EARLY CHILDHOOD DEVELOPMENT

Kazakhstan

Demographics
Population (2019) 18,551,000
Annual births 376,000
Children under 5 (2019) 1,948,000 (11%)
Under-five mortality 10/1000

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
✓ 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

Nutrition
Early initiation of breastfeeding 83%
Exclusive breastfeeding 38%
Minimum acceptable diet 38%

Health
Treatment for HIV+ pregnant women 95%
Careseeking for child pneumonia 57%
Antenatal care (4 or more visits) 98%
Postnatal visits

Early learning
Early stimulation at home 86%
Playthings at home 60%
Children’s books in the home 51%

Security and safety
Birth registration 39%
Positive discipline 96%
Basic drinking water 98%
Basic sanitation

Risk by sex and residence

Lifetime cost of growth deficit in early childhood
52% Estimate in terms of % loss of annual adult wage

Early Childhood Development Index 86%

Young children at risk of poor development

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

Threats to Early Childhood Development
Maternal mortality 10/100 000
Low birthweight 5%
Child poverty no data
Violent discipline 46%

Young mothers (births by 18y) 2%
Preterm births 9%
Under-five stunting 8%
Inadequate supervision 5%

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

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