**EARLY CHILDHOOD DEVELOPMENT**

**Estonia**

**Demographics**
- Population: 1,326,539
- Annual births: 13,402
- Children under 5: 69,176 (5%)
- Under-five mortality: 2/1,000

**Threats to Early Childhood Development**
- Maternal mortality: 9/100,000
- Low birthweight: 4%
- Child poverty: no data
- Violent discipline: no data
- Young mothers (births by 18y): no data
- Preterm births: 6%
- 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

**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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**Nutrition**
- Early initiation of breastfeeding: no data
- Exclusive breastfeeding: no data
- Antenatal care: no data
- Postnatal visits: no data
- Minimum acceptable diet: no data

**Health**
- Careseeking for child pneumonia: no data
- Antenatal care (4 or more visits): no data
- Postnatal visits: no data
- Early stimulation at home: no data
- Playthings at home: no data
- Attendance in early childhood education: no data

**Security and safety**
- Birth registration: no data
- Positive discipline: no data
- Basic drinking water: 100%
- Basic sanitation: 99%

**Countdown to 2030**

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