

Poland

Youth Policy in Poland

The “State Strategy for Youth for 2003-2012” ([Strategia Państwa dla Młodzieży na lata 2003-2012](#)) (Strategy) prepared before Poland’s accession to the EU remains the only document determining the development and directions of Polish youth policy. Currently, there is no strategy in Poland directly relating to young people. In 2018-2019, the Association for Establishing the Youth Council of the Republic of Poland, together with 600 young people from Poland, developed a document ["The Assumptions for the National Youth Strategy for 2020-2030"](#). It identifies six strategic areas: labor market; civic activity; sport, health, tourism; innovation, internet, digitization; culture; education and higher education.

It is worth emphasising that despite the absence of a youth act, youth policy is more and more frequently regulated at regional and local levels. Local strategies (or other documents) targeting young people are present at various levels of local governments (province, district, commune), e.g. in [Warsaw](#), [Poznań](#).

Decisions on the implementation of individual public policies (including those relating to youth) remain a responsibility of government administration (e.g. the Minister of National Education is responsible for education and upbringing the Minister of Sport - for physical culture, the Minister of Family, Labour and Social Policy - for social policy and the Minister of Science and Higher Education - for higher education and research).

Ratio of young people in the total population on 1st January

Ratio of men and women in the youth population

Statistic references

References:

Ratio (%) of young people in the total population (2017): Eurostat, yth_demo_020 [data extracted on 4/09/2018].

Absolute number of young people on 1 January for the age group 15-29 (2017): Eurostat, yth_demo_010 [data extracted on 4/09/2018].

Ratio (%) of men and women in the youth population (2017): Eurostat, yth_demo_020 [data extracted on 4/09/2018].

Young immigrants from non-EU countries (2016): Eurostat, yth_demo_070 [data extracted on 4/09/2018].