**Vietnam**

### Demographics
- Population: 94,569,000
- Annual births: 1,582,000
- Children under 5: 7,761,000 (8%)
- Under 5 mortality: 22/1,000

### Threats to Early Childhood Development
- Maternal mortality: 54/100,000
- Low birthweight: 5%
- Child poverty: 5%
- Harsh punishment: 68%
- Young mothers (births by 18y): 5%
- Preterm births: 9%
- Under 5 stunting: 25%
- Inadequate supervision: 76%

### 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

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**Nutrition**

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**Health**

- Pregnant women living with HIV on treatment: 81%
- Careseeking for child pneumonia: 66%
- Women receive 4 antenatal care visits: 90%
- Postnatal newborn care: 74%

**Early Learning**

- Children have support for learning: 7%
- Children have playthings at home: 26%
- Homes have children’s books: 52%
- Attendance in early childhood education: 7%

**Security and Safety**

- Birth registration: 96%
- Positive discipline: 91%
- Basic drinking water: 87%
- Basic sanitation: 78%

**Responsive Caregiving**

- Public information about ECD
- Parental mental health
- Parent support (groups, home visits)
- Quality child day care

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**Risks by gender and residence**

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**Lifetime cost of growth deficit in early childhood**

Estimate in terms of % loss of annual adult wage: 74%