



DOMINICA

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 Dominica 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 brief uses the latest available data. It is benchmarked against regional averages and reports progress over the previous 5 years.

EARLY CHILDHOOD

- **Neonatal mortality rate.** The neonatal mortality rate is **31** per 1,000 live births (2023), compared to 28 in 2018. The indicator is higher than the regional average.
- **DTP vaccination rate, third dose.** In 2024, **90%** of infants received the third dose of the diphtheria, tetanus and pertussis vaccine, compared to 99% in 2019. The indicator is above the regional average.
- **Pre-primary school gross enrollment ratio.** The pre-primary school gross enrollment ratio is **66%** (by the official age) (2021), compared to 96% in 2016. The indicator is lower than the regional average.

SCHOOL AGE

- **Child mortality rate.** The mortality rate for children ages 5-14 is **2** per 1,000 children aged 5 (2023), compared to 3 in 2018. The indicator is lower than the regional average.
- **Primary school completion rate.** The primary school completion rate is **89%** (by the official entrance age of the last grade) (2023), compared to 101% in 2016. The indicator is below the regional average.
- **Net school enrollment rate, lower secondary.** The percentage of lower secondary school-aged children enrolled is **99%** (2019), compared to 98% in 2015. The indicator is higher than the regional average.

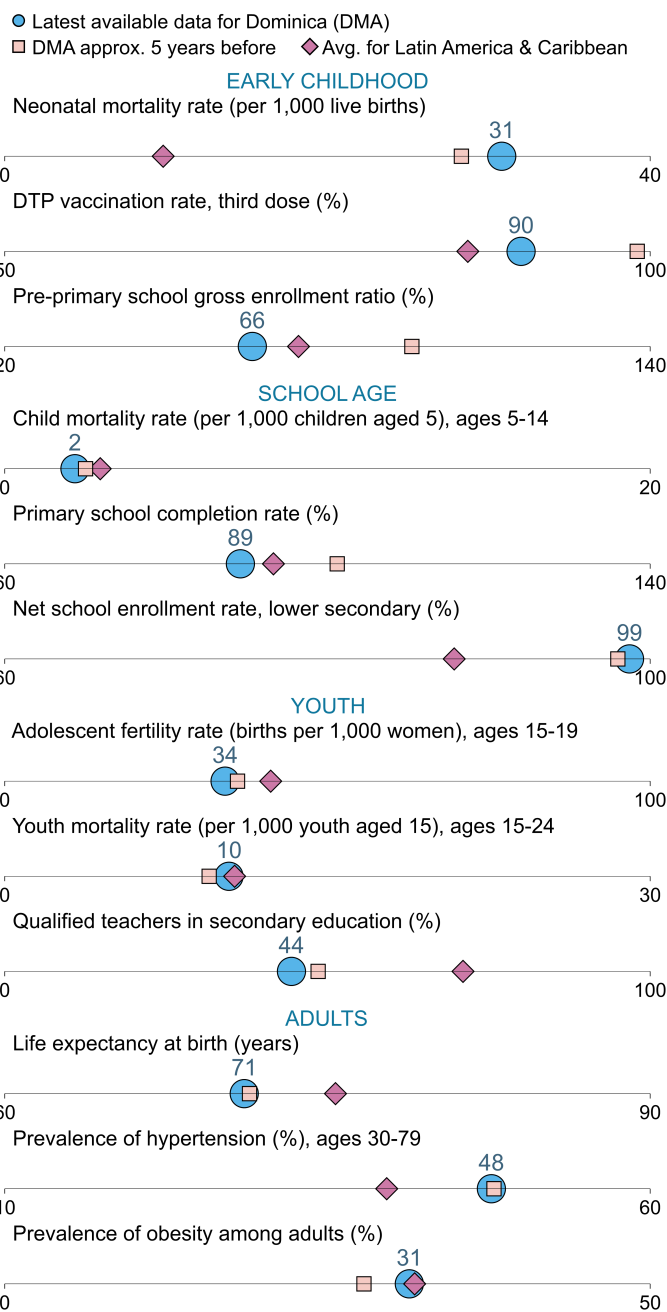
YOUTH

- **Adolescent fertility rate.** The number of births for every 1,000 women ages 15-19 is **34** (2023), compared to 36 in 2018. The indicator is lower than the regional average.
- **Youth mortality rate.** The mortality rate of youth ages 15-24 is **10** per 1,000 youth aged 15 (2023). This remains unchanged since 2018. The indicator is below the regional average.
- **Qualified teachers in secondary education.** The share of secondary school teachers who are qualified is **44%** (2023), compared to 49% in 2016. The indicator is lower than the regional average.

ADULTS

- **Life expectancy at birth.** Life expectancy at birth is **71** years (2023). This remains unchanged since 2018. The indicator is lower than the regional average.
- **Prevalence of hypertension.** The prevalence of hypertension among people ages 30-79 is **48%** (2019). This remains unchanged since 2015. The indicator is above the regional average.
- **Prevalence of obesity among adults.** The percentage of adults ages 18+ years who are obese is **31%** (2022), compared to 28% in 2017. The indicator is lower than the regional average.

HUMAN CAPITAL COMPLEMENTARY INDICATORS



Note: All values use internationally comparable public datasets. Missing symbols indicate unavailable statistics. Full details can be accessed through the QR code.

