EARLY CHILDHOOD DEVELOPMENT

Uganda

Demographics

Population 45,741,000
Annual births 1,669,841
Children under 5 7,796,039 (17%)
Under-five mortality 46/1,000

Threats to Early Childhood Development

Maternal mortality 375/100,000
Low birthweight no data
Child poverty 38%
Violent discipline 83%

Young mothers (births by 18y) 28%
Preterm births 14%
Under-five stunting 29%
Inadequate supervision 37%

Young children at risk of poor development

Risk by sex and residence

Lifetime cost of growth deficit in early childhood

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

Health

Treatment for HIV+ pregnant women
Careseeking for child pneumonia
Antenatal care (4 or more visits)
Postnatal visits

Early initiation of breastfeeding
Exclusive breastfeeding
Minimum acceptable diet

Nutrition

Responsive caregiving

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

Comparative country data urgently needed

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