

Comoros

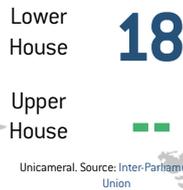
No official documents specifying an age range for youth are available; however, a section on youth unemployment in the [African Outlook Report \(2012\)](#) defines youth as 25 and under.

DEFINITION OF YOUTH

Marriageable Age



Candidacy Age



Criminal Responsibility



Majority Age

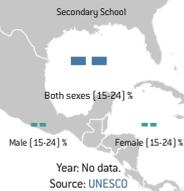


Voting Age



SITUATION OF YOUNG PEOPLE

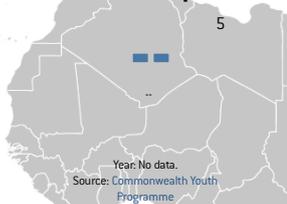
Net Enrolment Rates



Literacy Rates



Youth Development

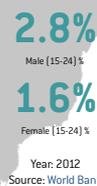


Tobacco Use

Consumed any smokeless or smoking tobacco product at least once during the 30 days prior to the survey.



Prevalence of HIV



YOUTH POLICY & LEGISLATION

While Comoros has no youth policy, a [National Youth Day](#) was held on 13 June 2013 as described on the official site of the [Comoros government](#). At the occasion, a [youth representative of the Island of Anjouan](#) called for the establishment of a Ministry of Youth, and for funding for the professional integration of young people. A [youth representative of the Island of Moheli](#) called upon the president to “trust us and give us the chance to build skills that are ours in the service of the Nation and the Comorian people!” The [President of the Republic](#) assured that “everything that has been said, is at the centre of my concerns and I am aware of the heavy responsibility that is mine. Youth is the centre of all the commitments that I made during my campaign.”

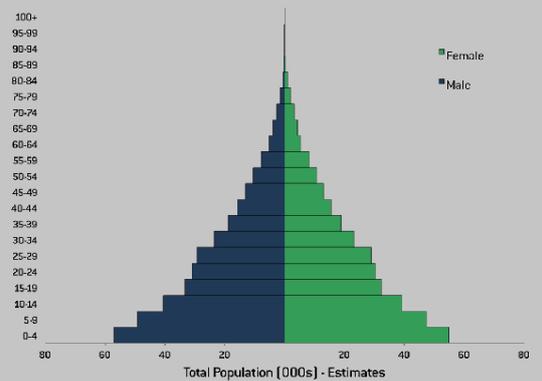
YOUTH POLICY FACT SHEET

HTTP://WWW.YOUTHPOLICY.ORG/FACTSHEETS/COUNTRY/COMOROS

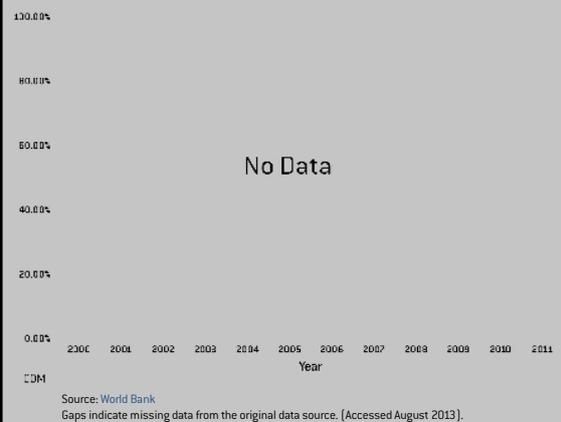
GDP PER CAPITA	HDI	GINI
USD 830.52	0.429 ¹	64.30 ²
	169 out of 187 countries.	
<small>Year: 2012, Source: World Bank</small>	<small>Year: 2012, Source: UNDP</small>	<small>Year: 2004, Source: World Bank</small>

CORRUPTION PERCEPTION	PRESS FREEDOM
28 ³	24.52 ⁴
127 out of 177 countries.	51 out of 179 countries.
<small>Year: 2013, Source: Transparency International</small>	<small>Year: 2013, Source: Reporters Without Borders</small>

Population by Age and Sex 2010



Youth Unemployment (share of labour force aged 15-24 available and seeking employment)



Is there a national youth policy?

No

Comoros has no national youth policy. An economic outlook has some info on policy impact.

YOUTH & PUBLIC INSTITUTIONS

The [Ministry Education, Research, Culture and Arts](#) is also responsible for the fields of youth and sports. [Youth representatives](#) called for a designated Ministry for Youth during the [National Youth Day 2013](#).

Is there a governmental authority (ministry, department or office) that is primarily responsible for youth?

Yes

YOUTH & REPRESENTATION

[Youth organisations](#) of Comoros demand the establishment of a National Youth Council for the Comoros. An existing body is the [Youth Parliament of Comoros](#), which describes itself as an initiative of youth from all Comorian Islands to make their voices heard, to fight for poverty alleviation and better management of the country. However, there is no broad-based youth representation structure in Comoros.

Does the country have a national youth organisation/association (council, platform, body)?

No

YOUTH BUDGET & SPENDING

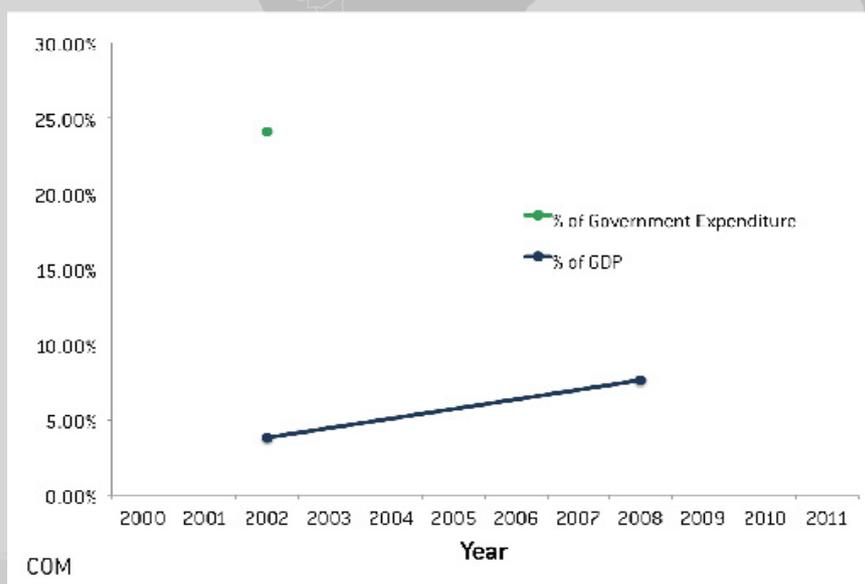
No documentation could be found online regarding youth spending in Comoros.

According to the [World Bank](#), Comoros spent 7.61% of its GDP on education in 2008, but does not calculate what this translates to in terms of percentage of government expenditure.

What is the budget allocated to the governmental authority (ministry, department or office) that is primarily responsible for youth and/or youth programming?

Unclear

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 & Reviews

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Footnotes

- 1) A Human Development Index (HDI) value of zero means low human development, and a value of 1 means very high human development. HDI is a composite index measuring three dimensions: a long and healthy life, knowledge and a decent standard of living. (UNDP)
- 2) An Income Gini coefficient of zero means absolute equality, and a coefficient of 100 means absolute inequality. Note: figures multiplied by 100 for OECD data. (World Bank/OECD)
- 3) A Corruption Perception Index (CPI) value of zero means that a country is perceived as highly corrupt, and a value of 100 means it is perceived as very clean. (Transparency International)
- 4) A Press Freedom Index (PFI) value of zero means the highest degree of freedom that journalists, news organisations and netizens enjoy, and a value of 100 means the lowest. (Reporters Without Borders)
- 5) A Youth Development Index (YDI) value of zero means little or absolutely no youth development, and a value of 1 means the highest possible level of youth development attainable. YDI is a composite index measuring five domains: education, health, employment, political, and civic participation. (Commonwealth Youth Programme)



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