

United Kingdom (Scotland)

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The main statement of youth policy is contained in the [National](#) Youth Work Strategy 2014 - 2019 of [YouthLink Scotland](#), the national agency for youth work, as this is seen as drawing together, and interacting with, other policies which affect the youth age group. It recognises the need to connect with early intervention policies that address a much younger age group in order to be most effective.

Getting it Right for Every Child ([GIRFEC](#)) is the Scottish Government's rights-based approach to improving outcomes for children. It underpins all policy, practice, strategy and legislation affecting children, young people and their families and applies to individuals from birth to age 19.

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

Ratio of men and women in the youth population

Statistic references

References:

Data are for the United Kingdom as a whole, and might not represent the demographic situation in Scotland.

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].