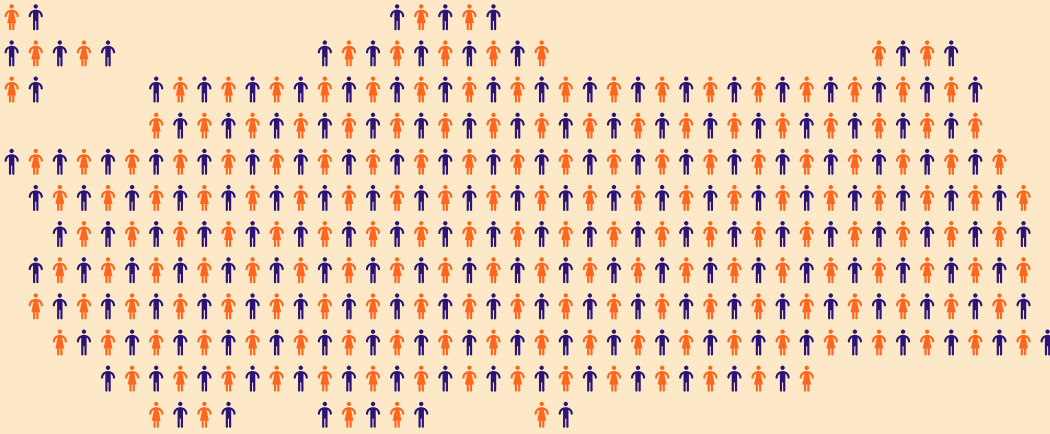


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Population and Fertility

Definitions

Adolescent fertility rate: The average number of live births per thousand women in 15-19 age group.

Age specific fertility rate: The average number of live births per certain age group of a woman.

General fertility rate: The number of births per 1000 females in 15-44 age group in a given year.

Live birth: Regardless of the duration of pregnancy, the births where the child lives at least a few minutes and shows evidence of life like crying, breathing or moving.

Total fertility rate: The average number of live births that a woman would have under the assumption that she survived to the end of her reproductive life (15 to 49 years of age) and bore according to a given age specific fertility rate.

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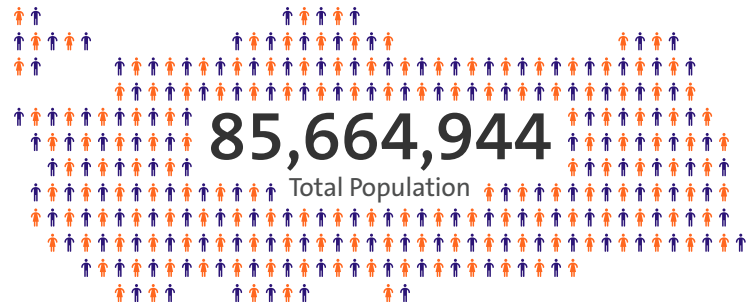
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Population and Fertility

POPULATION OF TÜRKİYE, 2024

 **49.98%**
42,811,834

 **50.02%**
42,853,110

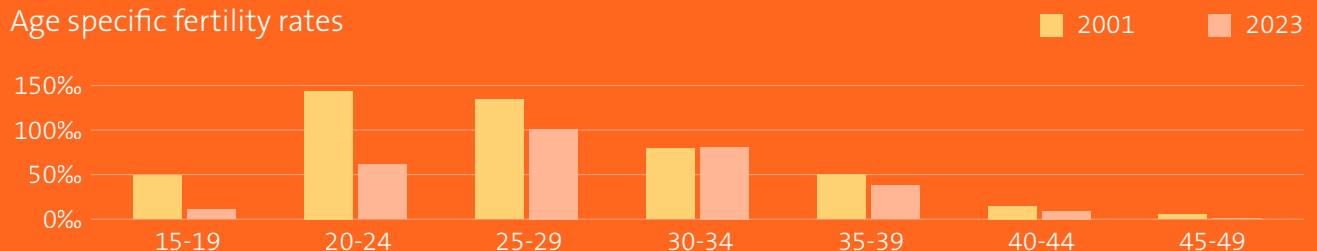


BASIC FERTILITY INDICATORS

	2001	2023
Total fertility rate (number of children)	2.38	1.51
General fertility rate (‰)	82.7	50.4
Adolescent fertility rate (‰)	49	11
	2014	2023
Mean age of mother at birth of first child	25.5	27.0



Age specific fertility rates



FAMILY PLANNING

Rate of women in reproductive age (15-49 years) who are able to meet their own family planning needs through modern methods, 2018

60.6%



Health

Definitions

Antenatal care coverage: It is the percentage of women aged 15-49 with a live birth in a given time period that received antenatal care provided by a skilled health personnel (generally doctors nurses or midwives) at least once during pregnancy.

Healthy Life Years: It is defined as the number of years of life at a certain age without serious or moderate health problems.

Life Expectancy at birth: It is the average number of years a newborn is expected to live having been exposed to age specific mortality rates at certain periods through his/her life.

Maternal Mortality Ratio: It is obtained by multiplying 100.000 with the proportion of the number of mothers who die due to pregnancy in one year to the number of live born babies in the same society by the same year.

Resources

European Statistical Office (EUROSTAT), 2015-2022

World Health Organization (WHO), 2020

Ministry of Health, Health Statistics, 2023

TurkStat, Life Tables, 2023

Health

LIFE EXPECTANCY AT BIRTH, 2021-2023

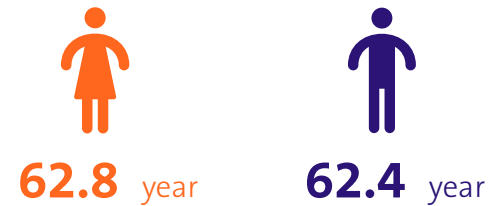


HEALTHY LIFE YEARS AT BIRTH

Türkiye, 2021-2023



27 Member States of the European Union, 2022



HEALTH SERVICES

Antenatal care coverage, 2023

99.6%

Proportion of births in hospitals, 2023

97.5%



MATERNAL MORTALITY RATIO (PER 100,000 LIVE BIRTHS)



Türkiye, 2023

13.5



27 Member States of the European Union, 2020

6.0



Disability

Definitions

Individuals with hearing problems: Includes those who, despite using assistive devices, have great difficulty hearing or cannot hear at all.

Individuals with learning and memory difficulties: Includes those who have great difficulty or are completely unable to learn new things/acquire new skills, remember, or concentrate.

Individuals with stair-climbing difficulties: Includes those who have great difficulty going up or down stairs or cannot do so at all.

Individuals with vision problems: Includes those who, despite using assistive devices, have great difficulty seeing or cannot see at all.

Individuals with walking difficulties: Includes those who, without using assistive devices (e.g., a cane), have great difficulty walking 500 meters or cannot walk at all.

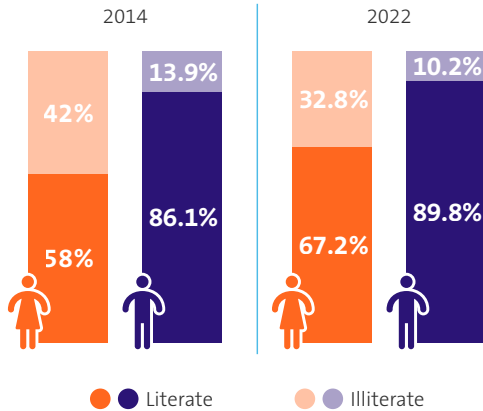
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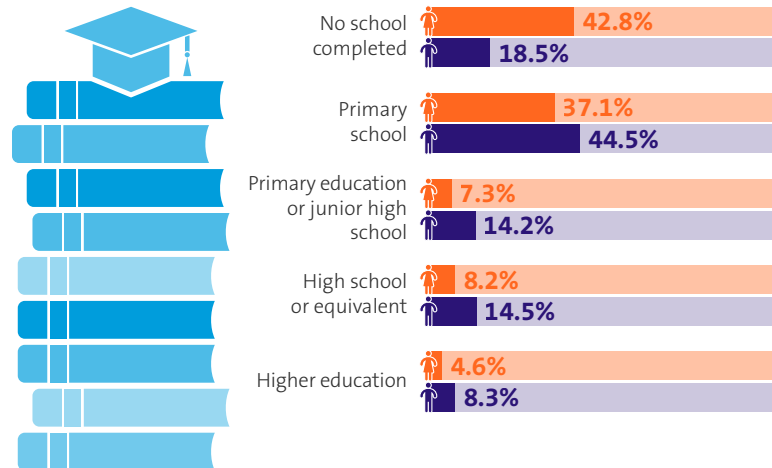
Disability

DISABLED INDIVIDUALS BY LITERACY STATUS AND LEVEL OF EDUCATION

Literacy status (15+), 2022



Level of education (15+), 2022



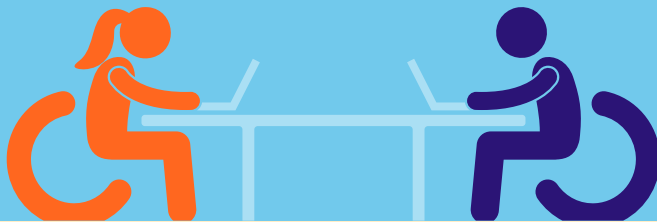
EMPLOYMENT STATUS FOR DISABLED INDIVIDUALS (15+), 2022

Employed women

7.9%

Employed men

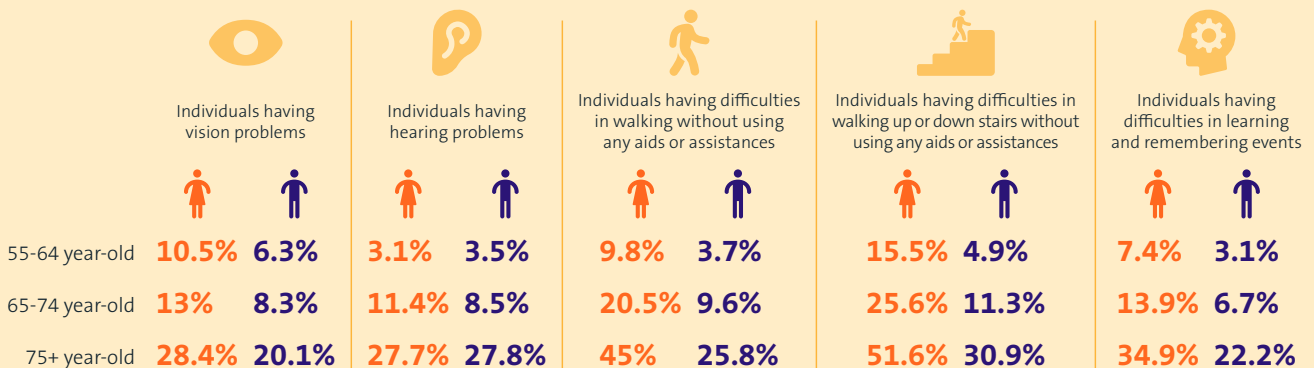
27.8%



Disabled Individuals by Position at Work (15+)

Regular, waged or casual	75%	69.7%
Employer	2.7%	5.7%
Self employed	6%	21.5%
Unpaid family worker	16.3%	3%

INDICATORS RELATED WITH DISABILITY AND OLD AGE, 2022



Education

Definitions

Graduates in the fields of education, health and welfare, humanities and art at the tertiary level: It is produced from the number of graduates under the titles of “Education”, “Health and Welfare” and “Arts and Humanities” in the classification of fields of education and training, which is the content of higher education statistics.

Gross enrolment rate: It is obtained by dividing the number of students enrolled in a specific level of education by the population in that level’s theoretical age group.

Illiterate population: The person who was absent from school or who know how to illiterate.

Mean years of schooling: Mean years of schooling is average number of completed years of education of a country’s population aged 25 years and older, excluding years spent repeating individual grades.

Net enrollment rate: It is obtained by dividing the number of students of a theoretical age group enrolled in a specific level of education by the population in that age group.

Resources

Ministry of National Education, National Education Statistics, Formal Education, 2023

TurkStat, National Education Statistics, 2023

Higher Education Council, 2023-2024 Academic Year Higher Education Statistics

Education

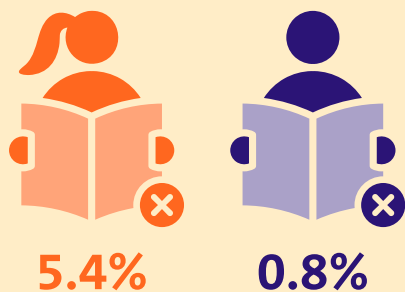
THE LEVEL OF EDUCATION COMPLETED

Proportion of individuals aged 25 and over who have completed at least one level of education, 2023

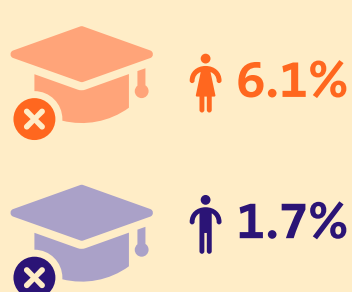


Distribution of the population 25 years of age and over by the level of education completed, 2023

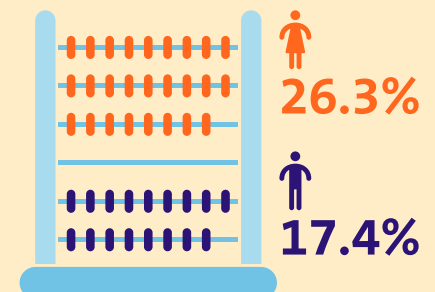
Illiterate



Literate without diploma



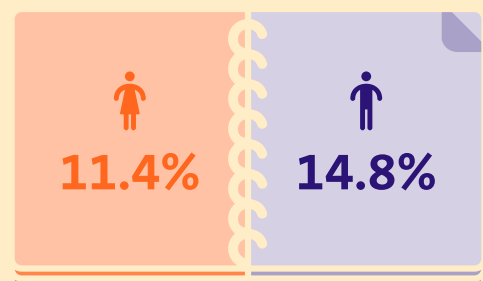
Primary school



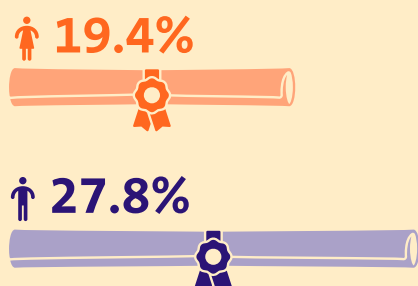
Primary education



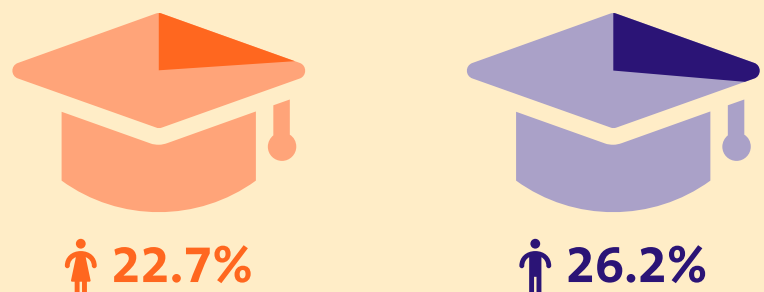
Lower secondary school



Upper secondary school

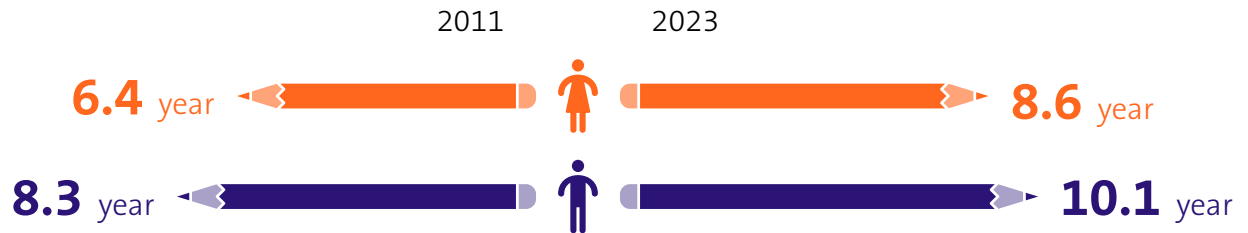


Tertiary education

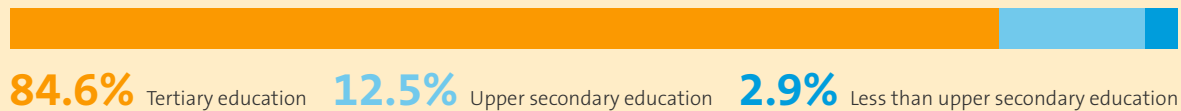


Education

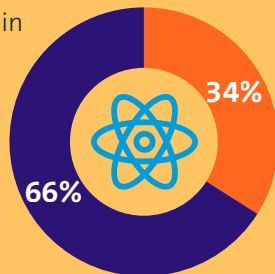
MEAN YEARS OF SCHOOLING



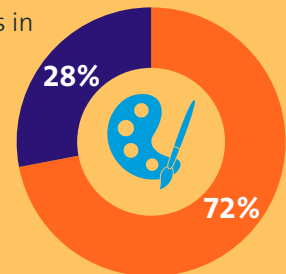
The highest level of education completed by individuals whose mother are higher education graduates (25+), 2023



Proportion of graduates in the fields of science, technology, engineering and mathematics at the tertiary level, 2022-2023

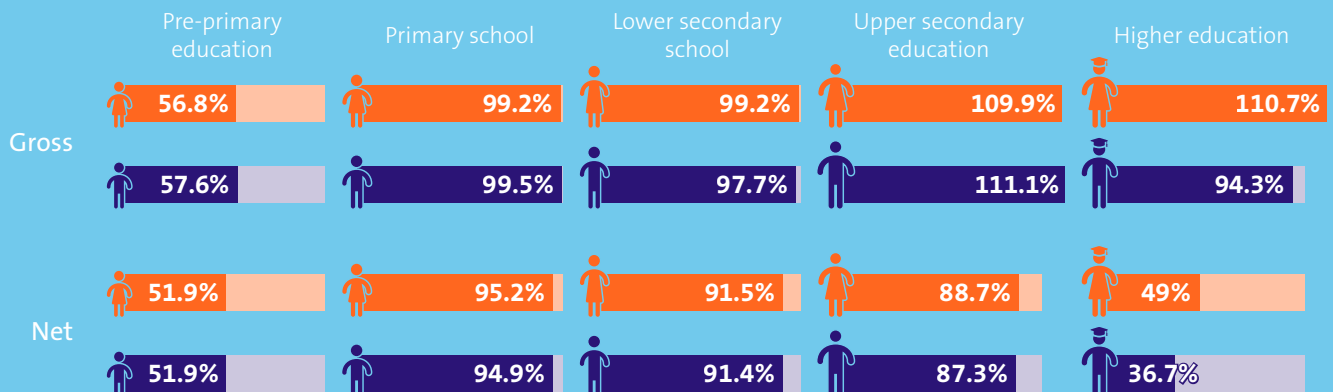


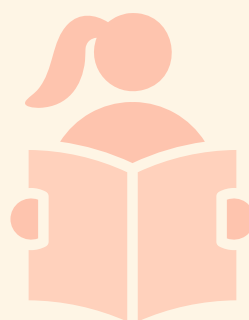
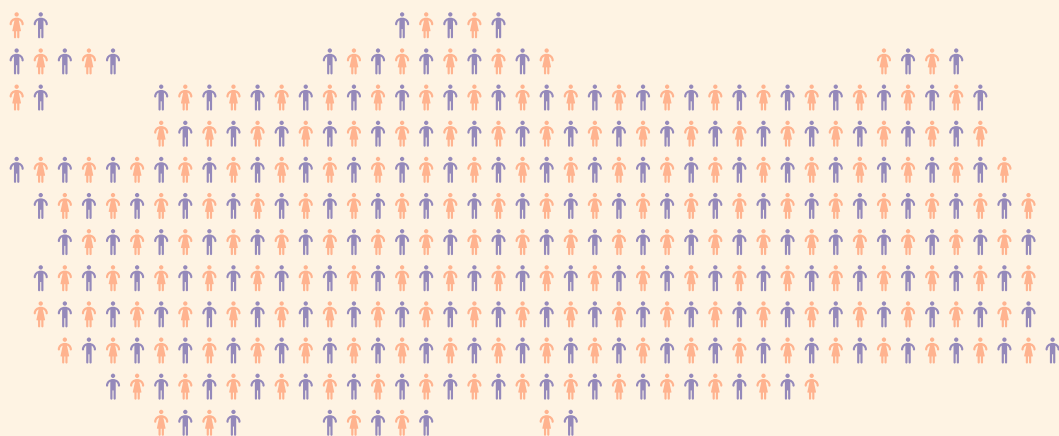
Proportion of graduates in the fields of education, health and welfare, humanities and art at the tertiary level, 2022-2023



● Women ● Men

ENROLMENT RATE BY LEVEL OF EDUCATION, 2023-2024





Labour Force and Employment

Definitions

Duration of working life: The indicator measures the number of years a person aged 15 and over is expected to be active in the labour market during his or her lifetime.

Employment rate: Employment rate is the ratio of employed persons to the non-institutional working age population.

Gender pay gap: Percentage of the difference between all men's gross wages/salaries and all women's gross wages/salaries working in listed classifications (such as education, occupation etc.) over all men's gross wages/salaries in the reference period.

Labour force participation rate: Indicates the ratio of the labour force to non-institutional working age population.

Neither in employment nor education and training (NEET) rate: It is the ratio of young population that are neither in employment nor education and training to the total young population.

Unemployment rate: Is the ratio of unemployed persons to the labour force.

Unregistered employment: Persons who are not registered to any social security institution due to main job worked in reference week.

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European Statistical Office (EUROSTAT), 2024

TurkStat, Labour Force Statistics, 2015-2024

TurkStat, Structure of Earnings Statistics, 2023

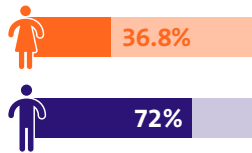
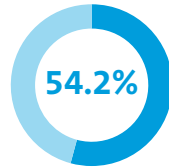
Labour Force and Employment

LABOUR FORCE STATUS OF POPULATION, 2024

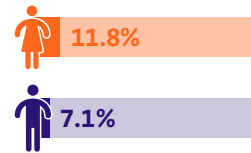
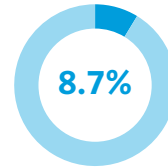


15+
year-old

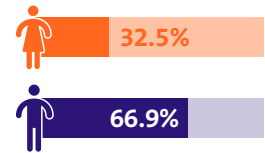
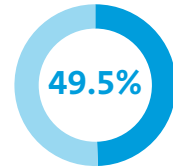
Labour force participation rate



Unemployment rate



Employment rate



Employment rate in
27 EU member states

75.3%



Women's employment rate by the classification of Statistical Region, SR Level 2 (26 Region) (15+), 2024

TR21

36.2%

TR32

36.5%

TR61

39.3%

TR82

38.4%

TR90

36.8%

19% 25% 30% 35% 40%

Informal employment as a percentage of agriculture and non-agricultural employment (15+), 2024

Agriculture

91.1%



75.4%

Non-agriculture

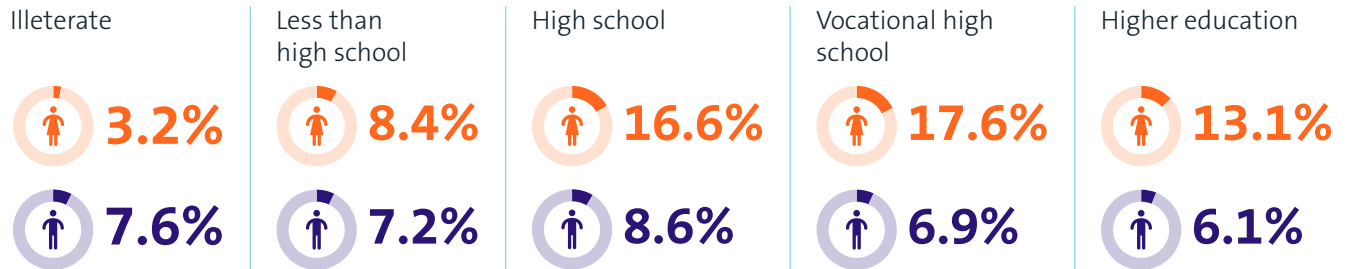
19.4%

15.7%

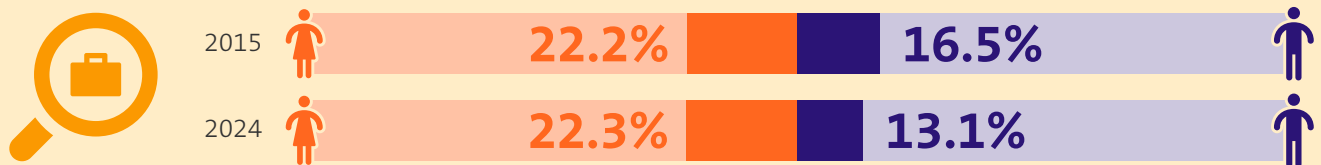


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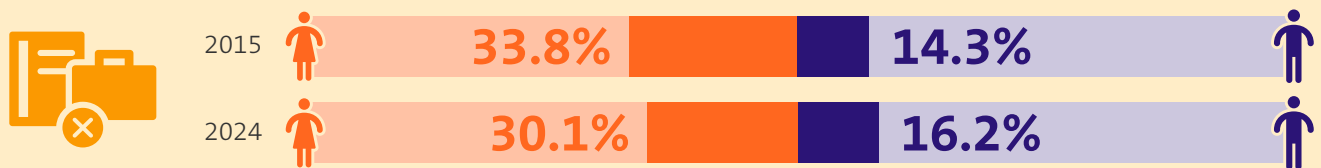
Unemployment rates level of education (15+), 2024



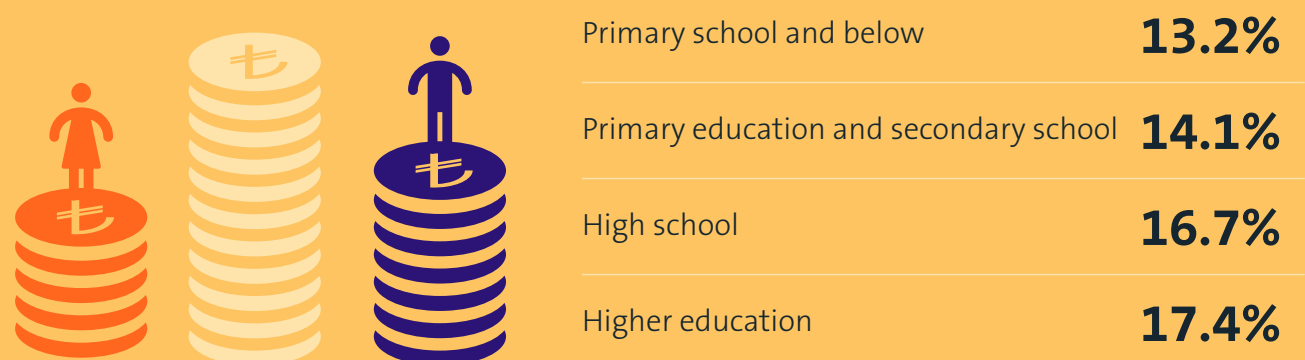
Youth unemployment rate for ages 15-24



Proportion of young people aged 15-24 who are neither in education nor employment (NEET)



Gender pay gap by level of education, 2023

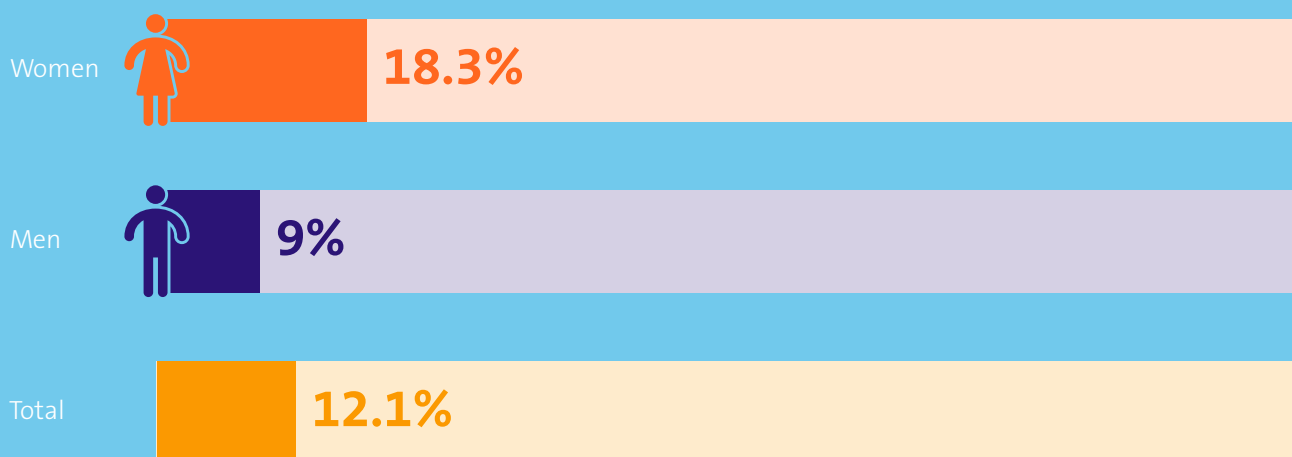


Labour Force and Employment

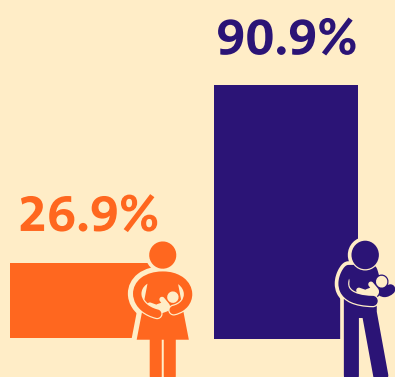
DURATION OF WORKING LIFE, 2023



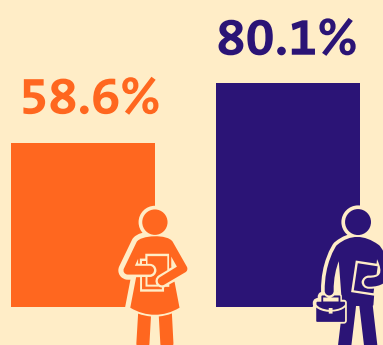
Part time employment rate (% of total employment) (15+), 2024



Employment rate of individuals aged 25-49 with children below 3 years old in the household, 2024



Employment rate of individuals aged 25-49 without children below 3 years old in the household, 2024



The share of domestic work among the reasons for women's non-participation in the labour force (15+), 2024

35%



Participation in Decision-Making Mechanism

Definitions

Deputies: The number of representatives has been increased to 550 from 450 in 1995 by changing the article 3 of the Law No. 2839 on General Election with the article 8 of the Law No. 4125 and the number of representatives has been increased to 600 from 550 in 2017 by changing the Constitutional amendment.

Individuals in senior and middle management positions: This indicator refers to the proportion of females to the total number of persons employed in senior and middle management. Sub-groups “11- Presidents, senior executives and legislators”, “12- Commercial and administrative managers” and “13- Production and specialized service managers” are covered under the main group 1 of the International Standard Classification of Occupation (ISCO-08). Sub-group 14 (hospitality, retail and other services managers) is excluded from the main group 1 since these sub-groups comprise mainly managers of small enterprises.

Local governments: It refers to constitutional organizations established in order to meet the common and local needs of people living in communities of different sizes within national borders and within the legal order.

Mayor: A mayor is the highest ranking officer in the municipal government of town or a large urban city.

Resources

European Institute for Gender Equality (EIGE), 2024

Borsa İstanbul A.Ş.

Ministry of Environment, Urbanization and Climate Change-Directorate General for Local Authorities, 2024

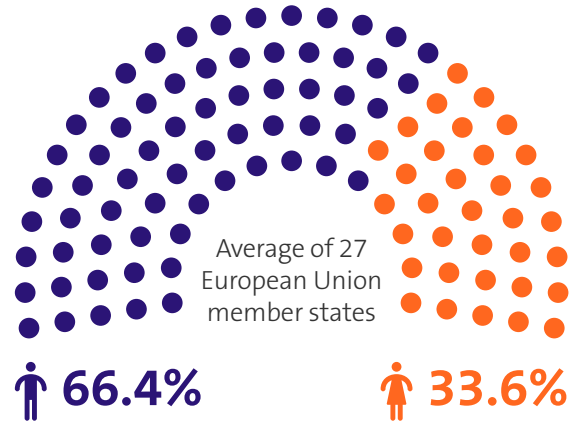
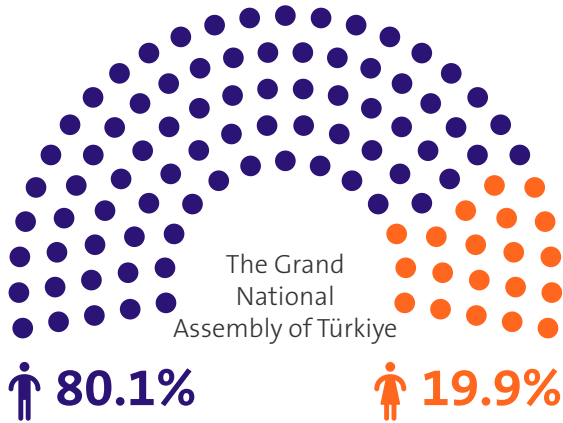
Ministry of Interior-Directorate General of Provincial Administration, 2024

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The Grand National Assembly of Türkiye, 2024

Participation in Decision-Making Mechanism

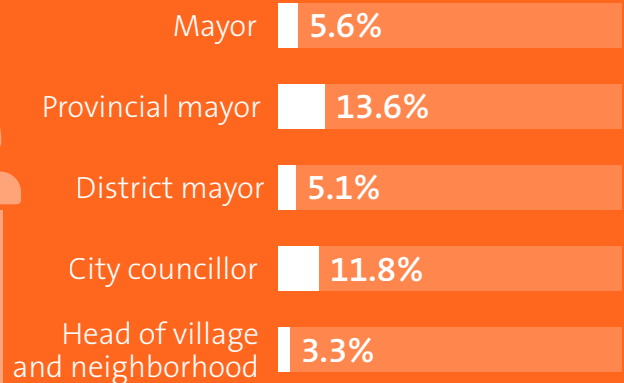
PROPORTION OF MEMBERS OF THE PARLIAMENT, 2024



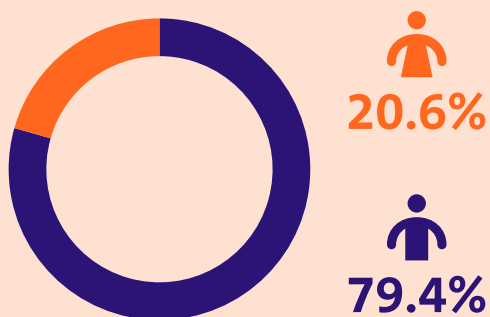
NUMBER OF MINISTERS, 2024



PROPORTION OF WOMEN REPRESENTATION IN LOCAL GOVERNMENTS, 2024



INDIVIDUALS IN SENIOR AND MIDDLE MANAGEMENT POSITIONS, 2023



Board members of the largest 50 companies traded on Borsa Istanbul (BIST 50), 2024



Occupations

Definitions

Proportion of governor and district governor: Indicates the distribution of the total number of governors and district governors by sex.

Proportion of prosecutors and judges: Indicates the distribution of the total number of prosecutors and judges by sex.

Proportion of university rectors: Indicates the distribution of the total number of university rectors by sex.

Proportion of women ambassadors: Indicates the proportion of women among all ambassadors.

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Ministry of Justice, Justice Statistics, 2006, 2023

Ministry of Foreign Affairs, 2000, 2005, 2010, 2015, 2020, 2024

Ministry of Interior, 2010, 2023

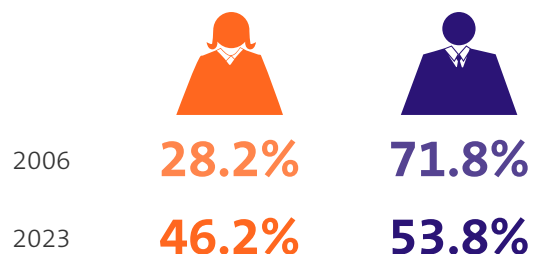
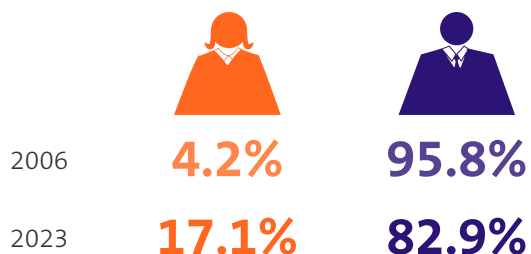
Higher Education Council, 2015, 2023

Occupations

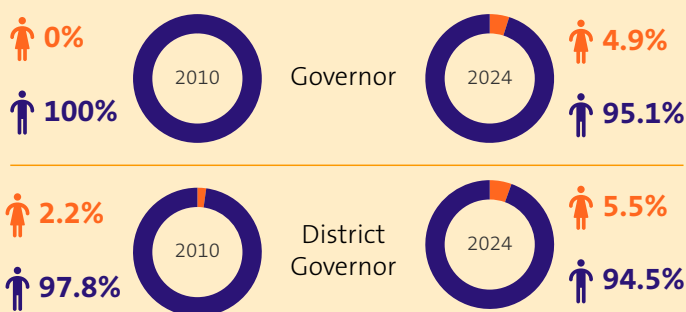
PROPORTION OF PUBLIC PROSECUTORS AND JUDGES

Public Prosecutor

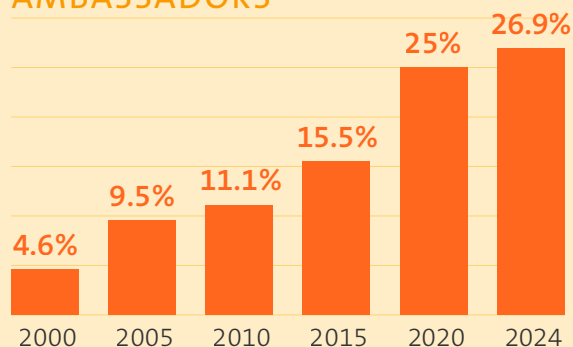
Judge



PROPORTION OF GOVERNORS AND DISTRICT GOVERNORS



PROPORTION OF WOMEN AMBASSADORS

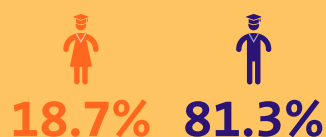


PROPORTIONS OF RECTORS AND ACADEMICS IN HIGHER EDUCATION

Proportion of state university rectors, 2023-2024



Proportion of foundation university rectors, 2023-2024



(For the 2023-2024 academic year)

Proportion of women among professors in higher education

34.6%

Proportion of women among associate professors in higher education

42.1%



Marriage

Definitions

Child marriage: It refers to both formal and informal unions in which at least one of the parties is under the age of 18.

Marriage: In accordance with the Turkish Civil Code, is a contract made between a man and woman to live together, sanctioned by a legal authority.

Mean age at first marriage: It is the mean age of men and women when they get married for the first time in a given year.

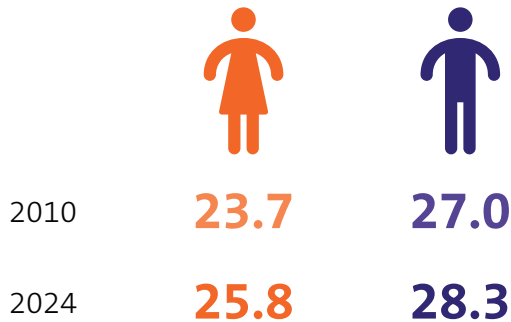
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TurkStat, Marriage Statistics, 2010, 2023

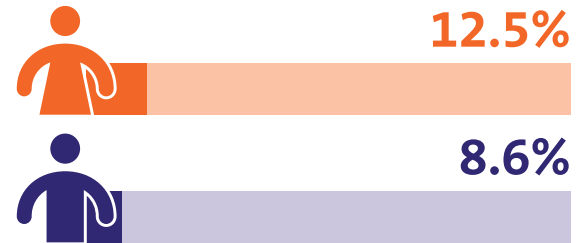
TurkStat, Türkiye Family Structure Survey, 2021

Marriage

MEAN AGE AT FIRST MARRIAGE

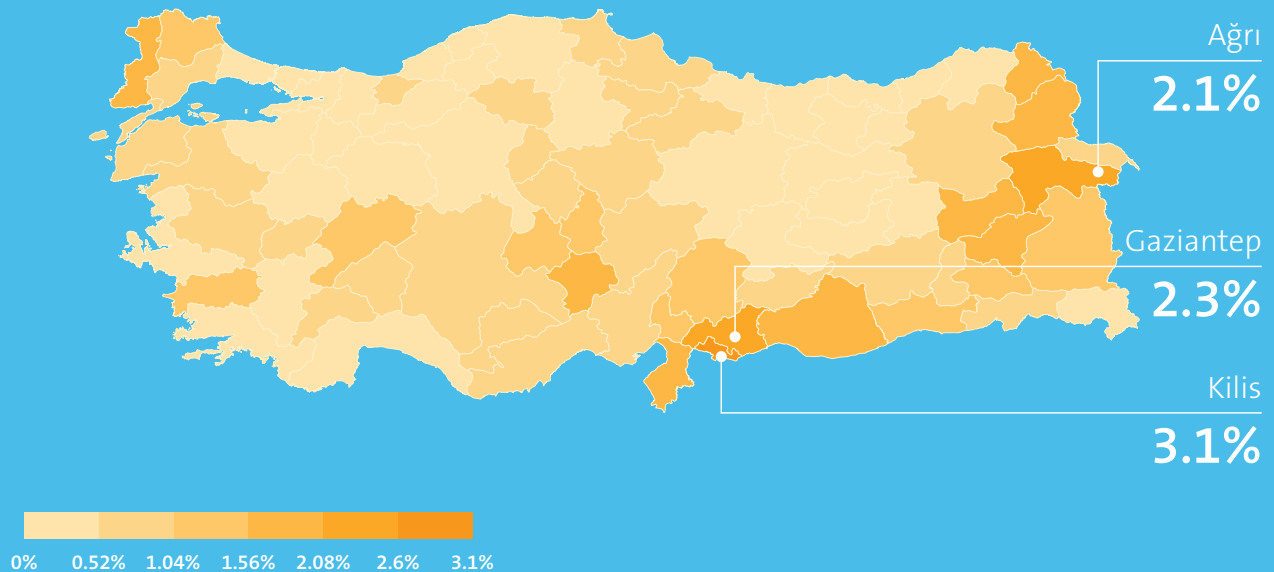


Proportion of individuals who experienced arranged marriages with the decision of their family without taking their opinion, 2021

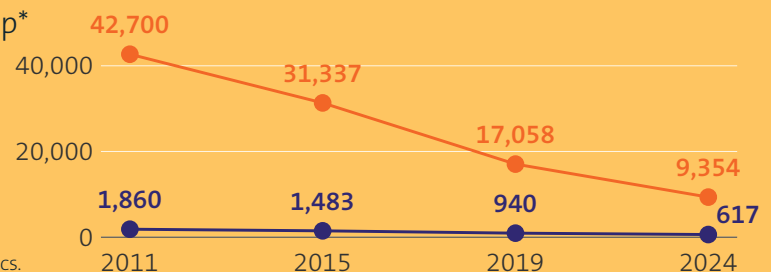


CHILD MARRIAGE (AGE GROUP OF 16-17)

Proportion of girls who got married in the 16-17 age group to the girl child population in the same age group by province and the highest 3 provinces, 2024*



Married individuals in the 16-17 age group*



*Note: Only officially registered marriages covered in the statistics.

Family Life

Definitions

Average activity time: Average value in 24 hours of total time spent by individuals aged 15 and above for any activity. This period is average taken over all people and all year(work days and weekends as well as period of the holiday).

Individuals usually responsible for household chores: Individuals responsible for household chores are classified as either non-household members or household members. This indicator represents the gender ratio among those who are household members.

Resources

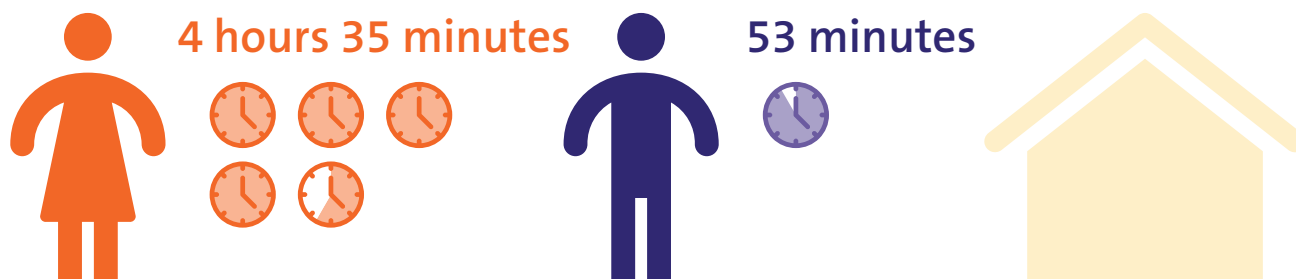
TurkStat, Survey on Information and Communication Technology (ICT) Usage Survey in Households and by Individuals, 2005, 2024

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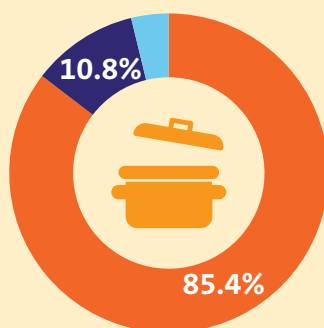
Family Life

AVERAGE ACTIVITY TIME PER PERSON FOR HOUSEHOLD AND FAMILY CARE, 2014-2015

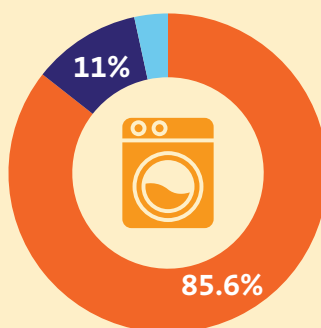


PROPORTION OF WOMEN AND MEN TAKING RESPONSIBILITY FOR HOUSEHOLD CHORES, 2021

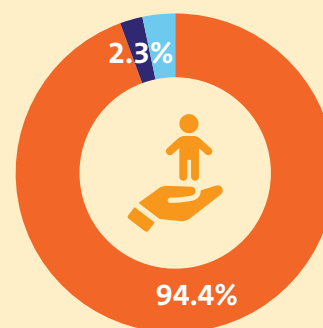
Cooking



Doing the laundry

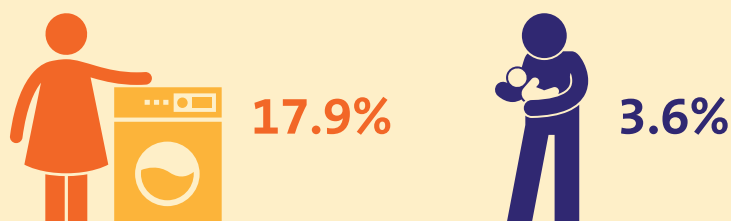


Child care



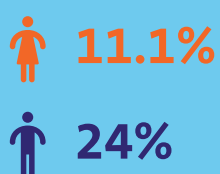
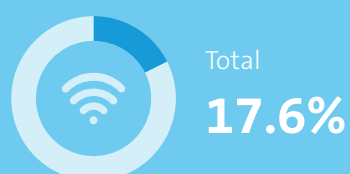
● Women ● Men ● Not a household member

Proportion of time spent on unpaid housework and caregiving to total time, 2014-2015

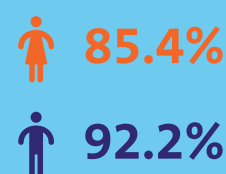
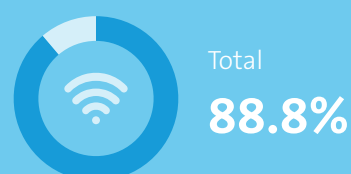


PROPORTION OF THE INTERNET USAGE

2005



2024



Violence and Safety

Definitions

Physical violence: Slapped her or threw something at her that could hurt her, pushed or shoved her or pulled her hair, hit her with fist or something else that could hurt her, kicked, dragged her or beat her up, choked or burned her, threatened to use or actually used a gun, knife or other weapons against her.

Sexual violence: Physically forced her to have sexual intercourse, had sexual intercourse when she did not want to because she was afraid of what partner might do, forced her to do something sexual that she found degrading or humiliating.

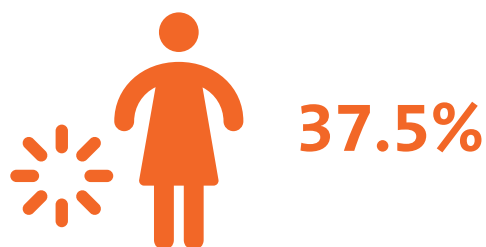
Resources

MoFSS, Domestic Violence Against Women in Türkiye, 2014

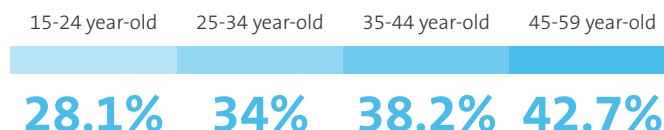
TurkStat, Life Satisfaction Survey, 2023

Violence and Safety

PROPORTION OF WOMEN AGED 15-59 WHO HAVE BEEN SUBJECTED TO PHYSICAL OR SEXUAL VIOLENCE AT ANY POINT IN THEIR LIVES BY THEIR HUSBANDS/PARTNERS, 2014



Percentage of women subjected to violence by age groups of women, 2014



Proportion of women aged 15-59 who have been subjected to physical or sexual violence by level of education, 2014



No education/Not completed primary school

43.3%



First level primary education

41.8%



Second level primary education

36.7%



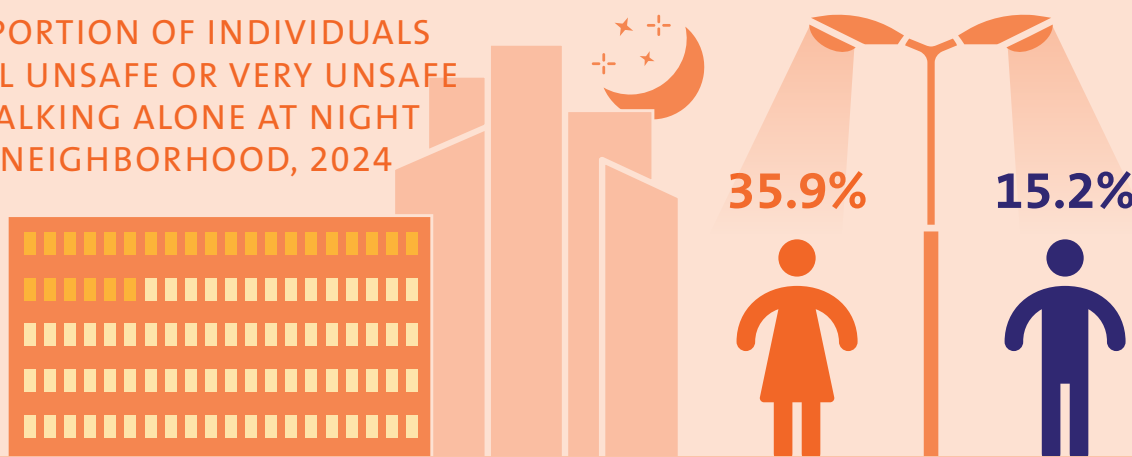
High school and above

24.7%

THE PROPORTION OF INDIVIDUALS WHO FEEL UNSAFE OR VERY UNSAFE WHEN WALKING ALONE AT NIGHT IN THEIR NEIGHBORHOOD, 2024

Total

25.7%



Poverty

Definitions

60% of the median income: It is defined as 60% of equivalised household disposable median income.

Equivalised household disposable income: Equivalised individual income to the specific household in other words, equivalised household disposable income, can be calculated total of household income divided by equivalised household size. This indicator has been calculated for individuals aged 15 and over.

Poverty rate: It is defined as the proportion of the poor within the total population. This indicator has been calculated for individuals aged 15 and over.

Resources

TurkStat, Income and Living Conditions Survey, 2024

Poverty

POVERTY RATE OF HOUSEHOLD MEMBERS, 2024



POVERTY RATE OF HOUSEHOLD MEMBERS BY EDUCATIONAL LEVEL, 2024



Illiterate



36.8%



48%

Literate with no degree



34.3%



46.5%

Less than high school



20.7%



22.8%

High school or equivalent



13.5%



11.7%

Higher education



5.1%



3.8%

Elderly Population

Definitions

Labour force participation rate of the elderly population: Indicates the labour force participation rate among those aged 65 and over.

Literacy status of the elderly population: Indicates the literacy rate among those aged 65 and over, and the distribution of this rate by sex.

Poverty rate of the elderly population: Indicates the poverty rate among those aged 65 and over.

Proportion of the elderly population: Indicates the proportion of those aged 65 and over within the total population, and the distribution of this proportion by sex.

Proportion of the elderly population living in one-person households: Among households with members aged 65 and over, indicates the proportion of those aged 65 and over who live in single-person households, as well as the distribution of this proportion by sex.

Resources

TurkStat, The results of Address Based Population Registration System, 2024

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TurkStat, Labour Force Statistics, 2023

TurkStat, National Education Statistics, 2023

Elderly Population

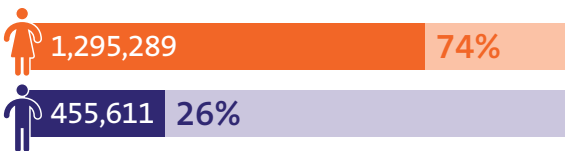
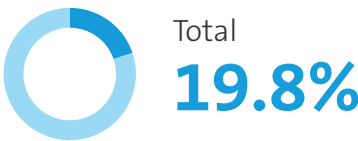
PROPORTION OF THE ELDERLY POPULATION WITHIN THE TOTAL POPULATION, 2024



Proportion of the elderly population by gender, 2024

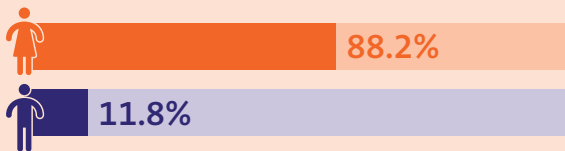
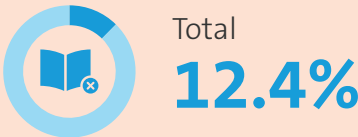


Proportion of the elderly population living in one-person households(65+), 2024

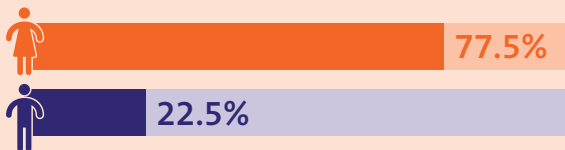
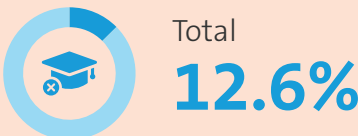


PROPORTION OF THE ELDERLY POPULATION LIVING IN ONE-PERSON HOUSEHOLDS (65+), 2024

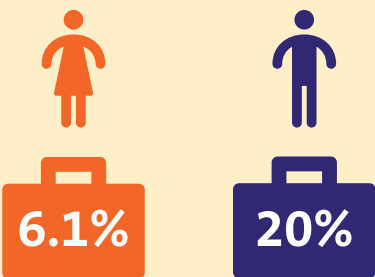
Proportion of illiteracy in total elderly population



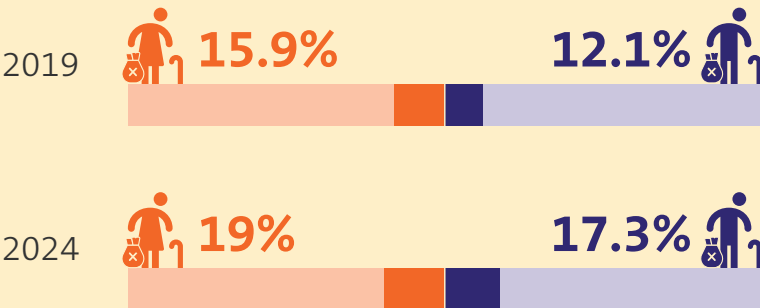
Proportion of literacy without diploma in total elderly population



LABOUR FORCE PARTICIPATION RATE OF THE ELDERLY POPULATION, 2023



POVERTY RATE OF THE ELDERLY POPULATION



Sport



Definitions

National Athlete: An athlete who is given the duty of representation and actually competes in international sports competitions included in the annual activity programs of federations and the international organizations to which these federations are members.

Resources

Ministry of Youth and Sports, 2024

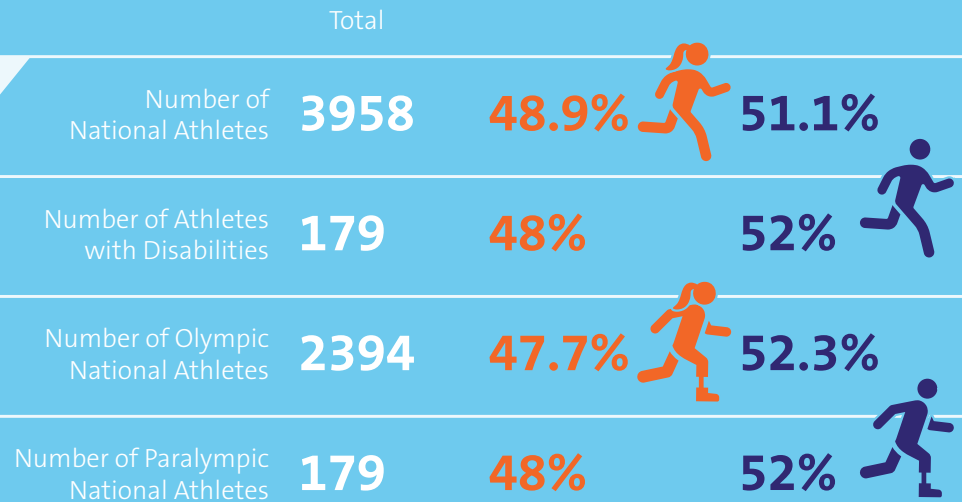
Sport

BOARD MEMBERS OF THE 10 NATIONAL OLYMPIC SPORTS FEDERATIONS, 2024*



*The members of the executive boards of the athletics, basketball, boxing, wrestling, handball, judo, table tennis, taekwondo, volleyball and swimming federations were included in the calculation.

PROPORTION OF NATIONAL ATHLETES



MEDALS WON IN INTERNATIONAL COMPETITIONS, 2024





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