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SDG Goal 8 **Decent work and economic growth**

SDG Target 8.7 **Take immediate and effective measures to eradicate forced labour, end modern slavery and human trafficking and secure the prohibition and elimination of the worst forms of child labour, including recruitment and use of child soldiers, and by 2025 end child labour in all its forms**

SDG Indicator 8.7.1 **Proportion and number of children aged 5-17 years engaged in child labour, by sex and age**

Time series **Victims of child labour**

1. General information on the time series
- Date of national metadata: February 6, 2026
- National data: https://sdg-indicators.de/8-7-1
- Definition: The time series shows the victims of child labour in absolute terms, per 100,000 inhabitants (=V/100,000), as well as the percentage.

  The following offence codes are taken into account according to the national catalogue of criminal offences:

  Until the reporting year 2016:
  - 231300: trafficking in children (sect. 236 PC)
  - 236000: trafficking in human beings with intent to sexual exploitation (sect. 232 PC)
  - 237000: trafficking in human beings for the purpose of exploitation of workers (sect. 233 PC)

  From the reporting year 2017:
  - 231300: trafficking in children (sect. 236 PC)
  - 239100: trafficking in human beings (sect. 232 PC)
  - 239210: inducement to engage in or continue to engage in prostitution or to engage in exploitative sexual activities (sect. 232a (1) to (5) PC)
  - 239300: forced labour (sect. 232b PC)
  - 239400: exploitation of labour (sect. 233 PC)
  - 239500: exploitation on the basis of deprivation of liberty (sect. 233a PC)

  Both completed and attempted criminal offences are taken into account.

- Disaggregation: age group, sex

2. Comparability with the UN metadata
- Date of UN metadata: July 2024
- UN metadata: https://unstats.un.org/sdgs/metadata/files/Metadata-08-07-01.pdf

- The time series is not compliant with the UN metadata, but provides additional information. It summarizes the data of the PCS regarding the criminal offence of trafficking in young human beings, as well as exploitation of their labour in various ways. It only includes cases recorded by the police (so-called known cases statistics) and is not based on surveys such as victimisation surveys.

3. Data description

- The data on the number of victims is based on the Police Crime Statistics (PCS) of the Federal Criminal Police Office (BKA). The PKS records known crimes, victims and suspects and includes both attempted and completed crimes per year. As only reported cases are recorded, the statistics may not fully reflect the actual crime rate. If a person is the victim of several crimes or of the same crime repeatedly, they are counted multiple times.

  The population data comes from the Federal Statistical Office. The victim risk figure (per 100,000 inhabitants) is calculated on the basis of the population on 31 December of the previous year. Up to and including 2012, the data is based on the 1987 census (Federal Republic of Germany) and the population register of 3 October 1990 (German Democratic Republic); for the years 2013 to 2023, it is based on the 2011 census, and from 2024 onwards, it will be based on the 2022 census.

  The retroactively calculated average population is used as the basis for the percentage representation. For 2010, it was determined on the basis of the 2011 census and migration, birth and death statistics; for the years 2012 to 2021, the calculation was made on the basis of the 2022 census.

4. Access to data source

- T91 Total victims by age and sex:
  https://www.bka.de/EN/CurrentInformation/Statistics/PoliceCrimeStatistics/2024/pcs2024_node.html
- T91 Risk of victimization – Total offenses, completed, attempts (only available in German):
  https://www.bka.de/DE/AktuelleInformationen/StatistikenLagebilder/PolizeilicheKriminalstatistik/PKS2024/PKSTabellen/BundBelastungszahlen/bundBelastungszahlen.html?nn=226082
- Average population – GENESIS online 12411-0041:
  https://www-genesis.destatis.de/genesis//online?operation=table&code=12411-0041&bypass=true&levelindex=1&levelid=1639396599054#abreadcrumb
- Population figures for number of victims per 100,000 (V/100,000) from 2000 onwards (only available in German):
  https://www.bka.de/DE/AktuelleInformationen/StatistikenLagebilder/PolizeilicheKriminalstatistik/PKS2024/PKSTabellen/Bev%C3%B6lkerungszahlen/bevoelkerungsdaten_node.html

5. Metadata on source data

- Police Crime Statistics, Version 1.0, documents "Guidelines for Maintaining the Police Crime Statistics" and "Developmental History": https://www.bka.de/EN/CurrentInformation/Statistics/PoliceCrimeStatistics/2024/pcs2024_node.html

6. Timeliness and frequency

- Timeliness: t + 4 months
- Frequency: Annual

7. Calculation method

- Unit of measurement: Number, Per 100,000 inhabitants, Percentage
- Calculation: Not applicable.