

U N	G o a l	8. Promote sustained, inclusive and sustainable economic growth, full and productive employment and decent work for all
	T a r g e t	8.3 Promote development-oriented policies that support productive activities, decent job creation, entrepreneurship, creativity and innovation, and encourage the formalization and growth of micro-, small- and medium-sized enterprises, including through access to financial services
	I n d i c a t o r	8.3.1 Proportion of informal employment in total employment, by sector and sex

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Indicator	Proportion of informal employment in total employment, by sector and sex
Definition	<p>The share of informal employment in the total economy, and separately in agriculture and in non-agriculture.</p> <p>Where social protection coverage is limited, social security benefits are insufficient or even inexistent, and where wages and pensions are low, individuals may have to take up informal employment to ensure their livelihood. In these situations, indicators such as the unemployment rate would provide a very incomplete picture of the labour market situation, overlooking major deficits in the quality of employment. Statistics on informality are key to assessing the quality of employment in an economy. Informal employment comprises the following:</p> <p>Own-account workers, employers and members of producers' cooperatives employed in their own informal sector enterprises. Own-account workers engaged in the production of goods exclusively for own final use by their household. Contributing family workers. Employees holding informal jobs, regardless of employment sectors.</p> <p>An enterprise belongs to the informal sector if it fulfills the following three conditions</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) An unincorporated enterprise 2) A market enterprise 3) The enterprise/the employees of the enterprise are not registered or the number of persons engaged on a continuous basis is below a threshold determined by the country
Global indicator link	<p>■ Metadata: https://unstats.un.org/sdgs/metadata/files/Metadata-08-03-01.pdf</p> <p>■ Data: https://unstats.un.org/sdgs/indicators/database/</p>