**Chad**

### Demographics
- Population (2019): 15,947,000
- Annual births: 666,000
- Children under 5 (2019): 2,872,000 (18%)
- Under-five mortality: 119/1,000

### Threats to Early Childhood Development
- Maternal mortality: 140/100,000
- Low birthweight: no data
- Child poverty: 48%
- Violent discipline: 61%

### Young children at risk of poor development

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At risk in 2005, 2010 and 2015, using a composite indicator of under-five 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 in providing their young children with nurturing care.

**Facilitating environments**

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### International conventions
- ✔️ Convention on the Rights of the Child
- ✔️ Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities
- ✗ Hague Convention on Protection of Children and Cooperation in Respect of Intercountry Adoption

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**Countdown to 2030**

Women’s, Children’s & Adolescents’ Health

**Nutrition**
- Early initiation of breastfeeding: 23
- Exclusive breastfeeding: 6
- Minimum acceptable diet: 100%

**Health**
- Treatment for HIV+ pregnant women: 56%
- Careseeking for child pneumonia: 6%
- Postnatal visits: 16%
- Antenatal care (4 or more visits): 31%

**Early learning**
- Early stimulation at home: 47%
- Playthings at home: 41%
- Children’s books in the home: 3%

**Security and safety**
- Birth registration: 12
- Positive discipline: 19
- Basic drinking water: 39
- Basic sanitation: 8

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

**Lifetime cost of growth deficit in early childhood**
- Estimate in terms of % loss of annual adult wage: 69%