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DEFINITION OF YOUTH

In statistical data produced by the Ministry of Youth and Sports, youth was defined as between 15-29 years.

CANDIDACY AGE

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Opposite Sex

SAME SEX

MARRIAGEABLE AGE

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WITH PARENTAL CONSENT

WITHOUT PARENTAL CONSENT

SITUATION OF YOUNG PEOPLE

YOUTH DEVELOPMENT INDEX

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94 out of 170 countries.

Source: Commonwealth Youth Programme

Year: 2013

LITERACY RATES

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<th>83.19%</th>
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Both sexes (15-24) %

90.10% Male | 75.87% Female

Source: UNESCO

Year: 2015

NET ENROLMENT RATE

SECONDARY SCHOOL

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Both sexes %

Source: UNESCO

Year: No data.

SITUATION OF YOUNG PEOPLE

PREVALENCE OF HIV

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Male (15-24) %

Source: World Bank

Year: 2013

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<th>11.00%</th>
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Both sexes (13-15) %

12.50% Male | 8.20% Female

Source: WHO

Year: 2010

POLICY & LEGISLATION

The New National Youth Policy (NPNJ) was adopted in 2003, according to a 2009 Euromed study. Described as the “framework of a global plan for young people”, it focuses on youth, childhood and females, and includes action plans against social insecurity and exclusion. As described in a 2012 World Bank report, Morocco also has a national integrated youth strategy (SNIJ) that seeks to expand the country’s network of youth services, which include extra-curricular activities promoting social inclusion, ICT access and employment training. According to the Council of Europe Neighbourhood Co-operation Priorities for Morocco 2012-2014, SNIJ was in its final validation stage in April 2012. At the time of publication, neither the NPNJ nor the SNIJ are featured on the Ministry of Youth and Sport website.

PUBLIC INSTITUTIONS
The Ministry of Youth and Sports (MoYS) is responsible for developing and implementing policy relating to youth, sports, the protection of children and the advancement of women. Its tasks include: developing socio-education programmes that ensure the protection of youth, children and women; promoting regional and international cooperation in the field of youth and children; and, preparing and supporting research. The MoYS is responsible for developing and setting policy, while provincial and prefectural offices are responsible for its implementation.

### YOUTH AND REPRESENTATION

35,000 young people participated in a nation-wide consultation to discuss the formation of a new national consultative council (youth council), as reported in Magharebia in September 2012. According to Nadia Rabbaa in Arab News on 21 July 2012, the new council was created under the 2011 Moroccan Constitution, drafted in response to the popular protests of the same year. Several international organisations and governments are providing technical assistance for its creation, including the British Youth Council, the Council of Europe and USAID, however there is no indication that the council has formally convened.

### BUDGET & SPENDING

According to the 2013 General Budget Expenditure (by Department), the Ministry of Youth and Sports had a budget expenditure of MAD 870 million (USD 107 million). According to the World Bank, Morocco spent 25.71% of its government expenditure on education provision in 2008, and 5.38% of its GDP in 2009.

**TOTAL EXPENDITURE ON EDUCATION AS A PERCENTAGE OF GOVERNMENT SPENDING AND GDP**

Source: World Bank
Gaps indicate missing data from the original data source. (Accessed August 2013).

### PUBLICATIONS AND REVIEWS

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