



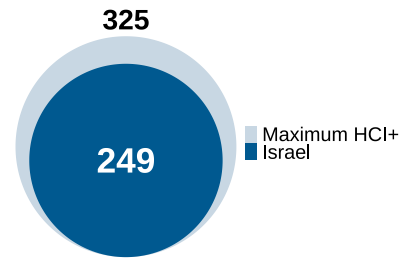
ISRAEL

Region: Middle East, North Africa, Afghanistan & Pakistan
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 **Israel’s** HCI+ score and its performance in building human capital.

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

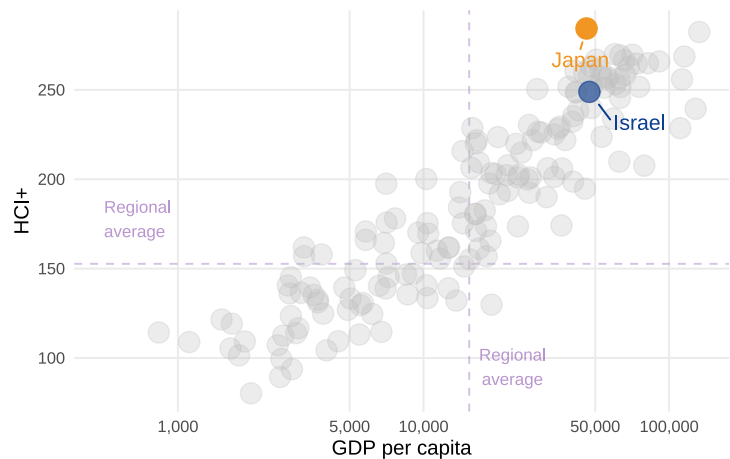
Israel’s HCI+ score is **249** (out of a maximum of **325**), reflecting its investments in **health, education, and employment**. A 10-point increase in the index would translate into approximately 10 percent higher future income. Closing the current gaps in these areas relative to high-performing countries with similar GDP per capita would boost future income by 23%.



How does Israel’s HCI+ compare to other countries?

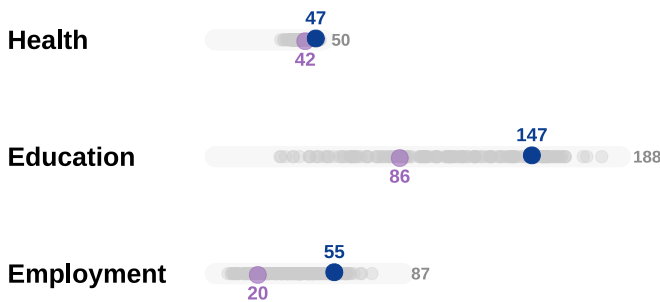
Israel’s HCI+ is higher than the average for the **Middle East, North Africa, Afghanistan & Pakistan region (147)** and lower than the average for **high-income countries (254)**.

Among Israel’s income level peers, **Japan is the top performer in HCI+.**



What explains Israel’s HCI+?

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



The HCI+ score for the **Health pillar is 47**, slightly higher than the **regional average of 42**.

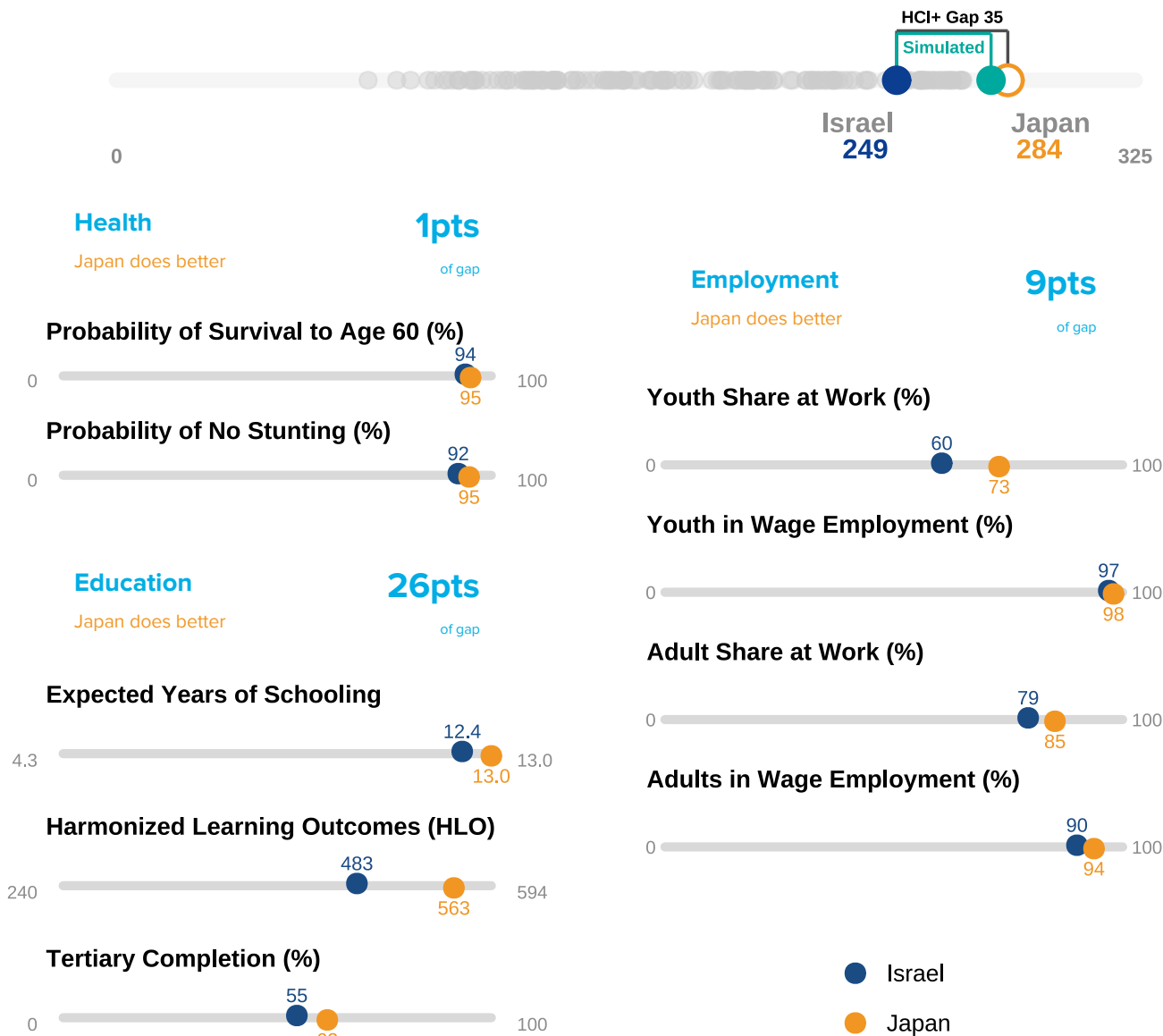
The HCI+ score for the **Education pillar is 147**, higher than the **regional average of 86**.

The HCI+ score for the **Employment pillar is 55**, higher than the **regional average of 20**.



What indicators are responsible for Israel's HCI+ gap with Japan?

Israel's HCI+ score (249) is lower than Japan's (284). The indicators that account for the largest share of the HCI+ gap between Israel and Japan are **Harmonized Learning Outcomes (HLO), expected years of schooling, and adult share at work**. Raising these indicators to Japan's levels would increase Israel's score to 279, boosting future income by approximately 30.1%.



What is Israel's HCI+ gender gap?

The HCI+ score for **women in Israel is 248** compared to **246 for men**. The 2-point gap indicates that women's earning potential will be 2% higher than men's due to differences in the human capital acquired by men and women in Israel.



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

