Education Series Volume III:
Educational Enrolment and Achievement, 2016

## Objectives

Enrich the body of knowledge on education statistics:

Educational attainment,
Literacy,
Average years of education received by school phases,

- Enrolments,
- Mode of transports used to get to educational institutions, and Intergenerational educational mobility


## Data Sources



## Context

## NDP by 2030

About 80\% of schools and learners achieve > 50\% in literacy, mathematics and science in $\operatorname{Gr} 3,6,9$

Achievement of universal access to 2 years of ECD exposure before Gr 1

At least 80\% of students should complete 12 years of schooling

## SDGs by 2030

Free, equitable and quality education

Access to quality ECD and pre-primary education

Access to affordable tertiary education

Increase the number of youth and adults with relevant skills for employment

Eliminate gender disparities, ensure equal access for vulnerable, people with disabilities and indigenous people

Ensure that all youth and a substantial proportion of adults achieve literacy and numeracy

## MTSF by 2017

All children between the ages of 7 and 18 should be in school in school and 65\% of learners should be in class groups appropriate to their age

The number of learners qualifying for university entrance should be 250000

The number of students enrolled at TVET to increase to 1,238 mil

The number of students enrolled at university to increase to $1,07 \mathrm{~m}$

## Great consistency between the different data sources for all population groups

Progression ratio plots for individuals who completed Grade 9 after completing Grade 3, by population group, for 2001, 2011 and 2016


Progression ratios of persons who completed grade 7 after they completed grade 3 by population group, Census 2011

Progression ratios of persons who completed grade 9 after they completed grade 3 by population group, Census 2011


For progression from Grade 3 to Grade 7, a significant improvement is noted for black Africans with near parity with the coloured population reached in 2011


Progression ratios for black Africans for completing Grade 9, after having completed Grade 3, are lower than for all other population groups.

Progression ratios of persons who completed grade 12 after completing Grade 3 by population group, Census 2011


In the case of Grade 12, similar, albeit slightly higher progression ratios have been found for black African students than for coloured students.

## Completion of Certificate and Bachelors after completing grade 12

## Progression ratio plots for completion of, at least certificate and at least a Bachelor after completing Grade 12, by population group, 2011



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## Absolute vs Proportions



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## Trends in educational attainment

## Uptake of Grade R and Grade 1 Enrolment 2010-2015



Higher uptake of Grade 1 enrolment from 2010 to 2015 compared to Grade R attendance

## Grade R



## People age 15 and above who have completed grade 12

## Matriculates



Source: Census 1996, 2001, 2011 and Community Survey 2016

Distribution of people 15 and above who have completed higher education by age

Substantial increases in achievement were observed between 1996 and 2011. There was a two percentage point drop in achievement between 2011 and 2016
$\begin{array}{llllllllllllll}15 & 20 & 25 & 30 & 35 & 40 & 45 & \\ \text { Age } & 50 & 55 & 60 & 65 & 70 & 75 & 80\end{array}$


Educational attainment among individuals aged 25-64 by population group, 2016


Post-secondary education attainment among individuals aged 25-64 by province, 2016

Gauteng has the highest percentage of individuals with post-secondary education; 38\% compared to other provinces

## Education attainment among individuals aged 25-64 by metropolitan municipalities, 2016

City of Tshwane, City of Johannesburg and Buffalo City municipalities have the highest percentages of individuals with Primary


Most of the metros, have the lowest percentage of individuals with no schooling

## Education attainment among individuals aged 25-64 by metropolitan municipalities, 2016

Secondary education was most commonly attained in all metros


## Upper secondary completion rate by age, 2016 FET band (Grade 10, 11 and 12)



Distribution of the adult population aged 25-64 by gender, geotype and literacy status, 2016


residing in traditional areas


of youth resident in farm areas were literate


## High illiteracy rates of youth aged 15-34 by districts, 2016

## Districts with illiteracy levels of 10\% and higher



## Distribution of the population age 15-34 by literacy status and language, 2016



High illiteracy rate among sign language and Khoi language speaking youth

Moderate illiteracy among other languages, Xitsonga, and IsiXhosa

Low illiteracy among English and Afrikaans speaking youth

Odds ratio estimates on effect on educational attainment among individuals aged 25-64

| Effect | Odds Ratio |
| :---: | :---: |
| White | 3,678 |
| English | 2,609 |
| Tshivenda | 1,47 |
| Sepedi | 1,249 |
| Setswana | 1,24 |
| SiSwati | 1,193 |
| Afrikaans | 1,187 |
| Household size of four | 1,118 |
| Rented dwelling | 1,089 |

Whites have 3,678 times greater odds of high levels of education than black Africans Tshivenda speakers have 1,470 times greater odds of high levels of education than IsiZulu speakers
Individuals staying in households with 4 members have 1,118 times greater odds of high levels of education than those with less than 4 members


## Enrolments at educational institutions, 2016

120,0 More white children enrol
100,0 compared to the other population groups.

60,0


- Black African

aged 17-40, 2016



## Current attendance of post-secondary institutions for individuals

## Current attendance at post-secondary institutions for individuals aged 17-40 by population group, 2016

60,0


Source: Community Survey 2016

## Distribution of TVET attendance by field of study, 2016



Individuals aged 15-24 by school attendance status and disability status, 2016

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| Not attending | 53,9\% | 48,3\% | 53,7\% |
| Attending | 46,1\% | 51,7\% | 46,3\% |

# Slightly less than half of individuals aged 15-24 living with disability were not in education 

## Trends in percentage of 15-34 by enrolment status, 1996 to 2016

## 38,4\%

Attending Age 15-34

## 31,5\%

1996
2016

There has been a decline of $7 \%$ in the enrolment of individuals aged 15-34 in education from 1996 to 2016


## Mean years of schooling by population group, 2016



Black African
Indian/Asian
White
South Africa


7 years and older 15-34 years old

Time taken in minutes walking to educational institution by geographical type



Current participation in tertiary education among individuals aged 20-34 years old by their parents' educational attainment

The gender gap in favour of female students is the biggest for students whose parents have educational levels of incomplete secondary or lower


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Participants aged 20-34 in
post-secondary education
were mostly females

## Highest level of education by education phases of parents and adults aged 20-34 in South Africa, 2016

■ Parents
■ Adults aged 20-34


Current participation in post-secondary education among individuals aged 24 by their parents' educational attainment, 2016


## Inter-generational mobility among individuals aged 20-34 who only completed secondary schooling by population group, 2016



For the children who completed secondary schooling the majority (70\%) attained education levels better than their parents

## 19,4\%



19,4\% of individuals aged 20-34 who completed post-secondary education had parents who had completed primary and lower attainment

51,3\% of individuals aged 20-34 who completed post-secondary education had parents who had completed secondary

Among black African university graduates, while $58 \%$ had a degree the rest $42 \%$ either had diplomas or certificates


Close to 73\% of white graduates had degrees and only $27 \%$ had lesser qualifications


## Unemployment rate by level of education among population aged 15-64, 2008-2015 QLFS, 2008-2015




No schooling
17,1

Post-secondary
11,7
Unemployment rates were the lowest among post-secondary qualification holders

| 2008 | 2009 | 2010 | 2011 | 2012 | 2013 | 2014 | 2015 |
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## Youth (15-34 years) labour market rates by education level

Graduates have better labour market outcomes with low unemployment rate , high participation and high absorption rate.


Household expenditure on education by population group of household head, 2015

White-headed households spent three times as much on education as compared to the national average. Indian/Asian and coloured-headed households spent approximately R6 731 and R3 236, respectively


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