Paraguay

Demographics
Population (2019) 7,045,000
Annual births 143,000
Children under 5 (2019) 698,000 (10%)
Under-five mortality 20/1,000

Young children at risk of poor development

Threats to Early Childhood Development
Maternal mortality 129/100,000
Low birthweight 8%
Child poverty 2%
Violent discipline 61%

Risk by sex and residence

Lifetime cost of growth deficit in early childhood

80% Estimate in terms of % loss of annual adult wage

Early Childhood Development Index 82%

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EARLY CHILDHOOD DEVELOPMENT

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

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