**ETHIOPIA**

**Demographics**

- **Population**: 114,963,583
- **Annual births**: 3,618,849
- **Children under 5**: 16,791,484 (15%)
- **Under-five mortality**: 51/1,000

**Threats to Early Childhood Development**

- **Maternal mortality**: 401/100,000
- **Low birthweight**: no data
- **Child poverty**: 33%
- **Violent discipline**: no data
- **Young mothers (births by 18y)**: 21%
- **Preterm births**: 10%
- **Under-five stunting**: 37%
- **Inadequate supervision**: no data

**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**: 73%
- **Exclusive breastfeeding**: 59%
- **Minimum acceptable diet**: 7%

**Responsive caregiving**

Public information about ECD
Parental mental health
Parent support (groups, home visits)
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**Security and safety**

- **Birth registration**: 3
- **Positive discipline**: no data
- **Basic drinking water**: 41
- **Basic sanitation**: 7

**Early childhood education**

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

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