

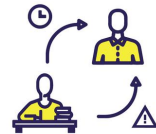
The coronavirus pandemic is posing a multi-dimensional challenge for young people



Disruptions in
education &
training



Amplified
vulnerabilities among
young workers



Longer & more
difficult transitions
into decent work

EMPLOYMENT

1 out of 6 young people surveyed stopped working since the onset of COVID-19.



Young workers are more vulnerable

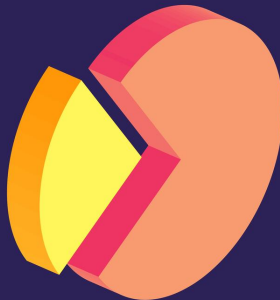


than adults to job losses, pay cuts and reduced working hours...

Young workers employed before the pandemic have seen on average a

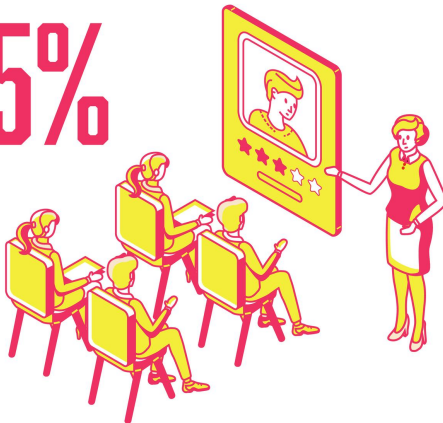
23%

reduction in working hours



EDUCATION & TRAINING

65%



of young people report **learning less** since the onset of the pandemic.



of young people **believe their studies** will be delayed, an assessment more common among **young women**.



9% of young people think their education **might fail**



Yet, youth have been resilient: **44%** pursued **new training courses & technical skills** in high-demand.

MENTAL WELL-BEING

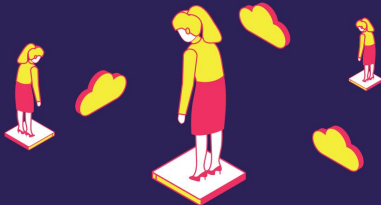


The pandemic has taken a **heavy toll** on young people's **mental well-being**.

17%



of young people **aged 18 - 29** are probably affected by **anxiety** or **depression**..

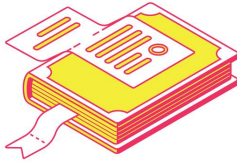


Mental well-being levels are on average **lower** for **young women** as well as for younger youth.

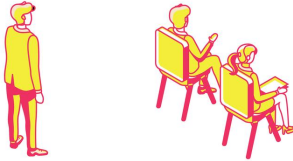


Low mental well-being is almost **double** among youth whose **education or work** has been **disrupted** by the crisis.

YOUTH RIGHTS



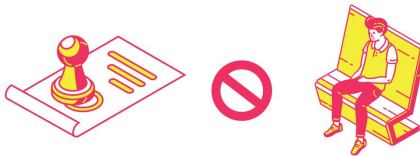
Lockdown measures resulted in unavoidable effects on young people's access to their rights.



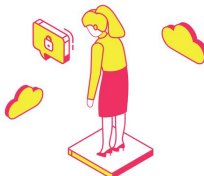
1 in 3 young people report a significant impact on their right to participate in public affairs including peaceful protests



More than one in four report a significant impact on their right to freedom of religion or belief



1 in 3 youth who have stopped working state their right to housing has been significantly impacted



A greater impact on rights is associated with lower mental well-being

SOCIAL ACTIVISM



Young people turning the tide of COVID-19 crisis into an **opportunity for collective action**.



One in three young people reported **high** levels of volunteerism



One in four showed high levels of donating to charities



How have young people helped?



Combatted **misinformation**



Assisted **elderly** and those in need



Distributed **food** and protective equipment



Youth entrepreneurs provided **financial** and **work-related** support

“IF YOU WERE THE LEADER OF YOUR COUNTRY, WHAT WOULD YOU DO?”

Here’s what young people
said they would do:



Strengthen **containment measures** and favour safe income-generating activities.



Enhance measures to **protect workers** and support enterprises, jobs and income.



Improve **public health infrastructure** and protective equipment for frontline workers.



Ensure **equal access to information** and boost the **accountability** of government responses.