
Facts and Figures - Youth

1. In 2020, the annual average resident youth unemployment rate hit 10.6 per cent, higher than the 8.8 per cent in the 2009 global financial crisis and the 9.3 per cent in 2003 with the Sars pandemic.

- *The Straits Times, 2021*

2. In 2016, 263 million children were out of school, according to the UNESCO Institute for Statistics (UIS). The total includes 63 million children of primary school age, 61 million adolescents of lower secondary school age and 139 million young people of upper secondary school age.

- *weforum*

3. Across the world, young people aged between 18 and 36 use the Internet more than older generations. In some cases, such as the Philippines, Tunisia and Vietnam, its by 50% or more.

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4. Suicide continues to be the leading cause of death for youths in Singapore, with a total of 71 people aged 20 to 29 taking their own lives in 2019. Mental health remains a concern among young people in the country.

- *channelnewsasia, 2020*

5. The National Institute of Mental Health reports that young adults (age 18 to 25) have the highest incidence of mental illness of any adult age group.

- *University of Nevada, Reno*