



Jamaica

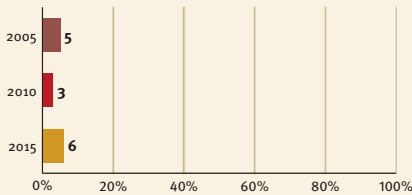
Demographics

Population	2 881 000
Annual births	48 000
Children under 5	205 000 (7%)
Under 5 mortality	15/1 000

Threats to Early Childhood Development

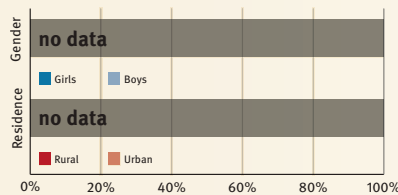
Maternal mortality	89/100 000	Young mothers (births by 18y)	1%
Low birthweight	13%	Preterm births	10%
Child poverty	no data	Under 5 stunting	6%
Harsh punishment	85%	Inadequate supervision	88%

Young children at risk of poor development

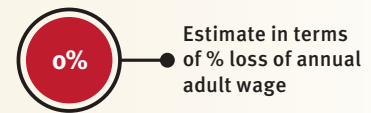


At risk in 2005, 2010 and 2015, using a composite indicator of under 5 stunting or poverty

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

Health

- Pregant women living with HIV on treatment: 95%
- Careseeking for child pneumonia: 82%
- Postnatal newborn care: no data
- Women receive 4 antenatal care visits: 86%

Nutrition

- Early initiation of breastfeeding: 65%
- Exclusive breastfeeding: 24%
- Minimum acceptable diet: no data

Early Learning

- Homes have children's books: 61%
- Children have support for learning: 2%
- Children have playthings at home: 55%
- Attendance in early childhood education: 92%



Responsive Caregiving

- Public information about ECD: ?
- Parental mental health: ?
- Parent support (groups, home visits): ?
- Quality child day care: ?
- Comparative country data urgently needed: ?

Security and Safety

- Birth registration: 100%
- Positive discipline: 89%
- Basic drinking water: 93%
- Basic sanitation: 85%

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