**EARLY CHILDHOOD DEVELOPMENT**

**Cyprus**

**Demographics**

- Population: 1,207,361
- Annual births: 12,070
- Children under 5: 64,817 (5%)
- Under-five mortality: 2/1,000

**Threats to Early Childhood Development**

- Maternal mortality: 6/100,000
- Low birthweight: no data
- Child poverty: no data
- Violent discipline: no data

**Young children at risk of poor development**

- 2005: 1,207,361
- 2010: 1,207,361
- 2015: 1,207,361

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

**Countdown to 2030**

Women’s, Children’s & Adolescents’ Health

**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**

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**Health**

- Treatment for HIV+ pregnant women: no data
- Careseeking for child pneumonia: no data
- Postnatal visits: no data
- Antenatal care (4 or more visits): no data
- Minimum acceptable diet: no data

**Early learning**

- Children’s books in the home: no data
- Playthings at home: no data
- Attendance in early childhood education: no data

**Nutrition**

- Early initiation of breastfeeding: no data
- Exclusive breastfeeding: no data
- Minimum acceptable diet: no data

**Responsive caregiving**

- Public information about ECD: no data
- Parental mental health: no data
- Parent support (groups, home visits): no data
- Quality child day care: no data

**Security and safety**

- Birth registration: 100%
- Positive discipline: 100%
- Basic drinking water: 99%
- Basic sanitation: 100%

**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

**Lifetime cost of growth deficit in early childhood**

- Estimate in terms of % loss of annual adult wage
- Children with functional difficulty: no data
- Children developmentally on-track: no data

**Policies**

- National minimum wage
- Child and family social protection

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