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## SOCIAL PROTECTION IN CENTRAL ASIA



## **Population Dynamics**

Central Asia share of the world population is 0.94% (72,522 million)

The annual growth rate is HIGHER than the world average

**Every SECOND** person is under 24 vears old.

**Every THIRD person** is under 15 years old

48% of the total population of youth consists of



## **Challenges**



Limited access to employment

60% of the population is living in rural areas



Limited access to healthcare



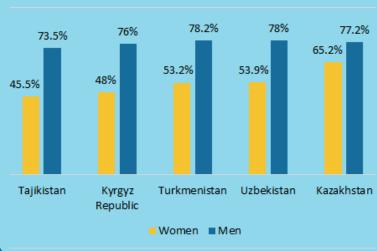
Limited educational opportunities



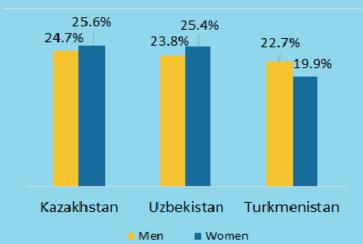
Limited transportation infrastructure services

The labor force participation of women is about 23% lower than men: 78.2% 78% 76% 73.5%

girls



Approximately 1/4 of the Central Asia population is engaged in vulnerable employment:





## **Child Care**

Central Asian countries have one of the lowest enrollment rates of children in early childhood care and pre-primary education among all ECA countries

8.4% in Kazakhstan

3.5% in Kyrgyz Republic

Paternal leave is not yet a priority in the policies of Central Asian countries

Only Kazakhstan has approved giving 5 days of unpaid paternal leave

