

Factsheet: Hungary

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DEFINITION OF YOUTH

Hungary's [national youth strategy](#) (2009) defines youth as individuals between the ages of 15-29 years.

CANDIDACY AGE

Lower House **18**

Source: [Inter-Parliamentary Union](#)

Upper House **--**

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

MARRIAGEABLE AGE

	Without Parental Consent	Opposite Sex With Parental Consent	Same Sex
Male	18	16	++
Female	18	16	++

Civil unions/partnerships legal. Source: [UNSD](#), [ILGA](#)

VOTING AGE

18

Source: [Inter-Parliamentary Union](#)

MAJORITY AGE

18

Source: [The Family Act](#) (1952)

CRIMINAL RESPONSIBILITY

12

Minimum Age

Penal Code amendments allow a child of 12 to be criminally liable for serious crimes.

Source: [Penal Code of Hungary](#) (1978)
[Amendments](#) (2013)

GDP PER CAPITA

USD 13480.91

Year: 2013

Source: [World Bank](#)

HDI

0.831

Year: 2013

Source: [UNDP](#)

43 out of 187 countries.

GINI

28.94

Year: 2011

Source: [World Bank](#)

CORRUPTION PERCEPTION

54

47 out of 177 countries.

Year: 2014

Source: [Transparency International](#)

PRESS FREEDOM

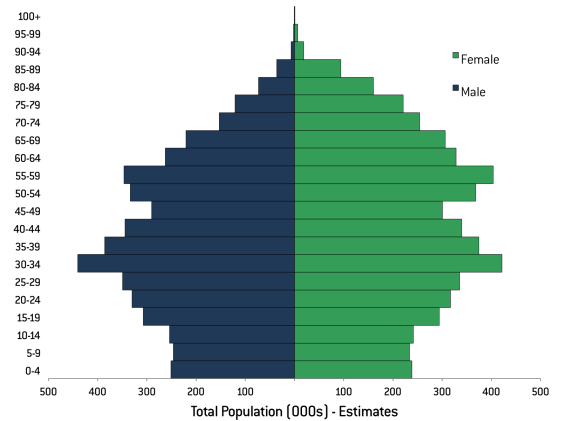
26.73

64 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).

SITUATION OF YOUNG PEOPLE

YOUTH DEVELOPMENT INDEX

0.72

42 out of 170 countries.

Year: 2013

Source: [Commonwealth Youth Programme](#)

LITERACY RATES

98.84%

Both sexes (15-24) %

98.68% **99.00%**

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

Year: 2015

Source: [UNESCO](#)

NET ENROLMENT RATE

Secondary School

92.17%

Both sexes %

92.43% **91.90%**

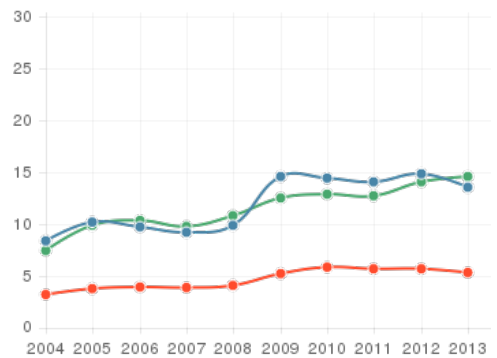
Male % Female %

Year: 2012

Source: [UNESCO](#)

YOUTH UNEMPLOYMENT

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



SITUATION OF YOUNG PEOPLE

PREVALENCE OF HIV

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Male (15-24) %

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Female (15-24) %

Year: No data.

Source: [World Bank](#)

TOBACCO USE

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

27.80%

Both sexes (13-15) %

27.90%

Male (13-15) %

26.70%

Female (13-15) %

Year: 2010

Source: [WHO](#)

POLICY & LEGISLATION

The vision of the [national youth strategy](#) (2009) is to "enable the youth of our country to become aware of and recognize democratic values, and thus enforce their rights consciously, get integrated into the adult society smoothly." Under this, three sub-objectives are listed:

1. Developing the environment required for the successful social integration of youth age groups;
2. Facilitating the work of the youth profession and youth NGOs;
3. Enhancing the success of youth age groups and their communities.

Hungary has been influenced by the [EU Youth Strategy](#) (2009), both in the development of the [national youth strategy](#) (2009) and in determining government priorities.

Is there a national youth policy?

YES

Hungary has a national youth strategy. A 2008 review, a 2011 briefing and a 2012 briefing exist.

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 [State Secretariat for Sport and Youth Affairs](#) under the [Ministry of Human Resources](#) is responsible for youth affairs. The [Country Fact Sheet on Youth Policy](#) (2011) states, the Youth Department is tasked to "develop extracurricular activities for young people, to encourage their interests and to help youth in professional development." The [National Institute for Child and Youth Research](#) also contributes to child, youth & social policy. The [Office of the Commissioner for Fundamental Rights](#) is responsible for the "quality of life of future generations."

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

YES

YOUTH AND REPRESENTATION

The [National Youth Council of Hungary](#) (NIT) is an umbrella, membership organisation founded in 2012. The NIT was established "with the goal of creating discussion among young people and their organizations as well as with domestic and international actors, decision makers and organizations". The NIT is overseen by a youth Board of Trustees and supported by a secretariat. It focuses on improving domestic policy and collaborating with youth organisations internationally. The NIT is a member of the [European Youth Forum](#).

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

YES

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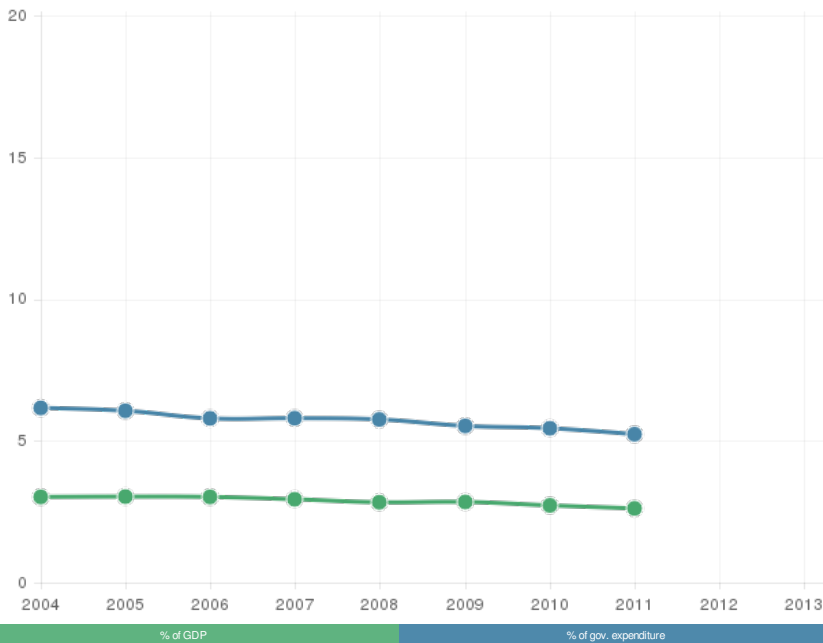
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% of GDP

% of gov. expenditure

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