EARLY CHILDHOOD DEVELOPMENT

Nepal

Demographics
Population 29,136,808
Annual births 562,119
Children under 5 2,706,773 (9%)
Under-five mortality 31/1,000

Threats to Early Childhood Development
Maternal mortality 186/100,000
Low birthweight 22%
Child poverty 12%
Violent discipline 75%

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

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
Paid maternity leave (weeks)
None ≤14 14 – ≤18 18 – ≤26 ≥26
Paid paternity leave (weeks)
None ≤14 14 – ≤18 18 – ≤26 ≥26

Nutrition

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

Comparative country data urgently needed

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

DETAILED COUNTRY DATA SOURCES AND FOOTNOTES CAN BE FOUND IN THE MASTER DATABASE AT NURTURING-CARE.ORG