

# São Tomé and Príncipe

## Commitment to Human Capital - Scorecard

This scorecard presents a snapshot of the country's commitment to the human capital agenda and the World Bank Group's support for the social sectors.

### INDICATORS IN THE AFRICA HUMAN CAPITAL PLAN

- **Human Capital Index.** In São Tomé and Príncipe there are no 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 human capital outcomes and the HCI, please see the country two-pager on [www.worldbank.org/humancapitalproject](http://www.worldbank.org/humancapitalproject)
- **Adolescent Fertility Rate.** In São Tomé and Príncipe, there are **95 births** per 1,000 women ages 15-19. This is higher than the Africa Human Capital Target for 2023 (83).
- **Social Protection Coverage.** In São Tomé and Príncipe, data on the percentage of the population that is covered by social safety nets do not exist. The Africa Human Capital target for 2023 is 30 percent.
- **Open Defecation.** In São Tomé and Príncipe, **50 percent** of the population practices open defecation. This is higher than the Africa Human Capital Target for 2023 (15).

### INDICATORS ON WOMEN'S EMPOWERMENT

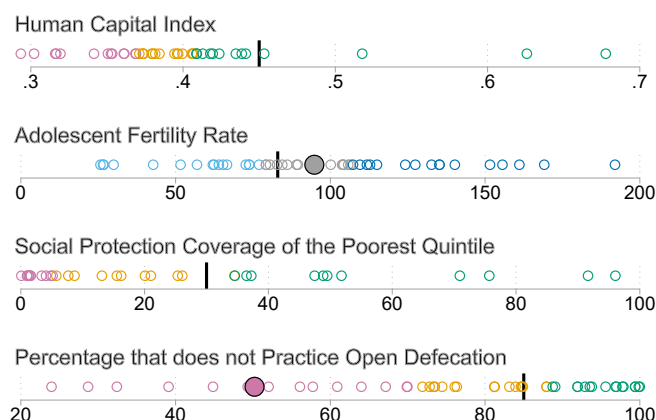
- **Total Fertility Rate.** In São Tomé and Príncipe, the total fertility rate is **4.4** births per woman. This is lower than the average for its region (4.5) but higher than the average for its income group (3.1).
- **Contraceptive Prevalence.** In São Tomé and Príncipe, **41 percent** of women ages 15-49 uses some form of contraceptive method. This is higher than the average for its region (31) but lower than the average for its income group (49).
- **Women, Business and the Law Index.** This index measures gender equality in the law (how the economic decisions women make are affected by the law), with a larger value showing higher gender equality. In São Tomé and Príncipe, the value is **77** out of 100. This is higher than both the average for its region (70) and the average for its income group (69).
- **Net Enrolment Rate in Secondary School.** In São Tomé and Príncipe, **68 percent** of girls of secondary-school age are enrolled in secondary school. This is higher than both the average for its region (35) and the average for its income group (58).

### DOMESTIC RESOURCE USE AND MOBILIZATION

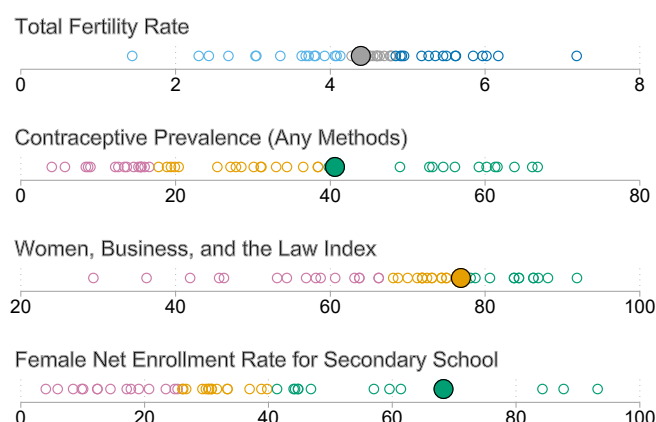
- **Health Spending.** São Tomé and Príncipe spends **7.4 percent** of its government budget on health. This is lower than both the regional average (7.6) and the average for its income group (7.7).
- **Education Spending.** São Tomé and Príncipe spends **16 percent** of its government budget on education. This is higher than both the regional average (15.3) and the average for its income group (15.7).
- **Social Protection Spending.** In São Tomé and Príncipe, data on social protection spending do not exist. The average for the country's region is 9.9 percent and for its income group is 9.3 percent.

## 1. Human Capital Context

### Indicators in the Africa Human Capital Plan

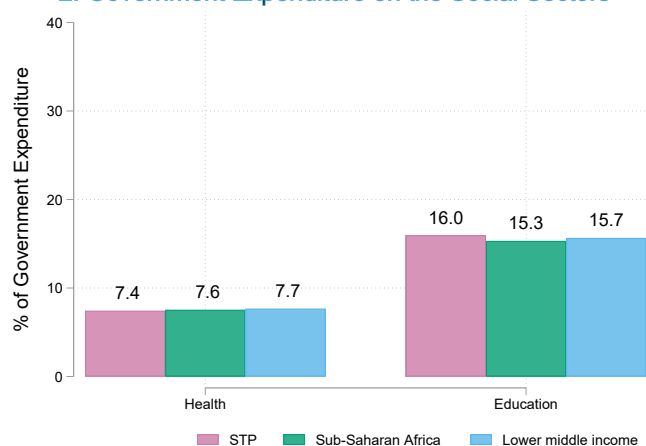


### Indicators on Women's Empowerment

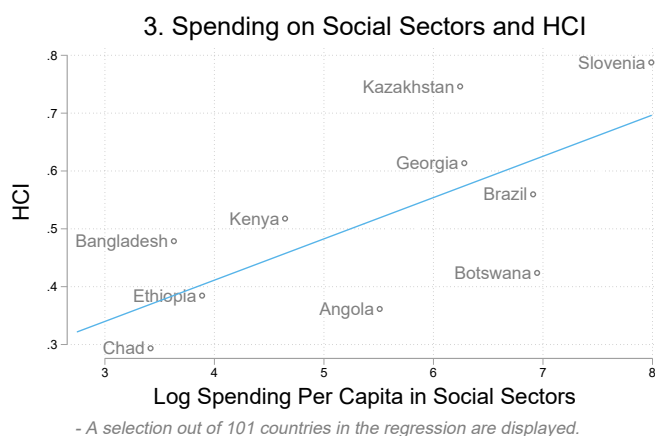


- Large circle=São Tomé and Príncipe ; small circles=other countries.  
 - Vertical lines refer to regional targets.  
 - Pink/light blue=1st tercile; orange/gray=2nd tercile; green/blue=3rd tercile

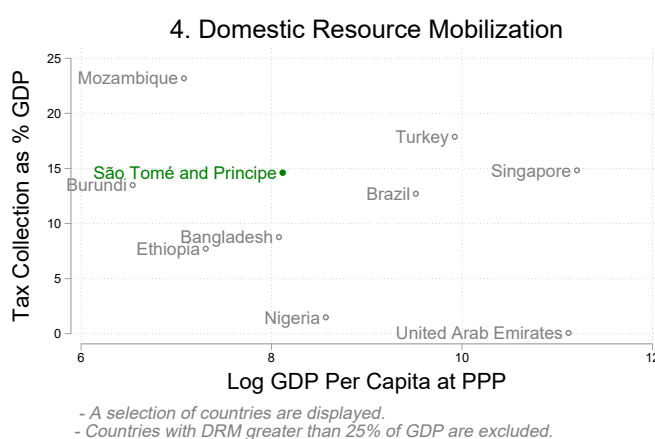
## 2. Government Expenditure on the Social Sectors



- **Efficiency of Spending.** Given the lack of data, it is not possible to predict if the HCI in São Tomé and Príncipe is higher or lower than what would be predicted for its level of per capita government spending.



- **Domestic Resource Mobilization.** The tax revenue in São Tomé and Príncipe is **14.6** percent of GDP. This is lower than both the regional average (16.1) and the average for its income group (15.6).



- **Statistical Data on Human Capital.** In São Tomé and Príncipe, data on stunting rate and Harmonized Learning Outcomes are unavailable after year 2000.

#### HOW IS THE WORLD BANK SUPPORTING THE EFFORT?

The following table summarizes the World Bank's investments in Human Development for São Tomé and Príncipe, including measures of volume, performance, and other relevant indicators.

World Bank Investments in HD				
Indicator	HD	Edu	HNP	SPJ
<b>HD Portfolio</b>				
USD (million)	10	0	0	10
% of total	1,493	0	0	1,493
Diff. from regional average %	-989	-701	-890	+602
Diff. from income group avg %	-203	-499	-605	+901
<b>HD FY 20 Lending Program</b>				
USD (million)	15	15	9	0
% of total	100	100	0	0
Diff. from regional average %	+62	+89	-12	-15
Diff. from income group avg %	+76	+83	-4	-4
<b>HD Performance</b>				
Average Development Outcome	5	.	.	5
Diff. from regional average %	+0.48	.	.	+0.34
Diff. from income group avg %	+0.54	.	.	+0.45
% Satisfactory DO	100	.	.	100
Average Implementation Progress	5	.	.	5
Diff. from regional average %	+0.67	.	.	+0.47
Diff. from income group avg %	+0.73	.	.	+0.59
% Satisfactory IP	100	.	.	100
Disbursement ratio	1	.	.	20
Diff. from regional average %	-5	.	.	+12
Diff. from income group avg %	-3	.	.	+15
<b>Other indicators</b>				
Average project size (USD mill.)	10	0	0	10
Diff. from regional average %	-80	-70	-70	-93
Diff. from income group avg %	-129	-91	-113	-118
% of portfolio that is co-TTL'd	100	.	.	100
Diff. from regional average %	+72	.	.	+68
Diff. from income group avg %	+76	.	.	+74

Note: a) **Pink** indicates that the value is within the first tercile of the distribution for all the countries. **Orange** indicates that the value is within the second tercile. **Green** indicates that it is within the third tercile. b) FY20 lending program includes only projects rated A and B. c) DO and IP are on a scale of 1 to 6 where 1 is Highly Unsatisfactory and 6 is Highly Satisfactory. d) Data as of September 5, 2019.

#### OTHER RELEVANT INDICATORS

- **Human Capital Project.** São Tomé and Príncipe is part of a network of countries committed to the Human Capital agenda.
- **Building Human Capital.** The Country Policy and Institutional Assessment rating for building human resources in São Tomé and Príncipe is **3.5** (1 is low and 6 is high). This is lower than both the regional average (3.5) and the average for its income group (3.6). This indicator assesses the national policies and public and private sector service delivery that affect access to and quality of health and education services.
- **Identification.** In São Tomé and Príncipe, **2.4 percent** of the population does not have proof of identity. This is lower than both the regional average (33.8) and the average for its income group (20.3).

- **Human Capital Policy Operations.** Currently, the pipeline for São Tomé and Príncipe does not include any Development Policy Operation with a Human Capital-related component or prior action.
- **Women's Empowerment Project.** Currently, the pipeline for São Tomé and Príncipe does not have an active project focused on women empowerment or on sexual and reproductive health.

This scorecard is intended to be a conversation starter on where a country is on various aspects of human capital development and the state of the World Bank's support in the social sectors. The list of indicators presented here is not exhaustive and should be complemented with more context specific variables. Most of the indicators are related to the Africa Human Capital Plan.



The sources of data for the different indicators include: the Human Capital Project, the World Development Indicators, and the World Bank's internal system to monitor investments.

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