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# **ILO Global Report**

- Child labour continues to decline, but more modestly than previously
- 3% decline between 2004-2008 [10% decrease between 2000-2004]
- On present trends, the goal of eliminating the worst forms of child labour by 2016 will not be reached



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## **Important statistics**

- •215 million in child labour
- 115 million of these children in hazardous work



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## **Worst Forms of Child Labour**

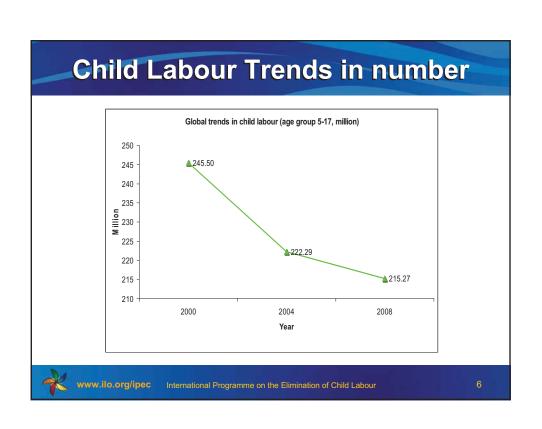
- a) Children in slavery, forced or compulsory labour, child trafficking Including forced recruitment for use in armed conflict
- b) Children in prostitution and pornography
- c) Children in illicit activities
- d) Children in hazardous work

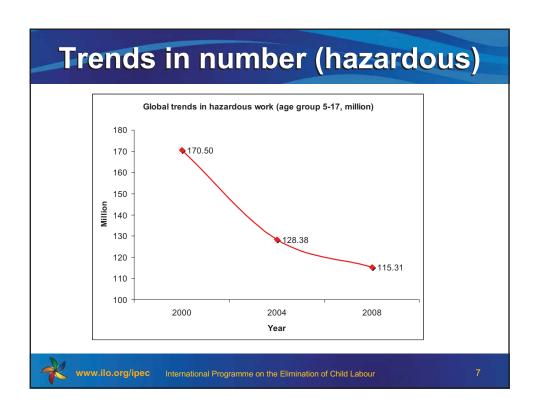
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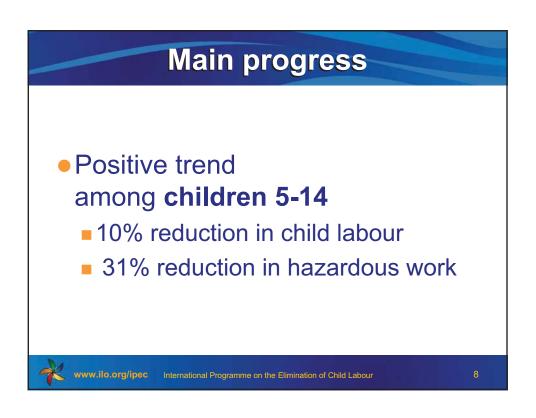


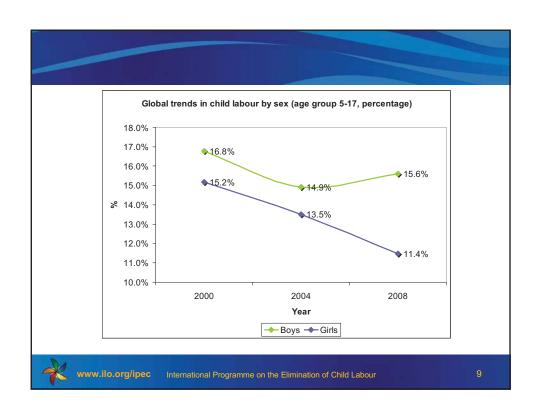
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- Fewer girls are now in child labour.
  - declined by 15%.
- Increase of child labour among older boys (15-17)
  - ■20% increase in child labour
  - These children have reached the minimum age of employment, but are in hazardous work.



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#### Regional trends

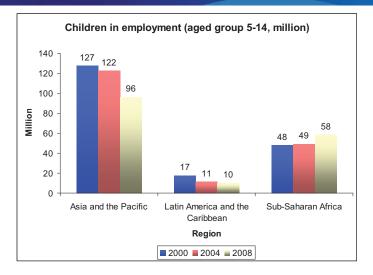
Asia and Pacific - significant reduction down to 96m (14.8 % of children)

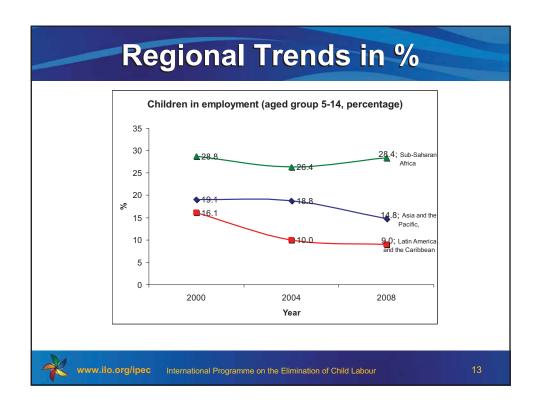
Latin America and Caribbean – slight reduction down to 10m (9%)

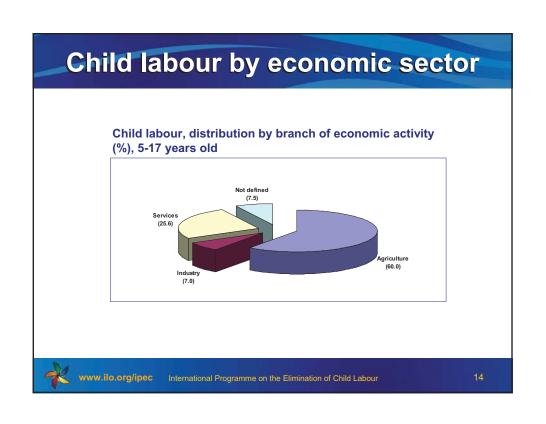
Sub Saharan Africa – further increase to 58m (28.4%)



# Regional Trends in numbers







#### Accelerating action against child labour

- an increased global effort to tackle child labour and
- enhanced Governmentcommitment



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# Public policies and programmes

- Ratification of ILO Conventions
- National Plans to tackle child labour
- Inclusion of child labour in National Development Plans
- Education of good quality for all children
- Safe working conditions for youth
- Social protection for poor families
- Decent work opportunities for adults
- Law enforcement and child protection



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#### **Further measures**

- international cooperation
- social dialogue and cooperation
- innovative financing
- Advocacy and mobilisation



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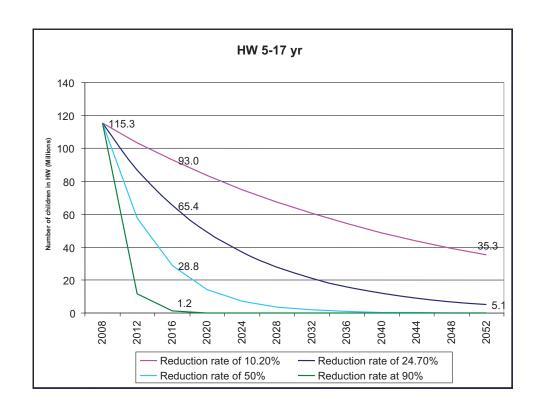
# International goal!

- Eliminating the worst forms of child labour by 2016
  - Further steps to attain this goal e.g. The Hague conference and the Roadmap



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# WFCL other than hazardous

Estimated number of children in worst forms of child labour other than hazardous work (Global estimate 2002)

Total	8,400,000*
Children in illicit activities	600,000
Children in prostitution & pornography	1,800,000
Children in armed conflict	300,000
Children in forced & bonded labour	5,700,000
Trafficked children	1,200,000

\*The total excludes the category of trafficked children because of the risk of double-counting.



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