Reframe relationships for youths

Close friends are people you feel at ease with, can talk to about private matters, or call on for help... **how many close friends do you have?**

Proportion of youths who have a close friend has increased over time

	2010	2013	2016	2019
	(n=1,268)	(n=2,843)	(n=3,531)	(n=3,392)
More than 5	19%	26%	20%	21%
4 to 5	27%	30%	29%	28%
2 to 3	45%	32%	36%	35%
1	9%	8%	9%	10%
None	1%	4%	6%	6%

National Youth Survey, 2022, NYC

Greater proportion of older youths do not have a close friend

	15-19	20-24	25-29	30-34	Overall
	(n=716)	(n=804)	(n=926)	(n=946)	(n=3,392)
More than 5	29%	23%	19%	15%	21%
4 to 5	30%	29%	27%	27%	28%
2 to 3	29%	35%	35%	37%	35%
1	7%	8%	11%	13%	10%
None	5%	5%	7%	8%	6%

National Youth Survey, 2022, NYC

Strengthening regional nodes within Singapore

Average resident household size has fallen



Footnote: A resident household refers to a household refer the household reference person is a Singapore citizen or permanent resident. The household size refers to the total number of members in the household, including domestic workers. Data for 1980, 1990, 2000, 2010 and 2020 are based on the Census of Population while data for 1995, 2005 and 2015 are based on the General Household Survey. Data for all other years are based on the Comprehensive June Labour Force Survey. Survey setimates are subject to sampling variability.

Inversion of resident household size

