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Countdown to 2030

Women's, Children's & Adolescents' Health

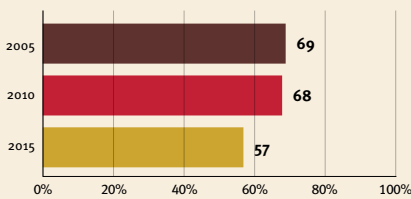
Demographics

Population	12,123,198
Annual births	430,443
Children under 5	1,908,329 (16%)
Under-five mortality	90/1,000

Threats to Early Childhood Development

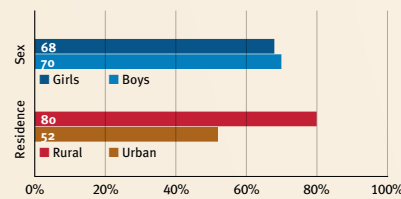
Maternal mortality	397/100,000	Young mothers (births by 18y)	19%
Low birthweight	17%	Preterm births	11%
Child poverty	50%	Under-five stunting	32%
Violent discipline	87%	Inadequate supervision	29%

Young children at risk of poor development

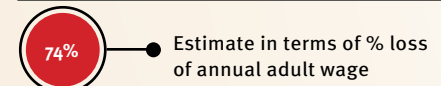


At risk in 2005, 2010 and 2015, using a composite indicator of under-five stunting or poverty

Risk by sex and residence



Lifetime cost of growth deficit in early childhood



Children with functional difficulty

no data

Children developmentally on-track

54%

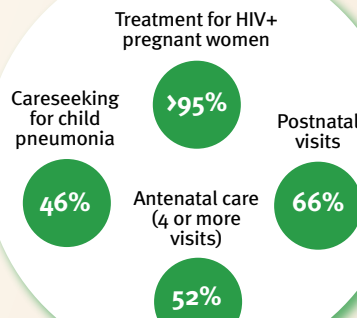
Support and services for early childhood development: Nurturing care

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.

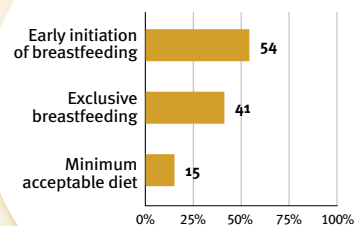
Facilitating environments

Policies				
None	<14	14 - <18	18 - <26	≥26
Paid maternity leave (weeks)				
None	<14	14 - <18	18 - <26	≥26
Paid paternity leave (weeks)				
Not	Slightly	Moderately	Substantially	
International Code of Marketing of Breastmilk Substitutes (alignment)				
✓	National minimum wage			
✗	Child and family social protection			

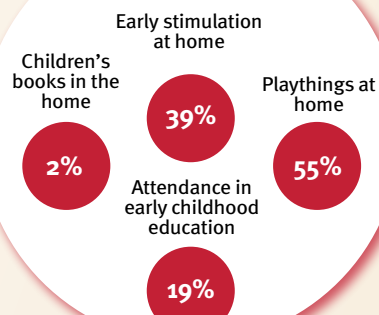
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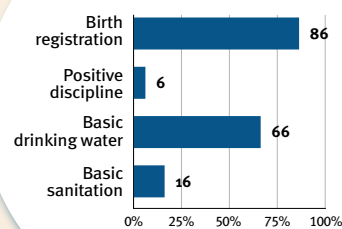
Nutrition



Early learning



Security and safety



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

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