Yemen

Demographics
Population 27,584,000
Annual births 867,000
Children under 5 4,075,000 (15%)
Under 5 mortality 55/1,000

Threats to Early Childhood Development
Maternal mortality 385/100,000
Low birthweight 32%
Child poverty 21%
Harsh punishment 79%
Young mothers (births by 18y) 17%
Premature births 13%
Under 5 stunting 47%
Inadequate supervision 33%

Young children at risk of poor development

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

Nutrition
- Early initiation of breastfeeding
- Exclusive breastfeeding
- Minimum acceptable diet

Health
- Pregnant women living with HIV on treatment
- Careseeking for child pneumonia
- Women receive 4 antenatal care visits
- Postnatal newborn care
- 20% exclusive breastfeeding

Early Learning
- Children have support for learning
- Children have playthings at home
- Homes have children’s books
- Attendance in early childhood education
- 34% of children have support for learning

Security and Safety
- Birth registration
- Positive discipline
- Basic drinking water
- Basic sanitation

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

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