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INTRODUCTION

A variety of interventions that seek to address challenges faced by different sectors of the population in the country such processes require adequate monitoring as well as information on key indicators that can be used for monitoring. The Vulnerable Groups sector is one of the most affected sectors of the population. Vulnerable Groups¹ are defined as a part of the South African population that experience a higher risk of poverty and social exclusion than the general population. This sector requires particular effort to be made at all levels of policy planning and implementation to inform amongst other things resource allocation. Vulnerable Groups in this report are grouped as follows:

Children – those aged 17 years and below;

The youth – people aged between 15-34 years;

Women – the female population;

Older persons – people aged 60 years and above; and

Persons with disabilities – those experiencing various levels of difficulties in functional domains such as seeing, hearing, walking, remembering and concentrating, self-care, communicating and social interaction.

One of the most effective ways of tracking progress made towards improving the lives of Vulnerable Groups in South Africa is through the monitoring of key indicators. This should ideally be done at a national, provincial and local level and should be reflected in various reports. The present report “Marginalised Groups Indicator Report: 2018” is such a report. Its purpose is to present information on key vulnerable groups’ indicators by providing data relating to the socio-economic and demographic profile of vulnerable groups in South Africa using mainly secondary data from Stats SA. This report is the Fifth report in the series and focuses on data collected during the year, 2018. It is envisaged that the data presented in this report will be useful in providing government, researchers, other sector key stakeholders and the general public as a whole with information required to inform policy, research and debate.

The current report focuses mainly on presenting data collected in 2018. The main sources of statistics reported on household, demographic and social indicators in this report are largely based on the General Household Survey (GHS). Economic indicators on the labour market were tabulated using the Quarterly Labour Force Survey (QLFS), while crime related indicators were calculated using data from the Victims of Crime Survey (VOCS). GHS, QLFS and VOCS household surveys each covering approximately 30 000 households that are representative of all nine provinces. All data from the above-mentioned Stats SA surveys are weighted so as to make the results representative of the overall population of the country.



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¹ SOURCE: Social protection and Social inclusion Glossary. DG Employment, Social Affairs and Inclusion

DEFINITIONS

- **Sex Parity Ratio (GPR):** Is calculated as the percentage/number of females divided by the percentage/number of males with a particular characteristic. Although these ratios are usually designed to measure the relative access to education of males and females, the ratios can also be generally applied to calculate sex disparities or gaps on different socio-economic indicators (Koronkiewicz, 2008²).
- **Graduates:** Individuals who have completed a university degree.
- **Geo-type:** Census 2011 definitions for urban and rural have been applied. According to Stats SA, an urban area is defined as a continuously built-up area with characteristics such as type of economic activity and land use. Cities, towns, townships, suburbs, etc. are typical urban areas.
 - An **urban area** is one which was proclaimed or classified as such (i.e. in an urban municipality under the old demarcation), or classified as such during census demarcation by Stats SA, based on its observation of aerial photographs or on other information.
 - A **rural area** is defined as any area that is not classified as urban. Rural areas may comprise one or more of the following: tribal areas, commercial farms and rural formal areas.
- **Head of the household:** There are many debates on what constitutes the term '**household head**'. Arguments and discussions around the definition usually deal with the subjective assumptions carried by its interpretation, its implication and influence in socially constructed Sex roles (Hedman et al., 1996³; Rosenhouse, 1989⁴). Taking into account arguments for and against, Stats SA loosely defines the **head of the household** as the person (male or female) who assumes responsibility for the household. This person can be the chief economic provider, the chief decision-maker or the person designated by other members as the head. Survey officers are instructed to record this person as person '01', in the first column of the questionnaire during data collection. However, given that the definition used for households is based on the four-by-four rule⁵, some individuals, especially migrant workers, who may be considered the head of the household by the household, are often excluded from the data as a result of their limited presence within the household. In those cases the acting household head from the household perspective is indicated in the dataset as the household head.
- **Labour force participation rate:** The proportion of the working-age population that is either employed or unemployed.
- **Employed persons:** Those aged 15–64 years who, during the reference week, did any work for at least one hour, or had a job or business but were not at work (temporarily absent).
- **Employment-to-population ratio (labour absorption rate):** The proportion of the working-age population that is employed.
- **Not economically active:** Persons aged 15–64 years who are neither employed nor unemployed in the reference week.
- **Unemployment rate:** The proportion of the labour force that is unemployed.

² Koronkiewicz, M. 2008. Sex Parity Index, UNESCO, Bangkok.

³ Hedman, B., Perucci, F. and Sundstrom, P. 1996. EnSexing Statistics: A Tool for Change. Statistics Sweden: Orebro.

⁴ Rosenhouse, S. 1989. Identifying the Poor: Is 'Headship' a Useful Concept? LSMS Working Paper No 58, World Bank, Washington DC.

⁵ The person should have been present in the household for at least four nights per week for the past four weeks.

- **Discouraged job-seeker:** A person who was not employed during the reference period, wanted to work, was available to work/start a business but did not take active steps to find work during the last four weeks, provided that the main reason given for not seeking work was any of the following: No jobs available in the area; Unable to find work requiring his/her skills; Lost hope of finding any kind of work.

Household composition: Households have been categorised into the following household types:

- A **single household** is a one-person household
- **Nuclear households** are defined as ‘households consisting of household heads, their spouses and offspring’
- **Extended households** include other relatives in addition to the nucleus.
- **Complex households** are all households with members who are not related to the household head

Intergenerational households (Wolf and Folbre, 2012)⁶.

- A **single generation** household consists of people of the same age group: a married or cohabiting couple, a single person, siblings, or roommates.
- A **double generation family household** includes a parent or parents and their child or children under age 25.
- In **more than three-generations households**, the ages in the household can range from infancy to extreme old age.
- When grandparents and grandchildren whose parents are dead or unable to care for them form a household, this is defined as a **skipped-generation household**.
- **Formal dwelling** refers to a structure built according to approved plans, i.e. house on a separate stand, flat or apartment, townhouse, room in backyard, rooms or flatlet elsewhere.
- **Informal dwelling** is a makeshift structure not erected according to approved architectural plans, for example shacks or shanties in informal settlements or in backyards.
- **Traditional dwelling** is a category of architecture based on local needs, construction materials and reflecting local traditions. Traditional dwellings tend to evolve over time to reflect the environmental, cultural, technological, economic, and historical context in which it exists.

⁶ Wolf, D. & Folbre, N. 2012. *Universal Coverage of Long Term care in the United States*, Russel Sage Foundation: ISBN-13 / ISBN-10 978-1-61044-799-7

An orphan is defined as a child whose mother, father or both biological parents have died:

- A **maternal orphan** is a child whose mother has died but whose father is alive.
- A **paternal orphan** is a child whose father has died but whose mother is alive;
- A **double orphan** is a child whose biological mother and father have both passed away.

Type of diseases:

- In medicine, an **acute disease** is a disease, a short course, or both. Acute may be used to distinguish a disease from a chronic form, such as acute leukemia and chronic leukemia, or to highlight the sudden onset of a disease, such as acute myocardial infarction.
- A **chronic disease** is one lasting 3 months or more. Chronic diseases generally cannot be prevented by vaccines or cured by medication, nor do they just disappear.

Access to basic household services:

- **Access to water** – Refers to dwellings access to piped water sources in house or in the yard
- **Sanitation** – Refers to dwellings with flushing toilets connected to a sewage system or a septic tank, pit toilet with ventilation pipe
- **Refuse/ Waste** – refers to dwellings with rubbish removed by municipality
- **Electricity** – refers to dwellings which are connected to main electricity suppliers
- **Solid fuels for cooking** – refers to dwelling that use wood, coal, and animal dung as source of energy for cooking

INDICATORS: CHILDREN

Children are defined as people aged 17 years and below.

1.1 Demography of children

Table 1.1.1: Distribution of children, 2018

Province and sex	N ('000)			Per cent		
	Male	Female	Both	Male	Female	Both
WC	1 001	970	1 971	50,8	49,2	100,0
EC	1 274	1 240	2 514	50,7	49,3	100,0
NC	205	231	436	47,1	52,9	100,0
FS	521	500	1 021	51,0	49,0	100,0
KZN	2 097	2 087	4 184	50,1	49,9	100,0
NW	690	692	1 382	49,9	50,1	100,0
GP	2 111	2 075	4 186	50,4	49,6	100,0
MP	824	849	1 673	49,3	50,7	100,0
LP	1 188	1 186	2 374	50,1	49,9	100,0
RSA	9 912	9 830	19 741	50,2	49,8	100,0

Geo-type and sex	N ('000)			Per cent		
	Male	Female	Both	Male	Female	Both
Urban	5 625	5 632	11 256	50,0	50,0	100,0
Rural	4 287	4 198	8 485	50,5	49,5	100,0
RSA	9 912	9 830	19 741	50,2	49,8	100,0

Population group and sex	N ('000)			Per cent		
	Male	Female	Both	Male	Female	Both
Black African	8 467	8 444	16 912	50,1	49,9	100,0
Coloured	831	807	1 639	50,7	49,3	100,0
Indian/ Asian	168	156	325	51,8	48,2	100,0
White	445	421	866	51,3	48,7	100,0
Total	9 912	9 830	19 741	50,2	49,8	100,0

Source: GHS 2018

Table 1.1.2: Children as a proportion of the overall population, 2018

Province and sex	N ('000)						Per cent		
	Male		Female		Both		Male	Female	Both
	Children	Total	Children	Total	Children	Total	Children	Children	Children
WC	1 001	3 274	970	3 376	1 971	6 650	30,6	28,7	29,6
EC	1 274	3 123	1 240	3 385	2 514	6 508	40,8	36,6	38,6
NC	205	580	231	650	436	1 230	35,4	35,5	35,5
FS	521	1 388	500	1 503	1 021	2 891	37,5	33,3	35,3
KZN	2 097	5 409	2 087	5 807	4 184	11 215	38,8	35,9	37,3
NW	690	1 944	692	1 982	1 382	3 925	35,5	34,9	35,2
GP	2 111	7 405	2 075	7 255	4 186	14 661	28,5	28,6	28,5
MP	824	2 204	849	2 319	1 673	4 523	37,4	36,6	37,0
LP	1 188	2 765	1 186	3 089	2 374	5 854	43,0	38,4	40,6
RSA	9 912	28 093	9 830	29 364	19 741	57 458	35,3	33,5	34,4

Geo-type and sex	N ('000)						Per cent		
	Male		Female		Both		Male	Female	Both
	Children	Total	Children	Total	Children	Total	Children	Children	Children
Urban	5 625	18 467	5 632	18 764	11 256	37 231	30,5	30,0	30,2
Rural	4 287	9 627	4 198	10 600	8 485	20 227	44,5	39,6	42,0
RSA	9 912	28 093	9 830	29 364	19 741	57 458	35,3	33,5	34,4

Population group and sex	N ('000)						Per cent		
	Male		Female		Both		Male	Female	Both
	Children	Total	Children	Total	Children	Total	Children	Children	Children
Black African	8 467	22 755	8 444	23 782	16 912	46 537	37,2	35,5	36,3
Coloured	831	2 432	807	2 589	1 639	5 021	34,2	31,2	32,6
Indian/ Asian	168	732	156	698	325	1 430	23,0	22,4	22,7
White	445	2 174	421	2 295	866	4 469	20,5	18,4	19,4
Total	9 912	28 093	9 830	29 364	19 741	57 458	35,3	33,5	34,4

Source: GHS 2018

1.2 Children: Household characteristics

Table 1.2.1: Distribution of children by orphan-hood status, 2018

Province and sex	N ('000)	Per cent						
		Total	Maternal orphan	Paternal orphan	Double orphan	Not orphaned	Unspecified	
WC	Male	1 001	1,2	3,7	0,1	93,7	1,3	100,0
	Female	970	1,3	4,9	0,5	90,9	2,5	100,0
	Both	1 971	1,3	4,3	0,3	92,3	1,9	100,0
EC	Male	1 274	3,4	8,0	2,5	82,4	3,6	100,0
	Female	1 240	3,3	8,2	2,8	82,3	3,5	100,0
	Both	2 514	3,4	8,1	2,6	82,3	3,6	100,0
NC	Male	205	2,2	6,0	2,2	88,9	0,7	100,0
	Female	231	2,9	5,0	1,5	89,8	0,7	100,0
	Both	436	2,6	5,5	1,9	89,4	0,7	100,0
FS	Male	521	2,7	6,8	2,8	84,7	3,0	100,0
	Female	500	1,6	8,2	3,1	83,8	3,2	100,0
	Both	1 021	2,2	7,5	3,0	84,3	3,1	100,0
KZN	Male	2 097	3,1	10,1	2,1	82,7	1,9	100,0
	Female	2 087	2,8	10,9	2,5	81,8	2,1	100,0
	Both	4 184	3,0	10,5	2,3	82,2	2,0	100,0
NW	Male	690	2,2	8,0	1,6	83,6	4,6	100,0
	Female	692	2,4	5,9	1,9	85,2	4,7	100,0
	Both	1 382	2,3	6,9	1,7	84,4	4,6	100,0
GP	Male	2 111	1,9	5,3	1,3	89,1	2,5	100,0
	Female	2 075	2,0	5,4	2,1	87,7	2,9	100,0
	Both	4 186	1,9	5,4	1,7	88,4	2,7	100,0
MP	Male	824	3,3	8,3	1,8	83,5	3,1	100,0
	Female	849	3,2	7,0	2,5	84,5	2,7	100,0
	Both	1 673	3,2	7,7	2,2	84,0	2,9	100,0
LP	Male	1 188	1,2	6,3	2,0	88,2	2,4	100,0
	Female	1 186	1,1	5,9	1,2	89,3	2,5	100,0
	Both	2 374	1,1	6,1	1,6	88,7	2,5	100,0
RSA	Male	9 912	2,4	7,2	1,7	86,1	2,6	100,0
	Female	9 830	2,3	7,2	2,1	85,7	2,8	100,0
	Both	19 741	2,3	7,2	1,9	85,9	2,7	100,0

Geo-type and sex	N ('000)	Per cent						
		Total	Maternal orphan	Paternal orphan	Double orphan	Not orphaned	Unspecified	
Urban	Male	5 625	2,1	5,8	1,5	88,5	2,1	100,0
	Female	5 632	2,1	6,6	1,9	86,9	2,6	100,0
	Both	11 256	2,1	6,2	1,7	87,7	2,3	100,0
Rural	Male	4 287	2,7	8,9	2,1	83,0	3,2	100,0
	Female	4 198	2,5	8,1	2,3	84,0	3,0	100,0
	Both	8 485	2,6	8,5	2,2	83,5	3,1	100,0
RSA	Male	9 912	2,4	7,2	1,7	86,1	2,6	100,0
	Female	9 830	2,3	7,2	2,1	85,7	2,8	100,0
	Both	19 741	2,3	7,2	1,9	85,9	2,7	100,0

Population group and sex		N ('000)	Per cent					
			Total	Maternal orphan	Paternal orphan	Double orphan	Not orphaned	Unspecified
Black African	Male	8 467	2,6	7,9	2,0	84,7	2,9	100,0
	Female	8 444	2,5	8,0	2,3	84,3	2,9	100,0
	Both	16 912	2,5	7,9	2,2	84,5	2,9	100,0
Coloured	Male	831	2,1	3,8	0,4	93,0	0,8	100,0
	Female	807	1,8	3,4	0,5	92,2	2,1	100,0
	Both	1 639	1,9	3,6	0,5	92,6	1,4	100,0
Indian/ Asian	Male	168	..	0,9	0,4	98,4	0,3	100,0
	Female	156	..	4,0	0,6	94,8	0,6	100,0
	Both	325	..	2,4	0,5	96,7	0,4	100,0
White	Male	445	0,3	1,8	..	96,6	1,3	100,0
	Female	421	0,3	1,0	0,2	96,3	2,2	100,0
	Both	866	0,3	1,4	0,1	96,5	1,7	100,0
Total	Male	9 912	2,4	7,2	1,7	86,1	2,6	100,0
	Female	9 830	2,3	7,2	2,1	85,7	2,8	100,0
	Both	19 741	2,3	7,2	1,9	85,9	2,7	100,0

Source: GHS 2018

Table 1.2.2: Children by their parental living arrangements, 2018

Sex	N ('000)	Per cent					
		Total	Lives with mother only	Lives with father only	Lives with both parents	Lives with neither parent	Unspecified
Male	9 912	41,4	3,5	32,4	19,1	3,6	100,0
Female	9 830	42,0	2,8	33,0	19,1	3,1	100,0
Both	19 741	41,7	3,2	32,7	19,1	3,3	100,0

Source: GHS 2018

Table 1.2.3: Distribution of children by household composition, 2018

Province and sex		N ('000)	Per cent					
			Total	Single	Nuclear	Extended	Complex	Unspecified
WC	Male	1 001	..	51,2	42,5	6,3	..	100,0
	Female	970	..	50,0	44,4	5,6	..	100,0
	Both	1 971	..	50,6	43,4	5,9	..	100,0
EC	Male	1 274	0,2	24,1	73,9	1,8	..	100,0
	Female	1 240	..	24,1	74,0	1,9	..	100,0
	Both	2 514	0,1	24,1	73,9	1,9	..	100,0
NC	Male	205	0,3	34,5	62,6	2,6	..	100,0
	Female	231	..	34,1	64,1	1,7	0,1	100,0
	Both	436	0,2	34,3	63,4	2,1	0,1	100,0
FS	Male	521	0,2	38,5	60,3	1,0	..	100,0
	Female	500	..	38,8	59,7	1,5	..	100,0
	Both	1 021	0,1	38,6	60,0	1,2	..	100,0
KZN	Male	2 097	0,2	24,0	73,2	2,6	0,1	100,0
	Female	2 087	0,0	23,3	74,2	2,4	0,0	100,0
	Both	4 184	0,1	23,6	73,7	2,5	0,1	100,0
NW	Male	690	0,1	34,2	62,8	2,8	0,1	100,0
	Female	692	..	35,2	61,5	3,3	..	100,0
	Both	1 382	0,0	34,7	62,2	3,1	0,1	100,0
GP	Male	2 111	0,1	48,8	49,2	1,9	0,1	100,0
	Female	2 075	..	48,3	50,2	1,4	0,1	100,0
	Both	4 186	0,0	48,6	49,7	1,6	0,1	100,0
MP	Male	824	0,4	35,7	62,9	1,1	..	100,0
	Female	849	0,1	37,5	61,7	0,7	..	100,0
	Both	1 673	0,2	36,6	62,3	0,9	..	100,0
LP	Male	1 188	0,2	31,8	66,9	1,1	..	100,0
	Female	1 186	0,2	34,3	64,3	1,2	..	100,0
	Both	2 374	0,2	33,0	65,6	1,1	..	100,0
RSA	Male	9 912	0,2	35,6	61,8	2,3	0,0	100,0
	Female	9 830	0,0	35,7	62,0	2,2	0,0	100,0
	Both	19 741	0,1	35,7	61,9	2,2	0,0	100,0

Geo-type and sex		N ('000)	Per cent					
			Total	Single	Nuclear	Extended	Complex	Unspecified
Urban	Male	5 625	0,1	44,8	52,6	2,5	0,0	100,0
	Female	5 632	..	44,4	53,2	2,3	0,1	100,0
	Both	11 256	0,1	44,6	52,9	2,4	0,0	100,0
Rural	Male	4 287	0,2	23,6	73,9	2,2	0,0	100,0
	Female	4 198	0,1	24,1	73,9	1,9	0,0	100,0
	Both	8 485	0,2	23,8	73,9	2,0	0,0	100,0
RSA	Male	9 912	0,2	35,6	61,8	2,3	0,0	100,0
	Female	9 830	0,0	35,7	62,0	2,2	0,0	100,0
	Both	19 741	0,1	35,7	61,9	2,2	0,0	100,0

Population group and sex		N ('000)	Per cent					
			Total	Single	Nuclear	Extended	Complex	Unspecified
Black African	Male	8 467	0,2	32,5	65,3	2,0	0,0	100,0
	Female	8 444	0,0	32,4	65,7	1,8	0,0	100,0
	Both	16 912	0,1	32,4	65,5	1,9	0,0	100,0
Coloured	Male	831	0,0	40,8	53,6	5,5	..	100,0
	Female	807	..	40,5	54,4	5,1	..	100,0
	Both	1 639	0,0	40,7	54,0	5,3	..	100,0
Indian/ Asian	Male	168	..	61,5	38,5	..	..	100,0
	Female	156	..	68,4	31,6	..	..	100,0
	Both	325	..	64,8	35,2	..	..	100,0
White	Male	445	..	76,7	19,3	4,1	..	100,0
	Female	421	..	81,8	14,5	3,8	..	100,0
	Both	866	..	79,2	16,9	3,9	..	100,0
Total	Male	9 912	0,2	35,6	61,8	2,3	0,0	100,0
	Female	9 830	0,0	35,7	62,0	2,2	0,0	100,0
	Both	19 741	0,1	35,7	61,9	2,2	0,0	100,0

Source: GHS 2018

Table 1.2.4: Child-headed households across intergenerational household type, 2018

Sex	N ('000)	Per cent				
		Total	Single generation	Double generation	Skip generation	Other
Male	37	83,8	2,2	2,8	11,2	100,0
Female	19	76,9	11,7	..	11,3	100,0
Both	56	81,5	5,5	1,8	11,2	100,0

Source: GHS 2018.

Other include unspecified cases.

1.3 Children: Income, poverty, economic activity and social grants

Table 1.3.1: Children who are beneficiaries of social grants, 2018

Sex	N ('000)		Per cent	
	Beneficiary	Total	Beneficiary	Total
Male	6 815	9 912,0	68,8	
Female	6 863	9 830,0	69,8	
Both	13 678	19 741,0	69,3	

Source: GHS 2018

Table 1.3.2: Children living in households without an employed adult, 2018

Province and sex	N ('000)						Per cent		
	Male		Female		Both		Male	Female	Both
	Without	Total	Without	Total	Without	Total	Without	Without	Without
WC	82	1 001	75	970	157	1 971	8,2	7,7	8,0
EC	593	1 274	558	1 240	1 151	2 514	46,5	45,0	45,8
NC	62	205	65	231	127	436	30,3	28,2	29,2
FS	181	521	178	500	359	1 021	34,6	35,6	35,1
KZN	752	2 097	754	2 087	1 505	4 184	35,8	36,1	36,0
NW	234	690	244	692	478	1 382	33,9	35,3	34,6
GP	322	2 111	309	2 075	631	4 186	15,3	14,9	15,1
MP	233	824	245	849	478	1 673	28,3	28,9	28,6
LP	490	1 188	478	1 186	968	2 374	41,2	40,3	40,8
RSA	2 948	9 912	2 906	9 830	5 854	19 741	29,7	29,6	29,7

Geo-type and sex	N ('000)						Percent		
	Male		Female		Both		Male	Female	Both
	Without	Total	Without	Total	Without	Total	Without	Without	Without
Urban	994	5 625	1 029	5 632	2 023	11 256	17,7	18,3	18,0
Rural	1 955	4 287	1 877	4 198	3 832	8 485	45,6	44,7	45,2
RSA	2 948	9 912	2 906	9 830	5 854	19 741	29,7	29,6	29,7

Source: GHS 2018

Table 1.3.3: Distribution of main source of income for child-headed households, 2018

Geo-type	N ('000)	Per cent						
		Total	Salaries/ wages/ commission	Remit- tances	Social grants	Other non- farm income	No income	Unspecified
Urban	13	..	83,1	8,8	..	8,1	..	100,0
Rural	43	4,0	64,0	21,5	4,5	..	6,0	100,0
RSA	56	3,1	68,5	18,5	3,4	1,9	4,6	100,0

Sex	N ('000)	Per cent						
		Total	Salaries/ wages/ commission	Remit- tances	Social grants	Other non- farm income	No income	Unspecified
Male	37	2,1	72,0	17,1	3,1	2,9	2,8	100,0
Female	19	5,0	61,6	21,2	4,2	..	8,1	100,0
Both	56	3,1	68,5	18,5	3,4	1,9	4,6	100,0

Source: GHS 2018

Table 1.3.4: Distribution of children living in households by household income quintile, 2018

Province and sex		N ('000)	Per cent					
			Total	Below quintile 1 (R2 000)	Between quintiles 1 & 2 (R2 000 & R5 000)	Between quintiles 2 & 3 (R5 000 & R10 000)	Between quintiles 3 & 4 (R10 000 & R19 000)	Above quintile 4 (R19 000)
WC	Male	1 001	7,4	25,1	31,6	10,3	25,6	100,0
	Female	970	10,1	26,6	29,1	10,9	23,3	100,0
	Both	1 971	8,7	25,9	30,3	10,6	24,5	100,0
EC	Male	1 274	13,7	38,7	30,9	6,9	9,9	100,0
	Female	1 240	12,7	35,9	32,4	8,4	10,5	100,0
	Both	2 514	13,2	37,3	31,6	7,6	10,2	100,0
NC	Male	205	12,5	36,6	28,5	10,0	12,4	100,0
	Female	231	12,1	38,2	31,6	8,1	10,0	100,0
	Both	436	12,3	37,4	30,2	9,0	11,1	100,0
FS	Male	521	13,3	22,6	32,5	11,0	20,5	100,0
	Female	500	12,9	23,9	30,6	12,0	20,6	100,0
	Both	1 021	13,1	23,3	31,6	11,5	20,5	100,0
KZN	Male	2 097	25,8	31,1	23,0	8,0	12,1	100,0
	Female	2 087	25,8	29,9	24,4	7,6	12,4	100,0
	Both	4 184	25,8	30,5	23,7	7,8	12,2	100,0
NW	Male	690	17,9	31,3	32,3	10,1	8,5	100,0
	Female	692	16,8	32,1	31,8	7,5	11,8	100,0
	Both	1 382	17,3	31,7	32,0	8,8	10,2	100,0
GP	Male	2 111	8,6	19,8	26,2	10,3	35,1	100,0
	Female	2 075	7,7	21,2	26,9	9,4	34,7	100,0
	Both	4 186	8,2	20,5	26,6	9,9	34,9	100,0
MP	Male	824	23,2	26,7	26,1	6,4	17,6	100,0
	Female	849	23,7	22,4	26,6	8,1	19,2	100,0
	Both	1 673	23,5	24,5	26,3	7,3	18,4	100,0
LP	Male	1 188	40,3	30,4	19,4	5,0	4,8	100,0
	Female	1 186	39,8	29,3	19,5	5,4	6,0	100,0
	Both	2 374	40,0	29,9	19,4	5,2	5,4	100,0
RSA	Male	9 912	18,8	28,3	26,6	8,4	17,8	100,0
	Female	9 830	18,7	27,8	27,0	8,4	18,1	100,0
	Both	19 741	18,7	28,1	26,8	8,4	18,0	100,0

Geo-type and sex		N ('000)	Per cent					
			Total	Below quintile 1 (R2 000)	Between quintiles 1 & 2 (R2 000 & R5 000)	Between quintiles 2 & 3 (R5 000 & R10 000)	Between quintiles 3 & 4 (R10 000 & R19 000)	Above quintile 4 (R19 000)
Urban	Male	5 625	11,3	25,2	28,0	9,6	25,9	100,0
	Female	5 632	11,5	25,0	27,5	9,9	26,1	100,0
	Both	11 256	11,4	25,1	27,7	9,8	26,0	100,0
Rural	Male	4 287	28,6	32,4	24,8	6,8	7,3	100,0
	Female	4 198	28,2	31,7	26,4	6,4	7,3	100,0
	Both	8 485	28,4	32,1	25,6	6,6	7,3	100,0
RSA	Male	9 912	18,8	28,3	26,6	8,4	17,8	100,0
	Female	9 830	18,7	27,8	27,0	8,4	18,1	100,0
	Both	19 741	18,7	28,1	26,8	8,4	18,0	100,0

Population group and sex		N ('000)	Per cent					
			Total	Below quintile 1 (R2 000)	Between quintiles 1 & 2 (R2 000 & R5 000)	Between quintiles 2 & 3 (R5 000 & R10 000)	Between quintiles 3 & 4 (R10 000 & R19 000)	Above quintile 4 (R19 000)
Black African	Male	8 467	20,9	30,2	27,2	7,7	14,1	100,0
	Female	8 444	20,6	29,2	27,5	8,0	14,8	100,0
	Both	16 912	20,8	29,7	27,4	7,8	14,4	100,0
Coloured	Male	831	8,4	27,9	32,2	11,2	20,2	100,0
	Female	807	10,6	31,0	30,2	9,1	19,1	100,0
	Both	1 639	9,5	29,4	31,2	10,2	19,7	100,0
Indian/ Asian	Male	168	4,0	6,3	19,8	17,8	52,1	100,0
	Female	156	3,1	7,9	24,6	13,3	51,1	100,0
	Both	325	3,6	7,1	22,1	15,7	51,6	100,0
White	Male	445	2,4	2,1	8,8	14,4	72,3	100,0
	Female	421	1,7	2,5	11,3	14,3	70,2	100,0
	Both	866	2,1	2,3	10,0	14,3	71,3	100,0
Total	Male	9 912	18,8	28,3	26,6	8,4	17,8	100,0
	Female	9 830	18,7	27,8	27,0	8,4	18,1	100,0
	Both	19 741	18,7	28,1	26,8	8,4	18,0	100,0

Source: GHS 2018

1.4 Children: Health

Table 1.4.1: Children with access to medical aid, 2018

Geo-type and sex		N ('000)	Per cent			
			Total	Medical aid	No medical aid	Unspecified	Total
Urban	Male	5 625	20,1	79,0	0,9	100,0
	Female	5 632	19,3	79,8	1,0	100,0
	Both	11 256	19,7	79,4	0,9	100,0
Rural	Male	4 287	5,1	94,1	0,8	100,0
	Female	4 198	3,8	95,4	0,8	100,0
	Both	8 485	4,5	94,7	0,8	100,0
RSA	Male	9 912	13,6	85,5	0,9	100,0
	Female	9 830	12,7	86,4	0,9	100,0
	Both	19 741	13,1	86,0	0,9	100,0

Source: GHS 2018

Table 1.4.2: Distribution of main type of healthcare facility visited by children, 2018

Geo-type and sex		N ('000)	Per cent								Total
			Total	Public hospital	Public clinic	Public: Other	Private hospital/ clinic/ doctor	Other facilities	Traditional healer	Unspecified	
Urban	Male	5 625	5,9	65,2	0,5	27,0	0,5	0,5	0,5	0,3	100,0
	Female	5 632	6,0	65,8	0,4	26,6	0,4	0,6	0,6	0,2	100,0
	Both	11 256	6,0	65,5	0,5	26,8	0,4	0,6	0,6	0,3	100,0
Rural	Male	4 287	3,9	88,8	0,5	5,6	0,4	0,6	0,6	0,1	100,0
	Female	4 198	3,9	90,1	0,5	4,6	0,2	0,7	0,7	0,1	100,0
	Both	8 485	3,9	89,4	0,5	5,1	0,3	0,7	0,7	0,1	100,0
RSA	Male	9 912	5,1	75,4	0,5	17,8	0,5	0,6	0,6	0,2	100,0
	Female	9 830	5,1	76,2	0,4	17,2	0,3	0,6	0,6	0,2	100,0
	Both	19 741	5,1	75,8	0,5	17,5	0,4	0,6	0,6	0,2	100,0

Source: GHS 2018

Table 1.4.3: Children living less than 30 minutes from the nearest health care facility, 2018

Province and sex	N ('000)						Per cent		
	Male		Female		Both		Male	Female	Both
	< 30 mins away	Total	< 30 mins away	Total	< 30 mins away	Total	< 30 mins away	< 30 mins away	< 30 mins away
WC	938	996	900	962	1 837	1 959	94,1	93,5	93,8
EC	943	1 269	914	1 236	1 857	2 505	74,3	74,0	74,1
NC	177	205	189	230	366	436	86,4	82,2	84,1
FS	427	511	416	494	843	1 005	83,6	84,2	83,9
KZN	1 435	2 089	1 407	2 082	2 842	4 171	68,7	67,6	68,1
NW	519	681	498	687	1 017	1 368	76,2	72,4	74,3
GP	1 928	2 079	1 926	2 053	3 854	4 132	92,8	93,8	93,3
MP	624	822	625	845	1 248	1 667	75,8	73,9	74,9
LP	913	1 183	948	1 175	1 861	2 358	77,2	80,6	78,9
RSA	7 905	9 835	7 822	9 766	15 727	19 601	80,4	80,1	80,2

Geo-type and sex	N ('000)						Per cent		
	Male		Female		Both		Male	Female	Both
	< 30 mins away	Total	< 30 mins away	Total	< 30 mins away	Total	< 30 mins away	< 30 mins away	< 30 mins away
Urban	5 044	5 560	5 082	5 581	10 126	11 140	90,7	91,1	90,9
Rural	2 860	4 276	2 740	4 185	5 600	8 460	66,9	65,5	66,2
RSA	7 905	9 835	7 822	9 766	15 727	19 601	80,4	80,1	80,2

Source: GHS 2018.

Excluding unspecified cases.

Table 1.4.4: Children who suffered from acute diseases compared to the overall population, 2018

Province	N ('000)				Per cent	
	Children		Total		Children	Total
	Suffering	Total	Suffering	Total	Suffering	Suffering
WC	216	1 971	645	6 650	11,0	9,7
EC	245	2 514	637	6 508	9,7	9,8
NC	55	436	148	1 230	12,7	12,1
FS	124	1 021	301	2 891	12,1	10,4
KZN	337	4 184	825	11 215	8,1	7,4
NW	120	1 382	306	3 925	8,7	7,8
GP	529	4 186	1 500	14 661	12,6	10,2
MP	206	1 673	480	4 523	12,3	10,6
LP	222	2 374	419	5 854	9,3	7,2
RSA	2 055	19 741	5 262	57 458	10,4	9,2

Geo-type	N ('000)				Per cent	
	Children		Total		Children	Total
	Suffering	Total	Suffering	Total	Suffering	Suffering
Urban	1 365	11 256	3 751	37 231	12,1	10,1
Rural	690	8 485	1 511	20 227	8,1	7,5
RSA	2 055	19 741	5 262	57 458	10,4	9,2

Sex	N ('000)				Per cent	
	Children		Total		Children	Total
	Suffering	Total	Suffering	Total	Suffering	Suffering
Male	996	9 912	2 358	28 093	10,0	8,4
Female	1 059	9 830	2 904	29 364	10,8	9,9
Both	2 055	19 741	5 262	57 458	10,4	9,2

Source: GHS 2018

Table 1.4.5: Children who suffered from chronic diseases compared to the overall population, 2018

Province	N ('000)				Per cent	
	Children		Total		Children	Total
	Suffering	Total	Suffering	Total	Suffering	Suffering
WC	73	1 971	1 168	6 650	3,7	17,6
EC	50	2 514	1 070	6 508	2,0	16,4
NC	13	436	241	1 230	2,9	19,6
FS	21	1 021	535	2 891	2,1	18,5
KZN	106	4 184	1 593	11 215	2,5	14,2
NW	30	1 382	619	3 925	2,2	15,8
GP	88	4 186	1 913	14 661	2,1	13,0
MP	40	1 673	584	4 523	2,4	12,9
LP	26	2 374	438	5 854	1,1	7,5
RSA	447	19 741	8 161	57 458	2,3	14,2

Geo-type	N ('000)				Per cent	
	Children		Total		Children	Total
	Suffering	Total	Suffering	Total	Suffering	Suffering
Urban	288	11 256	5 655	37 231	2,6	15,2
Rural	159	8 485	2 506	20 227	1,9	12,4
RSA	447	19 741	8 161	57 458	2,3	14,2

Sex	N ('000)				Per cent	
	Children		Total		Children	Total
	Suffering	Total	Suffering	Total	Suffering	Suffering
Male	240	9 912	3 093	28 093	2,4	11,0
Female	207	9 830	5 068	29 364	2,1	17,3
Both	447	19 741	8 161	57 458	2,3	14,2

Source: GHS 2018

1.5 Children: Vulnerability to hunger

Table 1.5.1: Children living in households that reported hunger, 2018

Province and sex	N ('000)						Per cent		
	Male		Female		Both		Male	Female	Both
	Suffering	Total	Suffering	Total	Suffering	Total	Suffering	Suffering	Suffering
WC	152	999	136	968	288	1 968	15,2	14,0	14,6
EC	102	1 266	110	1 234	212	2 500	8,1	8,9	8,5
NC	31	205	41	230	73	435	15,3	18,1	16,7
FS	66	521	65	500	131	1 021	12,6	13,0	12,8
KZN	431	2 092	395	2 078	826	4 170	20,6	19,0	19,8
NW	135	690	149	692	284	1 382	19,6	21,6	20,6
GP	189	2 095	157	2 063	345	4 159	9,0	7,6	8,3
MP	113	819	109	847	222	1 666	13,8	12,9	13,3
LP	55	1 179	63	1 176	118	2 355	4,7	5,4	5,0
RSA	1 274	9 866	1 226	9 789	2 500	19 655	12,9	12,5	12,7

Geo-type and sex	N ('000)						Per cent		
	Male		Female		Both		Male	Female	Both
	Suffering	Total	Suffering	Total	Suffering	Total	Suffering	Suffering	Suffering
Urban	647	5 598	605	5 611	1 252	11 210	11,6	10,8	11,2
Rural	627	4 267	621	4 177	1 248	8 445	14,7	14,9	14,8
RSA	1 274	9 866	1 226	9 789	2 500	19 655	12,9	12,5	12,7

Population group and sex	N ('000)						Per cent		
	Male		Female		Both		Male	Female	Both
	Suffering	Total	Suffering	Total	Suffering	Total	Suffering	Suffering	Suffering
Black African	1 188	8 423	1 121	8 406	2 310	16 828	14,1	13,3	13,7
Coloured	82	830	89	807	171	1 637	9,8	11,0	10,4
Indian/ Asian	1	168	7	156	8	325	0,9	4,2	2,5
White	3	445	9	420	12	865	0,6	2,2	1,4
Total	1 274	9 866	1 226	9 789	2 500	19 655	12,9	12,5	12,7

Source: GHS 2018.

Excluding unspecified cases.

Table 1.5.2: Child-inclusive households that reported hunger, 2018

Province	N ('000)		Per cent
	Suffering	Total	Suffering
WC	137	919	14,9
EC	71	915	7,8
NC	30	190	15,6
FS	52	513	10,1
KZN	243	1 539	15,8
NW	92	558	16,5
GP	161	2 223	7,2
MP	89	711	12,6
LP	37	916	4,0
RSA	911	8 484	10,7

Geo-type	N ('000)		Per cent
	Suffering	Total	Suffering
Urban	537	5 507	9,8
Rural	374	2 977	12,6
RSA	911	8 484	10,7

Sex	N ('000)		Per cent
	Suffering	Total	Suffering
Male	332	4 141	8,0
Female	580	4 344	13,4
Both	911	8 484	10,7

Source: GHS 2018.

Excluding unspecified cases.

1.6 Children: Education

Table 1.6.1: School attendance by children of compulsory school age (7-15 years), 2018

Age group and sex	N ('000)						Per cent		
	Male		Female		Both		Male	Female	Both
	Attending	Total	Attending	Total	Attending	Total	Attending	Attending	Attending
7-13 years	3 872	3 907	3 925	3 956	7 797	7 863	99,1	99,2	99,2
14-15 years	925	944	883	897	1 808	1 841	97,9	98,4	98,2
Total	4 797	4 851	4 808	4 853	9 605	9 705	98,9	99,1	99,0

Source: GHS 2018.

Excluding unspecified cases.

Table 1.6.2: Learners in public ordinary schools (POS) benefiting from the “No Fees School” policy, 2018

Sex	N ('000)		Per cent
	Total	Beneficiary	
Male	2 796		95,6
Female	2 784		94,8
Both	5 580		95,2

Source: GHS 2018.

Excluding unspecified cases.

Table 1.6.3: Children (5 years and older) who experienced corporal punishment in schools, 2018

Province	N ('000)	Per cent
	Total	Victim
WC	49	28,1
EC	221	98,3
NC	27	61,5
FS	102	90,4
KZN	246	95,2
NW	102	79,3
GP	78	49,7
MP	54	74,8
LP	95	93,8
RSA	973	84,5

Population group	N ('000)	Per cent
	Total	Victim
Black African	909	88,5
Coloured	53	28,8
Indian/ Asian	5	19,8
White	6	26,0
Total	973	84,5

Sex	N ('000)	Per cent
	Total	Victim
Male	490	83,1
Female	483	86,0
Both	973	84,5

Source: GHS 2018.

Excluding unspecified cases.

Table 1.6.4: Children aged 0-4 years attending day care centres, 2018

Province and sex	N ('000)						Per cent		
	Male		Female		Both		Male	Female	Both
	Attending	Total	Attending	Total	Attending	Total	Attending	Attending	Attending
WC	133	297	114	286	247	583	44,9	39,9	42,5
EC	124	350	133	349	257	699	35,5	38,1	36,8
NC	15	55	12	66	27	121	26,4	18,8	22,2
FS	63	143	65	128	128	270	43,9	51,2	47,3
KZN	149	575	130	560	279	1 134	25,9	23,2	24,6
NW	58	201	75	217	132	418	28,7	34,4	31,7
GP	312	642	308	642	621	1 283	48,7	48,0	48,4
MP	82	232	102	253	184	484	35,4	40,3	37,9
LP	155	383	129	356	284	739	40,4	36,3	38,4
RSA	1 091	2 877	1 068	2 856	2 159	5 732	37,9	37,4	37,7

Geo-type and sex	N ('000)						Per cent		
	Male		Female		Both		Male	Female	Both
	Attending	Total	Attending	Total	Attending	Total	Attending	Attending	Attending
Urban	696	1 659	710	1 665	1 406	3 324	41,9	42,7	42,3
Rural	395	1 218	358	1 191	753	2 408	32,4	30,1	31,3
RSA	1 091	2 877	1 068	2 856	2 159	5 732	37,9	37,4	37,7

Source: GHS 2018.

Excluding unspecified cases.

Table 1.6.5: Children aged 7-13 years attending educational institutions, 2018

Province and sex	N ('000)						Per cent		
	Male		Female		Both		Male	Female	Both
	Attending	Total	Attending	Total	Attending	Total	Attending	Attending	Attending
WC	379	385	372	378	751	762	98,6	98,5	98,5
EC	522	526	510	513	1 032	1 039	99,1	99,4	99,3
NC	79	80	82	84	162	164	98,9	97,7	98,3
FS	204	204	207	208	411	412	100,0	99,6	99,8
KZN	870	877	845	856	1 714	1 733	99,1	98,7	98,9
NW	255	257	290	291	545	548	99,3	99,7	99,5
GP	807	818	824	829	1 632	1 647	98,7	99,4	99,1
MP	318	320	314	314	632	634	99,3	100,0	99,6
LP	438	440	480	484	918	924	99,5	99,3	99,4
RSA	3 872	3 907	3 925	3 956	7 797	7 863	99,1	99,2	99,2

Geo-type and sex	N ('000)						Percent		
	Male		Female		Both		Male	Female	Both
	Attending	Total	Attending	Total	Attending	Total	Attending	Attending	Attending
Urban	2 181	2 206	2 212	2 232	4 393	4 438	98,9	99,1	99,0
Rural	1 691	1 701	1 713	1 725	3 404	3 426	99,4	99,3	99,4
RSA	3 872	3 907	3 925	3 956	7 797	7 863	99,1	99,2	99,2

Source: GHS 2018.

Excluding unspecified cases.

Table 1.6.6: Children aged 14-17 years attending educational institutions, 2018

Province and sex	N ('000)						Per cent		
	Male		Female		Both		Male	Female	Both
	Attending	Total	Attending	Total	Attending	Total	Attending	Attending	Attending
WC	183	195	160	173	343	367	94,1	92,3	93,2
EC	210	224	213	224	424	449	93,8	95,1	94,4
NC	39	44	48	53	87	96	90,5	90,4	90,5
FS	108	112	96	100	204	212	96,5	95,9	96,3
KZN	367	380	396	415	763	795	96,7	95,4	96,0
NW	128	140	105	115	234	255	91,6	91,4	91,5
GP	385	398	350	363	736	761	96,9	96,5	96,7
MP	154	159	161	168	315	327	97,2	95,3	96,2
LP	208	211	200	205	409	416	98,7	97,9	98,3
RSA	1 785	1 862	1 729	1 816	3 513	3 678	95,8	95,2	95,5

Geo-type and sex	N ('000)						Per cent		
	Male		Female		Both		Male	Female	Both
	Attending	Total	Attending	Total	Attending	Total	Attending	Attending	Attending
Urban	1 008	1 057	1 007	1 056	2 015	2 113	95,3	95,3	95,3
Rural	777	805	722	760	1 499	1 565	96,5	95,0	95,8
RSA	1 785	1 862	1 729	1 816	3 513	3 678	95,8	95,2	95,5

Source: GHS 2018.

Excluding unspecified cases.

Table 1.6.7: Children aged 15 years who have not completed grade 7, 2018

Province and sex	N ('000)						Per cent		
	Male		Female		Both		Male	Female	Both
	Not completed	Total	Not completed	Total	Not completed	Total	Not completed	Not completed	Not completed
WC	3	46	5	38	8	84	7,0	12,4	9,4
EC	15	61	8	56	22	117	23,9	13,5	18,9
NC	2	9	2	11	4	20	27,7	18,2	22,4
FS	2	28	4	29	6	57	7,4	15,2	11,3
KZN	15	92	4	97	19	189	16,1	4,0	9,9
NW	7	38	..	21	7	59	18,2	..	11,7
GP	10	101	3	82	13	183	10,2	3,2	7,1
MP	5	43	5	41	10	84	12,2	11,3	11,7
LP	5	45	2	51	6	95	10,6	3,4	6,8
RSA	64	462	31	425	96	887	13,9	7,4	10,8

Geo-type and sex	N ('000)						Per cent		
	Male		Female		Both		Male	Female	Both
	Not completed	Total	Not completed	Total	Not completed	Total	Not completed	Not completed	Not completed
Urban	25	256	19	247	43	503	9,6	7,6	8,6
Rural	40	206	13	178	52	384	19,3	7,1	13,6
RSA	64	462	31	425	96	887	13,9	7,4	10,8

Source: GHS 2018.

Excluding unspecified cases.

Table 1.6.8: Children aged 17 years who have not completed grade 9, 2018

Province and sex	N ('000)						Per cent		
	Male		Female		Both		Male	Female	Both
	Not completed	Total	Not completed	Total	Not completed	Total	Not completed	Not completed	Not completed
WC	7	48	7	50	15	97	15,7	14,7	15,2
EC	17	44	11	46	28	90	39,5	22,9	31,0
NC	5	11	3	16	8	27	39,6	20,3	28,5
FS	12	28	3	24	16	52	43,6	13,9	30,0
KZN	34	104	17	97	52	201	33,1	18,0	25,8
NW	15	29	16	32	31	61	52,0	48,7	50,3
GP	11	110	8	79	19	189	10,0	10,5	10,2
MP	9	37	7	39	15	75	23,3	17,3	20,2
LP	18	62	5	44	23	106	28,9	11,5	21,7
RSA	129	474	78	426	206	900	27,2	18,2	22,9

Geo-type and sex	N ('000)						Per cent		
	Male		Female		Both		Male	Female	Both
	Not completed	Total	Not completed	Total	Not completed	Total	Not completed	Not completed	Not completed
Urban	64	290	43	247	106	537	21,9	17,4	19,8
Rural	65	184	35	179	100	363	35,6	19,3	27,6
RSA	129	474	78	426	206	900	27,2	18,2	22,9

Source: GHS 2018.

Excluding unspecified cases.

Table 1.6.9: Children living more than 30 minutes away from the nearest school, 2018

Province and sex	N ('000)						Per cent		
	Male		Female		Both		Male	Female	Both
	More than 30 mins	Total	More than 30 mins	Total	More than 30 mins	Total	More than 30 mins	More than 30 mins	More than 30 mins
WC	19	502	20	468	39	971	3,8	4,3	4,1
EC	95	775	87	749	182	1 524	12,3	11,6	12,0
NC	4	124	5	124	9	248	3,5	3,7	3,6
FS	20	297	25	312	46	609	6,8	8,1	7,5
KZN	270	1 259	246	1 230	516	2 489	21,5	20,0	20,7
NW	30	387	36	387	66	774	7,8	9,2	8,5
GP	49	1 115	46	1 062	95	2 178	4,4	4,4	4,4
MP	45	491	52	492	98	983	9,2	10,6	9,9
LP	64	687	59	693	123	1 380	9,4	8,5	8,9
RSA	598	5 638	577	5 517	1 174	11 156	10,6	10,5	10,5

Geo-type and sex	N ('000)						Per cent		
	Male		Female		Both		Male	Female	Both
	More than 30 mins	Total	More than 30 mins	Total	More than 30 mins	Total	More than 30 mins	More than 30 mins	More than 30 mins
Urban	157	3 009	163	2 957	320	5 966	5,2	5,5	5,4
Rural	441	2 629	413	2 561	854	5 190	16,8	16,1	16,5
RSA	598	5 638	577	5 517	1 174	11 156	10,6	10,5	10,5

Source: GHS 2018.

Excluding unspecified cases.

Table 1.6.10: Distribution of reasons for children aged 7–17 years who are not attending school, 2018

Province	WC	EC	NC	FS	KZN	NW	GP	MP	LP	RSA	
N ('000)	Total	36	33	12	9	50	24	40	15	13	231
Per cent	Too old/ young	7,1	1,3	2,2	..	..	..	19,9	..	8,3	5,3
	Has completed school/ education	5,7	14,8	12,1	..	4,4	3,3	7,6	5,9	..	6,6
	No money for fees	4,2	8,3	7,2	15,8	15,3	18,9	13,7	17,0	23,1	12,8
	Working, do not have time	3,2	1,6	3,4	..	1,4	..	6,8	..	..	2,4
	Family commitments	4,2	1,8	2,1	14,3	7,3	4,8	..	..	5,4	3,9
	Education not useful	33,6	9,9	5,3	27,5	2,2	16,7	..	2,1	..	10,3
	Poor academic performance	19,9	29,3	18,4	23,0	22,4	13,9	13,7	19,5	33,7	20,8
	Illness	4,0	7,8	3,7	..	6,9	5,4	4,9	5,0	..	5,1
	Disability	5,5	18,4	16,5	3,8	21,1	12,9	15,8	15,3	11,5	14,7
	Pregnancy	2,3	..	5,8	..	5,4	2,8	2,6	..	..	2,6
	Other	6,5	3,7	23,4	6,1	13,7	21,3	8,3	35,3	17,9	12,8
	Unspecified	3,9	3,2	..	9,6	..	..	6,8	..	..	2,6
Total		100,0	100,0	100,0	100,0	100,0	100,0	100,0	100,0	100,0	100,0

Geo-type	Urban		RSA	
N ('000)	Total	143	88	231
Per cent	Too old/ young	7,8	1,2	5,3
	Has completed school/education	6,7	6,4	6,6
	No money for fees	13,3	11,9	12,8
	Working, do not have time	2,2	2,7	2,4
	Family commitments	2,9	5,6	3,9
	Education not useful	13,1	5,7	10,3
	Poor academic performance	20,5	21,3	20,8
	Illness	5,3	4,9	5,1
	Disability	11,9	19,3	14,7
	Pregnancy	2,7	2,4	2,6
	Other	10,2	17,2	12,8
	Unspecified	3,4	1,2	2,6
Total		100,0	100,0	100,0

Source: GHS 2018

Table 1.6.11: Experience of violence/ punishment/ abuse at school by learners, aged 5 years and above, attending school, 2018

Geo-type	N ('000)		Per cent
	Victim	Total	Victim
Urban	465	8 080	5,8
Rural	507	6 589	7,7
RSA	973	14 669	6,6

Population group	N ('000)		Per cent
	Victim	Total	Victim
Black African	909	12 697	7,2
Coloured	53	1 129	4,7
Indian/ Asian	5	230	2,1
White	6	613	0,9
Total	973	14 669	6,6

Sex	N ('000)		Per cent
	Victim	Total	Victim
Male	490	7 398	6,6
Female	483	7 271	6,6
Both	973	14 669	6,6

Source: GHS 2018.

Excluding unspecified cases.

1.7 Children: Housing and basic services

Table 1.7.1: Distribution of child-headed households by type of housing, 2018

Geo-type and sex	N ('000)	Per cent				
		Total	Formal	Traditional	Informal	Total
Urban	Male	12	76,6	6,3	17,1	100,0
	Female	1	..	..	100,0	100,0
	Both	13	69,3	5,7	25,0	100,0
Rural	Male	25	65,4	34,6	..	100,0
	Female	18	68,9	23,9	7,3	100,0
	Both	43	66,9	30,1	3,0	100,0
RSA	Male	37	69,0	25,6	5,5	100,0
	Female	19	64,5	22,3	13,2	100,0
	Both	56	67,4	24,5	8,1	100,0

Source: GHS 2018

Table 1.7.2: Distribution of children by type of housing, 2018

Geo-type and sex	N ('000)	Per cent					
		Total	Formal	Traditional	Informal	Total	
Urban	Male	5 625	86,6	0,8	12,2	0,5	100,0
	Female	5 632	86,4	0,9	12,1	0,6	100,0
	Both	11 256	86,5	0,9	12,1	0,5	100,0
Rural	Male	4 287	78,1	18,9	2,8	0,2	100,0
	Female	4 198	77,3	19,2	3,4	0,1	100,0
	Both	8 485	77,7	19,0	3,1	0,1	100,0
RSA	Male	9 912	82,9	8,6	8,1	0,3	100,0
	Female	9 830	82,5	8,7	8,4	0,4	100,0
	Both	19 741	82,7	8,7	8,2	0,4	100,0

Source: GHS 2018

Table 1.7.3: Living condition indicators of children compared to the overall population, 2018**Access to piped water**

Age group	N ('000)	Per cent	
		Access	Unspecified
Not children	37 716	75,7	0,4
Children	19 741	67,7	0,5
Total	57 458	73,0	0,4

Access to improved sanitation

Age group	N ('000)	Per cent	
		Access	
Not children	37 716	84,1	
Children	19 741	80,4	
Total	57 458	82,8	

Refuse/ waste removed by the municipality

Age group	N ('000)	Per cent	
		Access	Unspecified
Not children	37 716	64,8	2,6
Children	19 741	54,1	2,7
Total	57 458	61,1	2,6

Access to electricity connected to the mains

Age group	N ('000)	Per cent	
		Access	Unspecified
Not children	37 716	89,4	0,1
Children	19 741	90,9	0,1
Total	57 458	89,9	0,1

Use solid fuels for cooking

Age group	N ('000)	Per cent	
		Access	
Not children	37 716	9,9	
Children	19 741	15,8	
Total	57 458	11,9	

Source: GHS 2018

1.8 Children: Violence and crime victims

Table 1.8.1: Children living in households where the household feel unsafe or very unsafe to walk alone in their area during the day, 2017/2018

Province	N ('000)		Per cent
	Unsafe	Total	Unsafe
WC	486	1 386	35,1
EC	422	1 921	22,0
NC	37	305	12,2
FS	147	784	18,8
KZN	559	2 644	21,2
NW	107	878	12,2
GP	700	2 781	25,2
MP	231	1 218	19,0
LP	115	1 824	6,3
RSA	2 805	13 740	20,4

Sex	N ('000)		Per cent
	Unsafe	Total	Unsafe
Male	1 405	6 887	20,4
Female	1 400	6 853	20,4
Both	2 805	13 740	20,4

Source: VOCS 2017/2018.

Excluding unspecified cases.

Table 1.8.2: Children living in households where the household feel unsafe or very unsafe to walk alone in their area at night, 2017/2018

Province	N ('000)		Per cent
	Unsafe	Total	Unsafe
WC	1 067	1 384	77,1
EC	1 304	1 920	67,9
NC	236	307	77,1
FS	614	785	78,1
KZN	1 678	2 646	63,4
NW	579	878	65,9
GP	2 061	2 768	74,5
MP	850	1 218	69,7
LP	973	1 820	53,5
RSA	9 362	13 726	68,2

Sex	N ('000)		Per cent
	Unsafe	Total	Unsafe
Male	4 708	6 873	68,5
Female	4 653	6 853	67,9
Both	9 362	13 726	68,2

Source: VOCS 2017/2018.

Excluding unspecified cases.

Table 1.8.3: Children who live in households where the fear of crime prevent them from going to parks in their area, 2017/ 2018

Province	N ('000)		Per cent
	Unsafe	Total	Unsafe
WC	621	1 333	46,6
EC	725	1 888	38,4
NC	169	295	57,1
FS	267	763	35,0
KZN	717	2 580	27,8
NW	178	852	20,9
GP	1 240	2 703	45,9
MP	453	1 173	38,6
LP	273	1 808	15,1
RSA	4 642	13 396	34,7

Sex	N ('000)		Per cent
	Unsafe	Total	Unsafe
Male	2 297	6 715	34,2
Female	2 346	6 681	35,1
Both	4 642	13 396	34,7

Source: VOCS 2017/ 2018.

Excluding unspecified cases.

INDICATORS: YOUTH

Youth are defined as people aged 15 to 34 years.

2.1 Demography of youth

Table 2.1.1: Distribution of youth, 2018

Province and sex	N ('000)			Per cent		
	Male	Female	Both	Male	Female	Both
WC	1 140	1 147	2 287	49,9	50,1	100,0
EC	1 071	1 092	2 163	49,5	50,5	100,0
NC	198	216	415	47,8	52,2	100,0
FS	488	510	998	48,9	51,1	100,0
KZN	2 035	2 095	4 130	49,3	50,7	100,0
NW	653	669	1 322	49,4	50,6	100,0
GP	2 797	2 635	5 432	51,5	48,5	100,0
MP	818	818	1 636	50,0	50,0	100,0
LP	993	1 053	2 045	48,5	51,5	100,0
RSA	10 194	10 235	20 428	49,9	50,1	100,0

Geo-type and sex	N ('000)			Per cent		
	Male	Female	Both	Male	Female	Both
Urban	6 806	6 685	13 491	50,5	49,5	100,0
Rural	3 388	3 550	6 937	48,8	51,2	100,0
RSA	10 194	10 235	20 428	49,9	50,1	100,0

Population group and sex	N ('000)			Per cent		
	Male	Female	Both	Male	Female	Both
Black African	8 576	8 650	17 226	49,8	50,2	100,0
Coloured	838	837	1 675	50,0	50,0	100,0
Indian/ Asian	239	212	451	53,0	47,0	100,0
White	541	535	1 076	50,2	49,8	100,0
Total	10 194	10 235	20 428	49,9	50,1	100,0

Age group and sex	N ('000)			Per cent		
	Male	Female	Both	Male	Female	Both
15-24 years	4 749	4 784	9 533	49,8	50,2	100,0
25-34 years	5 445	5 451	10 895	50,0	50,0	100,0
Total	10 194	10 235	20 428	49,9	50,1	100,0

Source: GHS 2018

Table 2.1.2: Youth as a proportion of the overall population, 2018

Province and sex	N ('000)						Per cent		
	Male		Female		Both		Male	Female	Both
	Youth	Total	Youth	Total	Youth	Total	Youth	Youth	Youth
WC	1 140	3 274	1 147	3 376	2 287	6 650	34,8	34,0	34,4
EC	1 071	3 123	1 092	3 385	2 163	6 508	34,3	32,3	33,2
NC	198	580	216	650	415	1 230	34,2	33,3	33,7
FS	488	1 388	510	1 503	998	2 891	35,2	33,9	34,5
KZN	2 035	5 409	2 095	5 807	4 130	11 215	37,6	36,1	36,8
NW	653	1 944	669	1 982	1 322	3 925	33,6	33,8	33,7
GP	2 797	7 405	2 635	7 255	5 432	14 661	37,8	36,3	37,1
MP	818	2 204	818	2 319	1 636	4 523	37,1	35,3	36,2
LP	993	2 765	1 053	3 089	2 045	5 854	35,9	34,1	34,9
RSA	10 194	28 093	10 235	29 364	20 428	57 458	36,3	34,9	35,6

Geo-type and sex	N ('000)						Per cent		
	Male		Female		Both		Male	Female	Both
	Youth	Total	Youth	Total	Youth	Total	Youth	Youth	Youth
Urban	6 806	18 467	6 685	18 764	13 491	37 231	36,9	35,6	36,2
Rural	3 388	9 627	3 550	10 600	6 937	20 227	35,2	33,5	34,3
RSA	10 194	28 093	10 235	29 364	20 428	57 458	36,3	34,9	35,6

Population group and sex	N ('000)						Per cent		
	Male		Female		Both		Male	Female	Both
	Youth	Total	Youth	Total	Youth	Total	Youth	Youth	Youth
Black African	8 576	22 755	8 650	23 782	17 226	46 537	37,7	36,4	37,0
Coloured	838	2 432	837	2 589	1 675	5 021	34,4	32,3	33,4
Indian/ Asian	239	732	212	698	451	1 430	32,7	30,4	31,6
White	541	2 174	535	2 295	1 076	4 469	24,9	23,3	24,1
Total	10 194	28 093	10 235	29 364	20 428	57 458	36,3	34,9	35,6

Source: GHS 2018

2.2 Youth: Household characteristics

Table 2.2.1: Distribution of youth-headed households, 2018

Province	N ('000)		Per cent
	Youth	Total	
WC	474	1 877	25,2
EC	387	1 685	23,0
NC	81	342	23,7
FS	235	901	26,1
KZN	793	2 905	27,3
NW	316	1 210	26,2
GP	1 492	4 884	30,5
MP	351	1 289	27,3
LP	443	1 579	28,1
RSA	4 574	16 671	27,4

Geo-type	N ('000)		Per cent
	Youth	Total	
Urban	3 335	11 651	28,6
Rural	1 239	5 019	24,7
RSA	4 574	16 671	27,4

Population group	N ('000)		Per cent
	Youth	Total	Youth
Black African	4 065	13 493	30,1
Coloured	204	1 191	17,2
Indian/ Asian	73	405	18,1
White	231	1 582	14,6
Total	4 574	16 671	27,4

Sex	N ('000)		Per cent
	Youth	Total	Youth
Male	2 948	9 737	30,3
Female	1 626	6 934	23,5
Both	4 574	16 671	27,4

Source: GHS 2018

Table 2.2.2: Distribution of youth-headed households by age group, 2018

Province and age group	N ('000)			Per cent		
	15-24 years	25-34 years	Total	15-24 years	25-34 years	Total
WC	78	396	474	16,4	83,6	100,0
EC	100	287	387	25,9	74,1	100,0
NC	13	67	81	16,6	83,4	100,0
FS	37	199	235	15,5	84,5	100,0
KZN	158	635	793	19,9	80,1	100,0
NW	73	244	316	23,0	77,0	100,0
GP	236	1 256	1 492	15,8	84,2	100,0
MP	62	289	351	17,7	82,3	100,0
LP	139	305	443	31,3	68,7	100,0
RSA	897	3 678	4 574	19,6	80,4	100,0

Geo-type and age group	N ('000)			Per cent		
	15-24 years	25-34 years	Total	15-24 years	25-34 years	Total
Urban	531	2 804	3 335	15,9	84,1	100,0
Rural	366	873	1 239	29,5	70,5	100,0
RSA	897	3 678	4 574	19,6	80,4	100,0

Population group and age group	N ('000)			Per cent		
	15-24 years	25-34 years	Total	15-24 years	25-34 years	Total
Black African	823	3 242	4 065	20,2	79,8	100,0
Coloured	23	181	204	11,3	88,7	100,0
Indian/ Asian	11	63	73	14,5	85,5	100,0
White	40	191	231	17,2	82,8	100,0
Total	897	3 678	4 574	19,6	80,4	100,0

Sex and age group	N ('000)			Per cent		
	15-24 years	25-34 years	Total	15-24 years	25-34 years	Total
Male	545	2 402	2 948	18,5	81,5	100,0
Female	351	1 275	1 626	21,6	78,4	100,0
Both	897	3 678	4 574	19,6	80,4	100,0

Source: GHS 2018

Table 2.2.3: Distribution of youth by household composition, 2018

Province	N ('000)	Per cent						Total
		Total	Single	Nuclear	Extended	Complex	Unspecified	
WC	2 287		4,4	43,8	42,0	9,8	..	100,0
EC	2 163		6,4	23,1	67,7	2,5	0,2	100,0
NC	415		5,0	29,9	58,0	7,1	..	100,0
FS	998		7,3	35,6	55,2	1,7	0,2	100,0
KZN	4 130		6,5	21,3	68,1	4,0	0,1	100,0
NW	1 322		7,8	32,7	55,8	3,6	0,1	100,0
GP	5 432		6,7	42,3	47,4	3,4	0,2	100,0
MP	1 636		7,9	29,8	59,9	2,4	..	100,0
LP	2 045		8,6	28,2	60,5	2,7	0,0	100,0
RSA	20 428		6,7	32,6	56,6	4,0	0,1	100,0

Geo-type	N ('000)	Per cent						Total
		Total	Single	Nuclear	Extended	Complex	Unspecified	
Urban	13 491		7,0	38,3	50,2	4,5	0,1	100,0
Rural	6 937		6,2	21,5	69,1	3,1	0,1	100,0
RSA	20 428		6,7	32,6	56,6	4,0	0,1	100,0

Population group	N ('000)	Per cent						Total
		Total	Single	Nuclear	Extended	Complex	Unspecified	
Black African	17 226		7,6	29,0	59,9	3,4	0,1	100,0
Coloured	1 675		1,7	42,0	50,1	6,2	0,0	100,0
Indian/ Asian	451		1,9	55,1	41,1	2,0	..	100,0
White	1 076		2,5	65,7	20,8	11,0	..	100,0
Total	20 428		6,7	32,6	56,6	4,0	0,1	100,0

Sex	N ('000)	Per cent						Total
		Total	Single	Nuclear	Extended	Complex	Unspecified	
Male	10 194		10,1	31,3	54,1	4,4	0,1	100,0
Female	10 235		3,4	33,9	59,1	3,6	0,1	100,0
Both	20 428		6,7	32,6	56,6	4,0	0,1	100,0

Age group	N ('000)	Per cent						Total
		Total	Single	Nuclear	Extended	Complex	Unspecified	
15-24 years	9 533		3,3	30,6	61,9	4,2	0,1	100,0
25-34 years	10 895		9,7	34,3	52,0	3,9	0,1	100,0
Total	20 428		6,7	32,6	56,6	4,0	0,1	100,0

Source: GHS 2018

Table 2.2.4: Distribution of youth headed households across intergenerational household type, 2018

Province	N ('000)	Per cent						Total
		Total	Single generation	Double generation	Triple generation	Skip generation	Other	
WC	474		51,1	39,7	0,6	0,2	8,4	100,0
EC	387		56,0	35,1	0,2	0,6	8,1	100,0
NC	81		47,0	46,0	1,0	..	6,0	100,0
FS	235		53,0	42,5	..	0,7	3,8	100,0
KZN	793		59,6	30,0	0,6	0,9	8,9	100,0
NW	316		58,8	33,9	0,6	0,9	5,8	100,0
GP	1 492		58,9	34,0	0,6	0,7	5,7	100,0
MP	351		53,7	37,9	1,3	0,4	6,7	100,0
LP	443		62,5	31,2	0,7	1,1	4,5	100,0
RSA	4 574		57,4	34,7	0,6	0,7	6,6	100,0

Geo-type	N ('000)	Per cent					
		Total	Single generation	Double generation	Triple generation	Skip generation	Other	Total
Urban	3 335	57,6	34,3	0,5	0,6	7,0	100,0
Rural	1 239	56,8	35,8	0,9	1,0	5,6	100,0
RSA	4 574	57,4	34,7	0,6	0,7	6,6	100,0

Population group	N ('000)	Per cent					
		Total	Single generation	Double generation	Triple generation	Skip generation	Other	Total
Black African	4 065	59,3	32,6	0,7	0,7	6,7	100,0
Coloured	204	32,2	61,9	0,2	0,7	4,9	100,0
Indian/ Asian	73	45,3	48,8	..	..	5,9	100,0
White	231	49,9	42,3	..	0,4	7,4	100,0
Total	4 574	57,4	34,7	0,6	0,7	6,6	100,0

Sex	N ('000)	Per cent					
		Total	Single generation	Double generation	Triple generation	Skip generation	Other	Total
Male	2 948	66,1	26,2	0,3	0,8	6,7	100,0
Female	1 626	41,7	50,0	1,2	0,5	6,5	100,0
Both	4 574	57,4	34,7	0,6	0,7	6,6	100,0

Age group	N ('000)	Per cent					
		Total	Single generation	Double generation	Triple generation	Skip generation	Other	Total
15-24 years	897	70,0	15,0	0,4	0,8	13,9	100,0
25-34 years	3 678	54,3	39,5	0,7	0,7	4,8	100,0
Total	4 574	57,4	34,7	0,6	0,7	6,6	100,0

Source: GHS 2018.

Other include unspecified cases.

2.3 Youth: Income, poverty, economic activity and social grants

Table 2.3.1: Youth who are beneficiaries of social grants, 2018

Sex	N ('000)		Per cent Beneficiary
	Beneficiary	Total	
Male	1 005	10 194	9,9
Female	953	10 235	9,3
Both	1 957	20 428	9,6

Age group	N ('000)		Per cent Beneficiary
	Beneficiary	Total	
15-24 years	1 805	9 533	18,9
25-34 years	153	10 895	1,4
Total	1 957	20 428	9,6

Source: GHS 2018

Table 2.3.2: Youth living in households without an employed adult, 2018

Province and sex	N ('000)						Per cent		
	Male		Female		Both		Male	Female	Both
	Without	Total	Without	Total	Without	Total	Without	Without	Without
WC	105	1 140	114	1 147	219	2 287	9,2	10,0	9,6
EC	410	1 071	411	1 092	821	2 163	38,3	37,6	38,0
NC	52	198	56	216	108	415	26,2	25,8	26,0
FS	133	488	163	510	296	998	27,3	32,0	29,7
KZN	528	2 035	662	2 095	1 190	4 130	25,9	31,6	28,8
NW	186	653	193	669	379	1 322	28,5	28,8	28,7
GP	399	2 797	366	2 635	765	5 432	14,3	13,9	14,1
MP	198	818	228	818	426	1 636	24,2	27,9	26,0
LP	325	993	387	1 053	712	2 045	32,7	36,8	34,8
RSA	2 336	10 194	2 580	10 235	4 916	20 428	22,9	25,2	24,1

Geo-type and sex	N ('000)						Per cent		
	Male		Female		Both		Male	Female	Both
	Without	Total	Without	Total	Without	Total	Without	Without	Without
Urban	1 082	6 806	1 124	6 685	2 206	13 491	15,9	16,8	16,4
Rural	1 254	3 388	1 456	3 550	2 710	6 937	37,0	41,0	39,1
RSA	2 336	10 194	2 580	10 235	4 916	20 428	22,9	25,2	24,1

Source: GHS 2018

Table 2.3.3: Youth-headed households without an employed adult, 2018

Province and sex	N ('000)						Per cent		
	Male		Female		Both		Male	Female	Both
	Without	Total	Without	Total	Without	Total	Without	Without	Without
WC	38	322	34	151	72	474	11,8	22,7	15,3
EC	64	213	89	174	153	387	29,9	51,1	39,4
NC	9	46	12	35	21	81	18,5	35,0	25,6
FS	27	141	43	94	70	235	19,2	46,0	29,9
KZN	98	456	159	338	258	793	21,6	47,2	32,5
NW	54	199	65	117	118	316	26,9	55,1	37,4
GP	150	1 082	137	410	287	1 492	13,9	33,5	19,2
MP	60	220	69	132	129	351	27,2	52,8	36,8
LP	85	268	110	176	195	443	31,9	62,6	44,1
RSA	585	2 948	720	1 626	1 304	4 574	19,8	44,2	28,5

Geo-type and sex	N ('000)						Per cent		
	Male		Female		Both		Male	Female	Both
	Without	Total	Without	Total	Without	Total	Without	Without	Without
Urban	348	2 251	379	1 085	727	3 335	15,4	35,0	21,8
Rural	237	697	340	542	578	1 239	34,0	62,8	46,6
RSA	585	2 948	720	1 626	1 304	4 574	19,8	44,2	28,5

Source: GHS 2018

Table 2.3.4: Youth-headed households classified as low income households (at most a household income of quintile 1), 2018

Province and sex	N ('000)						Per cent		
	Male		Female		Both		Male	Female	Both
	Low income	Total	Low income	Total	Low income	Total	Low income	Low income	Low income
WC	51	322	22	151	74	474	15,9	14,8	15,5
EC	69	213	37	174	106	387	32,4	21,1	27,4
NC	12	46	6	35	18	81	25,7	17,2	22,1
FS	22	141	24	94	47	235	15,8	26,0	19,9
KZN	131	456	131	338	262	793	28,8	38,7	33,0
NW	66	199	38	117	103	316	32,9	32,3	32,7
GP	135	1 082	57	410	193	1 492	12,5	14,0	12,9
MP	43	220	47	132	90	351	19,7	35,9	25,7
LP	135	268	94	176	229	443	50,3	53,4	51,5
RSA	665	2 948	456	1 626	1 121	4 574	22,6	28,1	24,5

Geo-type and sex	N ('000)						Per cent		
	Male		Female		Both		Male	Female	Both
	Low income	Total	Low income	Total	Low income	Total	Low income	Low income	Low income
Urban	384	2 251	223	1 085	607	3 335	17,0	20,6	18,2
Rural	281	697	233	542	514	1 239	40,3	43,0	41,5
RSA	665	2 948	456	1 626	1 121	4 574	22,6	28,1	24,5

Population group and sex	N ('000)						Per cent		
	Male		Female		Both		Male	Female	Both
	Low income	Total	Low income	Total	Low income	Total	Low income	Low income	Low income
Black African	632	2 595	436	1 470	1 068	4 065	24,3	29,7	26,3
Coloured	20	120	17	84	37	204	16,4	20,5	18,1
Indian/ Asian	7	73	..	..	7	73	9,5	..	9,5
White	6	159	3	72	9	231	3,9	4,1	4,0
Total	665	2 948	456	1 626	1 121	4 574	22,6	28,1	24,5

Source: GHS 2018.

Household income quintile 1 is less or equal to R2000.

Table 2.3.5: Distribution of main sources of income for youth-headed households, 2018

Geo-type	N ('000)	Per cent							
		Total	Salaries/ wages/ commission	Remit-tances	Social grants	Sales of farming products and services	Other non-farm income	No income	Unspecified	Total
Urban	3 335	67,4	12,7	5,4	0,0	9,3	1,4	3,9	100,0
Rural	1 239	41,3	31,1	15,4	0,1	6,5	1,3	4,3	100,0
RSA	4 574	60,3	17,7	8,1	0,0	8,5	1,4	4,0	100,0

Sex	N ('000)	Per cent							
		Total	Salaries/ wages/ commission	Remit-tances	Social grants	Sales of farming products and services	Other non-farm income	No income	Unspecified	Total
Male	2 948	68,3	13,4	3,0	0,0	9,7	1,7	3,9	100,0
Female	1 626	46,0	25,4	17,4	0,1	6,5	0,7	4,0	100,0
Both	4 574	60,3	17,7	8,1	0,0	8,5	1,4	4,0	100,0

Source: GHS 2018

Table 2.3.6: Employed youth by age group, 2018

Province and age group	N ('000)			Per cent		
	15-24 years	25-34 years	Total	15-24 years	25-34 years	Total
WC	263	686	948	27,7	72,3	100,0
EC	105	479	584	17,9	82,1	100,0
NC	37	107	145	25,7	74,3	100,0
FS	45	245	289	15,5	84,5	100,0
KZN	206	821	1 028	20,1	79,9	100,0
NW	82	295	377	21,7	78,3	100,0
GP	325	1 376	1 701	19,1	80,9	100,0
MP	93	391	484	19,2	80,8	100,0
LP	100	489	589	16,9	83,1	100,0
RSA	1 255	4 889	6 144	20,4	79,6	100,0

Geo-type and age group	N ('000)			Per cent		
	15-24 years	25-34 years	Total	15-24 years	25-34 years	Total
Urban	945	3 652	4 597	20,6	79,4	100,0
Rural	309	1 237	1 546	20,0	80,0	100,0
RSA	1 255	4 889	6 144	20,4	79,6	100,0

Population group and age group	N ('000)			Per cent		
	15-24 years	25-34 years	Total	15-24 years	25-34 years	Total
Black African	851	3 816	4 667	18,2	81,8	100,0
Coloured	214	478	692	30,9	69,1	100,0
Indian/ Asian	53	154	206	25,5	74,5	100,0
White	137	441	578	23,7	76,3	100,0
Total	1 255	4 889	6 144	20,4	79,6	100,0

Source: QLFS Q3 2018

Table 2.3.7: Unemployed youth by age group, 2018

Province and age group	N ('000)			Per cent		
	15-24 years	25-34 years	Total	15-24 years	25-34 years	Total
WC	183	230	414	44,3	55,7	100,0
EC	173	351	524	33,1	66,9	100,0
NC	28	45	73	38,8	61,2	100,0
FS	89	184	274	32,7	67,3	100,0
KZN	199	360	559	35,6	64,4	100,0
NW	93	142	235	39,6	60,4	100,0
GP	411	813	1 224	33,6	66,4	100,0
MP	153	245	398	38,5	61,5	100,0
LP	81	145	226	35,9	64,1	100,0
RSA	1 411	2 514	3 925	35,9	64,1	100,0

Geo-type and age group	N ('000)			Per cent		
	15-24 years	25-34 years	Total	15-24 years	25-34 years	Total
Urban	990	1 762	2 752	36,0	64,0	100,0
Rural	421	753	1 173	35,9	64,1	100,0
RSA	1 411	2 514	3 925	35,9	64,1	100,0

Population group and age group	N ('000)			Per cent		
	15-24 years	25-34 years	Total	15-24 years	25-34 years	Total
Black African	1 208	2 321	3 529	34,2	65,8	100,0
Coloured	149	140	289	51,5	48,5	100,0
Indian/ Asian	17	16	32	51,2	48,8	100,0
White	37	37	74	50,3	49,7	100,0
Total	1 411	2 514	3 925	35,9	64,1	100,0

Source: QLFS Q3 2018

Table 2.3.8: Not economically active youth by age group, 2018

Province and age group	N ('000)			Per cent		
	15-24 years	25-34 years	Total	15-24 years	25-34 years	Total
WC	656	179	834	78,6	21,4	100,0
EC	1 026	367	1 394	73,6	26,4	100,0
NC	144	63	207	69,5	30,5	100,0
FS	383	77	461	83,2	16,8	100,0
KZN	1 743	712	2 455	71,0	29,0	100,0
NW	555	189	744	74,6	25,4	100,0
GP	1 515	419	1 934	78,3	21,7	100,0
MP	611	166	776	78,7	21,3	100,0
LP	1 009	389	1 398	72,2	27,8	100,0
RSA	7 641	2 561	10 202	74,9	25,1	100,0

Geo-type and age group	N ('000)			Per cent		
	15-24 years	25-34 years	Total	15-24 years	25-34 years	Total
Urban	4 302	1 305	5 607	76,7	23,3	100,0
Rural	3 339	1 256	4 595	72,7	27,3	100,0
RSA	7 641	2 561	10 202	74,9	25,1	100,0

Population group and age group	N ('000)			Per cent		
	15-24 years	25-34 years	Total	15-24 years	25-34 years	Total
Black African	6 582	2 231	8 813	74,7	25,3	100,0
Coloured	530	164	694	76,4	23,6	100,0
Indian/ Asian	131	75	206	63,5	36,5	100,0
White	398	91	489	81,5	18,5	100,0
Total	7 641	2 561	10 202	74,9	25,1	100,0

Source: QLFS Q3 2018

Table 2.3.9: Youth labour force participation rate, 2018

Province and age group	N ('000)						Per cent		
	15-24 years		25-34 years		Total		15-24 years	25-34 years	Total
	Participated	Total	Participated	Total	Participated	Total	Participated	Participated	Participated
WC	446	1 102	916	1 095	1 362	2 197	40,5	83,7	62,0
EC	278	1 304	830	1 197	1 108	2 501	21,3	69,3	44,3
NC	65	209	152	215	217	424	31,3	70,7	51,3
FS	134	517	429	506	563	1 023	26,0	84,7	55,0
KZN	405	2 148	1 182	1 894	1 587	4 041	18,9	62,4	39,3
NW	175	730	437	626	612	1 356	23,9	69,8	45,1
GP	736	2 251	2 189	2 608	2 925	4 858	32,7	83,9	60,2
MP	246	856	635	801	881	1 657	28,7	79,3	53,2
LP	181	1 190	634	1 022	814	2 212	15,2	62,0	36,8
RSA	2 666	10 307	7 403	9 964	10 069	20 271	25,9	74,3	49,7

Geo-type and age group	N ('000)						Per cent		
	15-24 years		25-34 years		Total		15-24 years	25-34 years	Total
	Participated	Total	Participated	Total	Participated	Total	Participated	Participated	Participated
Urban	1 935	6 237	5 413	6 718	7 349	12 956	31,0	80,6	56,7
Rural	730	4 070	1 990	3 245	2 720	7 315	17,9	61,3	37,2
RSA	2 666	10 307	7 403	9 964	10 069	20 271	25,9	74,3	49,7

Population group and age group	N ('000)						Per cent		
	15-24 years		25-34 years		Total		15-24 years	25-34 years	Total
	Participated	Total	Participated	Total	Participated	Total	Participated	Participated	Participated
Black African	2 060	8 642	6 137	8 368	8 197	17 010	23,8	73,3	48,2
Coloured	363	893	619	782	981	1 675	40,6	79,1	58,6
Indian/ Asian	69	200	169	245	239	445	34,6	69,3	53,7
White	174	572	478	569	652	1 141	30,5	84,1	57,2
Total	2 666	10 307	7 403	9 964	10 069	20 271	25,9	74,3	49,7

Source: QLFS Q3 2018

Table 2.3.10: Youth unemployment rate, 2018

Province and age group	N ('000)						Per cent		
	15-24 years		25-34 years		Total		15-24 years	25-34 years	Total
	Unemployed	Total	Unemployed	Total	Unemployed	Total	Unemployed	Unemployed	Unemployed
WC	183	446	230	916	414	1 362	41,1	25,1	30,4
EC	173	278	351	830	524	1 108	62,4	42,3	47,3
NC	28	65	45	152	73	217	43,1	29,3	33,5
FS	89	134	184	429	274	563	66,6	42,9	48,6
KZN	199	405	360	1 182	559	1 587	49,1	30,5	35,2
NW	93	175	142	437	235	612	53,1	32,4	38,3
GP	411	736	813	2 189	1 224	2 925	55,9	37,1	41,8
MP	153	246	245	635	398	881	62,2	38,5	45,1
LP	81	181	145	634	226	814	44,8	22,8	27,7
RSA	1 411	2 666	2 514	7 403	3 925	10 069	52,9	34,0	39,0

Geo-type and age group	N ('000)						Per cent		
	15-24 years		25-34 years		Total		15-24 years	25-34 years	Total
	Unemployed	Total	Unemployed	Total	Unemployed	Total	Unemployed	Unemployed	Unemployed
Urban	990	1 935	1 762	5 413	2 752	7 349	51,2	32,5	37,4
Rural	421	730	753	1 990	1 173	2 720	57,6	37,8	43,1
RSA	1 411	2 666	2 514	7 403	3 925	10 069	52,9	34,0	39,0

Population group and age group	N ('000)						Per cent		
	15-24 years		25-34 years		Total		15-24 years	25-34 years	Total
	Unemployed	Total	Unemployed	Total	Unemployed	Total	Unemployed	Unemployed	Unemployed
Black African	1 208	2 060	2 321	6 137	3 529	8 197	58,7	37,8	43,1
Coloured	149	363	140	619	289	981	41,1	22,7	29,5
Indian/ Asian	17	69	16	169	32	239	24,0	9,3	13,6
White	37	174	37	478	74	652	21,4	7,7	11,4
Total	1 411	2 666	2 514	7 403	3 925	10 069	52,9	34,0	39,0

Source: QLFS Q3 2018

Table 2.3.11: Youth labour absorption rate, 2018

Province and age group	N ('000)						Per cent		
	15-24 years		25-34 years		Total		15-24 years	25-34 years	Total
	Absorbed	Total	Absorbed	Total	Absorbed	Total	Absorbed	Absorbed	Absorbed
WC	263	1 102	686	1 095	948	2 197	23,8	62,6	43,2
EC	105	1 304	479	1 197	584	2 501	8,0	40,0	23,3
NC	37	209	107	215	145	424	17,8	49,9	34,1
FS	45	517	245	506	289	1 023	8,7	48,3	28,3
KZN	206	2 148	821	1 894	1 028	4 041	9,6	43,4	25,4
NW	82	730	295	626	377	1 356	11,2	47,2	27,8
GP	325	2 251	1 376	2 608	1 701	4 858	14,4	52,8	35,0
MP	93	856	391	801	484	1 657	10,8	48,8	29,2
LP	100	1 190	489	1 022	589	2 212	8,4	47,8	26,6
RSA	1 255	10 307	4 889	9 964	6 144	20 271	12,2	49,1	30,3

Geo-type and age group	N ('000)						Per cent		
	15-24 years		25-34 years		Total		15-24 years	25-34 years	Total
	Absorbed	Total	Absorbed	Total	Absorbed	Total	Absorbed	Absorbed	Absorbed
Urban	945	6 237	3 652	6 718	4 597	12 956	15,2	54,4	35,5
Rural	309	4 070	1 237	3 245	1 546	7 315	7,6	38,1	21,1
RSA	1 255	10 307	4 889	9 964	6 144	20 271	12,2	49,1	30,3

Population group and age group	N ('000)						Per cent		
	15-24 years		25-34 years		Total		15-24 years	25-34 years	Total
	Absorbed	Total	Absorbed	Total	Absorbed	Total	Absorbed	Absorbed	Absorbed
Black African	851	8 642	3 816	8 368	4 667	17 010	9,9	45,6	27,4
Coloured	214	893	478	782	692	1 675	23,9	61,2	41,3
Indian/ Asian	53	200	154	245	206	445	26,3	62,8	46,4
White	137	572	441	569	578	1 141	23,9	77,6	50,7
Total	1 255	10 307	4 889	9 964	6 144	20 271	12,2	49,1	30,3

Source: QLFS Q3 2018

Table 2.3.12: Youth economic inactivity rate, 2018

Province and age group	N ('000)						Per cent		
	15-24 years		25-34 years		Total		15-24 years	25-34 years	Total
	Inactive	Total	Inactive	Total	Inactive	Total	Inactive	Inactive	Inactive
WC	656	1 102	179	1 095	834	2 197	59,5	16,3	38,0
EC	1 026	1 304	367	1 197	1 394	2 501	78,7	30,7	55,7
NC	144	209	63	215	207	424	68,7	29,3	48,7
FS	383	517	77	506	461	1 023	74,0	15,3	45,0
KZN	1 743	2 148	712	1 894	2 455	4 041	81,1	37,6	60,7
NW	555	730	189	626	744	1 356	76,1	30,2	54,9
GP	1 515	2 251	419	2 608	1 934	4 858	67,3	16,1	39,8
MP	611	856	166	801	776	1 657	71,3	20,7	46,8
LP	1 009	1 190	389	1 022	1 398	2 212	84,8	38,0	63,2
RSA	7 641	10 307	2 561	9 964	10 202	20 271	74,1	25,7	50,3

Geo-type and age group	N ('000)						Per cent		
	15-24 years		25-34 years		Total		15-24 years	25-34 years	Total
	Inactive	Total	Inactive	Total	Inactive	Total	Inactive	Inactive	Inactive
Urban	4 302	6 237	1 305	6 718	5 607	12 956	69,0	19,4	43,3
Rural	3 339	4 070	1 256	3 245	4 595	7 315	82,1	38,7	62,8
RSA	7 641	10 307	2 561	9 964	10 202	20 271	74,1	25,7	50,3

Population group and age group	N ('000)						Per cent		
	15-24 years		25-34 years		Total		15-24 years	25-34 years	Total
	Inactive	Total	Inactive	Total	Inactive	Total	Inactive	Inactive	Inactive
Black African	6 582	8 642	2 231	8 368	8 813	17 010	76,2	26,7	51,8
Coloured	530	893	164	782	694	1 675	59,4	20,9	41,4
Indian/ Asian	131	200	75	245	206	445	65,4	30,7	46,3
White	398	572	91	569	489	1 141	69,5	15,9	42,8
Total	7 641	10 307	2 561	9 964	10 202	20 271	74,1	25,7	50,3

Source: QLFS Q3 2018

2.4 Youth: Health

Table 2.4.1: Youth who suffered from acute diseases compared to the overall population, 2018

Province	N ('000)				Per cent	
	Youth		Total		Youth	Total
	Suffering	Total	Suffering	Total	Suffering	Suffering
WC	207	2 287	645	6 650	9,1	9,7
EC	143	2 163	637	6 508	6,6	9,8
NC	46	415	148	1 230	11,1	12,1
FS	81	998	301	2 891	8,1	10,4
KZN	200	4 130	825	11 215	4,8	7,4
NW	78	1 322	306	3 925	5,9	7,8
GP	453	5 432	1 500	14 661	8,3	10,2
MP	127	1 636	480	4 523	7,8	10,6
LP	96	2 045	419	5 854	4,7	7,2
RSA	1 430	20 428	5 262	57 458	7,0	9,2

Geo-type	N ('000)				Per cent	
	Youth		Total		Youth	Total
	Suffering	Total	Suffering	Total	Suffering	Suffering
Urban	1 092	13 491	3 751	37 231	8,1	10,1
Rural	338	6 937	1 511	20 227	4,9	7,5
RSA	1 430	20 428	5 262	57 458	7,0	9,2

Sex	N ('000)				Per cent	
	Youth		Total		Youth	Total
	Suffering	Total	Suffering	Total	Suffering	Suffering
Male	634	10 194	2 358	28 093	6,2	8,4
Female	797	10 235	2 904	29 364	7,8	9,9
Both	1 430	20 428	5 262	57 458	7,0	9,2

Age group	N ('000)				Per cent	
	Youth		Total		Youth	Total
	Suffering	Total	Suffering	Total	Suffering	Suffering
Not youth	..	..	3 832	37 030	..	10,3
15-24 years	643	9 533	643	9 533	6,7	6,7
25-34 years	787	10 895	787	10 895	7,2	7,2
Total	1 430	20 428	5 262	57 458	7,0	9,2

Source: GHS 2018

Table 2.4.2: Youth who suffered from chronic diseases compared to the overall population, 2018

Province	N ('000)				Per cent	
	Youth		Total		Youth	Total
	Suffering	Total	Suffering	Total	Suffering	Suffering
WC	124	2 287	1 168	6 650	5,4	17,6
EC	132	2 163	1 070	6 508	6,1	16,4
NC	35	415	241	1 230	8,4	19,6
FS	69	998	535	2 891	7,0	18,5
KZN	302	4 130	1 593	11 215	7,3	14,2
NW	77	1 322	619	3 925	5,8	15,8
GP	276	5 432	1 913	14 661	5,1	13,0
MP	86	1 636	584	4 523	5,2	12,9
LP	58	2 045	438	5 854	2,8	7,5
RSA	1 158	20 428	8 161	57 458	5,7	14,2

Geo-type	N ('000)				Per cent	
	Youth		Total		Youth	Total
	Suffering	Total	Suffering	Total	Suffering	Suffering
Urban	775	13 491	5 655	37 231	5,7	15,2
Rural	383	6 937	2 506	20 227	5,5	12,4
RSA	1 158	20 428	8 161	57 458	5,7	14,2

Sex	N ('000)				Per cent	
	Youth		Total		Youth	Total
	Suffering	Total	Suffering	Total	Suffering	Suffering
Male	425	10 194	3 093	28 093	4,2	11,0
Female	734	10 235	5 068	29 364	7,2	17,3
Both	1 158	20 428	8 161	57 458	5,7	14,2

Age group	N ('000)				Per cent	
	Youth		Total		Youth	Total
	Suffering	Total	Suffering	Total	Suffering	Suffering
Not youth	..	..	7 002	37 030	..	18,9
15-24 years	352	9 533	352	9 533	3,7	3,7
25-34 years	807	10 895	807	10 895	7,4	7,4
Total	1 158	20 428	8 161	57 458	5,7	14,2

Source: GHS 2018

2.5 Youth: Vulnerability to hunger

Table 2.5.1: Youth living in households that reported hunger, 2018

Province and sex	N ('000)						Per cent		
	Male		Female		Both		Male	Female	Both
	Suffering	Total	Suffering	Total	Suffering	Total	Suffering	Suffering	Suffering
WC	168	1 135	172	1 144	339	2 279	14,8	15,0	14,9
EC	111	1 060	106	1 082	217	2 142	10,5	9,8	10,1
NC	34	198	32	215	66	413	17,4	14,7	16,0
FS	61	487	65	506	126	993	12,6	12,9	12,7
KZN	338	2 030	370	2 091	708	4 121	16,6	17,7	17,2
NW	119	652	114	668	233	1 320	18,3	17,1	17,7
GP	221	2 754	195	2 608	415	5 363	8,0	7,5	7,7
MP	110	797	100	803	210	1 600	13,8	12,4	13,1
LP	49	979	53	1 042	101	2 021	5,0	5,1	5,0
RSA	1 210	10 091	1 206	10 160	2 416	20 251	12,0	11,9	11,9

Geo-type and sex	N ('000)						Per cent		
	Male		Female		Both		Male	Female	Both
	Suffering	Total	Suffering	Total	Suffering	Total	Suffering	Suffering	Suffering
Urban	751	6 726	686	6 635	1 437	13 362	11,2	10,3	10,8
Rural	459	3 365	520	3 525	979	6 890	13,6	14,7	14,2
RSA	1 210	10 091	1 206	10 160	2 416	20 251	12,0	11,9	11,9

Population group and sex	N ('000)						Per cent		
	Male		Female		Both		Male	Female	Both
	Suffering	Total	Suffering	Total	Suffering	Total	Suffering	Suffering	Suffering
Black African	1 108	8 489	1 120	8 586	2 228	17 075	13,1	13,0	13,0
Coloured	85	834	75	835	159	1 669	10,1	9,0	9,5
Indian/ Asian	5	239	2	212	6	451	1,9	0,8	1,4
White	13	528	9	527	22	1 055	2,5	1,7	2,1
Total	1 210	10 091	1 206	10 160	2 416	20 251	12,0	11,9	11,9

Age group and sex	N ('000)						Per cent		
	Male		Female		Both		Male	Female	Both
	Suffering	Total	Suffering	Total	Suffering	Total	Suffering	Suffering	Suffering
15-24 years	636	4 714	634	4 755	1 270	9 470	13,5	13,3	13,4
25-34 years	574	5 376	571	5 405	1 145	10 782	10,7	10,6	10,6
Total	1 210	10 091	1 206	10 160	2 416	20 251	12,0	11,9	11,9

Source: GHS 2018.

Excluding unspecified cases.

Table 2.5.2: Youth-headed households that reported hunger, 2018

Province and sex	N ('000)						Per cent		
	Male		Female		Both		Male	Female	Both
	Suffering	Total	Suffering	Total	Suffering	Total	Suffering	Suffering	Suffering
WC	35	321	33	151	67	472	10,8	21,7	14,3
EC	16	209	17	174	32	384	7,4	9,5	8,4
NC	6	46	4	35	10	81	12,1	11,7	11,9
FS	16	141	13	92	28	233	11,1	13,8	12,2
KZN	54	454	51	338	104	792	11,8	15,0	13,2
NW	28	199	25	117	53	316	14,1	21,0	16,7
GP	51	1 061	41	406	92	1 467	4,8	10,1	6,3
MP	34	211	17	129	51	340	16,1	13,1	14,9
LP	16	261	6	170	22	432	6,0	3,7	5,1
RSA	253	2 903	206	1 613	459	4 516	8,7	12,8	10,2

Geo-type and sex	N ('000)						Per cent		
	Male		Female		Both		Male	Female	Both
	Suffering	Total	Suffering	Total	Suffering	Total	Suffering	Suffering	Suffering
Urban	166	2 214	137	1 077	303	3 291	7,5	12,7	9,2
Rural	87	689	69	536	156	1 225	12,7	12,8	12,8
RSA	253	2 903	206	1 613	459	4 516	8,7	12,8	10,2

Source: GHS 2018.

Excluding unspecified cases.

2.6 Youth: Education

Table 2.6.1: Youth who attend educational institutions, 2018

Population group and sex	N ('000)						Per cent		
	Male		Female		Both		Male	Female	Both
	Attending	Total	Attending	Total	Attending	Total	Attending	Attending	Attending
Black African	2 354	8 498	2 360	8 565	4 714	17 062	27,7	27,6	27,6
Coloured	192	833	158	833	351	1 666	23,1	19,0	21,1
Indian/ Asian	48	239	50	212	98	451	20,1	23,4	21,6
White	141	537	160	531	302	1 067	26,3	30,2	28,3
Total	2 736	10 107	2 729	10 140	5 464	20 247	27,1	26,9	27,0

Age group and sex	N ('000)						Per cent		
	Male		Female		Both		Male	Female	Both
	Attending	Total	Attending	Total	Attending	Total	Attending	Attending	Attending
15-24 years	2 522	4 730	2 486	4 753	5 008	9 483	53,3	52,3	52,8
25-34 years	214	5 377	243	5 387	457	10 764	4,0	4,5	4,2
Total	2 736	10 107	2 729	10 140	5 464	20 247	27,1	26,9	27,0

Source: GHS 2018.

Excluding unspecified cases.

Table 2.6.2: Distribution of the types of educational institutions attended by the youth, 2018

Population group and sex	N ('000)	Per cent								
		Total	School/ pre-school	ABET/ literacy classes	Higher education institution	Further education and training college	Other college	Other	Unspecified	Total
Black African	Male	2 354	79,7	0,8	9,3	6,0	2,0	0,5	1,7	100,0
	Female	2 360	75,4	1,4	9,9	7,9	3,1	0,6	1,7	100,0
	Both	4 714	77,5	1,1	9,6	7,0	2,6	0,6	1,7	100,0
Coloured	Male	192	79,7	0,4	7,8	5,0	4,2	2,2	0,7	100,0
	Female	158	78,5	1,1	10,7	2,9	3,4	2,1	1,3	100,0
	Both	351	79,1	0,7	9,1	4,1	3,9	2,2	1,0	100,0
Indian/ Asian	Male	48	59,2	..	29,6	3,8	3,2	..	4,1	100,0
	Female	50	55,8	..	41,8	..	2,4	..	..	100,0
	Both	98	57,5	..	35,8	1,9	2,8	..	2,0	100,0
White	Male	141	55,4	2,0	23,0	4,6	5,4	7,2	2,4	100,0
	Female	160	41,5	0,6	36,1	2,3	9,7	3,1	6,8	100,0
	Both	302	48,0	1,2	30,0	3,4	7,7	5,0	4,7	100,0
Total	Male	2 736	78,1	0,8	10,3	5,8	2,3	0,9	1,7	100,0
	Female	2 729	73,2	1,3	12,0	7,2	3,5	0,8	1,9	100,0
	Both	5 464	75,7	1,1	11,2	6,5	2,9	0,9	1,8	100,0

Source: GHS 2018

Table 2.6.3: Youth who are not attending any educational institution and who are not employed, 2018

Population group and sex	N ('000)						Per cent		
	Male		Female		Both		Male	Female	Both
	NEET	Total	NEET	Total	NEET	Total	NEET	NEET	NEET
Black African	3 104	8 576	4 051	8 650	7 155	17 226	36,2	46,8	41,5
Coloured	258	838	364	837	622	1 675	30,8	43,5	37,1
Indian/ Asian	54	239	81	212	135	451	22,5	38,4	30,0
White	71	541	107	535	179	1 076	13,2	20,1	16,6
Total	3 487	10 194	4 604	10 235	8 091	20 428	34,2	45,0	39,6

Source: GHS 2018.

Excluding unspecified cases.

Table 2.6.4: Distribution of the highest levels of education attained by the youth, 2018

Population group and age group	N ('000)	Per cent							
		Total	Less than matric	Matric	Other tertiary	Graduates	Other	Unspecified	
Black African	15-24 years	8 009	68,5	25,8	2,7	1,0	0,7	1,3	100,0
	25-34 years	9 216	49,6	36,5	7,1	5,5	1,1	0,2	100,0
	Total	17 226	58,4	31,5	5,0	3,4	0,9	0,7	100,0
Coloured	15-24 years	832	66,1	29,2	1,2	1,1	1,5	0,9	100,0
	25-34 years	843	51,6	36,9	5,3	5,9	0,3	..	100,0
	Total	1 675	58,8	33,1	3,3	3,5	0,9	0,5	100,0
Indian/ Asian	15-24 years	190	40,5	45,5	2,5	10,0	..	1,5	100,0
	25-34 years	262	21,7	49,4	6,4	22,5	..	..	100,0
	Total	451	29,6	47,8	4,8	17,2	..	0,6	100,0
White	15-24 years	502	45,8	38,6	4,4	9,2	1,3	0,7	100,0
	25-34 years	574	14,9	38,4	10,7	35,1	0,9	..	100,0
	Total	1 076	29,3	38,5	7,7	23,0	1,1	0,3	100,0
Total	15-24 years	9 533	66,5	27,2	2,7	1,6	0,8	1,2	100,0
	25-34 years	10 895	47,3	36,9	7,1	7,5	1,0	0,1	100,0
	Total	20 428	56,3	32,4	5,0	4,8	0,9	0,6	100,0

Sex and age group	N ('000)	Per cent							
		Total	Less than matric	Matric	Other tertiary	Graduates	Other	Unspecified	
Male	15-24 years	4 749	69,0	24,9	2,4	1,3	1,0	1,4	100,0
	25-34 years	5 445	50,4	34,8	6,1	7,2	1,3	0,1	100,0
	Total	10 194	59,1	30,2	4,4	4,4	1,2	0,7	100,0
Female	15-24 years	4 784	64,1	29,4	3,0	2,0	0,6	1,0	100,0
	25-34 years	5 451	44,1	39,1	8,1	7,9	0,7	0,2	100,0
	Total	10 235	53,4	34,6	5,7	5,1	0,6	0,6	100,0
Both	15-24 years	9 533	66,5	27,2	2,7	1,6	0,8	1,2	100,0
	25-34 years	10 895	47,3	36,9	7,1	7,5	1,0	0,1	100,0
	Total	20 428	56,3	32,4	5,0	4,8	0,9	0,6	100,0

Source: GHS 2018

2.7 Youth: Housing and basic services

Table 2.7.1: Distribution of households headed by youth living in formal, informal and traditional housing, 2018

Geo-type and sex		N ('000)	Per cent				
			Total	Formal	Traditional	Informal	Other
Urban	Male	2 251	69,9	1,0	27,6	1,5	100,0
	Female	1 085	75,5	1,5	22,3	0,8	100,0
	Both	3 335	71,7	1,2	25,8	1,3	100,0
Rural	Male	697	80,3	9,8	9,8	0,1	100,0
	Female	542	80,6	14,0	5,2	0,2	100,0
	Both	1 239	80,4	11,6	7,8	0,2	100,0
RSA	Male	2 948	72,4	3,1	23,4	1,2	100,0
	Female	1 626	77,2	5,6	16,6	0,6	100,0
	Both	4 574	74,1	4,0	21,0	1,0	100,0

Age group and sex		N ('000)	Per cent				
			Total	Formal	Traditional	Informal	Other
15-24 years	Male	545	70,4	6,1	22,4	1,1	100,0
	Female	351	80,1	6,7	13,2	..	100,0
	Both	897	74,2	6,3	18,8	0,7	100,0
25-34 years	Male	2 402	72,8	2,4	23,6	1,2	100,0
	Female	1 275	76,4	5,4	17,5	0,7	100,0
	Both	3 678	74,0	3,5	21,5	1,0	100,0
Total	Male	2 948	72,4	3,1	23,4	1,2	100,0
	Female	1 626	77,2	5,6	16,6	0,6	100,0
	Both	4 574	74,1	4,0	21,0	1,0	100,0

Source: GHS 2018

Table 2.7.2: Distribution of youth living in formal, informal and traditional housing, 2018

Geo-type and sex		N ('000)	Per cent				
			Total	Formal	Traditional	Informal	Other
Urban	Male	6 806	84,2	0,7	14,3	0,8	100,0
	Female	6 685	85,3	1,0	13,3	0,5	100,0
	Both	13 491	84,7	0,8	13,8	0,6	100,0
Rural	Male	3 388	79,5	16,8	3,5	0,1	100,0
	Female	3 550	79,3	16,9	3,6	0,1	100,0
	Both	6 937	79,4	16,9	3,6	0,1	100,0
RSA	Male	10 194	82,6	6,1	10,7	0,6	100,0
	Female	10 235	83,2	6,5	9,9	0,4	100,0
	Both	20 428	82,9	6,3	10,3	0,5	100,0

Age group and sex		N ('000)	Per cent				
			Total	Formal	Traditional	Informal	Other
15-24 years	Male	4 749	83,5	7,4	8,6	0,5	100,0
	Female	4 784	84,1	7,3	8,4	0,3	100,0
	Both	9 533	83,8	7,3	8,5	0,4	100,0
25-34 years	Male	5 445	81,9	4,9	12,5	0,6	100,0
	Female	5 451	82,5	5,8	11,3	0,4	100,0
	Both	10 895	82,2	5,4	11,9	0,5	100,0
Total	Male	10 194	82,6	6,1	10,7	0,6	100,0
	Female	10 235	83,2	6,5	9,9	0,4	100,0
	Both	20 428	82,9	6,3	10,3	0,5	100,0

Source: GHS 2018

Table 2.7.3: Living condition indicators of the youth compared to the overall population, 2018**Access to piped water**

Age group	N ('000)	Per cent	
		Access	Unspecified
Not youth	37 030	72,9	0,4
15-24 years	9 533	70,2	0,4
25-34 years	10 895	75,8	0,4
15-34 years	20 428	73,2	0,4
Total	57 458	73,0	0,4

Access to improved sanitation

Age group	N ('000)	Per cent	
		Access	
Not youth	37 030	83,1	
15-24 years	9 533	81,4	
25-34 years	10 895	83,4	
15-34 years	20 428	82,4	
Total	57 458	82,8	

Refuse/ waste removed by the municipality

Age group	N ('000)	Per cent	
		Access	Unspecified
Not youth	37 030	60,9	2,6
15-24 years	9 533	57,4	2,7
25-34 years	10 895	65,0	2,7
15-34 years	20 428	61,4	2,7
Total	57 458	61,1	2,6

Access to electricity connected to the mains

Age group	N ('000)	Per cent	
		Access	Unspecified
Not youth	37 030	90,8	0,1
15-24 years	9 533	90,7	0,1
25-34 years	10 895	86,3	0,1
15-34 years	20 428	88,4	0,1
Total	57 458	89,9	0,1

Use solid fuels for cooking

Age group	N ('000)	Per cent	
		Access	
Not youth	37 030	12,3	
15-24 years	9 533	13,7	
25-34 years	10 895	9,1	
15-34 years	20 428	11,2	
Total	57 458	11,9	

Source: GHS 2018

2.8 Youth: Violence and crime victims

Table 2.8.1: Youth living in households where the household feel unsafe or very unsafe to walk alone in their area during the day, 2017/ 2018

Province	N ('000)		Per cent
	Unsafe	Total	Unsafe
WC	507	1 522	33,3
EC	340	1 513	22,5
NC	34	271	12,4
FS	124	748	16,6
KZN	618	2 730	22,6
NW	107	874	12,2
GP	844	3 495	24,2
MP	218	1 190	18,3
LP	86	1 441	6,0
RSA	2 879	13 782	20,9

Sex	N ('000)		Per cent
	Unsafe	Total	Unsafe
Male	1 380	6 842	20,2
Female	1 499	6 941	21,6
Both	2 879	13 782	20,9

Age group	N ('000)		Per cent
	Unsafe	Total	Unsafe
15-24 years	1 489	6 954	21,4
25-34 years	1 390	6 828	20,4
Total	2 879	13 782	20,9

Source: VOCS 2017/ 2018.

Excluding unspecified cases.

Table 2.8.2: Youth living in households where the household feel unsafe or very unsafe to walk alone in their area at night, 2017/ 2018

Province	N ('000)		Per cent
	Unsafe	Total	Unsafe
WC	1 137	1 516	75,0
EC	1 100	1 512	72,8
NC	203	272	74,8
FS	583	747	78,1
KZN	1 714	2 735	62,7
NW	573	870	65,9
GP	2 563	3 482	73,6
MP	807	1 196	67,5
LP	767	1 436	53,4
RSA	9 449	13 766	68,6

Sex	N ('000)		Per cent
	Unsafe	Total	Unsafe
Male	4 604	6 836	67,4
Female	4 845	6 930	69,9
Both	9 449	13 766	68,6

Age group	N ('000)		Per cent
	Unsafe	Total	Unsafe
15-24 years	4 759	6 945	68,5
25-34 years	4 690	6 821	68,8
Total	9 449	13 766	68,6

Source: VOCS 2017/ 2018.

Excluding unspecified cases.

Table 2.8.3: Youth who live in households where the fear of crime prevent them from going to parks in their area, 2017/ 2018

Province	N ('000)		Per cent
	Unsafe	Total	Unsafe
WC	597	1 436	41,6
EC	620	1 456	42,5
NC	140	254	54,9
FS	231	725	31,8
KZN	721	2 632	27,4
NW	176	842	20,9
GP	1 406	3 346	42,0
MP	405	1 132	35,8
LP	201	1 422	14,1
RSA	4 496	13 246	33,9

Sex	N ('000)		Per cent
	Unsafe	Total	Unsafe
Male	2 097	6 552	32,0
Female	2 400	6 694	35,8
Both	4 496	13 246	33,9

Age group	N ('000)		Per cent
	Unsafe	Total	Unsafe
15-24 years	2 268	6 725	33,7
25-34 years	2 228	6 521	34,2
Total	4 496	13 246	33,9

Source: VOCS 2017/ 2018.

Excluding unspecified cases.

Table 2.8.4: Youth who have been victims of property crime during the past 5 years, 2017/ 2018

Sex	N ('000)		Per cent
	Victims of property crime	Total	Victims of property crime
Male	506	9 592	5,3
Female	497	9 591	5,2
Both	1 003	19 183	5,2

Age group	N ('000)		Per cent
	Victims of property crime	Total	Victims of property crime
15-24 years	419	8 973	4,7
25-34 years	584	10 210	5,7
Total	1 003	19 183	5,2

Source: VOCS 2017/ 2018.

Excluding unspecified cases.

Table 2.8.5: Youth who have been victims of assault during the past 5 years, 2017/ 2018

Sex	N ('000)		Per cent
	Victims of assault	Total	Victims of assault
Male	262,0	9 611,0	2,7
Female	138,0	9 596,0	1,4
Both	401,0	19 207,0	2,1

Age group	N ('000)		Per cent
	Victims of assault	Total	Victims of assault
15-24 years	183	8 973	2,0
25-34 years	217	10 234	2,1
Total	401	19 207	2,1

Source: VOCS 2017/ 2018.

Excluding unspecified cases.

INDICATORS: WOMEN

Women are defined as the female population.

3.1 Demography of women

Table 3.1.1: Distribution of the female population, 2018

Province	N ('000)	Per cent
WC	3 376	11,5
EC	3 385	11,5
NC	650	2,2
FS	1 503	5,1
KZN	5 807	19,8
NW	1 982	6,7
GP	7 255	24,7
MP	2 319	7,9
LP	3 089	10,5
RSA	29 364	100,0

Geo-type	N ('000)	Per cent
Urban	18 764	63,9
Rural	10 600	36,1
RSA	29 364	100,0

Population group	N ('000)	Per cent
Black African	23 782	81,0
Coloured	2 589	8,8
Indian/ Asian	698	2,4
White	2 295	7,8
Total	29 364	100,0

Age group	N ('000)	Percent
0-4 years	2 916	9,9
5-14 years	5 555	18,9
15-24 years	4 784	16,3
25-34 years	5 451	18,6
35-44 years	3 932	13,4
45-54 years	2 766	9,4
55-64 years	2 054	7,0
65-74 years	1 215	4,1
75+ years	692	2,4
Total	29 364	100,0

Source: GHS 2018

Table 3.1.2: Distribution of women (18 years and above) by their marital status, 2018

Province	N ('000)	Per cent			
		Total	Married/ cohabiting	Widow/ widower/ divorced	Never married
WC	2 406	51,4	13,4	35,2	100,0
EC	2 145	34,0	19,3	46,7	100,0
NC	419	40,5	14,8	44,7	100,0
FS	1 003	43,2	17,5	39,3	100,0
KZN	3 720	32,1	12,5	55,5	100,0
NW	1 289	44,5	12,8	42,7	100,0
GP	5 180	48,3	11,0	40,8	100,0
MP	1 470	44,2	11,4	44,4	100,0
LP	1 903	39,4	16,5	44,0	100,0
RSA	19 535	42,1	13,6	44,3	100,0

Geo-type	N ('000)	Per cent			
		Total	Married/ cohabiting	Widow/ widower/ divorced	Never married
Urban	13 133	45,7	12,2	42,1	100,0
Rural	6 402	34,9	16,4	48,7	100,0
RSA	19 535	42,1	13,6	44,3	100,0

Population group	N ('000)	Per cent			
		Total	Married/ cohabiting	Widow/ widower/ divorced	Never married
Black African	15 338	37,9	12,6	49,5	100,0
Coloured	1 782	47,8	15,3	36,9	100,0
Indian/ Asian	542	63,3	16,3	20,3	100,0
White	1 874	65,5	19,1	15,4	100,0
Total	19 535	42,1	13,6	44,3	100,0

Age group	N ('000)	Percent			
		Total	Married/ cohabiting	Widow/ widower/ divorced	Never married
15-24 years	3 425	14,4	0,3	85,3	100,0
25-34 years	5 451	41,6	1,4	57,0	100,0
35-44 years	3 932	58,0	6,1	35,8	100,0
45-54 years	2 766	57,4	18,0	24,7	100,0
55-64 years	2 054	49,6	33,3	17,2	100,0
65-74 years	1 215	38,3	50,6	11,1	100,0
75+ years	692	17,3	76,7	6,1	100,0
Total	19 535	42,1	13,6	44,3	100,0

Source: GHS 2018

3.2 Women: Household characteristics

Table 3.2.1: Households headed by females aged 15 years and above, 2018

Province	N ('000)		Per cent Female
	Female	Total	
WC	699	1 877	37,2
EC	854	1 684	50,7
NC	159	342	46,6
FS	400	901	44,4
KZN	1 385	2 904	47,7
NW	483	1 210	40,0
GP	1 631	4 884	33,4
MP	539	1 288	41,8
LP	780	1 576	49,5
RSA	6 931	16 665	41,6

Geo-type	N ('000)		Per cent Female
	Female	Total	
Urban	4 422	11 651	38,0
Rural	2 509	5 014	50,0
RSA	6 931	16 665	41,6

Population group	N ('000)		Per cent Female
	Female	Total	
Black African	5 844	13 487	43,3
Coloured	508	1 191	42,7
Indian/ Asian	97	405	23,8
White	482	1 582	30,5
Total	6 931	16 665	41,6

Age group	N ('000)		Per cent Female
	Female	Total	
15-24 years	351	897	39,2
25-34 years	1 275	3 678	34,7
35-44 years	1 463	4 018	36,4
45-54 years	1 490	3 461	43,0
55-64 years	1 161	2 487	46,7
65+ years	1 191	2 125	56,1
Total	6 931	16 665	41,6

Source: GHS 2018

Table 3.2.2: Distribution of male and female-headed households by household composition, 2018

Province and sex		N ('000)	Per cent					
			Total	Single	Nuclear	Extended	Complex	Unspecified
WC	Male	1 178	19,0	58,1	18,5	4,2	0,1	100,0
	Female	699	19,5	38,6	35,8	6,1	..	100,0
	Both	1 877	19,2	50,9	24,9	4,9	0,1	100,0
EC	Male	830	33,5	35,6	29,2	1,5	0,2	100,0
	Female	854	20,7	23,1	54,4	1,8	0,1	100,0
	Both	1 684	27,0	29,3	42,0	1,6	0,2	100,0
NC	Male	182	27,5	45,1	24,7	2,5	0,2	100,0
	Female	159	15,2	33,0	48,0	3,5	0,2	100,0
	Both	342	21,8	39,5	35,6	3,0	0,2	100,0
FS	Male	501	26,3	46,9	25,4	1,2	0,1	100,0
	Female	400	18,4	33,9	45,7	1,6	0,3	100,0
	Both	901	22,8	41,2	34,4	1,4	0,2	100,0
KZN	Male	1 518	33,6	36,4	27,6	2,1	0,1	100,0
	Female	1 385	18,5	24,4	54,4	2,5	0,2	100,0
	Both	2 904	26,4	30,7	40,4	2,3	0,2	100,0
NW	Male	726	39,9	37,9	19,9	2,0	0,3	100,0
	Female	483	21,6	29,2	46,6	2,3	0,3	100,0
	Both	1 210	32,6	34,5	30,6	2,1	0,3	100,0
GP	Male	3 253	26,5	52,6	18,2	2,4	0,4	100,0
	Female	1 631	23,6	33,4	40,8	2,0	0,3	100,0
	Both	4 884	25,5	46,2	25,7	2,2	0,3	100,0
MP	Male	749	32,0	41,3	25,0	1,7	..	100,0
	Female	539	19,8	30,3	48,5	1,3	..	100,0
	Both	1 288	26,9	36,7	34,8	1,5	..	100,0
LP	Male	795	36,0	36,4	26,2	1,4	..	100,0
	Female	780	18,1	28,4	52,4	1,0	0,1	100,0
	Both	1 576	27,1	32,4	39,2	1,2	0,1	100,0
RSA	Male	9 734	29,5	45,6	22,4	2,3	0,2	100,0
	Female	6 931	20,2	29,8	47,4	2,3	0,2	100,0
	Both	16 665	25,7	39,0	32,8	2,3	0,2	100,0

Geo-type and sex		N ('000)	Per cent					
			Total	Single	Nuclear	Extended	Complex	Unspecified
Urban	Male	7 229	27,2	50,2	19,9	2,5	0,2	100,0
	Female	4 422	22,6	32,7	41,9	2,6	0,1	100,0
	Both	11 651	25,4	43,6	28,3	2,5	0,2	100,0
Rural	Male	2 504	36,2	32,3	29,6	1,7	0,1	100,0
	Female	2 509	16,1	24,6	57,2	1,9	0,2	100,0
	Both	5 014	26,1	28,4	43,4	1,8	0,2	100,0
RSA	Male	9 734	29,5	45,6	22,4	2,3	0,2	100,0
	Female	6 931	20,2	29,8	47,4	2,3	0,2	100,0
	Both	16 665	25,7	39,0	32,8	2,3	0,2	100,0

Population group and sex		N ('000)	Per cent					
			Total	Single	Nuclear	Extended	Complex	Unspecified
Black African	Male	7 643	34,6	39,2	23,9	2,0	0,2	100,0
	Female	5 844	18,8	28,5	50,7	1,9	0,2	100,0
	Both	13 487	27,7	34,6	35,5	2,0	0,2	100,0
Coloured	Male	683	11,7	58,5	27,2	2,3	0,2	100,0
	Female	508	13,0	37,7	43,9	5,4	..	100,0
	Both	1 191	12,3	49,6	34,4	3,6	0,1	100,0
Indian/ Asian	Male	309	11,5	66,3	19,9	2,2	0,2	100,0
	Female	97	23,0	38,0	38,2	..	0,8	100,0
	Both	405	14,2	59,5	24,2	1,6	0,4	100,0
White	Male	1 099	10,2	75,9	9,7	3,8	0,3	100,0
	Female	482	45,3	35,9	13,3	5,5	..	100,0
	Both	1 582	20,9	63,7	10,8	4,3	0,2	100,0
Total	Male	9 734	29,5	45,6	22,4	2,3	0,2	100,0
	Female	6 931	20,2	29,8	47,4	2,3	0,2	100,0
	Both	16 665	25,7	39,0	32,8	2,3	0,2	100,0

Age group and sex		N ('000)	Per cent					
			Total	Single	Nuclear	Extended	Complex	Unspecified
15-24 years	Male	545	58,8	14,4	19,2	7,4	0,2	100,0
	Female	351	40,1	16,6	33,4	9,7	0,2	100,0
	Both	897	51,5	15,3	24,7	8,3	0,2	100,0
25-34 years	Male	2 402	39,5	41,7	16,3	2,3	0,2	100,0
	Female	1 275	27,9	36,3	32,5	3,0	0,2	100,0
	Both	3 678	35,5	39,8	22,0	2,5	0,2	100,0
35-44 years	Male	2 555	30,8	52,4	14,8	1,8	0,1	100,0
	Female	1 463	18,0	46,8	33,5	1,6	0,1	100,0
	Both	4 018	26,1	50,4	21,6	1,7	0,1	100,0
45-54 years	Male	1 971	23,7	52,2	22,0	1,9	0,3	100,0
	Female	1 490	13,8	34,5	49,5	2,1	0,1	100,0
	Both	3 461	19,4	44,6	33,8	2,0	0,2	100,0
55-64 years	Male	1 327	16,8	43,9	37,0	2,0	0,3	100,0
	Female	1 161	15,4	18,0	65,3	1,3	..	100,0
	Both	2 487	16,1	31,8	50,2	1,7	0,2	100,0
65+ years	Male	933	13,4	43,5	41,0	1,8	0,3	100,0
	Female	1 191	21,8	11,3	64,8	1,7	0,3	100,0
	Both	2 125	18,1	25,5	54,4	1,7	0,3	100,0
Total	Male	9 734	29,5	45,6	22,4	2,3	0,2	100,0
	Female	6 931	20,2	29,8	47,4	2,3	0,2	100,0
	Both	16 665	25,7	39,0	32,8	2,3	0,2	100,0

Source: GHS 2018.

Only households headed by a person of age 15 years or older are included.

Table 3.2.3: Male and female-headed households across intergenerational household type, 2018

Province and sex		N ('000)	Per cent					
			Total	Single generation	Double generation	Triple generation	Skip generation	Other
WC	Male	1 178	42,9	45,8	7,2	1,4	2,7	100,0
	Female	699	29,7	46,5	17,2	2,9	3,7	100,0
	Both	1 877	38,0	46,0	10,9	1,9	3,1	100,0
EC	Male	830	51,1	28,3	11,0	5,4	4,2	100,0
	Female	854	23,6	35,9	24,6	11,5	4,5	100,0
	Both	1 684	37,1	32,2	17,9	8,5	4,3	100,0
NC	Male	182	46,4	35,4	12,1	2,9	3,3	100,0
	Female	159	19,0	45,6	23,4	8,6	3,4	100,0
	Both	342	33,7	40,1	17,3	5,5	3,3	100,0
FS	Male	501	43,6	39,9	9,2	4,9	2,3	100,0
	Female	400	22,3	43,1	22,6	9,8	2,2	100,0
	Both	901	34,2	41,3	15,2	7,1	2,3	100,0
KZN	Male	1 518	51,9	30,5	10,8	2,4	4,4	100,0
	Female	1 385	22,9	36,7	26,4	9,9	4,1	100,0
	Both	2 904	38,1	33,5	18,2	6,0	4,3	100,0
NW	Male	726	58,2	28,2	7,4	2,9	3,3	100,0
	Female	483	26,6	40,2	21,0	7,9	4,3	100,0
	Both	1 210	45,6	33,0	12,8	4,9	3,7	100,0
GP	Male	3 253	49,4	39,7	5,5	1,7	3,7	100,0
	Female	1 631	31,1	41,3	19,2	5,3	3,1	100,0
	Both	4 884	43,2	40,2	10,1	2,9	3,5	100,0
MP	Male	749	48,8	34,7	9,9	3,0	3,7	100,0
	Female	539	24,3	40,4	24,0	9,5	1,7	100,0
	Both	1 288	38,5	37,1	15,8	5,7	2,9	100,0
LP	Male	795	52,0	30,6	9,6	5,3	2,5	100,0
	Female	780	20,9	39,2	25,7	12,1	2,1	100,0
	Both	1 576	36,6	34,9	17,6	8,7	2,3	100,0
RSA	Male	9 734	49,6	36,0	8,1	2,8	3,5	100,0
	Female	6 931	25,6	40,0	22,6	8,4	3,4	100,0
	Both	16 665	39,6	37,7	14,2	5,1	3,5	100,0

Geo-type and sex		N ('000)	Per cent					
			Total	Single generation	Double generation	Triple generation	Skip generation	Other
Urban	Male	7 229	48,9	38,9	6,6	2,0	3,6	100,0
	Female	4 422	29,2	42,3	19,3	5,6	3,6	100,0
	Both	11 651	41,4	40,2	11,4	3,4	3,6	100,0
Rural	Male	2 504	51,7	27,4	12,6	5,0	3,2	100,0
	Female	2 509	19,2	36,1	28,5	13,2	3,0	100,0
	Both	5 014	35,5	31,8	20,5	9,1	3,1	100,0
RSA	Male	9 734	49,6	36,0	8,1	2,8	3,5	100,0
	Female	6 931	25,6	40,0	22,6	8,4	3,4	100,0
	Both	16 665	39,6	37,7	14,2	5,1	3,5	100,0

Population group and sex		N ('000)	Per cent					
			Total	Single generation	Double generation	Triple generation	Skip generation	Other
Black African	Male	7 643	52,2	32,2	8,4	3,1	4,0	100,0
	Female	5 844	23,6	39,7	24,1	9,3	3,4	100,0
	Both	13 487	39,8	35,5	15,2	5,8	3,7	100,0
Coloured	Male	683	26,6	53,7	15,6	2,6	1,5	100,0
	Female	508	19,0	47,8	26,0	5,1	2,1	100,0
	Both	1 191	23,4	51,2	20,0	3,7	1,7	100,0
Indian/ Asian	Male	309	34,0	56,6	6,3	0,5	2,5	100,0
	Female	97	28,4	44,7	15,6	6,9	4,4	100,0
	Both	405	32,7	53,8	8,5	2,0	3,0	100,0
White	Male	1 099	49,8	45,1	2,1	0,9	2,2	100,0
	Female	482	56,0	35,4	3,0	1,1	4,5	100,0
	Both	1 582	51,7	42,1	2,4	1,0	2,9	100,0
Total	Male	9 734	49,6	36,0	8,1	2,8	3,5	100,0
	Female	6 931	25,6	40,0	22,6	8,4	3,4	100,0
	Both	16 665	39,6	37,7	14,2	5,1	3,5	100,0

Age group and sex		N ('000)	Per cent					
			Total	Single generation	Double generation	Triple generation	Skip generation	Other
15-24 years	Male	545	79,2	7,1	0,1	0,7	12,9	100,0
	Female	351	55,6	27,3	0,8	0,9	15,4	100,0
	Both	897	70,0	15,0	0,4	0,8	13,9	100,0
25-34 years	Male	2 402	63,1	30,5	0,3	0,8	5,3	100,0
	Female	1 275	37,8	56,3	1,4	0,4	4,1	100,0
	Both	3 678	54,3	39,5	0,7	0,7	4,8	100,0
35-44 years	Male	2 555	47,1	48,0	1,2	0,9	2,7	100,0
	Female	1 463	22,4	64,0	10,4	1,2	2,0	100,0
	Both	4 018	38,1	53,8	4,6	1,0	2,5	100,0
45-54 years	Male	1 971	38,5	48,0	10,1	1,6	1,8	100,0
	Female	1 490	17,1	42,9	32,8	4,7	2,4	100,0
	Both	3 461	29,3	45,8	19,8	2,9	2,1	100,0
55-64 years	Male	1 327	37,5	30,5	23,7	6,1	2,1	100,0
	Female	1 161	19,0	20,7	43,6	14,2	2,6	100,0
	Both	2 487	28,9	25,9	33,0	9,9	2,3	100,0
65+ years	Male	933	44,8	16,2	25,7	11,7	1,6	100,0
	Female	1 191	24,6	12,3	33,8	26,7	2,6	100,0
	Both	2 125	33,5	14,0	30,2	20,1	2,2	100,0
Total	Male	9 734	49,6	36,0	8,1	2,8	3,5	100,0
	Female	6 931	25,6	40,0	22,6	8,4	3,4	100,0
	Both	16 665	39,6	37,7	14,2	5,1	3,5	100,0

Source: GHS 2018.

Only households headed by a person of age 15 years or older are included.

Other include unspecified cases.

Table 3.2.4: Mean household size by gender of the household head, 2018

Province and sex	Male	Female	Both
WC	3,2	3,1	3,2
EC	3,0	3,6	3,3
NC	3,3	3,8	3,5
FS	3,1	3,3	3,2
KZN	3,2	4,1	3,6
NW	2,7	3,4	3,0
GP	2,8	3,2	3,0
MP	3,1	3,7	3,4
LP	3,0	3,7	3,4
RSA	3,0	3,6	3,2

Geo-type and sex	Male	Female	Both
Urban	2,9	3,3	3,1
Rural	3,2	4,1	3,6
RSA	3,0	3,6	3,2

Population group and sex	Male	Female	Both
Black African	2,9	3,7	3,3
Coloured	3,9	3,7	3,8
Indian/ Asian	3,2	2,8	3,1
White	2,9	2,0	2,6
Total	3,0	3,6	3,2

Age group and sex	Male	Female	Both
15-24 years	1,7	2,2	1,9
25-34 years	2,3	3,0	2,5
35-44 years	3,0	3,5	3,2
45-54 years	3,4	4,0	3,7
55-64 years	3,8	4,1	3,9
65+ years	3,6	3,8	3,7
Total	3,0	3,6	3,2

Source: GHS 2018.

Only households headed by a person of age 15 years or older are included.

3.3 Women: Income, poverty, economic activity and social grants

Table 3.3.1: Dependency ratios by sex of the household head, 2018

Province and sex		Total dependency ratio	Old-age dependency ratio	Child dependency ratio	Mean proportion of children per household
WC	Male	0,6	0,2	0,4	0,2
	Female	0,8	0,2	0,6	0,2
	Both	0,7	0,2	0,5	0,2
EC	Male	0,7	0,2	0,5	0,2
	Female	1,3	0,2	1,1	0,3
	Both	1,0	0,2	0,8	0,3
NC	Male	0,7	0,2	0,5	0,2
	Female	1,1	0,2	0,9	0,3
	Both	0,9	0,2	0,7	0,3
FS	Male	0,6	0,1	0,5	0,2
	Female	1,2	0,2	1,0	0,3
	Both	0,9	0,2	0,7	0,3
KZN	Male	0,6	0,2	0,5	0,2
	Female	1,2	0,2	1,0	0,3
	Both	0,9	0,2	0,7	0,3
NW	Male	0,5	0,1	0,4	0,2
	Female	1,1	0,2	0,9	0,3
	Both	0,8	0,2	0,6	0,2
GP	Male	0,4	0,1	0,4	0,2
	Female	0,9	0,2	0,7	0,3
	Both	0,6	0,1	0,5	0,2
MP	Male	0,6	0,1	0,5	0,2
	Female	1,2	0,1	1,1	0,4
	Both	0,9	0,1	0,7	0,3
LP	Male	0,7	0,2	0,6	0,2
	Female	1,3	0,2	1,1	0,4
	Both	1,0	0,2	0,8	0,3
RSA	Male	0,6	0,1	0,4	0,2
	Female	1,1	0,2	0,9	0,3
	Both	0,8	0,2	0,7	0,2

Geo-type and sex		Total dependency ratio	Old-age dependency ratio	Child dependency ratio	Mean proportion of children per household
Urban	Male	0,5	0,1	0,4	0,2
	Female	0,9	0,2	0,7	0,3
	Both	0,7	0,1	0,5	0,2
Rural	Male	0,8	0,2	0,6	0,2
	Female	1,4	0,2	1,2	0,4
	Both	1,1	0,2	0,9	0,3
RSA	Male	0,6	0,1	0,4	0,2
	Female	1,1	0,2	0,9	0,3
	Both	0,8	0,2	0,7	0,2

Source: GHS 2018

Table 3.3.2: Households without an employed household member by sex of household head, 2018

Province and sex	N ('000)						Per cent		
	Male		Female		Both		Male	Female	Both
	Without	Total	Without	Total	Without	Total	Without	Without	Without
WC	165	1 178	152	699	317	1 877	14,0	21,7	16,9
EC	273	831	418	854	691	1 685	32,9	48,9	41,0
NC	44	182	70	159	114	342	24,1	44,0	33,4
FS	117	501	168	400	284	901	23,3	41,9	31,5
KZN	315	1 519	580	1 385	894	2 905	20,7	41,8	30,8
NW	202	726	223	483	425	1 210	27,8	46,2	35,1
GP	420	3 253	470	1 631	890	4 884	12,9	28,8	18,2
MP	156	749	228	540	385	1 289	20,8	42,3	29,8
LP	212	797	410	782	622	1 579	26,5	52,5	39,4
RSA	1 902	9 737	2 719	6 934	4 621	16 671	19,5	39,2	27,7

Geo-type and sex	N ('000)						Per cent		
	Male		Female		Both		Male	Female	Both
	Without	Total	Without	Total	Without	Total	Without	Without	Without
Urban	1 116	7 229	1 344	4 422	2 460	11 651	15,4	30,4	21,1
Rural	786	2 508	1 375	2 512	2 162	5 019	31,4	54,8	43,1
RSA	1 902	9 737	2 719	6 934	4 621	16 671	19,5	39,2	27,7

Population group and sex	N ('000)						Per cent		
	Male		Female		Both		Male	Female	Both
	Without	Total	Without	Total	Without	Total	Without	Without	Without
Black African	1 553	7 646	2 363	5 847	3 916	13 493	20,3	40,4	29,0
Coloured	110	683	150	508	260	1 191	16,1	29,6	21,9
Indian/ Asian	45	309	36	97	81	405	14,7	37,1	20,1
White	194	1 099	170	482	364	1 582	17,6	35,2	23,0
Total	1 902	9 737	2 719	6 934	4 621	16 671	19,5	39,2	27,7

Source: GHS 2018

Table 3.3.3: Employed who are employers as a proportion of the overall employed, 2018

Province and sex	N ('000)						Per cent		
	Male		Female		Both		Male	Female	Both
	Employer	Total	Employer	Total	Employer	Total	Employer	Employer	Employer
WC	79	1 398	23	1 099	102	2 496	5,7	2,1	4,1
EC	54	685	8	705	62	1 390	7,9	1,1	4,5
NC	9	183	1	140	10	323	5,0	0,9	3,2
FS	22	430	8	343	30	774	5,2	2,2	3,9
KZN	97	1 394	23	1 242	119	2 635	6,9	1,8	4,5
NW	20	588	8	391	28	979	3,4	2,1	2,8
GP	268	2 916	78	2 161	346	5 077	9,2	3,6	6,8
MP	44	712	10	520	54	1 231	6,2	1,9	4,4
LP	79	852	8	626	88	1 478	9,3	1,4	5,9
RSA	673	9 157	166	7 227	839	16 384	7,3	2,3	5,1

Geo-type and sex	N ('000)						Per cent		
	Male		Female		Both		Male	Female	Both
	Employer	Total	Employer	Total	Employer	Total	Employer	Employer	Employer
Urban	524	6 999	141	5 547	664	12 545	7,5	2,5	5,3
Rural	149	2 158	25	1 680	175	3 838	6,9	1,5	4,5
RSA	673	9 157	166	7 227	839	16 384	7,3	2,3	5,1

Population group and sex	N ('000)						Per cent		
	Male		Female		Both		Male	Female	Both
	Employer	Total	Employer	Total	Employer	Total	Employer	Employer	Employer
Black African	412	6 834	89	5 432	501	12 266	6,0	1,6	4,1
Coloured	29	916	8	785	37	1 701	3,1	1,1	2,2
Indian/ Asian	49	342	5	192	54	534	14,2	2,8	10,1
White	183	1 064	63	819	247	1 883	17,2	7,7	13,1
Total	673	9 157	166	7 227	839	16 384	7,3	2,3	5,1

Age group and sex	N ('000)						Per cent		
	Male		Female		Both		Male	Female	Both
	Employer	Total	Employer	Total	Employer	Total	Employer	Employer	Employer
15-34 years	140	3 544	31	2 599	171	6 144	4,0	1,2	2,8
35-64 years	533	5 612	135	4 628	668	10 240	9,5	2,9	6,5
Total	673	9 157	166	7 227	839	16 384	7,3	2,3	5,1

Source: QLFS Q3 2018

Table 3.3.4: Employed who are own-account workers as a proportion the employed, 2018

Province and sex	N ('000)						Per cent		
	Male		Female		Both		Male	Female	Both
	Own-account	Total	Own-account	Total	Own-account	Total	Own-account	Own-account	Own-account
WC	93	1 398	51	1 099	144	2 496	6,7	4,6	5,8
EC	74	685	67	705	141	1 390	10,8	9,5	10,1
NC	11	183	4	140	14	323	5,8	2,6	4,4
FS	36	430	31	343	67	774	8,4	8,9	8,6
KZN	131	1 394	129	1 242	260	2 635	9,4	10,4	9,9
NW	52	588	38	391	90	979	8,8	9,8	9,2
GP	337	2 916	183	2 161	520	5 077	11,6	8,5	10,2
MP	86	712	78	520	164	1 231	12,1	15,0	13,3
LP	118	852	91	626	208	1 478	13,8	14,5	14,1
RSA	937	9 157	671	7 227	1 608	16 384	10,2	9,3	9,8

Geo-type and sex	N ('000)						Percent		
	Male		Female		Both		Male	Female	Both
	Own-account	Total	Own-account	Total	Own-account	Total	Own-account	Own-account	Own-account
Urban	683	6 999	444	5 547	1 127	12 545	9,8	8,0	9,0
Rural	254	2 158	226	1 680	481	3 838	11,8	13,5	12,5
RSA	937	9 157	671	7 227	1 608	16 384	10,2	9,3	9,8

Population group and sex	N ('000)						Per cent		
	Male		Female		Both		Male	Female	Both
	Own-account	Total	Own-account	Total	Own-account	Total	Own-account	Own-account	Own-account
Black African	771	6 834	585	5 432	1 356	12 266	11,3	10,8	11,1
Coloured	55	916	19	785	74	1 701	6,0	2,4	4,3
Indian/ Asian	29	342	5	192	34	534	8,4	2,8	6,4
White	83	1 064	61	819	145	1 883	7,8	7,5	7,7
Total	937	9 157	671	7 227	1 608	16 384	10,2	9,3	9,8

Age group and sex	N ('000)						Per cent		
	Male		Female		Both		Male	Female	Both
	Own-account	Total	Own-account	Total	Own-account	Total	Own-account	Own-account	Own-account
15-34 years	295	3 544	167	2 599	462	6 144	8,3	6,4	7,5
35-64 years	642	5 612	504	4 628	1 146	10 240	11,4	10,9	11,2
Total	937	9 157	671	7 227	1 608	16 384	10,2	9,3	9,8

Source: QLFS Q3 2018

Table 3.3.5: Employed who are working as contributing family members as a proportion of the employed, 2018

Province and sex	N ('000)						Per cent		
	Male		Female		Both		Male	Female	Both
	Contributing member	Total	Contributing member	Total	Contributing member	Total	Contributing member	Contributing member	Contributing member
WC	..	1 398	4	1 099	4	2 496	..	0,4	0,2
EC	5	685	6	705	11	1 390	0,8	0,8	0,8
NC	..	183	1	140	1	323	..	0,8	0,3
FS	1	430	1	343	2	774	0,2	0,3	0,2
KZN	4	1 394	16	1 242	20	2 635	0,3	1,3	0,8
NW	3	588	4	391	7	979	0,5	0,9	0,7
GP	12	2 916	13	2 161	26	5 077	0,4	0,6	0,5
MP	1	712	9	520	10	1 231	0,1	1,7	0,8
LP	2	852	12	626	13	1 478	0,2	1,8	0,9
RSA	27	9 157	66	7 227	93	16 384	0,3	0,9	0,6

Geo-type and sex	N ('000)						Per cent		
	Male		Female		Both		Male	Female	Both
	Contributing member	Total	Contributing member	Total	Contributing member	Total	Contributing member	Contributing member	Contributing member
Urban	21	6 999	44	5 547	65	12 545	0,3	0,8	0,5
Rural	6	2 158	22	1 680	28	3 838	0,3	1,3	0,7
RSA	27	9 157	66	7 227	93	16 384	0,3	0,9	0,6

Population group and sex	N ('000)						Per cent		
	Male		Female		Both		Male	Female	Both
	Contributing member	Total	Contributing member	Total	Contributing member	Total	Contributing member	Contributing member	Contributing member
Black African	21	6 834	46	5 432	68	12 266	0,3	0,9	0,6
Coloured	1	916	3	785	4	1 701	0,1	0,4	0,2
Indian/ Asian	3	342	4	192	7	534	0,8	2,0	1,2
White	2	1 064	12	819	15	1 883	0,2	1,5	0,8
Total	27	9 157	66	7 227	93	16 384	0,3	0,9	0,6

Age group and sex	N ('000)						Per cent		
	Male		Female		Both		Male	Female	Both
	Contributing member	Total	Contributing member	Total	Contributing member	Total	Contributing member	Contributing member	Contributing member
15-34 years	20,0	3 544,0	24,0	2 599,0	44,0	6 144,0	0,6	0,9	0,7
35-64 years	8,0	5 612,0	42,0	4 628,0	49,0	10 240,0	0,1	0,9	0,5
Total	27,0	9 157,0	66,0	7 227,0	93,0	16 384,0	0,3	0,9	0,6

Source: QLFS Q3 2018

Table 3.3.6: Distribution of employed persons by working sector, 2018

Province and sex		N ('000)	Per cent				
			Total	Formal	Informal	Agriculture	Domestic worker
WC	Male	1 398	76,5	12,9	8,4	2,3	100,0
	Female	1 099	74,3	9,2	6,1	10,4	100,0
	Both	2 496	75,5	11,2	7,3	5,9	100,0
EC	Male	685	58,5	30,0	8,7	2,8	100,0
	Female	705	65,0	18,9	4,1	12,1	100,0
	Both	1 390	61,8	24,4	6,4	7,5	100,0
NC	Male	183	70,2	8,6	18,1	3,1	100,0
	Female	140	70,0	8,2	6,5	15,3	100,0
	Both	323	70,1	8,4	13,0	8,4	100,0
FS	Male	430	60,5	19,2	14,3	6,0	100,0
	Female	343	62,2	14,8	3,7	19,3	100,0
	Both	774	61,2	17,2	9,6	11,9	100,0
KZN	Male	1 394	72,2	19,1	5,7	3,0	100,0
	Female	1 242	65,3	17,3	3,3	14,1	100,0
	Both	2 635	68,9	18,2	4,6	8,2	100,0
NW	Male	588	73,4	15,9	7,3	3,4	100,0
	Female	391	66,7	14,6	4,4	14,3	100,0
	Both	979	70,7	15,4	6,1	7,8	100,0
GP	Male	2 916	76,9	19,3	0,9	2,9	100,0
	Female	2 161	73,4	12,3	0,4	13,9	100,0
	Both	5 077	75,4	16,3	0,7	7,6	100,0
MP	Male	712	62,3	27,3	8,3	2,0	100,0
	Female	520	53,1	24,0	6,2	16,6	100,0
	Both	1 231	58,4	25,9	7,4	8,2	100,0
LP	Male	852	52,4	34,1	10,3	3,2	100,0
	Female	626	49,2	26,7	9,6	14,5	100,0
	Both	1 478	51,0	31,0	10,0	8,0	100,0
RSA	Male	9 157	70,2	20,7	6,2	3,0	100,0
	Female	7 227	66,8	15,6	3,8	13,8	100,0
	Both	16 384	68,7	18,4	5,1	7,7	100,0

Geo-type and sex		N ('000)	Per cent				
			Total	Formal	Informal	Agriculture	Domestic worker
Urban	Male	6 999	76,9	18,4	1,9	2,8	100,0
	Female	5 547	71,9	13,1	1,6	13,4	100,0
	Both	12 545	74,7	16,1	1,8	7,5	100,0
Rural	Male	2 158	48,6	27,9	19,9	3,6	100,0
	Female	1 680	50,1	23,6	11,2	15,1	100,0
	Both	3 838	49,3	26,0	16,1	8,6	100,0
RSA	Male	9 157	70,2	20,7	6,2	3,0	100,0
	Female	7 227	66,8	15,6	3,8	13,8	100,0
	Both	16 384	68,7	18,4	5,1	7,7	100,0

Population group and sex		N ('000)	Per cent				
		Total	Formal	Informal	Agriculture	Domestic worker	Total
Black African	Male	6 834	66,0	24,0	6,2	3,7	100,0
	Female	5 432	61,4	17,9	3,9	16,8	100,0
	Both	12 266	64,0	21,3	5,2	9,5	100,0
Coloured	Male	916	72,0	15,0	11,6	1,4	100,0
	Female	785	73,8	9,1	7,3	9,8	100,0
	Both	1 701	72,8	12,3	9,6	5,3	100,0
Indian/ Asian	Male	342	84,5	15,1	0,4	..	100,0
	Female	192	93,7	6,1	..	0,3	100,0
	Both	534	87,8	11,8	0,2	0,1	100,0
White	Male	1 064	90,6	6,3	2,9	0,2	100,0
	Female	819	89,7	8,7	0,9	0,8	100,0
	Both	1 883	90,2	7,3	2,0	0,5	100,0
Total	Male	9 157	70,2	20,7	6,2	3,0	100,0
	Female	7 227	66,8	15,6	3,8	13,8	100,0
	Both	16 384	68,7	18,4	5,1	7,7	100,0

Age group and sex		N ('000)	Per cent				
		Total	Formal	Informal	Agriculture	Domestic worker	Total
15-34 years	Male	3 544	68,0	22,7	7,0	2,4	100,0
	Female	2 599	72,3	14,8	4,3	8,6	100,0
	Both	6 144	69,8	19,4	5,8	5,0	100,0
35-64 years	Male	5 612	71,6	19,4	5,7	3,3	100,0
	Female	4 628	63,8	16,0	3,6	16,7	100,0
	Both	10 240	68,1	17,9	4,7	9,4	100,0
Total	Male	9 157	70,2	20,7	6,2	3,0	100,0
	Female	7 227	66,8	15,6	3,8	13,8	100,0
	Both	16 384	68,7	18,4	5,1	7,7	100,0

Source: QLFS Q3 2018

Table 3.3.7: Labour force participation rates for women aged 15-64 years, 2018

Province and age group	N ('000)						Per cent		
	15-34 years		35-64 years		Total		15-34 years	35-64 years	Total
	Participated	Total	Participated	Total	Participated	Total	Participated	Participated	Participated
WC	655	1 134	779	1 214	1 434	2 348	57,7	64,2	61,1
EC	500	1 229	542	1 003	1 042	2 232	40,7	54,0	46,7
NC	94	210	98	189	192	400	44,7	52,0	48,2
FS	260	509	305	467	565	976	51,1	65,2	57,8
KZN	715	2 002	905	1 634	1 620	3 636	35,7	55,4	44,5
NW	253	665	304	602	557	1 267	38,0	50,6	44,0
GP	1 336	2 376	1 868	2 574	3 204	4 950	56,2	72,6	64,7
MP	376	805	455	658	832	1 463	46,7	69,3	56,8
LP	319	1 096	479	835	798	1 931	29,1	57,4	41,3
RSA	4 507	10 027	5 736	9 175	10 243	19 202	45,0	62,5	53,3

Geo-type and age group	N ('000)						Per cent		
	15-34 years		35-64 years		Total		15-34 years	35-64 years	Total
	Participated	Total	Participated	Total	Participated	Total	Participated	Participated	Participated
Urban	3 390	6 496	4 382	6 478	7 772	12 973	52,2	67,6	59,9
Rural	1 117	3 531	1 354	2 698	2 471	6 229	31,6	50,2	39,7
RSA	4 507	10 027	5 736	9 175	10 243	19 202	45,0	62,5	53,3

Population group and age group	N ('000)						Per cent		
	15-34 years		35-64 years		Total		15-34 years	35-64 years	Total
	Participated	Total	Participated	Total	Participated	Total	Participated	Participated	Participated
Black African	3 676	8 414	4 463	7 018	8 139	15 433	43,7	63,6	52,7
Coloured	455	836	550	949	1 005	1 785	54,4	57,9	56,3
Indian/ Asian	91	214	126	272	217	486	42,7	46,3	44,7
White	284	562	597	936	881	1 498	50,6	63,8	58,8
Total	4 507	10 027	5 736	9 175	10 243	19 202	45,0	62,5	53,3

Source: QLFS Q3 2018

Table 3.3.8: Female unemployment rate, 2018

Province and age group	N ('000)						Per cent		
	15-34 years		35-64 years		Total		15-34 years	35-64 years	Total
	Unemployed	Total	Unemployed	Total	Unemployed	Total	Unemployed	Unemployed	Unemployed
WC	219	655	115	779	335	1 434	33,5	14,8	23,4
EC	232	500	104	542	337	1 042	46,5	19,3	32,3
NC	35	94	17	98	52	192	37,3	17,5	27,2
FS	137	260	85	305	221	565	52,5	27,8	39,2
KZN	266	715	111	905	378	1 620	37,3	12,3	23,3
NW	109	253	57	304	166	557	43,1	18,9	29,9
GP	584	1 336	459	1 868	1 042	3 204	43,7	24,5	32,5
MP	213	376	99	455	312	832	56,5	21,8	37,5
LP	113	319	59	479	172	798	35,4	12,3	21,5
RSA	1 908	4 507	1 108	5 736	3 016	10 243	42,3	19,3	29,4

Geo-type and age group	N ('000)						Per cent		
	15-34 years		35-64 years		Total		15-34 years	35-64 years	Total
	Unemployed	Total	Unemployed	Total	Unemployed	Total	Unemployed	Unemployed	Unemployed
Urban	1 355	3 390	870	4 382	2 225	7 772	40,0	19,9	28,6
Rural	553	1 117	238	1 354	790	2 471	49,5	17,6	32,0
RSA	1 908	4 507	1 108	5 736	3 016	10 243	42,3	19,3	29,4

Population group and age group	N ('000)						Per cent		
	15-34 years		35-64 years		Total		15-34 years	35-64 years	Total
	Unemployed	Total	Unemployed	Total	Unemployed	Total	Unemployed	Unemployed	Unemployed
Black African	1 725	3 676	982	4 463	2 707	8 139	46,9	22,0	33,3
Coloured	138	455	82	550	220	1 005	30,4	14,9	21,9
Indian/ Asian	14	91	12	126	26	217	15,6	9,3	11,9
White	31	284	32	597	63	881	10,8	5,4	7,1
Total	1 908	4 507	1 108	5 736	3 016	10 243	42,3	19,3	29,4

Source: QLFS Q3 2018

Table 3.3.9: Female absorption rate, 2018

Province and age group	N ('000)						Per cent		
	15-34 years		35-64 years		Total		15-34 years	35-64 years	Total
	Absorbed	Total	Absorbed	Total	Absorbed	Total	Absorbed	Absorbed	Absorbed
WC	435	1 134	664	1 214	1 099	2 348	38,4	54,7	46,8
EC	267	1 229	438	1 003	705	2 232	21,8	43,6	31,6
NC	59	210	81	189	140	400	28,1	42,9	35,1
FS	124	509	220	467	343	976	24,3	47,1	35,2
KZN	448	2 002	794	1 634	1 242	3 636	22,4	48,6	34,2
NW	144	665	247	602	391	1 267	21,6	41,0	30,8
GP	752	2 376	1 409	2 574	2 161	4 950	31,7	54,8	43,7
MP	163	805	356	658	520	1 463	20,3	54,2	35,5
LP	206	1 096	420	835	626	1 931	18,8	50,3	32,4
RSA	2 599	10 027	4 628	9 175	7 227	19 202	25,9	50,4	37,6

Geo-type and age group	N ('000)						Per cent		
	15-34 years		35-64 years		Total		15-34 years	35-64 years	Total
	Absorbed	Total	Absorbed	Total	Absorbed	Total	Absorbed	Absorbed	Absorbed
Urban	2 035	6 496	3 512	6 478	5 547	12 973	31,3	54,2	42,8
Rural	565	3 531	1 116	2 698	1 680	6 229	16,0	41,4	27,0
RSA	2 599	10 027	4 628	9 175	7 227	19 202	25,9	50,4	37,6

Population group and age group	N ('000)						Per cent		
	15-34 years		35-64 years		Total		15-34 years	35-64 years	Total
	Absorbed	Total	Absorbed	Total	Absorbed	Total	Absorbed	Absorbed	Absorbed
Black African	1 951	8 414	3 481	7 018	5 432	15 433	23,2	49,6	35,2
Coloured	317	836	468	949	785	1 785	37,9	49,3	44,0
Indian/ Asian	77	214	114	272	192	486	36,1	42,0	39,4
White	254	562	565	936	819	1 498	45,1	60,4	54,6
Total	2 599	10 027	4 628	9 175	7 227	19 202	25,9	50,4	37,6

Source: QLFS Q3 2018

Table 3.3.10: Female inactivity rate, 2018

Province and age group	N ('000)						Per cent		
	15-34 years		35-64 years		Total		15-34 years	35-64 years	Total
	Inactive	Total	Inactive	Total	Inactive	Total	Inactive	Inactive	Inactive
WC	479	1 134	435	1 214	915	2 348	42,3	35,8	38,9
EC	729	1 229	461	1 003	1 190	2 232	59,3	46,0	53,3
NC	116	210	91	189	207	400	55,3	48,0	51,8
FS	249	509	162	467	411	976	48,9	34,8	42,2
KZN	1 288	2 002	729	1 634	2 017	3 636	64,3	44,6	55,5
NW	412	665	298	602	710	1 267	62,0	49,4	56,0
GP	1 040	2 376	706	2 574	1 746	4 950	43,8	27,4	35,3
MP	429	805	202	658	631	1 463	53,3	30,7	43,2
LP	777	1 096	356	835	1 133	1 931	70,9	42,6	58,7
RSA	5 520	10 027	3 440	9 175	8 959	19 202	55,0	37,5	46,7

Geo-type and age group	N ('000)						Per cent		
	15-34 years		35-64 years		Total		15-34 years	35-64 years	Total
	Inactive	Total	Inactive	Total	Inactive	Total	Inactive	Inactive	Inactive
Urban	3 106	6 496	2 096	6 478	5 201	12 973	47,8	32,4	40,1
Rural	2 414	3 531	1 344	2 698	3 758	6 229	68,4	49,8	60,3
RSA	5 520	10 027	3 440	9 175	8 959	19 202	55,0	37,5	46,7

Population group and age group	N ('000)						Per cent		
	15-34 years		35-64 years		Total		15-34 years	35-64 years	Total
	Inactive	Total	Inactive	Total	Inactive	Total	Inactive	Inactive	Inactive
Black African	4 738	8 414	2 556	7 018	7 294	15 433	56,3	36,4	47,3
Coloured	381	836	399	949	780	1 785	45,6	42,1	43,7
Indian/ Asian	123	214	146	272	269	486	57,3	53,7	55,3
White	278	562	339	936	617	1 498	49,4	36,2	41,2
Total	5 520	10 027	3 440	9 175	8 959	19 202	55,0	37,5	46,7

Source: QLFS Q3 2018

Table 3.3.11: Sex parity ratios in income earnings, 2018

Province	R1–R1 500	R1 501–R2 500	R2 501–R3 500	R3 501–R5 500	R5 501–R7 500	R7 501–R11 500	R11 501+
WC	1,0	1,1	0,9	0,5	0,3	0,6	0,6
EC	1,5	0,9	0,8	1,1	0,8	1,0	0,9
NC	1,8	0,9	0,5	0,7	0,2	0,5	0,5
FS	1,7	1,0	0,5	0,6	0,6	0,5	0,7
KZN	1,5	1,3	0,8	0,6	0,5	0,7	0,6
NW	1,4	0,9	0,5	0,8	0,5	0,2	0,6
GP	0,9	1,1	0,8	0,5	0,6	0,6	0,7
MP	1,2	1,1	0,7	0,6	0,4	0,4	0,6
LP	1,5	1,1	0,7	0,5	0,5	0,4	0,4
RSA	1,3	1,1	0,7	0,6	0,5	0,6	0,7

Geo-type	R1–R1 500	R1 501–R2 500	R2 501–R3 500	R3 501–R5 500	R5 501–R7 500	R7 501–R11 500	R11 501+
Urban	1,1	1,1	0,8	0,6	0,5	0,6	0,7
Rural	1,5	1,0	0,6	0,5	0,4	0,4	0,5
RSA	1,3	1,1	0,7	0,6	0,5	0,6	0,7

Population group	R1–R1 500	R1 501–R2 500	R2 501–R3 500	R3 501–R5 500	R5 501–R7 500	R7 501–R11 500	R11 501+
Black African	1,3	1,1	0,7	0,6	0,5	0,5	0,7
Coloured	1,2	1,4	0,9	0,7	0,5	0,7	0,6
Indian/ Asian	0,6	0,4	0,7	0,8	0,3	0,6	0,5
White	0,7	0,9	0,4	0,6	0,6	0,8	0,7
Total	1,3	1,1	0,7	0,6	0,5	0,6	0,7

Source: QLFS Q3 2018

3.4 Women: Health

Table 3.4.1: Persons with access to medical aid, 2018

Province and sex		N ('000)	Per cent			
		Total	Medical aid	No medical aid	Unspecified	Total
WC	Male	3 274	25,3	74,5	0,2	100,0
	Female	3 376	24,7	75,0	0,2	100,0
	Both	6 650	25,0	74,8	0,2	100,0
EC	Male	3 123	9,6	89,6	0,8	100,0
	Female	3 385	10,2	89,1	0,7	100,0
	Both	6 508	9,9	89,3	0,8	100,0
NC	Male	580	16,4	83,5	0,1	100,0
	Female	650	15,8	83,9	0,3	100,0
	Both	1 230	16,1	83,7	0,2	100,0
FS	Male	1 388	17,1	81,6	1,3	100,0
	Female	1 503	14,9	83,9	1,2	100,0
	Both	2 891	16,0	82,8	1,2	100,0
KZN	Male	5 409	12,6	87,0	0,4	100,0
	Female	5 807	12,1	87,5	0,4	100,0
	Both	11 215	12,3	87,3	0,4	100,0
NW	Male	1 944	14,7	84,0	1,3	100,0
	Female	1 982	12,0	86,8	1,2	100,0
	Both	3 925	13,3	85,4	1,3	100,0
GP	Male	7 405	23,1	75,7	1,2	100,0
	Female	7 255	24,2	74,7	1,2	100,0
	Both	14 661	23,6	75,2	1,2	100,0
MP	Male	2 204	12,7	86,4	0,8	100,0
	Female	2 319	12,4	87,2	0,4	100,0
	Both	4 523	12,6	86,8	0,6	100,0
LP	Male	2 765	8,5	90,6	0,9	100,0
	Female	3 089	7,7	91,3	1,0	100,0
	Both	5 854	8,1	91,0	0,9	100,0
RSA	Male	28 093	16,6	82,6	0,8	100,0
	Female	29 364	16,1	83,2	0,8	100,0
	Both	57 458	16,3	82,9	0,8	100,0

Geo-type and sex		N ('000)	Per cent			
		Total	Medical aid	No medical aid	Unspecified	Total
Urban	Male	18 467	22,2	77,0	0,9	100,0
	Female	18 764	22,5	76,7	0,8	100,0
	Both	37 231	22,3	76,8	0,8	100,0
Rural	Male	9 627	5,9	93,5	0,7	100,0
	Female	10 600	4,7	94,6	0,7	100,0
	Both	20 227	5,3	94,1	0,7	100,0
RSA	Male	28 093	16,6	82,6	0,8	100,0
	Female	29 364	16,1	83,2	0,8	100,0
	Both	57 458	16,3	82,9	0,8	100,0

Population group and sex		N ('000)	Per cent				
			Total	Medical aid	No medical aid	Unspecified	Total
Black African	Male	22 755	10,2	89,1	0,8	100,0	
	Female	23 782	9,5	89,7	0,8	100,0	
	Both	46 537	9,8	89,4	0,8	100,0	
Coloured	Male	2 432	17,4	82,4	0,2	100,0	
	Female	2 589	16,8	82,9	0,3	100,0	
	Both	5 021	17,1	82,6	0,3	100,0	
Indian/ Asian	Male	732	50,0	49,0	0,9	100,0	
	Female	698	52,8	45,4	1,8	100,0	
	Both	1 430	51,4	47,3	1,3	100,0	
White	Male	2 174	71,6	26,9	1,5	100,0	
	Female	2 295	72,7	26,8	0,6	100,0	
	Both	4 469	72,1	26,8	1,0	100,0	
Total	Male	28 093	16,6	82,6	0,8	100,0	
	Female	29 364	16,1	83,2	0,8	100,0	
	Both	57 458	16,3	82,9	0,8	100,0	

Source: GHS 2018

3.5 Women: Vulnerability to hunger

Table 3.5.1: Households that reported hunger, 2018

Province and sex	N ('000)						Per cent		
	Male		Female		Both		Male	Female	Both
	Suffering	Total	Suffering	Total	Suffering	Total	Suffering	Suffering	Suffering
WC	111	1 173	121	697	232	1 869	9,5	17,4	12,4
EC	51	818	81	843	132	1 662	6,2	9,6	7,9
NC	26	182	24	159	50	341	14,3	14,8	14,5
FS	50	498	45	397	95	895	10,1	11,3	10,6
KZN	163	1 513	215	1 381	378	2 894	10,8	15,6	13,1
NW	106	723	74	483	180	1 207	14,6	15,3	14,9
GP	166	3 188	130	1 606	296	4 795	5,2	8,1	6,2
MP	84	719	76	529	160	1 249	11,6	14,4	12,8
LP	36	781	29	764	65	1 545	4,6	3,8	4,2
RSA	792	9 596	795	6 860	1 587	16 456	8,3	11,6	9,6

Geo-type and sex	N ('000)						Per cent		
	Male		Female		Both		Male	Female	Both
	Suffering	Total	Suffering	Total	Suffering	Total	Suffering	Suffering	Suffering
Urban	509	7 115	474	4 373	982	11 489	7,1	10,8	8,6
Rural	284	2 480	321	2 487	605	4 967	11,4	12,9	12,2
RSA	792	9 596	795	6 860	1 587	16 456	8,3	11,6	9,6

Source: GHS 2018.

Excluding unspecified cases.

3.6 Women: Education

Table 3.6.1: Persons aged 20 and above who are functionally literate, 2018

Province and sex	N ('000)						Percent		
	Male		Female		Both		Male	Female	Both
	Literate	Total	Literate	Total	Literate	Total	Literate	Literate	Literate
WC	2 006	2 172	2 139	2 290	4 145	4 462	92,4	93,4	92,9
EC	1 400	1 744	1 672	2 033	3 072	3 777	80,3	82,2	81,3
NC	288	356	322	400	609	755	80,9	80,4	80,7
FS	721	826	801	959	1 522	1 785	87,2	83,5	85,2
KZN	2 727	3 124	2 883	3 512	5 609	6 635	87,3	82,1	84,5
NW	993	1 197	1 011	1 225	2 003	2 422	82,9	82,5	82,7
GP	4 711	5 067	4 606	4 965	9 317	10 032	93,0	92,8	92,9
MP	1 128	1 313	1 128	1 386	2 257	2 699	85,9	81,4	83,6
LP	1 218	1 459	1 408	1 789	2 626	3 249	83,4	78,7	80,8
RSA	15 191	17 258	15 969	18 558	31 160	35 816	88,0	86,0	87,0

Geo-type and sex	N ('000)						Per cent		
	Male		Female		Both		Male	Female	Both
	Literate	Total	Literate	Total	Literate	Total	Literate	Literate	Literate
Urban	11 302	12 297	11 430	12 539	22 732	24 836	91,9	91,2	91,5
Rural	3 889	4 960	4 539	6 020	8 428	10 980	78,4	75,4	76,8
RSA	15 191	17 258	15 969	18 558	31 160	35 816	88,0	86,0	87,0

Population group and sex	N ('000)						Per cent		
	Male		Female		Both		Male	Female	Both
	Literate	Total	Literate	Total	Literate	Total	Literate	Literate	Literate
Black African	11 654	13 511	12 185	14 529	23 840	28 041	86,3	83,9	85,0
Coloured	1 348	1 527	1 506	1 696	2 855	3 223	88,3	88,8	88,6
Indian/ Asian	527	544	483	518	1 010	1 062	96,9	93,1	95,1
White	1 661	1 675	1 794	1 815	3 455	3 490	99,1	98,9	99,0
Total	15 191	17 258	15 969	18 558	31 160	35 816	88,0	86,0	87,0

Age group and sex	N ('000)						Per cent		
	Male		Female		Both		Male	Female	Both
	Literate	Total	Literate	Total	Literate	Total	Literate	Literate	Literate
20-39 years	9 597	10 136	9 764	10 123	19 360	20 259	94,7	96,5	95,6
40-59 years	4 365	5 218	4 598	5 601	8 963	10 819	83,7	82,1	82,8
60+ years	1 229	1 903	1 607	2 834	2 836	4 738	64,6	56,7	59,9
Total	15 191	17 258	15 969	18 558	31 160	35 816	88,0	86,0	87,0

Source: GHS 2018.

Excluding unspecified cases.

Table 3.6.2: Distribution of the highest level of education obtained by persons aged 25 years and above, 2018

Province and sex	N ('000)	Per cent							Total
		Total	Less than matric	Matric	Other tertiary	Graduates	Other	Unspecified	
WC	Male	1 898	50,9	27,7	5,7	13,9	1,6	0,2	100,0
	Female	1 991	52,8	27,2	6,3	12,2	1,5	0,0	100,0
	Both	3 889	51,9	27,5	6,0	13,0	1,6	0,1	100,0
EC	Male	1 474	65,9	22,6	3,9	7,0	0,7	..	100,0
	Female	1 785	66,6	21,1	5,1	6,7	0,4	0,1	100,0
	Both	3 259	66,2	21,8	4,5	6,8	0,5	0,1	100,0
NC	Male	311	63,7	25,8	5,4	3,6	1,5	..	100,0
	Female	348	65,2	24,6	5,1	4,3	0,8	..	100,0
	Both	659	64,5	25,2	5,2	4,0	1,1	..	100,0
FS	Male	712	57,6	30,2	4,6	6,1	1,5	..	100,0
	Female	840	60,9	26,3	5,4	5,8	1,3	0,2	100,0
	Both	1 552	59,4	28,1	5,1	6,0	1,4	0,1	100,0
KZN	Male	2 634	55,2	32,2	4,4	6,8	1,3	0,1	100,0
	Female	3 008	56,8	30,1	4,4	7,2	1,3	0,1	100,0
	Both	5 642	56,1	31,1	4,4	7,0	1,3	0,1	100,0
NW	Male	1 029	62,1	26,3	4,3	5,0	2,2	..	100,0
	Female	1 056	62,6	25,8	5,3	4,4	1,9	0,1	100,0
	Both	2 085	62,4	26,1	4,8	4,7	2,1	0,0	100,0
GP	Male	4 422	43,7	32,0	8,4	13,0	2,7	0,2	100,0
	Female	4 368	41,4	34,3	8,6	13,3	2,1	0,1	100,0
	Both	8 791	42,6	33,2	8,5	13,1	2,4	0,2	100,0
MP	Male	1 124	58,1	29,5	5,7	5,3	1,5	0,0	100,0
	Female	1 203	57,9	29,3	7,5	4,6	0,7	0,0	100,0
	Both	2 327	58,0	29,4	6,6	4,9	1,1	0,0	100,0
LP	Male	1 225	65,6	21,3	6,1	5,0	1,9	0,2	100,0
	Female	1 511	67,9	19,5	6,7	4,4	1,2	0,2	100,0
	Both	2 735	66,9	20,3	6,4	4,7	1,5	0,2	100,0
RSA	Male	14 829	54,1	28,9	6,0	9,1	1,8	0,1	100,0
	Female	16 110	55,1	28,3	6,4	8,6	1,4	0,1	100,0
	Both	30 939	54,7	28,5	6,2	8,9	1,6	0,1	100,0

Geo-type and sex	N ('000)	Per cent							Total
		Total	Less than matric	Matric	Other tertiary	Graduates	Other	Unspecified	
Urban	Male	10 755	47,9	31,8	6,8	11,4	1,9	0,1	100,0
	Female	10 989	47,6	31,9	7,5	11,4	1,6	0,1	100,0
	Both	21 744	47,7	31,8	7,2	11,4	1,7	0,1	100,0
Rural	Male	4 074	70,6	21,1	3,7	2,9	1,6	0,1	100,0
	Female	5 121	71,4	20,4	4,0	2,8	1,2	0,2	100,0
	Both	9 195	71,0	20,7	3,9	2,8	1,4	0,1	100,0
RSA	Male	14 829	54,1	28,9	6,0	9,1	1,8	0,1	100,0
	Female	16 110	55,1	28,3	6,4	8,6	1,4	0,1	100,0
	Both	30 939	54,7	28,5	6,2	8,9	1,6	0,1	100,0

Population group and sex		N ('000)	Per cent						
			Total	Less than matric	Matric	Other tertiary	Graduates	Other	Unspecified	Total
Black African	Male	11 478	59,4	27,3	5,4	5,8	2,0	0,1	100,0
	Female	12 472	59,8	26,6	6,1	5,9	1,5	0,2	100,0
	Both	23 949	59,6	26,9	5,8	5,8	1,8	0,1	100,0
Coloured	Male	1 314	60,7	27,9	3,6	6,0	1,7	0,0	100,0
	Female	1 484	63,2	25,4	4,8	5,3	1,3	..	100,0
	Both	2 798	62,0	26,6	4,2	5,6	1,5	0,0	100,0
Indian/ Asian	Male	491	31,6	40,5	6,3	20,7	0,8	..	100,0
	Female	469	32,7	42,9	5,7	18,0	0,8	..	100,0
	Both	960	32,1	41,7	6,0	19,4	0,8	..	100,0
White	Male	1 547	16,8	37,8	12,0	32,5	0,8	0,1	100,0
	Female	1 686	20,1	39,1	10,3	29,4	1,2	..	100,0
	Both	3 232	18,5	38,5	11,1	30,9	1,0	0,0	100,0
Total	Male	14 829	54,1	28,9	6,0	9,1	1,8	0,1	100,0
	Female	16 110	55,1	28,3	6,4	8,6	1,4	0,1	100,0
	Both	30 939	54,7	28,5	6,2	8,9	1,6	0,1	100,0

Source: GHS 2018

3.7 Women: Housing and basic services

Table 3.7.1: Distribution of the type of housing by sex of the household head, 2018

Geo-type and sex		N ('000)	Percent				
			Total	Formal	Traditional	Informal	Other
Urban	Male	7 229	79,9	0,8	18,1	1,3	100,0
	Female	4 422	84,8	1,0	13,4	0,7	100,0
	Both	11 651	81,8	0,9	16,3	1,1	100,0
Rural	Male	2 508	80,5	11,7	7,5	0,3	100,0
	Female	2 512	78,8	17,4	3,7	0,1	100,0
	Both	5 019	79,6	14,5	5,6	0,2	100,0
RSA	Male	9 737	80,0	3,6	15,4	1,0	100,0
	Female	6 934	82,6	7,0	9,9	0,5	100,0
	Both	16 671	81,1	5,0	13,1	0,8	100,0

Source: GHS 2018

Table 3.7.2: Distribution of the living condition indicators of male- and female-headed households, 2018

Access to piped water

Sex	N ('000)	Percent	
		Total	Access
Male	33 025	77,0	0,3
Female	24 433	67,5	0,6
Both	57 458	73,0	0,4

Access to improved sanitation

Sex	N ('000)	Percent
		Access
Male	33 025	85,1
Female	24 433	79,8
Both	57 458	82,8

Refuse/ waste removed by the municipality

Sex	N ('000)	Percent	
	Total	Access	Unspecified
Male	33 025	66,8	2,6
Female	24 433	53,4	2,7
Both	57 458	61,1	2,6

Access to electricity connected to the mains

Sex	N ('000)	Percent	
	Total	Access	Unspecified
Male	33 025	88,5	0,1
Female	24 433	91,8	0,0
Both	57 458	89,9	0,1

Use solid fuels for cooking

Sex	N ('000)	Percent	
	Total	Access	
Male	33 025	9,1	
Female	24 433	15,8	
Both	57 458	11,9	

Source: GHS 2018

3.8 Women: Violence and crime victims**Table 3.8.1: Women (16 years and above) living in households where the household feel unsafe or very unsafe to walk alone in their area during the day, 2017/ 2018**

Province	N ('000)	Percent	
	Unsafe	Total	Unsafe
WC	561	1 772	31,7
EC	404	1 774	22,8
NC	41	307	13,4
FS	144	824	17,4
KZN	653	2 819	23,1
NW	126	962	13,1
GP	944	3 744	25,2
MP	233	1 185	19,7
LP	102	1 625	6,3
RSA	3 208	15 013	21,4

Age group	N ('000)	Percent	
	Unsafe	Total	Unsafe
15-24 years	699	3 143	22,2
25-34 years	728	3 455	21,1
35+ years	1 781	8 416	21,2
Total	3 208	15 013	21,4

Source: VOCS 2017/ 2018.

Excluding unspecified cases.

Table 3.8.2: Women (16 years and above) living in households where the households feel unsafe or very unsafe to walk alone in their area at night, 2017/ 2018

Province	N ('000)		Percent
	Unsafe	Total	Unsafe
WC	1 314	1 767	74,4
EC	1 290	1 774	72,7
NC	235	309	76,1
FS	651	823	79,1
KZN	1 767	2 822	62,6
NW	678	960	70,6
GP	2 774	3 738	74,2
MP	833	1 189	70,1
LP	881	1 624	54,3
RSA	10 423	15 005	69,5

Age group	N ('000)		Percent
	Unsafe	Total	Unsafe
15-24 years	2 199	3 134	70,1
25-34 years	2 410	3 454	69,8
35+ years	5 814	8 417	69,1
Total	10 423	15 005	69,5

Source: VOCS 2017/ 2018.

Excluding unspecified cases.

Table 3.8.3: Women (16 years and above) living in households where the fear of crime prevent them from going to open spaces or parks in their area, 2017/ 2018

Province	N ('000)		Percent
	Unsafe	Total	Unsafe
WC	710	1 651	43,0
EC	772	1 712	45,1
NC	163	286	57,0
FS	269	796	33,8
KZN	793	2 718	29,2
NW	234	921	25,4
GP	1 611	3 578	45,0
MP	438	1 125	38,9
LP	227	1 602	14,2
RSA	5 216	14 389	36,2

Age group	N ('000)		Percent
	Unsafe	Total	Unsafe
15-24 years	1 090,0	3 039,0	35,9
25-34 years	1 197,0	3 322,0	36,0
35+ years	2 929,0	8 028,0	36,5
Total	5 216,0	14 389,0	36,2

Source: VOCS 2017/ 2018.

Excluding unspecified cases.

Table 3.8.4: Women (16 years and above) who have been victims of property crime during the past 5 years, 2017/ 2018

Province	N ('000)		Percent Victims of property crime
	Victims of property crime	Total	
WC	95	2 346	4,0
EC	136	2 313	5,9
NC	19	419	4,5
FS	47	1 008	4,7
KZN	83	3 757	2,2
NW	68	1 249	5,4
GP	312	5 076	6,1
MP	57	1 578	3,6
LP	51	2 034	2,5
RSA	867	19 782	4,4

Population group	N ('000)		Percent Victims of property crime
	Victims of property crime	Total	
Black African	674	15 495	4,3
Coloured	82	1 863	4,4
Indian/ Asian	7	534	1,4
White	104	1 890	5,5
Total	867	19 782	4,4

Source: VOCS 2017/ 2018.

Excluding unspecified cases.

Table 3.8.5: Women (16 years and above) who have been victims of assault during the past 5 years, 2017/ 2018

Province	N ('000)		Per cent Victims of assault
	Victims of assault	Total	
WC	60	2 345	2,5
EC	28	2 311	1,2
NC	15	418	3,5
FS	19	1 016	1,8
KZN	22	3 761	0,6
NW	25	1 249	2,0
GP	40	5 077	0,8
MP	12	1 588	0,8
LP	17	2 028	0,8
RSA	238	19 793	1,2

Population group	N ('000)		Per cent Victims of assault
	Victims of assault	Total	
Black African	167	15 504	1,1
Coloured	50	1 863	2,7
Indian/ Asian	..	534	..
White	21	1 892	1,1
Total	238	19 793	1,2

Source: VOCS 2017/ 2018.

Excluding unspecified cases.

INDICATORS: OLDER PERSONS

Older persons are defined as people aged 60 years and older.

4.1 Demography of older persons

Table 4.1.1: Distribution of older persons, 2018

Province and sex	N ('000)			Per cent		
	Male	Female	Both	Male	Female	Both
WC	273	354	627	43,5	56,5	100,0
EC	256	412	669	38,3	61,7	100,0
NC	47	83	130	36,4	63,6	100,0
FS	106	160	266	39,9	60,1	100,0
KZN	313	513	826	37,9	62,1	100,0
NW	150	194	344	43,6	56,4	100,0
GP	469	646	1 115	42,0	58,0	100,0
MP	133	186	318	41,6	58,4	100,0
LP	157	287	443	35,3	64,7	100,0
RSA	1 903	2 835	4 739	40,2	59,8	100,0

Geo-type and sex	N ('000)			Per cent		
	Male	Female	Both	Male	Female	Both
Urban	1 277	1 800	3 077	41,5	58,5	100,0
Rural	627	1 035	1 662	37,7	62,3	100,0
RSA	1 903	2 835	4 739	40,2	59,8	100,0

Population group and sex	N ('000)			Per cent		
	Male	Female	Both	Male	Female	Both
Black African	1 156	1 856	3 012	38,4	61,6	100,0
Coloured	188	283	471	39,9	60,1	100,0
Indian/ Asian	77	105	183	42,3	57,7	100,0
White	482	591	1 073	44,9	55,1	100,0
Total	1 903	2 835	4 739	40,2	59,8	100,0

Source: GHS 2018

Table 4.1.2: Older persons as a proportion of the overall population, 2018

Province and sex	N ('000)						Per cent		
	Male		Female		Both		Male	Female	Both
	Elderly	Total	Elderly	Total	Elderly	Total	Elderly	Elderly	Elderly
WC	273	3 274	354	3 376	627	6 650	8,3	10,5	9,4
EC	256	3 123	412	3 385	669	6 508	8,2	12,2	10,3
NC	47	580	83	650	130	1 230	8,2	12,8	10,6
FS	106	1 388	160	1 503	266	2 891	7,6	10,6	9,2
KZN	313	5 409	513	5 807	826	11 215	5,8	8,8	7,4
NW	150	1 944	194	1 982	344	3 925	7,7	9,8	8,8
GP	469	7 405	646	7 255	1 115	14 661	6,3	8,9	7,6
MP	133	2 204	186	2 319	318	4 523	6,0	8,0	7,0
LP	157	2 765	287	3 089	443	5 854	5,7	9,3	7,6
RSA	1 903	28 093	2 835	29 364	4 739	57 458	6,8	9,7	8,2

Geo-type and sex	N ('000)						Per cent		
	Male		Female		Both		Male	Female	Both
	Elderly	Total	Elderly	Total	Elderly	Total	Elderly	Elderly	Elderly
Urban	1 277	18 467	1 800	18 764	3 077	37 231	6,9	9,6	8,3
Rural	627	9 627	1 035	10 600	1 662	20 227	6,5	9,8	8,2
RSA	1 903	28 093	2 835	29 364	4 739	57 458	6,8	9,7	8,2

Population group and sex	N ('000)						Per cent		
	Male		Female		Both		Male	Female	Both
	Elderly	Total	Elderly	Total	Elderly	Total	Elderly	Elderly	Elderly
Black African	1 156	22 755	1 856	23 782	3 012	46 537	5,1	7,8	6,5
Coloured	188	2 432	283	2 589	471	5 021	7,7	10,9	9,4
Indian/ Asian	77	732	105	698	183	1 430	10,6	15,1	12,8
White	482	2 174	591	2 295	1 073	4 469	22,2	25,7	24,0
Total	1 903	28 093	2 835	29 364	4 739	57 458	6,8	9,7	8,2

Source: GHS 2018

4.2 Older persons: Household characteristics

Table 4.2.1: Distribution of households headed by persons 60 years and older, 2018

Province and sex	N ('000)			Per cent		
	Male	Female	Both	Male	Female	Both
WC	203	150	353	57,6	42,4	100,0
EC	205	266	471	43,5	56,5	100,0
NC	34	50	84	40,1	59,9	100,0
FS	87	108	196	44,5	55,5	100,0
KZN	253	346	599	42,2	57,8	100,0
NW	118	125	242	48,5	51,5	100,0
GP	375	347	723	51,9	48,1	100,0
MP	113	126	240	47,3	52,7	100,0
LP	126	208	333	37,8	62,2	100,0
RSA	1 514	1 726	3 240	46,7	53,3	100,0

Geo-type and sex	N ('000)			Per cent		
	Male	Female	Both	Male	Female	Both
Urban	994	969	1 963	50,6	49,4	100,0
Rural	520	757	1 277	40,7	59,3	100,0
RSA	1 514	1 726	3 240	46,7	53,3	100,0

Population group and sex	N ('000)			Per cent		
	Male	Female	Both	Male	Female	Both
Black African	957	1 350	2 307	41,5	58,5	100,0
Coloured	137	140	277	49,4	50,6	100,0
Indian/ Asian	62	41	103	59,8	40,2	100,0
White	358	194	553	64,8	35,2	100,0
Total	1 514	1 726	3 240	46,7	53,3	100,0

Source: GHS 2018

Table 4.2.2: Persons aged 60 years and older living across different types of intergenerational households, 2018

Province and sex		N ('000)	Per cent					
		Total	Single generation	Double generation	Triple generation	Skip generation	Other	Total
WC	Male	273	42,9	31,5	21,5	2,5	1,6	100,0
	Female	354	39,1	32,1	22,7	5,1	1,0	100,0
	Both	627	40,7	31,9	22,2	3,9	1,3	100,0
EC	Male	256	35,8	15,6	32,7	13,2	2,6	100,0
	Female	412	20,5	13,6	40,7	22,9	2,4	100,0
	Both	669	26,4	14,3	37,6	19,2	2,5	100,0
NC	Male	47	30,0	20,8	35,1	8,2	5,9	100,0
	Female	83	23,8	21,1	34,9	16,6	3,6	100,0
	Both	130	26,1	21,0	34,9	13,5	4,4	100,0
FS	Male	106	32,4	24,3	29,5	13,2	0,6	100,0
	Female	160	24,9	12,6	41,7	19,4	1,3	100,0
	Both	266	27,9	17,3	36,8	17,0	1,0	100,0
KZN	Male	313	30,1	24,2	37,5	7,0	1,1	100,0
	Female	513	16,7	15,8	46,0	19,3	2,3	100,0
	Both	826	21,8	19,0	42,7	14,6	1,9	100,0
NW	Male	150	40,8	16,8	29,0	10,2	3,2	100,0
	Female	194	27,4	15,4	36,9	16,8	3,6	100,0
	Both	344	33,2	16,0	33,4	13,9	3,4	100,0
GP	Male	469	41,4	24,6	25,5	5,3	3,2	100,0
	Female	646	29,5	25,2	32,3	11,1	1,9	100,0
	Both	1 115	34,5	25,0	29,4	8,7	2,4	100,0
MP	Male	133	33,4	19,5	35,1	10,5	1,6	100,0
	Female	186	23,3	10,9	43,0	22,2	0,6	100,0
	Both	318	27,5	14,5	39,7	17,3	1,0	100,0
LP	Male	157	23,1	19,2	40,1	15,6	2,0	100,0
	Female	287	12,0	14,8	44,2	27,3	1,6	100,0
	Both	443	15,9	16,3	42,8	23,2	1,7	100,0
RSA	Male	1 903	36,1	22,8	30,5	8,4	2,3	100,0
	Female	2 835	24,3	19,2	37,6	16,9	1,9	100,0
	Both	4 739	29,1	20,6	34,7	13,5	2,1	100,0

Geo-type and sex		N ('000)	Percent					
		Total	Single generation	Double generation	Triple generation	Skip generation	Other	Total
Urban	Male	1 277	41,1	25,7	24,8	6,0	2,4	100,0
	Female	1 800	30,9	24,2	31,7	11,2	2,0	100,0
	Both	3 077	35,1	24,8	28,8	9,1	2,2	100,0
Rural	Male	627	26,0	16,8	42,1	13,1	2,0	100,0
	Female	1 035	12,9	10,5	47,8	26,9	1,9	100,0
	Both	1 662	17,9	12,9	45,7	21,7	1,9	100,0
RSA	Male	1 903	36,1	22,8	30,5	8,4	2,3	100,0
	Female	2 835	24,3	19,2	37,6	16,9	1,9	100,0
	Both	4 739	29,1	20,6	34,7	13,5	2,1	100,0

Population group and sex		N ('000)	Per cent					
			Total	Single generation	Double generation	Triple generation	Skip generation	Other
Black African	Male	1 156	25,5	20,2	39,7	12,5	2,2	100,0
	Female	1 856	11,9	14,2	48,4	23,5	2,0	100,0
	Both	3 012	17,1	16,5	45,1	19,3	2,1	100,0
Coloured	Male	188	22,5	30,1	41,1	4,0	2,4	100,0
	Female	283	21,1	31,5	37,9	8,7	0,8	100,0
	Both	471	21,7	30,9	39,2	6,8	1,4	100,0
Indian/ Asian	Male	77	40,5	37,2	19,4	1,6	1,3	100,0
	Female	105	27,5	38,2	22,9	7,4	4,0	100,0
	Both	183	33,0	37,8	21,4	4,9	2,8	100,0
White	Male	482	66,2	23,9	6,1	1,2	2,5	100,0
	Female	591	64,4	25,7	6,1	2,0	1,9	100,0
	Both	1 073	65,2	24,9	6,1	1,7	2,2	100,0
Total	Male	1 903	36,1	22,8	30,5	8,4	2,3	100,0
	Female	2 835	24,3	19,2	37,6	16,9	1,9	100,0
	Both	4 739	29,1	20,6	34,7	13,5	2,1	100,0

Source: GHS 2018.

Other include unspecified cases.

Table 4.2.3: Distribution of household composition of households headed by persons 60 years and older, 2018

Province	N ('000)	Per cent					
		Total	Single	Nuclear	Extended	Complex	Unspecified
WC	353	18,4	46,5	31,1	3,9	0,1	100,0
EC	471	19,4	18,5	60,1	1,9	0,1	100,0
NC	84	20,6	22,6	55,3	1,5	..	100,0
FS	196	15,5	25,5	57,6	1,2	0,2	100,0
KZN	599	12,9	22,7	63,1	1,1	0,1	100,0
NW	242	23,0	23,4	51,2	2,0	0,5	100,0
GP	723	16,7	36,4	44,7	1,9	0,4	100,0
MP	240	17,3	21,0	60,8	1,0	..	100,0
LP	333	14,2	16,9	67,8	0,8	0,3	100,0
RSA	3 240	16,9	27,2	54,0	1,7	0,2	100,0

Geo-type	N ('000)	Per cent					
		Total	Single	Nuclear	Extended	Complex	Unspecified
Urban	1 963	17,4	34,7	45,8	1,9	0,2	100,0
Rural	1 277	16,0	15,8	66,5	1,5	0,2	100,0
RSA	3 240	16,9	27,2	54,0	1,7	0,2	100,0

Population group	N ('000)	Per cent					
		Total	Single	Nuclear	Extended	Complex	Unspecified
Black African	2 307	14,5	18,5	65,6	1,3	0,2	100,0
Coloured	277	13,9	34,0	48,6	3,3	0,2	100,0
Indian/ Asian	103	12,0	49,5	36,4	1,4	0,7	100,0
White	553	29,2	56,0	11,4	3,1	0,3	100,0
Total	3 240	16,9	27,2	54,0	1,7	0,2	100,0

Sex	N ('000)	Per cent					
		Total	Single	Nuclear	Extended	Complex	Unspecified
Male	1 514	14,3	43,1	40,5	1,9	0,2	100,0
Female	1 726	19,1	13,3	65,8	1,6	0,2	100,0
Both	3 240	16,9	27,2	54,0	1,7	0,2	100,0

Source: GHS 2018

Table 4.2.4: Mean ratio of children to older persons in older person-headed households by sex of the household head

Province	Male	Female	Both
WC	0,3	0,6	0,4
EC	0,8	1,4	1,2
NC	0,8	1,1	1,0
FS	0,7	1,5	1,1
KZN	1,0	1,6	1,4
NW	0,8	1,2	1,0
GP	0,4	1,0	0,7
MP	1,0	1,5	1,2
LP	1,1	1,5	1,4
RSA	0,7	1,3	1,0

Source: GHS 2018

4.3 Older persons: Income, poverty, economic activity and social grants

Table 4.3.1: Older persons who are beneficiaries of social grants, 2018

Province	N ('000)		Per cent
	Beneficiary	Total	Beneficiary
WC	317	627	50,5
EC	520	669	77,7
NC	105	130	80,4
FS	181	266	68,2
KZN	628	826	76,0
NW	265	344	77,1
GP	601	1 115	53,9
MP	241	318	75,8
LP	384	443	86,7
RSA	3 243	4 739	68,4

Geo-type	N ('000)		Per cent
	Beneficiary	Total	Beneficiary
Urban	1 797	3 077	58,4
Rural	1 446	1 662	87,0
RSA	3 243	4 739	68,4

Population group	N ('000)		Per cent
	Beneficiary	Total	Beneficiary
Black African	2 501	3 012	83,0
Coloured	367	471	78,0
Indian/ Asian	118	183	64,6
White	256	1 073	23,9
Total	3 243	4 739	68,4

Sex	N ('000)		Per cent
	Beneficiary	Total	Beneficiary
Male	1 141	1 903	59,9
Female	2 102	2 835	74,1
Both	3 243	4 739	68,4

Source: GHS 2018

Table 4.3.2: Labour force participation rate of older persons, 2018

Province and sex	N ('000)						Per cent		
	Male		Female		Both		Male	Female	Both
	Participated	Total	Participated	Total	Participated	Total	Participated	Participated	Participated
WC	64	259	51	385	115	644	24,6	13,3	17,8
EC	30	227	31	406	61	634	13,1	7,6	9,6
NC	5	50	3	75	8	124	10,6	3,8	6,5
FS	15	97	9	156	24	253	15,8	5,6	9,5
KZN	52	321	51	584	103	905	16,2	8,7	11,4
NW	28	136	9	202	37	339	20,6	4,3	10,9
GP	149	557	80	738	229	1 295	26,8	10,8	17,6
MP	30	136	27	209	56	345	21,8	12,9	16,4
LP	33	162	26	291	59	453	20,4	8,8	13,0
RSA	406	1 945	285	3 046	691	4 991	20,9	9,4	13,9

Geo-type and sex	N ('000)						Per cent		
	Male		Female		Both		Male	Female	Both
	Participated	Total	Participated	Total	Participated	Total	Participated	Participated	Participated
Urban	318	1 340	218	1 923	536	3 263	23,8	11,3	16,4
Rural	88	605	68	1 123	155	1 727	14,5	6,0	9,0
RSA	406	1 945	285	3 046	691	4 991	20,9	9,4	13,9

Population group and sex	N ('000)						Percent		
	Male		Female		Both		Male	Female	Both
	Participated	Total	Participated	Total	Participated	Total	Participated	Participated	Participated
Black African	227	1 230	176	2 083	403	3 313	18,5	8,4	12,2
Coloured	34	193	15	270	49	463	17,5	5,6	10,5
Indian/ Asian	13	77	2	97	15	175	16,9	1,6	8,4
White	132	445	93	595	225	1 040	29,7	15,7	21,7
Total	406	1 945	285	3 046	691	4 991	20,9	9,4	13,9

Source: QLFS Q3 2018

Table 4.3.3: Unemployment rate of older persons, 2018

Province and sex	N ('000)						Per cent		
	Male		Female		Both		Male	Female	Both
	Unemployed	Total	Unemployed	Total	Unemployed	Total	Unemployed	Unemployed	Unemployed
WC	1	64	..	51	1	115	2,3	..	1,3
EC	1	30	..	31	1	61	4,2	..	2,1
NC	..	5	..	3	..	8	..	..	..
FS	..	15	0	9	0	24	..	0,6	0,2
KZN	2	52	..	51	2	103	3,3	..	1,7
NW	..	28	..	9	..	37	..	..	..
GP	6	149	3	80	9	229	4,1	3,6	3,9
MP	4	30	2	27	5	56	12,5	6,4	9,6
LP	1	33	..	26	1	59	4,4	..	2,5
RSA	16	406	5	285	20	691	3,9	1,6	2,9

Geo-type and sex	N ('000)						Per cent		
	Male		Female		Both		Male	Female	Both
	Unemployed	Total	Unemployed	Total	Unemployed	Total	Unemployed	Unemployed	Unemployed
Urban	11	318	4	218	14	536	3,3	1,7	2,6
Rural	5	88	1	68	6	155	5,9	1,4	3,9
RSA	16	406	5	285	20	691	3,9	1,6	2,9

Population group and sex	N ('000)						Per cent		
	Male		Female		Both		Male	Female	Both
	Unemployed	Total	Unemployed	Total	Unemployed	Total	Unemployed	Unemployed	Unemployed
Black African	12	227	5	176	17	403	5,4	2,6	4,2
Coloured	2	34	..	15	2	49	4,9	..	3,4
Indian/ Asian	..	13	..	2	..	15	..	..	..
White	2	132	..	93	2	225	1,2	..	0,7
Total	16	406	5	285	20	691	3,9	1,6	2,9

Source: QLFS Q3 2018

Table 4.3.4: Absorption rate of older persons, 2018

Province and sex	N ('000)						Percent		
	Male		Female		Both		Male	Female	Both
	Absorbed	Total	Absorbed	Total	Absorbed	Total	Absorbed	Absorbed	Absorbed
WC	62	259	51	385	113	644	24,0	13,3	17,6
EC	29	227	31	406	60	634	12,6	7,6	9,4
NC	5	50	3	75	8	124	10,6	3,8	6,5
FS	15	97	9	156	24	253	15,8	5,6	9,5
KZN	50	321	51	584	101	905	15,7	8,7	11,2
NW	28	136	9	202	37	339	20,6	4,3	10,9
GP	143	557	77	738	220	1 295	25,7	10,4	17,0
MP	26	136	25	209	51	345	19,1	12,0	14,8
LP	32	162	26	291	57	453	19,5	8,8	12,7
RSA	390	1 945	281	3 046	671	4 991	20,1	9,2	13,4

Geo-type and sex	N ('000)						Per cent		
	Male		Female		Both		Male	Female	Both
	Absorbed	Total	Absorbed	Total	Absorbed	Total	Absorbed	Absorbed	Absorbed
Urban	308	1 340	214	1 923	522	3 263	23,0	11,1	16,0
Rural	82	605	67	1 123	149	1 727	13,6	5,9	8,6
RSA	390	1 945	281	3 046	671	4 991	20,1	9,2	13,4

Population group and sex	N ('000)						Per cent		
	Male		Female		Both		Male	Female	Both
	Absorbed	Total	Absorbed	Total	Absorbed	Total	Absorbed	Absorbed	Absorbed
Black African	215	1 230	171	2 083	386	3 313	17,5	8,2	11,6
Coloured	32	193	15	270	47	463	16,7	5,6	10,2
Indian/ Asian	13	77	2	97	15	175	16,9	1,6	8,4
White	130	445	93	595	223	1 040	29,3	15,7	21,5
Total	390	1 945	281	3 046	671	4 991	20,1	9,2	13,4

Source: QLFS Q3 2018

Table 4.3.5: Inactivity rate of older persons, 2018

Province and sex	N ('000)						Per cent		
	Male		Female		Both		Male	Female	Both
	Inactive	Total	Inactive	Total	Inactive	Total	Inactive	Inactive	Inactive
WC	195	259	334	385	529	644	75,4	86,7	82,2
EC	198	227	375	406	573	634	86,9	92,4	90,4
NC	44	50	72	75	116	124	89,4	96,2	93,5
FS	81	97	147	156	229	253	84,2	94,4	90,5
KZN	269	321	533	584	802	905	83,8	91,3	88,6
NW	108	136	194	202	302	339	79,4	95,7	89,1
GP	408	557	659	738	1 067	1 295	73,2	89,2	82,4
MP	106	136	182	209	288	345	78,2	87,1	83,6
LP	129	162	265	291	394	453	79,6	91,2	87,0
RSA	1 539	1 945	2 760	3 046	4 299	4 991	79,1	90,6	86,1

Geo-type and sex	N ('000)						Per cent		
	Male		Female		Both		Male	Female	Both
	Inactive	Total	Inactive	Total	Inactive	Total	Inactive	Inactive	Inactive
Urban	1 022	1 340	1 705	1 923	2 727	3 263	76,2	88,7	83,6
Rural	517	605	1 055	1 123	1 572	1 727	85,5	94,0	91,0
RSA	1 539	1 945	2 760	3 046	4 299	4 991	79,1	90,6	86,1

Population group and sex	N ('000)						Per cent		
	Male		Female		Both		Male	Female	Both
	Inactive	Total	Inactive	Total	Inactive	Total	Inactive	Inactive	Inactive
Black African	1 002	1 230	1 908	2 083	2 910	3 313	81,5	91,6	87,8
Coloured	159	193	255	270	414	463	82,5	94,4	89,5
Indian/ Asian	64	77	96	97	160	175	83,1	98,4	91,6
White	313	445	501	595	815	1 040	70,3	84,3	78,3
Total	1 539	1 945	2 760	3 046	4 299	4 991	79,1	90,6	86,1

Source: QLFS Q3 2018

Table 4.3.6: Older persons living in households without an employed adult, 2018

Province and sex	N ('000)						Per cent		
	Male		Female		Both		Male	Female	Both
	Without	Total	Without	Total	Without	Total	Without	Without	Without
WC	95	273	143	354	238	627	34,9	40,4	38,0
EC	160	256	265	412	425	669	62,4	64,3	63,6
NC	25	47	45	83	71	130	53,6	54,5	54,2
FS	54	106	91	160	145	266	51,3	56,8	54,6
KZN	140	313	258	513	398	826	44,8	50,3	48,2
NW	94	150	107	194	201	344	63,0	55,2	58,6
GP	171	469	279	646	450	1 115	36,6	43,1	40,4
MP	59	133	99	186	158	318	44,3	53,5	49,7
LP	86	157	180	287	266	443	55,2	62,7	60,1
RSA	886	1 903	1 468	2 835	2 354	4 739	46,6	51,8	49,7

Geo-type and sex	N ('000)						Per cent		
	Male		Female		Both		Male	Female	Both
	Without	Total	Without	Total	Without	Total	Without	Without	Without
Urban	524	1 277	831	1 800	1 355	3 077	41,0	46,2	44,0
Rural	363	627	637	1 035	999	1 662	57,9	61,5	60,1
RSA	886	1 903	1 468	2 835	2 354	4 739	46,6	51,8	49,7

Population group and sex	N ('000)						Per cent		
	Male		Female		Both		Male	Female	Both
	Without	Total	Without	Total	Without	Total	Without	Without	Without
Black African	578	1 156	992	1 856	1 571	3 012	50,0	53,4	52,1
Coloured	68	188	117	283	185	471	36,3	41,2	39,2
Indian/ Asian	34	77	46	105	80	183	43,9	44,1	44,0
White	206	482	312	591	518	1 073	42,7	52,9	48,3
Total	886	1 903	1 468	2 835	2 354	4 739	46,6	51,8	49,7

Source: GHS 2018

Table 4.3.7: Distribution of the main source of income for households headed by older persons, 2018

Province and sex	N ('000)	Per cent								Total
		Total	Salaries/ wages/ commission	Remit-tances	Social grants	Sales of farming products and services	Other non-farm income	No income	Unspecified	
WC	Male	203	33,1	0,8	47,7	0,3	14,1	..	4,0	100,0
	Female	150	37,0	1,0	48,5	..	5,3	..	8,2	100,0
	Both	353	34,8	0,9	48,1	0,1	10,4	..	5,8	100,0
EC	Male	205	16,1	0,2	76,8	0,3	3,4	..	3,2	100,0
	Female	266	10,6	2,7	83,8	0,2	0,7	..	2,0	100,0
	Both	471	13,0	1,7	80,7	0,2	1,9	..	2,5	100,0
NC	Male	34	17,8	2,6	73,7	..	5,8	..	..	100,0
	Female	50	16,8	3,8	72,3	..	4,4	..	2,7	100,0
	Both	84	17,2	3,3	72,8	..	5,0	..	1,6	100,0
FS	Male	87	26,1	2,8	59,6	..	8,0	..	3,5	100,0
	Female	108	14,4	3,5	71,9	0,5	6,4	..	3,4	100,0
	Both	196	19,6	3,2	66,4	0,3	7,1	..	3,4	100,0
KZN	Male	253	23,1	3,2	59,3	..	10,5	..	3,9	100,0
	Female	346	21,8	5,9	68,2	0,3	1,3	0,3	2,0	100,0
	Both	599	22,4	4,8	64,5	0,2	5,2	0,2	2,8	100,0
NW	Male	118	13,9	0,6	70,9	5,7	5,0	..	3,8	100,0
	Female	125	21,2	2,8	71,2	0,5	0,9	0,6	2,7	100,0
	Both	242	17,7	1,7	71,1	3,0	2,9	0,3	3,2	100,0
GP	Male	375	38,5	1,5	39,3	0,2	12,3	..	8,3	100,0
	Female	347	33,7	3,4	45,6	0,5	6,5	..	10,2	100,0
	Both	723	36,2	2,4	42,3	0,3	9,5	..	9,2	100,0
MP	Male	113	23,2	3,3	64,8	..	7,2	0,5	1,0	100,0
	Female	126	16,9	4,4	72,2	..	3,2	..	3,2	100,0
	Both	240	19,9	3,9	68,7	..	5,1	0,2	2,1	100,0
LP	Male	126	17,2	1,5	73,4	0,4	5,6	..	2,0	100,0
	Female	208	12,1	3,4	78,5	..	3,3	..	2,7	100,0
	Both	333	14,0	2,7	76,6	0,1	4,1	..	2,4	100,0
RSA	Male	1 514	26,2	1,7	58,0	0,6	9,1	0,0	4,4	100,0
	Female	1 726	21,6	3,7	66,5	0,3	3,4	0,1	4,5	100,0
	Both	3 240	23,7	2,7	62,5	0,4	6,1	0,1	4,5	100,0

Geo-type and sex	N ('000)	Per cent							Total	
		Total	Salaries/ wages/ commission	Remit- tances	Social grants	Sales of farming products and services	Other non-farm income	No income		
Urban	Male	994	32,0	1,8	49,0	0,6	11,2	..	5,4	100,0
	Female	969	29,1	3,7	56,2	0,3	4,2	0,2	6,3	100,0
	Both	1 963	30,6	2,7	52,6	0,4	7,8	0,1	5,9	100,0
Rural	Male	520	15,0	1,4	75,1	0,6	5,1	0,1	2,6	100,0
	Female	757	12,0	3,6	79,6	0,2	2,3	..	2,2	100,0
	Both	1 277	13,3	2,7	77,8	0,4	3,4	0,0	2,4	100,0
RSA	Male	1 514	26,2	1,7	58,0	0,6	9,1	0,0	4,4	100,0
	Female	1 726	21,6	3,7	66,5	0,3	3,4	0,1	4,5	100,0
	Both	3 240	23,7	2,7	62,5	0,4	6,1	0,1	4,5	100,0

Source: GHS 2018

Table 4.3.8: Households headed by older persons that are classified as low income households (at most a household income of quintile 1), 2018

Province and sex	N ('000)						Per cent		
	Male		Female		Both		Male	Female	Both
	Low income	Total	Low income	Total	Low income	Total	Low income	Low income	Low income
WC	12	203	27	150	39	353	5,9	17,9	10,9
EC	36	205	60	266	97	471	17,7	22,7	20,5
NC	5	34	13	50	18	84	14,5	25,9	21,4
FS	11	87	16	108	27	196	12,3	15,1	13,8
KZN	56	253	95	346	151	599	22,3	27,4	25,2
NW	23	118	27	125	50	242	19,9	21,3	20,6
GP	34	375	46	347	80	723	9,0	13,3	11,1
MP	25	113	44	126	70	240	22,3	35,1	29,0
LP	59	126	96	208	154	333	46,5	46,2	46,3
RSA	261	1 514	424	1 726	685	3 240	17,3	24,6	21,2

Geo-type and sex	N ('000)						Per cent		
	Male		Female		Both		Male	Female	Both
	Low income	Total	Low income	Total	Low income	Total	Low income	Low income	Low income
Urban	105	994	163	969	268	1 963	10,6	16,8	13,6
Rural	156	520	261	757	418	1 277	30,1	34,5	32,7
RSA	261	1 514	424	1 726	685	3 240	17,3	24,6	21,2

Population group and sex	N ('000)						Per cent		
	Male		Female		Both		Male	Female	Both
	Low income	Total	Low income	Total	Low income	Total	Low income	Low income	Low income
Black African	229	957	374	1 350	604	2 307	24,0	27,7	26,2
Coloured	15	137	29	140	45	277	11,3	20,9	16,2
Indian/ Asian	3	62	5	41	9	103	5,2	13,2	8,4
White	13	358	15	194	28	553	3,7	7,8	5,1
Total	261	1 514	424	1 726	685	3 240	17,3	24,6	21,2

Source: GHS 2018.

Household income quintile 1 is less or equal to R2000.

4.4 Older persons: Health

Table 4.4.1: Distribution of types of healthcare facilities visited by older persons, 2018

Province and sex		N ('000)	Per cent								Total
			Total	Public hospital	Public clinic	Public: Other	Private hospital/ clinic/ doctor	Other facilities	Traditional healer	Unspecified	
WC	Male	273	11,3	29,0	0,6	58,1	0,5	0,1	0,4	100,0	
	Female	354	16,1	29,9	0,4	52,7	0,9	0,1	..	100,0	
	Both	627	14,0	29,5	0,5	55,0	0,7	0,1	0,2	100,0	
EC	Male	256	4,9	72,9	0,4	20,9	0,5	0,5	..	100,0	
	Female	412	4,3	77,1	0,3	17,1	0,2	0,7	0,4	100,0	
	Both	669	4,5	75,5	0,3	18,5	0,3	0,6	0,2	100,0	
NC	Male	47	4,0	72,7	..	19,8	..	3,4	..	100,0	
	Female	83	3,2	75,3	1,0	17,6	1,9	1,0	..	100,0	
	Both	130	3,5	74,3	0,6	18,4	1,2	1,9	..	100,0	
FS	Male	106	1,5	47,3	5,9	44,5	..	0,8	..	100,0	
	Female	160	5,0	55,7	3,3	35,8	0,3	..	..	100,0	
	Both	266	3,6	52,3	4,3	39,3	0,2	0,3	..	100,0	
KZN	Male	313	6,5	64,8	0,4	27,4	0,4	0,5	..	100,0	
	Female	513	5,6	74,2	0,5	19,1	0,3	0,3	..	100,0	
	Both	826	5,9	70,6	0,4	22,2	0,4	0,4	..	100,0	
NW	Male	150	1,2	71,7	..	27,2	..	..	..	100,0	
	Female	194	3,0	70,9	1,0	24,5	0,6	..	..	100,0	
	Both	344	2,2	71,2	0,5	25,7	0,4	..	..	100,0	
GP	Male	469	8,1	42,2	..	48,5	0,4	0,2	0,7	100,0	
	Female	646	7,5	48,2	0,2	42,7	0,4	0,5	0,4	100,0	
	Both	1 115	7,7	45,7	0,1	45,1	0,4	0,4	0,5	100,0	
MP	Male	133	4,0	74,7	..	20,2	..	0,7	0,4	100,0	
	Female	186	3,1	78,7	0,2	17,1	0,4	0,2	0,3	100,0	
	Both	318	3,4	77,0	0,1	18,4	0,2	0,4	0,3	100,0	
LP	Male	157	8,3	78,3	..	11,1	0,2	2,1	..	100,0	
	Female	287	6,8	84,6	0,3	6,7	0,4	1,2	..	100,0	
	Both	443	7,4	82,4	0,2	8,3	0,3	1,5	..	100,0	
RSA	Male	1 903	6,6	56,7	0,5	35,0	0,3	0,6	0,3	100,0	
	Female	2 835	6,8	63,3	0,5	28,3	0,5	0,5	0,2	100,0	
	Both	4 739	6,7	60,6	0,5	31,0	0,4	0,5	0,2	100,0	

Geo-type and sex		N ('000)	Per cent								Total
			Total	Public hospital	Public clinic	Public: Other	Private hospital/ clinic/ doctor	Other facilities	Traditional healer	Unspecified	
Urban	Male	1 277	7,4	43,2	0,4	47,8	0,4	0,4	0,4	0,4	100,0
	Female	1 800	8,1	49,2	0,7	40,9	0,6	0,3	0,2	100,0	
	Both	3 077	7,8	46,7	0,6	43,7	0,5	0,4	0,3	100,0	
Rural	Male	627	4,8	84,4	0,8	9,0	0,2	0,9	..	100,0	
	Female	1 035	4,6	87,8	0,3	6,3	0,3	0,7	0,0	100,0	
	Both	1 662	4,7	86,5	0,5	7,3	0,2	0,8	0,0	100,0	
RSA	Male	1 903	6,6	56,7	0,5	35,0	0,3	0,6	0,3	100,0	
	Female	2 835	6,8	63,3	0,5	28,3	0,5	0,5	0,2	100,0	
	Both	4 739	6,7	60,6	0,5	31,0	0,4	0,5	0,2	100,0	

Source: GHS 2018

Table 4.4.2: Older persons with access to medical aid, 2018

Geo-type and sex		N ('000)	Percent			
			Total	Medical aid	No medical aid	Unspecified	Total
Urban	Male	1 277	39,1	60,2	0,8	100,0
	Female	1 800	32,4	66,8	0,8	100,0
	Both	3 077	35,1	64,0	0,8	100,0
Rural	Male	627	6,4	92,9	0,7	100,0
	Female	1 035	4,0	95,4	0,6	100,0
	Both	1 662	4,9	94,5	0,6	100,0
RSA	Male	1 903	28,3	70,9	0,8	100,0
	Female	2 835	22,0	77,3	0,8	100,0
	Both	4 739	24,5	74,7	0,8	100,0

Population group and sex		N ('000)	Per cent			
			Total	Medical aid	No medical aid	Unspecified	Total
Black African	Male	1 156	8,8	90,5	0,7	100,0
	Female	1 856	6,0	93,3	0,7	100,0
	Both	3 012	7,1	92,2	0,7	100,0
Coloured	Male	188	21,0	79,0	..	100,0
	Female	283	14,8	84,0	1,2	100,0
	Both	471	17,3	82,0	0,7	100,0
Indian/ Asian	Male	77	40,9	59,1	..	100,0
	Female	105	39,4	56,8	3,8	100,0
	Both	183	40,0	57,8	2,2	100,0
White	Male	482	76,1	22,7	1,2	100,0
	Female	591	72,5	27,2	0,3	100,0
	Both	1 073	74,1	25,2	0,7	100,0
Total	Male	1 903	28,3	70,9	0,8	100,0
	Female	2 835	22,0	77,3	0,8	100,0
	Both	4 739	24,5	74,7	0,8	100,0

Source: GHS 2018

Table 4.4.3: Persons 60 years and older who suffered from acute diseases compared to the overall population, 2018

Province	N ('000)				Per cent	
	Elderly		Total		Elderly	Total
	Suffering	Total	Suffering	Total	Suffering	Suffering
WC	58	627	645	6 650	9,3	9,7
EC	100	669	637	6 508	14,9	9,8
NC	18	130	148	1 230	13,8	12,1
FS	30	266	301	2 891	11,3	10,4
KZN	101	826	825	11 215	12,2	7,4
NW	39	344	306	3 925	11,5	7,8
GP	159	1 115	1 500	14 661	14,3	10,2
MP	39	318	480	4 523	12,3	10,6
LP	37	443	419	5 854	8,4	7,2
RSA	582	4 739	5 262	57 458	12,3	9,2

Geo-type	N ('000)				Per cent	
	Elderly		Total		Elderly	Total
	Suffering	Total	Suffering	Total	Suffering	Suffering
Urban	388	3 077	3 751	37 231	12,6	10,1
Rural	194	1 662	1 511	20 227	11,7	7,5
RSA	582	4 739	5 262	57 458	12,3	9,2

Sex	N ('000)				Per cent	
	Elderly		Total		Elderly	Total
	Suffering	Total	Suffering	Total	Suffering	Suffering
Male	185	1 903	2 358	28 093	9,7	8,4
Female	396	2 835	2 904	29 364	14,0	9,9
Both	582	4 739	5 262	57 458	12,3	9,2

Source: GHS 2018

Table 4.4.4: Persons 60 years and older who suffered from chronic diseases compared to the overall population, 2018

Province	N ('000)				Per cent	
	Elderly		Total		Elderly	Total
	Suffering	Total	Suffering	Total	Suffering	Suffering
WC	398	627	1 168	6 650	63,5	17,6
EC	453	669	1 070	6 508	67,8	16,4
NC	90	130	241	1 230	69,5	19,6
FS	186	266	535	2 891	69,9	18,5
KZN	510	826	1 593	11 215	61,8	14,2
NW	207	344	619	3 925	60,2	15,8
GP	656	1 115	1 913	14 661	58,9	13,0
MP	164	318	584	4 523	51,5	12,9
LP	161	443	438	5 854	36,4	7,5
RSA	2 827	4 739	8 161	57 458	59,7	14,2

Geo-type	N ('000)				Per cent	
	Elderly		Total		Elderly	Total
	Suffering	Total	Suffering	Total	Suffering	Suffering
Urban	1 954	3 077	5 655	37 231	63,5	15,2
Rural	873	1 662	2 506	20 227	52,5	12,4
RSA	2 827	4 739	8 161	57 458	59,7	14,2

Sex	N ('000)				Per cent	
	Elderly		Total		Elderly	Total
	Suffering	Total	Suffering	Total	Suffering	Suffering
Male	1 001	1 903	3 093	28 093	52,6	11,0
Female	1 826	2 835	5 068	29 364	64,4	17,3
Both	2 827	4 739	8 161	57 458	59,7	14,2

Source: GHS 2018

4.5 Older persons: Vulnerability to hunger

Table 4.5.1: Older persons living in households that reported hunger, 2018

Province and sex	N ('000)						Per cent		
	Male		Female		Both		Male	Female	Both
	Suffering	Total	Suffering	Total	Suffering	Total	Suffering	Suffering	Suffering
WC	15	271	29	351	44	623	5,5	8,2	7,0
EC	6	252	35	409	40	660	2,3	8,5	6,1
NC	10	47	10	83	19	130	20,6	11,7	15,0
FS	9	105	18	159	28	264	9,1	11,4	10,5
KZN	34	313	62	511	96	824	10,8	12,1	11,6
NW	21	148	24	192	45	340	14,5	12,4	13,3
GP	24	460	38	635	62	1 095	5,3	6,0	5,7
MP	9	129	21	179	31	307	7,3	11,9	10,0
LP	4	154	8	282	12	436	2,9	2,7	2,8
RSA	133	1 878	244	2 802	377	4 679	7,1	8,7	8,1

Geo-type and sex	N ('000)						Per cent		
	Male		Female		Both		Male	Female	Both
	Suffering	Total	Suffering	Total	Suffering	Total	Suffering	Suffering	Suffering
Urban	77,0	1 259,0	137,0	1 773,0	215,0	3 032,0	6,2	7,7	7,1
Rural	56,0	619,0	107,0	1 028,0	162,0	1 647,0	9,0	10,4	9,9
RSA	133,0	1 878,0	244,0	2 802,0	377,0	4 679,0	7,1	8,7	8,1

Population group and sex	N ('000)						Per cent		
	Male		Female		Both		Male	Female	Both
	Suffering	Total	Suffering	Total	Suffering	Total	Suffering	Suffering	Suffering
Black African	107,0	1 142,0	212,0	1 842,0	318,0	2 984,0	9,3	11,5	10,7
Coloured	16,0	188,0	20,0	280,0	36,0	468,0	8,4	7,2	7,7
Indian/ Asian	1,0	76,0	2,0	102,0	3,0	177,0	1,1	1,7	1,5
White	10,0	472,0	11,0	579,0	21,0	1 050,0	2,1	1,9	2,0
Total	133,0	1 878,0	244,0	2 802,0	377,0	4 679,0	7,1	8,7	8,1

Source: GHS 2018.

Excluding unspecified cases.

Table 4.5.2: Persons aged (0 - 59 years) living in households that reported hunger, 2018

Province and sex	N ('000)						Percent		
	Male		Female		Both		Male	Female	Both
	Suffering	Total	Suffering	Total	Suffering	Total	Suffering	Suffering	Suffering
WC	417	2 990	427	3 015	844	6 004	13,9	14,2	14,0
EC	257	2 847	261	2 948	518	5 795	9,0	8,9	8,9
NC	88	531	88	565	176	1 096	16,6	15,5	16,1
FS	153	1 276	162	1 338	315	2 615	12,0	12,1	12,1
KZN	876	5 081	908	5 277	1 784	10 357	17,2	17,2	17,2
NW	313	1 791	328	1 786	641	3 576	17,5	18,3	17,9
GP	527	6 842	471	6 542	998	13 385	7,7	7,2	7,5
MP	272	2 024	261	2 102	532	4 125	13,4	12,4	12,9
LP	123	2 577	142	2 772	265	5 349	4,8	5,1	4,9
RSA	3 025	25 958	3 047	26 344	6 072	52 302	11,7	11,6	11,6

Geo-type and sex	N ('000)						Percent		
	Male		Female		Both		Male	Female	Both
	Suffering	Total	Suffering	Total	Suffering	Total	Suffering	Suffering	Suffering
Urban	1 777	17 015	1 679	16 846	3 456	33 861	10,4	10,0	10,2
Rural	1 248	8 943	1 368	9 498	2 616	18 441	14,0	14,4	14,2
RSA	3 025	25 958	3 047	26 344	6 072	52 302	11,7	11,6	11,6

Population group and sex	N ('000)						Percent		
	Male		Female		Both		Male	Female	Both
	Suffering	Total	Suffering	Total	Suffering	Total	Suffering	Suffering	Suffering
Black African	2 754,0	21 402,0	2 767,0	21 771,0	5 521,0	43 173,0	12,9	12,7	12,8
Coloured	221,0	2 237,0	227,0	2 300,0	449,0	4 538,0	9,9	9,9	9,9
Indian/ Asian	11,0	652,0	13,0	591,0	24,0	1 243,0	1,6	2,3	1,9
White	40,0	1 667,0	39,0	1 682,0	79,0	3 348,0	2,4	2,3	2,4
Total	3 025,0	25 958,0	3 047,0	26 344,0	6 072,0	52 302,0	11,7	11,6	11,6

Source: GHS 2018.

Excluding unspecified cases.

4.6 Older persons: Education

Table 4.6.1: Older persons who are functionally literate, 2018

Province and sex	N ('000)						Percent		
	Male		Female		Both		Male	Female	Both
	Literate	Total	Literate	Total	Literate	Total	Literate	Literate	Literate
WC	233	273	297	354	530	627	85,5	83,9	84,6
EC	135	256	225	412	359	669	52,5	54,5	53,7
NC	26	47	41	83	67	130	54,5	49,6	51,4
FS	63	106	84	159	147	265	59,5	52,5	55,3
KZN	185	313	236	513	421	826	59,1	46,0	51,0
NW	86	150	102	194	188	344	57,3	52,9	54,8
GP	378	469	486	646	865	1 115	80,7	75,2	77,5
MP	61	133	68	186	128	318	45,8	36,4	40,3
LP	62	157	69	287	131	443	39,6	23,9	29,4
RSA	1 229	1 903	1 607	2 834	2 836	4 738	64,6	56,7	59,9

Geo-type and sex	N ('000)						Per cent		
	Male		Female		Both		Male	Female	Both
	Literate	Total	Literate	Total	Literate	Total	Literate	Literate	Literate
Urban	1 007	1 277	1 312	1 799	2 319	3 076	78,9	72,9	75,4
Rural	222	627	295	1 035	517	1 662	35,4	28,5	31,1
RSA	1 229	1 903	1 607	2 834	2 836	4 738	64,6	56,7	59,9

Population group and sex	N ('000)						Per cent		
	Male		Female		Both		Male	Female	Both
	Literate	Total	Literate	Total	Literate	Total	Literate	Literate	Literate
Black African	552	1 156	749	1 855	1 301	3 011	47,8	40,4	43,2
Coloured	132	188	199	283	331	471	70,3	70,2	70,2
Indian/ Asian	71	77	82	105	153	183	91,9	78,3	84,1
White	473	482	577	591	1 050	1 073	98,2	97,7	97,9
Total	1 229	1 903	1 607	2 834	2 836	4 738	64,6	56,7	59,9

Source: GHS 2018.

Excluding unspecified cases.

Table 4.6.2: Distribution of the highest level of education obtained by older persons, 2018

Province and sex	N ('000)	Per cent							Total
		Total	Less than matric	Matric	Other tertiary	Graduates	Other	Unspecified	
WC	Male	273	48,6	22,0	6,0	21,1	2,2	..	100,0
	Female	354	60,6	19,5	6,6	11,5	1,8	..	100,0
	Both	627	55,4	20,6	6,4	15,7	2,0	..	100,0
EC	Male	256	80,1	7,7	3,5	7,4	1,3	..	100,0
	Female	412	82,2	9,3	3,8	4,1	0,6	..	100,0
	Both	669	81,4	8,7	3,7	5,4	0,8	..	100,0
NC	Male	47	83,0	7,5	6,1	2,0	1,5	..	100,0
	Female	83	86,5	7,2	3,2	1,9	1,1	..	100,0
	Both	130	85,2	7,3	4,2	1,9	1,3	..	100,0
FS	Male	106	66,7	13,5	7,7	10,6	1,5	..	100,0
	Female	160	83,1	5,2	4,8	4,5	2,2	0,3	100,0
	Both	266	76,6	8,5	5,9	6,9	1,9	0,2	100,0
KZN	Male	313	76,8	11,3	3,0	6,2	2,7	..	100,0
	Female	513	86,0	5,0	2,1	4,6	2,4	..	100,0
	Both	826	82,5	7,4	2,4	5,2	2,5	..	100,0
NW	Male	150	71,2	16,2	0,8	6,4	5,4	..	100,0
	Female	194	80,1	10,2	3,1	2,9	3,4	0,3	100,0
	Both	344	76,3	12,8	2,1	4,4	4,2	0,2	100,0
GP	Male	469	51,0	22,4	8,1	15,0	3,5	..	100,0
	Female	646	60,6	17,1	5,1	13,0	4,2	..	100,0
	Both	1 115	56,6	19,3	6,3	13,9	3,9	..	100,0
MP	Male	133	80,5	11,8	2,0	4,1	1,5	..	100,0
	Female	186	85,2	8,8	3,1	2,1	0,8	..	100,0
	Both	318	83,2	10,0	2,7	2,9	1,1	..	100,0
LP	Male	157	86,0	5,3	4,0	1,5	3,2	..	100,0
	Female	287	93,4	2,8	1,0	1,7	1,1	..	100,0
	Both	443	90,8	3,7	2,0	1,6	1,9	..	100,0
RSA	Male	1 903	67,0	15,0	4,9	10,3	2,7	..	100,0
	Female	2 835	76,6	10,7	3,8	6,7	2,3	0,0	100,0
	Both	4 739	72,8	12,4	4,3	8,1	2,4	0,0	100,0

Geo-type and sex	N ('000)	Per cent							Total
		Total	Less than matric	Matric	Other tertiary	Graduates	Other	Unspecified	
Urban	Male	1 277,0	56,1	20,3	6,6	14,5	2,6	..	100,0
	Female	1 800,0	66,9	15,7	4,9	9,8	2,7	0,0	100,0
	Both	3 077,0	62,4	17,6	5,6	11,7	2,7	0,0	100,0
Rural	Male	627,0	89,3	4,4	1,6	1,8	2,9	..	100,0
	Female	1 035,0	93,5	2,0	1,9	1,2	1,4	0,0	100,0
	Both	1 662,0	91,9	2,9	1,8	1,4	2,0	0,0	100,0
RSA	Male	1 903,0	67,0	15,0	4,9	10,3	2,7	..	100,0
	Female	2 835,0	76,6	10,7	3,8	6,7	2,3	0,0	100,0
	Both	4 739,0	72,8	12,4	4,3	8,1	2,4	0,0	100,0

Population group and sex		N ('000)	Per cent						Total
		Total	Less than matric	Matric	Other tertiary	Graduates	Other	Unspecified	
Black African	Male	1 156,0	84,8	6,7	2,7	2,6	3,3	..	100,0
	Female	1 856,0	89,7	2,7	2,2	2,9	2,4	0,1	100,0
	Both	3 012,0	87,8	4,2	2,4	2,8	2,7	0,0	100,0
Coloured	Male	188,0	80,3	10,4	2,3	4,7	2,3	..	100,0
	Female	283,0	87,2	4,7	3,8	2,4	1,8	..	100,0
	Both	471,0	84,4	7,0	3,2	3,3	2,0	..	100,0
Indian/ Asian	Male	77,0	59,8	23,4	4,1	10,5	2,1	..	100,0
	Female	105,0	77,8	13,1	2,2	3,2	3,6	..	100,0
	Both	183,0	70,2	17,5	3,0	6,3	3,0	..	100,0
White	Male	482,0	20,5	35,5	11,6	30,9	1,5	..	100,0
	Female	591,0	30,1	38,2	9,0	21,0	1,7	..	100,0
	Both	1 073,0	25,8	37,0	10,1	25,5	1,7	..	100,0
Total	Male	1 903,0	67,0	15,0	4,9	10,3	2,7	..	100,0
	Female	2 835,0	76,6	10,7	3,8	6,7	2,3	0,0	100,0
	Both	4 739,0	72,8	12,4	4,3	8,1	2,4	0,0	100,0

Source: GHS 2018

4.7 Older persons: Housing and basic services

Table 4.7.1: Distribution of persons 60 years and older living in formal, informal and traditional housing, 2018

Province and sex		N ('000)	Per cent					Total
		Total	Formal	Traditional	Informal	Other		
WC	Male	273	97,7	..	1,7	0,6	100,0	
	Female	354	97,5	..	2,2	0,4	100,0	
	Both	627	97,5	..	2,0	0,5	100,0	
EC	Male	256	73,1	23,5	2,1	1,3	100,0	
	Female	412	70,1	27,0	2,0	0,8	100,0	
	Both	669	71,3	25,7	2,1	1,0	100,0	
NC	Male	47	97,5	..	2,5	..	100,0	
	Female	83	94,5	0,7	4,8	..	100,0	
	Both	130	95,6	0,4	3,9	..	100,0	
FS	Male	106	92,5	3,5	4,0	..	100,0	
	Female	160	93,0	2,8	4,1	..	100,0	
	Both	266	92,8	3,1	4,1	..	100,0	
KZN	Male	313	86,8	11,5	1,4	0,2	100,0	
	Female	513	80,1	18,2	1,6	0,2	100,0	
	Both	826	82,7	15,7	1,5	0,2	100,0	
NW	Male	150	92,7	0,4	6,8	..	100,0	
	Female	194	93,7	..	6,3	..	100,0	
	Both	344	93,3	0,2	6,5	..	100,0	
GP	Male	469	95,7	..	4,1	0,2	100,0	
	Female	646	96,1	..	3,8	0,1	100,0	
	Both	1 115	96,0	..	3,9	0,2	100,0	
MP	Male	133	92,7	2,0	5,2	..	100,0	
	Female	186	94,6	3,1	2,3	..	100,0	
	Both	318	93,8	2,7	3,5	..	100,0	
LP	Male	157	97,5	0,7	1,8	..	100,0	
	Female	287	97,6	1,5	0,6	0,2	100,0	
	Both	443	97,6	1,3	1,0	0,1	100,0	
RSA	Male	1 903	91,1	5,5	3,1	0,3	100,0	
	Female	2 835	89,3	7,8	2,7	0,2	100,0	
	Both	4 739	90,0	6,9	2,9	0,3	100,0	

Geo-type and sex		N ('000)	Per cent				
		Total	Formal	Traditional	Informal	Other	Total
Urban	Male	1 277	96,0	0,3	3,2	0,5	100,0
	Female	1 800	95,7	0,9	3,1	0,3	100,0
	Both	3 077	95,8	0,7	3,1	0,4	100,0
Rural	Male	627	81,0	16,0	2,9	0,1	100,0
	Female	1 035	78,2	19,7	2,1	0,1	100,0
	Both	1 662	79,2	18,3	2,4	0,1	100,0
RSA	Male	1 903	91,1	5,5	3,1	0,3	100,0
	Female	2 835	89,3	7,8	2,7	0,2	100,0
	Both	4 739	90,0	6,9	2,9	0,3	100,0

Age group and sex		N ('000)	Per cent				
		Total	Formal	Traditional	Informal	Other	Total
60-69 years	Male	1 238	90,4	5,7	3,6	0,3	100,0
	Female	1 642	89,0	7,4	3,5	0,1	100,0
	Both	2 880	89,6	6,6	3,5	0,2	100,0
70+ years	Male	666	92,2	5,2	2,2	0,4	100,0
	Female	1 193	89,7	8,3	1,6	0,4	100,0
	Both	1 859	90,6	7,2	1,8	0,4	100,0
Total	Male	1 903	91,1	5,5	3,1	0,3	100,0
	Female	2 835	89,3	7,8	2,7	0,2	100,0
	Both	4 739	90,0	6,9	2,9	0,3	100,0

Source: GHS 2018

Table 4.7.2: Living condition indicators of persons 60 years and above compared to the overall population, 2018

Access to piped water

Age group	N ('000)	Per cent	
	Total	Access	Unspecified
Not elderly	52 719,0	72,8	0,4
Elderly	4 739,0	74,9	0,3
Total	57 458,0	73,0	0,4

Access to improved sanitation

Age group	N ('000)	Per cent	
	Total	Access	
Not elderly	52 719,0	82,5	
Elderly	4 739,0	86,9	
Total	57 458,0	82,8	

Refuse/ waste removed by the municipality

Age group	N ('000)	Per cent	
	Total	Access	Unspecified
Not elderly	52 719,0	60,9	2,7
Elderly	4 739,0	63,5	2,6
Total	57 458,0	61,1	2,6

Access to electricity connected to the mains

Age group	N ('000)	Per cent	
	Total	Access	Unspecified
Not elderly	52 719,0	89,4	0,1
Elderly	4 739,0	96,0	0,0
Total	57 458,0	89,9	0,1

Use solid fuels for cooking

Age group	N ('000)	Per cent
	Total	Access
Not elderly	52 719,0	11,9
Elderly	4 739,0	12,5
Total	57 458,0	11,9

Source: GHS 2018

4.8 Older persons: Violence and crime victims

Table 4.8.1: Older persons living in households where the household feel unsafe or very unsafe to walk alone in their area during the day, 2017/ 2018

Province	N ('000)		Percent
	Unsafe	Total	Unsafe
WC	119	478	24,8
EC	121	586	20,6
NC	12	84	14,6
FS	34	222	15,4
KZN	161	687	23,5
NW	41	294	13,9
GP	236	909	25,9
MP	57	293	19,3
LP	25	472	5,3
RSA	806	4 025	20,0

Sex	N ('000)		Percent
	Unsafe	Total	Unsafe
Male	305	1 576	19,4
Female	500	2 449	20,4
Both	806	4 025	20,0

Source: VOCS 2017/ 2018.

Excluding unspecified cases.

Table 4.8.2: Older persons living in households where the household feel unsafe or very unsafe to walk alone in their area during at night, 2017/ 2018

Province	N ('000)		Per cent
	Unsafe	Total	Unsafe
WC	317	477	66,5
EC	413	585	70,5
NC	66	85	77,9
FS	179	225	79,5
KZN	444	687	64,6
NW	205	293	70,0
GP	659	913	72,2
MP	206	293	70,6
LP	245	474	51,7
RSA	2 735	4 033	67,8

Sex	N ('000)		Per cent
	Unsafe	Total	Unsafe
Male	1 060,0	1 580,0	67,1
Female	1 675,0	2 453,0	68,3
Both	2 735,0	4 033,0	67,8

Source: VOCS 2017/ 2018.

Excluding unspecified cases.

Table 4.8.3: Older persons who live in households where the fear of crime prevent them from going to open spaces or parks in their area, 2017/ 2018

Province	N ('000)		Percent
	No parks	Total	No parks
WC	171	435	39,4
EC	234	563	41,5
NC	42	77	54,0
FS	66	213	31,0
KZN	206	661	31,2
NW	87	285	30,5
GP	366	854	42,9
MP	106	275	38,5
LP	62	460	13,5
RSA	1 341	3 824	35,1

Sex	N ('000)		Per cent
	No parks	Total	No parks
Male	509	1 490	34,2
Female	832	2 334	35,6
Both	1 341	3 824	35,1

Source: VOCS 2017/ 2018.

Excluding unspecified cases.

Table 4.8.4: Older persons who have been victims of property crime during the past 5 years, 2017/ 2018

Sex	N ('000)		Per cent
	Victims of property crimes	Total	Victims property crimes
Male	68	1 921	3,6
Female	43	2 839	1,5
Both	111	4 760	2,3

Source: VOCS 2017/ 2018.

Excluding unspecified cases.

Table 4.8.5: Older persons who have been victims of assault during the past 5 years, 2017/ 2018

Sex	N ('000)		Per cent
	Victims of assault	Total	Victims of assault
Male	8	1 910	0,4
Female	5	2 839	0,2
Both	14	4 749	0,3

Source: VOCS 2017/ 2018.

Excluding unspecified cases.

INDICATORS: DISABLED PERSONS

Disabled persons are defined as people experiencing various levels of difficulty in functional domains such as seeing, hearing, walking, self-care, remembering and concentrating, communicating and social interaction. Only persons aged 5 years and older are included.

5.1 Demography of disabled persons

Table 5.1.1: Distribution of disabled persons, 2016

Province	N ('000)		Per cent
	Disabled	Total population	Disabled
WC	362	5 703	6,3
EC	529	6 179	8,5
NC	115	1 076	10,7
FS	282	2 560	11,0
KZN	837	9 718	8,6
NW	292	3 339	8,7
GP	811	12 148	6,6
MP	290	3 840	7,5
LP	325	5 082	6,4
RSA	3 843	49 644	7,7

Population group	N ('000)		Per cent
	Disabled	Total population	Disabled
Black African	3 013	39 673	7,5
Coloured	331	4 4389	7,4
Indian/ Asian	108	1 275	8,4
White	391	4 257	9,1
Total	3 843	49 644	7,7

Sex	N ('000)		Per cent
	Disabled	Total population	Disabled
Male	1 573	24 215	6,4
Female	2 270	25 429	8,9
Both	3 843	49 644	7,7

Age group	N ('000)		Per cent
	Disabled	Total population	Disabled
5-14 years	389	10 802	3,5
15-24 years	258	10 400	2,4
25-34 years	293	9 730	3,0
35-44 years	334	7 104	4,6
45-54 years	571	5 114	11,1
55-64 years	742	3 544	20,9
65-74 years	708	2 002	35,3
75+ years	550	948	58,0
Total	3 843	49 644	7,7

Source: CS 2016.

Excluding unspecified cases.

5.2 Disabled persons: Household characteristics

Table 5.2.1: Distribution of disabled households, 2016

Province	N ('000)	Per cent
WC	305	9,6
EC	404	12,8
NC	94	2,9
FS	237	7,5
KZN	636	20,1
NW	252	7,9
GP	724	22,9
MP	229	7,2
LP	270	8,5
RSA	3 150	100,0

Population group	N ('000)	Per cent
Black African	2 507	79,5
Coloured	257	8,1
Indian/ Asian	77	2,4
White	309	9,8
Total	3 150	100,0

Sex	N ('000)	Per cent
Male	1 459	46,3
Female	1 691	53,6
Both	3 150	100,0

Source: CS 2016.

Excluding unspecified cases.

Table 5.2.2: Households with disabled household heads, 2016

Province	N ('000)	Per cent
WC	191	9,3
EC	287	14,0
NC	61	2,9
FS	152	7,4
KZN	441	21,4
NW	154	7,5
GP	452	22,0
MP	152	7,4
LP	162	7,8
RSA	2 053	100,0

Sex	N ('000)	Per cent
Male	829	40,3
Female	1 224	59,6
Both	2 053	100,0

Source: CS 2016.

Excluding unspecified cases.

5.3 Disabled persons: Education

Table 5.3.1: Distribution of the highest level of education obtained by disabled persons aged 25 years and above, 2016

Province and sex		N ('000)	Per cent							Total
			Total	No schooling	Some primary	Completed primary	Some secondary	Matric/ grade 12	Higher	
WC	Male	140	8,5	19,8	7,6	30,6	17,1	11,3	4,9	100,0
	Female	185	8,5	22,3	8,8	32,2	15,7	7,6	4,5	100,0
	Both	324	8,5	21,2	8,3	31,5	16,3	9,2	4,7	100,0
EC	Male	152	19,3	31,0	7,7	26,1	9,5	4,5	1,6	100,0
	Female	282	22,4	28,0	7,9	28,2	7,5	4,3	1,4	100,0
	Both	434	21,3	29,0	7,8	27,5	8,2	4,3	1,5	100,0
NC	Male	41	21,4	28,1	7,4	24,8	10,4	4,1	3,5	100,0
	Female	58	21,9	29,2	8,6	25,9	8,7	2,9	2,4	100,0
	Both	99	21,7	28,7	8,1	25,4	9,4	3,4	2,9	100,0
FS	Male	87	16,4	27,1	6,6	25,8	14,3	6,9	2,6	100,0
	Female	143	15,2	29,8	7,4	28,0	11,9	5,1	2,2	100,0
	Both	230	15,7	28,8	7,1	27,2	12,8	5,8	2,3	100,0
KZN	Male	242	23,0	23,1	5,6	24,2	15,7	6,5	1,5	100,0
	Female	440	28,4	26,9	5,7	21,0	11,2	5,0	1,2	100,0
	Both	682	26,5	25,6	5,7	22,2	12,8	5,5	1,3	100,0
NW	Male	101	25,0	26,1	5,8	24,4	11,2	3,6	3,7	100,0
	Female	138	24,3	27,3	7,0	26,4	9,3	3,1	2,3	100,0
	Both	239	24,6	26,8	6,5	25,5	10,1	3,3	2,9	100,0
GP	Male	294	11,6	18,3	5,5	31,1	17,1	11,0	5,0	100,0
	Female	409	11,1	18,4	6,5	33,8	17,6	8,1	4,1	100,0
	Both	704	11,3	18,4	6,1	32,7	17,4	9,3	4,5	100,0
MP	Male	91	30,4	22,3	5,0	21,5	12,1	5,2	3,1	100,0
	Female	143	39,2	21,4	4,9	18,1	9,6	4,1	2,3	100,0
	Both	235	35,7	21,8	4,9	19,4	10,6	4,5	2,6	100,0
LP	Male	87	28,0	23,3	5,4	22,5	11,1	6,0	3,4	100,0
	Female	162	46,6	18,3	4,6	16,2	8,0	3,7	2,3	100,0
	Both	249	40,1	20,0	4,8	18,4	9,1	4,5	2,7	100,0
RSA	Male	1 236	18,7	23,2	6,1	26,6	14,2	7,4	3,3	100,0
	Female	1 961	22,9	24,1	6,6	26,2	11,9	5,4	2,5	100,0
	Both	3 196	21,3	23,7	6,5	26,4	12,8	6,2	2,8	100,0

Population group and sex		N ('000)	Per cent							
			Total	No schooling	Some primary	Completed primary	Some secondary	Matric/ grade 12	Higher	Other	Total
Black African	Male	916	22,6	27,1	6,6	25,6	10,9	3,9	2,9	100,0
	Female	1 518	27,3	26,5	6,8	24,7	8,7	3,7	2,0	100,0
	Both	2 435	25,5	26,7	6,7	25,0	9,5	3,8	2,4	100,0
Coloured	Male	120	11,4	24,0	9,1	34,1	12,0	4,0	5,0	100,0
	Female	174	12,1	27,3	11,0	32,3	9,4	3,2	4,4	100,0
	Both	293	11,8	26,0	10,2	33,0	10,4	3,5	4,6	100,0
Indian/ Asian	Male	41	7,6	13,1	5,5	34,6	26,6	9,2	3,1	100,0
	Female	58	11,5	23,7	7,8	31,9	17,6	4,5	2,6	100,0
	Both	99	9,9	19,3	6,9	33,0	21,3	6,4	2,8	100,0
White	Male	159	4,5	3,0	1,5	24,7	31,5	30,1	4,3	100,0
	Female	210	3,5	3,8	1,9	30,9	35,4	19,8	4,3	100,0
	Both	369	3,9	3,5	1,7	28,3	33,8	24,2	4,3	100,0
Total	Male	1 236	18,7	23,2	6,1	26,6	14,2	7,4	3,3	100,0
	Female	1 961	22,9	24,1	6,6	26,2	11,9	5,4	2,5	100,0
	Both	3 196	21,3	23,7	6,5	26,4	12,8	6,2	2,8	100,0

Source: CS 2016.

Other include unspecified cases.

5.4 Disabled persons: Housing and basic services

Table 5.4.1: Living condition indicators of disabled person's households compared to the overall population, 2016

	Access to water*	Access to improved sanitation*	Refuse/ Waste removal by local authority*	Access to electricity from mains*	Solid fuels for cooking*
	%	%	%	%	%
Disabled HH	81,8	73,5	58,2	89,8	17,0
All households	83,8	75,6	63,9	87,6	13,7

Source: CS 2016.

Excluding unspecified cases.

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