

Factsheet: Guinea-Conakry

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DEFINITION OF YOUTH

Guinea-Conakry is a signatory to the [African Youth Charter](#), which defines youth as 15-35 years. No nationally agreed definition exists. The [National Fund for the Integration of Youth](#) speaks of youth below the age of 25, who constitute 60% of the population.

CANDIDACY AGE

Lower House **25**
Source: [Inter-Parliamentary Union](#)

Upper House **--**
Source: [Inter-Parliamentary Union](#)
Unicameral.

MARRIAGEABLE AGE

	Without Parental Consent	With Parental Consent	Opposite Sex	Same Sex
Male	18	--	--	XX
Female	18	--	--	XX

No data for marriageable age with parental consent. Homosexual acts illegal. Source: [UNSD, ILGA, Children's Code](#) (2008)

VOTING AGE

18

Source: [Inter-Parliamentary Union](#)

MAJORITY AGE

18

Source: [Children's Code](#) (2008)

CRIMINAL RESPONSIBILITY

13

Minimum Age
Source: [UN Child Rights Periodic Report](#) (2012)

SITUATION OF YOUNG PEOPLE

YOUTH DEVELOPMENT INDEX

0.32

155 out of 170 countries.

Year: 2013

Source: [Commonwealth Youth Programme](#)

LITERACY RATES

45.24%

Both sexes (15-24) %

43.03% **47.49%**

Male (15-24) % Female (15-24) %

Year: 2015

Source: [UNESCO](#)

NET ENROLMENT RATE

Secondary School

30.41%

Both sexes %

37.20% **23.47%**

Male % Female %

Year: 2011

Source: [UNESCO](#)

GDP PER CAPITA

USD 523.12

Year: 2013

Source: [World Bank](#)

HDI

0.355

Year: 2013

Source: [UNDP](#)
179 out of 187 countries.

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33.68

Year: 2012

Source: [World Bank](#)

CORRUPTION PERCEPTION

25

145 out of 177 countries.
Year: 2014

Source: [Transparency International](#)

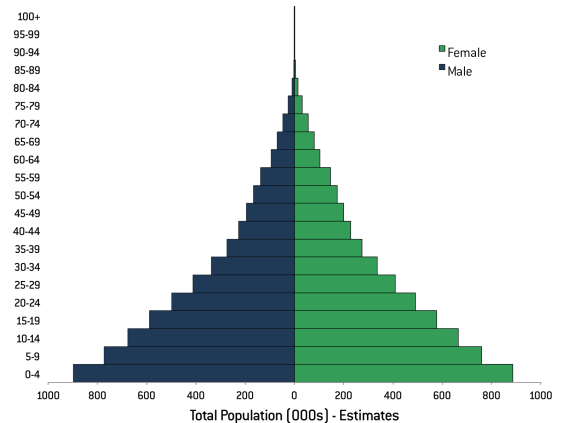
PRESS FREEDOM

31.67

102 out of 180 countries.
Year: 2013

Source: [Reporters Without Borders](#)

POPULATION BY AGE AND SEX 2010



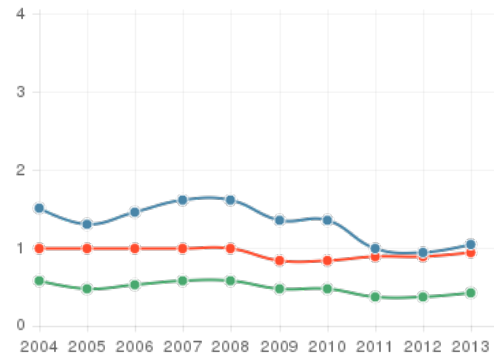
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Source: [United Nations - Department of Economic and Social Affairs - Population Division](#)

2012 Revision - Estimates. (Accessed August 2013).

YOUTH UNEMPLOYMENT

Share of labour force aged 15-24 available and seeking employment



SITUATION OF YOUNG PEOPLE

PREVALENCE OF HIV

0.4%

Male (15-24) %

0.8%

Female (15-24) %

Year: 2013

Source: [World Bank](#)

TOBACCO USE

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

26.10%

Both sexes (13-15) %

30.80%

Male (13-15) %

20.00%

Female (13-15) %

Year: 2010

Source: [WHO](#)

POLICY & LEGISLATION

A [presentation in May 2012](#) of the Strategic Development Plan for Youth and Sports was held. Themes included education, training, employment, civic participation and the development of sports and socio-educational infrastructure. According to the [Poverty Reduction Strategy Paper](#) (2013), the plan foresees to identify and revise existing regulatory and legislative documents in the fields of youth and sports and establish a more coherent framework. In an [article on 10 February 2014](#), the [Ministry of Youth and Youth Employment](#) outlined the three axes of the current youth strategy: employment of young people and promotion of job creation; socio-educational activities and their institutions; and a consistent framework for public policy for youth. Civic involvement of youth is an additional theme.

Is there a national youth policy?

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Guinea-Conakry is said to have a new national youth policy, but it is not online.

male - (15-24)

female - (15-24)

total labour force

Source: [World Bank](#)

Gaps indicate missing data from the original data source. (Accessed August 2013).

BUDGET & SPENDING

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

PUBLIC INSTITUTIONS

The Ministry of Youth and Youth Employment (MoY&YE) has responsibility for youth affairs. In an [interview with africacatime.com on 21 January 2014](#), the Minister of Youth & Youth Employment, noted the priority to "work towards the emergence of youth as active citizens". The Ministry has been a member of the [Confederation of Francophone Ministers of Youth and Sports \(CONFESJES\)](#) since 1983. The [National Fund for the Integration of Youth \(FONIU\)](#) organises activities around the socio-economic integration of young people and is funded by the MoY&YE.

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

YES

YOUTH AND REPRESENTATION

There does not seem to be any overarching structure representing the youth of Guinea. The Minister of Youth and Youth Employment [announced](#) that the next [World Youth Congress](#) will be hosted in Guinea in late 2014.

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

NO

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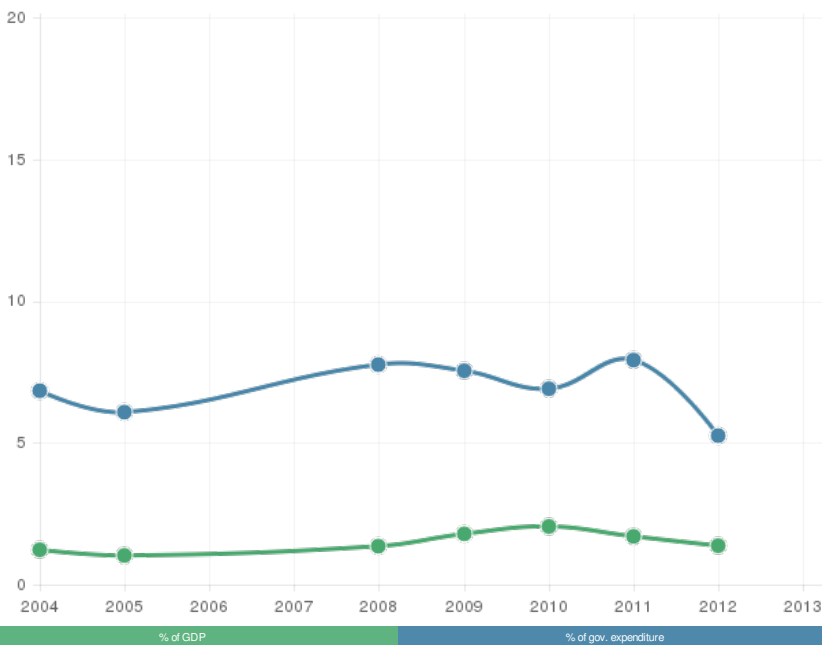
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% of GDP

% of gov. expenditure

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