



## TIMOR-LESTE: HUMAN DEVELOPMENT INDEX (HDI) VALUES AND RANKS

The Table below shows Timor-Leste's comparative level of human development, the number of years a new born baby is expected to live, the country's human development position in the world, the average real incomes of the population, and the real growth rates of gross national income (GNI) and human development.

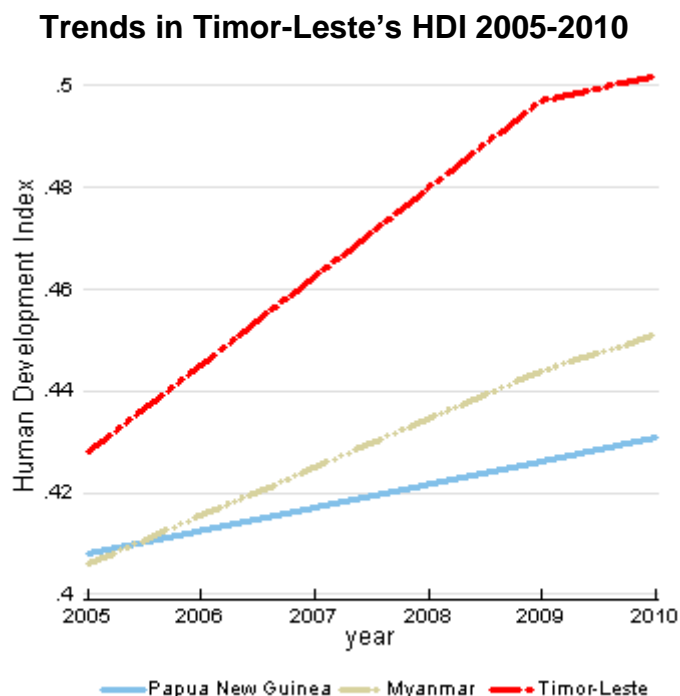
Between 2005 and 2010, Timor-Leste's HDI value increased from 0.428 to 0.502, an increase of 17 percent or an average annual increase of about 3.2 percent.

Between 2005 and 2010, Timor-Leste's life expectancy at birth increased by over 2 years, while mean years of schooling and expected years of schooling remained the same. Timor-Leste's GNI per capita increased by 228 percent during the same period.

### Timor-Leste Progress in Human Development Values, 2002-2010

Year	HDI	Rank of HDI (number of countries)	Annual % change of HDI	Life Expectancy	GNI pc (PPP, 2008\$)	Logarithm (GNI pc)	Annual % change of Logarithm (GNI pc)
2000	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	56.22	967	6.874	n.a.
2001	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	57.06	819	6.708	-2.4
2002	0.375	120 (of 140)	n.a.	57.83	823	6.713	0.1
2003	0.375	123 (of 143)	-0.1	58.51	796	6.680	-0.5
2004	0.401	120 (of 144)	7.0	59.13	1,105	7.007	4.9
2005	0.428	131 (of 169)	6.7	59.69	1,617	7.388	5.4
2006	0.445	128 (of 169)	4.0	60.20	2,087	7.643	3.5
2007	0.471	127 (of 169)	5.6	60.68	3,178	8.064	5.5
2008	0.492	121 (of 169)	4.6	61.14	4,692	8.454	4.8
2009	0.497	120 (of 169)	1.0	61.60	4,996	8.516	0.7
2010	0.502	120 (of 169)	0.9	62.06	5,303	8.576	0.7

Long-term progress can be usefully assessed relative to a country's neighbours; both in terms of geographical location and HDI value. For instance, in 2005, Timor-Leste, Papua New Guinea and Myanmar had close HDI values for countries in East Asia and the Pacific. However, during the period between 2005 and 2010 the three countries experienced different degrees of progress towards increasing their HDIs (see Figure below).



Timor-Leste's 2010 HDI of 0.502 is below the average of 0.650 for countries in East Asia and the Pacific. It is also below the average of 0.592 for medium human development countries. From East Asia and the Pacific, Timor-Leste's 2010 "HDI neighbours", i.e. countries which are close in HDI rank and population size, are Fiji and the Solomon Islands, which had HDIs ranked 86 and 123 respectively (see Table below). Timor-Leste is also compared to Malaysia, a high human development country.

### Timor-Leste's HDI Indicators for 2010 Relative to Selected Countries and Region

Countries	HDI value	HDI rank	Life expectancy at birth	Expected years of schooling	Mean years of schooling	GNI per capita (PPP US\$)
<b>Timor-Leste</b>	<b>0.502</b>	<b>120</b>	<b>62.1</b>	<b>11.2</b>	<b>2.8</b>	<b>5,303</b>
Fiji	0.669	86	69.2	13.0	11.0	4,315
Solomon Islands	0.494	123	67.0	9.1	4.5	2,172
Malaysia	0.744	57	74.7	12.5	9.5	13,927
East Asia and the Pacific	0.650	—	72.8	11.7	7.3	7,207
<b>Medium HDI</b>	<b>0.592</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>69.3</b>	<b>11.0</b>	<b>6.3</b>	<b>5,134</b>