



# SOLOMON ISLANDS

Region: East Asia and Pacific

Income Category: Lower Middle Income

**Human capital – knowledge, skills, and good health – empowers people to achieve their potential and drives economic growth.** This brief tracks progress by the Solomon Islands 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 lower than the regional average.
- **Participation rate in organized learning.** In 2019, 66% of children one year younger than the official primary school entry age participated in an organized learning program, compared to 64% in 2015. The indicator is below the regional average.
- **DTP vaccination rate, third dose.** In 2023, 84% of infants received the third dose of the diphtheria, tetanus and pertussis vaccine, compared to 85% in 2018. The indicator is lower than the regional average.

## SCHOOL AGE

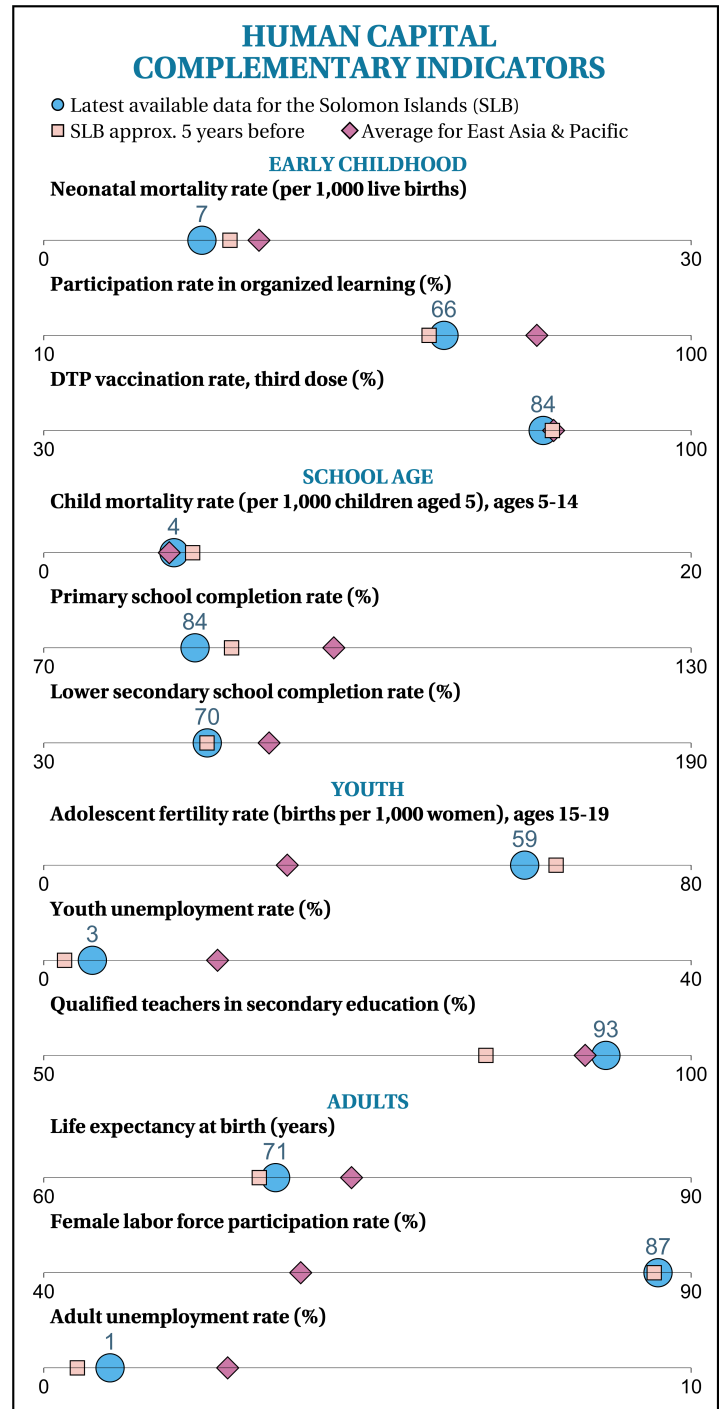
- **Child mortality rate.** The mortality rate for children ages 5-14 is 4 per 1,000 children aged 5 (2022), compared to 5 in 2017. The indicator is similar to the regional average.
- **Primary school completion rate.** The primary school completion rate is 84% (by the official entrance age of the last grade) (2019), compared to 87% in 2015. The indicator is below the regional average.
- **Lower secondary school completion rate.** The lower secondary school completion rate is 70% (by the official entrance age of the last grade) (2019). This remains unchanged since 2017. The indicator is lower than the regional average.

## YOUTH

- **Adolescent fertility rate.** The number of births for every 1,000 women ages 15-19 is 59 (2022), compared to 63 in 2017. The indicator is higher than the regional average.
- **Youth unemployment rate.** Unemployed youth as a share of the youth labor force (ages 15-24) is 3% (2023), compared to 1% in 2018. The indicator is below the regional average.
- **Qualified teachers in secondary education.** The share of secondary school teachers who are qualified is 93% (2018), compared to 84% in 2015. The indicator is higher than the regional average.

## ADULTS

- **Life expectancy at birth.** Life expectancy at birth is 71 years (2022), compared to 70 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 87% (2023). This remains unchanged since 2018. The indicator is above the regional average.
- **Adult unemployment rate.** Unemployed adults as a share of the adult labor force (ages 25+) is 1% (2023). This remains unchanged since 2018. The indicator is lower than the regional average.



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

