

The Democratic People's Republic of Korea

Illustrative Human Capital Indicators

This country profile presents a snapshot of illustrative indicators to guide discussions during the Annual Meetings while the set of more strategic indicators are under development. It is intended to be a conversation starter on where a country is on various aspects of human capital development and, as such, it includes indicators from various sectors. It is to be noted that not all the indicators included here are relevant for each country. Information contained here should be complemented with other more context-specific indicators.

In the Democratic People's Republic of Korea there are not enough data to calculate the productivity as a future worker of a child born today. The HCI has three components: survival to age 5, health, and education. For more information on the HCI, please visit www.worldbank.org/humancapitalproject.

ILLUSTRATIVE OUTCOME AND OUTPUT INDICATORS

- **Women, Business and the Law Index.** In the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, data on the women, business and the law index do not exist. The average for the country's region is 72 and the average for its income group is 72.
- **Adolescent Fertility Rate.** In the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, there are **0 births** per 1,000 women ages 15-19. This is lower than both the average for its region (27) and the average for its income group (98).
- **Contraceptive Prevalence.** In the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, **78 percent** of women ages 15-49 uses some form of contraceptive method. This is higher than both the average for its region (51) and the average for its income group (29).
- **Social Protection Coverage.** In the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, data on the percentage of the population that is covered by social safety nets do not exist. The average for the country's region is 46 percent and for its income group is 46 percent.
- **Open Defecation.** In the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, **0 percent** of the population practices open defecation. This is lower than both the average for its region (7) and the average for its income group (25).
- **Hygiene.** In the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, data on the percentage of the population that has basic hygiene services (soap and water) do not exist. The average for the country's region is 63 percent and for its income group is 19 percent.
- **Source of Drinking Water.** In the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, **95 percent** of the population has at least basic source of drinking water. This is higher than both the average for its region (92) and the average for its income group (62).
- **Cooking Fuel.** In the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, **11 percent** of the population primarily uses clean cooking fuels. This is lower than the average for its region (52) but higher than the average for its income group (7).
- **Access to Electricity.** In the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, **44 percent** of the population has access to electricity. This is lower than the average for its region (92) but higher than the average for its income group (38).
- **Road Traffic Deaths.** In the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, for every 100,000 people **21 people** die due to road traffic injury. This is higher than the average for its region (13) but lower than the average for its income group (28).