

Region: Middle East and North Africa 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 Lebanon 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 10 per 1,000 live births (2022), compared to 8 in 2017. The indicator is higher than the regional average.
- **DTP vaccination rate, third dose.** In 2023, **55%** of infants received the third dose of the diphtheria, tetanus and pertussis vaccine, compared to 77% in 2018. The indicator is below the regional average.
- Net enrollment rate, early childhood education. In 2022, 67% of children at the official age were enrolled at early childhood education, compared to 64% in 2017. The indicator is higher than the regional average.

SCHOOL AGE

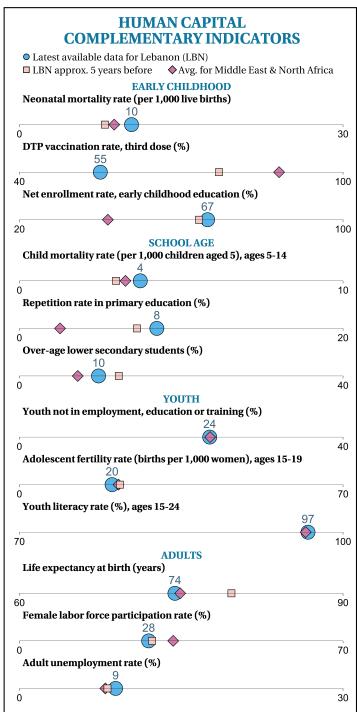
- Child mortality rate. The mortality rate for children ages 5-14 is 4 per 1,000 children aged 5 (2022), compared to 3 in 2017. The indicator is higher than the regional average.
- **Repetition rate in primary education.** In 2021, **8%** of students in primary school remained in the same grade in the following school year, compared to 7% in 2016. The indicator is above the regional average.
- Over-age lower secondary students. The percentage of lower secondary school students who are older than the typical age for their respective school level is 10% (2022), compared to 12% in 2017. The indicator is higher than the regional average.

YOUTH

- Youth not in employment, education or training. In 2019, 24% of youth (ages 15-24) were not in employment, education or training. The indicator is similar to the regional average.
- Adolescent fertility rate. The number of births for every 1,000 women ages 15-19 is **20** (2022), compared to 22 in 2017. The indicator is below the regional average.
- Youth literacy rate. The share of youth (ages 15-24) who are literate is 97% (2018). The indicator is similar to the regional average.

ADULTS

- Life expectancy at birth. Life expectancy at birth is **74** years (2022), compared to 80 in 2017. The indicator is lower than the regional average.
- Female labor force participation rate. Female labor force participation as a percentage of the female working-age population (ages 25+) is 28% (2023), compared to 29% in 2018. The indicator is below the regional average.
- Adult unemployment rate. Unemployed adults as a share of the adult labor force (ages 25+) is **9%** (2023), compared to 8% in 2018. The indicator is higher than the regional average.



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

