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DIGITAL EXCLUSION

WHAT DO WE KNOW?



Lockdown strategies prompted by the Covid-19 pandemic are increasing digital inequality in the UK.



Age, region, socioeconomic status and whether a person has a disability are all factors which influence the likelihood of experiencing disadvantage by digital exclusion.



Adults with little to no digital access have been disadvantaged in their access to support services, healthcare appointments and staying connected with friends and family. Children cannot access good quality education.

**DIGITAL ACCESS TODAY NEEDS TO BE VIEWED AS
A HUMAN RIGHT, NOT A LUXURY**

Sources: *UK Parliament Post* (2021), *The Lancet Digital Health* (2020).

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