



## Forced Labor Slavery

The largest component of those held today in conditions of slavery are victims of bonded labor, a highly prevalent crime in South Asian countries. Although illegal, the practice of exploiting the labor of men, women and children to pay small debts has resulted in as many as ten to twenty million low-caste bonded labor slaves in low or no-wage industries, including brick kilns, rice mills, and quarries.

### Key resources

[Fighting Forced Labour: The Example of Brazil](#)

*International Labour  
Office*

[UNICEF AIDS Restavek Victims of Abuse and Exploitation in Haiti](#)

*UNICEF*

[The Small Hands of Slavery: Bonded Child Labor in India](#)

*Human Rights Watch*

[A Global Alliance Against Forced Labor](#)

*International Labour  
Office*