EARLY CHILDHOOD DEVELOPMENT

Singapore

Demographics
Population: 5,850,343
Annual births: 49,976
Children under 5: 258,176 (4%)
Under-five mortality: 3/1,000

Young children at risk of poor development

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

Threats to Early Childhood Development
Maternal mortality: 8/100,000
Low birthweight: 10%
Child poverty: no data
Violent discipline: no data
Young mothers (births by 18y): no data
Preterm births: 12%
Under-five stunting: 4%
Inadequate supervision: no data

Risk by sex and residence

Lifetime cost of growth deficit in early childhood

Nutrition

Early initiation of breastfeeding
Exclusive breastfeeding
Minimum acceptable diet

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

Security and safety

Birth registration
Positive discipline
Basic drinking water
Basic sanitation

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

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

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Facilitating environments

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Not | Slightly | Moderately | Substantially |
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International Code of Marketing of Breastmilk Substitutes (alignment)
National minimum wage
Child and family social protection

Countdown to 2030
Women’s, Children’s & Adolescents’ Health