



# ST. VINCENT AND THE GRENADINES

Region: Latin America and Caribbean  
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 St. Vincent and the Grenadines 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 **6** per 1,000 live births (2022), compared to 8 in 2017. The indicator is lower than the regional average.
- **Participation rate in organized learning.** In 2018, **100%** of children one year younger than the official primary school entry age participated in an organized learning program, compared to 97% in 2015. The indicator is above the regional average.
- **DTP vaccination rate, third dose.** In 2023, **94%** of infants received the third dose of the diphtheria, tetanus and pertussis vaccine, compared to 97% in 2018. The indicator is higher than the regional average.

## SCHOOL AGE

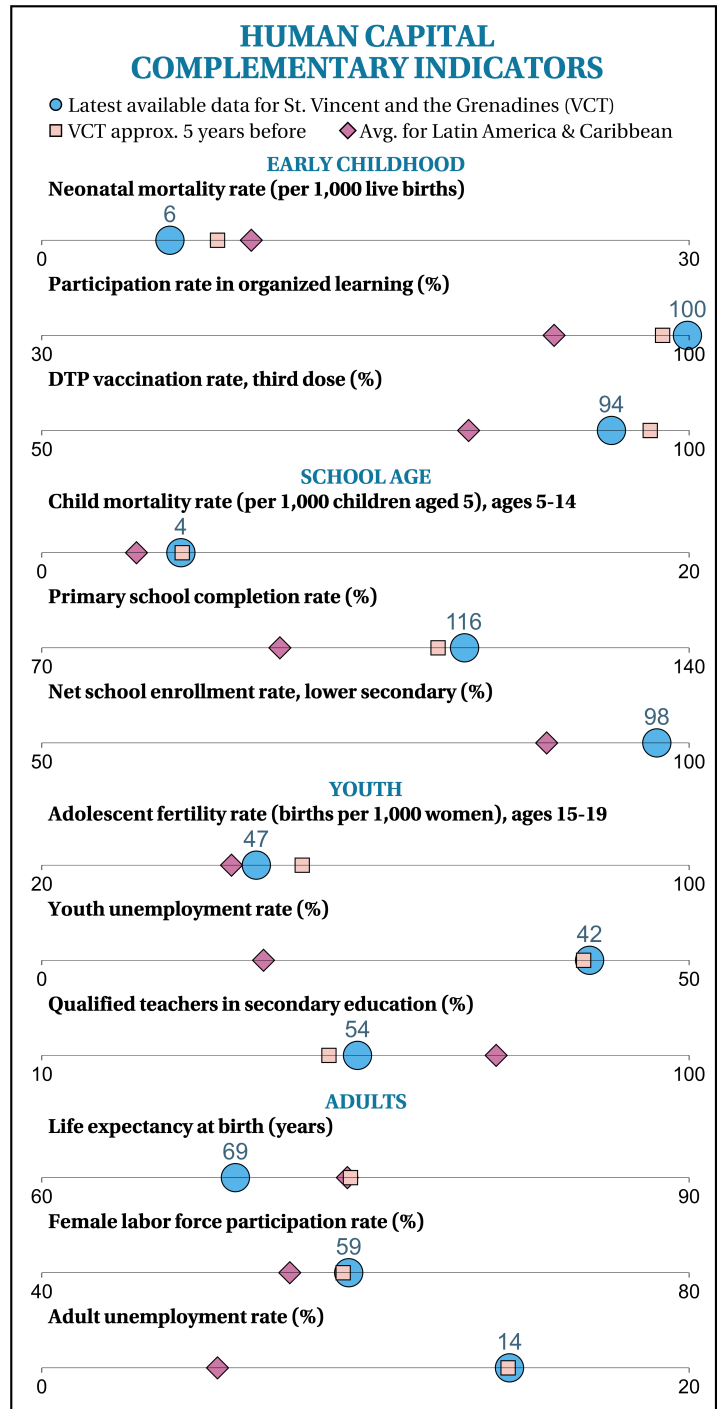
- **Child mortality rate.** The mortality rate for children ages 5-14 is **4** per 1,000 children aged 5 (2022). This remains unchanged since 2017. The indicator is higher than the regional average.
- **Primary school completion rate.** The primary school completion rate is **116%** (by the official entrance age of the last grade) (2021), compared to 113% in 2016. The indicator is above the regional average.
- **Net school enrollment rate, lower secondary.** The percentage of lower secondary school-aged children enrolled is **98%** (2020). The indicator is higher than the regional average.

## YOUTH

- **Adolescent fertility rate.** The number of births for every 1,000 women ages 15-19 is **47** (2022), compared to 52 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 **42%** (2023). This remains unchanged since 2018. The indicator is above the regional average.
- **Qualified teachers in secondary education.** The share of secondary school teachers who are qualified is **54%** (2018), compared to 50% in 2015. The indicator is lower than the regional average.

## ADULTS

- **Life expectancy at birth.** Life expectancy at birth is **69** years (2022), compared to 74 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 **59%** (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 **14%** (2023). This remains unchanged since 2018. The indicator is higher than the regional average.



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

