

Factsheet: Mongolia

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DEFINITION OF YOUTH

Mongolia's National Programme on Adolescents and Youth Development (2006) defines youth as individuals between the ages of 15-34 years.

CANDIDACY AGE

Lower House **25**
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	--	--
Female	18	--	--

No data for marriageable age with parental consent. No specific legislation for same-sex marriage. Source: UNSD, ILGA

VOTING AGE

18

Source: Inter-Parliamentary Union

MAJORITY AGE

18

Source: FOSIGRID

CRIMINAL RESPONSIBILITY

14

Minimum Age

Between the ages of 14-16 children are criminally liable only in cases of serious offences. Source: Criminal Code of Mongolia (2002)

SITUATION OF YOUNG PEOPLE

YOUTH DEVELOPMENT INDEX

0.71

49 out of 170 countries.

Year: 2013

Source: Commonwealth Youth Programme

LITERACY RATES

98.51%

Both sexes (15-24) %

98.05% **98.98%**

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

Year: 2015

Source: UNESCO

NET ENROLMENT RATE

Secondary School

83.14%

Both sexes %

80.98% **85.33%**

Male % Female %

Year: 2012

Source: UNESCO

SITUATION OF YOUNG PEOPLE

PREVALENCE OF HIV

0.1%

Male (15-24) %

0.1%

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.

20.70%

Both sexes (13-15) %

25.70%

Male (13-15) %

16.00%

Female (13-15) %

Year: 2010

Source: WHO

POLICY & LEGISLATION

The National Programme on Adolescents and Youth Development (2006) aims to create a "favorable environment for the youth to increase their responsibility for both themselves and for the society, develop, protect their rights and improve their participation in social, economic and political lives." The programme runs between 2007-2015 and focuses on four key areas: (1) Enhance the participation of young people; (2) Adolescents and youth substance abuse and disease prevention; (3) Create a safe and secure environment, and; (4) Globalization and youth participation. It is closely aligned to the implementation policies of the Millennium Development Goals.

According to UNESCO, in 2013, a consultation event was held with young people on the "elaboration of a Mongolian Youth Policy" after 2015.

Is there a national youth policy?

YES

Mongolia has a national youth participation policy and a national youth development programme.

PUBLIC INSTITUTIONS

GDP PER CAPITA

USD 4056.4

Year: 2013

Source: World Bank

HDI

0.675

Year: 2013

Source: UNDP
103 out of 187 countries.

GINI

36.52

Year: 2008

Source: World Bank

CORRUPTION PERCEPTION

39

80 out of 177 countries.
Year: 2014

Source: Transparency International

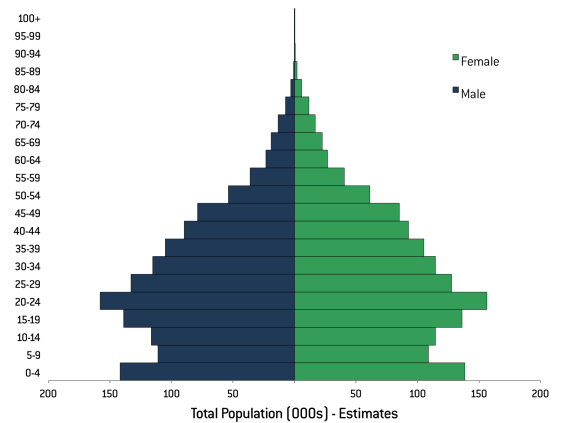
PRESS FREEDOM

30.3

88 out of 180 countries.
Year: 2013

Source: Reporters Without Borders

POPULATION BY AGE AND SEX 2010



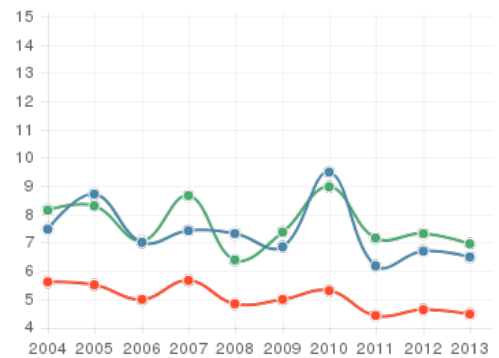
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Source: United Nations - Department of Economic and Social Affairs - Population Division

2012 Revision - Estimates. (Accessed August 2013).

YOUTH UNEMPLOYMENT

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



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

The Ministry of Population Development and Social Welfare has responsibility for youth affairs. Under the [Population & Development Policy Coordination Department](#) sits an Adolescent Development and Youth Development policy specialists and an officer for youth inter-sectoral collaboration, awareness and advocacy. According to [UNICEF](#), the [National Authority for Children](#) has responsibility for child rights and the National Council for Children is the implementation agency of the [National Programme for the Development and Protection of Children 2002-2010](#).

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

YES

YOUTH AND REPRESENTATION

According to the [Innovations for Civic Participation](#), the [Mongolian Youth Federation \(MYF\)](#) is the "successor of the official mass youth organization in [the] socialist period and maintains its leading role on the national policy development for youth." Nationally it has 120,000 members in 600 offices. The official [MYF Facebook Page](#) states that it focuses on youth challenges in "education, health, employment and other issues." UNDP is currently running a [youth participation & civil education programme](#) (2012-2014) aiming to increase "youth voice in policy."

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

YES

BUDGET & SPENDING

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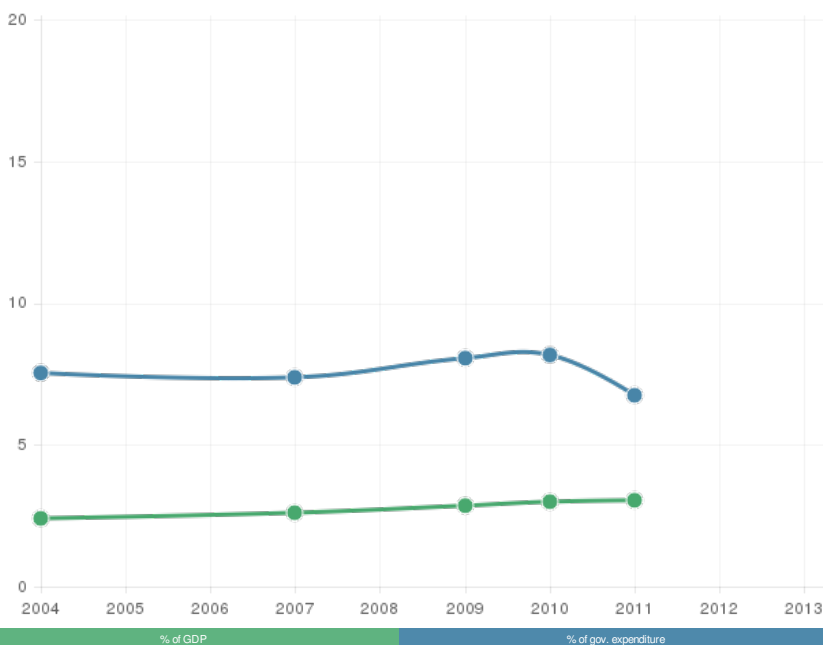
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% of GDP % of gov. expenditure

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