Benin

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
Low birthweight 15%
Child poverty 50%
Harsh punishment 91%

Young children at risk of poor development

Risks by gender and residence

Support and services for Early Childhood Development: Nurturing Care

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Support and services for Early Childhood Development: Facilitating Environments

Nutrition

Early Learning

Health

Responsive Caregiving

Security and Safety

Policies

International Conventions

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Estimate in terms of % loss of annual adult wage

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

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Policies

✔ Paid maternity leave
✘ Paid paternity leave
✔ National minimum wage
✘ Child and family social protection
✔ International Code of Marketing of Breastmilk Substitutes

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