There are **1.21 billion** young people aged 15 to 24 years, accounting for **15.5 per cent** of the global population.

More than **1/5** of young people aged 15-24 are not in
- education
- employment
- training

Globally, nearly **68 million young people** are looking for a job.

In Africa, the youth population is projected to reach **830 million** by 2050.

**268 million** children and adolescents across **73 countries** are affected by crises.

Young people in the labour force are **3x** as likely as adults to be unemployed.

Young women are up to **1.5x** more likely to be unemployed than young men.

Almost **90%** of all young people live in developing countries.

About **96%** of all young workers in developing countries are in the informal economy.

**67%** of young people say **climate change and biodiversity loss** is the world’s **#1 challenge**.

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