080 Wellington: New Zealand Injury Prevention Strategy Secretariat, ACC. January 2010.

Gulliver P, Cryer C, Davie G. A Chartbook of the New Zealand Injury Prevention Strategy Serious Injury Outcome Indicators for Children: 1994 – 2008. Injury Prevention Research Unit (University of Otago) OR082 Wellington: New Zealand Injury Prevention Strategy Secretariat, ACC. January 2010.

Two reports on the development and technical details of the indicators are also available. These are:

Cryer C, Langley J, Stephenson S. Developing valid injury outcome indicators. A report for the New Zealand Injury Prevention Strategy. Injury Prevention Research Unit Occasional Report OR 049, Dunedin: University of Otago, September 2004.

Injury Prevention Research Unit (University of Otago) Wellington and New Zealand Injury Prevention Strategy Secretariat, ACC The New Zealand Injury Prevention Strategy serious injury outcome indicators: technical report. Author, November 2008.