**EARLY CHILDHOOD DEVELOPMENT**

## China

### Demographics
- **Population**: 1403 500 000
- **Annual births**: 17 035 000
- **Children under 5**: 85 866 000 (6%)
- **Under 5 mortality**: 10/1 000

### Threats to Early Childhood Development
- **Maternal mortality**: 27/100 000
- **Low birthweight**: no data
- **Child poverty**: 3%
- **Harsh punishment**: no data
- **Young mothers (births by 18y)**: no data
- **Preterm births**: 1%
- **Under 5 stunting**: 13%

### Young children at risk of poor development

### Risks by gender and residence

### Lifetime cost of growth deficit in early childhood

- Estimate in terms of % loss of annual adult wage

## 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
- 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

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