



North Macedonia

Countdown to 2030

Women's, Children's & Adolescents' Health

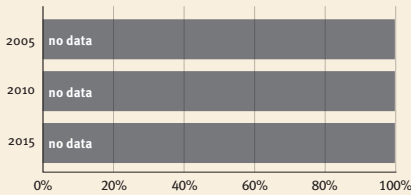
Demographics

Population (2019)	2,083,000
Annual births	22,000
Children under 5 (2019)	114,000 (5%)
Under-five mortality	10/1 000

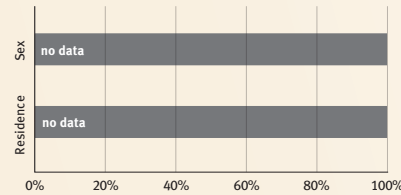
Threats to Early Childhood Development

Maternal mortality	7/100 000	Young mothers (births by 18y)	2%
Low birthweight	9%	Preterm births	7%
Child poverty	no data	Under-five stunting	5%
Violent discipline	69%	Inadequate supervision	5%

Young children at risk of poor development



Risk by sex and residence



Lifetime cost of growth deficit in early childhood

no data Estimate in terms of % loss of annual adult wage

Early Childhood Development Index

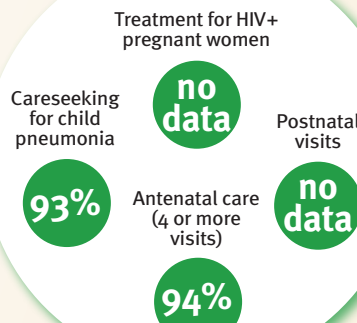
93%

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

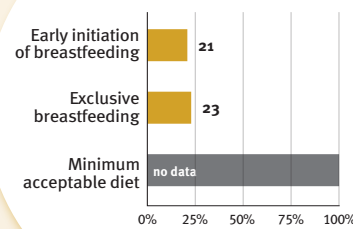
Support and services for early childhood development: Nurturing care

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.

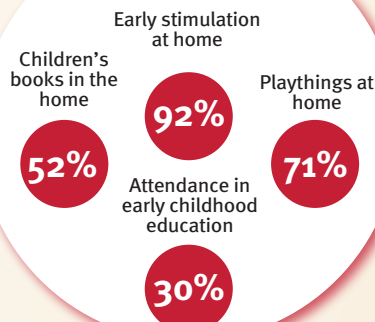
Health



Nutrition



Early learning



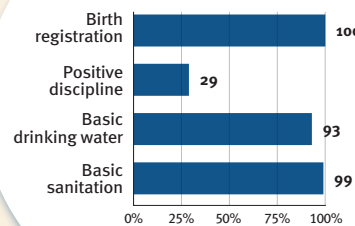
Responsive caregiving

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

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Comparative country data urgently needed

Security and safety



Facilitating environments

Policies

✓	Paid maternity leave	✓	Paid paternity leave
no data	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
✓	CRC Optional Protocol on the Sale of Children, Child Prostitution and Child Pornography
✓	Hague Convention on Protection of Children and Cooperation in Respect of Intercountry Adoption