**Early Childhood Development**

**Mexico**

### Demographics
- Population: 127,540,000
- Annual births: 2,330,000
- Children under 5: 11,581,000 (9%)
- Under 5 mortality: 15/1,000

### Threats to Early Childhood Development
- Maternal mortality: 38/100,000
- Low birthweight: 9%
- Child poverty: 3%
- Harsh punishment: 63%
- Under 5 mortality: 15/1,000
- Preterm births by 18y: 7%
- Under 5 stunting: 12%
- Inadequate supervision: 76%

### Risks by gender and residence

#### Young children at risk of poor development

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

### 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.

#### Facilitating Environments

- Homes have children’s books: 76%
- Children have support for learning: 5%
- Attendance in early childhood education: 35%
- Children have playthings at home: 60%
- Early initiation of breastfeeding: 73%
- Women receive 4 antenatal care visits: 94%
- Postnatal newborn care: 95%
- Minimum acceptable diet: 51%
- Exclusive breastfeeding: 31%
- Public information about ECD: ?
- Parental mental health: ?
- Parent support (groups, home visits): ?
- Quality child day care: ?
- Comparative country data urgently needed

### Policies

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

### 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

**Support and services for Early Childhood Development:**

**Nutrition**

- Healthy diet: 13%
- Minimum acceptable diet: 53%
- Exclusive breastfeeding: 31%
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- Early initiation of breastfeeding: 73%
- Women receive 4 antenatal care visits: 94%
- Postnatal newborn care: 95%
- Public information about ECD: ?
- Parental mental health: ?
- Parent support (groups, home visits): ?
- Quality child day care: ?
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**Health**

- Pregnant women living with HIV on treatment: 58%
- Women receive 4 antenatal care visits: 95%
- Early birth: 21%
- Under 5 mortality: 15/1,000
- Preterm births: 7%
- Under 5 stunting: 12%
- Inadequate supervision: 76%