



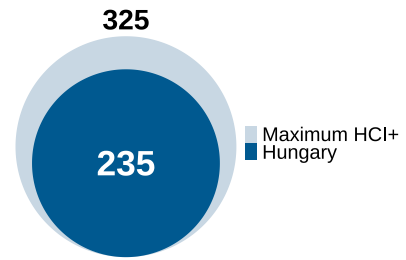
# HUNGARY

Region: Europe & Central Asia  
Income Category: High Income

**Human capital - people’s knowledge, skills, and health - drives productivity and growth.** The Human Capital Index Plus (HCI+) measures the human capital a child born today can expect to accumulate over their working life, extending the original HCI by incorporating tertiary education and work experience. This brief summarizes **Hungary’s** HCI+ score and its performance in building human capital.

## What is Hungary’s HCI+ and what does it mean?

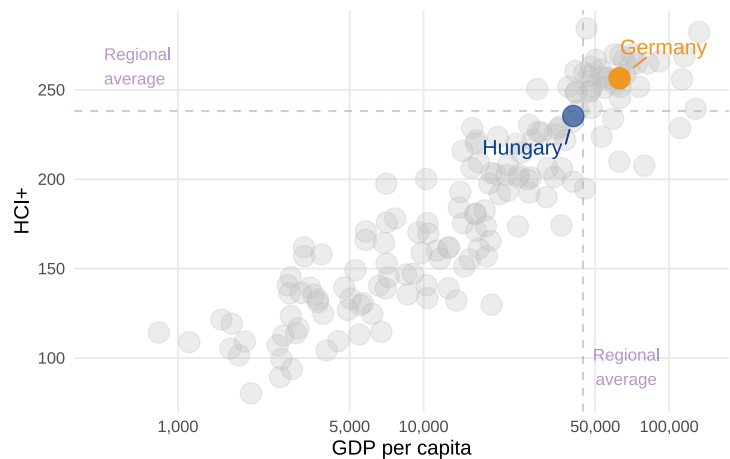
Hungary’s HCI+ score is **235** (out of a maximum of **325**), reflecting its investments in **health, education, and employment**. A 10-point increase in the index would translate into approximately 10 percent higher future income. Closing the current gaps in these areas relative to high-performing countries with similar GDP per capita would boost future income by 35%.



## How does Hungary’s HCI+ compare to other countries?

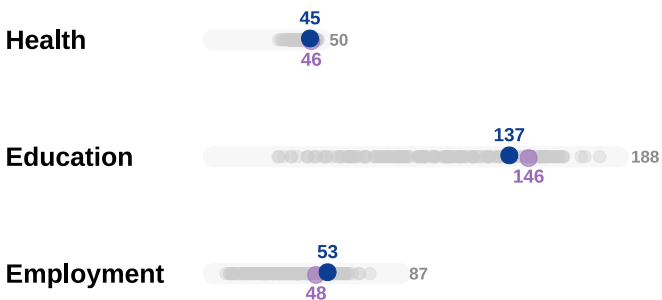
Hungary’s HCI+ is lower than the average for the **Europe & Central Asia region (240)** and lower than the average for **high-income countries (254)**.

Hungary’s HCI+ score is also **21 points lower than Germany’s**.



## What explains Hungary’s HCI+?

The HCI+ has three components corresponding to health, education, and employment.



The HCI+ score for the **Health pillar is 45**, about the same as the **regional average of 46**.

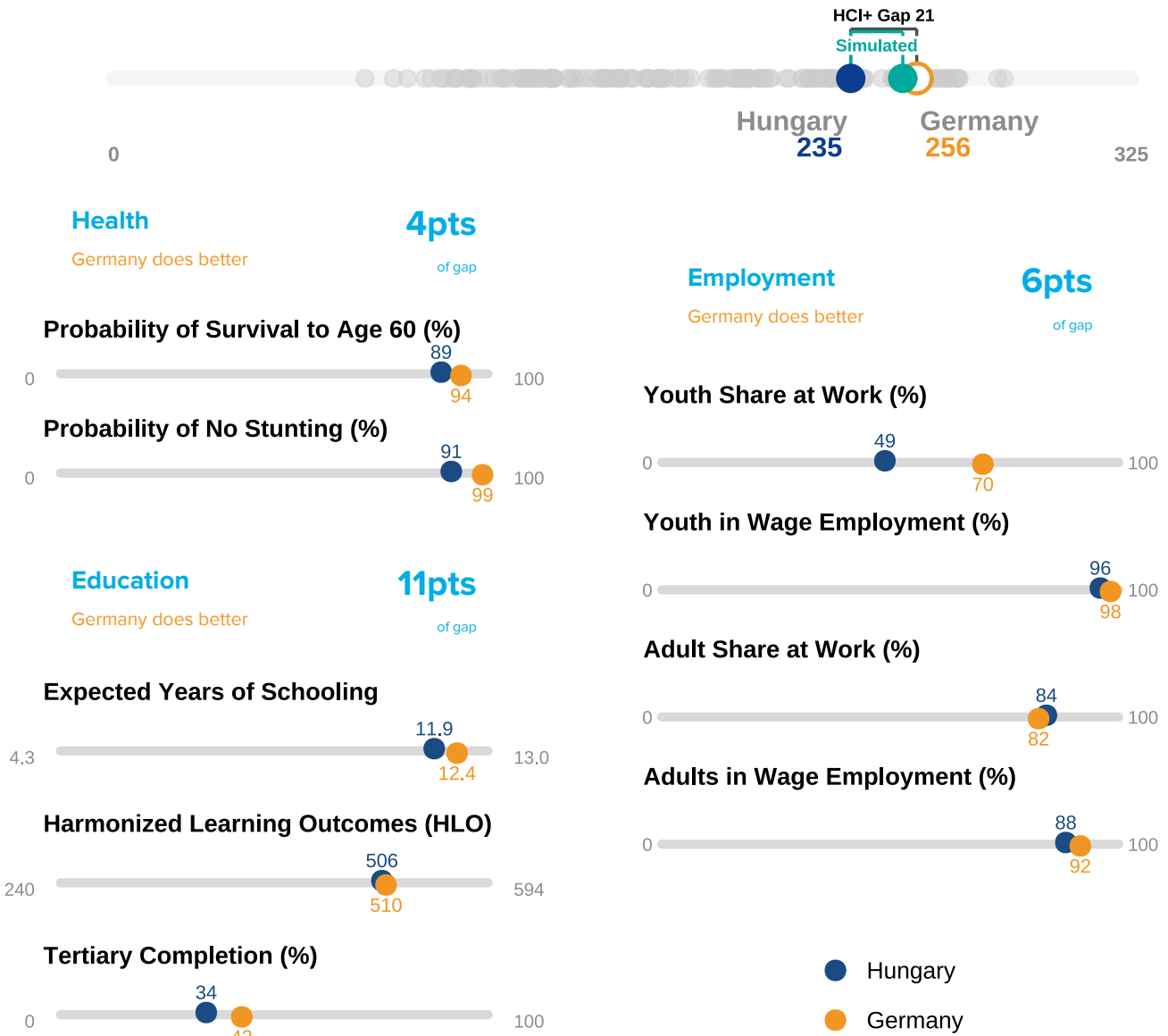
The HCI+ score for the **Education pillar is 137**, lower than the **regional average of 146**.

The HCI+ score for the **Employment pillar is 53**, higher than the **regional average of 48**.



## What indicators are responsible for Hungary's HCI+ gap with Germany?

Hungary's HCI+ score (235) is lower than Germany's (256). The indicators that account for the largest share of the HCI+ gap between Hungary and Germany are **youth share at work, tertiary completion, and expected years of schooling**. Raising these indicators to Germany's levels would increase Hungary's score to 252, boosting future income by approximately 17%.



## What is Hungary's HCI+ gender gap?

The HCI+ score for **women in Hungary is 238** compared to **233 for men**. The 5-point gap indicates that women's earning potential will be 5% higher than men's due to differences in the human capital acquired by men and women in Hungary.



Note: All values are derived from internationally comparable public datasets.

