

COMOROS

TOTAL POPULATION **652,000**
CHILD POPULATION **306,440**

Population Reference Bureau -
2004

TOTAL CHILD LABOUR

As per UNICEF estimates, 27% of children between 5-14 are involved in child labour

State of World's Children 2005,
UNICEF

In 2000, UNICEF estimated that 36.7 percent of children ages 5 to 14 years in Comoros were working.

The US Dept.of Labor's 2003
Findings on the Worst Forms of
Child Labor

ECONOMICALLY ACTIVE POPULATION

For the year 2010, 114,000 economically active people are estimated in Comoros. Of them, 39,000 are estimated to be children in the age group 10-14.They constitute 34.2% of the children in that age group

ILO, Bureau of Statistics,
Economically Active Population

GENDER RATIO

1010 females for 1000 males

CIA, factbook-2005 (Fig is an
estimate for 2005)

CHILDREN OUT SCHOOL

According to UNICEF, only 22.1 percent of boys and 26.9 percent of girls enrolled in primary school reach grade 5.

The US Dept.of Labor's 2003
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Child Labor

PROGRESS ON PRIMARY EDUCATION MDG

With an EDI of 0.677, the progress towards achieving education for all by 2015 is low

UNESCO's EFA Global Monitoring
Report 2005

CHILD SLAVERY

The Constitution prohibits forced or compulsory labor by adults; however, the Government did not prohibit forced or compulsory labor by children, but there were reports that such practices occurred .

US Dept. of State, Country Reports
on Human Rights Practices- 2004,
February 2005

Children, some as young as 7 years old, also work as domestic servants, in exchange for food and shelter.

The US Dept.of Labor's 2003
Findings on the Worst Forms of
Child Labor

CHILD TRAFFICKING

The law does not prohibit trafficking in persons; however, there were no reports that persons were trafficked to, from, or within the country.

US Dept. of State, Country Reports
on Human Rights Practices- 2004,
February 2005

CHILD PROSTITUTION AND PORNOGRAPHY

No Confirmed Data

CHILDREN USED IN CRIME

No Confirmed Data

CHILD SOLDIERS

Armed political groups allegedly recruited children during internal conflict which ended in 2002.

CSUCS, Global Report on Child Soldiers, 2004

CHILDREN IN UNORGANISED SECTOR

Children usually worked for their families in subsistence farming and fishing.

Country Reports on Human Rights Practices 2004.

Children work in the informal sector, agriculture, and family enterprises, particularly in subsistence farming and fishing.

The US Dept.of Labor's 2003 Findings on the Worst Forms of Child Labor