EARLY CHILDHOOD DEVELOPMENT

Sao Tome and Principe

Demographics
Population (2019) 215,000
Annual births 7,000
Children under 5 (2019) 32,000 (15%)
Under-five mortality 31/1,000

Young children at risk of poor development

Maternal mortality 130/100,000
Low birthweight 7%
Child poverty 29%
Violent discipline 75%

Risk by sex and residence

Threats to Early Childhood Development

Risk to Early Childhood Development

- Maternal mortality
- Low birthweight
- Child poverty
- Violent discipline

Lifetime cost of growth deficit in early childhood

- Estimate in terms of % loss of annual adult wage

Early Childhood Development Index

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

- Health
- Early learning
- Nutrition
- Security and safety
- Responsive caregiving

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

Detailed country data sources and footnotes can be found in the master database at nurturing-care.org