Dystopian

You can find a few more dystopian novels hiding out on the sci-fi list.

*Feed by M. T. Anderson | YA AND
In a future where most people have computer implants in their heads to control their environment, a boy meets an unusual girl who is in serious trouble.

Munmun by Jesse Andrews | YA AND
In a society where a person's size is directly proportional to his or her wealth, little poor Warner, thirteen, and Prayer, fifteen, struggle to improve their lot in a world built against them.

The Electric Kingdom by David Arnold | YA ARN
When a deadly Fly Flu sweeps the globe, it leaves a shell of the world that once was. Among the survivors are Nico and her dog, on a voyage devised by Nico's father to find a mythical portal; a young artist named Kit, raised in an old abandoned cinema; and the enigmatic Deliverer, who lives Life after Life in an attempt to put the world back together.

Ship Breaker by Paolo Bacigalupi | YA BAC
In a futuristic world, teenaged Nailer scavenges copper wiring from grounded oil tankers for a living, but when he finds a beached ship with a girl in the wreckage, he has to decide if he should strip the ship or rescue the girl.

Dustborn by Erin Bowman | YA BOW
Delta of Dead River sets out to rescue her family from a ruthless dictator rising to power in the Wastes and discovers a secret that will reshape her world in this postapocalyptic Western mashup for fans of Mad Max and Gunslinger Girl.

The Belles by Dhonielle Clayton | YA CLA
In a world where Beauty is a commodity only a few control, one Belle will learn the dark secrets behind her powers, and rise up to change the world.

*The Marrow Thieves by Cherie Dimaline | YA DIM
Humanity has nearly destroyed its world through global warming, but now an even greater evil lurks. The indigenous people of North America are being hunted and harvested for their bone marrow, which carries the key to recovering something the rest of the population has lost: the ability to dream.

On the Edge of Gone by Corinne Duyvis | YA DUY
In Amsterdam, the Netherlands, in 2034, a comet is due to hit the Earth within the hour. Denise, who's sixteen years old and autistic, must try to find her missing sister and also help her neglectful, undependable mother safely aboard a spaceship.

The House of the Scorpion by Nancy Farmer | YA FAR
In a future where humans despise clones, Matt enjoys special status as the young clone of El Patron, the 142-year-old leader of a corrupt drug empire nestled between Mexico and the United States.
*Maggot Moon by Sally Gardner | YA GAR*
Standish Treadwell, 15, has lost parents, neighbors, best friend: All disappeared from Zone Seven, a post-war occupied territory, into the hellish clutches of the Motherland. Now a new horror approaches.
(from Kirkus Reviews)

Gone by Michael Grant | YA GRA
In a small town on the coast of California, everyone over the age of fourteen suddenly disappears, setting up a battle between the remaining town residents and the students from a local private school, as well as those who have "The Power" and are able to perform supernatural feats and those who do not.

Skyhunter by Marie Lu | YA LU
When the Karensa Federation invaded Basea a decade ago, Talin Kanami and her mother fled north to Mara. Now 18 and using sign language due to emotional and vocal cord scarring from that night, Talin is a Striker, the sole refugee on an elite squadron deemed “the last defense Mara has against the Federation.”
(from Publishers Weekly)

Shatter Me by Tahereh Mafi | YA MAF
Ostracized or incarcerated her whole life, seventeen-year-old Juliette is freed on the condition that she use her horrific abilities in support of The Reestablishment, a postapocalyptic dictatorship, but Adam, the only person ever to show her affection, offers hope of a better future.

Sanctuary by Paola Mendoza | YA MEN
In 2032, when sixteen-year-old Vali's mother is detained by the Deportation Forces, Vali must flee Vermont with her little brother, Ernie, hoping to reach their Tía Luna in the sanctuary state of California.

The Loop by Ben Oliver | YA OLI
Luka Kane, 16, lives in a death-row prison called the Loop, where inmates either wait to die or earn delays to their executions by becoming test subjects for technologies not yet ready for society’s wealthy, cybernetically enhanced “Alts.” (from Booklist Online)

War Girls by Tochi Onyebuchi | YA ONY
In 2172, when much of the world is unlivable, sisters Onyii and Ify dream of escaping war-torn Nigeria and finding a better future together but are, instead, torn apart.

Unwind by Neal Shusterman | YA SHU
In a future world where those between the ages of thirteen and eighteen can have their lives "unwound" and their body parts harvested for use by others, three teens go to extreme lengths to survive until they turn eighteen.

Rebelwing by Andrea Tang | YA TAN
On the brink of dystopia, a girl and a mechanical dragon help defend democracy in an alternate future Washington, D.C. (from Kirkus Reviews)

Uglies by Scott Westerfeld | YA WES
Tally lives in a world where your 16th birthday brings aesthetic perfection: an operation which erases your flaws, transforming you from an 'Ugly' into a 'Pretty'. She is on the eve of this important event, and cannot wait for her life to change. But then she meets Shay, and her whole outlook is different.

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