

1.1 Target population of youth policy

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In Italy, the definition of “youth” is not regulated by the law and varies according to the specific field of application.

The lower age limit of the juvenile population is generally set at 14 years, both at national and regional level, while the upper age limit varies according to the specific legislation and target groups of the measures adopted in favour of young people.

The target of the actions adopted by the [Department for Youth Policies and the Universal Civic Service](#) is represented by the age group 14 to 28/35, depending on the specific measures adopted.

The National Statistics Institute ([ISTAT](#)) set up the information system [#GIOVANI](#) that collects data on youth in the age range from 15 to 34.