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**Threats to Early Childhood Development**
- Maternal mortality: 79/100,000
- Low birthweight: no data
- Child poverty: 2%
- Violent discipline: no data
- Young mothers (births by 18y): 14%
- Preterm births: 7%
- Under-five stunting: 79%
- Inadequate supervision: 22%

**Life expectancy at birth**
- Life expectancy at birth: 79%
- Estimate in terms of % loss of annual adult wage

**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**

**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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