Gambia

Demographics
Population (2019) 2,348,000
Annual births 90,000
Children under 5 (2019) 401,000 (17%)
Under-five mortality 58/1,000

Young children at risk of poor development

Risk by sex and residence

Lifetime cost of growth deficit in early childhood

Support and services for early childhood development:
Nurturing care

Facilitating environments

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