EARLY CHILDHOOD DEVELOPMENT



Bahamas

Countdown to 2030

Women's, Children's & Adolescents' Health

Demographics

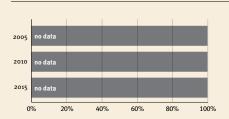
Population	393,248
Annual births	5,422
Children under 5	27,064 (7%)
Under-five mortality	13/1,000

Threats to Early Childhood Development

Maternal mortality	70/100,000
Low birthweight	13%
Child poverty	no data
Violent discipline	no data

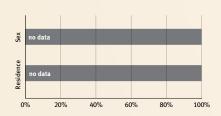
Young mothers (births by 18y)	no data
Preterm births	10%
Under-five stunting	no data
Inadequate supervision	no data

Young children at risk of poor development

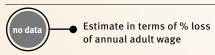


At risk in 2005, 2010 and 2015, using a composite indicator of under-five stunting or poverty

Risk by sex and residence



Lifetime cost of growth deficit in early childhood



Children with functional difficulty

Children developmentally on-track

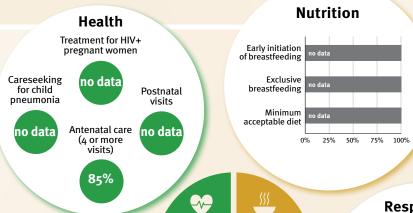


Support and services for early childhood development:

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



Early learning Early stimulation

at home Children's books in the home Playthings at home no data no data Attendance in early childhood education

no data

no data

Security



Responsive caregiving

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

Comparative country data urgently needed

Policies							
None	<14	14 – <18	18 – <26	≥26			
Paid maternity leave (weeks)							
None	<14	14 - <18	18 – <26	≥26			
Paid paternity leave (weeks)							
Not	Slight	tly Mo	derately	Substantially			
International Code of Marketing of Breastmilk Substitutes (alignment)							

National minimum wage

Child and family social protection

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