KOSOVO

Region: Europe and Central Asia Income Category: Upper Middle Income



Human capital – knowledge, skills, and good health – empowers people to achieve their potential and drives economic growth. This brief tracks progress by Kosovo in building and using human capital. The Human Capital Complementary Indicators offer a snapshot of human capital investments at four stages of the lifecycle. The brief uses the latest available data. It is benchmarked against regional averages and reports progress over the previous 5 years.

EARLY CHILDHOOD

- Neonatal mortality rate. The neonatal mortality rate is 7 per 1,000 live births (2023), compared to 9 in 2018. The indicator is higher than the regional average.
- Children who are developmentally on track. In 2020, 91% of children (ages 36-59 months) were developmentally on track in health, learning and psychosocial well-being. The indicator is above the regional average.
- **Postnatal care for newborns.** In 2020, **98%** of newborns had postnatal contact with health providers during their first two days of life. The indicator is higher than the regional average.

SCHOOL AGE

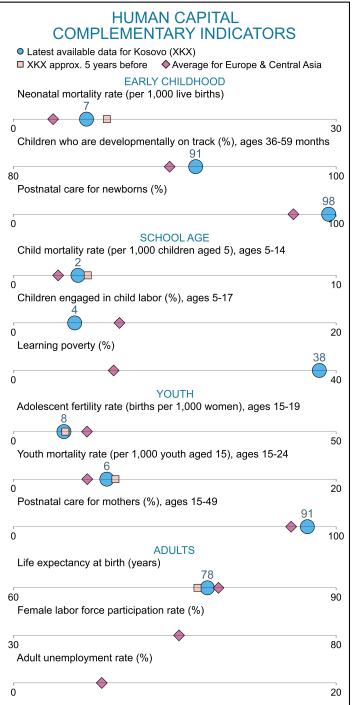
- **Child mortality rate.** The mortality rate for children ages 5-14 is **2** per 1,000 children aged 5 (2023). This remains unchanged since 2018. The indicator is higher than the regional average.
- Children engaged in child labor. The share of children (ages 5-17) who are engaged in economic activities is 4% (2020). The indicator is below the regional average.
- Learning poverty. In 2021, 38% of children could not read and understand a simple text, by age 10. The indicator is higher than the regional average.

YOUTH

- Adolescent fertility rate. The number of births for every 1,000 women ages 15-19 is **8** (2023). This remains unchanged since 2018. The indicator is lower than the regional average.
- Youth mortality rate. The mortality rate of youth ages 15–24 is 6 per 1,000 youth aged 15 (2023). This remains unchanged since 2018. The indicator is above the regional average.
- **Postnatal care for mothers.** In 2020, **91%** of mothers (ages 15-49) had postnatal contact with health providers within 2 days of giving birth. The indicator is higher than the regional average.

ADULTS

- Life expectancy at birth. Life expectancy at birth is 78 years (2023), compared to 77 in 2018. The indicator is lower than the regional average.
- Female labor force participation rate. Internationally comparable data on this indicator is not available for Kosovo. The regional average for this indicator is 56%.
- Adult unemployment rate. Internationally comparable data on this indicator is not available for Kosovo. The regional average for this indicator is 5%.



Note: All values use internationally comparable public datasets. Missing symbols indicate unavailable statistics. Full details can be accessed through the QR code.



