Early childhood development
Papua New Guinea

Demographics
Population: 8,085,000
Annual births: 221,000
Children under 5: 1,033,000 (13%)
Under 5 mortality: 54/1,000

Threats to Early Childhood Development
Maternal mortality: 215/100,000
Low birthweight: 11%
Child poverty: no data
Harsh punishment: no data
Young mothers (births by 18y): 14%
Preterm births: 7%
Under 5 stunting: 38%
Inadequate supervision: no data

Young children at risk of poor development

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

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