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RURAL OPPORTUNITY YOUTH ACROSS THE NATION, 2016

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Rural Opportunity Youth

• Opportunity or Disconnected Youth
  – Population age 16 to 24
  – Not currently enrolled in school
  – Not currently working
    • Unemployed
    • Not in the labor force

• Rural
  – Those living outside of a U.S. designated metropolitan area

• Data
  – 2016 American Community Survey
Where are the Opportunity Youth?

Note: Opportunity Youth are age 16 to 24 and are not working or enrolled in school.
Rural Youth who Identify as a Member of a Racial/Ethnic Minority Group are More Often Disconnected from Employment and Education

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<th>Rural Non-Opportunity Youth</th>
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<td>Hispanic</td>
<td>11.1%</td>
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Share of Opportunity Youth and Other Youth Living with Parents

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Share of Opportunity and Other Youth that are Married and Parents

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Educational Attainment of the Opportunity Youth

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