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Countdown to 2030

Women's, Children's & Adolescents' Health

Demographics

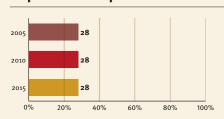
Population	37 203 000
Annual births	1 212 000
Children under 5	5 738 000 (15%)
Under 5 mortality	31/1 000

Threats to Early Childhood Development

Maternal mortality	50/100 000
Low birthweight	13%
Child poverty	2%
Harsh punishment	79%

Young mothers (births by 18y)	12%
Preterm births	7%
Under 5 stunting	26%
Inadequate supervision	58%

Young children at risk of poor development

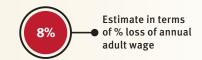


Risks by gender and residence

early childhood education



Lifetime cost of growth deficit in early childhood



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

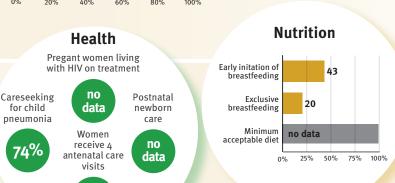
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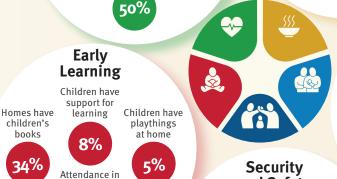
Nurturing Care

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







Public information about ECD
Parental mental health
Parent support (groups, home visits)
Quality child day care

Responsive Caregiving

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Comparative country data urgently needed

Pol	licies		
V	Paid maternity leave	×	Paid paternity leave
V	National minimum wage		
V	Child and family social protection		
V	International Code of Marketing of Breastmilk Substitutes		

International Conventions		
V	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	