What is life like as an adolescent in







Mainland Tanzania?



There are

13,849,710

adolescents (10-19 years) in

Mainland Tanzania¹

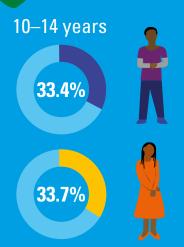


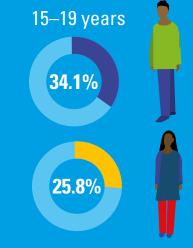
of the population



Poverty







About



adolescents (10–19 years) lives in a household below the food poverty line



1 in 10 -

adolescents (10-19 years) lives in a household that receives funding from the Tanzania Social Action Fund

10.0%	10–14 years
10.5%	15–19 years
8.1%	disabled 10–19 years









Education³

SECONDARY EDUCATION ENROLMENT (FORM 1–6)





Girls



Boys



of enrolments are adolescents with disabilities

School dropout

Dropout rates in ordinary and advanced secondary schools in 2020





4.8% male



4.4% female



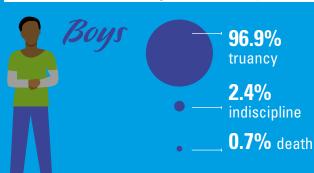
Only 13.7% of students completed Form 4 in 2021

Transition rate



who sat for the Certificate of Secondary Education **Examination in 2019** transitioned to Form 5

Reasons for school dropout in ordinary and advanced secondary schools









0.5% death ____

1.1% indiscipline

School performance

Only 2 in 10 exam-sitting students pass the basic maths ordinary level secondary school examination

Certificate of Secondary Education Examination

Of all students:



passed with division I-IV

35.1%

passed with division I-III

Advanced Certificate of Secondary Education Examination

Of all students:



passed with division I-IV



passed with division I-III

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of all adolescents (15-19 years) can read and write in both Kiswahili and English

Adolescent boys (15–19 years)

83.5%

are literate

55.4%

can read and write in Kiswahili only

1.0%

can read and write in English only

27.2%

can read and write in both **Kiswahili and English**

Adolescent girls (15–19 years)

83.6%

are literate

can read and write in Kiswahili only

1.3%

can read and write in English only

26.1%

can read and write in both Kiswahili and English

Health and nutrition

adolescents with disabilities are covered by medical insurance²



Disabled 9.2%

8 in 100

adolescents in each age group (10-14 years and 15-19 years) are covered by medical insurance²



10-14 years **8.3**% boys 8.0% girls



15-19 years **7.8%** boys 7.8% girls



13 in 100 adolescent girls aged 15-19 years are either overweight or obese4



of adolescent girls aged 15–19 years have anaemia⁴

HIV⁵

A larger proportion of adolescent boys (15-19 years) have had sex before age 15 than adolescent girls (15–19 years) 15.1% boys 9.7% girls

HIV prevalence is slightly higher in girls aged 15-19 years than in boys of the same age 0.4% boys 1.0% girls

Only 3 in 10 adolescents aged 15-19 years have proper knowledge of HIV prevention 32.6% boys 33.1% girls



Reproductive health

Around half of all adolescent boys and girls aged 15-19 years have had sex6

47.0% boys 53.5% girls



23 in 100

adolescent girls aged 15-19 years have experienced teenage pregnancy

of adolescent girls aged 15-19 years have been circumcised⁶

Mainland Tanzania?









Protection⁶

7.3% of adoles

of adolescent

of adolescent boys

ARE MARRIED IN CHILDHOOD

ADOLESCENT GIRLS AGED 15–19 YEARS





believe a husband is justified in hitting or beating his wife if she argues with him or neglects their children

Almost 4/



do not make decisions about their health care

BIRTH CERTIFICATES²



Less than a quarter

of adolescent girls and boys aged 10-14 years have birth certificates

22.6%

22.4%

Around a quarter

of adolescent girls and boys aged 15-19 years have birth certificates

24.5%

25.1%

Labour⁷



boys

girls

About 4 in 10 adolescents (10-19 years) are in employment

42.0%

44.0%

40.1%

About 3 in 10 adolescents (10-14 years) are in employment

32.0%

33.4%

30.7%

More than 5 in 10 adolescents (15-19 years) are in employment

55.2%

58.0%

52.3%

Adolescents (10–19 years) engaged in economic activities

13.8% agricultural sector

household activities



private

public sector









Energy²

Around a quarter (23.3%) of adolescents

(10–19 years) live in households connected to the main grid

95.0% non-clean energy
23.3% electricity

95 in 100

adolescents (10–19 years) live in households that use non-clean energy for cooking

Water, sanitation and hygiene

Around



adolescents (10–19 years) live in households with improved sources of drinking water at home⁶

About



adolescents (10–19 years) live in households in which water is treated before drinking⁶

primary and secondary SChools have improved toilets8

About

7

Chools have proper menstrual hygiene management8

A little over half Γ



of schools have basic water services⁸

54.5% Basic water services

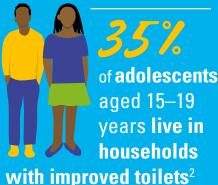
12.9%

Limited water services

32.5%

No services

Only
24/%
of adolescents
aged 10–14
years and





of all adolescents have basic hygiene services at home⁶

10-14 years

46.2%

15–19 years

50.5%

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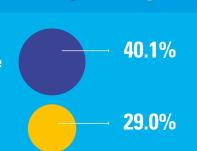




Communication⁶



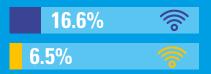
Boys aged 15–19 years are more likely to own a mobile phone than girls of the same age



ADOLESCENTS LIVING IN HOUSEHOLDS WITH A TELEVISION

boys

The proportion of boys aged 15-19 years with access to the internet is more than twice that of girls of the same age



of adolescents

aged 10-14 years









More than

of adolescents

girls

aged 15-19 years









Distance to basic services

Ground half

of adolescents live within 2 km of the nearest health facility⁶



15-19 years

54.0%

51.4%



Fewer than a quarter of adolescents (10-14 years) live within 2 km of the nearest market⁶



of adolesce aged 15–19 of adolescents years live in households with cars



of adolescents **70** aged 15–19 years live in households with motorbikes/bajaji2



43.2% of adolesce aged 15–19 of adolescents years live in households with bicycles²

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