

## Children's School Attendance Status by Employment Status\* and Sex, Belize 2013

School Attendance Status	Employment Status (%)		
	Not Employed	Employed	Total
<b>Males</b>			
Attending School	93.2	23.9	<b>88.6</b>
Not Attending School	6.7	76.1	<b>11.4</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>
<b>Number</b>	<b>52,313</b>	<b>3,719</b>	<b>55,909</b>
<b>Females</b>			
Attending School	89.9	35.7	<b>88.4</b>
Not Attending School	10.1	64.3	<b>11.6</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>
<b>Number</b>	<b>52,407</b>	<b>1,470</b>	<b>53,782</b>
<b>Total</b>			
Attending School	91.5	27.2	<b>88.5</b>
Not Attending School	8.4	72.8	<b>11.5</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>
<b>Number</b>	<b>104,503</b>	<b>5,188</b>	<b>109,691</b>

\*No employment status was reported for 82 children

- About 12% of children were not attending school.
- About 73% of employed children were not attending school, compared to about 8% of the children who were not employed.
- Employed boys were less likely than employed girls to attend school.

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## National Child Activity Survey

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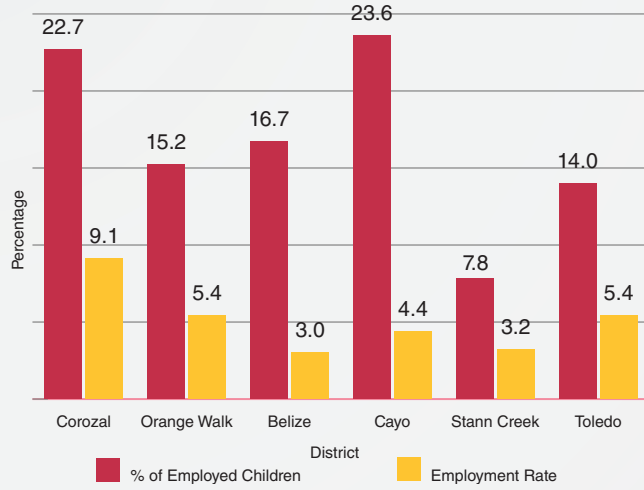
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## KEY FACTS AND FIGURES

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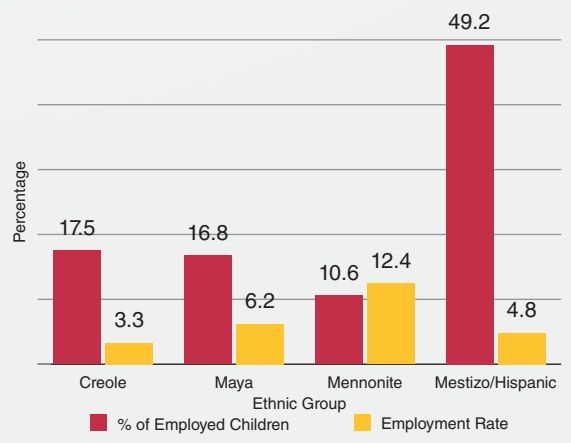
### Percentage of Employed Children and Employment Rates by District, Belize 2013



4.7% (5,188) of Belize's children are employed.

- Corozal has the highest employment rate at 9.1% followed by Orange Walk and Toledo at 5.4% each.
- Belize District has the lowest employment rate at 3%.
- Almost a quarter of employed children live in Cayo and 23% in Corozal.

### Percentage of Employed Children and Employment Rate by Ethnic Group, Belize 2013



- The employment rate is highest amongst Mennonites (12.4%) and lowest amongst Creoles (3.3%).
- 44% of employed children are Mestizos, approximately 18% are Creoles and 17% are Mayans.

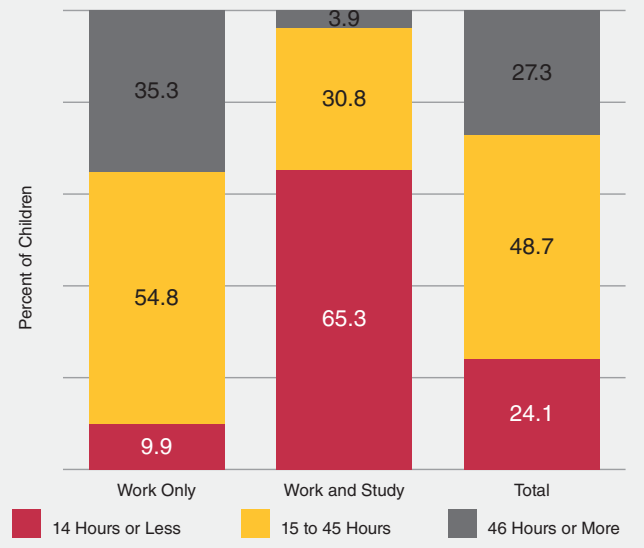
### Distribution of Working Children and Employment Rate by Sex and Area of Residence, Belize 2013

Sex	Area of Residence (%)			Number
	Urban	Rural	Total	
<i>Distribution by Sex and Area of Residence</i>				
Male	21.0	79.0	71.7	<b>3,719</b>
Female	32.1	67.9	28.3	<b>1,470</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>24.1</b>	<b>75.9</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>5,188</b>
<i>Employment Rate by Sex and Area of Residence</i>				
Male	3.4	8.9	6.6	3,719
Female	2.1	3.1	2.7	1,470
<b>Total</b>	<b>2.8</b>	<b>6.1</b>	<b>4.7</b>	<b>5,188</b>
Number	1,251	3,937	5,188	

Distribution of working children:

- Approximately 72% of working children are males and 28% are females.
  - About 76% of working children live in rural areas and 24% live in urban areas.
- Employment Rate by Sex and Area:
- 6.6% of males and 2.2% of females are employed.
  - 6.1% of rural children and about 3% of urban children are working.

### Children's Weekly Hours of Work by Activity Status, Belize 2013



- More than a quarter of employed children worked over 45 hours per week.
- About 4% of children were both working and attending school.
- Children who only work are about 10 times as likely to work over 45 hours than those who work and attend school.

### Children's Employment Status by Sex, Age Group and Area of Residence, Belize 2013

Status	Sex (%)		Age Group (%)		Area of Residence (%)		Total
	Male	Female	5 to 13	14 to 17	Urban	Rural	
Self-employed	6.8	14.3	11.1	8.5	19.0	5.7	<b>8.9</b>
Paid Employment	56.9	61.1	45.8	60.3	58.2	58.0	<b>58.1</b>
Unpaid Employment	36.3	24.6	43.0	31.2	22.8	36.2	<b>33.0</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>
<b>Number</b>	<b>3,719</b>	<b>1,470</b>	<b>780</b>	<b>4,408</b>	<b>1,251</b>	<b>3,937</b>	<b>5,188</b>

- Almost two-thirds of working children are in paid employment.
- Almost one-third of working children are in unpaid employment.
- 43% of 5 - 13 year olds are in unpaid employment compared to about 31% of 14 - 17 year olds.
- Males are more likely than females to be working in unpaid employment.