

Young women are more pessimistic than young men regarding job prospects

The Basque Youth Observatory has presented the results of the 6th edition of the *Aurrera Begira* study, which corresponds to 2018.

Aurrera Begira is a research project that has been conducted every year by the Basque Youth Observatory since 2013 and intends to understand how Basque youth perceive the present and identify their short-term expectations.

The research is based on a telephone survey of a representative sample of Basque youth consisting of 756 men and 756 women aged 15 to 29.

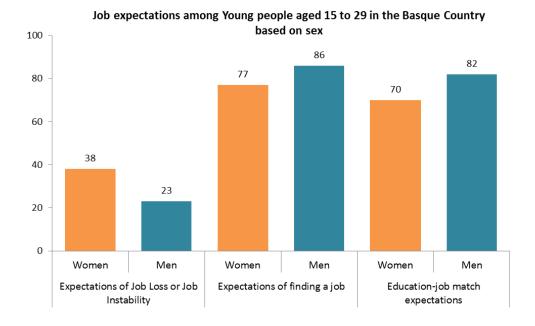
One of the results of this study shows that women aged 15 to 29 in the Basque Country have lower expectations than men regarding employment.

While the three indicators that refer to young people's employment expectations improved significantly in 2018, young women are not as confident about these improvements as men are.

38% of women workers are concerned about losing their jobs within a year or that their working conditions will deteriorate, compared to 23% of men.

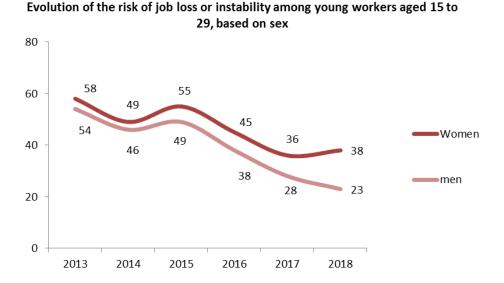
Young unemployed men display a greater level of trust in finding a job within a year than young women do; 86% of young unemployed men expect to find a job in the short term compared to 77% of women.

Among students, men also display greater confidence than women in finding a job in line with their qualifications when they finish their studies (82% and 70% respectively).



Source: Basque Youth Observatory, Aurrera Begira 2018. Youth expectation indicators

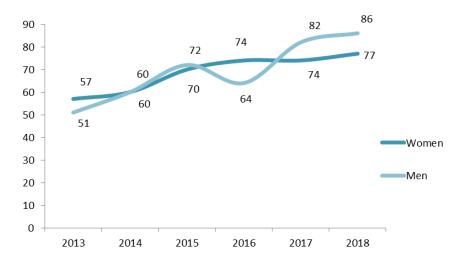
The **Expectations of Job Loss or Job Instability Indicator**, which refers to the percentage of young workers who consider they are very or fairly likely to lose their jobs or that their working conditions will deteriorate within a year, has fallen by 3 percentage point when compared to 2017 data for youth in general; however, only men have benefited from this decrease.



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The **Job Expectations Indicator**, which refers to the percentage of young unemployed people who trust they will find a job within a year, has increased among women and men; however, the difference between both groups stands at 9 points in favour of men.

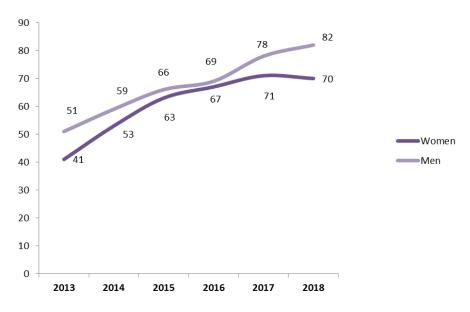
Evolution of job prospects among unemployed youths aged 15 to 29, based on sex



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Finally, the **Education-Job Match Indicator**, which is calculated for young students and that measures the percentage of young people who trust they will find jobs related to their training when they finish their studies, has also improved among men and women. However, the figure for men is 12 points higher than the figure for women. Men display a greater level of trust in finding jobs related to their training when they finish their studies.

Evolution of education-job match expectations among young students aged 15 to 29, based on sex



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The <u>complete report</u> can be found on the Basque Youth Observatory website, where you can view the evolution of these data as well as differences based on age group or province of residence.