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Countdown to 2030

Women's, Children's & Adolescents' Health

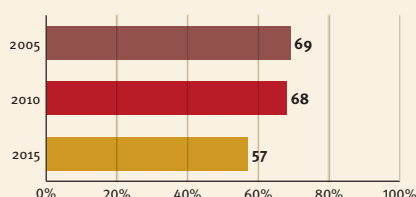
Demographics

Population	10 872 000
Annual births	397 000
Children under 5	1 775 000 (16%)
Under 5 mortality	98/1 000

Threats to Early Childhood Development

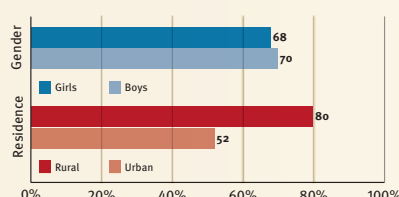
Maternal mortality	405/100 000	Young mothers (births by 18y)	19%
Low birthweight	15%	Preterm births	11%
Child poverty	50%	Under 5 stunting	34%
Harsh punishment	91%	Inadequate supervision	28%

Young children at risk of poor development

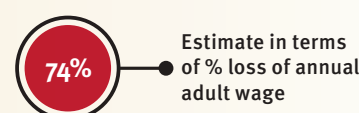


At risk in 2005, 2010 and 2015, using a composite indicator of under 5 stunting or poverty

Risks by gender and residence



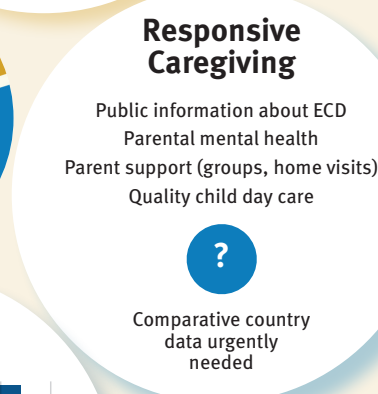
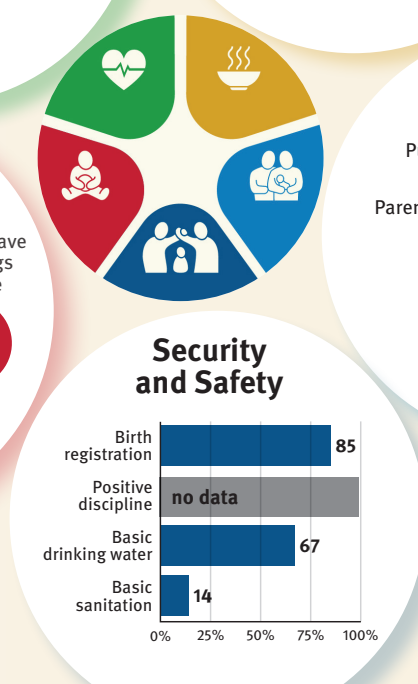
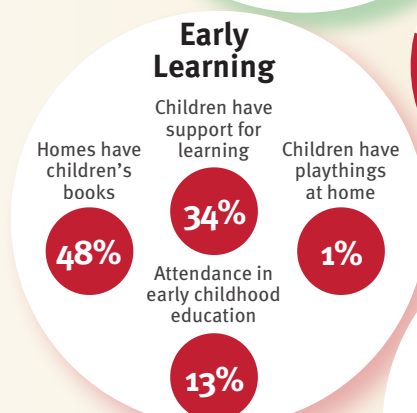
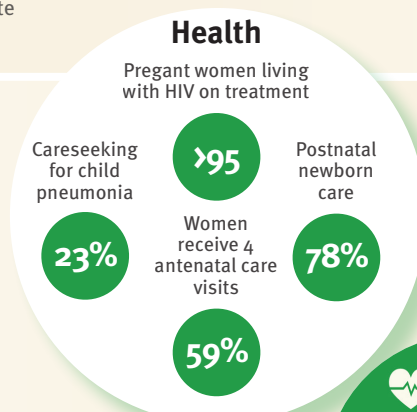
Lifetime cost of growth deficit in early childhood



Support and services for Early Childhood Development: Nurturing Care

Parents and caregivers need a facilitating environment of laws, policies, services and community support to assist them to provide their young children with nurturing care.

Support and services for Early Childhood Development: Facilitating Environments



Policies		
✓	Paid maternity leave	✗ Paid paternity leave
✓	National minimum wage	
✗	Child and family social protection	
✓	International Code of Marketing of Breastmilk Substitutes	

International Conventions	
✓	Convention on the Rights of the Child
✓	Convention on the Rights of People with Disabilities
✓	CRC Sale of Children, Child Prostitution & Child Pornography
✗	Convention on Protection of Children and Cooperation in Respect of Intercountry Adoption