EARLY CHILDHOOD DEVELOPMENT

Thailand

Demographics
Population 69,799,978
Annual births 696,526
Children under 5 3,596,052 (5%)
Under-five mortality 9/1,000

Threats to Early Childhood Development
Maternal mortality 37/100,000
Low birthweight 11%
Child poverty no data
Violent discipline 77%

Young mothers (births by 18y) 9%
Preterm births 12%
Under-five stunting 11%
Inadequate supervision 2%

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

Health
Treatment for HIV+ pregnant women
Careseeking for child pneumonia 95%
Antenatal care (4 or more visits) no data
Postnatal visits 91%

Early learning
Early stimulation at home
Children’s books in the home 41%

Playthings at home 76%
Attendance in early childhood education 93%

Nutrition
Early initiation of breastfeeding 40%
Exclusive breastfeeding 23%
Minimum acceptable diet 54%

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

Security and safety
Birth registration 100%
Positive discipline 99%
Basic drinking water 100%
Basic sanitation 100%

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

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

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