**Early Childhood Development**

**Mongolia**

### Demographics

- Population (2019): 3,225,000
- Annual births: 75,000
- Children under 5 (2019): 379,000 (12%)
- Under-five mortality: 16/1,000

### Threats to Early Childhood Development

- Maternal mortality: 45/100,000
- Low birthweight: 5%
- Child poverty: no data
- Violent discipline: 51%
- Young mothers (births by 18y): 3%
- Preterm births: 14%
- Under-five stunting: 7%
- Inadequate supervision: 10%

### Young children at risk of poor development

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

### Risk by sex and residence

- Girls: no data
- Boys: no data
- Rural: 90%
- Urban: 76%

### Lifetime cost of growth deficit in early childhood

46% (Estimate in terms of % loss of annual adult wage)

### Early Childhood Development Index

76%

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**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.

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**Facilitating environments**

- **Health**
  - Treatment for HIV+ pregnant women: 90%
  - Careseeking for child pneumonia: no data
  - Antenatal care (4 or more visits): 70%
  - Postnatal visits: 95%

- **Early learning**
  - Early stimulation at home: 55%
  - Playthings at home: 56%
  - Children's books in the home: 33%
  - Attendance in early childhood education: 68%

- **Nutrition**
  - Early initiation of breastfeeding: 33%
  - Exclusive breastfeeding: 58%
  - Minimum acceptable diet: 84%

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

- **Security and safety**
  - Birth registration: 99%
  - Positive discipline: 34%
  - Basic drinking water: 83%
  - Basic sanitation: 58%

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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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