Comoros

Demographics
Population (2019) 851,000
Annual births 27,000
Children under 5 (2019) 122,000 (14%)
Under-five mortality 67/1,000

Young children at risk of poor development

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

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 Persons with Disabilities ✓
- Hague Convention on Protection of Children and Cooperation in Respect of Intercountry Adoption ✗

Countdown to 2030
Women’s, Children’s & Adolescents’ Health

Threats to Early Childhood Development
Maternal mortality 273/100,000
Low birthweight 24%
Child poverty 20%
Violent discipline no data

Young mothers (births by 18y) 17%
Preterm births 17%
Under-five stunting 31%
Inadequate supervision no data

Risk by sex and residence

Lifetime cost of growth deficit in early childhood
151%
Estimate in terms of % loss of annual adult wage

Early Childhood Development Index
no data

Health
Treatment for HIV+ pregnant women
Careseeking for child pneumonia no data
Antenatal care (4 or more visits) 38%
Postnatal visits 49%

Nutrition
Early initiation of breastfeeding 4%
Exclusive breastfeeding 0%
Minimum acceptable diet 6%

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

Comparative country data urgently needed

Security and safety
Birth registration no data
Positive discipline 87%
Basic drinking water 36%
Basic sanitation 80%

Early learning
Early stimulation at home
Children’s books in the home no data
Playthings at home no data
Attendance in early childhood education no data

Detailed country data sources and footnotes can be found in the master database at NURTURING-CARE.ORG