SDG Indicator 8.b.1: Proposed methodology
 Concepts and definitions

**Indicator 8.b.1** “Existence of a developed and operationalized national strategy for youth employment, as a distinct strategy or as part of a national employment strategy”

- **Developed national strategy**: official document articulating a set of **measures** and **provisions** to promote youth employment within a timeframe.
  - Youth-specific (approved) policy or strategy
  - Youth focus mainstreamed in (approved) national development plans or national employment policy

- **Operationalized strategy**: evidence of implementation, e.g. progress report.
Background and piloting

• Global Jobs Pact, ILO ILC in 2009.
• Youth Employment Network, YouthPOL database
• Testing within YouthPOL database (65 countries) taken into consideration that the SDG indicator 8.b.1 is mostly based on the tested methodology used for YouthPOL
• 5 regions covering 65 countries
• ILO compilation based on global questionnaire
• ICLS Resolution III
Data collection and compilation

Data provider
- National entities responsible for development, employment and youth policies

Data compiler
- ILO will compile data provided by national entities

Modalities
- Global survey for data collection: biennial questionnaire sent to governments
- ILO to compile and disseminate data
- Data validation through regular quality checks
## Method of computation

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- In all cases, the grid refers to a national strategy for youth employment as a distinct strategy or as part of national employment strategy.
- Missing values to be noted as such
  - To be omitted from global and regional breakdowns
  - Global and regional response rates to be indicated
- Metadata note to complement the grid
- More detailed analysis of selected country documents for purposes beyond SDG monitoring may be envisaged

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Issues, limitations and data release

• Indicator 8.b.1 to track progress in addressing youth employment issues
  • Assumes an adopted strategy means greater attention to youth labour challengers vs. no adopted strategy

• Governments may have *de facto* national strategies but lack *de jure* document
  • 8.b.1 tracking will consider only *de jure* documents

• Data to be released annually
Timeline

Proposed methodology to ICLS based on tests done by YouthPOL

Oct. 2018

Nov. 2018

Dec. 2018

Jan. 2019

Feb. 2019

Mar. 2019

Final Pilot survey

Questionnaire developed and technical guidelines

Start regular administration of survey

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Complementary activities

• Envisaged collaboration with national actors:
  • To prepare technical guidelines for data collection, processing, analysis and transmission
  • To provide technical assistance through training and capacity building to governments on Indicator 8.b.1
  • Organize information sessions with social partners on Indicator 8.b.1