EARLY CHILDHOOD DEVELOPMENT

Ukraine

Demographics
Population (2019) 43,994,000
Annual births 408,000
Children under 5 (2019) 2,184,000 (5%)
Under-five mortality 9/1,000

Young children at risk of poor development

Risk by sex and residence

Lifetime cost of growth deficit in early childhood

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
- Paid paternity 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 learning

Early stimulation at home
Children’s books in the home 91%
Playthings at home 52%

Security and safety

Birth registration 100%
Positive discipline 94%
Basic drinking water 96%
Basic sanitation 96%

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

Comparative country data urgently needed

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Threats to Early Childhood Development
Maternal mortality 19/100,000
Low birthweight 6%
Child poverty no data
Violent discipline 53%

Young mothers (births by 18y) 4%
Preterm births 7%
Under-five stunting 23%
Inadequate supervision 7%

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

Details of data sources and footnotes can be found in the master database at NURTURING-CARE.ORG