



Ghana

Countdown to 2030

Women's, Children's & Adolescents' Health

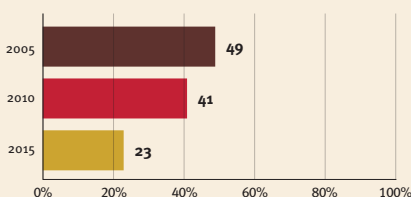
Demographics

Population	31,732,128
Annual births	896,308
Children under 5	4,195,563 (13%)
Under-five mortality	46/1,000

Threats to Early Childhood Development

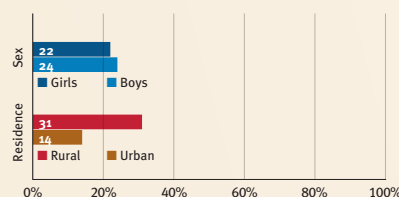
Maternal mortality	308/100,000	Adolescent birth rate	78/1,000
Low birthweight	14%	Preterm births	15%
Child poverty	6%	Under-five stunting	14%
Violent discipline	92%	Inadequate supervision	30%

Young children at risk of poor development

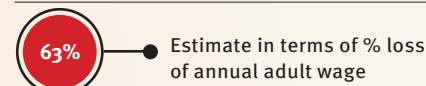


At risk in 2005, 2010 and 2015, using a composite indicator of under-five stunting or poverty

Risk by sex and residence



Lifetime cost of growth deficit in early childhood



Children with functional difficulty

11%

Children developmentally on-track

68%

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

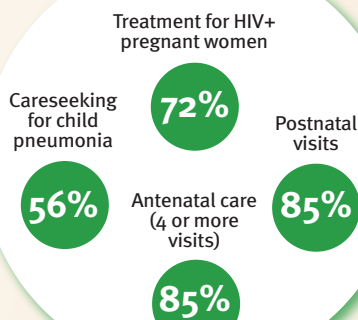
Policies

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

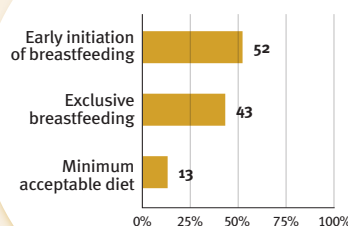
	Not	Slightly	Moderately	Substantially
International Code of Marketing of Breastmilk Substitutes (alignment)				

✓	National minimum wage
✗	Child and family social protection

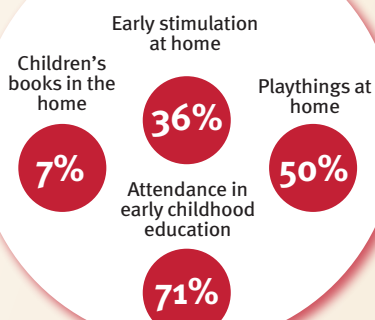
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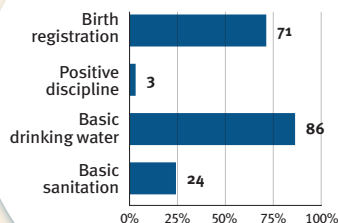
Nutrition



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