

The National Survey of Households Living Conditions 2004 and 2007

Selected characteristics of the youth population in Lebanon (2004 and 2007)

The “Capacity Building for Poverty Reduction” project is periodically publishing a series of statistical fact sheets. These fact sheets are based on the data of the National Survey of Households Living Conditions 2004 (Ministry of Social Affairs, Central Administration for Statistics, and the United Nations Development Programme). Where indicated, data from the National Survey of Households Living Conditions for 2007 (Ministry of Social Affairs, Central Administration for Statistics, the United Nations Development Programme and the International Labor Organization) was presented. Those statistical fact sheets aim at introducing the reader to the different indicators and topics covered in the survey, such as: characteristics of residents and households per governorate, characteristics of certain population sub-groups (female house head, illiterates, women, children, etc...).

We look forward to receiving your feedback and suggestions for future topics.

General Profile

	2004	2007
Total Youth¹ (% of population)	745771 (19.9)	731404 (19.5)
Males (% of Youth)	383219 (51.4)	387455 (53.0)
Females (% of Youth)	362553 (48.6)	343949 (47.0)

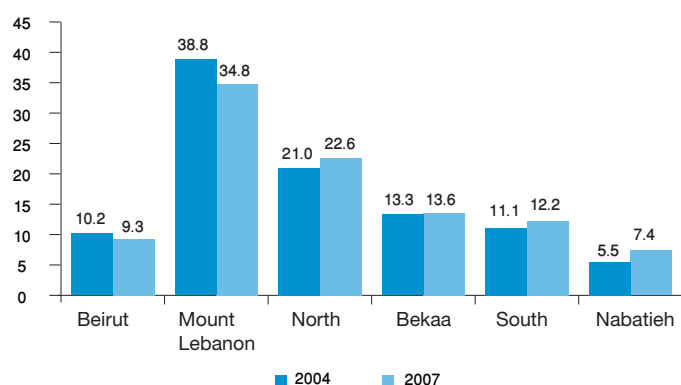
Distribution of Youth by Age and Sex (%)

Age	2004			2007		
	Males	Females	Total	Males	Females	Total
15-19	50.3	49.7	50.0	50.6	48.7	49.7
19-24	49.7	50.3	50.0	49.4	51.3	50.3
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0

Distribution of Youth by Governorate and Sex (%)

Governorate	2004			2007		
	Males	Females	Total	Males	Females	Total
Beirut	9.5	10.8	10.2	8.2	10.6	9.3
Mount Lebanon	40.4	37.1	38.8	35.8	33.8	34.8
North	19.5	22.7	21.0	23.7	21.4	22.6
Bekaa	14.2	12.5	13.3	13.5	13.8	13.6
South	10.9	11.4	11.1	11.7	12.8	12.2
Nabatieh	5.5	5.4	5.5	7.1	7.7	7.4
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0

Distribution of Youth by Governorate (%)



Youth Population within Each Governorate (%)

	2004			2007		
	Males	Females	Total	Males	Females	Total
Beirut	20.4	18.6	19.4	19.1	18.7	18.9
Mount Lebanon	20.3	18.2	19.3	19.0	15.4	17.2
North	19.5	21.4	20.4	23.4	19.8	21.6
Bekaa	22.7	19.5	21.1	21.2	19.5	20.4
South	21.4	20.1	20.7	22.6	20.9	21.7
Nabatieh	19.3	17.6	18.4	22.2	21.0	21.6
Lebanon	20.5	19.2	19.9	20.9	18.1	19.5

Distribution of Youth by Marital Status and Sex (%)¹

Marital status	2004			2007		
	Males	Females	Total	Males	Females	Total
Never married	97.5	83.8	90.9	98.4	88.5	93.8
Married	2.4	15.8	8.9	1.5	11.2	6.1
Widowed	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0
Divorced	0.0	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.2	0.2
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0

Distribution of Type of Dwelling where Youth Reside by Sex (%) - 2004

Type of dwelling	Males	Females	Total
Independent house	27.9	28.1	28.0
Villa	0.7	0.9	0.8
Apartment in an independent bldg	64.7	64.0	64.4
Apartment in a residential project	6.4	6.8	6.6
Improvised dwelling	0.2	0.2	0.2
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0

Youth Having Other Nationalities

Males Youth having other nationalities	1.8%
Females Youth having other nationalities	1.5%

¹ According to UN, Youth are those aged between 15 and 24 years, www.un.org/youth.

Education and Labor Force

	2004	2007
Illiteracy Rate among Youth	1.3%	1.3%
Illiteracy rate among males Youth	1.0%	1.6%
Illiteracy rate among females Youth	1.2%	0.9%

Distribution of Youth by Educational Level and Sex (%)

Current Educational level	2004			2007		
	Males	Females	Total	Males	Females	Total
Illiterate	1.0	1.2	1.3	1.6	0.9	1.3
Can read and write	1.0	0.6	0.9	0.0	0.1	0.3
KG	1.0	0.4	0.5	0.3	0.2	0.3
Elementary	20.0	15.1	17.9	17.0	9.8	13.7
Intermediary	22.0	21.8	21.8	22.8	22.2	22.5
Secondary	20.0	23.8	21.7	19.8	25.4	22.4
University level	20.0	25.6	22.6	22.5	29.2	25.6
Others ²	15.0	11.6	13.4	15.6	12.0	14.0
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0

Youth who are Proficient in One or More Foreign Languages (%)

Proficient in one or more foreign languages (%) - 2004	49.3
Proficient in French	19.3
Proficient in English	15.2
Proficient in other language	0.5
Proficient in two foreign languages	13.8
Proficient in three foreign languages	0.5
Not specified	10.2

2. "Others" includes : BP, BT, TS and LT degrees

Distribution of Youth by the Primary Status and Sex (%)

Primary individual status	2004			2007		
	Males	Females	Total	Males	Females	Total
Working ³	34.4	13.6	24.0	31.3	10.1	21.5
Unemployed	11.6	5.3	8.5	12.6	6.7	9.9
Student	52.6	53.5	53.0	52.6	62.0	57.0
Economically Inactive	0.0	27.0	13.5	2.0	20.8	10.7
Unable to work	1.3	0.6	1.0	1.4	0.4	0.9
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0

Health

Medical Insurance of Youth by Sex (%)

	2004			2007		
	Males	Females	Total	Males	Females	Total
Benefiting from medical insurance	40.4	46.7	43.5	50.2	52.9	51.5
As member	33.7	33.4	33.5			
As beneficiary	66.3	66.6	66.5			

Type of Coverage for Insured Youth - 2004 (%)

	Males	Females	Total
Hospitalization	100.0	100.0	100.0
Medication	94.0	87.3	90.4
Medical Examination	94.7	87.8	91.0
X-rays and lab analysis	96.3	89.8	92.8
Job hazards	14.9	14.9	14.9
Other services	0.4	0.3	0.3

Youth with Chronic Diseases:

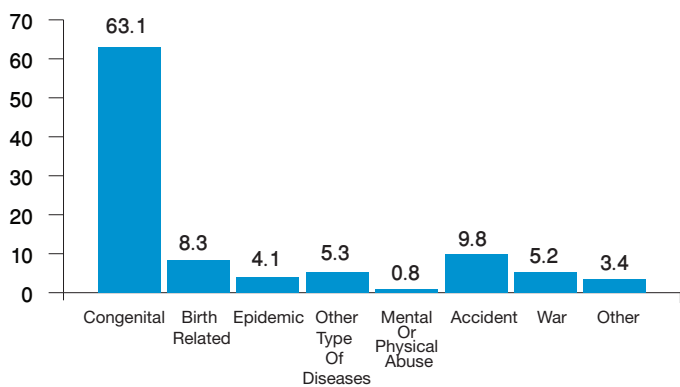
3.6% of the youth stated that they have at least one chronic disease
26.9% of the youth with chronic diseases have asthma.

3. "Working" includes clergyman.

Number of Chronic Diseases of Youth by Sex 2004 (%)

Youth with disability (%)	1.4
Type of disability (%)	
Movement disability	36.7
Speech and hearing disability	26.6
Visual disability	12.3
Mental disability	49.3
Youth holders of disability card from MoSA⁴	9000
Male youth holders of disability card	5472
Female youth holders of disability card	3528

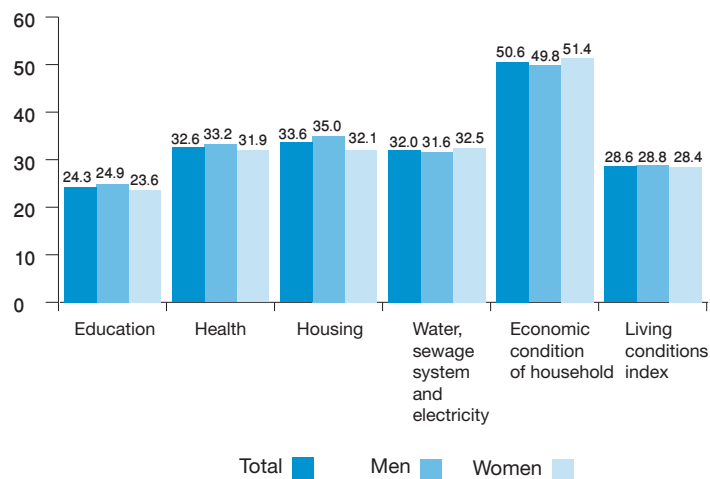
Distribution of Disabled Youth by Reason of Disability (%)



4. Source: Ministry of Social Affairs - Rights and Access Program, June 2008.

Living Conditions

Percentage of Deprived Youth According to the Living Conditions Index and its Fields by Sex 2004 (%)



Distribution of Deprived Youth According to the Living Conditions Index (2004) by Mohafaza (%)

