

## FRANCE

**TOTAL POPULATION** 60,033,000  
**CHILD POPULATION** 11,406,270

Population Reference Bureau -  
2004

**TOTAL CHILD LABOUR**  
No confirmed data

### **ECONOMICALLY ACTIVE POPULATION**

For the year 2010, the estimated economically active population is 2,7310,000 with no children in the age group 10-14 years being economically active

ILO, Bureau of Statistics,  
Economically Active Population

### **GENDER RATIO**

1052 females for 1000 males

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

### **CHILDREN OUT OF SCHOOL**

In 2001, 13,700 children in the primary school age group of 6-10 were out of school

UNESCO'S EFA Global Monitoring  
Report 2005

### **PROGRESS ON PRIMARY EDUCATION MDG**

According to INSEE, the government statistical agency, during the school year 2001-02, the percentage of children who attended school was 100 percent for ages 3 to 13; but the percentage dropped to 99.8, 98.4, and 97.7 for ages 14, 15, and 16, respectively.

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

### **CHILD SLAVERY**

Police estimated that 90 percent of the 15,000 to 18,000 prostitutes working in the country were trafficking victims, and that 3,000 to 8,000 children were forced into prostitution and labor, including begging.

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

### **CHILD TRAFFICKING**

France is a destination country for women trafficked for the purposes of sexual exploitation and involuntary domestic servitude, primarily from Eastern and Central Europe and Africa.

US Dept. of State, Trafficking in  
Persons Report 2005

**CHILD PROSTITUTION**

The government estimates that there are 10,000 to 12,000 trafficking victims in France, 3,000-8,000 of whom are children forced into prostitution and labor.

Trafficking of Brazilian women and girls into sexual exploitation in French Guiana was a problem.

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

**CHILDREN USED IN CRIME**

No Confirmed Data

**CHILD SOLDIERS**

The minimum voluntary recruitment age was 17 for government armed forces, although recruits could not enlist until 1st October of the year in which they reached the age of 18 years and parental consent was required. And the minimum voluntary recruitment age for the Foreign Legion was 17 but it was not known whether under-18s were serving.

CSUCS, Global Report on Child Soldiers, 2004

**CHILDREN IN UNORGANISED SECTOR**

No Confirmed Data