**Republic of Moldova**

### Demographics
- Population: 4,024,025
- Annual births: 38,598
- Children under 5: 196,708 (5%)
- Under-five mortality: 14/1,000

### Young children at risk of poor development

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

### Threats to Early Childhood Development

- Maternal mortality: 19/100,000
- Low birthweight: 5%
- Child poverty: no data
- Under-five stunting: 5%
- Inadequate supervision: 6%
- Preterm births: 12%

### Risk by sex and residence

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### Lifetime cost of growth deficit in early childhood

- Estimate in terms of % loss of annual adult wage
- Children with functional difficulty: no data
- Children developmentally on-track: 84%

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**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: 87%
  - Postnatal visits: 95%
  - Antenatal care: 79%
  - Careseeking for child pneumonia: 68%
  - Early initiation of breastfeeding: 64%
  - Exclusive breastfeeding: 36%
  - Minimum acceptable diet: no data

- **Nutrition**
  - Public information about ECD: Slightly
  - Parental mental health: Slightly
  - Parent support (groups, home visits): Slightly
  - Quality child day care: Substantially

- **Early learning**
  - Early stimulation at home: 89%
  - Playthings at home: 68%
  - Children’s books in the home: 68%
  - Attendance in early childhood education: 71%

- **Responsive caregiving**
  - Comparative country data urgently needed

- **Security and safety**
  - Birth registration: 100%
  - Positive discipline: 91%
  - Basic drinking water: 79%
  - Basic sanitation: 74%

- **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

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