

SCENARIO

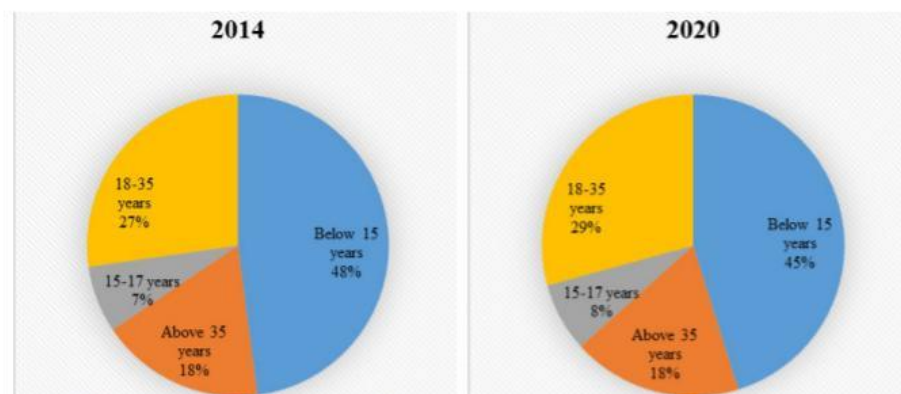
Uganda has the second youngest population in the world. More than three quarters (78 per cent) of its citizens are below the age of 35, and this youthful population is projected to double in the next 25 years. As a result, stresses on the education, health, and protection systems designed to support healthy children and youth will only grow.

SUPPORT MATERIAL

2.2 Youth share in the Uganda population

Figure 2 below shows that the highest proportion of Uganda's population is children under 15 years old. Children's population below 15 was at 48 percent in 2014 and is projected at 45 percent in the year 2020. About one in three persons of the population is youth (15–35 years).

Figure 2: Population by age groups as a percentage of the total population in 2014 and the 2020 projections



Source: UBOS. 2014a. National Population and Housing Census. Kampala.

Table 7: Population size by youth groups: 15–17 and 18–35 years, and youth share in population as a percentage of the total population.

Year	Youth population by age group			Total population	Proportion of the youth population by age group		
	15-17	18-35	15-35		15-17	18-35	15-35
2014	2 462 600	9 373 200	11 835 800	34 394 000	7.2	27.3	34.4
2015	2 581 500	9 778 300	12 359 800	35 502 100	7.3	27.5	34.8
2016	2 703 600	10 208 300	12 911 900	36 652 700	7.4	27.9	35.2
2017	2 820 200	10 663 600	13 483 800	37 838 900	7.5	28.2	35.6
2018	2 922 100	11 145 900	14 068 000	39 059 000	7.5	28.5	36.0
2019	3 005 700	11 649 800	14 655 500	40 308 000	7.5	28.9	36.4
2020	3 073 300	12 170 300	15 243 600	41 583 600	7.4	29.3	36.7
2021	3 132 500	12 699 400	15 831 900	42 885 900	7.3	29.6	36.9
2022	3 190 300	13 228 500	16 418 800	44 212 800	7.2	29.9	37.1
2023	3 251 400	13 754 700	17 006 100	45 562 000	7.1	30.2	37.3

Source: UBOS. 2018a. Statistical Abstract. Kampala.

TASK

Using traditional and Christian views, explain ways in which the scenario alerts young people together with their leaders to be productive to get relieved from the forthcoming chaos above.