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The purpose of this study was to investigate information factors on sending child labour to urban area : a case study of Surin province. The subjects of the examination were 299 samples.

The result of the study were as followed:

(1) Most people had television news exposure and others had radio and newspaper respectively. (2) Everybody sought information about working condition of child labour in urban area but not very often. The main information sources were family members, neighbor and television. (3) Most people had opinions that living condition in urban area was satisfactory despite some dangers. This was because there were a lot of nice places and good facilities. Such an information was a result from their television exposure. Most of them thought that working in urban area could earn a fair income. This amount of money could make them self-reliant and could send home some money. But working in urban area was quite a great burden and might cause dangerous incident, if the children were careless. This kind of information was received through family members and neighbors, (4) Parent's reasons for sending child labour to urban area were the poverty of the family and the failure in agricultural occupation. The main information factor for parent's consideration on sending child labour to urban area was information on income. They got this knowledge from family member who had already worked in urban area. But after sending child labour to urban area, parent's would pay their attention to child's living condition. They got this information from their child's letter.