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 figures show the latest available data, benchmarked against regional averages. The figures also report progress over the previous 5 years.

EARLY CHILDHOOD

- Neonatal mortality rate. The neonatal mortality rate is 7 per 1,000 live births (2022), compared to 9 in 2017. The indicator is higher than 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 above the regional average.
- Minimum meal frequency. Internationally comparable data on this indicator is not available for Kosovo. The regional average for this indicator is 68%.

SCHOOL AGE

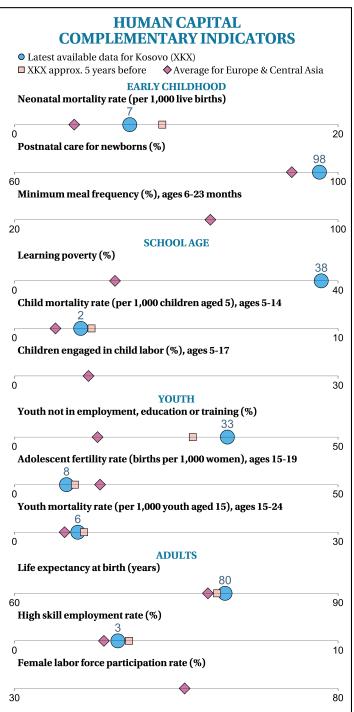
- Learning poverty. In 2021, 38% of children could not read and understand a simple text, by age 10. The indicator is higher than the regional average.
- Child mortality rate. The mortality rate for children ages 5-14 is 2 per 1,000 children aged 5 (2022). This remains unchanged since 2017. The indicator is above the regional average.
- Children engaged in child labor. Internationally comparable data on this indicator is not available for Kosovo. The regional average for this indicator is 7%.

YOUTH

- Youth not in employment, education or training. In 2022, 33% of youth (ages 15-24) were not in employment, education or training, compared to 28% in 2017. The indicator is higher than the regional average.
- Adolescent fertility rate. The number of births for every 1,000 women ages 15-19 is **8** (2022), compared to 9 in 2017. The indicator is below the regional average.
- Youth mortality rate. The mortality rate of youth ages 15–24 is 6 per 1,000 youth aged 15 (2022). This remains unchanged since 2017. The indicator is higher than the regional average.

ADULTS

- Life expectancy at birth. Life expectancy at birth is 80 years (2022), compared to 79 in 2017. The indicator is higher than the regional average.
- **High skill employment rate.** In 2022, **3%** of employed adults worked in high-skilled occupations, compared to 4% in 2017. The indicator is similar to 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%.



Note: Missing symbols indicate internationally comparable data are not available to generate the corresponding statistic.

