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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 older; 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 “Vulnerable Groups Indicator Report: 2016” 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 third report in the series and focuses on data collected during the year, 2016. 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 2016. 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/or 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.

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 leukaemia and chronic leukaemia, 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.

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

Access to basic household services:

- Access to water - Refers to dwellings that have access to piped water source in the 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 The Demography of Children**Table 1.1.1.1: Distribution of children, 2016**

Disaggregation			WC	EC	NC	FS	KZN	NW	GP	MP	LP	RSA
	Male	N('000) %										
Sex and province	Male	N('000)	980	1 333	203	436	2 046	628	1 839	762	1 120	9 348
		%	51,3	50,6	50,1	49,1	50,3	48,9	50,5	49,9	50,9	50,4
	Female	N('000)	929	1 302	203	453	2 026	655	1 804	765	1 082	9 218
		%	48,7	49,4	49,9	51,0	49,8	51,1	49,5	50,1	49,1	49,7
Sex and geo-type	Both	N('000)	1 910	2 635	406	888	4 073	1 282	3 642	1 527	2 202	18 566
		%	100,0	100,0	100,0	100,0	100,0	100,0	100,0	100,0	100,0	100,0
	Male	N('000)	5 260	4 088	9 348							
		%	49,9	50,9	50,4							
Sex and population group	Female	N('000)	5 274	3 944	9 218							
		%	50,1	49,1	49,7							
	Both	N('000)	10 534	8 032	18 566							
		%	100,0	100,0	100,0							
Sex and population group	Male	N('000)	7 871	796	177	504	9 348					
	Female	N('000)	7 801	761	178	478	9 218					
	Both	N('000)	15 672	1 557	355	982	18 566					
	Male	N('000)	7 871	796	177	504	9 348					

Source: GHS 2016

Table 1.1.2: Percentage of children as a proportion of the overall population, 2016

Table 11.2: Percentage of children as a proportion of the overall population, 2010												
Disaggregation		WC	EC	NC	FS	KZN	NW	GP	MP	LP	RSA	
Sex and province	Male	N('000)	980	1 333	203	436	2 046	628	1 839	762	1 120	9 348
		%	31,4	41,5	34,9	33,3	39,4	33,4	26,9	36,3	40,9	34,7
	Male population ('000)		3 127	3 213	584	1 310	5 192	1 877	6 834	2 100	2 739	26 975
	Female	N('000)	929	1 302	203	453	2 026	655	1 804	765	1 082	9 218
		%	28,7	37,0	33,3	31,0	36,1	34,8	26,9	34,9	36,2	32,7
	Female population ('000)		3 236	3 518	609	1 459	5 614	1 881	6 709	2 190	2 986	28 202
Sex and Geo-type	Both	N('000)	1 910	2 635	406	888	4 073	1 282	3 642	1 527	2 202	18 566
		%	30,0	39,1	34,1	32,1	37,7	34,1	26,9	35,6	38,5	33,7
			Urban	Rural	RSA							
	Male	N('000)	5 260	4 088	9 348							
		%	30,1	42,9	34,7							
	Male population ('000)		17 449	9 526	26 975							
Sex and population group	Female	N('000)	5 274	3 944	9 218							
		%	29,4	38,4	32,7							
	Female population ('000)		17 920	10 282	28 202							
	Both	'000	10 534	8 032	18 566							
		%	29,8	40,6	33,7							
			Black African	Colour ed	Indian/ Asian	White	RSA					
Sex and population group	Male	N('000)	7 871	796	177	504	9 348					
		%	36,3	33,6	25,2	22,9	34,7					
	Male population ('000)		21 699	2 373	700	2 203	26 975					
	Female	N('000)	7 801	761	178	478	9 218					
		%	34,4	30,1	26,0	20,5	32,7					
	Female population ('000)		22 648	2 533	684	2 337	28 202					
Sex and population group	Both	'000	15 672	1 557	355	982	18 566					
		%	35,3	31,8	25,6	21,6	33,7					

Source: GHS 2016

1.2 Children: Household characteristics

Table 1.2.1: Children less than 18 years by orphan-hood status, 2016

Gender	Maternal Orphan	Paternal Orphan	Double Orphan	Not Orphaned	Total
Male	N('000) 274	778	226	7 843	9 120
	% 3,0	8,5	2,5	86,0	100,0
Female	N('000) 250	784	241	7 726	9 001
	% 2,8	8,7	2,7	85,8	100,0
Both	N('000) 524	1 562	468	15 569	18 122
	% 2,9	8,6	2,6	85,9	100,0

Source: GHS 2016

Table 1.2.2: Percentage distribution of children by orphan-hood status, 2016

Disaggregation	Orphan-hood	WC	EC	NC	FS	KZN	NW	GP	MP	LP	RSA
		%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%
Sex and Province	Maternal Orphan	1,8	4,5	4,1	3,3	3,7	2,1	2,2	3,4	2,3	3,0
	Paternal Orphan	3,8	9,4	9,1	8,6	12,5	8,8	5,8	10,3	7,6	8,5
	Double Orphan	1,1	3,2	3,0	2,3	3,1	3,0	1,7	2,5	2,6	2,5
	Not Orphaned	93,3	82,9	83,8	85,8	80,8	86,1	90,4	83,8	87,5	86,0
	Total (%)	100,0	100,0	100,0	100,0	100,0	100,0	100,0	100,0	100,0	100,0
	Total ('000)	980	1 290	201	425	2 007	594	1 797	742	1 085	9 120
	Maternal Orphan	1,3	3,8	2,8	2,8	3,7	2,3	2,0	4,2	1,7	2,8
Female	Paternal Orphan	4,9	10,9	8,3	10,4	11,9	8,1	6,2	8,5	7,6	8,7
	Double Orphan	0,9	4,1	2,0	3,8	3,7	1,4	1,8	3,1	2,3	2,7
	Not Orphaned	92,9	81,3	86,9	83,1	80,6	88,2	90,1	84,3	88,4	85,8
	Total (%)	100,0	100,0	100,0	100,0	100,0	100,0	100,0	100,0	100,0	100,0
	Total ('000)	919	1 268	199	432	1 992	634	1 771	737	1 050	9 001

Source: GHS 2016

Table 1.2.2: Percentage distribution of children by orphan-hood status, 2016 (cont.)

Table A12.1: Percentage distribution of children by orphan hood status, 2010 (Cont.)							
Orphan-hood		Black/ African	Coloured	Asian /Indian	White	Total	
Sex and population group	Male	Maternal Orphan	3,3	2,1	0,0	0,8	3,0
		Paternal Orphan	9,5	4,9	1,4	2,2	8,5
		Double Orphan	2,8	1,0	0,0	0,2	2,5
		Not Orphaned	84,4	91,9	98,6	96,8	86,0
		Total (%)	100,0	100,0	100,0	100,0	100,0
	Female	Total ('000)	7 654	794	173	499	9 120
		Maternal Orphan	3,1	1,9	1,8	0,0	2,8
		Paternal Orphan	9,6	4,4	2,8	3,8	8,7
		Double Orphan	3,1	0,6	0,5	0,0	2,7
		Not Orphaned	84,3	93,1	94,9	96,2	85,8
Total (%)	100,0	100,0	100,0	100,0	100,0		
Total ('000)	7 595	755	176	476	9 001		
Orphan-hood		Urban	Rural	Total			
Sex and geo-type	Male	Maternal Orphan	2,4	3,8	3,0		
		Paternal Orphan	6,8	10,8	8,5		
		Double Orphan	2,3	2,7	2,5		
		Not Orphaned	88,5	82,8	86,0		
		Total (%)	100,0	100,0	100,0		
	Female	Total ('000)	5 170	3 950	9 120		
		Maternal Orphan	2,3	3,4	2,8		
		Paternal Orphan	7,2	10,8	8,7		
		Double Orphan	2,4	3,1	2,7		
		Not Orphaned	88,1	82,8	85,8		
Total (%)	100,0	100,0	100,0				
Total ('000)	5 173	3 828	9 001				

Source: GHS 2016

Table 1.2.3: Children by their parental living arrangements, 2016

Gender		Lives with mother	Lives with father only	Lives with both parents	Lives with neither	Total
Male	N('000)	3 651	305	3 188	1 956	9 100
	%	40,1	3,4	35,0	21,5	100,0
Female	N('000)	3 722	244	3 128	1 886	8 980
	%	41,4	2,7	34,8	21,0	100,0
Both	N('000)	7 372	549	6 316	3 842	18 080
	%	40,8	3,0	34,9	21,3	100,0

Source: GHS 2016

Table 1.2.4: Percentage distribution of children by household composition, 2016

Disaggregation	HH	WC		EC		NC		FS		KZN		NW		GP		MP		LP		RSA	
		%		%		%		%		%		%		%		%		%		%	
Sex and Province	Male	Single		0,0		0,3		0,0		0,3		0,1		0,0		0,1		0,3		0,4	
		Nuclear		53,6		24,3		31,2		41,4		24,6		35,2		53,5		36,1		33,3	
		Extended		41,9		73,3		64,9		56,0		74,0		63,2		44,2		61,0		65,3	
		Complex		4,5		2,1		3,9		2,3		1,4		1,6		2,2		2,6		1,0	
	Female	Total (%)		100,0		100,0		100,0		100,0		100,0		100,0		100,0		100,0		100,0	
		Total ('000)		980		1 333		203		434		2 043		623		1 834		762		1 120	
		Single		0,1		0,1		0,0		0,1		0,0		0,1		0,1		0,0		0,2	
		Nuclear		51,2		23,9		32,0		41,1		24,3		40,1		52,2		34,8		33,4	
Sex and population group	Male	Extended		42,5		71,9		63,3		55,2		74,1		55,9		46,1		63,3		65,9	
		Complex		6,3		4,1		4,8		3,6		1,7		4,0		1,6		1,9		0,5	
		Total (%)		100,0		100,0		100,0		100,0		100,0		100,0		100,0		100,0		100,0	
		Total ('000)		929		1 302		203		451		2 023		653		1 801		764		1 081	
	Female	HH Composition		Black/ African		Coloured		Asian/Indian		White		Total									
		Single		0,2		0,1		0,0		0,0		0,2									
		Nuclear		32,9		45,4		71,9		74,1		36,9									
		Extended		65,2		49,4		27,6		21,8		60,8									
Sex and population group	Female	Complex		1,7		5,2		0,6		4,2		2,1									
		Total (%)		100,0		100,0		100,0		100,0		100,0									
		Total ('000)		7 857		796		177		502		9 332									
		Single		0,1		0,0		0,0		0,2		0,1									
	Male	Nuclear		32,9		45,3		60,9		71,8		36,5									
		Extended		64,9		46,6		37,4		25,1		60,8									
		Complex		2,2		8,2		1,7		2,9		2,7									
		Total (%)		100,0		100,0		100,0		100,0		100,0									
Source: GHS 2016	Total ('000)			7 792		761		178		477		9 207									

Table 1.2.4: Percentage distribution of children by household composition, 2016 (cont.)

Sex and geo-type	HH Composition		Urban	Rural	Total
	Male	Female			
	Single		0,1	0,2	0,2
	Nuclear		46,6	24,4	36,9
	Extended		50,6	73,9	60,8
	Complex		2,7	1,5	2,1
	Total (%)		100,0	100,0	100,0
	Total ('000)		5 254	4 079	9 332
	Single		0,1	0,1	0,1
	Nuclear		45,5	24,4	36,5
	Extended		51,3	73,5	60,8
	Complex		3,2	2,0	2,7
	Total (%)		100,0	100,0	100,0
	Total ('000)		5 268	3 940	9 207

Source: GHS 2016

* Total excludes missing cases

Table 1.2.5: Child-headed households across intergenerational household type, 2016

Gender		Single generation	Double generation	Triple or more generation	Other	Total
Male	N('000)	21	4	*	24	48
	%	42,5	7,9	0,0	49,7	100,0
Female	N('000)	18	12	*	12	42
	%	43,0	28,8	0,0	28,2	100,0
Both	N('000)	39	16	*	36	91
	%	42,7	17,6	0,0	39,6	100,0

Source: GHS 2016

* Note figures less than 1000 are represented by (*)

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

Table 1.3.1: Children living in households without an employed adult, 2016

Sex	Employed adult(s) in household	No employed adult in household	Total households
Male	N('000)	2 825	9 348
	%	30,2	100,0
Female	N('000)	2 763	9 218
	%	30,0	100,0
Both	N('000)	5 588	18 566
	%	30,1	100,0

Source: GHS 2016

Table 1.3.2: Distribution of children living in households without an employed adult, 2016

Disaggregation	WC	EC	NC	FS	KZN	NW	GP	MP	LP	RSA
Sex and province	N('000)	83	662	65	133	763	213	214	229	463
	%	2,9	23,5	2,3	4,7	27,0	7,5	7,6	8,1	16,4
	N('000)	87	591	69	143	727	206	241	230	469
	%	3,2	21,4	2,5	5,2	26,3	7,4	8,7	8,3	17,0
Both	N('000)	170	1 254	133	276	1 490	419	454	459	932
	%	3,0	22,4	2,4	5,0	26,7	7,5	8,1	8,2	16,7

Source: GHS 2016

Table 1.3.3: Percentage distribution of the main source of income for child-headed households, 2016

Disaggregation	Salaries/wage s/commission	Remittances	Social Grants	Sales of farming products and services	Other non-farm income	No income	Per cent	Thousand
Male	16,8	75,0	8,2	0,0	0,0	0,0	100,0	29
Female	0,0	68,2	13,5	4,3	13,9	0,0	100,0	16
Both	10,7	72,5	10,2	1,6	5,1	0,0	100,0	45
Urban	29,9	55,9	4,2	0,0	10,1	0,0	100,0	16
Rural	0,0	81,8	13,5	2,5	2,3	0,0	100,0	29
Total	10,7	72,5	10,2	1,6	5,1	0,0	100,0	45

Source: GHS 2016

Table 1.3.4: Percentage distribution of children living in households by household income quintiles, 2016

Table 20.04 : Percentage distribution of children enrolling in schools by income quintiles, 2010													
Disaggregation		WC	EC	NC	FS	KZN	NW	GP	MP	LP	RSA		
Province	Male	Below quintile 1	8,4	18,2	24,7	13,5	26,1	25,8	16,7	19,7	21,8		
		Between Quintiles 1 & 2	16,7	28,0	18,1	11,8	21,2	15,7	10,7	18,7	18,1		
		Between Quintiles 2 & 3	21,7	27,1	23,6	23,0	21,9	25,1	15,0	23,5	21,3		
		Between Quintiles 3 & 4	30,8	15,9	22,3	32,0	21,8	20,2	24,0	23,6	22,2		
		Above quintile 4	22,3	10,9	11,3	19,7	8,9	13,1	33,7	14,7	16,6		
		Total (%)	100,0	100,0	100,0	100,0	100,0	100,0	100,0	100,0	100,0		
		All male	980	1 333	203	436	2 046	628	1 839	762	1 120	9 348	
	Female	Below quintile 1	8,9	17,2	22,0	11,6	23,9	29,3	15,8	20,6	43,8	21,7	
		Between Quintiles 1 & 2	18,0	25,7	22,0	10,5	21,8	14,2	11,6	16,5	17,6	17,9	
		Between Quintiles 2 & 3	24,9	27,9	27,1	22,8	22,0	24,0	16,5	21,8	17,7	21,8	
Geo-type		Between Quintiles 3 & 4	29,5	17,7	18,6	31,8	24,3	18,0	25,2	26,5	14,2	22,9	
		Above quintile 4	18,6	11,5	10,4	23,3	8,1	14,5	30,9	14,6	6,7	15,7	
		Total (%)	100,0	100,0	100,0	100,0	100,0	100,0	100,0	100,0	100,0	100,0	
		All female	929	1 302	203	453	2 026	655	1 804	765	1 082	9 218	
	Male		Urban	Rural	RSA								
			Below quintile 1	16,2	29,1	21,8							
			Between Quintiles 1 & 2	15,3	21,7	18,1							
			Between Quintiles 2 & 3	18,5	24,8	21,3							
			Between Quintiles 3 & 4	26,1	17,2	22,2							
			Above quintile 4	24,0	7,1	16,6							
			Total (%)	100,0	100,0	100,0							
			All male Children	5 260	4 088	9 348							
		Female		Below quintile 1	16,1	29,1	21,7						
				Between Quintiles 1 & 2	15,4	21,4	17,9						
			Between Quintiles 2 & 3	19,2	25,3	21,8							
	Between Quintiles 3 & 4		26,6	17,8	22,9								
	Above quintile 4		22,7	6,4	15,7								
	Total (%)		100,0	100,0	100,0								
	All female	5 274	3 944	9 218									

Note: income Quintiles 1, 2, 3 and 4 are R 2000, R4000, R6000 and R15000 respectively
Source: GHS 2016

Table 1.3.4: Percentage distribution of children living in households by household income quintiles, 2016 (cont.)

Population group		Black African	Coloured	Indian/ Asian	White	RSA
Male	Below quintile 1	24,4	10,7	8,0	4,2	21,8
	Between Quintiles 1 & 2	19,5	16,8	7,7	1,6	18,1
	Between Quintiles 2 & 3	22,2	22,5	18,1	5,7	21,3
	Between Quintiles 3 & 4	21,3	31,0	18,9	23,1	22,2
	Above quintile 4	12,6	19,1	47,3	65,5	16,6
	Per cent	100,0	100,0	100,0	100,0	100,0
Female	All male children (Thousands)	7 871	796	177	504	9 348
	Below quintile 1	24,3	10,4	3,9	2,7	21,7
	Between Quintiles 1 & 2	18,9	20,3	9,7	2,4	17,9
	Between Quintiles 2 & 3	22,5	26,3	14,6	5,6	21,8
	Between Quintiles 3 & 4	22,3	27,1	30,3	22,3	22,9
	Above quintile 4	12,0	15,9	41,4	67,0	15,7
	Per cent	100,0	100,0	100,0	100,0	100,0
	All female children (Thousands)	7 801	761	178	478	9 218

Note: income Quintiles 1, 2, 3 and 4 are R 2000, R4000, R6000 and R15000 respectively

Source: GHS 2016

1.4 Children: Health

Table 1.4.1: Children with access to medical aid, 2016

Disaggregation		Urban			Rural			RSA			
		Medical aid	No medical aid	Total	Medical aid	No medical aid	Total	Medical aid	No medical aid	Total	
Sex an geo-type	Male	N('000)	1 197	4 012	5 209	226	3 811	4 036	1 423	7 822	9 246
		%	23,0	77,0	100,0	5,6	94,4	100,0	15,4	84,6	100,0
	Female	N('000)	1 141	4 080	5 221	176	3 718	3 893	1 317	7 797	9 114
		%	21,9	78,1	100,0	4,5	95,5	100,0	14,5	85,6	100,0
	Both	N('000)	2 339	8 092	10 430	401	7 528	7 930	2 740	15 620	18 360
		%	22,4	77,6	100,0	5,1	94,9	100,0	14,9	85,1	100,0

Source: GHS 2016

Table 1.4.2: Percentage distribution of types of healthcare facilities visited by children, 2016

Disaggregation		Public Hospital	Public Clinic	Public Other	Private Hospital/Clinic	Other facilities	Traditional healer	Total		
								Per cent	Thousand	
Sex and geo-type	Male	Urban	8,0	60,4	0,3	30,6	0,4	0,3	100,0	5 244
		Rural	5,9	86,7	0,9	6,0	0,2	0,4	100,0	4 082
		Both	7,1	71,9	0,5	19,8	0,3	0,3	100,0	9 327
	Female	Urban	7,5	62,7	0,5	28,4	0,5	0,5	100,0	5 268
		Rural	5,5	87,5	1,0	5,4	0,1	0,4	100,0	3 937
		Both	6,6	73,3	0,7	18,6	0,3	0,5	100,0	9 204
	Both	Urban	7,74	61,5	0,4	29,5	0,5	0,4	100,0	10 512
		Rural	5,7	87,1	0,9	5,7	0,2	0,4	100,0	8 019
		Both	6,9	72,6	0,6	19,2	0,3	0,4	100,0	18 531

Source: GHS 2016

Table 1.4.3: Percentage of children living less than 30 minutes from the nearest health care facility, 2016

Disaggregation	WC	EC	NC	FS	KZN	NW	GP	MP	LP	RSA
Sex and province	% share	94,4	72,9	80,4	80,3	69,3	72,9	80,5	78,6	80,0
	Male children living less than	923	971	163	348	1 415	455	608	878	7 440
	All male Children (Thousands)	978	1 333	203	434	2 042	624	1 808	756	9 296
	% share	93,8	75,1	81,4	83,2	69,8	75,8	77,2	75,4	80,0
	Female children living less than	871	976	164	375	1 407	493	582	813	7 338
	All female Children	928	1 300	201	451	2 016	651	1 793	755	9 173
Both	% share	94,1	74,0	80,9	81,8	69,6	74,4	78,8	77,0	80,0
	All children living less than	1 794	1 948	327	723	2 822	948	3 334	1 191	14
	All Children (Thousands)	1 906	2 632	404	885	4 058	1 275	3 602	1 510	18
Sex and geo-type		Urban	Rural	RSA						
	% share	90,8	66,2	80,0						
	Male children living less than	4 743	2 698	7 440						
	All male Children (Thousands)	5 221	4 074	9 296						
	% share	90,6	65,8	80,0						
	Female children living less than	4 761	2 577	7 338						
Both	All female Children	5 255	3 918	9 173						
	% share	90,7	66,0	80,0						
	All children living less than	9 503	5 275	14 778						
All Children (Thousands)		10 476	7 993	18 469						

Source: GHS 2016

Table 1.4.4: Percentage of children who suffered from acute diseases compared to the overall population, 2016

Disaggregation	WC	EC	NC	FS	KZN	NW	GP	MP	LP	RSA
Province	% share of children suffering	9,0	10,1	12,5	10,4	8,0	9,6	12,5	8,0	11,0
	Total children suffering	172	267	51	92	324	124	191	176	2 038
	Children (thousand)	1 910	2 635	406	888	4 073	1 282	1 527	2 202	18 566
	% share of persons suffering (All)	8,2	10,1	11,6	10,4	7,1	9,7	11,3	7,3	10,2
	Total number of persons suffering	523	677	139	289	763	365	1 953	415	5 610
	Population (thousand)	6 362	6 731	1 192	2 769	10 807	3 758	4 290	5 724	55 177

Source: GHS 2016

Table 1.4.4: Percentage of children who suffered from acute diseases compared to the overall population, 2016 (cont.)

Geo-type	Urban			Rural			RSA		
	% share of children suffering			13,1			8,2		11,0
	Total children suffering			1 382			656		2 038
	All children (thousand)			10 534			8 032		18 566
	% share of persons suffering (All)			11,4			8,1		10,2
	Total number of persons suffering			4 013			1 597		5 610
	Population (thousand)			35 369			19 807		55 177
Sex				Male			Female		
	% share of children suffering						11,1		11,0
	Total children suffering						1 020		2 038
	All children (thousand)						9 218		18 566
	% share of persons suffering (All)						10,9		10,2
	Total number of persons suffering						3 082		5 610
	Population (thousand)						28 202		55 177

Source: GHS 2016

Table 1.4.5: Percentage of children who suffered from chronic diseases compared to the overall population, 2016

Disaggregation	WC	EC	NC	FS	KZN	NW	GP	MP	LP	RSA
Province	% share of children suffering	5,0	2,5	4,5	3,2	2,4	2,7	3,4	2,5	1,3
	Total children suffering	95	67	18	28	98	34	123	38	28
	All children (Thousands)	1 910	2 635	406	888	4 073	1 282	3 642	1 527	2 202
	% share of persons suffering	19,7	16,7	21,5	19,6	14,4	16,9	15,8	14,1	8,4
	Total number of persons	1 256	1 124	257	544	1 555	633	2 139	606	483
	Population (Thousands)	6 362	6 731	1 192	2 769	10 807	3 758	13 543	4 290	5 724
Geo-type		Urban	Rural	RSA						
	% share of children suffering	3,4	2,1	2,9						
	Total children suffering	360	171	530						
	All children (Thousands)	10 534	8 032	18 566						
	% share of persons suffering	16,7	13,6	15,6						
	Total number of persons	5 908	2 689	8 597						
Sex	Population (Thousands)	35 369	19 807	55 177						
		Male	Female	Both						
	% share of children suffering	3,2	2,5	2,9						
	Total children suffering	299	232	530						
	All children (Thousands)	9 348	9 218	18 566						
	% share of persons suffering	12,0	19,0	15,6						
Source: GHS 2016	Total number of persons	3 248	5 349	8 597						
	Population (Thousands)	26 975	28 202	55 177						

1.5 Children: Vulnerability to hunger**Table 1.5.1: Children living in households by whether or not hunger was reported in the households, 2016**

		Reported no hunger		Reported Hunger		Total
Male	N('000)		7 920		1 397	9 317
	%		85,0		15,0	100,0
Female	N('000)		7 753		1 429	9 182
	%		84,4		15,6	100,0
Both	N('000)		15 673		2 826	18 499
	%		84,7		15,3	100,0

Source: GHS 201

Table 1.5.2: Percentage of children living in households that reported hunger, 2016

		WC	EC	NC	FS	KZN	NW	GP	MP	LP	RSA
Sex and Province		16,4	13,1	21,2	14,0	23,5	15,0	12,1	13,7	5,3	15,0
	%										
	N('000)	161	175	43	61	479	94	221	104	59	1 397
	All male children	980	1 329	202	436	2 042	627	1 823	758	1 120	9 317
	%	21,1	14,1	22,3	16,8	22,8	18,0	11,3	12,0	5,3	15,6
	N('000)	195	183	45	76	461	118	202	91	58	1 429
Sex and geo-type	All female children	927	1 297	201	453	2 022	655	1 789	759	1 081	9 182
	%	18,7	13,6	21,7	15,4	23,1	16,5	11,7	12,9	5,3	15,3
	N('000)	356	358	88	137	941	212	423	195	117	2 826
	All children	1 907	2 625	403	888	4 064	1 282	3 612	1 518	2 200	18 499
		Urban	Rural	RSA							
	%	12,98	17,6	15,0							
Sex and geo-type	N('000)	680	717	1 397							
	All male children	5 236	4 081	9 317							
	%	13,51	18,3	15,6							
	N('000)	709	721	1 429							
	All female children	5 245	3 937	9 182							
	%	13,25	17,9	15,3							
Both	N('000)	1 389	1 438	2 826							
	All children	10 481	8 018	18 499							

Source: GHS 2016

Table 1.5.3: Percentage of child-inclusive households that reported hunger, 2016

Disaggregation		WC	EC	NC	FS	KZN	NW	GP	MP	LP	RSA
Province	% share	17,3	11,9	19,6	13,1	20,2	14,1	11,5	12,9	5,0	13,5
	Households experiencing	157	118	37	69	294	87	265	89	48	1 162
	All Child-inclusive HHs ('000)	907	985	187	526	1 459	618	2 304	690	946	8 622
Geo-type		Urban	Rural	RSA							
	% share	12,2	15,8	13,5							
	Households experiencing	669	493	1 162							
Head sex	All Child-inclusive HHs ('000)	5 496	3 125	8 622							
		Male	Female	Both							
	% share	10,6	16,4	13,5							
	Households experiencing	457	705	1 162							
	All Child-inclusive HHs ('000)	4 327	4 295	8 622							

Source: GHS 2016

1.6 Children: Education**Table 1.6.1: School attendance by children of compulsory school age (7-15 years) by sex, 2016**

			Not attending		Attending	Total	14-17			
Sex	Male	N('000)	58	4 580	4 638					
		%	1,2	98,8	100,0					
	Female	N('000)	47	4 528	4 575					
		%	1,0	99,0	100,0					
	Both	N('000)	104	9 108	9 212					
		%	1,1	98,9	100,0					
								7-13		
	Sex and age group	Male	N('000)	28	3 659	3 687				
%			0,8	99,2	100,0					
Female		N('000)	20	3 633	3 653					
		%	0,6	99,5	100,0					
Both		N('000)	48	7 292	7 340					
		%	1,2	98,8	100,0					
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Sex and age group		Male	N('000)	28	3 659	3 687				
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	Female	N('000)	20	3 633	3 653					
		%	0,6	99,5	100,0					
	Both	N('000)	48	7 292	7 340					
		%</								

Source: GHS 2016

Table 1.6.2: Levels of learners in public ordinary schools (POS) benefiting from the "No Fees School" policy, 2016

	Male		Female		Both	
	N('000)	%	N('000)	%	N('000)	%
Beneficiary						
	3 669	95,9	3 480	95,6	7 149	95,8
All children attending POS	3 826		3 639		7 465	

Source: GHS 2016

Table 1.6.3: Percentage of children (5 years and older) who experienced corporal punishment in schools, 2016

Province			WC	EC	NC	FS	KZN	NW	GP	MP	LP	RSA
	N('000)	%	23	380	30	95	469	106	47	70	166	1 386
Population group	Victims of corporal punishment	%	29,9	96,6	79,1	91,5	93,4	85,1	42,8	88,3	95,3	86,5
	All children attending school	N('000)	78	393	38	104	502	124	111	79	174	1 603
			Black African	Coloured	Indian/Asian	White	RSA					
Sex	Victims of corporal punishment	N('000)	1 364	20	2	0	1 386					
		%	91,1	26,1	20,7	0,0	86,5					
	All children attending school	N('000)	1 497	76	8	22	1 603					
			Male	Female	Both							
	Victims of corporal punishment	N('000)	706	680	1 386							
		%	87,2	85,8	86,5							
	All children attending school	N('000)	810	793	1 603							

Source: GHS 2016

*Number of children excludes unspecified cases

Table 1.6.4: Percentage of children aged 0-4 years that attend day care centre, 2016

Sex and province			WC	EC	NC	FS	KZN	NW	GP	MP	LP	RSA
	%	N('000)	46,4	41,5	47,1	51,3	39,0	39,6	55,7	43,8	44,7	45,3
Total number of male children attending		N('000)	173	207	37	83	293	93	379	129	199	1 593
All male children aged 0-4 years		N('000)	374	499	78	162	752	234	679	294	446	3 518
% share of female children attending	%	N('000)	43,9	40,0	39,2	48,3	38,9	37,6	53,2	41,1	48,7	44,1
Total number of female children attending		N('000)	155	181	30	82	277	103	363	125	195	1 511
All female children aged 0-4 years		N('000)	354	453	78	169	711	275	683	304	400	3 426
% share of children attending	%	N('000)	45,2	40,8	43,2	49,8	39,0	38,5	54,5	42,4	46,6	44,7
Total number of children attending		N('000)	329	388	67	165	570	196	742	253	394	3 104
All children aged 0-4 years		N('000)	727	952	156	331	1 463	509	1 363	598	846	6 944

Source: GHS 2016

Table 1.6.4: Percentage of children aged 0-4 years that attend day care centre, 2016 (cont.)

Sex and geo-type	Urban		Rural		RSA
	%				
Total number of male children attending	N('000)	50,1	39,0		45,3
All male children aged 0-4 years	N('000)	1 992	1 526		3 518
% share of female children attending	%	48,7	37,9		44,1
Total number of female children attending	N('000)	959	552		1 511
All female children aged 0-4 years	N('000)	1 970	1 456		3 426
% share of children attending	%	49,4	38,4		44,7
Total number of children attending	N('000)	1 958	1 146		3 104
All children aged 0-4 years	N('000)	3 962	2 982		6 944

Source: GHS 2016

Table 1.6.5: Percentage of children aged 7-13 years participating in educational institutions, 2016

Sex and province		WC		EC		NC		FS		KZN		NW		GP		MP		LP		RSA	
		%		%		%		%		%		%		%		%		%		%	
Sex and geo-type	% share of male children participating	N('000)	99,2	99,2	97,4	98,2	99,4	98,9	99,7	99,3	99,2	99,5	99,2	99,3	99,2	99,3	99,2	99,2	99,2	99,2	99,2
	Total number of male children attending	N('000)	393	510	78	165	844	258	718	300	393	261	720	302	396	3687	3659	3659	3659	3659	3659
	All male children aged 7-13 years	N('000)	396	514	80	168	849	261	720	302	396	261	720	302	396	3687	3659	3659	3659	3659	3687
	% share of female children participating	%	99,6	99,5	100,0	99,7	99,5	97,8	99,5	99,2	99,2	97,8	99,5	99,2	100,0	99,5	99,5	99,5	99,5	99,5	99,5
	Total number of female children attending	N('000)	367	537	77	168	837	230	719	290	408	230	719	290	408	3633	3633	3633	3633	3633	3633
	All female children aged 7-13 years	N('000)	368	539	77	168	842	236	722	292	408	236	722	292	408	3653	3653	3653	3653	3653	3653
	% share of children participating	%	99,4	99,3	98,7	98,9	99,4	98,4	99,6	99,3	99,6	98,4	99,6	99,3	99,6	99,3	99,6	99,3	99,6	99,3	99,3
	Total number of children attending	N('000)	760	1 047	155	333	1 681	489	1 437	589	801	489	1 437	589	801	7 292	7 292	7 292	7 292	7 292	7 292
	All children aged 7-13 years	N('000)	764	1 054	157	337	1 691	497	1 442	594	804	497	1 442	594	804	7 340	7 340	7 340	7 340	7 340	7 340
			Urban	Rural	RSA																
	% share of male children participating	%	99,3	99,2	99,2	99,2	99,2	99,2	99,2	99,2	99,2	99,2	99,2	99,2	99,2	99,2	99,2	99,2	99,2	99,2	99,2
	Total number of male children attending	N('000)	2 063	1 595	3 659	3 659	3 659	3 659	3 659	3 659	3 659	3 659	3 659	3 659	3 659	3 659	3 659	3 659	3 659	3 659	3 659
	All male children aged 7-13 years	N('000)	2 078	1 609	3 687	3 687	3 687	3 687	3 687	3 687	3 687	3 687	3 687	3 687	3 687	3 687	3 687	3 687	3 687	3 687	3 687
	% share of female children participating	%	99,5	99,4	99,5	99,5	99,5	99,5	99,5	99,5	99,5	99,5	99,5	99,5	99,5	99,5	99,5	99,5	99,5	99,5	99,5
	Total number of female children attending	N('000)	2 088	1 545	3 633	3 633	3 633	3 633	3 633	3 633	3 633	3 633	3 633	3 633	3 633	3 633	3 633	3 633	3 633	3 633	3 633
	All female children aged 7-13 years	N('000)	2 099	1 554	3 653	3 653	3 653	3 653	3 653	3 653	3 653	3 653	3 653	3 653	3 653	3 653	3 653	3 653	3 653	3 653	3 653
	% share of children participating	%	99,4	99,3	99,3	99,3	99,3	99,3	99,3	99,3	99,3	99,3	99,3	99,3	99,3	99,3	99,3	99,3	99,3	99,3	99,3
	Total number of children attending	N('000)	4 152	3 140	7 292	7 292	7 292	7 292	7 292	7 292	7 292	7 292	7 292	7 292	7 292	7 292	7 292	7 292	7 292	7 292	7 292
	All children aged 7-13 years	N('000)	4 177	3 163	7 340	7 340	7 340	7 340	7 340	7 340	7 340	7 340	7 340	7 340	7 340	7 340	7 340	7 340	7 340	7 340	7 340

Source: GHS 2016

Table 1.6.6: Percentage of children aged 14-17 years participating in educational institution(s), 2016

		WC	EC	NC	FS	KZN	NW	GP	MP	LP	RSA	
Sex and province	% share of male children participating	%	90,6	91,7	90,5	93,1	93,8	90,1	92,8	97,4	98,6	93,5
	Total number of male children	N('000	186	281	38	95	387	114	360	158	257	1 875
	All male children aged 14-17 years	N('000	205	306	42	102	412	126	388	162	260	2 005
	% share of female children	%	90,3	93,1	87,9	93,8	90,9	94,8	92,8	97,3	93,6	
	Total number of female children	N('000	183	275	39	103	410	124	344	150-	246	1 875
	All female children aged 14-17 years	N('000	203	295	45	109	437	137	362	162	253	2 003
	% share of children participating	%	90,5	92,4	89,2	93,4	90,5	93,8	95,1	97,9	93,6	
	Total number of children attending	N('000	369	556	78	198	797	238	704	309	503	3 750
	All children aged 14-17 years	N('000	408	602	87	212	849	263	750	324	513	4 008
		Urban	Rural	RSA								
Sex and geo-type	% share of male children participating	%	92,6	94,6	93,5							
	Total number of male children	N('000	1 021	854	1 875							
	All male children aged 14-17 years	N('000	1 102	903	2 005							
	% share of female children	%	93,6	93,6	93,6							
	Total number of female children	N('000	1057	818	1 875							
	All female children aged 14-17 years	N('000	1 129	874	2 003							
	% share of children participating	%	93,1	94,1	93,6							
	Total number of children attending	N('000	2 078	1 672	3 750							
	All children aged 14-17 years	N('000	2 231	1 777	4 008							

Source: GHS 2016

Table 1.6.7: Percentage of children aged 15 years who have not completed grade 7, 2016

Sex and province		WC	EC	NC	FS	KZN	NW	GP	MP	LP	RSA
	%	10,0	31,3	28,2	28,9	19,3	29,1	13,6	19,5	18,0	19,7
Sex and province	Male children aged 15 who have not completed grade 7	N('000)	6	20	4	7	18	8	14	9	12
	All male children aged 15 years	N('000)	56	65	13	26	91	28	104	44	68
	% of female children aged 15 who have not completed grade 7	%	10,5	11,3	14,3	14,0	7,4	14,6	7,8	7,0	5,3
	Female children aged 15 who have not completed grade 7	N('000)	4	8	2	4	7	4	6	3	40
	All female children aged 15 years	N('000)	38	70	13	26	92	29	83	38	57
	% of children aged 15 who have not completed grade 7	%	10,2	20,8	21,3	21,5	13,3	21,8	11,0	13,7	12,2
	Children aged 15 who have not completed grade 7	N('000)	10	28	5	11	24	12	21	11	15
	Children aged 15 years	N('000)	95	135	25	51	183	57	188	82	125
		Urban	Rural	RSA							
	% share of male children participating	%	92,6	94,6	93,5						

Source: GHS 2016

Table 1.6.7: Percentage of children aged 15 years who have not completed grade 7, 2016(cont.)

		Urban	Rural	RSA
Sex and geo-type	% of male children who have not completed grade 7	15,9	24,5	19,7
	Male children aged 15 who have not completed grade 7	44	54	98
	All male children aged 15 years	274	221	495
	% of female children aged 15 who have not completed grade 7			
		9,0	9,2	9,1
	Female children aged 15 who have not completed grade 7	22	18	40
	All female children aged 15 years	245	201	446
	% of children aged 15 who have not completed grade 7	12,6	17,2	14,7
Children aged 15 who have not completed grade 7		66	73	138
	Children aged 15 years	519	423	942

Source: GHS 2016

Table 1.6.8: Percentage of children aged 17 years who have not completed grade 9, 2016

		WC	EC	NC	FS	KZN	NW	GP	MP	LP	RSA
Sex and province	% of male children aged 17 who have not completed	19,3	42,1	33,0	24,3	28,2	27,2	11,5	32,0	29,2	26,4
	Male children aged 17 who have not completed grade 9	N('000)	8	36	3	6	31	9	13	11	137
	All male children aged 17 years	N('000)	43	85	8	24	112	33	110	36	517
	% of female children aged 17 who have not completed	12,1	22,4	34,0	19,2	15,4	17,7	5,3	20,0	18,6	15,8
	Female children aged 17 who have not completed grade 9	N('000)	5	17	3	6	16	6	5	9	79
	All female children aged 17 years	N('000)	43	75	10	30	104	34	97	45	498
	% of children aged 17 who have not completed grade 9	15,7	32,9	33,5	21,5	22,0	22,4	8,6	25,3	24,2	21,2
	Children aged 17 who have not completed grade 9	N('000)	13	53	6	12	47	15	20	31	215
All children aged 17 years		85	160	18	55	215	67	207	81	127	1 015
		Urban	Rural	RSA							
Sex and geo-type	% of male children aged 17 who have not completed	17,4	37,1	26,4							
	Male children aged 17 who have not completed grade 9	N('000)	49	88	137						
	All male children aged 17 years	N('000)	281	236	517						
	% of female children aged 17 who have not completed	10,4	22,7	15,8							
	Female children aged 17 who have not completed grade 9	N('000)	29	49	79						
	All female children aged 17 years	N('000)	282	217	498						
	% of children aged 17 who have not completed grade 9	13,9	30,2	21,2							
	Children aged 17 who have not completed grade 9	N('000)	78	137	215						
All children aged 17 years		562	453	1 015							
		Urban	Rural	RSA							

Source: GHS 2016

Table 1.6.9: Percentage of children living more than 30 minutes away from the nearest school, 2016

Disaggreg	WC	EC	NC	FS	KZN	NW	GP	MP	LP	RSA
	%	12,2	6,0	7,6	21,2	10,9	7,4	7,2	11,2	11,8
Male	Male children living less than 30mins	25	100	18	264	37	72	33	75	632
	Male Children (Thousands)	496	822	237	1 250	341	977	449	672	5 364
	%	3,6	10,6	6,2	5,2	18,8	7,0	10,0	9,7	10,8
Female	Female children living less than 30mins	17	85	7	235	42	67	44	65	576
	Female Children (Thousands)	463	808	259	1 251	339	962	436	678	5 313
	%	4,3	11,4	6,1	6,3	20,0	7,2	8,6	10,4	11,3
Both	Children living less than 30mins away	41	186	15	31	79	139	76	141	1208
	Children (Thousands)	959	1 630	237	496	680	1 940	885	1 350	10 678
		Urban	Rural	RSA						
	% share	6,5	17,7	11,8						
Male	Male children living less than 30mins	181	451	632						
	Male Children (Thousands)	2 809	2 555	5 364						
	% share	5,9	16,7	10,8						
Female	Female children living less than 30mins	168	408	576						
	Female Children (Thousands)	2 868	2 445	5 313						
	% share	6,2	17,2	11,3						
Both	Children living less than 30mins away	349	859	1 208						
	Children (Thousands)	5 677	5 001	10 678						

Source: GHS 2016

*Totals exclude unspecified/none applicable cases

Table 1.6.10: Percentage distribution of reasons for children aged 7-17 years who are not attending school 2016

	WC	EC	NC	FS	KZN	NW	GP	MP	LP	RSA
Too old/young	2,2	1,6	7,8	0,0	2,1	0,0	4,4	0,0	0,0	2,1
Has completed	16,3	12,3	2,4	0,0	5,4	3,9	15,8	3,2	0,0	8,9
Transport difficulties	0,0	2,5	0,0	0,0	1,5	0,0	0,0	0,0	0,0	0,7
No money for fees	8,4	5,9	16,1	10,1	17,8	9,1	15,8	3,3	13,1	11,4
Working, do not have time	2,1	0,0	0,0	3,4	2,3	2,7	13,3	0,0	0,0	3,5
Family commitments	4,6	13,3	5,3	0,0	7,3	5,3	3,5	12,9	5,4	6,9
Education not useful	15,7	12,8	8,4	32,6	6,1	5,7	0,0	0,0	0,0	8,5
Poor academic performance	12,2	23,7	16,4	30,1	26,3	39,9	10,9	26,8	15,6	22,1
Illness	0,0	6,0	9,2	2,3	4,8	2,5	0,0	3,2	11,2	3,5
Disability	17,1	17,6	12,1	11,2	9,6	6,2	8,8	5,0	33,6	12,5
Pregnancy	1,8	0,0	2,3	10,3	4,3	1,8	1,0	15,1	5,4	3,4
Other	19,7	4,5	19,9	0,0	12,5	23,1	26,5	30,5	15,8	16,6
Per cent	100,0	100,0	100,0	100,0	100,0	100,0	100,0	100,0	100,0	100,0
Total (Thousands)	43	53	12	18	62	33	52	20	14	305

Source: GHS 2016

Table 1.6.10: Percentage distribution of reasons for children aged 7-17 years who are not attending school 2016 (cont.)

	Urban	Rural	RSA
Too old/young	3,1	0,7	2,1
Has completed school/education	10,2	7,1	8,9
Transport difficulties	0,5	1,0	0,7
No money for fees	14,3	7,5	11,4
Working, do not have time	5,2	1,2	3,5
Family commitments	3,8	11,2	6,9
Education not useful	8,3	8,7	8,5
Poor academic performance	21,3	23,3	22,1
Illness	2,4	5,0	3,5
Disability	9,0	17,5	12,5
Pregnancy	2,9	4,2	3,4
Other	19,2	12,8	16,6
Per cent	100,0	100,0	100,0
Total (Thousands)	178	127	305

Source: GHS 2016

Table 1.6.11: Experience of violence/ punishment/ abuse at school by learners aged 5 years and above attending school, 2016

	As a % of all learners	As a % of learners that have experienced violence etc.	Learners that experienced violence/punishment/ abuse at school
Experienced some form of violence, punishment, or verbal abuse			
Corporal punishment by teacher	9,5	86,5	1386
Physical violence by teacher	0,5	4,1	65
Verbal abuse (being insulted, teased or harassed) by teacher	0,7	6,3	100
Verbal abuse (being insulted, teased or harassed) by other learners	1,1	9,9	159
Physical abuse (being hit or punched) by another learner	0,9	8,1	129
Other	0,1	1,1	18
Children(thousands)*	14553	1603	

Source: GHS 2016

* Totals exclude unspecified cases

Table 1.6.12: Experience of violence/ punishment/ abuse at school by learners aged 5 years and above attending school by sex and geo-type, 2016

		Male	Female	Both
Sex	%	11,1	11,2	11,1
	Experienced violence/ punishment	810	793	1 603
	Total number of learners	7 309	7 105	14 414
Geo-type		Urban	Rural	RSA
	%	8,2	14,7	11,1
	Experienced violence/ punishment	647	956	1 603
	Total number of learners	7 903	6 511	14 414

Source: GHS 2016

* Totals exclude unspecified cases

1.7 Children: Housing and basic services

Table 1.7.1: Percentage distribution of child-headed households by type of housing, 2016

Type of housing and sex of the household head	Formal	Traditional	Informal	Other	Total	
					%	N('000)
Male	74,6	13,9	11,5	0,0	100,0	30
Female	95,9	0,0	4,1	0,0	100,0	19
Both	82,9	8,4	8,6	0,0	100,0	49
Type of housing and geo-type	Formal	Traditional	Informal	Other	Total	
					%	N('000)
Urban	72,8	4,0	23,3	0,0	100,0	18
Rural	88,9	11,1	0,0	0,0	100,0	31
RSA	82,9	8,4	8,6	0,0	100,0	49

Source: GHS 2016

Table 1.7.2: Percentage distribution of children by type of housing, 2016

Type of housing and sex	Formal	Traditional	Informal	Other	Total	
					%	N('000)
Male	81,2	10,4	7,9	0,5	100,0	9 348
Female	81,3	10,3	7,9	0,5	100,0	9 218
Both	81,2	10,3	7,9	0,5	100,0	18 566
Type of housing and geo-type	Formal	Traditional	Informal	Other	Total	
					%	N('000)
Urban	86,7	1,1	11,4	0,9	100,0	10 534
Rural	74,1	22,4	3,4	0,1	100,0	8 032
RSA	81,2	10,3	7,9	0,5	100,0	18 566

Source: GHS 2016

*Totals exclude unspecified cases.

Table 1.7.3: Living condition indicators of children compared to those of the overall population, 2016

	Access to service indicator			
	Access to water %	Sanitation %	Refusal waste %	Electricity %
Children with	65,5	82,2	56,4	89,9
Population	71,2	83,8	63,2	89,1
				17,0
				13,2

Source: GHS 2016

1.8 Children: Violence and crime victims

Table 1.8.1: Percentage of children living in households where the households feel unsafe or very unsafe to walk alone in their area during the day, 2015/16

Disaggregation		WC	EC	NC	FS	KZN	NW	GP	MP	LP	RSA
Province	% share	70,7	85,5	86,0	91,1	85,0	86,6	77,1	90,0	94,9	84,1
	Children	1 300	2 434	350	862	3 767	1 153	2 981	1 392	2 123	1 6361
	% share	71,6	85,7	87,6	90,6	84,4	87,0	77,5	89,6	95,3	83,6
	Population	4 377	5 889	1 032	2 601	9 156	3 302	10 383	3 778	5 359	45 876
Sex		Male	Female	RSA							
	% share	84,2	84,0	84,1							
	Children	8276	8085	16361							
	% share	83,8	83,4	83,6							
	Population	22116	23760	45876							

Source: VOCS 2015/16

*Totals exclude unspecified cases

Table 1.8.2: Percentage of children living in households where the households feel unsafe or very unsafe to walk alone in their area at night, 2015/16

Disaggregation		WC	EC	NC	FS	KZN	NW	GP	MP	LP	RSA
Province	% share	32,1	28,4	24,4	18,6	35,1	27,5	22,9	26,0	52,8	31,2
	Children	590	810	99	176	1 552	366	883	404	1 185	6 065
	% share	31,4	27,1	28,2	19,0	35,2	28,4	24,3	28,2	52,6	30,9
	Population	1 914	1 860	332	545	3 808	1 076	3 243	1 195	2 955	16 930
Sex		Male	Female	RSA							
	% share	31,0	31,3	31,2							
	Children	3 049	3 016	6 065							
	% share	31,2	30,5	30,9							
	Population	8 238	8 692	16 930							

Source: VOCS 2015/16

*Totals exclude unspecified cases

Table 1.8.3: Percentage of children who live in households where the fear of crime prevents them from going to open spaces or parks in their area, 2015/16

Disaggregation		WC	EC	NC	FS	KZN	NW	GP	MP	LP	RSA	
Province	% share	48,9	42,5	60,6	33,0	20,8	22,7	44,5	35,8	13,1	33,1	
	Children	861	1 198	243	306	907	300	1 655	542	291	6 301	
	% share	47,7	44,4	56,7	32,7	21,8	22,7	41,2	33,4	13,2	33,5	
	Population	2 764	3 005	655	919	2 322	847	5 329	1 382	732	17 956	
Sex		Male	Female	RSA								
	% share	33,4	32,8	33,1								
	Children	3 212	3 090	6 301								
	% share	32,5	34,5	33,5								
	Population	8 371	9 585	17 956								

Source: VOCS 2015/16

*Totals exclude unspecified cases

INDICATORS: YOUTH

The youth are defined as people aged between 15-34 years

2.1 Demography of youth**Table 2.1.1.1: Distribution of youth, 2016**

Disaggregation			WC	EC	NC	FS	KZN	NW	GP	MP	LP	RSA
Sex and province	Male	N('000)	1 054	1 234	211	512	1 981	680	2 466	809	1 130	10 078
		%	49,3	49,7	50,5	49,6	49,8	51,1	52,2	49,6	51,0	50,5
	Female	N('000)	1 085	1 249	207	521	1 996	651	2 263	824	1 084	9 881
		%	50,7	50,3	49,6	50,4	50,2	48,9	47,9	50,4	49,0	49,5
	Both	N('000)	2 139	2 483	418	1 033	3 978	1 332	4 729	1 633	2 213	19 958
	%	100,0	100,0	100,0	100,0	100,0	100,0	100,0	100,0	100,0	100,0	100,0
Sex and Geo-type			Urban	Rural	RSA							
	Male	N('000)	6 382	3 696	10 078							
		%	50,4	50,7	50,5							
	Female	N('000)	6 289	3 591	9 881							
		%	49,6	49,3	49,5							
Sex and population group	Both	N('000)	12 672	7 287	19 958							
		%	100,0	100,0	100,0							
			Black African	Coloured	Indian/ Asian	White	RSA					
	Male	N('000)	8 430	823	233	592	10 078					
		%	50,5	49,9	51,8	50,6	50,5					
Sex and age group	Female	N('000)	8 260	827	217	578	9 881					
		%	49,5	50,1	48,2	49,4	49,5					
	Both	N('000)	16 690	1 649	450	1 169	19 958					
		%	100,0	100,0	100,0	100,0	100,0					
			15-24	25-34	RSA							
Sex and age group	Male	N('000)	5 174	4 903	10 078							
		%	50,2	50,8	50,5							
	Female	N('000)	5 137	4 743	9 881							
		%	49,8	49,2	49,5							
	Both	N('000)	10 312	10 313	19 958							
	%	100,0	100,0	100,0								

Source: GHS 2016

Table 2.1.2: Percentage of youth (15-34 years) as a proportion of the overall population, 2016

Disaggregation		South Africa											
Sex and province	Male	% youth share	33,7	38,4	36,1	39,1	38,2	36,2	36,1	38,6	41,3	RSA	37,4
		Youth (Thousands)	1 054	1 234	211	512	1 981	680	2 466	809	1 130	10 078	
		Male population(Thousands)	3 127	3 213	584	1 310	5 192	1 877	6 834	2 100	2 739	26 975	
	Female	% youth share	33,5	35,5	34,0	35,7	35,6	34,6	33,7	37,6	36,3	35,0	35,0
		Youth (Thousands)	1 085	1 249	207	521	1 996	651	2 263	824	1 084	9 881	
		Female population (Thousands)	3 236	3 518	609	1 459	5 614	1 881	6 709	2 190	2 986	28 202	
Both	% youth share	33,6	36,9	35,1	37,3	36,8	35,4	34,9	38,1	38,7	36,2	36,2	
	Youth (Thousands)	2 139	2 483	418	1 033	3 978	1 332	4 729	1 633	2 213	19 958		
	Population (Thousands)	6 362	6 731	1 192	2 769	10 807	3 758	13 543	4 290	5 724	55 177		
			African/Black	Coloured	Indian/Asian	White	RSA						
Sex and population	Male	% youth share	38,9	34,7	33,3	26,9	37,4						
		Youth (Thousands)	8 430	823	233	592	10 078						
		Male population (Thousands)	21 699	2 373	700	2 203	26 975						
	Female	% youth share	36,5	32,6	31,7	24,7	35,0						
		Youth (Thousands)	8 260	827	217	578	9 881						
		Female population (Thousands)	22 648	2 533	684	2 337	28 202						
Both	% youth share	37,6	33,6	32,5	25,8	36,2							
	Youth (Thousands)	16 690	1 649	450	1 169	19 958							
	Population (Thousands)	44 347	4 906	1 384	4 540	55 177							
			Urban	Rural	RSA								
Sex and geo-type	Male	% youth share	36,6	38,8	37,4								
		Youth (Thousands)	6 382	3 696	10 078								
		Male population (Thousands)	17 449	9 526	26 975								
	Female	% youth share	35,1	34,9	35,0								
		Youth (Thousands)	6 289	3 591	9 881								
		Female population (Thousands)	17 920	10 282	28 202								
Both	% youth share	35,8	36,8	36,2									
	Youth (Thousands)	12 672	7 287	19 958									
	Population (Thousands)	35 369	19 807	55 177									

Source: GHS 2016

2.2 Youth: Household characteristics

Table 2.2.1: Percentage of youth-headed Households, 2016

Disaggregation	WC	EC	NC	FS	KZN	NW	GP	MP	LP	RSA
% youth share	22,7	24,2	22,6	25,4	25,4	27,2	25,8	27,6	26,9	25,5
Youth Households (Thousands)	416	426	74	236	720	342	1262	346	426	4 247
All households (Thousands)	1 831	1 759	329	929	2 831	1 256	4 888	1 256	1 583	16 662
	African/Black	Coloured	Indian/Asian	White	RSA					
% youth share	27,9	15,6	16,2	14,8	25,5					
Youth Households (Thousands)	3 766	180	61	240	4 247					
All households (Thousands)	13 512	1 154	377	1 619	16 662					
	Male	Female	RSA							
% youth share	28,9	20,7	25,5							
Youth Households (Thousands)	2 823	1 424	4 247							
All households (Thousands)	9 767	6 895	16 662							

Source: GHS 2016

Table 2.2.2: Percentage distribution of youth-headed households by age groups, 2016

Disaggregation		WC	EC	NC	FS	KZN	NW	GP	MP	LP	RSA	
Province	15-24	Per cent	13,9	22,9	12,5	13,9	19,2	15,8	15,2	23,0	29,5	18,5
		Frequency	58	97	9	33	138	54	192	80	126	787
	25-34	Per cent	86,1	77,2	87,5	86,2	80,8	84,2	84,8	77,0	70,5	81,5
		Frequency	358	329	65	203	582	288	1 069	266	300	3 460
	Total	Per cent	100,0	100,0	100,0	100,0	100,0	100,0	100,0	100,0	100,0	100,0
		Frequency	416	426	74	236	720	342	1 262	346	426	4 247
Head population group		African/Black	Coloured	Indian/Asian	White	RSA						
	15-24	Per cent	19,6	9,3	2,4	13,6	18,5					
		Frequency	736	17	1	33	787					
	25-34	Per cent	80,5	90,7	97,6	86,4	81,5					
		Frequency	3 030	163	60	207	3 460					
	Total	Per cent	100,0	100,0	100,0	100,0	100,0					
	Frequency	3 766	180	61	240	4 247						

Source: GHS 2016

Table 2.2.2: Percentage distribution of youth-headed households by age groups, 2016 (cont.)

Head Sex		Male		Female		RSA
	15-24	Per cent	17,4	20,8		18,5
		Frequency	491	296		787
	25-34	Per cent	82,6	79,2		81,5
		Frequency	2 332	1 128		3 460
Total	Per cent		100,0	100,0		100,0
	Frequency		2 823	1 424		4 247

Source: GHS 2016

Table 2.2.3: Percentage distribution of youth by household composition, 2016

Disaggregation	WC	EC	NC	FS	KZN	NW	GP	MP	LP	RSA
Province										
Single	5,1	6,6	5,1	7,4	7,3	7,9	7,1	8,0	7,7	7,0
Nuclear	44,5	23,7	29,5	36,9	22,3	36,1	45,1	29,9	28,8	33,4
Extended	41,7	65,3	58,3	52,3	67,8	52,8	43,9	58,8	61,9	55,6
Complex	8,7	4,5	7,2	3,4	2,6	3,3	3,8	3,4	1,7	3,9
All Youth (Per cent)	100,0	100,0	100,0	100,0	100,0	100,0	100,0	100,0	100,0	100,0
All Youth (Thousands)*	2 136	2 481	418	1 029	3 972	1 330	4 712	1 633	2 211	19 924
Geo-type										
	Urban	Rural	RSA							
Single	7,6	6,1	7,0							
Nuclear	39,8	22,3	33,4							
Extended	47,8	69,3	55,6							
Complex	4,8	2,3	3,9							
All Youth (Per cent)	100,0	100,0	100,0							
All Youth (Thousands)*	12 646	7 278	19 924							
Population group										
	African/Blac	Coloured	Indian/Asia	White						
Single	7,9	1,6	3,2	3,6						
Nuclear	29,7	44,8	62,0	60,1						
Extended	59,3	46,0	31,9	26,9						
Complex	3,2	7,7	2,9	9,5						
All Youth (Per cent)	100,0	100,0	100,0	100,0						
All Youth (Thousands)*	16 662	1 648	450	1 164						

* Total excludes missing cases

Source: GHS 2016

Table 2.2.3: Percentage distribution of youth by household composition, 2016 (cont.)

Age group	15-24		25-34		RSA	
Single		3,2		11,1		7,0
Nuclear		31,8		35,2		33,4
Extended		61,0		50,0		55,6
Complex		4,0		3,8		3,9
All Youth (Per cent)		100,0		100,0		100,0
All Youth (Thousands)*		10 292		9 632		19 924
Sex	Male		Female		RSA	
Single		10,3		3,7		7,0
Nuclear		32,0		34,9		33,4
Extended		53,6		57,8		55,6
Complex		4,2		3,7		3,9
All Youth (Per cent)		100,0		100,0		100,0
All Youth (Thousands)*		10 060		9 864		19 924

* Total excludes missing cases

Source: GHS 2016

Table 2.2.4: Percentage distribution of youth headed households across intergenerational household type, 2016

Disaggregation	WC		EC		NC		FS		KZN		NW		GP		MP		LP		RSA	
Province	Single generation	22,8	14,7	17,2	13,8	17,0	19,4	22,2	19,6	19,2	19,3									
	Double generation	38,6	34,6	45,0	43,2	28,0	36,1	35,1	34,6	32,9	34,6									
	Triple generation	0,1	0,4	0,0	0,7	0,3	0,8	0,4	0,2	0,7	0,4									
	Skip generation	0,1	0,4	0,9	0,8	0,5	1,1	0,6	0,6	0,6	0,6									
	Other	38,3	49,9	36,9	41,5	54,2	42,7	41,7	45,0	46,6	45,1									
	All Youth-headed	100,0	100,0	100,0	100,0	100,0	100,0	100,0	100,0	100,0	100,0									
	All Youth-headed HHs	416	426	74	236	719	342	1 260	346	425	4 243									
Geo-type		Urban	Rural	RSA																
	Single generation	20,6	16,0	19,3																
	Double generation	33,9	36,6	34,6																
	Triple generation	0,4	0,6	0,4																
	Skip generation	0,5	0,6	0,6																
	Other	44,6	46,3	45,1																
	All Youth-headed	100,0	100,0	100,0																
	All Youth-headed HHs	3 061	1 182	4 243																

Source: GHS 2016

Table 2.2.4: Percentage distribution of youth headed households across intergenerational household type, 2016 (cont.)

	African/Black	Coloured	Indian/Asian	White	RSA
Head Population group					
Single generation	18,7	14,9	27,1	31,0	19,3
Double generation	33,0	65,5	36,6	36,5	34,6
Triple generation	0,4	0,3	3,8	0,4	0,4
Skip generation	0,5	0,7	0,0	1,1	0,6
Other	47,4	18,6	32,6	31,0	45,1
All Youth-headed HHs(Per cent)	100,0	100,0	100,0	100,0	100,0
All Youth-headed HHs (Thousands)*	3 762	180	61	240	4 243
Age group					
	15-24	25-34	RSA		
Single generation	19,3	19,4	19,3		
Double generation	17,2	38,6	34,6		
Triple generation	0,1	0,5	0,4		
Skip generation	0,6	0,5	0,6		
Other	62,8	41,1	45,1		
All Youth-headed HHs(Per cent)	100,0	100,0	100,0		
All Youth-headed HHs (Thousands)*	785	3 458	4 243		
Head Sex					
	Male	Female	RSA		
Single generation	23,1	12,0	19,3		
Double generation	27,5	48,7	34,6		
Triple generation	0,2	0,8	0,4		
Skip generation	0,6	0,6	0,6		
Other	48,7	38,0	45,1		
All Youth-headed HHs(Per cent)	100,0	100,0	100,0		
All Youth-headed HHs (Thousands)*	2 820	1 423	4 243		

* Total excludes missing cases

Source: GHS 2016

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

Table 2.3.1: Percentage of youth who are beneficiaries of social grants, 2016

Disaggregation		15-24		25-34		RSA	
Age group	% share		18,2		1,6		10,2
	Youth beneficiaries		1 875		151		2 026
	All Youth (Thousands)		10 312		9 647		19 958
Sex		Male		Female		RSA	
	% share		10,1		10,2		10,2
	Youth beneficiaries		1 017		1 010		2 026
All Youth (Thousands)			10 078		9 881		19 958

Source: GHS 2016

Table 2.3.2: Percentage of youth living in households without an employed adult, 2016

Disaggregation		WC		EC		NC		FS		KZN		NW		GP		MP		LP		RSA	
Sex and province	% share	9,1	41,3			26,8		29,6		27,5		27,7		11,9		25,5		33,7		24,1	
	Male youth (Thousands)	95	510			56		152		544		188		293		206		381		2 427	
	All male Youth	1 054	1 234			211		512		1 981		680		2 466		809		1 130		10 078	
	% share	9,4	41,4			27,9		30,0		31,8		29,1		13,1		25,8		40,1		26,3	
	Female youth	102	517			58		156		634		189		297		213		435		2 602	
	All female Youth	1 085	1 249			207		521		1 996		651		2 263		824		1 084		9 881	
	% share	9,2	41,4			27,3		29,8		29,6		28,4		12,5		25,7		36,9		25,2	
Sex and geo-type	Youth (Thousands)	197	1 027			114		308		1 178		378		591		419		816		5 029	
	All Youth (Thousands)	2 139	2 483			418		1 033		3 978		1 332		4 729		1 633		2 213		19 958	
		Urban	Rural			RSA															
	% share	15,3	39,3			24,1															
	Male youth (Thousands)	973	1 454			2 427															
	All male Youth	6 382	3 696			10 078															
	% share	16,3	43,9			26,3															
Sex and age group	Female youth	1 025	1 577			2 602															
	All female Youth	6 289	3 591			9 881															
	% share	15,8	41,6			25,2															
	Youth (Thousands)	1 998	3 030			5 029															
	All Youth (Thousands)	12 672	7 287			19 958															
		15-24	25-34			RSA															
	% share	30,0	17,9			24,1															
Sex and age group	Male youth (Thousands)	1 550	877			2 427															
	All male Youth	5 174	4 903			10 078															
	% share	30,5	21,8			26,3															
	Female youth	1 567	1 035			2 602															
	All female Youth	5 137	4 743			9 881															
	% share	30,2	19,8			25,2															
	Youth (Thousands)	3 117	1 912			5 029															
All Youth (Thousands)		10 312	9 647			19 958															

Source: GHS 2016

Table 2.3.3: Percentage of youth-headed households without an employed adult, 2016

Disaggregation		WC	EC	NC	FS	KZN	NW	GP	MP	LP	RSA
Sex and province	% share	10,7	26,9	17,7	17,2	17,9	20,7	11,7	20,3	31,7	17,6
	Male	Male youth heads (Thousands)									
		29	62	9	27	78	49	109	46	86	496
	All male	Youth-headed HHs									
		274	232	50	159	435	238	937	228	271	2 823
	% share	17,4	48,7	32,0	47,1	36,9	49,1	32,9	47,8	65,9	41,1
	Female	Female youth heads									
		25	95	8	36	105	51	107	56	102	585
Sex and geo-type	All female	Youth-headed									
		142	194	25	77	285	104	325	118	155	1 424
	% share	13,0	36,8	22,4	27,0	25,4	29,4	17,1	29,7	44,1	25,5
	Both	Youth heads									
		54	157	17	64	183	100	216	103	188	1 081
	All Youth-headed HHs	416	426	74	236	720	342	1 262	346	426	4 247
		Urban		Rural		RSA					
		12,7	31,9	17,6							
Sex and geo-type	Male	Male youth heads (Thousands)									
		267	229	496							
	All male	Youth-headed HHs									
		2 106	717	2 823							
	% share	30,5	62,8	41,1							
	Female	Female youth heads									
		293	292	585							
	All female	Youth-headed									
	960	465	1 424								
Both	% share	18,3	44,0	25,5							
	Youth heads	560	521	1 081							
	All Youth-headed HHs	3 065	1 182	4 247							

Source: GHS 2016

Table 2.3.4: Percentage of youth-headed households classified as low income households (at most household income quintile 1), 2016

Disaggregation		Provinces									
		WC	EC	NC	FS	KZN	NW	GP	MP	LP	RSA
Head Sex and province	% share	15,2	31,3	36,8	14,9	36,5	36,8	20,4	16,1	53,2	27,5
	Male youth heads (Thousands)	42	73	18	24	159	87	191	37	144	775
	All male Youth-headed HHs	274	232	50	159	435	238	937	228	271	2 823
	% share	23,5	34,3	38,4	17,2	39,8	39,5	26,1	23,3	62,9	34,2
	Female youth heads	33	67	9	13	114	41	85	28	97	487
	All female Youth-headed	142	194	25	77	285	104	325	118	155	1 424
Both	% share	18,0	32,7	37,3	15,6	37,8	37,6	21,9	18,6	56,7	29,7
	Youth heads	75	139	28	37	272	128	276	64	242	1 262
	All Youth-headed HHs (Thousands)	416	426	74	236	720	342	1 262	346	426	4 247

Source: GHS 2016

Note: Household income quintile 1 is R 2000

Table 2.3.4: Percentage of youth-headed households classified as low income households (at most household income quintile 1), 2016. (cont.)

		Head sex and race				Head Sex and geo-type	
		Black African	Coloured	Indian/ Asian	White	RSA	
Head sex and race	% share	29,8	18,4	13,5	4,0	27,5	
	Male youth heads (Thousands)	740	21	6	7	775	
	All male Youth-headed HHs (Thousands)	2 482	113	48	180	2 823	
	% share	36,1	31,9	0,0	3,9	34,2	
	Female youth heads (Thousands)	463	21	0	2	487	
	All female Youth-headed HHs(Thousands)	1 284	67	14	60	1 424	
	% share	32,0	23,4	10,5	3,9	29,7	
	Youth heads	1 204	42	6	9	1 262	
	All Youth-headed HHs (Thousands)	3 766	180	61	240	4 247	
		Urban	Rural	RSA			
Head Sex and geo-type	% share	22,8	41,0	27,5			
	Male youth heads (Thousands)	481	294	775			
	All male Youth-headed HHs (Thousands)	2 106	717	2 823			
	% share	29,2	44,6	34,2			
	Female youth heads (Thousands)	280	207	487			
	All female Youth-headed HHs(Thousands)	960	465	1 424			
	% share	24,8	42,4	29,7			
	Youth heads	761	501	1 262			
	All Youth-headed HHs (Thousands)	3 065	1 182	4 247			

Source: GHS 2016

Note: Household income quintile 1 is R 2000

Table 2.3.5: Percentage distribution of main sources of income for youth-headed households, 2016

Disaggregation		Salaries/wages/commission	Remittances	Social Grants	Sales of farming products	Other non-farm income	No income	Total Households	
								Per cent	Thousands
Geo-type	Urban	73,8	11,0	5,0	0,0	8,7	1,5	100,0	2 943
	Rural	45,9	30,2	15,7	0,2	7,0	1,1	100,0	1 147
	RSA	66,0	16,4	8,0	0,1	8,2	1,4	100,0	4 090
Head sex	Male	74,0	11,7	3,8	0,0	9,0	1,5	100,0	2 723
	Female	50,1	25,7	16,4	0,1	6,6	1,1	100,0	1 367
	Both	66,0	16,4	8,0	0,1	8,2	1,4	100,0	4 090

Source: GHS 2016

Table 2.3.6: Employed youth (in Thousands) by age group 2016

Disaggregation		WC	EC	NC	FS	KZN	NW	GP	MP	LP	RSA
Province	15-24	248	111	38	52	201	56	350	100	109	1 266
	25-34	660	503	96	257	797	281	1 452	393	461	4 898
	15-34	907	614	135	309	998	337	1 801	493	570	6 164
Geo-type		Urban	Rural	RSA							
	15-24	935	331	1 266							
	25-34	3 739	1 159	4 898							
Population group	15-34	4 674	1 490	6 164							
		Black African	Coloured	Indian/ Asian	White	RSA					
	15-24	873	200	52	140	1 266					
Source: QLFS Q3 2016	25-34	3 851	450	155	441	4 898					
	15-34	4 724	650	208	582	6 164					

Table 2.3.7: Unemployed youth (in Thousands) by age group 2016

Disaggregation	WC	EC	NC	FS	KZN	NW	GP	MP	LP	RSA
Province	15-24	198	129	39	104	209	471	149	91	1 494
	25-34	222	245	48	165	333	760	219	160	2 323
	15-34	419	374	87	269	542	1 232	368	251	3 817
Geo-type		Urban	Rural	RSA						
	15-24	1 083	411							
	25-34	1 683	640							
Population group	15-34	2 766	1 051							
		Black African	Coloured	Indian/ Asian	White	RSA				
	15-24	1 262	176	27	29					
	25-34	2 103	158	26	35					
	15-34	3 365	335	53	64					

Source: QLFS Q3 2016

Table 2.3.8: Not economically active youth (in Thousands) by age group 2016

Disaggregation		WC	EC	NC	FS	KZN	NW	GP	MP	LP	RSA
Province	15-24	645	1 126	151	341	1 743	520	1 352	605	1 068	7 552
	25-34	169	370	46	113	700	202	357	169	329	2 456
	15-34	814	1 496	197	455	2 443	722	1 709	774	1 397	10 007
Geo-type		Urban	Rural	RSA							
	15-24	4 043	3 509	7 552							
	25-34	1 214	1 241	2 456							
	15-34	5 257	4 750	10 007							
Population group		Black African	Coloured	Indian/ Asian	White	RSA					
	15-24	6 483	512	127	429	7 552					
	25-34	2 148	153	62	93	2 456					
	15-34	8 631	665	188	523	10 007					

Source: QLFS Q3 2016

Table 2.3.9: Youth labour force participation rate, 2016

Disaggregation	WC	EC	NC	FS	KZN	NW	GP	MP	LP	RSA
Province	15-24	40,8	17,6	33,9	31,4	19,1	37,8	29,2	15,8	26,8
	25-34	83,9	66,9	75,8	78,8	61,7	86,1	78,4	65,3	74,6
	15-34	62,0	39,8	53,0	55,9	38,7	64,0	52,7	37,0	49,9
Geo-type	Urban	Rural	RSA							
	15-24	4 043	3 509							
	25-34	1 214	1 241							
	15-34	5 257	4 750							
Population group	Black African	Coloured	Indian/ Asian	White	RSA					
	15-24	24,8	42,4	28,3						
	25-34	73,5	79,9	83,6						
	15-34	48,4	59,7	55,3						

Source: QLFS Q3 2016

Table 2.3.10: Youth unemployment rate, 2016

Disaggregation	WC	EC	NC	FS	KZN	NW	GP	MP	LP	RSA
Province	15-24	44,4	53,8	50,5	66,5	64,7	57,4	59,8	45,6	54,1
	25-34	25,2	32,7	33,3	39,1	37,9	34,4	35,8	25,7	32,2
	15-34	31,6	37,9	39,3	46,5	44,9	40,6	42,7	30,6	38,2
Geo-type	Urban	Rural	RSA							
	15-24	53,7	55,4	54,1						
	25-34	31,0	35,6	32,2						
Population group	15-34	37,2	41,4	38,2						
	Black African	Coloured	Indian/ Asian	White	RSA					
	15-24	59,1	46,9	33,9	17,3	54,1				
	25-34	35,3	26,0	14,5	7,3	32,2				
	15-34	41,6	34,0	20,4	9,9	38,2				

Source: QLFS Q3 2016

Table 2.3.11: Youth labour absorption rate, 2016

Disaggregation	WC	EC	NC	FS	KZN	NW	GP	MP	LP	RSA
Province	15-24	22,7	8,1	16,8	10,5	8,3	16,1	11,7	8,6	12,3
	25-34	62,8	45,0	50,6	48,0	42,9	56,5	50,3	48,5	50,6
	15-34	42,4	24,7	32,2	29,9	25,3	38,0	30,2	25,7	30,8
Geo-type	Urban	Rural	RSA							
	15-24	15,4	7,8	12,3						
	25-34	56,3	38,1	50,6						
Population group	15-34	36,8	20,4	30,8						
	Black African	Coloured	Indian/ Asian	White	RSA					
	15-24	10,1	22,5	25,5	23,4	12,3				
	25-34	47,5	59,1	63,8	77,5	50,6				
	15-34	28,3	39,4	46,2	49,8	30,8				

Source: QLFS Q3 2016

Table 2.3.12: Youth economic inactivity rate, 2016

Disaggregation	WC	EC	NC	FS	KZN	NW	GP	MP	LP	RSA
Province	15-24	59,2	66,1	68,6	80,9	76,5	62,2	70,8	84,2	73,2
	25-34	16,1	24,2	21,2	38,3	30,9	13,9	21,6	34,7	25,4
	15-34	38,0	47,0	44,1	61,3	54,1	36,0	47,3	63,0	50,1
Geo-type		Urban	Rural	RSA						
	15-24	66,7	82,5							
	25-34	18,3	40,8							
	15-34	41,4	65,1							
Population group		Black African	Coloured	Indian/ Asian	White	RSA				
	15-24	75,2	57,6	61,5	71,7					
	25-34	26,5	20,1	25,4	16,4					
	15-34	51,6	40,3	41,9	44,7					

Source: QLFS Q3 2016

2.4 Youth: Health

Table 2.4.1: Percentage of youth who suffered from acute diseases compared to the overall population, 2016

Disaggregation	WC	EC	NC	FS	KZN	NW	GP	MP	LP	RSA
Province	% youth share	5,6	6,7	9,2	8,5	5,3	11,7	9,7	5,5	7,8
	Youth suffering (Thousands)	119	166	38	88	209	553	159	122	1 563
	Youth (Thousands)	2 139	2 483	418	1 033	3 978	4 729	1 633	2 213	19 958
	% share of total population	8,2	10,1	11,6	10,4	7,1	14,4	11,3	7,3	10,2
	Population suffering	523	677	139	289	763	1 953	486	415	5 610
	Population (Thousands)	6 362	6 731	1 192	2 769	10 807	13 543	4 290	5 724	55 177
Geo-type		Urban	Rural	RSA						
	% youth share	8,8	6,2	7,8						
	Youth suffering	1 114	449	1 563						
	Youth (Thousands)	12 672	7 287	19 958						
	% share of total population	11,4	8,1	10,2						
	Population suffering	4 013	1 597	5 610						
Sex	Population (Thousands)	35 369	19 807	55 177						
		Male	Female	RSA						
	% youth share	6,7	9,0	7,8						
	Youth suffering (Thousands)	679	884	1 563						
	Youth (Thousands)	10 078	9 881	19 958						
	% share of total population	9,4	10,9	10,2						
Age group	Population suffering	2 527	3 082	5 610						
	Population (Thousands)	26 975	28 202	55 177						
		15-24	25-34	RSA						
	% youth share	7,0	8,7	7,8						
	Youth suffering (Thousands)	725	838	1 563						
	Youth (Thousands)	10 312	9 647	19 958						
	% share of total population			10,2						
	Population suffering (Thousands)			56 09,6						
	Population (Thousands)			55 177						

Source: GHS 2016

Table 2.4.2: Percentage of youth who suffered from chronic diseases compared to the overall population, 2016

Disaggregation	WC	EC	NC	FS	KZN	NW	GP	MP	LP	RSA
% youth share	7,1	6,7	7,9	7,1	6,0	7,3	5,6	5,9	2,8	5,9
Youth suffering	151	166	33	73	240	97	265	97	62	1 184
Youth (Thousands)	2 139	2 483	418	1 033	3 978	1 332	4 729	1 633	2 213	19 958
% share of total population	19,0	16,3	20,8	19,1	14,2	16,7	15,1	13,9	8,1	15,1
Population suffering	1 211	1 098	248	529	1 536	628	2 039	596	465	8 349
Population (Thousands)	6 362	6 731	1 192	2 769	10 807	3 758	13 543	4 290	5 724	55 177
	Urban	Rural	RSA							
% youth share	6,1	5,6	5,9							
Youth suffering	778	405	1 184							
Youth(Thousands)	12 672	7 287	19 958							
% share of total population	16,1	13,4	15,1							
Population suffering	5 699	2 651	8 349							
Population (Thousands)	35 369	19 807	55 177							
	Male	Female	RSA							
% youth share	4,5	7,4	5,9							
Youth suffering	457	726	1 184							
Youth (Thousands)	10 078	9 881	19 958							
% share of total population	11,7	18,5	15,1							
Population suffering	3 147	5 202	8 349							
Population (Thousands)	26 975	28 202	55 177							
	15-24	25-34	RSA							
% youth share	3,4	8,6	5,9							
Youth suffering	353	830	1 184							
Youth (Thousands)	10 312	9 647	19 958							
% share of total population			15,1							
Population suffering			8 349							
Population (Thousands)			55 177							

Source: GHS 2016

2.5 Youth: Vulnerability to hunger

Table 2.5.1: Percentage of youth living in households that reported hunger, 2016

Disaggregati		South Africa										
		WC	EC	NC	FS	KZN	NW	GP	MP	LP	RSA	
Sex and province	Male	% share	16,3	13,4	18,8	14,2	21,8	12,8	11,9	11,4	4,5	13,9
		Male youth that reported hunger	170	165	39	73	428	87	288	90	50	1 390
		All male Youth (Thousands)	1 046	1 229	208	510	1 965	677	2 428	787	1 120	9 971
	Female	% share	17,1	12,7	19,7	13,3	21,2	15,4	12,4	12,7	5,2	14,4
		Female youth that reported hunger	185	158	40	69	418	100	278	103	56	1 409
		All female Youth (Thousands)	1 082	1 239	205	521	1 975	650	2 238	815	1 083	9 808
Sex and geo-type	Both	% share	16,7	13,1	19,2	13,8	21,5	14,1	12,1	12,1	4,8	14,2
		Youth that reported hunger	355	323	79	142	847	187	566	193	106	2 798
		All Youth (Thousands)	2 128	2 468	413	1 031	3 940	1 327	4 667	1 602	2 203	19 779
			Urban	Rural	RSA							
Sex and geo-type	Male	% share	12,5	16,5	13,9							
		Male youth that reported hunger	786	604	1 390							
		All male Youth (Thousands)	6 307	3 664	9 971							
	Female	% share	12,7	17,3	14,4							
		Female youth that reported hunger	790	619	1 409							
		All female Youth (Thousands)	6 231	3 577	9 808							
Sex and geo-type	Both	% share	12,6	16,9	14,2							
		Youth that reported hunger	1 575	1 223	2 798							
		All Youth (Thousands)	12 538	7 241	19 779							
			Black	Coloure	Indian/Asi	White	RSA					
Sex and population group	Male	% share	15,4	11,8	2,5	1,2	13,9					
		Male youth that reported hunger	1 281	96	6	7	1 390					
		All male Youth (Thousands)	8 346	814	229	582	9 971					
	Female	% share	15,8	11,9	3,7	1,6	14,4					
		Female youth that reported hunger	1 293	98	8	9	1 409					
		All female Youth (Thousands)	8 208	821	210	569	9 808					
Sex and population group	Both	% share	15,6	11,9	3,1	1,4	14,2					
		Youth that reported hunger	2 574	194	14	16	2 798					
		All Youth (Thousands)	16 554	1 635	439	1 150	19 779					

Source: GHS 2016

Table 2.5.1: Percentage of youth living in households that reported hunger, 2016(cont.)

Sex and age group	15-24		25-34		RSA	
	Male	% share	Female	% share	Male	% share
Sex and age group	Male	Male youth that reported hunger	Female	Female youth that reported hunger	Male	Male youth that reported hunger
	All male Youth (Thousands)	761	All female Youth (Thousands)	5 099	Male	Male youth that reported hunger
Sex and age group	Female	% share	Female	% share	Female	% share
	All female Youth (Thousands)	5 130	All female Youth (Thousands)	15,1	Female	Female youth that reported hunger
Sex and age group	Both	15,0	Both	15,0	Both	Both
	Youth that reported hunger	1 529	Youth that reported hunger	1 529	Both	Both
All Youth (Thousands)		10 229	All Youth (Thousands)		10 229	10 229

Source: GHS 2016

Table 2.5.2: Percentage of youth-headed households that reported hunger, 2016

Disaggregation	WC	EC	NC	FS	KZN	NW	GP	MP	LP	RSA
Head sex and province	% share	18,2	12,0	15,9	13,5	13,1	9,3	9,5	4,7	11,2
	Male youth headed hhs that reported hunger	49	28	8	21	31	85	21	13	311
	Male youth-headed HHs (Thousands)	270	230	49	158	236	913	219	265	2 769
	% share	18,8	10,8	19,4	14,9	15,1	15,6	16,3	4,0	13,3
	Female youth headed hhs that reported hunger	26	21	5	12	34	50	19	6	187
	Female youth-headed HHs (Thousands)	141	191	24	77	283	319	117	155	1 411
	% share	18,4	11,4	17,0	14,0	12,5	10,9	11,9	4,5	11,9
	Youth headed hhs that reported hunger	76	48	12	33	89	135	40	19	498
	Youth-headed HHs (Thousands)	411	421	73	235	711	1 232	337	420	4 180
	Urban	Urban	Rural	RSA						
Head sex and geo-type	% share	10,9	12,2	11,2						
	Male youth headed hhs that reported hunger	225	85	311						
	Male youth-headed HHs (Thousands)	2 068	701	2 769						
	% share	12,8	14,3	13,3						
	Female youth headed hhs that reported hunger	121	66	187						
	Female youth-headed HHs (Thousands)	946	464	1 411						
	% share	11,5	13,0	11,9						
	Youth headed hhs that reported hunger	346	152	498						
	Youth-headed HHs (Thousands)	3 015	1 165	4 180						
	Urban	Urban	Rural	RSA						

Source: GHS 2016

2.6 Youth: Education

Table 2.6.1: Percentage of youth who attend educational institutions, 2016

Disaggregation		Black African	Coloured	Indian/Asian	White	RSA	
Sex and population group	Male	% share	30,5	24,6	23,7	30,2	29,9
		Male youth attending	2 552	201	55	176	2 984
	Female	Male youth (Thousands)	8 356	818	232	583	9 989
		% share	30,7	24,6	29,1	35,7	30,5
	Both	Female youth attending	2 520	202	63	203	2 989
		Female youth(Thousands)	8 199	823	217	569	9 807
Sex and age group	Male	% share	30,6	24,6	26,3	32,9	30,2
		Youth attending	5 072	403	118	380	5 972
	Female	Youth (Thousands)	16 555	1 641	449	1 152	19 796
			15-24	25-34	RSA		
	Both	% share	54,7	3,5	29,9		
		Male youth attending	2 813	171	2 984		
Sex and age group	Male	Male youth (Thousands)	5 145	4 843	9 989		
		% share	53,4	5,5	30,5		
	Female	Female youth attending	2 732	257	2 989		
		Female youth (Thousands)	5 112	4 695	9 807		
	Both	% share	54,1	4,5	30,2		
		Youth attending	5 544	428	5 972		
	Youth (Thousands)	10 257	9 539	19 796			

Source: GHS 2016

Table 2.6.2: Percentage distribution of the types of educational institutions attended by youth aged 15-24 years, 2016

Sex and population group	Black African		Coloured		Indian/Asian		White	
	Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female
School/Preschool	83,7	77,2	83,5	74,6	54,1	47,5	59,0	49,8
ABET/Literacy Classes	1,1	1,7	1,2	0,5	0,0	0,0	0,4	0,0
Higher Education Institution	6,6	9,4	7,9	13,6	41,1	49,7	28,6	39,9
Further Education and Training	6,1	7,1	3,5	5,5	1,3	0,0	1,7	3,4
Other College	2,1	4,0	2,9	4,3	3,5	2,8	5,0	3,8
Other	0,4	0,6	1,1	1,5	0,0	0,0	5,3	3,0
Total (%)	100,0	100,0	100,0	100,0	100,0	100,0	100,0	100,0
Total (Thousands)*	2 517	2 503	200	199	55	63	171	200

Source: GHS 2016

Table 2.6.2: Percentage distribution of the types of educational institutions attended by youth aged 15-24 years, 2016 (cont.)

Disaggregation		Male	Female	RSA
Sex	School/Preschool	81,7	74,6	78,1
	ABET/Literacy Classes	1,0	1,5	1,2
	Higher Education Institution	8,6	12,6	10,6
	Further Education and Training College	5,6	6,6	6,1
	Other College	2,3	4,0	3,2
	Other	0,8	0,8	0,8
	Total (%)	100,0	100,0	100,0
Total (Thousands)*		2 943	2 965	5 908

Source: GHS 2016

Table 2.6.3: Percentage of youth aged 15-24 years who are not attending any educational institution and are also not employed, 2016

Disaggregation		Black African	Coloured	Indian/Asian	White	RSA	
Sex and population group	Male	% share	31,9	16,6	12,8	32,3	
		NEET	2 875	262	39	76	3 251
		Male youth ('000)	8 430	823	233	592	10 078
	Female	% share	45,6	39,7	34,2	16,6	43,2
		NEET	3 767	328	74	96	4 264
		Female youth ('000)	8 260	827	217	578	9 881
	Both	% share	39,8	35,8	25,1	14,7	37,7
		NEET	6 641	590	113	171	7 516
		Youth ('000)	16 690	1 649	450	1 169	19 958

Source: GHS 2016

Table 2.6.4: Percentage distribution of the highest levels of education attained by youth, 2016

Disaggregation		15-24		25-34		RSA(15-34)			RSA(15-34)				
		Male		Female		Male	Female	Both	Black African	Coloured	Indian/Asian	White	
Sex and age group	Less than matric	72,8	67,0	51,8	48,1	62,5	57,9	60,2					
	Matric	22,6	28,2	33,7	35,1	28,1	31,5	29,8					
	Other tertiary	2,5	2,8	7,5	9,4	4,9	6,0	5,5					
	Graduates	1,3	1,5	5,9	6,7	3,5	4,0	3,8					
	Other	0,9	0,5	1,2	0,7	1,0	0,6	0,8					
	Total (%)	100,0	100,0	100,0	100,0	100,0	100,0	100,0					
	Total ('000)	5 096	5 073	4 889	4 733	9 984	9 807	19 791					
Population and age group		15-24		25-34		RSA(15-34)							
		Black African	Coloured	Indian/Asian	White	Black African	Coloured	Indian/Asian	White				
	Less than matric	72,5	68,2	35,9	46,9	53,2	52,5	14,6	15,4	63,1	60,9	24,4	31,4
	Matric	23,3	27,9	53,2	41,7	33,5	37,6	45,4	37,6	28,3	32,4	49,0	39,7
	Other tertiary	2,6	2,1	2,7	3,9	8,1	5,6	9,5	16,7	5,3	3,7	6,4	10,2
	Graduates	0,9	0,7	7,5	7,5	4,2	3,7	28,5	30,1	2,5	2,1	18,8	18,6
	Other	0,7	1,1	0,8	0,0	1,0	0,6	2,0	0,3	0,8	0,9	1,4	0,1
Total (%)	100,0	100,0	100,0	100,0	100,0	100,0	100,0	100,0	100,0	100,0	100,0	100,0	
Total ('000)	8 494	881	206	588	8 049	761	243	569	16 543	1 642	449	1 157	

Source: GHS 2016

2.7 Youth: Housing and basic services

Table 2.7.1: Percentage distribution of households headed by youth living in formal, informal and traditional housing, 2016

Disaggregation			Formal	Traditional	Informal	Other	Total	
							Per cent	Thousands
Head sex and geo-type	Male	Urban	67,6	1,2	29,6	1,6	100,0	2106
		Rural	76,9	10,9	11,8	0,3	100,0	717
		RSA	70,0	3,6	25,1	1,3	100,0	2823
	Female	Urban	73,5	1,7	23,8	1,0	100,0	960
		Rural	78,2	15,1	6,4	0,3	100,0	465
		RSA	75,0	6,1	18,1	0,8	100,0	1424
	Both	Urban	69,5	1,3	27,8	1,4	100,0	3065
		Rural	77,4	12,6	9,7	0,3	100,0	1182
		RSA	71,7	4,5	22,8	1,1	100,0	4247
Head sex and age group	Male	15-24	65,6	6,8	25,8	1,9	100,0	491
		25-34	70,9	3,0	25,0	1,2	100,0	2332
		RSA	70,0	3,6	25,1	1,3	100,0	2823
	Female	15-24	80,7	6,4	12,0	1,0	100,0	296
		25-34	73,6	6,0	19,8	0,7	100,0	1128
		RSA	75,0	6,1	18,1	0,8	100,0	1424
	Both	15-24	71,3	6,6	20,6	1,5	100,0	787
		25-34	71,8	4,0	23,3	1,0	100,0	3460
		RSA	71,7	4,5	22,8	1,1	100,0	4247

Source: GHS 2016

Table 2.7.2: Percentage distribution of youth living in in households with formal, informal and traditional housing, 2016

Disaggregation			Formal	Traditional	Informal	Other	Total	
							Per cent	Thousands
Sex and geo-type	Male	Urban	83,7	0,9	14,3	1,0	100,0	6382
		Rural	75,7	19,7	4,5	0,1	100,0	3696
		RSA	80,8	7,8	10,7	0,7	100,0	10078
	Female	Urban	84,9	1,1	13,3	0,7	100,0	6289
		Rural	75,4	20,2	4,2	0,1	100,0	3591
		RSA	81,5	8,1	10,0	0,5	100,0	9881
	Both	Urban	84,3	1,0	13,8	0,9	100,0	12672
		Rural	75,6	20,0	4,4	0,1	100,0	7287
		RSA	81,1	7,9	10,4	0,6	100,0	19958

Source: GHS 2016

* Total excludes unspecified cases

Table 2.7.2: Percentage distribution of youth living in in households with formal, informal and traditional housing, 2016 (cont.)

Disaggregation		Formal	Traditional	Informal	Other	Total	
						Per cent	Thousands
Sex and age group	15-24	81,8	9,5	8,2	0,5	100,0	5174
	25-34	79,7	6,1	13,3	0,9	100,0	4903
	RSA	80,8	7,8	10,7	0,7	100,0	10078
	15-24	81,5	9,6	8,5	0,5	100,0	5137
	25-34	81,4	6,4	11,6	0,5	100,0	4743
	RSA	81,5	8,1	10,0	0,5	100,0	9881
	15-24	81,7	9,5	8,4	0,5	100,0	10312
	25-34	80,5	6,3	12,5	0,7	100,0	9647
Both		81,1	7,9	10,4	0,6	100,0	19958

Source: GHS 2016

* Total excludes unspecified cases

Table 2.7.3: Living condition indicators of the youth compared to those of the overall population, 2016

Age	Access to service indicator					Solid fuels for cooking*
	Access to piped water*	Access to improved Sanitation*	Refuse/ Waste removed by municipality*	Access to electricity connected to the mains*		
15-24	%	%	%	%	%	%
15-24	67,7	82,5	58,1	89,3	16,1	16,1
25-34	73,1	83,0	65,9	85,7	10,4	10,4
15-34	70,3	82,7	61,9	89,9	13,3	13,3
Population	71,2	83,8	63,2	89,1	13,2	13,2

Source: GHS 2016

*Access to water: % of total population/Youth with access to water.

*Sanitation: % of population/Youth living in dwelling with flush toilets with or offsite disposal.

*Refuse/Waste: % of population/Youth living in dwellings where rubbish is removed by municipality.

*Electricity: % of Population/Youth living in dwellings with electricity that is connected to main electricity suppliers.

*Solid fuels for cooking: % of population/Youth living in dwellings with wood, coal and animal dung as the source of energy for cooking

2.8 Youth: Violence and crime victims**Table 2.8.1: Percentage of youth living in households where the households feel unsafe or very unsafe to walk alone in their area during the day, 2015/16**

Disaggregation		WC	EC	NC	FS	KZN	NW	GP	MP	LP	RSA
Province	% share	70,9	85,9	87,4	90,2	84,2	86,4	78,0	89,5	95,7	83,8
	Youth (thousands)*	1 433	2 136	354	915	3 219	1 130	3 532	1 400	2 017	16 137
	% share	71,6	85,7	87,6	90,6	84,4	87,0	77,5	89,6	95,3	83,6
	Population	4 377	5 889	1 032	2 601	9 156	3 302	10 383	3 778	5 359	45 876
Sex		Male	Female	RSA							
	% share	84,1	83,5	83,8							
	Youth (thousands)*	8 053	8 084	16 137							
	% share	83,8	83,4	83,6							
Age group	Population	22 116	23 760	45 876							
		15-24	25-34	RSA							
	% share	84,0	83,6	83,8							
	Youth (thousands)*	7 802	8 335	16 137							
Age group	% share			83,6							
	Population			45 876							

Source: VOCS 2015/16

*Totals exclude unspecified cases

Table 2.8.2: Percentage of youth living in households where the households feel unsafe or very unsafe to walk alone in their area at night, 2015/16

Disaggregation		WC	EC	NC	FS	KZN	NW	GP	MP	LP	RSA
Province	% share	28,4	26,7	26,7	17,7	35,1	30,4	23,8	29,1	52,6	30,7
	Youth (thousands)	573	664	108	180	1 340	397	1 074	456	1 104	5 896
	% share	31,4	27,1	28,2	19,0	35,2	28,4	24,3	28,2	52,6	30,9
	Population	1 914	1 860	332	545	3 808	1 076	3 243	1 195	2 955	16 930
Sex		Male	Female	RSA							
	% share	31,1	30,3	30,7							
	Youth (thousands)	2 972	2 924	5 896							
	% share	31,2	30,5	30,9							
Age group	Population	8 238	8 692	16 930							
		15-24	25-34	RSA							
	% share	84,0	83,6	83,8							
	Youth (thousands)	7 802	8 335	16 137							
Age group	% share			30,9							
	Population			16 930							

Source: VOCS 2015/16

*Totals exclude unspecified cases

Table 2.8.3: Percentage of Youth who live in households where the fear of crime prevent them from going to open spaces or parks in their area, 2015/16

Disaggregation	WC	EC	NC	FS	KZN	NW	GP	MP	LP	RSA
% share	47.7	43.8	56.4	33.5	21.7	21.6	39.3	32.8	12.6	32.6
Youth (thousands)	917	1 070	224	333	816	277	1 712	505	261	6 114
% share	47.7	44.4	56.7	32.7	21.8	22.7	41.2	33.4	13.2	33.5
Population	2 764	3 005	655	919	2 322	847	5 329	1 382	732	17 956
	Male	Female	RSA							
% share	31.1	34.1	32.6							
Youth (thousands)	2 904	3 210	6 114							
% share	32.5	34.5	33.5							
Population	8 371	9 585	17 956							
	15-24	25-34	RSA							
% share	84.0	83.6	83.8							
Youth (thousands)	7 802	8 335	16 137							
% share			33.5							
Population			17 956							

Source: VOCS 2015/16

*Totals exclude unspecified cases

Table 2.8.4: Percentage of youth who have been victims of property crime during the past 5 years, 2015/16

Disaggregation	Male	Female	RSA
% share	2.8	2.2	2.5
# affected	270	216	486
Youth (thousands)*	9641	9729	19370
	15-24	25-34	RSA
% share	2.9	2.2	2.5
# affected	267	220	486
Youth (thousands)*	9346	10024	19370

Source: VOCS 2015/16

*Totals exclude unspecified cases

Table 2.8.5: Percentage of youth who have been victims of assault during the past 5 years, 2015/16

Disaggregation	Male	Female	RSA
% share	1.3	0.7	1.0
# affected	128	65	193
Youth (thousands)*	9641	9729	19370
	15-24	25-34	RSA
% share	1.0	1.0	1.0
# affected	93	100	193
Youth (thousands)*	9346	10024	19370

Source: VOCS 2015/16

*Totals exclude unspecified cases

INDICATORS: WOMEN

Women are defined as the female population.

3.1 Demography of women**Table 3.1.1: Percentage distribution of the female population, 2016**

Disaggregation	WC	EC	NC	FS	KZN	NW	GP	MP	LP	RSA
Province										
	N('000)	3 236	3 518	609	1 459	1 881	6 709	2 190	2 986	28 202
	%	11,5	12,5	2,2	5,2	6,7	23,8	7,8	10,6	100,0
Geo-type										
	Urban	17 920	10 282	28 202						
	%	63,5	36,5	100,0						
Age group										
	0-4	5-14	15-24	25-34	35-44	45-54	55-64	65-74	75+	RSA
	2 543	5 134	5 137	4 743	3 892	2 814	1 980	1 325	633	28 202
	%	9,0	18,2	16,8	13,8	10,0	7,0	4,7	2,2	100,0
Population group										
	Black	Coloured	Indian/	White	RSA					
	22 648	2 533	684	2 337	28 202					
	%	80,3	9,0	2,4	8,3					

Source: GHS 2016

Table 3.1.2: Percentage distribution of women (18 years and above) by their marital status, 2016

Disaggregation	WC	EC	NC	FS	KZN	NW	GP	MP	LP	RSA
Province										
	Married/Cohabiting	49,9	32,6	41,6	45,0	32,2	46,3	49,1	44,0	39,6
	Widow/Widower/Divorced	13,2	18,8	14,6	18,5	13,6	11,5	12,2	12,8	17,5
	Never married	37,0	48,6	43,8	36,5	54,2	42,2	38,7	43,2	42,9
	Total (%)	100,0	100,0	100,0	100,0	100,0	100,0	100,0	100,0	100,0
	Total ('000)	2 306	2 216	406	1 006	3 588	1 226	4 906	1 425	18 983
Geo-type										
	Urban	45,8	35,0	42,2						
	Widow/Widower/Divorced	12,8	17,3	14,3						
	Never married	41,5	47,7	43,6						
	Total (%)	100,0	100,0	100,0						
	Total ('000)	12 646	6 338	18 983						

Source: GHS 2016

Table 3.1.2: Percentage distribution of women (18 years and above) by their marital status, 2016 (cont.)

Population group	Black African	Coloured	Indian/ Asian	White	RSA
Married/Cohabiting	37,9	48,1	65,9	64,1	42,2
Widow/Widower/Divorced	13,7	13,5	16,1	18,9	14,3
Never married	48,4	38,4	18,0	17,0	43,6
Total (%)	100,0	100,0	100,0	100,0	100,0
Total ('000)	14 847	1 772	506	1 859	18 983

Source: GHS 2016

3.2 Women: Household characteristics**Table 3.2.1: Percentage of households headed by females aged 15 years and above, 2016**

Disaggregation	WC	EC	NC	FS	KZN	NW	GP	MP	LP	RSA
Province	% share of female headed households	37,2	51,2	41,2	43,5	38,1	34,1	40,2	50,0	41,4
	Households headed by females (Thousands)	681	901	135	404	478	1667	505	789	6892
	All Households (Thousands)	1 830	1 759	329	929	1 256	4 885	1 255	1 580	16 654
Geo-type		Urban	Rural	RSA						
	% share of female headed households	37,6	49,8	41,4						
	Households headed by females (Thousands)	4 326	2 566	6 892						
Population group	All Households (Thousands)	11 503	5 151	16 654						
		Black African	Coloured	Indian/ Asian	White	RSA				
	% share of female headed households	43,1	40,8	27,8	30,6	41,4				
Age group	Households headed by females (Thousands)	5 821	471	105	496	6 892				
	All Households ('000)	13 504	1 154	377	1 618	16 654				
		15-24	25-34	35-44	45-54	55-64	65+	RSA		
	% share of female headed households	37,6	32,6	35,5	42,3	45,4	60,8	41,4		
	Households headed by females (Thousands)	296	1 128	1 461	1 504	1 119	1 384	6 892		
	All Households ('000)	787	3 460	4 113	3 553	2 465	2 274	16 654		

Source: GHS 2016

Table 3.2.2: Percentage distribution of male and female-headed households by household composition, 2016

Disaggregation	WC	EC	NC	FS	KZN	NW	GP	MP	LP	RSA
Male	Single	18,8	33,2	23,2	25,5	33,1	24,4	33,0	33,9	28,2
	Nuclear	58,2	36,3	45,2	50,0	34,6	54,6	38,7	38,4	46,3
	Extended	19,1	29,0	28,3	22,5	30,2	19,1	26,2	25,9	23,4
	Complex	4,0	1,5	3,3	2,0	2,0	1,8	2,1	1,8	2,1
	Total (%)	100,0	100,0	100,0	100,0	100,0	100,0	100,0	100,0	100,0
	Male-headed HHs ('000)*	1 145	857	193	524	1 493	3 202	749	791	9 728
Female	Single	20,4	18,5	14,8	19,0	20,2	22,4	18,4	16,5	19,9
	Nuclear	38,7	25,4	28,5	32,9	24,2	33,4	28,5	28,0	29,7
	Extended	35,7	54,3	53,2	46,1	54,0	41,7	51,6	55,0	48,2
	Complex	5,3	1,8	3,6	2,0	1,7	2,3	1,5	0,6	2,2
	Total (%)	100,0	100,0	100,0	100,0	100,0	100,0	100,0	100,0	100,0
	Female-headed HHs ('000)*	681	901	135	402	1 329	1 654	504	787	6 870
Male		Urban	Rural	RSA						
	Single	26,2	33,7	28,2						
	Nuclear	51,0	33,3	46,3						
	Extended	20,6	31,2	23,4						
	Complex	2,3	1,7	2,1						
	Total (%)	100,0	100,0	100,0						
Female	Male-headed HHs ('000)*	7 149	2 579	9 728						
	Single	22,6	15,3	19,9						
	Nuclear	32,5	24,8	29,7						
	Extended	42,0	58,7	48,2						
	Complex	2,8	1,2	2,2						
	Total (%)	100,0	100,0	100,0						
	Female-headed HHs ('000)*	4 311	2 559	6 870						

Source: GHS 2016

*Total only includes households headed by person of ages 15 years or older.

*Total excludes unspecified values

Table 3.2.2: Percentage distribution of male and female-headed households by household composition, 2016 (cont.)

	15-24	25-34	35-44	45-54	55-64	65+	RSA
Male	Single	39,4	28,3	21,8	16,8	13,1	28,2
	Nuclear	42,3	53,2	52,6	44,7	42,1	46,3
	Extended	16,1	16,3	23,7	36,6	43,3	23,4
	Complex	2,2	2,2	2,0	1,9	1,5	2,1
	Total (%)	100,0	100,0	100,0	100,0	100,0	100,0
Female	Male-headed HHs ('000)*	488	2 645	2 039	1 342	886	9 728
	Single	38,7	17,2	13,6	14,8	21,9	19,9
	Nuclear	16,5	47,8	33,3	20,7	11,8	29,7
	Extended	38,2	33,1	51,6	62,7	64,5	48,2
	Complex	6,7	1,9	1,6	1,8	1,9	2,2
	Total (%)	100,0	100,0	100,0	100,0	100,0	100,0
	Female-headed HHs ('000)*	295	1 456	1 502	1 116	1 377	6 870
Male							
	Single	8,4	8,4	12,3	28,2		
	Nuclear	61,3	70,2	73,6	46,3		
	Extended	26,6	18,8	11,2	23,4		
	Complex	3,7	2,6	2,9	2,1		
	Total (%)	100,0	100,0	100,0	100,0		
	Male-headed HHs ('000)*	7 663	272	1 112	9 728		
Female	Single	18,3	22,3	47,6	19,9		
	Nuclear	28,7	39,8	28,7	29,7		
	Extended	51,1	36,9	19,5	48,2		
	Complex	1,9	1,0	4,3	2,2		
	Total (%)	100,0	100,0	100,0	100,0		
	Female-headed HHs ('000)*	5 801	105	495	6 870		

Source: GHS 2016

*Total only includes households headed by person of ages 15 years or older.

*Total excludes unspecified values

Table 3.2.3: Mean household size by sex of the household head, 2016

Disaggregation	WC	EC	NC	FS	KZN	NW	GP	MP	LP	RSA
Province										
Male	3,2	3,1	3,3	3,1	3,2	2,9	3,0	3,2	3,1	3,1
Female	3,3	3,7	4,0	3,4	4,0	3,5	3,3	3,8	3,7	3,6
Both	3,3	3,4	3,6	3,2	3,6	3,1	3,1	3,4	3,4	3,3
Geo-type	Urban	Rural	RSA							
Male	3,0	3,3	3,1							
Female	3,3	4,1	3,6							
Both	3,1	3,7	3,3							
Age group	15-24	25-34	35-44	45-54	55-64	65+	RSA			
Male	1,8	2,3	3,1	3,5	3,8	3,8	3,1			
Female	2,3	2,8	3,5	4,0	4,1	3,8	3,6			
Both	2,0	2,5	3,2	3,7	3,9	3,8	3,3			

Source: GHS 2016

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

Table 3.3.1: Dependency ratios by sex of the household head, 2016

Disaggregation	Total Dependency ratio										
	WC	EC	NC	FS	KZN	NW	GP	MP	LP	RSA	
Province	Male	0,57	0,74	0,68	0,65	0,60	0,54	0,46	0,61	0,75	0,59
	Female	0,78	1,30	1,17	1,14	1,16	1,15	0,80	1,23	1,34	1,10
	Both	0,65	1,03	0,87	0,86	0,86	0,77	0,58	0,86	1,05	0,81
Geo-type	Urban	Rural	RSA								
	0,51	0,78	0,59								
	0,87	1,45	1,10								
Both	0,65	1,12	0,81								
	Old-age dependency ratio										
Province	WC	EC	NC	FS	KZN	NW	GP	MP	LP	RSA	
	0,13	0,19	0,18	0,14	0,14	0,11	0,08	0,10	0,16	0,12	
	0,14	0,19	0,21	0,20	0,17	0,18	0,14	0,13	0,19	0,17	
Both	0,13	0,19	0,19	0,16	0,16	0,14	0,10	0,12	0,17	0,14	
Geo-type	Urban	Rural	RSA								
	0,10	0,17	0,12								
	0,15	0,20	0,17								
Both	0,12	0,19	0,14								
	Child- dependency ratio										
Province	WC	EC	NC	FS	KZN	NW	GP	MP	LP	RSA	
	0,45	0,56	0,50	0,51	0,46	0,43	0,38	0,51	0,60	0,47	
	0,64	1,11	0,21	0,94	0,99	0,97	0,66	1,10	1,14	0,94	
Both	0,52	0,84	0,69	0,70	0,71	0,64	0,48	0,75	0,87	0,66	
Geo-type	Urban	Rural	RSA								
	0,41	0,61	0,47								
	0,72	1,25	0,94								
Both	0,53	0,93	0,66								

Source: GHS 2016

Source: GHS 2016

Table 3.3.1: Dependency ratios by sex of the household head, 2016 (cont.)

Disaggregation		Mean proportion of children per household									
		WC	EC	NC	FS	KZN	NW	GP	MP	LP	RSA
Province	Male	0,19	0,21	0,21	0,21	0,18	0,18	0,18	0,21	0,24	0,20
	Female	0,25	0,36	0,35	0,33	0,33	0,33	0,26	0,36	0,37	0,32
	Both	0,21	0,28	0,26	0,26	0,25	0,24	0,21	0,28	0,31	0,25
Geo-type		Urban	Rural	RSA							
	Male	0,18	0,23								
	Female	0,27	0,39								
	Both	0,22	0,31								

Source: GHS 2016

Table 3.3.2: Percentage of households without an employed household member by sex of household head, 2016

Disaggregation	WC	EC	NC	FS	KZN	NW	GP	MP	LP	RSA
% share of male households without an employed member	15,4	30,4	26,3	22,0	22,5	25,7	12,7	19,8	26,4	19,5
Male headed households without an employed member (Thousands)	177	261	51	116	338	200	407	149	210	1 908
All male-headed households (Thousands)	1 149	858	193	525	1 500	778	3 219	751	793	9 767
% share of female households without an employed member	21,4	49,7	45,4	45,7	40,2	44,1	28,1	44,6	54,9	39,4
Female headed households without an employed member (Thousands)	146	448	61	185	535	211	469	225	434	2 713
All female-headed households (Thousands)	682	901	135	404	1 331	478	1 668	505	790	6 895
% share of households without an employed member	17,6	40,3	34,1	32,3	30,8	32,7	17,9	29,8	40,6	27,7
Households without an employed member (Thousands)	323	709	112	300	872	411	876	374	643	4 621
All Households (Thousands)	1 831	1 759	329	929	2 831	1 256	4 888	1 256	1 583	16 662

Source: GHS 2016

Table 3.3.2: Percentage of households without an employed household member by sex of household head, 2016(cont.)

	Black African	Coloured	Indian/ Asian	White	RSA
% share of male households without an employed member	20,6	15,5	12,1	16,5	19,5
Male headed households without an employed member (Thousands)	1 584	106	33	185	1 908
All male-headed households (Thousands)	7 689	684	272	1 123	9 767
% share of female households without an employed member	41,4	23,4	19,3	34,7	39,4
Female headed households without an employed member (Thousands)	2 410	110	20	172	2 713
All female-headed households (Thousands)	5 823	471	105	497	6 895
% share of households without an employed member	29,6	18,7	14,1	22,1	27,7
Households without an employed member (Thousands)	3 994	216	53	358	4 621
All Households (Thousands)	13 512	1 154	377	1 619	16 662
	Urban	Rural	RSA		
% share of male households without an employed member	14,9	32,3	19,5		
Male headed households without an employed member (Thousands)	1 071	836	1 908		
All male-headed households (Thousands)	7 178	2 589	9 767		
% share of female households without an employed member	29,2	56,5	39,4		
Female headed households without an employed member (Thousands)	1 263	1 450	2 713		
All female-headed households (Thousands)	4 329	2 566	6 895		
% share of households without an employed member	20,3	44,4	27,7		
Households without an employed member (Thousands)	2 334	2 286	4 621		
All Households (Thousands)	11 507	5 155	16 662		

Source: GHS 2016

Table 3.3.3: Percentage of employed who are employers as a proportion of the overall employed, 2016

Disaggregation	WC	EC	NC	FS	KZN	NW	GP	MP	LP	RSA
Sex and province	% share of male employers	6,8	4,3	3,4	8,3	7,0	8,5	6,6	7,8	7,3
	Male employers (Thousands)	88	32	15	110	39	250	45	61	653
	All employed male (Thousands)	1 291	742	181	1 333	558	2 941	679	788	8 960
	% share of female employers	2,0	1,3	2,7	2,0	1,7	3,6	2,3	1,8	2,5
	Female employers (Thousands)	21	9	3	24	6	77	11	10	169
	All employed female (Thousands)	1 025	701	127	1 163	341	2 127	495	561	6 873
	% share of employers	4,7	2,8	4,8	2,9	5,0	6,5	4,8	5,3	5,2
	All employers (Thousands)	109	41	15	134	45	328	56	71	822
	All employed persons (Thousands)									
		2 315	1 443	308	781	900	5 068	1 174	1 349	15 833

Source: QLFS Q3 2016

Table 3.3.3: Percentage of employed who are employers as a proportion of the overall employed, 2016 (cont.)

		Black African		Coloured		Indian/Asian		White		RSA	
Sex and population group	Male	% share of male employers	5,4	4,2	14,7	19,3	7,3				
		Male employers (Thousands)	361	38	50	205	653				
		All employed male (Thousands)	6 666	890	341	1 063	8 960				
	Female	% share of female employers	1,9	1,2	5,1	6,1	2,5				
		Female employers (Thousands)	99	9	9	52	169				
	Both	All employed female (Thousands)	5 099	751	181	842	6 873				
		% share of employers	3,9	2,8	11,4	13,5	5,2				
		All employers (Thousands)	459	47	59	257	822				
		All employed persons (Thousands)	11 765	1 642	522	1 905	15 833				
Sex and geo-type			Urban	Rural	RSA						
	Male	% share of male employers	7,1	8,0	7,3						
		Male employers (Thousands)	486	168	653						
		All employed male (Thousands)	6 866	2 094	8 960						
	Female	% share of female employers	2,6	2,0	2,5						
		Female employers (Thousands)	138	31	169						
		All employed female (Thousands)	5 314	1 558	6 873						
	Both	% share of employers	5,1	5,4	5,2						
		All employers (Thousands)	624	198	822						
		All employed persons (Thousands)	12 180	3 653	15 833						
Sex and age group			15-34	35+	RSA						
	Male	% share of male employers	4,5	9,3	7,3						
		Male employers (Thousands)	164	489	653						
		All employed male (Thousands)	3 672	5 288	8 960						
	Female	% share of female employers	1,3	3,1	2,5						
		Female employers (Thousands)	33	136	169						
		All employed female (Thousands)	2 489	4 384	6 873						
	Both	% share of employers	3,2	6,5	5,2						
		All employers (Thousands)	197	625	822						
		All employed persons (Thousands)	6 161	9 672	15 833						

Source: QLFS Q3 2016

Table 3.3.4: Percentage of employed who are own-account workers as a proportion the employed, 2016

Disaggregation		WC	EC	NC	FS	KZN	NW	GP	MP	LP	RSA			
Sex and province	Male	% share of male own account workers	6,2	11,9	4,6	10,7	8,1	7,7	10,0	8,5	11,4	9,0		
		Male own account workers (Thousands)	79	88	8	48	108	43	294	57	90	816		
		All employed male (Thousands)	1 291	742	181	447	1 333	558	2 941	679	788	8 960		
	Female	% share of female own account workers	5,3	11,0	2,6	8,6	10,6	7,6	7,7	12,0	14,2	9,1		
		Female own account workers (Thousands)	55	77	3	29	123	26	164	59	79	615		
		All employed female (Thousands)	1 025	701	127	334	1 163	341	2 127	495	561	6 873		
	Both	% share of own account workers	5,8	11,5	3,8	9,8	9,2	7,6	9,0	10,0	12,6	9,0		
		All own account workers (Thousands)	134	166	12	77	230	69	458	117	170	1 431		
		All employed persons (Thousands)	2 315	1 443	308	781	2 496	900	5 068	1 174	1 349	15 833		
Sex and geo-type	Male	Urban		Rural		RSA								
		% share of male own account workers		7,2		10,5		9,0						
		Male own account workers (Thousands)		264		553		816						
		All employed male (Thousands)		3 672		5 288		8 960						
		% share of female own account workers		5,8		10,8		9,1						
	Female	Female own account workers (Thousands)		143		471		615						
		All employed female (Thousands)		2 489		4 384		6 873						
		% share of own account workers		8,2		11,8		9,0						
		All own account workers (Thousands)		999		432		1 431						
		All employed persons (Thousands)		12 180		3 653		15 833						
	Sex and Population group	Male	Black African		Coloured		Indian/Asian		White		RSA			
			% share of male own account workers		10,0		4,9		9,0		7,3		9,0	
			Male own account workers (Thousands)		665		43		31		78		816	
			All employed male (Thousands)		6 666		890		341		1 063		8 960	
			% share of female own account workers		10,1		2,7		4,8		8,3		9,1	
Female		Female own account workers (Thousands)		516		21		9		70		615		
		All employed female (Thousands)		5 099		751		181		842		6 873		
		% share of own account workers		10,0		3,9		7,5		7,7		9,0		
		All own account workers (Thousands)		1 181		64		39		148		1 431		
		All employed persons (Thousands)		11 765		1 642		522		1 905		15 833		

Source: QLFS Q3 2016

Table 3.3.4: Percentage of employed who are own-account workers as a proportion the employed, 2016 (cont.)

Sex and age group		15-34		35+		RSA	
Male	% share of male own account workers		7,2		10,5		9,0
	Male own account workers (Thousands)		264		553		816
	All employed male (Thousands)		3 672		5 288		8 960
Female	% share of female own account workers		5,8		10,8		9,1
	Female own account workers (Thousands)		143		471		615
	All employed female (Thousands)		2 489		4 384		6 873
Both	% share of own account workers		6,6		10,6		9,0
	All own account workers (Thousands)		407		1 024		1 431
	All employed persons (Thousands)		6 161		9 672		15 833

Source: QLFS Q3 2016

Table 3.3.5: Percentage of employed who are working as contributing family members as a proportion the employed, 2016

Disaggregation		WC											GP	MP	LP	RSA
		WC	EC	NC	FS	KZN	NW									
Sex and province	% share of males working as contributing family members	0,1	0,5	0,0	0,1	0,5	0,2						0,2	0,1	0,5	0,2
	Males working as contributing family members (Thousands)	1	4	0	1	6	1						4	1	4	22
	All employed male (Thousands)	1 291	742	181	447	1 333	558						2 941	679	788	8 960
	% share of females working as contributing family members	0,2	0,6	0,6	1,0	0,7	0,3						0,7	0,6	1,5	0,7
	Females working as contributing family members (Thousands)	2	4	1	3	8	1						16	3	8	46
Both	All employed female (Thousands)	1 025	701	127	334	1 163	341						2 127	495	561	6 873
	% share of persons working as contributing family members	0,1	0,6	0,3	0,5	0,6	0,2						0,4	0,3	0,9	0,4
	All persons working as contributing family members (Thousands)	2	8	1	4	14	2						20	4	12	68
	All employed persons (Thousands)	2 315	1 443	308	781	2 496	900						5 068	1 174	1 349	15 833

Source: QLFS Q3 2016

Table 3.3.5: Percentage of employed who are working as contributing family members as a proportion the employed, 2016 (cont.)

Sex and Population group	Black African						Coloured		Indian/Asian		White		RSA	
	Male	% share of males working as contributing family members						0,0	1,3	0,2	0,2	0,2	0,2	0,2
Sex and age group		Males working as contributing family members (Thousands)						0	4	2	2	22	22	22
		All employed male (Thousands)						890	341	1 063	8 960	8 960	8 960	8 960
	Female	% share of females working as contributing family members						0,3	0,7	0,8	0,7	0,7	0,7	0,7
		Females working as contributing family members (Thousands)						2	1	7	46	46	46	46
		All employed female (Thousands)						751	181	842	6 873	6 873	6 873	6 873
	Both	% share of persons working as contributing family members						0,1	1,1	0,4	0,4	0,4	0,4	0,4
Sex and age group		All persons working as contributing family members (Thousands)						2	6	8	68	68	68	68
		All employed persons (Thousands)						1 642	522	1 905	15 833	15 833	15 833	15 833
		15-34						35+	RSA					
	Male	% share of males working as contributing family members						0,1	0,2	0,2	0,2	0,2	0,2	0,2
		Males working as contributing family members (Thousands)						4	22	22	22	22	22	22
		All employed male (Thousands)						5 288	8 960	8 960	8 960	8 960	8 960	8 960
Sex and age group	Female	% share of females working as contributing family members						0,6	0,7	0,7	0,7	0,7	0,7	0,7
		Females working as contributing family members (Thousands)						26	46	46	46	46	46	46
		All employed female (Thousands)						4 384	6 873	6 873	6 873	6 873	6 873	6 873
	Both	% share of persons working as contributing family members						0,3	0,4	0,4	0,4	0,4	0,4	0,4
		All persons working as contributing family members (Thousands)						30	68	68	68	68	68	68
		All employed persons (Thousands)						9 672	15 833	15 833	15 833	15 833	15 833	15 833

Source: QLFS Q3 2016

Table 3.3.6: Percentage distribution employed persons by sex, 2016

Disaggregation		WC	EC	NC	FS	KZN	NW	GP	MP	LP	RSA
Province	Male	Formal	75,6	61,9	56,9	60,5	69,1	74,1	79,5	65,9	71,2
		Informal	11,3	26,7	13,3	19,5	20,0	15,1	16,7	22,1	18,7
		Agriculture	10,5	8,3	25,9	12,1	7,9	7,0	1,2	9,8	7,0
		Domestic Workers	2,6	3,1	3,9	7,9	3,0	3,7	2,6	2,2	3,2
		Total (%)	100,0	100,0	100,0	100,0	100,0	100,0	100,0	100,0	100,0
	Female	All employed males ('000)	1 291	742	181	447	1 333	558	2 941	679	8 960
		Formal	73,3	62,4	67,5	62,1	64,9	65,1	76,0	57,8	67,7
		Informal	8,7	19,2	11,0	17,6	15,1	15,0	10,1	19,7	14,1
		Agriculture	6,0	5,5	6,8	1,6	3,1	2,7	0,6	6,7	3,7
		Domestic Workers	12,1	13,0	14,7	18,7	16,9	17,2	13,4	15,8	14,5
Geo-type		Total (%)	100,0	100,0	100,0	100,0	100,0	100,0	100,0	100,0	100,0
		All employed females ('000)	1 025	701	127	334	1 163	341	2 127	495	6 873
	Male	Formal	78,4	47,5	71,2						
		Informal	16,0	27,5	18,7						
		Agriculture	2,6	21,5	7,0						
		Domestic Workers	3,1	3,5	3,2						
		Total (%)	100,0	100,0	100,0						
	Female	All employed males ('000)	6 866	2 094	8 960						
		Formal	73,1	49,4	67,7						
		Informal	11,7	22,3	14,1						
		Agriculture	1,5	11,1	3,7						
		Domestic Workers	13,7	17,1	14,5						
Source: QLFS Q3 2016		Total (%)	100,0	100,0	100,0						
		All employed females ('000)	5 314	1 558	6 873						

Table 3.3.6: Percentage distribution employed persons by sex, 2016 (cont.)

Population group		Black African					Coloured	Indian/Asian	White	RSA
		Formal	Informal	Agriculture	Domestic Workers	Total (%)				
Male		67,4	21,9	6,8	3,9	100,0	72,0	85,7	89,6	71,2
							11,7	14,1	5,6	18,7
							13,7	0,3	4,9	7,0
							2,6	0,0	0,0	3,2
	Total (%)	100,0				100,0	100,0	100,0	100,0	100,0
Female	All employed males ('000)	6 666					890	341	1 063	8 960
	Formal	62,1					74,2	92,3	90,6	67,7
	Informal	16,4					8,1	6,4	7,2	14,1
	Agriculture	3,8					5,9	0,2	1,9	3,7
	Domestic Workers	17,7					11,8	1,2	0,3	14,5
	Total (%)	100,0				100,0	100,0	100,0	100,0	100,0
	All employed females ('000)	5 099					751	181	842	6 873
		15-34					35+	RSA		
Age group	Male	69,2	20,3	7,8	2,7	100,0	72,6	71,2		
							17,5	18,7		
							6,5	7,0		
							3,5	3,2		
	Total (%)	100,0				100,0	100,0	100,0		
Female	All employed males ('000)	3 672					5 288	8 960		
	Formal	74,8					63,7	67,7		
	Informal	12,6					15,0	14,1		
	Agriculture	4,6					3,2	3,7		
	Domestic Workers	7,9					18,2	14,5		
	Total (%)	100,0				100,0	100,0	100,0		
	All employed females ('000)	2 489					4 384	6 873		

Source: QLFS Q3 2016

Table 3.3.7: Labour force participation rates for persons aged 15-64 years, 2016

Disaggregation	WC	EC	NC	FS	KZN	NW	GP	MP	LP	RSA
Province	15-34	56,5	34,9	46,4	48,9	37,5	60,0	47,3	28,9	44,4
	35+	63,0	56,4	50,0	64,6	47,0	73,4	60,3	56,4	61,2
	Total	59,8	44,6	48,1	56,1	42,0	66,8	53,0	40,5	52,3
Geo-type	Urban	Rural	RSA							
	15-34	53,5	28,5							
	35+	67,0	47,6							
Population group	Total	60,1	36,6							
	Black African	Coloured	Indian/Asian	White	RSA					
	15-34	42,9	54,2	51,0	44,4					
	35+	62,0	57,8	63,9	61,2					
Total	51,4	56,1	45,2	59,0	52,3					

Source: QLFS Q3 2016

Table 3.3.8: Female unemployment rate, 2016

Disaggregation	WC	EC	NC	FS	KZN	NW	GP	MP	LP	RSA
Province	15-34	34,6	38,5	48,6	52,3	51,7	45,4	50,8	42,5	43,4
	35+	14,1	18,3	13,3	26,2	16,5	21,7	17,7	15,5	17,8
	Total	23,5	26,9	31,5	38,4	33,0	32,1	34,4	26,6	29,3
Geo-type	Urban	Rural	RSA							
	15-34	41,6	49,4							
	35+	18,1	16,6							
Population group	Total	28,7	31,3							
	Black African	Coloured	Indian/Asian	White	RSA					
	15-34	47,7	36,2	8,1	43,4					
	35+	20,4	12,6	6,3	17,8					
Total	33,1	23,4	16,6	6,9	29,3					

Source: QLFS Q3 2016

Table 3.3.9: Female labour absorption rate, 2016

Disaggregation	WC	EC	NC	FS	KZN	NW	GP	MP	LP	RSA
Province	15-34	37,0	21,5	23,9	23,3	18,1	32,8	23,3	16,6	25,2
	35+	54,1	46,1	43,4	47,7	39,3	57,4	49,7	47,6	50,3
	Total	45,7	32,6	33,0	34,6	28,1	45,3	34,7	29,7	36,9
Geo-type	Urban	Rural	RSA							
	15-34	31,2	14,4	25,2						
	35+	54,9	39,7	50,3						
	Total	42,8	25,1	36,9						
Population group	Black African	Coloured	Indian/ Asian	White	RSA					
	15-34	22,4	34,6	35,5	46,9					25,2
	35+	49,3	50,6	39,5	59,8					50,3
	Total	34,3	43,0	37,7	55,0					36,9

Source: QLFS Q3 2016

Table 3.3.10: Female economic inactivity rate, 2016

Disaggregation	WC	EC	NC	FS	KZN	NW	GP	MP	LP	RSA
Province	15-34	43,5	65,1	53,6	51,1	62,5	40,0	52,7	71,1	55,6
	35+	37,0	43,6	50,0	35,4	53,0	26,6	39,7	43,6	38,8
	Total	40,2	55,4	51,9	43,9	58,0	33,2	47,0	59,5	47,7
Geo-type	Urban	Rural	RSA							
	15-34	46,5	71,5	55,6						
	35+	33,0	52,4	38,8						
	Total	39,9	63,4	47,7						
Population group	Black African	Coloured	Indian/ Asian	White	RSA					
	15-34	57,1	45,8	51,6	49,0					55,6
	35+	38,0	42,2	57,4	36,1					38,8
	Total	48,6	43,9	54,8	41,0					47,7

Source: QLFS Q3 2016

Table 3.3.11: Gender parity ratios in income earnings, 2016

Disaggregation	WC	EC	NC	FS	KZN	NW	GP	MP	LP	RSA
Province	R1-R1500	1,42	1,41	2,27	0,98	1,68	1,12	1,32	1,20	1,24
	R1501-R2500	0,93	0,98	0,65	0,92	0,88	0,76	1,02	0,85	0,90
	R2501-R3500	0,74	0,61	0,75	0,62	0,72	0,67	0,66	0,61	0,74
	R3501-R5500	0,55	0,78	0,18	0,67	0,48	0,35	0,66	0,32	0,53
	R5501-R7500	0,60	0,78	0,29	0,72	0,68	0,36	0,25	0,45	0,55
	R7501-R11500	0,57	1,21	0,83	0,40	0,48	0,31	0,47	0,59	0,55
	R11501+	0,52	0,85	0,51	0,52	0,77	0,53	0,55	0,54	0,62
Geo-type		Urban		Rural		RSA				
	R1-R1500	1,13	1,46	1,25						
	R1501-R2500	1,01	0,71	0,90						
	R2501-R3500	0,81	0,58	0,75						
	R3501-R5500	0,56	0,44	0,53						
	R5501-R7500	0,58	0,39	0,55						
	R7501-R11500	0,60	0,36	0,55						
	R11501+	0,64	0,48	0,62						
Population group		Black		Coloured		Indian/Asian		White		RSA
	R1-R1500	1,29	1,43	0,91	0,67	1,24				1,24
	R1501-R2500	0,91	1,06	0,38	0,72	0,90				0,90
	R2501-R3500	0,73	0,73	0,63	1,21	0,74				0,74
	R3501-R5500	0,48	0,68	0,38	1,28	0,53				0,53
	R5501-R7500	0,48	0,53	0,50	1,28	0,55				0,55
	R7501-R11500	0,48	0,90	0,43	0,86	0,55				0,55
	R11501+	0,66	0,52	0,57	0,59	0,62				0,62
Age group		15-34		35+		RSA				
	R1-R1500	0,89	1,52	1,24						1,24
	R1501-R2500	0,63	1,18	0,90						0,90
	R2501-R3500	0,66	0,82	0,74						0,74
	R3501-R5500	0,54	0,53	0,53						0,53
	R5501-R7500	0,54	0,55	0,55						0,55
	R7501-R11500	0,60	0,52	0,55						0,55
	R11501+	0,66	0,61	0,62						0,62

Source: QLFS Q3 2016

3.4 Women: Health

Table 3.4.1: Percentage of persons with access to medical aid by sex, 2016

Disaggregation	WC	EC	NC	FS	KZN	NW	GP	MP	LP	RSA
Province	% share of males with access to medical	24.9	9.1	15.5	17.0	12.1	15.9	26.5	14.8	17.4
	Males with access to medical aid	778	290	90	221	625	297	1 790	303	4 660
	Male population (Thousands)	3 125	3 182	582	1 298	5 150	1 867	6 748	2 057	26 714
	% share of females with access to medical	24.5	10.0	15.3	16.4	11.7	14.8	28.6	13.9	17.3
	Females with access to medical aid	792	347	93	238	653	277	1 894	300	4 839
	Female population (Thousands)	3 230	3 484	606	1 450	5 571	1 869	6 614	2 149	27 935
	% share of persons with access to	24.7	9.6	15.4	16.7	11.9	15.4	27.6	14.3	17.4
Geo-type	Persons with access to medical aid	1 570	638	183	459	1 278	574	3 684	603	9 499
	Total population (Thousands)	6 354	6 666	1 187	2 749	10 721	3 735	13 362	4 206	54 649
		Urban	Rural	RSA						
	% share of males with access to medical	23.7	6.0	17.4						
	Males with access to medical aid	4 095	565	4 660						
	Male population (Thousands)	17 300	9 413	26 714						
	% share of females with access to medical	24.2	5.4	17.3						
Population group	Females with access to medical aid	4 294	544	4 839						
	Female population (Thousands)	17 763	10 172	27 935						
	% share of persons with access to	23.9	5.7	17.4						
	Persons with access to medical aid	8 390	1 109	9 499						
	Total population (Thousands)	35 063	19 586	54 649						
		Black	Coloured	Indian/Asian	White	RSA				
	% share of males with access to medical	10.7	20.0	48.9	71.1	17.4				
Source: GHS 2016	Males with access to medical aid	2 298	474	339	1 550	4 660				
	Male population (Thousands)	21 472	2 368	693	2 180	26 714				
	% share of females with access to medical	10.4	19.4	50.2	73.3	17.3				
	Females with access to medical aid	2 320	491	340	1 688	4 839				
	Female population (Thousands)	22 427	2 528	676	2 304	27 935				
	% share of persons with access to	10.5	19.7	49.6	72.2	17.4				
	Persons with access to medical aid	4 618	965	679	3 237	9 499				
	Total population (Thousands)	43 899	4 897	1 369	4 484	54 649				

3.5 Women: Vulnerability to hunger

Table 3.5.1: Percentage of Households that reported hunger by sex of household head, 2016

Table 6.12.1: Percentage of households that reported hunger by sex or household member, 2010															
Disaggregation						WC	EC	NC	FS	KZN	NW	GP	MP	LP	RSA
Head sex and province	Male	% share	12,8	10,4	14,8	12,1	13,4	12,6	8,7	9,5	4,1	10,3			
		Males living in hh that experienced hunger (Thousands)	146	88	28	63	196	97	273	70	32	993			
		Male-headed HHs (Thousands)	1 142	848	191	520	1 465	773	3 146	736	783	9 605			
	Female	% share	17,5	12,1	20,5	12,9	18,0	13,9	13,8	14,4	4,3	13,8			
		Females living in hh that experienced hunger (Thousands)	119	108	27	52	236	66	226	72	34	940			
		Female-headed HHs (Thousands)	677	893	134	403	1 316	473	1 644	501	786	6 828			
	Both	% share	14,5	11,3	17,2	12,4	15,6	13,1	10,4	11,5	4,2	11,8			
Persons living in hh that experienced hunger (Thousands)		264	196	56	115	432	163	499	142	66	1 933				
All households (Thousands)		1 819	1 741	325	923	2 780	1 247	4 790	1 237	1 569	16 433				
Head sex and geo-type						Urban	Rural	RSA							
	Male	% share	9,4	13,0	10,3										
		Males living in hh that experienced hunger (Thousands)	660	333	993										
		Female	Male-headed HHs (Thousands)	7 051	2 554	9 605									
	% share		13,0	15,1	13,8										
	Females living in hh that experienced hunger (Thousands)		554	386	940										
	Both	Female-headed HHs (Thousands)	4 275	2 553	6 828										
		% share	10,7	14,1	11,8										
		Persons living in hh that experienced hunger (Thousands)	1 214	719	1 933										
	All households (Thousands)	11 326	5 107	16 433											

Source: GHS 2016

Note: totals exclude unspecified cases

3.6 Women: Education

Table 3.6.1: Percentage of persons aged 20 and above who are functionally literate by sex, 2016

Disaggregation	WC	EC	NC	FS	KZN	NW	GP	MP	LP	RSA
Sex and province	% share of functionally literate males	90,4	78,0	78,3	84,6	85,4	81,1	92,8	83,6	84,8
	Functionally literate males (Thousands)	1 867	1 353	277	689	2 496	951	4 437	1 053	1 259
	All males (Thousands)	2 065	1 735	353	814	2 922	1 172	4 782	1 260	1 484
	% share of functionally literate females	91,5	80,6	78,5	81,6	79,3	80,3	91,5	81,8	84,1
	Functionally literate females	2 197	2 074	384	952	3 382	1 163	4 667	1 344	1 756
	All females (Thousands)	2 197	2 074	384	952	3 382	1 163	4 667	1 344	1 756
Both	% share of functionally literate	91,0	79,4	78,4	83,0	82,1	80,7	92,1	82,7	79,9
	Functionally literate persons	3 877	3 025	578	1 466	5 177	1 884	8 705	2 152	2 590
	Total population aged 20+	4 261	3 808	737	1 766	6 304	2 334	9 449	2 603	3 240
Sex and geo-type		Urban	Rural							
	% share of functionally literate males	91,2	76,2	86,7						
	Functionally literate males (Thousands)	10 605	3 777	14 382						
	All males (Thousands)	11 630	4 956	16 587						
	% share of functionally literate females	90,0	72,2	84,1						
	Functionally literate females	10 809	4 264	17 917						
Both	All females (Thousands)	12 013	5 904	17 917						
	% share of functionally literate	90,6	74,0	85,4						
	Functionally literate persons	21 414	8 041	29 455						
	Total population aged 20+	23 643	10 860	34 504						
Sex and Population group		Black	Coloured	Indian/Asian	White					
	% share of functionally literate males	84,7	87,1	97,4	99,3					
	Functionally literate males (Thousands)	10 949	1 309	490	1 633					
	All males (Thousands)	12 935	1 503	503	1 645					
	% share of functionally literate females	81,5	88,3	93,0	98,7					
	Functionally literate females	11 373	1 476	456	1 769					
Both	All females (Thousands)	13 963	1 671	490	1 793					
	% share of functionally literate	83,0	87,7	95,2	99,0					
	Functionally literate persons	22 322	2 785	945	3 402					
	Total population aged 20+	26 898	3 174	993	3 438					

Source: GHS 2016

Note: Total includes persons of ages 20 years and above

Table 3.6.1: Percentage of persons aged 20 and above who are functionally literate by sex, 2016 (cont.)

		20 - 39		40 - 59	60+	RSA
Sex and age group	Male	% share of functionally literate males		82,6	61,5	86,7
		Functionally literate males (Thousands)		4 315	1 101	14 382
		All males (Thousands)		5 227	1 790	16 587
	Female	% share of functionally literate females		80,3	54,3	84,1
		Functionally literate females (Thousands)		4 663	1 526	17 917
		All females (Thousands)		5 805	2 809	17 917
Both	% share of functionally literate persons		94,6	81,4	57,1	85,4
	Functionally literate persons (Thousands)		17 849	8 978	2 627	29 455
	Total population aged 20+ (Thousands)		18 873	11 032	4 599	34 504

Source: GHS 2016

Note: Total Includes persons of ages 20 years and above

Table 3.6.2: Percentage distribution of the highest level of education obtained by persons aged 25 years and above by sex, 2016

Disaggregation		WC	EC	NC	FS	KZN	NW	GP	MP	LP	RSA
Sex and province	Less than matric	51,3	70,4	65,9	57,6	58,7	63,4	44,6	58,5	65,0	55,7
	Matric	26,8	18,2	23,9	29,3	29,2	23,9	30,7	27,6	22,6	27,1
	Other tertiary	8,3	5,5	5,9	6,9	5,9	7,1	10,1	8,5	6,8	7,8
	Graduates	11,8	5,2	3,4	4,8	5,2	3,3	11,5	4,3	3,9	7,5
	Other	1,9	0,7	1,0	1,5	1,1	2,3	3,2	1,0	1,7	1,9
	Total (%)	100,0	100,0	100,0	100,0	100,0	100,0	100,0	100,0	100,0	100,0
	Total ('000)	1 792	1 415	304	687	2 405	1 024	4 147	1 038	1 184	13 995
	Less than matric	53,2	71,5	67,9	62,0	61,6	63,2	44,0	58,5	69,6	57,8
Female	Matric	26,8	17,0	21,9	25,2	26,0	23,3	30,0	25,9	18,3	25,1
	Other tertiary	9,2	6,5	6,5	7,7	5,5	8,5	11,4	9,7	7,5	8,5
	Graduates	9,9	4,7	3,1	4,2	5,6	3,4	12,2	4,9	3,3	7,2
	Other	0,9	0,3	0,7	0,9	1,4	1,7	2,4	1,0	1,4	1,4
	Total (%)	100,0	100,0	100,0	100,0	100,0	100,0	100,0	100,0	100,0	100,0
	Total ('000)	1 914	1 736	337	820	2 870	996	4 078	1 123	1 479	15 354

Source: GHS 2016

Table 3.6.2: Percentage distribution of the highest level of education obtained by persons aged 25 years and above by sex, 2016(cont.)

		Urban	Rural	RSA	
Sex and geo-type	Male	Less than matric	48,9	72,9	55,7
		Matric	30,2	19,1	27,1
		Other tertiary	9,2	4,3	7,8
		Graduates	9,7	2,1	7,5
		Other	2,0	1,6	1,9
		Per cent	100,0	100,0	100,0
	Female	Total	10 046	3 949	13 995
		Less than matric	50,1	74,0	57,8
		Matric	29,0	17,0	25,1
		Other tertiary	9,9	5,4	8,5
		Graduates	9,6	2,3	7,2
		Other	1,5	1,3	1,4
Sex and Population group	Male	Per cent	100,0	100,0	100,0
		Total	10 393	4 961	15 354
	Female	Black African		Indian/Asian	
		Coloured		White	
		RSA		RSA	
		Less than matric	61,7	27,5	16,4
		Matric	25,2	41,0	36,7
		Other tertiary	6,5	5,7	18,3
	Female	Graduates	4,6	18,8	27,8
		Other	2,0	2,4	0,9
		Per cent	100,0	100,0	100,0
		Total	10 771	1 285	1 491
	Male	Less than matric	63,3	35,1	20,2
		Matric	22,7	37,8	38,3
		Other tertiary	7,5	9,6	16,6
		Graduates	5,0	15,9	23,6
		Other	1,5	1,6	1,4
		Per cent	100,0	100,0	100,0
	Female	Total	11 816	436	1 648
		Black African		Indian/Asian	
		Coloured		White	
		RSA		RSA	
		Less than matric	61,7	27,5	16,4
		Matric	25,2	41,0	36,7
		Other tertiary	6,5	5,7	18,3
		Graduates	4,6	18,8	27,8
		Other	2,0	2,4	0,9
		Per cent	100,0	100,0	100,0
		Total	10 771	1 285	1 491
	Female	Less than matric	63,3	35,1	20,2
		Matric	22,7	37,8	38,3
		Other tertiary	7,5	9,6	16,6
		Graduates	5,0	15,9	23,6
		Other	1,5	1,6	1,4
		Per cent	100,0	100,0	100,0
		Total	11 816	436	1 648

Source: GHS 2016

3.7 Women: Housing and basic services

Table 3.7.1: Type of housing by sex of the household head, 2016

Table 6.11: PPPs by sex and geo-type of the respondent (mean), 2012									
Disaggregation		Formal	Traditional	Informal	Other	Total (Per	Total		
Male	Urban	78,7	0,9	19,1	1,4	100,0	7 178		
	Rural	76,2	14,1	9,3	0,5	100,0	2 589		
	RSA	78,0	4,4	16,5	1,1	100,0	9 767		
Female	Urban	84,0	1,3	13,8	1,0	100,0	4 329		
	Rural	76,2	19,6	4,2	0,1	100,0	2 566		
	RSA	81,1	8,1	10,2	0,7	100,0	6 895		
Both	Urban	80,7	1,0	17,1	1,2	100,0	11 507		
	Rural	76,2	16,8	6,7	0,3	100,0	5 155		
	RSA	79,3	5,9	13,9	0,9	100,0	16 662		

Source: GHS 2016

Table 3.7.2: Living condition indicators of male and female-headed households, 2016

Table 6.11.2: Living condition indicators of male and female headed households, 2019							
Disaggregation		Access to service indicator					
		Access to piped		Access to		Access to service removal	
		%	%	%	%	%	%
Head Sex	Male-headed HHs	75.9	84.4	70.4	81.9	7.2	
	Female headed HHs	69.3	82.3	61.5	87.5	13.1	
	All households	73.1	83.5	66.7	87.5	9.6	

Source: GHS 2016

3.8 Women: Violence and crime victims

Table 3.8.1: Percentage of women (16 yrs. and above) living in households where the households feel unsafe or very unsafe to walk alone in their area during the day, 2015/16

Disaggregation	WC	EC	NC	FS	KZN	NW	GP	MP	LP	RSA
% share	72,1	85,8	87,1	89,8	84,1	86,0	76,9	89,2	95,5	83,0
Females (thousands)*	1 744	2 004	381	952	3 213	1 132	3 798	1 335	1 915	16 475
% share	71,6	85,7	87,6	90,6	84,4	87,0	77,5	89,6	95,3	83,6
Population (thousands)*	4 377	5 889	1 032	2 601	9 156	3 302	10 383	3 778	5 359	45 876
	16-24	25-34	35+	RSA						
% share	83,6	83,5	82,6	83,0						
Females(thousands)*	3 882	4 202	8 391	16 475						
% share				83,6						
Population (thousands)*				45 876						

Source: VOCS 2015/16

*Totals exclude unspecified cases

Table 3.8.2: Percentage of women (16 yrs. and above) living in households where the households feel unsafe or very unsafe to walk alone in their area at night, 2015/16

Disaggregation	WC	EC	NC	FS	KZN	NW	GP	MP	LP	RSA
% share	31,2	25,0	27,0	18,7	33,8	26,8	23,9	27,2	54,2	30,1
Females (thousands)*	755	583	118	198	1 288	352	1 176	407	1 088	5 966
% share	31,4	27,1	28,2	19,0	35,2	28,4	24,3	28,2	52,6	30,9
Population (thousands)*	1 914	1 860	332	545	3 808	1 076	3 243	1 195	2 955	16 930
	16-24	25-34	35+	RSA						
% share	30,7	29,8	30,0	30,1						
Females (thousands)*	1 423	1 500	3 042	5 966						
% share				30,9						
Population (thousands)*				16 930						

Source: VOCS 2015/16

*Totals exclude unspecified cases

Table 3.8.3: Percentage of women (16 yrs. and above) who live in households where the fear of crime prevent them from going to open spaces or parks in their area, 2015/16

Disaggregation	WC	EC	NC	FS	KZN	NW	GP	MP	LP	RSA
% share	48,0	47,0	59,7	34,5	22,8	24,8	43,1	35,7	12,6	35,2
Females (thousands)*	1 103	1 079	258	356	859	318	2 057	523	249	6 801
% share	47,7	44,4	56,7	32,7	21,8	22,7	41,2	33,4	13,2	33,5
Population (thousands)*	2 764	3 005	655	919	2 322	847	5 329	1 382	732	17 956
	16-24	25-34	35+	RSA						
% share	32,8	35,2	36,4	35,2						
Females (thousands)*	1 487	1 723	3 591	6 801						
% share				33,5						
Population (thousands)*				17 956						

Source: VOCS 2016

*Totals exclude unspecified cases

Table 3.8.4: Percentage of women aged 16 and above who have been victims of property crime during the past 5 years, 2015/16

Disaggregation	WC	EC	NC	FS	KZN	NW	GP	MP	LP	RSA
% share	2,6	3,3	0,7	1,5	1,0	0,8	2,4	0,9	1,4	1,9
# affected	63	78	3	16	40	11	119	13	28	373
Females (thousands)*	2 423	2 349	440	1 065	3 834	1 316	5 012	1 513	2 021	19 971
	Black	Coloured	Indian/Asian	White	RSA					
% share	1,8	2,0	1,6	2,2	1,9					
# affected	284	35	9	45	373					
Females (thousands)*	15 608	1 793	550	2 020	19 971					

Source: VOCS 2016

*Totals exclude unspecified cases

Table 3.8.5: Percentage of women aged 16 and above who have been victims of Assault during the past 5 years, 2015/16

Disaggregation	WC	EC	NC	FS	KZN	NW	GP	MP	LP	RSA
% share	2,1	1,5	3,8	3,1	1,1	1,8	0,7	1,6	0,3	1,3
Females (thousands)*	2 338	2 338	415	1 014	3 690	1 272	5 000	1 471	2 071	19 610
	Black African	Coloured	Indian/Asian	White	RSA					
% share	1,3	1,9	0,0	1,6	1,3					
Females (thousands)*	15 343	1 823	521	1 924	19 610					

Source: VOCS 2016 *Totals exclude 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: Percentage distribution of the older persons by sex, 2016**

Disaggregation	WC	EC	NC	FS	KZN	NW	GP	MP	LP	RSA
Province	Male	44,6	37,5	38,2	36,0	44,0	40,4	38,8	33,2	38,9
	Female	55,4	62,5	61,8	64,0	56,0	59,6	61,3	66,8	61,1
	All Elderly persons (%)	100,0	100,0	100,0	100,0	100,0	100,0	100,0	100,0	100,0
	All Elderly persons ('000)	619	598	113	253	321	1132	298	430	4 607
Geo-type	Urban		Rural	RSA						
	Male	40,3	36,3	38,9						
	Female	59,7	63,7	61,1						
	All Elderly persons (%)	100,0	100,0	100,0						
Population group	All Elderly persons('000)	2 949	1 658	4 607						
	Black African		Coloured	Indian/	White	RSA				
	Male	36,9	41,7	44,4	42,8	38,9				
	Female	63,1	58,3	55,6	57,2	61,1				
	All Elderly persons (%)	100,0	100,0	100,0	100,0	100,0				
	All Elderly persons('000)	3 022	421	164	999	4 607				

Source: GHS 2016

Table 4.1.2: Percentage of older persons (60 years and older) as a proportion of the overall population by sex, 2016

Disaggregation		WC	EC	NC	FS	KZN	NW	GP	MP	LP	RSA
Province	% share of males 60 and above	8,8	7,0	7,4	7,0	5,8	7,5	6,7	5,5	5,2	6,6
	Males 60 and above	276	224	43	91	301	142	457	116	143	1 792
	Total male population	3 127	3 213	584	1 310	5 192	1 877	6 834	2 100	2 739	26 975
	% share of females 60 and above	10,6	10,6	11,4	11,1	9,7	9,6	10,1	8,3	9,6	10,0
	Females 60 and above	343	374	70	162	542	180	675	183	287	2 815
Both	Total female population	3 236	3 518	609	1 459	5 614	1 881	6 709	2 190	2 986	28 202
	% share of persons 60 and above	9,7	8,9	9,5	9,1	7,8	8,6	8,4	7,0	7,5	8,4
	Population 60 and above	619	598	113	253	843	321	1 132	298	430	4 607
	Total population	6 362	6 731	1 192	2 769	10 807	3 758	13 543	4 290	5 724	55 177
		Urban	Rural	RSA							
Geo-type	% share of males 60 and above	6,8	6,3	6,6							
	Males 60 and above	1 190	602	1 792							
	Total male population	17 449	9 526	26 975							
	% share of females 60 and above	9,8	10,3	10,0							
	Females 60 and above	1 759	1 056	2 815							
	Total female population	17 920	10 282	28 202							
	% share of persons 60 and above	8	8	8,4							
	Population 60 and above	2 949	1 658	4 607							
	Total population	35 369	19 807	55 177							
		Black African	Coloured	Indian/ Asian	White	RSA					
Population group	% share of males 60 and above	5,1	7,4	10,4	19,4	6,6					
	Males 60 and above	1 116	176	73	428	1 792					
	Total male population	21 699	2 373	700	2 203	26 975					
	% share of females 60 and above	8,4	9,7	13,3	24,4	10,0					
	Females 60 and above	1 907	246	91	571	2 815					
	Total female population	22 648	2 533	684	2 337	28 202					
	% share of persons 60 and above	6,8	8,6	11,8	22,0	8,4					
	Population 60 and above	3 022	421	164	999	4 607					
	Total population	44 347	4 906	1 384	4 540	55 177					

Source: GHS 2016

4.2 Older persons: Household characteristics

Table 4.2.1: Percentage distribution of households headed by persons 60 years and older by sex of the household head, 2016

Disaggregation	WC	EC	NC	FS	KZN	NW	GP	MP	LP	RSA
Male	56,8	39,1	44,7	39,0	39,5	47,1	47,4	42,6	34,0	43,6
Female	43,2	60,9	55,4	61,0	60,5	52,9	52,6	57,4	66,0	56,4
Older persons-headed HHs	100,0	100,0	100,0	100,0	100,0	100,0	100,0	100,0	100,0	100,0
Older persons-headed HHs (Thousands)	390	462	79	199	642	255	790	234	345	3 395
Geo-type	Urban	Rural	RSA							
	Male	47,4	38,0	43,6						
	Female	52,6	62,0	56,4						
	Older persons-headed HHs	100,0	100,0	100,0						
Head population group	Older persons-headed HHs (Thousands)	2 021	1 374	Indian/Asia	White	RSA				
		Black	Coloured	Indian/Asia	White	RSA				
	Male	38,2	51,5	59,3	59,7	43,6				
	Female	61,8	48,5	40,7	40,3	56,4				
	Older persons-headed HHs	100,0	100,0	100,0	100,0	100,0				
	Older persons-headed HHs (Thousands)	2 449	255	90	601	3 395				

Source: GHS 2016

Table 4.2.2: Mean Ratio of Children to Older persons in older person-headed households by sex of the household head and province, 2016

Disaggregation	HH Composition	WC	EC	NC	FS	KZN	NW	GP	MP	LP	RSA
Head sex and Province	Male	0,33	1,00	0,71	0,74	1,07	0,79	0,44	1,15	1,26	0,76
	Female	0,61	1,47	1,42	1,31	1,72	1,25	0,99	1,53	1,52	1,32
	Both	0,45	1,29	1,10	1,09	1,46	1,04	0,73	1,37	1,43	1,08

Source: GHS 2016

Table 4.2.3: Percentage distribution of persons aged 60 years and older living across different types of intergenerational households, 2016

Disaggregation	Intergenerational hh type	WC	EC	NC	FS	KZN	NW	GP	MP	LP	RSA
Province	Single generation	34,5	11,9	18,0	19,2	12,4	20,8	26,2	12,3	6,6	19,2
	Double generation	24,4	14,6	17,3	18,1	18,1	21,1	25,8	17,7	15,2	20,3
	Triple generation	25,0	37,6	36,1	31,6	43,0	30,8	23,5	41,4	42,8	33,3
	Skip generation	4,1	23,1	14,8	18,8	17,2	11,9	11,1	15,5	23,7	14,8
	Other	12,0	12,8	13,9	12,4	9,4	15,4	13,5	13,2	11,7	12,3
	Total (%)	100,0	100,0	100,0	100,0	100,0	100,0	100,0	100,0	100,0	100,0
	Total ('000) (Thousand)*	619	597	113	253	843	321	1 132	298	429	4 605
Geo-type		Urban	Rural	RSA							
	Single generation	26,2	6,9	19,2							
	Double generation	23,4	14,8	20,3							
	Triple generation	26,8	44,9	33,3							
	Skip generation	11,1	21,4	14,8							
	Other	12,5	12,0	12,3							
	Total (%)	100,0	100,0	100,0							
Population group	Total ('000) (Thousand)*	2 948	1 657	4 605							
		Black	Coloured	Asian/Indian	White	RSA					
	Single generation	8,6	15,3	29,6	51,4	19,2					
	Double generation	17,7	29,1	36,2	21,6	20,3					
	Triple generation	42,2	38,6	23,3	5,8	33,3					
	Skip generation	19,9	10,0	4,9	3,2	14,8					
	Other	11,6	7,0	6,0	18,0	12,3					
Sex	Total (%)	100,0	100,0	100,0	100,0	100,0					
	Total ('000) (Thousand)*	3 021	421	164	998	4 605					
		Male	Female	RSA							
	Single generation	26,8	14,4	19,2							
	Double generation	22,0	19,2	20,3							
	Triple generation	29,4	35,8	33,3							
	Skip generation	9,6	18,2	14,8							
Source: GHS 2016	Other	12,2	12,5	12,3							
	Total (%)	100,0	100,0	100,0							
totals exclude unspecified cases	Total ('000) (Thousand)	1 792	2 813	4 605							

Source: GHS 2016

*totals exclude unspecified cases

Table 4.2.4: Percentage distribution of household composition of households headed by persons 60 years and older, 2016

Disaggregation	HH	WC	EC	NC	FS	KZN	NW	GP	MP	LP	RSA
Province	Single	20,3	17,5	17,6	15,8	13,8	21,0	19,0	18,3	14,3	17,4
	Nuclear	45,9	19,1	21,2	23,5	20,6	25,7	34,9	19,4	15,0	26,5
	Extended	29,0	61,7	57,6	58,1	64,6	51,5	44,6	61,5	70,0	54,3
	Complex	4,8	1,7	3,6	2,6	1,0	1,8	1,6	0,9	0,7	1,9
	Total (%)	100,0	100,0	100,0	100,0	100,0	100,0	100,0	100,0	100,0	100,0
	Total ('000)	389	461	79	198	639	253	783	234	343	3 379
Population group		Black/	Coloured	Asian/India	White	RSA					
	Single	14,8	10,4	11,0	31,6	17,4					
	Nuclear	17,8	33,8	53,6	55,0	26,5					
	Extended	66,0	50,1	34,7	11,0	54,3					
	Complex	1,4	5,6	0,7	2,5	1,9					
	Total (%)	100,0	100,0	100,0	100,0	100,0					
Geo-type	Total ('000)	2 439	254	90	596	3 379					
		Urban	Rural	RSA							
	Single	18,6	15,5	17,4							
	Nuclear	34,2	15,2	26,5							
	Extended	44,7	68,3	54,3							
	Complex	2,5	1,0	1,9							
Head sex	Total (%)	100,0	100,0	100,0							
	Total ('000)	2 011	1 368	3 379							
		Male	Female	RSA							
	Single	14,0	20,0	17,4							
	Nuclear	43,4	13,6	26,5							
	Extended	41,0	64,5	54,3							
Source: GHS 2016	Complex	1,7	2,0	1,9							
	Total (%)	100,0	100,0	100,0							
*totals exclude unspecified cases	Total ('000)	1 472	1 907	3 379							

Source: GHS 2016

*totals exclude unspecified cases

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

Table 4.3.1: Older persons living in households without an employed adult, 2016

Disaggregation		WC	EC	NC	FS	KZN	NW	GP	MP	LP	RSA
Province	%	39,2	63,6	64,2	50,6	48,3	59,7	36,6	47,2	60,6	48,1
	Males living in households without employed adult	108	143	28	46	145	84	167	55	87	862
	Population of males 60 and above	276	224	43	91	301	142	457	116	143	1 792
	%	39,9	67,3	59,2	55,1	49,9	58,0	43,1	53,3	64,4	52,1
	Females living in households without employed adult	137	251	41	89	271	104	291	97	185	1 467
	Population of females 60 and above	343	374	70	162	542	180	675	183	287	2 815
Both	%	39,6	65,9	61,1	53,5	49,3	58,7	40,5	50,9	63,1	50,6
	Living in households without employed adult	245	394	69	135	416	189	458	152	271	2 329
Population group	Population 60 and above	619	598	113	253	843	321	1 132	298	430	4 607
		Black	Coloured	Indian/Asian	White	RSA					
	%	53,0	36,7	34,2	42,5	48,1					
	Males living in households without employed adult	591	64	25	182	862					
	Population of males 60 and above	1 116	176	73	428	1 792					
	%	56,1	32,7	34,3	50,0	52,1					
Female	Females living in households without employed adult	1 070	80	31	285	1 467					
	Population of females 60 and above	1 907	246	91	571	2 815					
	%	55,0	34,4	34,3	46,8	50,6					
	Living in households without employed adult	1 661	145	56	467	2 329					
	Population 60 and above	3 022	421	164	999	4 607					
		Male	Female	RSA							
Sex	%	48,1	52,1	50,6							
	Living in households without employed adult	862	1 467	2 329							
	Population 60 and above	1 792	2 815	4 606							
		Urban	Rural	RSA							
	%	42,2	59,7	48,1							
	Males living in households without employed adult	503	360	862							
Male	Population of males 60 and above	1 190	602	1 792							
	%	45,0	64,0	52,1							
	Females living in households without employed adult	791	676	1 467							
	Population of females 60 and above	1 759	1 056	2 815							
	%	43,9	62,5	50,6							
	Living in households without employed adult	1 294	1 035	2 329							
Both	Population 60 and above	2 949	1 658	4 607							

Source: GHS 2016

Table 4.3.2: Percentage of households headed by older persons that are classified as low income households (at most quintile 1 household income), 2016

Disaggregation		WC	EC	NC	FS	KZN	NW	GP	MP	LP	RSA
Province	Male		8,3	19,5	27,6	13,1	20,9	25,3	14,5	22,9	43,7
		%									
	Low income households headed by		18	35	10	53	30	54	23	51	285
	Total households headed by males		222	180	35	78	253	120	375	100	1 480
	%	11,7	24,5	27,4	14,7	26,1	25,9	20,8	30,6	45,6	25,4
Province	Female		20	69	12	18	101	35	86	41	104
	Low income households headed by		168	281	44	121	388	135	415	134	228
	Total households headed by females		9,8	22,5	27,5	14,1	24,0	25,6	17,8	27,3	45,0
	%	38	104	22	28	154	65	141	64	155	771
Both	Total Low income households ('000)		390	462	79	199	642	255	790	234	3 395
	Total households headed by older										
		Black	Coloured	Indian/Asian	White	RSA					
	%	26,2	13,0	9,6	4,9	19,3					
	Low income households headed by	245	17	5	18	285					
Population group	Total households headed by males	936	131	54	359	1 480					
	%	28,7	15,8	5,8	12,6	25,4					
	Low income households headed by	434	19	2	31	486					
	Total households headed by females	1513	124	37	242	1 915					
	%	27,7	14,3	8,1	8,0	22,7					
Both	Total Low income households ('000)	679	36	7	48	771					
	Total households headed by older	2 449	255	90	601	3 395					
		Urban	Rural	RSA							
	%	13,0	30,8	19,3							
	Low income households headed by	125	161	285							
Geo-type	Total households headed by males	958	522	1 480							
	%	20,2	31,8	25,4							
	Low income households headed by	215	271	486							
	Total households headed by females	1063	852	1 915							
	%	16,8	31,4	22,7							
Both	Total Low income households ('000)	339	432	771							
	Total households headed by older	2 021	1 374	3 395							

Source: GHS 2016

Table 4.3.3: Percentage distribution of the main source of income for households headed by older persons, 2016

Table 10: Percentage contribution of the main sources of income to household income by class, province and gender												
Disaggregation		WC	EC	NC	FS	KZN	NW	GP	MP	LP	RSA	
Province	Male	Salaries/wages/commission	31,8	15,4	15,7	27,9	25,7	14,7	40,5	21,0	12,9	26,5
		Remittances	1,8	1,1	0,0	3,9	4,5	1,1	0,2	2,2	0,5	1,7
		Social Grants	44,6	80,1	76,9	62,3	60,4	76,2	45,0	67,6	81,5	60,7
		Sales of farming products	0,0	0,3	0,0	0,0	0,0	1,8	0,0	1,7	0,0	0,3
		Other non-farm income	21,5	3,2	7,4	5,3	9,4	5,7	13,6	7,0	4,7	10,3
	No income	0,4	0,0	0,0	0,7	0,0	0,5	0,8	0,5	0,4	0,4	
	Total (%)	100,0	100,0	100,0	100,0	100,0	100,0	100,0	100,0	100,0	100,0	
	Total ('000)	210	174	34	73	240	117	341	97	112	1 397	
	Female	Salaries/wages/commission	36,1	13,4	19,7	18,1	22,1	17,1	35,6	20,7	8,7	22,5
		Remittances	1,5	1,4	2,9	2,0	5,9	1,5	3,9	2,6	4,9	3,4
Social Grants		54,2	83,8	73,6	77,3	69,0	79,3	57,0	74,8	84,2	71,0	
Sales of farming products		0,0	0,7	0,7	0,0	0,4	0,8	0,0	0,0	0,5	0,3	
Other non-farm income		8,2	0,7	3,2	2,6	2,7	1,4	3,5	2,0	1,3	2,7	
No income	0,0	0,0	0,0	0,0	0,0	0,0	0,0	0,0	0,0	0,0		
Total (%)	100,0	100,0	100,0	100,0	100,0	100,0	100,0	100,0	100,0	100,0	100,0	
Total ('000)	159	274	43	115	373	131	380	131	219	1 826		
Geo-type	Male	Urban		Rural		RSA						
		Salaries/wages/commission	33,3	14,7	26,5							
		Remittances	1,7	1,7	1,7							
		Social Grants	50,7	78,4	60,7							
		Sales of farming products	0,4	0,1	0,3							
	Female	Other non-farm income	13,6	4,7	10,3							
		No income	0,3	0,5	0,4							
		Total (%)	100,0	100,0	100,0							
		Total ('000)	892	505	1 397							
		Salaries/wages/commission	32,2	10,7	22,5							
Remittances	3,6	3,2	3,4									
Social Grants	60,2	84,1	71,0									
Sales of farming products	0,1	0,6	0,3									
Other non-farm income	4,0	1,3	2,7									
No income	0,0	0,1	0,0									
Total (%)	100,0	100,0	100,0									
Total ('000)	999	827	1 826									

Source: GHS 2016

Table 4.3.4: Percentage of older persons who are beneficiaries of social grants, 2016

Disaggregation	WC	EC	NC	FS	KZN	NW	GP	MP	LP	RSA
%	50,6	83,5	80,0	74,0	77,3	77,2	54,8	75,6	87,8	69,7
Older person	313	499	90	187	651	248	620	225	378	3 213
Population of older	619	598	113	253	843	321	1 132	298	430	4 607
	Black African	Coloured	Indian/Asia	White	RSA					
%	84,6	81,6	65,0	20,6	69,7					
Older person	2 557	344	107	205	3 213					
Population of older	3 022	421	164	999	4 607					
	Male	Female	RSA							
%	62,2	74,5	69,7							
Older person	1 115	2 098	3 213							
Population of older	1 792	2 815	4 607							
	Urban	Rural	RSA							
%	59,5	88,0	69,7							
Older person	1 753	1 460	3 213							
Population of older	2 949	1 658	4 607							

Source: GHS 2016

Table 4.3.5: Labour force participation rate of older persons, 2016

Disaggregation	WC	EC	NC	FS	KZN	NW	GP	MP	LP	RSA
Male	21,4	11,8	18,8	18,5	18,5	11,2	27,2	17,7	21,0	20,2
Female	10,3	7,7	10,1	5,9	6,4	5,4	13,7	8,5	9,7	9,3
Both	14,9	9,2	13,4	10,7	10,4	7,8	19,6	12,0	13,8	13,5
	Urban	Rural	RSA							
Male	23,1	13,9	20,2							
Female	11,0	6,4	9,3							
Both	16,0	9,0	13,5							
	Black African	Coloured	Indian/Asian	White	RSA					
Male	16,6	17,1	24,6	30,1	20,2					
Female	7,8	7,2	7,6	15,5	9,3					
Both	11,0	11,3	15,2	21,7	13,5					

Source: QLFS Q3 2016

Table 4.3.6: Unemployment rate of older persons, 2016

Disaggregation	WC	EC	NC	FS	KZN	NW	GP	MP	LP	RSA
Province	Male	5,2	1,8	3,7	11,0	1,0	6,3	7,4	7,2	5,6
	Female	1,7	3,8	0,0	17,1	2,0	5,9	4,9	1,9	3,2
	Both	3,8	2,9	2,0	13,1	1,4	6,1	6,3	4,8	4,6
Geo-type	Urban	Rural	RSA							
	Male	5,7	5,1	5,6						
	Female	2,5	5,1	3,2						
	Both	4,4	5,1	4,6						
Population group	Black African	Coloured	Indian/ Asian	White	RSA					
	Male	8,0	-	6,6	3,2	5,6				
	Female	3,5	3,6	22,6	1,0	3,2				
	Both	6,0	3,8	6,2	2,3	4,6				

Source: QLFS Q3 2016

Table 4.3.7: Labour absorption rate of older persons, 2016

Disaggregation	WC	EC	NC	FS	KZN	NW	GP	MP	LP	RSA
Province	Male	20,3	11,6	18,1	16,5	18,4	10,5	25,4	16,4	19,5
	Female	10,2	7,4	10,1	4,9	6,3	5,0	13,4	8,1	9,6
	Both	14,4	9,0	13,1	9,3	10,2	7,4	18,6	11,3	12,9
Geo-type	Urban	Rural	RSA							
	Male	21,8	13,2	19,0						
	Female	10,7	6,1	9,0						
	Both	15,3	8,6	12,9						
Population group	Black African	Coloured	Indian/ Asian	White	RSA					
	Male	15,2	16,4	24,6	29,1	19,0				
	Female	7,5	6,9	5,9	15,3	9,0				
	Both	10,3	10,9	14,3	21,2	12,9				

Source: QLFS Q3 2016

Table 4.3.8: Economic inactivity rate of older persons, 2016

Disaggregation		WC	EC	NC	FS	KZN	NW	GP	MP	LP	RSA
Province	Male	78,6	88,2	81,2	81,5	81,5	88,8	72,8	82,3	79,0	79,8
	Female	89,7	92,3	89,9	94,1	93,6	94,6	86,3	91,5	90,3	90,7
	Both	85,1	90,8	86,6	89,3	89,6	92,2	80,4	88,0	86,2	86,5
Geo-type		Urban	Rural	RSA							
	Male	76,9	86,1	79,8							
	Female	89,0	93,6	90,7							
	Both	84,0	91,0	86,5							
Population group		Black African	Coloured	Indian/ Asian	White	RSA					
	Male	83,4	82,9	75,4	69,9	79,8					
	Female	92,2	92,8	92,4	84,5	90,7					
	Both	89,0	88,7	84,8	78,3	86,5					

Source: QLFS Q3 2016

Table 4.4.1: Percentage distribution of types of healthcare facilities visited by older persons, 2016

Sex and province		Sex and province										
		WC	EC	NC	FS	KZN	NW	GP	MP	LP	RSA	
Male	Public Hospital	14.0	9.2	6.3	4.1	7.9	5.7	6.6	3.1	6.9	7.9	
	Public Clinic	23.8	73.6	69.6	59.2	66.6	74.8	41.7	72.7	81.5	56.4	
	Public Other	0.4	0.2	0.0	0.2	1.2	0.0	0.0	0.5	0.0	0.3	
	Private	61.5	16.6	23.2	35.3	24.0	18.8	50.7	20.8	10.5	34.5	
	Other facilities	0.0	0.2	0.9	1.2	0.0	0.6	0.9	1.0	0.5	0.5	
	Traditional healer	0.4	0.2	0.0	0.0	0.3	0.0	0.1	1.8	0.7	0.3	
	Total (%)	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	
	Total (Thousands)	276	224	43	90	299	141	456	116	142	1 787	
	Public Hospital	17.5	6.5	5.9	4.8	7.0	4.2	7.5	5.1	8.2	8.0	
	Public Clinic	22.9	80.0	72.3	61.5	75.5	74.2	47.8	73.7	84.2	62.8	
Female	Public Other	0.3	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.7	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.7	0.3	
	Private	58.6	12.7	20.2	31.8	16.1	21.2	43.4	20.1	6.4	28.0	
	Other facilities	0.6	0.6	1.6	1.2	0.1	0.0	1.0	0.8	0.2	0.6	
	Traditional healer	0.0	0.3	0.0	0.6	0.7	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.3	0.4	
	Total (Per Cent)	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	
	Total (Thousands)	343	372	70	162	540	179	673	183	287	2 808	
	Male	Public Hospital	8.5	6.6	7.9							
		Public Clinic	42.7	83.6	56.4							
		Public Other	0.1	0.8	0.3							
Private		47.8	8.4	34.5								
Other facilities		0.6	0.3	0.5								
Traditional healer		0.4	0.3	0.3								
Total (Per Cent)		100.0	100.0	100.0								
Total (Thousands)		1 186	601	1 787								
Public Hospital		9.1	6.1	8.0								
Public Clinic		48.5	86.8	62.8								
Female	Public Other	0.1	0.6	0.3								
	Private	41.2	5.9	28.0								
	Other facilities	0.7	0.4	0.6								
	Traditional healer	0.4	0.2	0.4								
	Total (Per Cent)	100.0	100.0	100.0								
	Total (Thousands)	1 755	1 053	2 808								

Source: GHS 2016

Table 4.4.2: Percentage of older persons with access to medical aid, 2016

Disaggregation		Urban	Rural	RSA		
Geo-type	Male					
	%	37,6	6,0	27,0		
	Males with access to medical aid	442	36	478		
	Male population(Thousands)	1 175	593	1 768		
	%	32,1	3,9	21,5		
	Females with access to medical aid	558	40	599		
Both	Female population(Thousands)	1 738	1 046	2 785		
	%	34,4	4,6	23,7		
	Older persons with access to medical aid	1 001	76	1 077		
	Population (Thousands)	2 914	1 639	4 553		
Population group		African/Black	Coloured	Indian/Asian	White	RSA
	Male					
	%	8,4	16,8	50,7	76,2	27,0
	Males with access to medical aid	93	30	36	320	478
	Male population(Thousands)	1 101	176	71	420	1 768
	%	5,0	18,8	39,0	75,6	21,5
	Females with access to medical aid	94	46	35	424	599
	Female population(Thousands)	1 889	245	90	560	2 785
	%	6,2	18,0	44,1	75,9	23,7
	Older persons with access to medical aid	186	76	71	744	1 077
	Population (Thousands)	2 990	421	162	980	4 553

Source: GHS 2016

Table 4.4.3: Percentage of persons 60 years and older who reported suffering from acute illnesses Compared to the overall population, 2016

Disaggregation	WC	EC	NC	FS	KZN	NW	GP	MP	LP	RSA	
Province	% of older persons suffering	10,8	17,4	14,3	9,1	12,4	9,2	17,3	12,6	8,7	13,4
	Older persons suffering	67	104	16	23	104	30	196	37	38	615
	Older persons (thousands)	619	598	113	253	843	321	1 132	298	430	4 607
	% of population suffering	8,2	10,1	11,6	10,4	7,1	9,7	14,4	11,3	7,3	10,2
	Total persons suffering	523	677	139	289	763	365	1 953	486	415	5 610
	Population (thousand)	6 362	6 731	1 192	2 769	10 807	3 758	13 543	4 290	5 724	55 177
Geo-type		Urban	Rural	RSA							
	% of older persons suffering	13,7	12,8	13,4							
	Older persons suffering	403	213	615							
	Older persons (thousands)	2 949	1 658	4 607							
	% of population suffering	11,4	8,1	10,2							
	Total persons suffering	4 013	1 597	5 610							
Sex	Population (thousand)	35 369	19 807	55 177							
		Male	Female	Both							
	% of older persons suffering	11,1	14,8	13,4							
	Older persons suffering	199	416	615							
	Older persons (thousands)	1 792	2 815	4 607							
	% of population suffering	9,4	10,9	10,2							
Total persons suffering		2 527	3 082	5 610							
Population (thousand)		26 975	28 202	55 177							

Source: GHS 2016

Table 4.4.4: Percentage of persons 60 years and older who reported suffering from chronic illnesses compared to the overall population, 2016

Disaggregation	WC	EC	NC	FS	KZN	NW	GP	MP	LP	RSA
% of older persons suffering	64,0	65,9	70,3	66,8	60,0	60,4	61,8	54,2	36,0	59,8
Older persons suffering	396	394	79	169	506	194	699	162	155	2 754
Older persons (Thousands)	619	598	113	253	843	321	1 132	298	430	4 607
% of population suffering	19,7	16,7	21,5	19,6	14,4	16,9	15,8	14,1	8,4	15,6
Total persons suffering	1 256	1 124	257	544	1 555	633	2 139	606	483	8 597
Population (Thousands)	6 362	6 731	1 192	2 769	10 807	3 758	13 543	4 290	5 724	55 177
	Urban	Rural	RSA							
% of older persons suffering	63,0	54,0	59,8							
Older persons suffering	1 858	896	2 754							
Older persons (Thousands)	2 949	1 658	4 607							
% of population suffering	16,7	13,6	15,6							
Total persons suffering	5 908	2 689	8 597							
Population (Thousands)	35 369	19 807	55 177							
	Male	Female	Both							
% of older persons suffering	52,2	64,6	59,8							
Older persons suffering	935	1 819	2 754							
Older persons (Thousands)	1 792	2 815	4 607							
% of population suffering	12,0	19,0	15,6							
Total persons suffering	3 248	5 349	8 597							
Population (Thousands)	26 975	28 202	55 177							

Source: GHS 2016

4.5 Older persons: Vulnerability to hunger

Table 4.5.1: Percentage of persons 60 years and older living in households that reported hunger compared to persons 0-59 yrs, 2016

Disaggregation	South Africa											
	WC	EC	NC	FS	KZN	NW	GP	MP	LP	RSA		
Sex and province	Male	% share of males aged 0-59	15,7	13,3	18,6	14,5	20,0	13,4	11,4	11,5	4,9	13,6
		Males living in hh experiencing hunger (0-59)	446	394	99	176	969	232	714	224	127	3 381
		Male aged 0-59 (Thousands)	2 840	2 975	535	1 213	4 846	1 726	6 282	1 955	581	24 952
		% share of males aged 60+	5,9	4,5	14,6	2,8	15,2	9,6	6,7	8,4	3,7	7,8
		Males living in hh experiencing hunger (60+)	16	10	6	3	45	13	30	9	5	137
	Female	Male aged 60+(Thousands)	273	221	43	91	295	141	446	111	141	1 763
		% share of females aged 0-59	16,8	13,2	19,7	14,6	20,8	15,5	11,1	11,3	5,0	14,0
		Female living in hh experiencing hunger (0-59)	485	412	105	189	1 045	262	663	224	135	3 521
		Female aged 0-59 (Thousands)	2 883	3 127	534	1 295	5 025	1 698	5 967	1 985	693	25 206
		% share of females aged 60+	8,1	9,9	13,8	7,8	15,6	11,5	8,7	9,8	3,5	9,9
	Both	Female living in hh experiencing hunger (60+)	28	37	10	13	83	20	57	18	10	275
		Female aged 60+(Thousands)	342	369	70	161	532	177	660	180	284	2 774
		% share of persons aged 0-59	16,3	13,2	19,1	14,5	20,4	14,4	11,2	11,4	5,0	13,8
Population living in hh experiencing hunger (0-59)		931	807	204	365	2 015	494	1 377	448	262	6 903	
Population aged 0-59 (Thousands)		5 722	6 102	1 068	2 507	9 871	3 423	12 249	3 940	275	50 157	
% share of older persons experiencing hunger		7,1	7,9	14,1	6,0	15,5	10,7	7,9	9,2	3,6	9,1	
Population living in hh experiencing hunger (60)		44	46	16	15	128	34	87	27	15	412	
Population aged 60+(Thousands)	615	591	112	252	827	317	1 106	291	426	4 537		

Source: GHS 2016

Table 4.5.1: Percentage of persons 60 years and older living in households that reported hunger compared to persons 0-59 yrs, 2016 (cont.)

Sex and geo-type		Urban	Rural	RSA
Male	% share of males aged 0-59	12,0	16,4	13,6
	Males living in hh experiencing hunger (0-59)	1 924	1 457	3 381
	Male aged 0-59 (Thousands)	16 085	8 867	24 952
	% share of males aged 60+	6,1	11,0	7,8
	Males living in hh experiencing hunger (60+)	71	66	137
Female	Male aged 60+(Thousands)	1 165	597	1 763
	% share of females aged 0-59	12,2	17,1	14,0
	Female living in hh experiencing hunger (0-59)	1 950	1 571	3 521
	Female aged 0-59 (Thousands)	16 016	9 190	25 206
	% share of females aged 60+	8,1	12,9	9,9
	Female living in hh experiencing hunger (60+)	139	135	275
	Female aged 60+(Thousands)	1 727	1 047	2 774
Both	% share of persons aged 0-59	12,1	16,8	13,8
	Population living in hh experiencing hunger (0-59)	3 874	3 028	6 903
	Population aged 0-59 (Thousands)	32 101	18 056	50 157
	% share of older persons experiencing hunger	7,3	12,2	9,1
	Population living in hh experiencing hunger (60)	211	201	412
Population aged 60+ (Thousands)		2 892	1 645	4 537

Source: GHS 2016

4.6 Older persons: Education

Table 4.6.1: Percentage of older persons who are functionally literate by sex, 2016

Disaggregation	WC	EC	NC	FS	KZN	NW	GP	MP	LP	RSA
Sex and province	% share of functionally literate	82,3	49,7	53,2	49,5	54,6	49,8	77,9	40,0	61,5
	Functionally literate males	226	111	23	45	164	70	356	46	1101
	All males (Thousands)	275	224	43	91	301	142	457	116	1790
	% share of functionally literate	82,1	50,5	48,5	52,0	40,4	48,3	75,4	38,9	54,3
	Functionally literate females	281	188	34	84	218	87	509	70	1526
	All females (Thousands)	343	372	69	161	541	180	675	181	2809
	% share of functionally literate	82,2	50,2	50,3	51,1	45,4	49,0	76,4	39,3	57,1
Both	Functionally literate persons	508	299	57	129	382	157	865	117	2627
	Total population aged 60+	618	595	113	252	842	321	1132	297	4599
Sex and geo-type		Urban	Rural	RSA						
	% share of functionally literate	75,4	34,2	61,5						
	Functionally literate males	895	206	1101						
	All males (Thousands)	1188	602	1790						
	% share of functionally literate	71,7	25,4	54,3						
	Functionally literate females	1259	267	1526						
	All females (Thousands)	1757	1053	2809						
	% share of functionally literate	73,2	28,6	57,1						
	Functionally literate persons	2154	473	2627						
	Total population aged 60+	2944	1655	4599						
Sex and Population group		Black	Coloured	Indian/Asian	White	RSA				
	% share of functionally literate	44,4	68,8	87,8	98,8	61,5				
	Functionally literate males	495	121	64	421	1101				
	All males (Thousands)	1116	176	73	426	1790				
	% share of functionally literate	38,5	70,3	71,9	97,3	54,3				
	Functionally literate females	733	173	65	554	1526				
	All females (Thousands)	1903	246	91	570	2809				
	% share of functionally literate	40,7	69,7	79,0	97,9	57,1				
	Functionally literate persons	1229	294	129	975	2627				
	Total population aged 60+	3018	421	164	996	4599				

Source: GHS 2016 * Totals refer to the population of older persons and exclude unspecified cases

Table 4.6.2: Percentage distribution of the highest level of education obtained by older persons, 2016

Disaggregation	WC	EC	NC	FS	KZN	NW	GP	MP	LP	RSA
Province										
Less than matric	55,2	87,5	84,7	79,0	83,6	81,8	59,6	84,2	91,8	74,8
Matric	19,2	5,2	7,1	9,0	5,9	7,1	18,8	10,4	4,3	11,2
Other tertiary	8,6	3,7	4,0	8,2	4,0	3,7	6,4	3,2	1,5	5,1
Graduates	14,8	2,9	3,2	2,4	4,1	3,8	10,7	2,0	0,5	6,4
Other	2,1	0,7	1,1	1,5	2,4	3,5	4,5	0,3	1,9	2,5
Per cent	100,0	100,0	100,0	100,0	100,0	100,0	100,0	100,0	100,0	100,0
Total*(Thousands)	618	595	113	252	842	321	1 132	297	430	4 599
Geo-type										
	Urban	Rural	RSA							
Less than matric	64,6	93,0	74,8							
Matric	16,1	2,4	11,2							
Other tertiary	6,7	2,2	5,1							
Graduates	9,6	0,7	6,4							
Other	2,9	1,8	2,5							
Per cent	100,0	100,0	100,0							
Total*(Thousands)	2 944	1 655	4 599							
Population group										
	Black	Coloured	Indian/Asian	White						RSA
Less than matric	89,6	83,0	71,9	27,2						74,8
Matric	3,4	5,9	15,5	36,4						11,2
Other tertiary	2,6	3,5	1,8	13,8						5,1
Graduates	2,0	4,7	7,2	20,4						6,4
Other	2,4	2,9	3,7	2,2						2,5
Per cent	100,0	100,0	100,0	100,0						100,0
Total*(Thousands)	3 018	421	164	996						4 599
Sex and Population group										
	Male	Female	RSA							
Less than matric	70,0	77,9	74,8							
Matric	13,3	9,8	11,2							
Other tertiary	5,4	4,9	5,1							
Graduates	8,5	5,1	6,4							
Other	2,8	2,3	2,5							
Per cent	100,0	100,0	100,0							
Total*(Thousands)	1 790	2 809	4 599							

Source: GHS 2016

* Totals refer to the population of older persons and exclude unspecified cases

4.7 Older persons: Housing and basic services

Table 4.7.1: Percentage distribution of persons 60 years and older living in formal, informal and traditional housing, 2016

Disaggregation	WC	EC	NC	FS	KZN	NW	GP	MP	LP	RSA	
Province	Formal	97,7	68,0	94,9	91,8	77,8	93,8	94,9	91,1	95,3	88,2
	Traditional	0,1	28,9	0,2	3,5	20,6	0,4	0,0	5,1	2,3	8,3
	Informal	1,4	2,2	4,9	4,8	1,6	5,9	4,5	3,8	2,4	3,1
	Other	0,7	0,9	0,0	0,0	0,0	0,0	0,7	0,0	0,0	0,4
	Per cent	100,0	100,0	100,0	100,0	100,0	100,0	100,0	100,0	100,0	100,0
	Total	619	598	113	253	843	321	1132	298	430	4607
Sex		Male	Female	Both							
	Formal	88,0	88,3	88,2							
	Traditional	7,3	8,9	8,3							
	Informal	4,2	2,5	3,1							
	Other	0,5	0,3	0,4							
	Per cent	100,0	100,0	100,0							
Age group	Total	1792	2815	4607							
		60-69	70+	RSA							
	Formal	88,3	88,1	88,2							
	Traditional	7,6	9,4	8,3							
	Informal	3,7	2,2	3,1							
	Other	0,4	0,3	0,4							
Per cent	100,0	100,0	100,0								
Total	2809	1797	4607								

Source: GHS 2016

Table 4.7.2: Living condition indicators of persons 60 years and older compared to those of the overall population, 2016

Age cohort	Access to service indicator				
	Access to piped water	Access to improved sanitation	Refuse/ Waste by local authority/municipality	Electricity	Solid fuels for cooking
	%	%	%	%	%
60+	74,0	86,5	65,6	94,2	13,8
All Population	71,2	83,8	63,2	89,1	13,2

Source: GHS 2016

4.8 Older persons: Violence and crime victims

Table 4.8.1: Percentage of older persons living in households where the households feel unsafe or very unsafe to walk alone in their area during the day, 2015/16

Disaggregation	WC	EC	NC	FS	KZN	NW	GP	MP	LP	RSA
% share	77,8	86,9	92,1	91,5	83,7	87,1	75,8	89,5	95,8	83,7
Older	453	456	101	236	635	263	824	245	375	3 587
% share	71,6	85,7	87,6	90,6	84,4	87,0	77,5	89,6	95,3	83,6
Population	4 377	5 889	1 032	2 601	9 156	3 302	10 383	3 778	5 359	45 876
Sex	Male	Female	RSA							
	% share	83,3	83,9							
	Older	1 335	2 253							
	% share	83,8	83,4							
Population	22 116	23 760	45 876							

Source: VOCS 2015/16

*Totals exclude unspecified cases

Table 4.8.2: Percentage of older persons living in households where the households feel unsafe or very unsafe to walk alone in their area at night, 2015/16

Disaggregation	WC	EC	NC	FS	KZN	NW	GP	MP	LP	RSA
% share	36,8	29,3	35,3	18,8	36,3	22,6	26,2	29,3	52,8	32,0
Children (thousands)*	215	154	39	48	275	68	285	81	206	1 371
% share	31,4	27,1	28,2	19,0	35,2	28,4	24,3	28,2	52,6	30,9
Population	1 914	1 860	332	545	3 808	1 076	3 243	1 195	2 955	16 930
Sex	Male	Female	RSA							
	% share	33,1	31,3							
	Children (thousands)*	532	839							
	% share	31,2	30,5							
Population	8 238	8 692	16 930							

Source: VOCS 2015/16

*Totals exclude unspecified cases

Table 4.8.3: Percentage of older persons who live in households where the fear of crime prevent them from going to open spaces or parks in their area, 2015/16

Disaggregation		WC	EC	NC	FS	KZN	NW	GP	MP	LP	RSA
Province	% share	45,5	46,4	54,9	38,9	25,7	24,8	43,4	29,8	14,1	36,0
	Children (thousands)*	244	238	59	97	191	71	459	79	55	1 493
	% share	47,7	44,4	56,7	32,7	21,8	22,7	41,2	33,4	13,2	33,5
	Population	2 764	3 005	655	919	2 322	847	5 329	1 382	732	17 956
Sex		Male	Female	RSA							
	% share	34,8	36,7	36,0							
	Children (thousands)*	539	953	1 493							
	% share	32,5	34,5	33,5							
	Population	8 371	9 585	17 956							

Source: VOCS 2015/16

*Totals exclude unspecified cases

Table 4.8.4: Percentage of older persons who have been victims of property crime during the past 5 years, 2015/16

Disaggregation		Male	Female	RSA
Sex	% share	0,9	2,2	1,1
	# affected	14	36	49
	Older persons(thousands)*	1 618	1 618	4 327

Source: VOCS 2015/16

*Totals exclude unspecified cases

Table 4.8.5: Percentage of older persons who have been victims of assault during the past 5 years, 2015/16

Sex		Male	Female	RSA
Sex	% share	0,6	0,7	0,5
	# affected	9	12	22
	Older persons(thousands)*	1 618	1 618	4 327

Source: VOCS 2015/16

*Totals exclude unspecified cases

INDICATORS: PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES

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

5.1 Demography of disabled persons

Table 5.1.1: Distribution of disabled persons, 2016

Disaggregation	WC	EC	NC	FS	KZN	NW	GP	MP	LP	SA
Province	'000	362	529	282	837	292	811	290	325	3843
	%	6,3	8,6	11,0	8,6	8,8	6,7	7,5	6,4	7,7
Age group	5-14	15-24	25-34	35-44	45-54	55-64	65+	Total		
	'000	389	258	333,808	570,534	741,597	1257,531	3843		
	%	3,6	2,5	4,7	11,15	20,91	42,59	7,7		
Population group	Black	Coloured	Indian/	White	SA					
	'000	3013	331	391	3843					
	%	7,6	7,4	9,2	7,7					
Sex	Male	Female	Both							
	'000	1573	2270	3843						
	%	6,5	8,9	7,7						

Source: CS 2016

5.2 Disabled persons: Household characteristics

Table 5.2.1: Distribution of disabled households, 2016

Disaggregation	WC	EC	NC	FS	KZN	NW	GP	MP	LP	SA
Province	'000	305	404	94	636	252	724	229	270	3 150
	%	9,7	12,8	3,0	7,5	8,0	23,0	7,3	8,6	100,0
Population group	Black	Coloured	Indian/	White	SA					
	'000	2 507	257	77	3 150					
	%	79,6	8,2	2,5	9,8					
Sex of head of household	Male	Female	Both							
	'000	1 459	1 691	3 150						
	%	46,3	53,7	100,0						

Source: CS 2016

Table 5.2.2: Number of households with disabled household heads, 2016

Disaggregation	WC	EC	NC	FS	KZN	NW	GP	MP	LP	SA
Province										
'000	191	287	61	152	441	154	452	152	162	2 053
%	9,3	14,0	3,0	7,4	21,5	7,5	22,0	7,4	7,9	100,0
Sex of head of household	Male	Female	Both							
'000	829	1 224	2 053							
%	40,4	59,6	100,0							

Source: CS 2016

5.3 Disabled persons: Education**Table 5.3.1: Percentage distribution of the educational attainment of disabled persons aged 25 and above, 2016**

Disaggregation	WC	EC	NC	FS	KZN	NW	GP	MP	LP	SA
No schooling	8,5	21,4	21,8	15,7	26,6	24,6	11,4	35,8	40,2	21,4
Some primary	21,3	29,1	28,8	28,9	25,7	26,8	18,5	21,8	20,1	23,8
Completed primary	8,3	7,9	8,2	7,2	5,8	6,6	6,1	5,0	4,9	6,5
Some secondary	32,2	27,9	25,9	27,7	22,6	26,0	33,7	20,0	18,9	27,0
Grade 12/ Standard 10	16,4	8,2	9,5	12,9	12,9	10,2	17,4	10,6	9,2	12,8
Higher	8,7	4,0	3,1	5,3	5,2	2,9	8,4	4,1	4,1	5,7
Other	4,6	1,5	2,9	2,3	1,3	2,9	4,5	2,7	2,6	2,8
(Total) Per cent	100,0	100,0	100,0	100,0	100,0	100,0	100,0	100,0	100,0	100,0
(Total) Thousands	324	434	99	230	681	238	704	235	249	3 194
Sex and Population group	Urban	Rural	SA							
No schooling	18,8	23,0	21,4							
Some primary	23,3	24,1	23,8							
Completed primary	6,2	6,7	6,5							
Some secondary	27,6	26,6	27,0							
Grade 12/ Standard 10	14,3	12,0	12,8							
Higher	6,6	5,1	5,7							
Other	3,3	2,5	2,8							
(Total) Per cent	100,0	100,0	100,0							
(Total) Thousands	1 235	1 959	3 194							

Source: CS 2016

Table 5.3.1: Percentage distribution of the educational attainment of disabled persons aged 25 and above, 2016 (cont.)

Sex and Population group	Black African	Coloured	Indian/Asian	White	SA
	No schooling	25,6	11,9	9,9	4,0
	Some primary	26,8	26,0	19,4	3,5
	Completed primary	6,8	10,3	6,9	1,8
	Some secondary	25,4	33,5	33,5	30,7
	Grade 12/ Standard 10	9,6	10,5	21,4	33,8
	Higher	3,5	3,2	6,0	21,9
	Other	2,4	4,6	2,9	4,3
	(Total) Per cent	100,0	100,0	100,0	100
	(Total) Thousands	2 433	293	99	3 194

Source: CS 2016

5.4 Disabled persons: Housing and basic services**Table 5.4.1: Living conditions indicators of disabled households compared to those of the overall households, 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



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