Early Childhood Development

Demographics

- Population: 19,237,682
- Annual births: 183,956
- Children under 5: 939,606 (5%)
- Under-five mortality: 7/1,000

Young children at risk of poor development

- 2005: no data
- 2010: no data
- 2015: no data

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

Threats to Early Childhood Development

- Maternal mortality: 19/100,000
- Low birthweight: 8%
- Child poverty: no data
- Violent discipline: no data

Young mothers (births by 18y): no data

Preterm births: 7%

Under-five stunting: 13%

Inadequate supervision: no data

Risk by sex and residence

- Girls: no data
- Boys: no data

Lifetime cost of growth deficit in early childhood

- 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

Policies

- None: 14 – 18
- Paid maternity leave (weeks): 18 – ≥26

Paid paternity leave (weeks): 14 – 18

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

Nurturing care

- Early stimulation at home
- Playthings at home
- Attendance in early childhood education

Nutrition

- Early initiation of breastfeeding
- Exclusive breastfeeding
- Minimum acceptable diet
- Early childhood education

Responsive caregiving

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

Comparative country data urgently needed

Romania

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