



South Africa

Countdown to 2030

Women's, Children's & Adolescents' Health

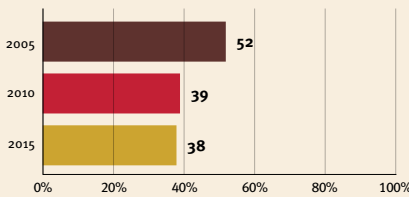
Demographics

Population	59,308,690
Annual births	1,172,060
Children under 5	5,764,945 (10%)
Under-five mortality	34/1,000

Threats to Early Childhood Development

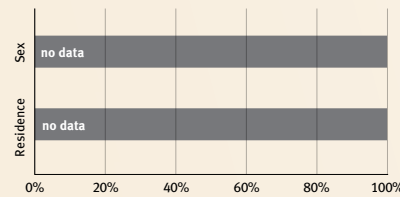
Maternal mortality	119/100,000	Young mothers (births by 18y)	15%
Low birthweight	14%	Preterm births	8%
Child poverty	no data	Under-five stunting	27%
Violent discipline	no data	Inadequate supervision	no data

Young children at risk of poor development

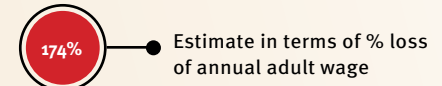


At risk in 2005, 2010 and 2015, using a composite indicator of under-five stunting or poverty

Risk by sex and residence



Lifetime cost of growth deficit in early childhood



Children with functional difficulty

no data

Children developmentally on-track

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.

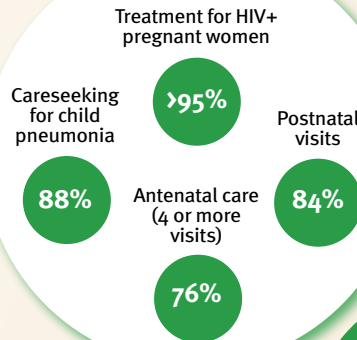
Facilitating environments

Policies

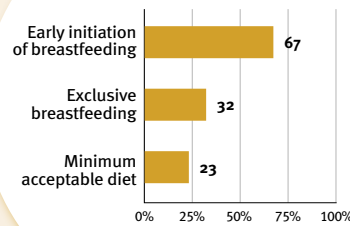
	None	<14	14 - <18	18 - <26	≥26
Paid maternity leave (weeks)					
Paid paternity leave (weeks)					

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

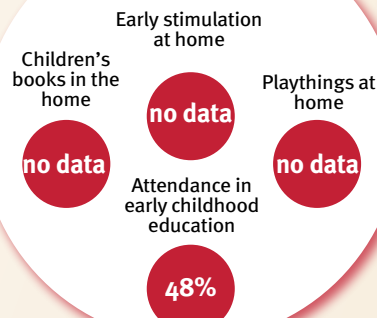
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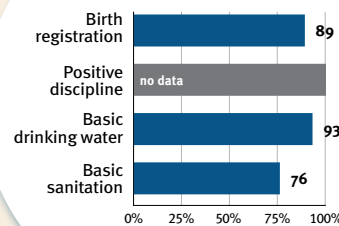
Nutrition



Early learning



Security and safety



Responsive caregiving

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

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Comparative country data urgently needed

International conventions

✓	Convention on the Rights of the Child
✓	Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities
✓	CRC Optional Protocol on the Sale of Children, Child Prostitution and Child Pornography
✓	Hague Convention on Protection of Children and Cooperation in Respect of Intercountry Adoption