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Selected Statistics and Indicators	
on Child Labor ²³³⁵	
Working children, 5-14 years (%):	-
Working boys, 5-14 years (%):	-
Working girls, 5-14 years (%):	-
Working children by sector, 5-14 years (%):	
- Agriculture	-
- Manufacturing	-
- Services	-
- Other	-
Minimum age for work:	15
Compulsory education age:	15
Free public education:	Yes*
Gross primary enrollment rate (%):	-
Net primary enrollment rate (%):	-
School attendance, children 5-14 years (%):	-
Survival rate to grade 5 (%):	-
ILO-IPEC participating country:	No
* Must pay for miscellaneous school expenses	

Incidence and Nature of Child Labor

Children in Montenegro can be found working on family farms. Roma children also work in the informal sector, selling small items or washing car windows.²³³⁶ They also are often found begging.²³³⁷

Montenegro is primarily a transit country for girls trafficked to Western Europe. The IOM estimates that trafficking levels remained the same in 2007 as in 2006.²³³⁸ Roma children also have been trafficked abroad for forced begging and theft rings.²³³⁹

Child Labor Laws and Enforcement

The minimum age for employment is 15 years.²³⁴⁰ Children under 18 years are not permitted to work in jobs that involve particularly difficult physical work, overtime and night work, underground or underwater work, or in jobs that "bear a high level of risk of damaging the condition and life of the referred employees." The law provides for monetary penalties for violation of these provisions.²³⁴²

Forced labor is prohibited.²³⁴³ Trafficking in persons is prohibited, and trafficking of a minor is punishable by 3 to 10 years imprisonment.²³⁴⁴

Inciting a minor into prostitution is punishable by 1 to 10 years imprisonment.²³⁴⁵ The minimum age to volunteer for the Montenegrin military is 18 years.²³⁴⁶ The Labor Inspectorate of the Ministry of Labor and Social Welfare is responsible for the enforcement of labor laws, including those protecting children from exploitation in the workplace. The Ministry has 40 inspectors covering labor issues, and in 2007, there were numerous labor investigations but no incidents of child labor were discovered.²³⁴⁷ The Government's enforcement efforts were generally effective, according to USDOS.²³⁴⁸

In 2007, the Government initiated two human trafficking investigations and prosecuted three individuals on trafficking charges. All three were convicted and given prison sentences of 5 years. With assistance from the Italian Government, Montenegro drafted a Manual for Training Judges and Prosecutors. Police, prosecutors, judges, and other officials have been trained specifically on trafficking. There were reports of police and customs officers who unofficially provided security to nightclubs or bars that serve as trafficking outlets, which allowed some traffickers to evade arrest. ²³⁵¹

Current Government Policies and Programs to Eliminate the Worst Forms of Child Labor

The Government of Montenegro continued to sponsor public awareness campaigns on trafficking, assuming funding and providing police security for one of three trafficking shelters.²³⁵² It has supported anti-trafficking policies through a website, organized round tables, a hotline for potential trafficking victims, and anti-trafficking educational programs in public schools.²³⁵³

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