

# The relationship between youth and work

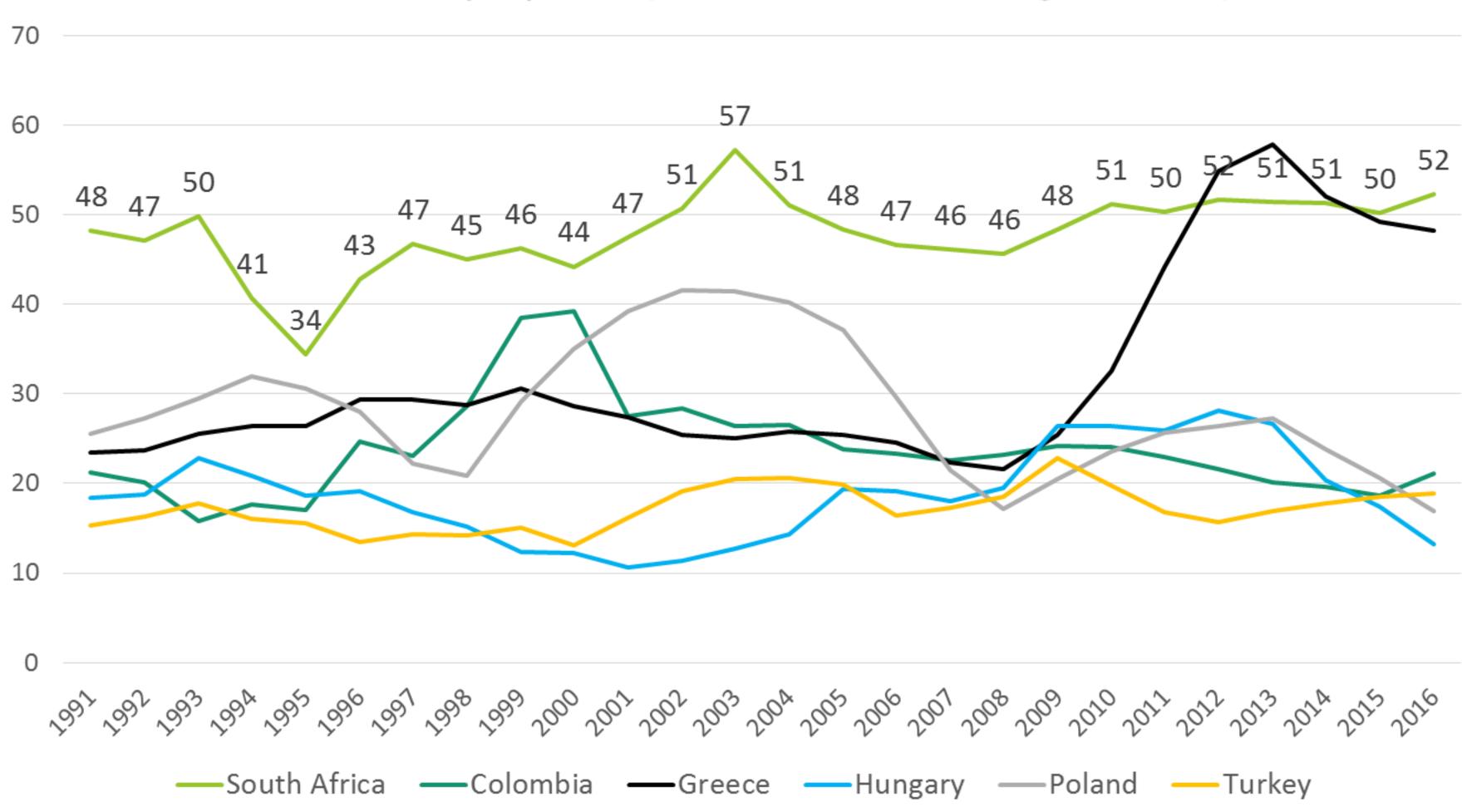


- 1. State and continuities of youth unemployment
- 2. The relationships between youth and work
- 3. What are solutions/how might this be disrupted?
- 4. What do we need to know more about/ answer?



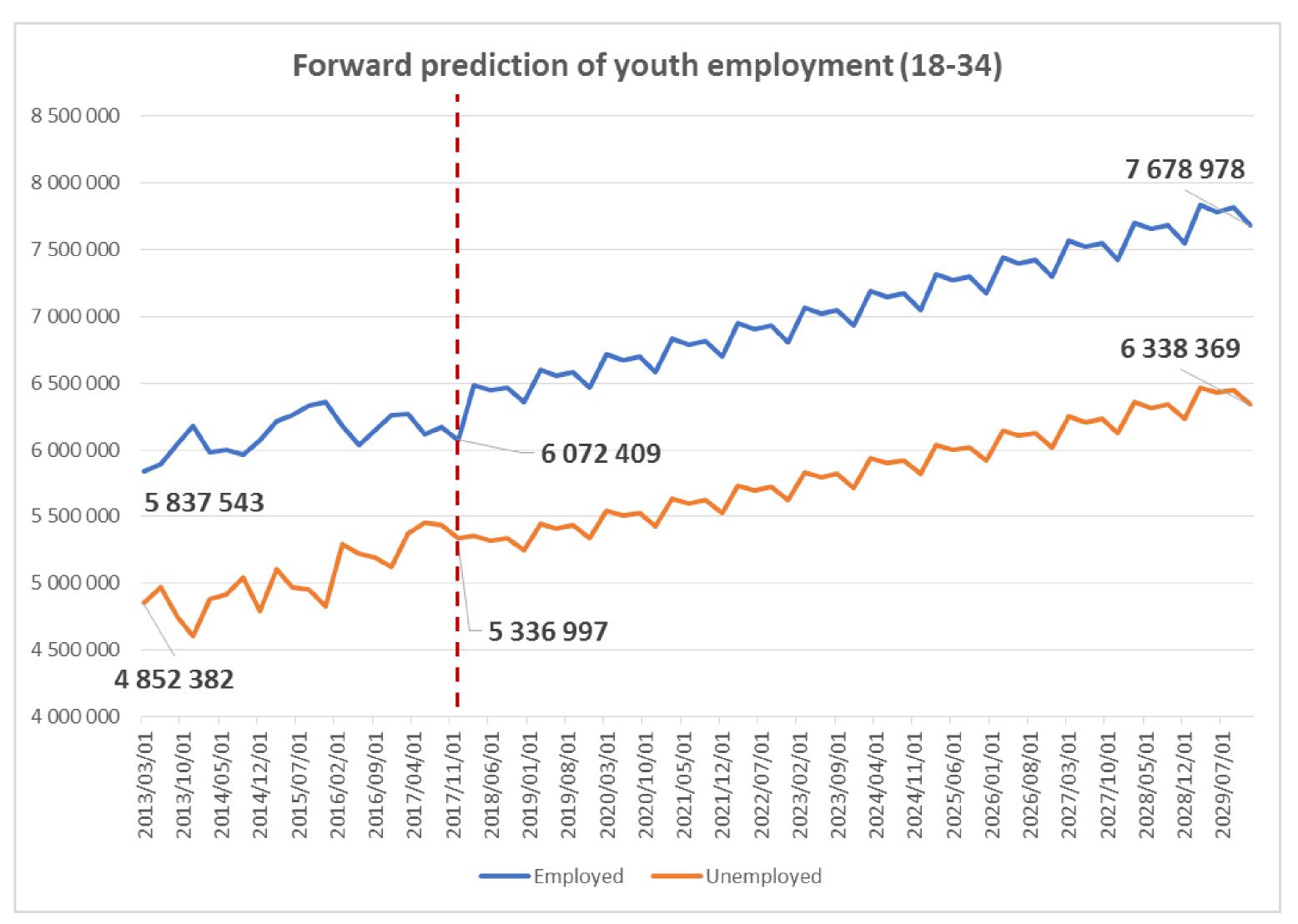
## 1. State of and continuities for youth unemployment South Africa stands out – high and stubborn youth unemployment rate

## Youth unemployment (% total labour force aged 15 -24)





## 1. State of and continuities for youth unemployment A distance between the employed and unemployed (that grows?)



Source: Stats SA Quarterly Labour Force Survey; Harambee analyses

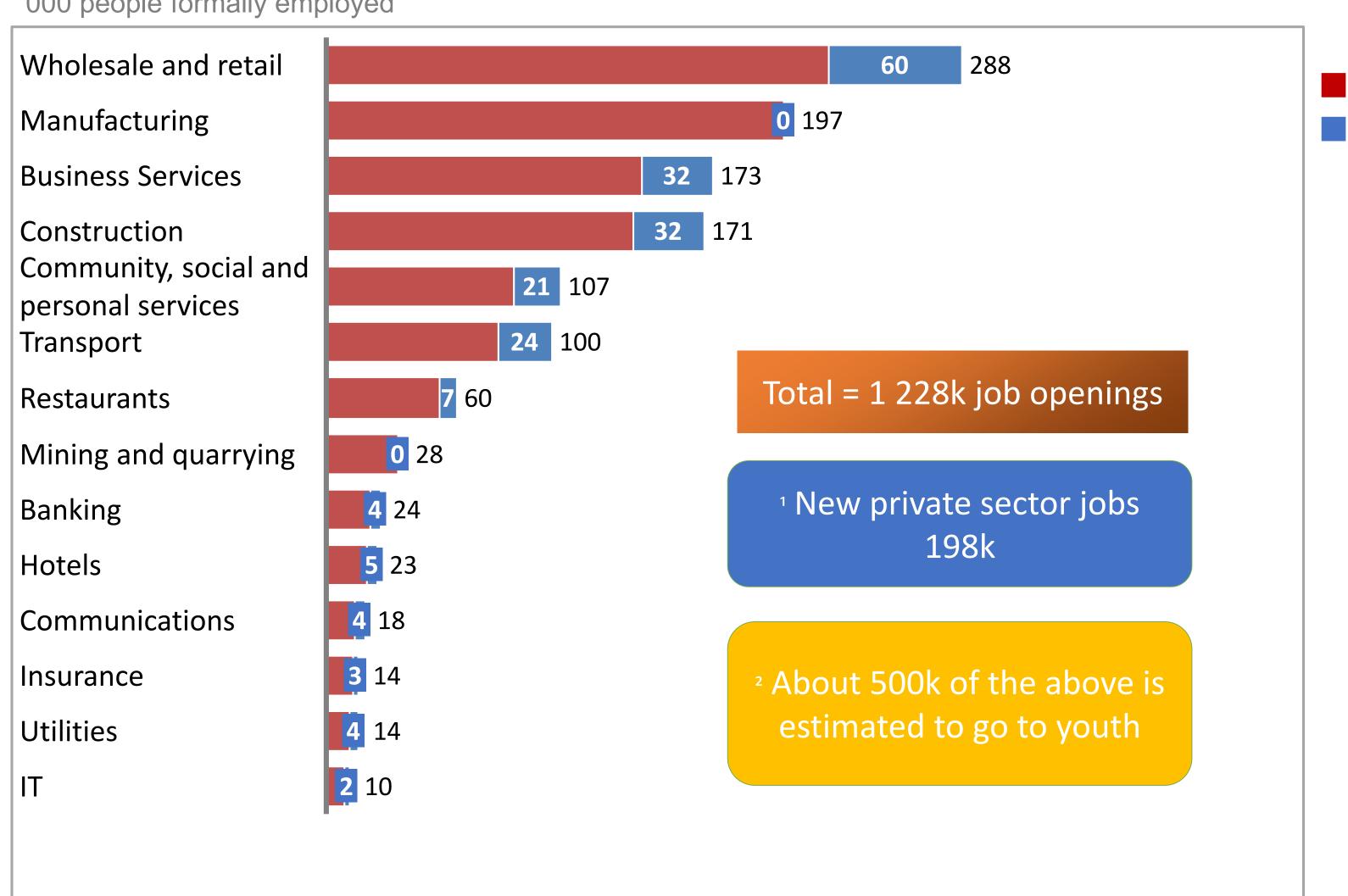
## 1. State of and continuities for youth unemployment Estimated 500,000 entry-level job openings for youth expected in the private sector in 2017- about 200k of that new jobs

### Private sector<sup>1</sup> entry level<sup>2</sup> placements through attrition and growth

Attrition 2017

Growth 2017

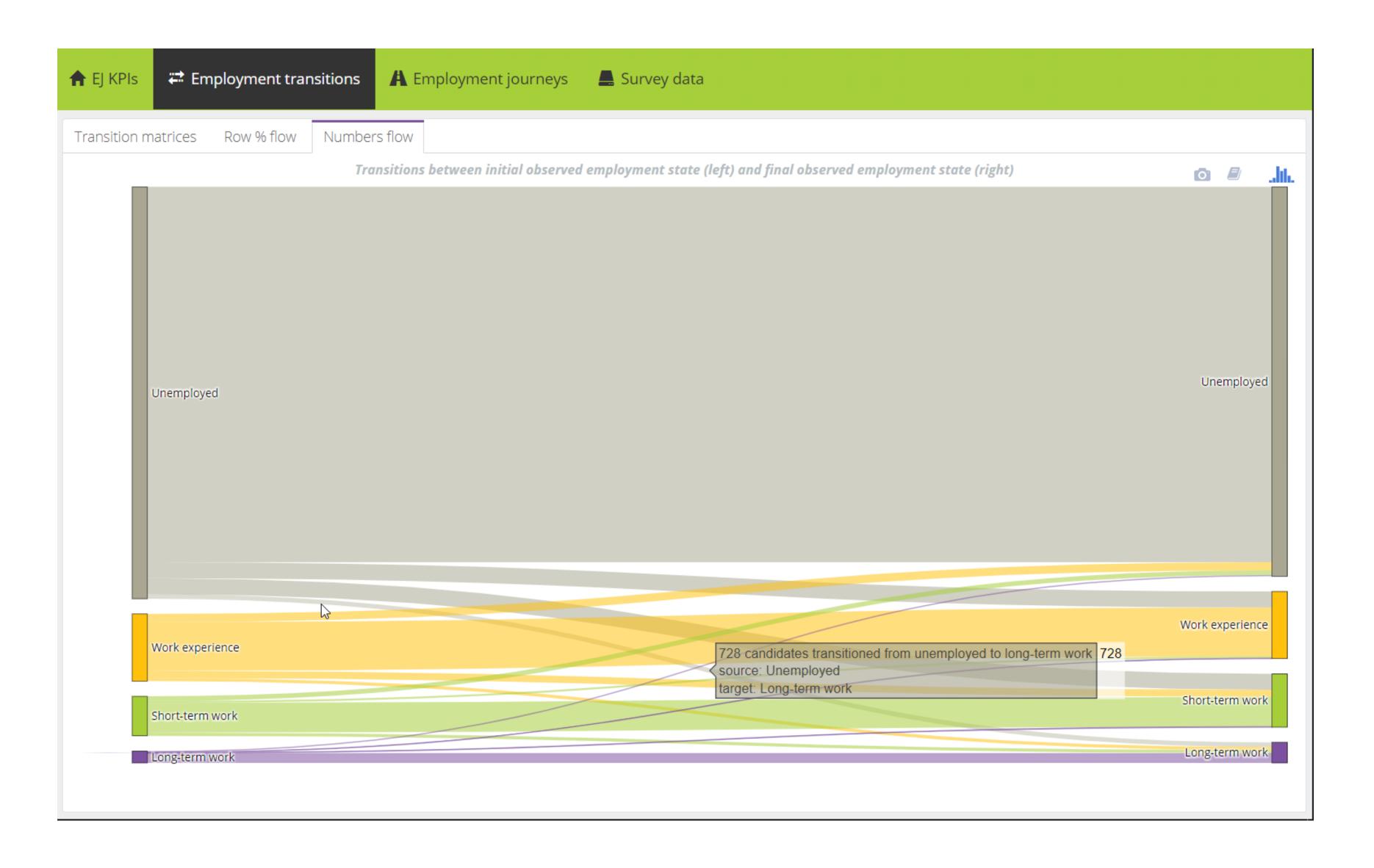




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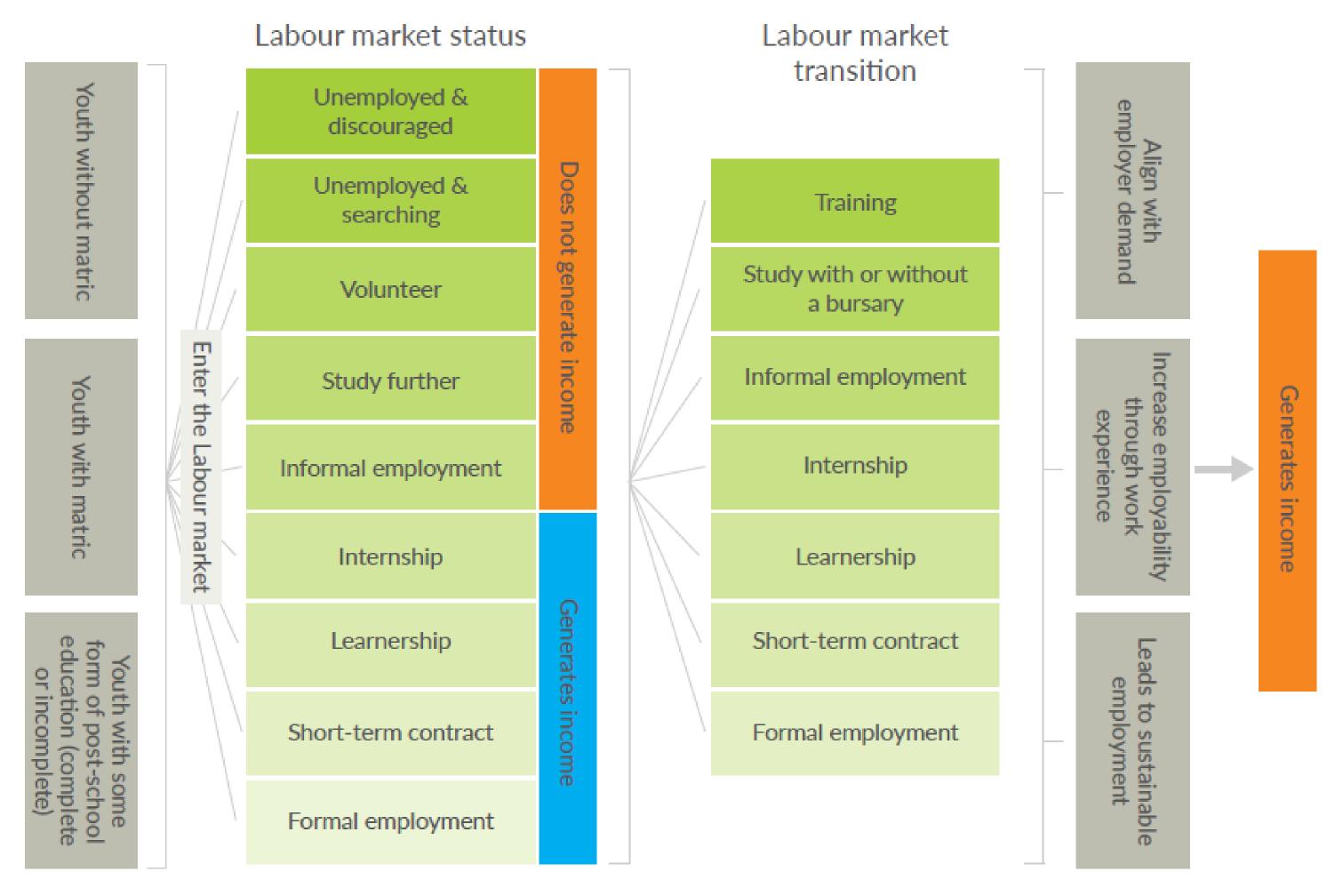


# 2. The relationships between youth and work Youth transitions are largely absent and not permanent



# 3. What are solutions/how might this be disrupted? Build for multiple pathways to productive economic engagement

Need to provide a spectrum of income generating opportunities beyond 500,000 estimated entry-level job openings for ~ 6M unemployed youth



Source: Harambee

- Very little known about the mechanisms and paths for young people to transition out of unemployment (e.g. if experience matters, what type? How long? Do internships provide more than a once-off benefit?)
- What are the different pathways that will allow young people to hold sustainable economic engagement? Are they single or multiple?
- What are the zones of opportunity to shorten the timeframe from school exit to income generation particularly in jobs of a technical nature?
- How do we measure and 'close the gaps' for young people for a set of core work competencies (e.g. verbal communication, numeracy, digital literacy)