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1. Promotion and support of youth research

Is there a government strategy or programme for promoting and supporting research in the field of youth?

Even though there is no specific government strategy, funds for supporting research in the youth field are firmly established in the federal budget. The German Youth Institute (www.dji.de) as Germany's largest non-university research institute in the youth field is mainly funded by the Federal Government in order to organize research concerning youth and family policy.

2. Legal basis for an evidence-based approach to youth policy

Is there a reference to better knowledge on youth ensuring an evidence-based approach to youth policy in national legislation or policy strategies?

The document in national legislation relevant to a better knowledge on youth is Social Code, Book VIII (SGB VIII) – Child and Youth Services. This law regulates a broad spectrum of specific tasks. Section 84 of Book VIII of the Social Code places the obligation on the Federal Government to report on the situation of young people and what has been done in the field of youth services during each legislative period. As well as analysing and taking stock of the current situation, the report is to contain proposals for further development in youth welfare.

The Federal Government's reports on children and youth constitute a specific form of social accountability at the interface between academic research, politics and professional practice. The Federal Ministry for Family Affairs, Senior Citizens, Women and Youth appoints an expert committee for the report (www.bmfsfj.de/BMFSFJ/aktuelles,did=141082.html), as required by section 84 of Book VIII of the Social Code.

3. Structures and actors that play a role in gaining a better knowledge of young people

3.1 Departments in universities gathering knowledge on youth

Bielefeld University, Centre for Childhood and Youth Research (www.uni-bielefeld.de/zkif/). Research is focused on: upbringing, education and socialisation (www.uni-bielefeld.de/zkif/forschung.html).

Bielefeld University, Institute for Interdisciplinary Research on Conflict and Violence. (www.uni-bielefeld.de/%28de%29/ikg/index.htm).

Research is focused on: different forms, dimensions, and causes of conflict and violence (by adolescents) taking into consideration the interactions between social developments, social psychological mechanisms, collective groups of actors, and sociospatial contexts.

Cooperation between **Chemnitz University of Technology**, **Bremen University** and **Ludwig Maximilian University of Munich**: German Family Panel pairfam ("Panel Analysis of Intimate Relationships and Family Dynamics") (www.pairfam.de).

Research is focused inter alia on: Parenting and Child Development.

Dortmund University (TU), Social Research Centre (www.sfs-dortmund.de).

Research is focused inter alia on: School-to-Work transition management on local level.

Duisburg-Essen University, Faculty of Educational Sciences (www.uni-due.de/agpaedagogischejugendforschung/index2.html).

Research is focused on: social history of education and pedagogical youth research.

Düsseldorf University, Department of Educational Research and Educational Management (www.phil-fak.uni-duesseldorf.de/ew/bf/veroeffentlichungen_barz.html#jugendforschung).

Research is focused inter alia on: Youth and religion; Migration and education, progressive education.

Free University of Berlin, Department of Education and Psychology (www.ewi-psy.fu-berlin.de/einrichtungen/arbeitsbereiche/allg_paedagogik/projekte/index.html).

Research is focused inter alia on: youth research.

Halle-Wittenberg University, Centre for school and educational research (www.zsb.uni-halle.de/).

Research is focused on: connection between school and teaching research and child and youth research.

Faculty of Philosophy– Educational Sciences (www.philfak3.uni-halle.de).

Research is focused on: childhood and youth research.

Koblenz University of Applied Sciences, Department of Social Studies. Institute for research and education – Childhood research. (www.hs-koblenz.de/index.php?id=187).

Research is focused on: integration and inclusion, action on education, art and resilience, activity in early childhood.

Koblenz-Landau University: Centre for Empirical Educational Research (www.zepf.uni-landau.de/).

Research is focused inter alia on: Computer game addiction among youngsters; Project intends to identify the best European strategies to prevent and combat the bullying phenomenon; Bullying and cyber-bullying amongst children and young people.

Ludwig Maximilian University of Munich. Faculty of Protestant Theology, Practical Theology. "Youth and Church" research center. (www.pt2.evtheol.uni-muenchen.de/forschung/index.html).

Research is focused on: religious socialization of children and adolescents, church youth work, spiritual counseling for children and adolescents, and cross-disciplinary work in religious education, history of church youth work.

Mannheim University, Chair for Educational Psychology. (www.ew2.uni-mannheim.de).

Research is focused on: social context factors in motivational and cognitive processes in child raising and educational settings.

Potsdam University, Institute for Applied Family, Childhood and Youth Research (IFK, www.ifk-vehlefan.de).

Research is focused on: situation of families, children and youth with special focus on school, socially and early childhood-related issues as well as accident prevention and traffic safety.

Würzburg University. Faculty of Philosophy. Chair of Empirical Education Research.

(www.bildungsforschung.uni-wuerzburg.de/).

Research is focused inter alia on: development in childhood and adolescence.

3.2 Major public and semi-public bodies dealing with [youth research](#), public companies included

German Youth Institute (DJI, www.dji.de)

Mandate: Federal Government, German Federal States (Additional funds from the European Commission and national and international foundations).

Selection of current themes of research:

- Study on the Development of All-Day Schools (2004-2015)
- Advancing Further Education of Early Childhood Professionals (2008-2014)
- Children and the Internet (2008-2012)
- The Information-Seeking Behaviour of Children Online (2010-2012)
- Prevention of Right-Wing Extremism and Xenophobia (2011-2014)
- New Challenges in the Pedagogical Prevention of Extremism among Young People (2011-2014)
- Youth Crime Prevention (1997-2016)
- Youth Welfare and Social Change—Services and Structures (2010-2014)
- Child Abuse and Neglect (2010-2013)
- school-to-work transitions (2007-2014)

- Further current themes of research: www.dji.de/cgi-bin/projekte/allprojekt.php?sprache=D&sortorder=none

Research Group Youth and Europe (www.fgje.de)

Mandate: Federal Ministry for Family Affairs, Senior Citizens, Women and Youth (BMFSFJ).

General themes of research:

- Youth and educational work with emphasis on European issues
- Intercultural competences and democracy education
- Strengthening of the youth participation in Europe

Institute for Media education in Research and Practice (www.jff.de)

Mandate: Bavarian State Ministry for Education and Cultural Affairs.

Current themes of research:

- Peer-to-Peer projects: media education in youth work, youth social work and school (2012-2014)
- Internet as a presentation platform (2009-2012)
- Reception and production of information in the world of media by young people (2011-2012)
- Parental media education (2011-2012)
- "FLIMMO" – Television through the eyes of children (ongoing)
- Me and you online. Promotion of media skills (ongoing)

German Institute for International Educational Research (www.dipf.de)

Mandate: foundation under public law.

Current themes of research:

- Working memory competencies of children with learning difficulties (2011-2013, Federal Ministry of Education and Research (BMBF))
- National Report on Education: structure of the education system from early childhood education and school education to vocational training, higher education and adult education (2006-2016, Federal Ministry of Education and Research (BMBF))
- Development of memory strategies in children and youths (on an on-going basis)
- GIDeCA (Gene by Environment Interactions on Decision Making in Children with different ADHD Symptoms) assesses biological and psychosocial family-related influences on the ability to delay rewards and on risky decision-making behavior in children with different ADHD symptoms.(2011-2014)
- IDEa-IGEL-project "Individual support and adaptive learning environments in elementary school" is an intervention study in science education in order to evaluate adaptive teaching methods (2010-2014)
- NEIS-project (Neuronal Development of Inhibition and Shifting) studies the development of executive functions in children at the end of Kindergarten before school enrollment.(2011-2014)
- IDEa Center. The "Center for Research on Individual Development and Adaptive Education of Children at Risk"conducts research projects from both a basic and an applied perspective, in the area of child development and related risk factors. (2009-2014)
- Cause-related individual diagnostics and intervention in defined school-related developmental disorders (2011-2014, BMBF)
- Process-based assessment of reading and listening skills in elementary school (2009-2012, BMBF)
- Scientific study accompanying the project "ready for school " (on an on-going basis)

Research Group Elections e.V. (www.forschungsgruppe.de)

Mandate: ZDF, (German public TV channel 2).

- annual "Politbarometer", psephology, scientific analysis of elections, voting data, opinion polls, electoral behaviour (ongoing)

Institute for Child and Youth Services (www.ikj-mainz.de)

Current themes of research:

- Evaluation of professional preparations for school (2012-2014). Mandate: Ministry for Social Affairs, Hessen
- Prevention of sexual violence in catholic institution for education aid (2012)

Institute of research of social work Mainz (www.ism-mainz.de)

Current theme of research:

- Practice development in intercultural activities in youth clubs for young people (2012)
Mandate: Federal Office for Migration and Refugees (BMF)
- General research: child and youth services / family / migration

3.3 NGOs gathering knowledge on youth

Child and Youth Welfare Association – AGJ (www.agj.de): Forum and network for national organisations and institutions active in public and private child and youth welfare. Approximately 100 members, working and acting together in order to communicate and cooperate in youth policy at German federal level, as well as in European and international context.

German Federal Youth Council – DBJR (www.dbjr.de): umbrella organisation of youth organisations, regional youth councils and affiliated organisations, having different objectives and being of different orientations.

German Federation of Associations for Cultural Child and Youth Education - BKJ (www.bkj.de): amalgamation of nationwide organisations specialising in the cultural education of children and young people.

Federation of Protestant Youth in Germany - aej (www.aej.de): association of groups concerned with youth work in Germany representing its 35 member organisations and 8 protestant or ecumenical associated member organisations at the federal level.

World Vision Institute for Research and Innovation – WV (www.worldvision-institut.de/): main research topic is Child Well-being. Two Children Studies (2007 and 2010).

Pedagogical Media Research Center Southwest (www.mpfs.de). Annual Study „JIM“ investigating the use of media of 12- to 19- year-old teenagers in Germany.

3.4 Private companies dealing with youth research

Shell Germany (www.shell.de/jugendstudie),
Shell Study on Youth examines the living situation of the 12- to 25-year-olds in Germany every four years.

Foundation for Future Studies (www.stiftungfuerzukunftsfragen.de),
4 categories of research: Europe and social values, Society and responsibility, Media, Leisure and tourism
Current Research: Leisure-time behavior (of people from the age of 14).

Bauer Media KG (www.bauermedia.de/verbraucheranalyse/),
market research on consumer insights, media use of youth.

Synovate (www.synovate.de/de/kids-and-teens.html),
market research and opinion polling on children and young people up to the age of 30.

Youngcom! Agency for Integrated Youth Communication Ltd. (www.youngcom.de),
research on preferences, habits and attitudes of young people: Youth & Finance (2012); Youth & Insurance (2011); Youngcom! Youth Study: music, idols, leisure, friends, sports, shopping, media, money, commercial, brand (2011)

iconkids & youth (www.iconkids.com),
marketing research on attitudes, behaviour and motivation of young people. Consumer, media, and social research. Studies: Toys 4 teens. Study about play and purchase behaviour of young people (2012); Kids License Monitor (2012).

ProKids PROSOZ Herten (www.prosoz.de/de/loesungen/befragungen/prokids.html), applied research on childhood, youth and education, regional and local studies and surveys. (LBS-Kinderbarometer 2012, Elefantenkinderstudie 2012, Kinderbarometer Hessen 2012).

Tfactory (www.tfactory.com), youth market research, youth trends.

Federal Union of German Banks (www.bdb.de), opinion polls on youth and economy are carried out every few years (2003, 2009).

3.5 Statistical offices that collect statistics on youth

Federal Office for Statistics (Destatis), www.destatis.de

Statistical offices of the German states:

- Baden-Württemberg: <http://statistik-bw.de/>
- Bavaria: www.statistik.bayern.de/
- Berlin, Brandenburg: www.statistik-berlin-brandenburg.de/
- Bremen: <http://statistik.bremen.de/>
- Hamburg, Schleswig-Holstein: <http://statistik-nord.de/>
- Hesse: <http://statistik-hessen.de/>
- Lower Saxony: www.lsk.niedersachsen.de/
- Mecklenburg-Vorpommern: www.statistik-mv.de
- North Rhine-Westphalia: www.it.nrw.de/
- Rhineland-Palatinate: <http://statistik.rlp.de/>
- Saarland: www.saarland.de/statistik.htm
- Saxony: www.statistik.sachsen.de/
- Saxony-Anhalt: www.statistik.sachsen-anhalt.de/
- Thuringia: <http://statistik.thueringen.de/startseite.asp>

Federal Institute for Population Research (BIB), www.bib-demografie.de

Institute for Employment Research (IAB), www.iab.de

Office for Children & Youth Services Statistics at the University of Dortmund (akjstat), www.akjstat.uni-dortmund.de

3.6 Directory of national youth researchers

An overall directory of German youth researchers does not exist.

Directory of researchers who are members of the Federal Youth Board (*Bundesjugendkuratorium*), www.bundesjugendkuratorium.de

Directory of staff of German Youth Institute, Dep. Youth and Youth Services, www.dji.de/cgi-bin/projekte/output.php?projekt=5&Jump1=mitlist

German institutions with youth-related experts can be found at www.kinder-jugendhilfe.info and at http://jugendforschung.de/index.php?option=com_wrapper&view=wrapper&Itemid=12

3.7 National research networks on youth

Youth researchers in Germany are networked thematically (e.g. within Universities).
Examples:

- German Youth Institute, www.dji.de
- German Sociological Association, www.jugendsoziologie.de/
- German Association of Education, www.dgfe.de
- German Association for Social Work, www.dgsainfo.de

3.8 Transnational networks on youth with relevance for national networks

Pool of European Youth Researchers (PEYR), <http://youth-partnership-eu.coe.int/youth-partnership/research/peyr.html>

PEYR is a research group consisting of 25 members from different countries. It provides a platform for consultation and an exchange on new developments in the field of youth research and youth policy on European and national levels. <http://youth-partnership-eu.coe.int/youth-partnership/research/peyr.html>

TEMPUS/University of Hildesheim

Tempus is the European Union's programme which promotes institutional cooperation that involves the European Union and Partner Countries and focuses on the modernisation of higher education systems. (http://ec.europa.eu/education/external-relation-programmes/tempus_en.htm) A team of scientists from the University of Hildesheim in cooperation with partners from Ireland, Italy, Israel and Russian Federation is developing an international study programme in the field of child and youth services under the Tempus programme. ([www.uni-hildesheim.de/index.php?id=neuigkeiten&L=1&tx_ttnews\[tt_news\]=5847&cHash=e6c968c9d53d841c2d8b419d9152d38b](http://www.uni-hildesheim.de/index.php?id=neuigkeiten&L=1&tx_ttnews[tt_news]=5847&cHash=e6c968c9d53d841c2d8b419d9152d38b))

German Sociological Association (Deutsche Gesellschaft für Soziologie, DGS), www.soziologie.de/ organizes social scientists in Germany and has a section of the sociology of youth (www.jugendsoziologie.de). DGS is a member of the ESA (European Sociological Association, www.europeansociology.org) and ISA (International Sociological Association, www.isa-sociology.org) research networks.

Child and Youth Welfare Association (Arbeitsgemeinschaft für Kinder- und Jugendhilfe, AGJ), www.agj.de

Even if AGJ is primarily a forum and network for national associations, it represents the interests of German Child and Youth services in transnational networks, such as: Eurochild – The European Network Promoting the Welfare and Rights of Children and Young People; World Organization for Early Childhood Education and International Working group on Youth Issues (IAGJ).

3.9 Knowledge networks supporting youth policy

Is there a permanent national network for knowledge on youth linking all actors in the field (policy makers, researchers, young people and their organisations, NGOs)?

Federal Youth Board (Bundesjugendkuratorium), www.bundesjugendkuratorium.de, bundesjugendkuratorium@dji.de

The Federal Youth Board consists of a panel of experts (15 experts from different areas: politics, administration, associations, science) appointed for the duration of the legislative period by the Federal Ministry for Family Affairs, Senior Citizens, Women and Youth. The Federal Youth Board advises the Federal Government on general issues of child and youth services and on cross-sectoral issues of child and youth policy. The panel of experts may transmit its views or recommendations concerning other topics to the Federal Government with young people being involved in the counselling processes.

Working Group for Expert Conferences and Youth Welfare (Arbeitsgruppe Fachtagungen Jugendhilfe, AGFJ), www.fachtagungen-jugendhilfe.de, landua@difu.de

The AGFJ at the German Institute of Urban Affairs (www.difu.de) organizes nationwide expert conferences addressing issues surrounding municipal administrative action on child and youth welfare. The aim of these conferences is to initiate a broad dialogue among experts at all relevant governmental and independent

institutions dealing with child and youth welfare and to involve other professionals participating in child and youth welfare initiatives. AGFJ offers a forum for conveying the main political action aims of the German Federal Ministry for Family Affairs, Senior Citizens, Women and Youth (BMFSFJ), for informing on (new) legal regulations and for experience transfer between the BMFSFJ and municipal practitioners.

IJAB – International Youth Service of the Federal Republic of Germany (IJAB – Fachstelle für Internationale Jugendarbeit der Bundesrepublik Deutschland e.V.), www.ijab.de, info@ijab.de
IJAB is involved in international youth work, international youth policy and youth information sectors. IJAB has a contractual agreement with the Federal Ministry for Family Affairs, Senior Citizens, Women and Youth and is a non-profit association liaising between organisations working internationally in the field of voluntary and statutory child and youth services.

German Federal Youth Council (Deutscher Bundesjugendring, DBJR), www.dbjr.de
DBJR is the working group of nation-wide working German youth councils and organisations. Currently 26 nation-wide youth organisations and 16 regional youth councils are members.

German National Committee for International Youth Work (Deutsches Nationalekomitee für Internationale Jugendarbeit, DNK), www.d-n-k.org/, info@d-n-k.org
The German National Committee for International Youth Work (DNK) represents the German youth organisations in multilateral contexts. DNK is a joint working group of the German Federal Youth Council (DBJR), the Council of Political Youth organisations (RPJ) and the German Sports Youth (DSJ).

Child and Youth Welfare Association (Arbeitsgemeinschaft für Kinder- und Jugendhilfe, AGJ)
www.agj.de, agj@agj.de

AGJ is a forum and network for national associations, organisations and institutions active in public and private child and youth welfare in Germany. The AGJ has approximately 100 members, working and acting together in order to communicate and cooperate in youth policy and other pertinent policy sectors at the German federal level as well as in the European and international context. The AGJ members provide an expert network on specialised policy issues.

Was such a network set up specifically for some project/purpose?

Advisory Committee of the federal government on the implementation of the EU Youth Strategy (Beirat des Bundes zur Umsetzung der EU-Jugendstrategie).

This Advisory Committee was founded in 2010 by the Federal Ministry for Family Affairs, Senior Citizens, Women and Youth (BMFSFJ). It is composed of representatives of voluntary and statutory organisations responsible for youth services and welfare services and youth researchers. The role of the Advisory Committee is the professional support of the implementation process of the EU Youth Strategy at federal level.

Working Group of the government and federal states for the implementation of the EU Youth Strategy (Bund-Länder-Arbeitsgruppe zur Umsetzung der EU-Jugendstrategie).

The government and the federal states have agreed to cooperate closely in order to implement the EU Youth Strategy. The Working Group as central committee for this cooperation selected three fields, which will be promoted by 2013: recognition of non-formal education, integration of disadvantaged young people in school and into the workforce, participation of young people.

Educational Institutions and Sustainable Consumption (Bink) (www.konsumkultur.de)

Various partners in research and practice are working together in order to gain insights on the consumer behaviour in youths and to identify relevant influencing variables.

4. Promotion and support to youth researchers and other actors who work towards a better knowledge of youth

Is there any measure undertaken for the:

- **facilitation of exchanges between researchers, policy makers and practitioners in the field of youth**
- **support of mobility and skills improvement of youth researchers**

Researcher-Practitioner-Dialogue on International Youth Work (Forscher-Praktiker-Dialog Internationale Jugendarbeit, www.forscher-praktiker-dialog.de): periodical meetings, conferences, expert hearings, co-operation projects between youth organisations and researchers.

Holding **Public Hearings in the German Bundestag** (www.bundestag.de/htdocs_e/index.html) is a measure undertaken for the facilitation of exchanges between experts and policy makers. If a subject matter is very complex and concerns a politically controversial piece of legislation, then a public hearing of experts and representatives of interest groups is held. One of the reasons for holding a hearing is to obtain additional specialist information and advice about particular problems. The experts' assessments have a potential influence on the committee's views. Thus, amendments to bills are sometimes the result of a public hearing in the committee.

German Child and Youth Welfare Congress (Deutscher Kinder- und Jugendhilfetag, www.jugendhilfetag.de). It takes place every four years and provides a national and central forum for an exchange of experience as well as for discussion and further training.

The **German Congress on Crime Prevention** (www.gcocp.org) organizes an annual national congress in order to foster the exchange between people working in all areas of crime prevention including youth workers.

The **Federal Youth Board** (www.bundesjugendkuratorium.de) and the **German Youth Institute** (www.dji.de) engage in dialogue with researchers, policy makers and practitioners to exchange knowledge on youth issues and hold meetings for this purpose.

The **Child and Youth Welfare Association** (www.agj.de) is an institutionalised network to foster the exchange of all people interested in youth policy and youth research.

The **German Educational Research Association** (www.dgfe.de) holds periodical meetings for educational researchers.

Funding for researchers is provided by:

- Seventh Framework Programme of the EU (FP7, http://ec.europa.eu/research/fp7/index_en.cfm);
- German Youth Stamp Foundation e.V. (Stiftung Deutsche Jugendmarke e.V., www.jugendmarke.de)
- and several private funding possibilities.

Support and funding for the mobility of youth researchers can be received from:

- German Academic Exchange Service (DAAD), www.daad.de
- German Research Foundation (DFG), www.dfg.de
- Alexander von Humboldt Foundation, www.humboldt-foundation.de
- Federal Ministry of Education and Research (BMBF), www.bmbf.de

5. Publications and accessible data in the youth field/on youth

Germany produces a large number of publications in the youth field every year. For this reason, only a selection of the published reports and data collections is presented in this information sheet.

5.1 Data collections which provide updated statistics on youth (public and private)

Yearbook of Youth Research (*Jahrbuch Jugendforschung*), Ed.: Hans Merkens, Jürgen Zinnecker. Last issued 2011. Content: The impact of the juvenile phase on adulthood. Next issue planned for 2013. www.jahrbuch-jugendforschung.de

Saxonian Longitudinal Study, published annually, since 2002 focus is on unemployment and health issues. www.wiedervereinigung.de/sls/

Studies on Health and Health Promotion, published by the Federal Centre for Health Education. Published at irregular intervals. www.bzga.de/forschung/studien-untersuchungen/

Youth sexuality Study by the Federal Centre for Health Education, "Youth Sexuality and Disability" issued 2010. Published at irregular intervals. <http://forschung.sexualaufklaerung.de>

5.2 Regular youth reports

On national level

Child and Youth Report. Every legislation period the Child and Youth Report is submitted by a commission of experts to the Federal Government. Next report expected in 2013. Topic: The living situation of young people and the service programs for children and youth in Germany. www.bmfsfj.de/BMFSFJ/Service/Publikationen/publikationen,did=128950.html

National Report on Education, commissioned every other year by the Federal Ministry of Education and Research (BMBF) and the Standing Conference of the Ministers for Education and Cultural Affairs of the Länder in the Federal Republic of Germany (KMK). It presents a major empirical review which covers the entire German education system and was last issued in 2012. www.bildungsbericht.de/

Report on Vocational Education and Training, published annually by the Federal Ministry of Education and Research (BMBF). Last issued in 2012. Content: Training situation for young people. www.bmbf.de/de/berufsbildungsbericht.php

Vocational Education and Training Data Report, issued annually by the Federal Institute for Vocational Education and Training (BIBB). Supplements the Report on Vocational Education and Training published by BMBF (see above) by providing information and analysis relating to aspects of the development of vocational education and training. Last issued in 2012. <http://datenreport.bibb.de/html/index.html>

On regional level

Most of the federal states issue a Child and Youth Report. Most of them are published once in every legislation period, some only at irregular intervals.

Examples.

- Child and Youth Report Northrhine-Westfalia. Issued once in every legislation period. Last issued in 2010: www.nrw.de/web/media_get.php?mediaid=13211&fileid=36063&sprachid=1
- Child and Youth Report Rhineland-Palatinate. To be issued once in every legislation period. First issued in 2010: www.mbwjk.rlp.de/fileadmin/mbwjk/Jugend/Kinder_Jugendbericht_RLP.pdf
- Saarland Child and Youth Report. Issued once in every legislation period. Last issued in 2008: www.saarland.de/SID-0682A7DD-77FFB128/33670.htm
- Saxonian Child and Youth Report. Issued every five years. Last issued in 2009: <https://publikationen.sachsen.de/bdb/artikel/11505/documents/11892>
- Child and Youth Report Saxony-Anhalt. Issued once in every legislation period. Last issued in 2008: http://kjr-lsa.de/ger/dokumente/kinder_jugendbericht2008.pdf
- Child and Youth Report Hamburg. Issued once in every legislation period. Last issued in 2007: www.hamburg.de/familie/veroeffentlichungen/116780/kinder-und-jugendbericht-2002-2007.html

5.3 National journals and reviews on youth research

- Blätter der Wohlfahrtspflege, Ed.: Nomos-Verlag, 6 times/year, www.bdw.nomos.de.
- deutsche jugend, Ed.: Juventa Verlag GmbH, monthly, deutsche jugend, Ed.: Juventa Verlag.
- Forum Jugendhilfe. Ed.: Arbeitsgemeinschaft für Kinder- und Jugendhilfe - AGJ, quarterly.
- Jugendhilfe. Ed.: Wolters Kluwer Deutschland GmbH, 6 times/year.
- neue praxis - Zeitschrift für Sozialarbeit, Sozialpädagogik und Sozialpolitik. Ed.: Group of editors, Verlag neue praxis, quarterly.

- Soziale Arbeit. Ed.: Deutsches Zentralinstitut für soziale Fragen, monthly.
- Zeitschrift für Sozialpädagogik. Ed.: Juventa Verlag GmbH, quarterly
- Kölner Zeitschrift für Soziologie und Sozialpsychologie. Ed.: VS Verlag für Sozialwissenschaften, quarterly + special edition once a year.
- THEORIE und PRAXIS der sozialen Arbeit. Ed. Juventa Verlag GmbH, 6 times/year.
- Betrifft Mädchen. Ed.: Landesarbeitsgemeinschaft Mädchenarbeit in NRW e.V, Juventa Verlag, quarterly.
- Forum Sozial. Ed.: Deutscher Berufsverband für soziale Arbeit. e.V., quarterly.
- Der pädagogische Blick, Ed.: Berufsverband der Erziehungswissenschaftlerinnen und Erziehungswissenschaftler e.V., Juventa Verlag e.V., quarterly.
- aej information. Ed.: Arbeitsgemeinschaft der Evangelischen Jugend in Deutschland e. V., quarterly.
- BDKJ-Journal. Ed.: Bund der Deutschen Katholischen Jugend, monthly
- Dreizehn. Zeitschrift für Jugendsozialarbeit. Ed.: Kooperationsverbund Jugendsozialarbeit, twice a year.
- Hessische Jugend. Ed.: Hessischer Jugendring, quarterly.
- IJAB journal. Ed.: IJAB - International Youth Service of the Federal Republic of Germany, twice a year.
- Juna. Ed.: Bayerischer Jugendring, monthly.
- Jugendpolitik. Ed.: Deutscher Bundesjugendring, quarterly.
- epaper dbjr-info, Ed.: Deutscher Bundesjugendring, monthly, digital version: www.dbjr.de/infopool/epaper.html.
- jugendpolitischer dienst-jpd. Ed.: Marion Moesta Verlag Politische Dienste, weekly.
- Diskurs Kindheits- und Jugendforschung, Ed.: Group of authors, Verlag Barbara Budrich, quarterly.
- Forum Erziehungshilfen. Ed.: Internationale Gesellschaft für erzieherische Hilfen (IGfH) e.V./ Juventa Verlag GmbH, 5 times/year.
- Kinder- und Jugendschutz in Wissenschaft und Praxis. Ed.: Bundesarbeitsgemeinschaft Kinder- und Jugendschutz e.V./Ernst Reinhardt GmbH & Co KG, quarterly.
- Migration und Soziale Arbeit. Ed.: Institut für Sozialarbeit und Sozialpädagogik e.V./Juventa Verlag GmbH, quarterly.
- Journal für politische Bildung. Ed.: Wochenschau Verlag und Bundesausschuss Politische Bildung, quarterly.
- Recht der Jugend und des Bildungswesens. Zeitschrift für Schule, Berufsbildung und Jugendernziehung. Ed.: Berliner Wissenschaftsverlag, quarterly.
- ZSE. Zeitschrift für Soziologie der Erziehung und Sozialisation. Ed.: Juventa Verlag GmbH, quarterly.
- bildung für europa. Ed.: Nationale Agentur Bildung für Europa beim Bundesinstitut für Berufsbildung, twice a year, digital version: www.na-bibb.de/service/publikationen/publikationssuche.html
- Forum Jugendarbeit International, Ed.: IJAB, since 1996, once a year/biyearly.
- Jugendhilfe Report. Ed. LVR-Landesjugendamt Rheinland, quarterly.
- Jugendhilfe aktuell. Ed. Landschaftsverband Westfalen-Lippe, quarterly.
- Sozialmagazin – Die Zeitschrift für soziale Arbeit. Ed.: Juventa Verlag GmbH, monthly.
- Überblick. Ed.: Informations- und Dokumentationsstelle gegen Gewalt, Rechtsextremismus, twice a year.
- Publications on children and youth, by the Federal Ministry for Family Affairs, Senior Citizens, Women and Youth, free download: www.bmfsfj.de/BMFSFJ/Service/Publikationen/publikationsliste.html?suchSubQuery=0
- Der Paritätische Gesamtverband. Ed.: The Paritätische Gesamtverband, bimonthly, free download: www.der-paritaetische.de/startseite/eigene-veroeffentlichungen/
- Impulse. DJI-Bulletin. Ed.: German Youth Institute, 4 times/year in German, one issue/year in English, free download: www.dji.de/bulletin
- The Franco-German Youth Office. Several Publications on Research and Evaluation: www.dfjw.org/forschung-und-evaluierung also in cooperation with the German-Polish Youth Office (www.dpjw.org)
- Unsere Jugend. Ed.: Ernst Reinhardt Verlag, 10 times a year, www.reinhardt-verlag.de/en/zeitschrift/4442/Unsere_Jugend
- Punktum. Ed.: Landesjugendring Hamburg, quarterly, www.ljr-hh.de/punktum.399.0.html
- Soziale Passage. Journal für Theorie und Empirie Sozialer Arbeit, Ed.: Dr. Karin Bock, Münster University et al., twice a year

- Widersprüche Zeitschrift für sozialistische Politik im Bildungs-, Gesundheits- und Sozialbereich, Ed.: Sozialistisches Büro, quarterly

5.4 According to publications and recent data collections: what are priority themes in the field of youth research in your country

Growing up healthy; youth unemployment; successful transition from school to work; young people's participation; mobility; social inclusion; education for sustainability; youth and media literacy; racism and violence; supporting disadvantaged young persons; recognition of non-formal education

6. IT dissemination of knowledge in the youth field

Is there a dissemination of knowledge on youth via dedicated internet portals or online publications?

If yes, please explain.

Regarding the overall organisation of online dissemination of knowledge in the youth field, the **Portal for Specialists in Child and Youth Services** (www.jugendhilfeportal.de) is a supra-regional portal which is financed by the federal government and regional governments (Länder) and is provided by IJAB and AGJ.

6.1 Web-Portals and online databases on a better understanding of youth

www.jugendhilfeportal.de: portal for specialists in child and youth services in Germany; permanent update; freely accessible; run by IJAB & AGJ; Language: German.

www.kinder-jugendhilfe.info: Child & Youth Services in Germany: structured explanations; permanently updated; freely accessible; run by IJAB; including short description and addresses with links of all nationwide working institutions and organisations in the field of child/youth policy and child/youth services; Language: German (partly in English, French, Spanish, Russian, Turkish, Japanese, Chinese).

www.bmfsfj.de/BMFSFJ/kinder-und-jugend.html: Portal of the Federal Ministry for Family Affairs, Senior Citizens, Women and Youth. Content: section with all relevant information on child/youth policy and child/youth services in Germany; permanent update; freely accessible; Language: German.

www.akjstat.uni-dortmund.de: statistics on child and youth service; permanent update; freely accessible; run by Office of Child and Youth Service Statistics; Language: German.

www.destatis.de: statistics on population including youth; permanent update; freely accessible; run by Federal Office for Statistics (destatis); Languages: German, English.

www.bib-demographie.de: statistics on population including youth and life attitudes; permanent update; freely accessible; run by Federal Institute for Population Research (BiB), Languages: German, English.

www.dji.de: portal of the German Youth Institute covering information on child, youth, family and gender research; permanent update; freely accessible; run by German Youth Institute; Languages: German, English.

www.dija.de: Database on International Youth Work; information about youth policy and work in about 30 countries; permanent update; freely accessible; run by IJAB; Language: German (information about Germany available in Dutch, Czech, Chinese, English, French, Japanese, Polish, Russian, Spanish, Turkish).

www.jugendschutz.net: information on child and youth protection; main focus: new media/internet; permanent update; freely accessible; run by Friedemann Schindler; Languages: German, English.

www.familienhandbuch.de: professional information on family, child-upbringing, adolescence, youth, growing up process in modern society; permanent update; freely accessible; run by State Institute for Early

Child Pedagogy; Language: German (with a few articles in English, Greek, Italian, Croatian, Russian, Serbian, Turkish).

www.jugendforschung.de: database with information on youth research institutes and organisations; permanent update; freely accessible; run by chair in empirical education research at the Julius Maximilians University Würzburg; Language: German.

www.jugendszenen.com: internet portal for youth culture research; permanent update; freely accessible; run by Chair in General Sociology at the University Dortmund, Dept. 12; Language: German.

www.bildungsserver.de: the German Education Server is the central internet guide to educationally relevant information; permanent update; freely accessible; run by the German Institute for International Educational Research; Languages: German, English.

6.2 Other

„Junge Deutsche“ (Young Germans) 2012/2013 is a youth research and participation project. The project is realized by 14 to 34 year old people in order to improve the living condition and participation of their local community and in Germany. www.jungedeutsche.de

Centre for the Prevention of Youth Crime, German Youth Institute. Project Duration: 1997 – 2016. The Centre provides professionals, politicians, researchers and those engaged in education and training with information on the ideas, strategies and practices of youth crime prevention. <http://dji.de/cgi-bin/projekte/output.php?projekt=174&sprache=E>

The Konstanz Repositories on Crime and Sanctioning (Das Konstanzer Inventar) publishes evaluations of data on the structure and trends in sanctioning in Germany with special evaluations on youth crime. www.ki.uni-konstanz.de/kik/

Wegweiser Kommune (Municipality Directory) offers municipal data on demographic change, economy, education, integration etc. And plans of action for municipal practice. www.wegweiser-kommune.de

Database of the Federal Employment Agency for professional further education and training, job descriptions and training and employment opportunities. www.arbeitsagentur.de

7. Good practice related to fostering a better knowledge of youth

Please describe methods and approaches for gaining a better understanding and knowledge of youth and for keeping it up to date.

Methods used are: youth opinion polls, comparative studies, longitudinal studies, questionnaires, interviews, evaluations, Eurobarometer.

The Social Monitoring Department of the German Youth Institute (Deutsches Jugendinstitut, DJI) carries out the large-scale survey project "Growing Up in Germany" which covers the three core issues of the institute: childhood, youth and family and complements the existing information provided by official statistics. http://dji.de/bulletin/e_bull_e/bull2011_e/DJIB_2011.pdf

The Leibniz Institute for the Social Sciences (GESIS) offers services for research projects in the field of social sciences, such as: research, study planning, data collection, data analysis, archiving and registering. www.gesis.org/en/services/

See also 4.

- Researcher-Practitioner-Dialogue on International Youth Work
- Child and Youth Service Day
- German Congress on Crime Prevention

Regular conferences by:

- Federal Youth Board
- German Youth Institute
- Child and Youth Welfare Association
- German Educational Research Association

See also 3.9.

Working Group for Expert Conferences and Youth Welfare