



## Combating Child Labor and Promoting Fair Opportunities for Youth



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Child labour is when a kid works where adults work. Child labour is in the most of the world. Most of the child laborers are in Africa like they are in; Burundi, Niger and Uganda. In those countries they let children work to the age of 8-10. There are 138 million children in child labour in the world. Especially in Africa there are 92.2 million in child labour. The problem is important because it can be dangerous for children, children do not want to work but they force them to work but children must go to school and not work.

In 2020 countries started more support programs so children could go to school instead of work. In 2021 new laws were made to stop children from working in dangerous jobs. Then in 2022 more projects were made to find working children, protect them, and help them grow up safely. And last in 2024 UNICEF and ILO made stronger plans to keep children in school.

In 1904 countries made a group to stop child labour and the group's name was National Child Labor Committee (NCLC). In 1916 a law said many children could not work (but later it was canceled). Then in 1938 another law said that children were not allowed to work in dangerous jobs. In 1990 America started helping other countries to fight child labor too. Also in 2023-2025 America checked more job places where child labor happens and is working on right now.

We want to make new laws to protect children from labour and we want other countries to do new laws too. We think that if we explain the issue of child labor to adults they won't let children work. We believe that educating adults about this topic is as important like teaching children.