



# Belgium

## Countdown to 2030

Women's, Children's & Adolescents' Health

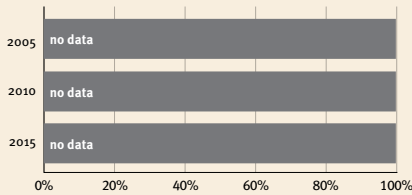
### Demographics

Population	11,655,930
Annual births	117,003
Children under 5	594,097 (5%)
Under-five mortality	4/1,000

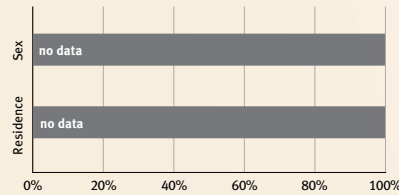
### Threats to Early Childhood Development

Maternal mortality	5/100,000	Adolescent birth rate	5/1,000
Low birthweight	7%	Preterm births	8%
Child poverty	no data	Under-five stunting	2%
Violent discipline	no data	Inadequate supervision	no data

### Young children at risk of poor development



### Risk by sex and residence



### Children with functional difficulty

no data

### Children developmentally on-track

no data

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

## 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: **no data**

Careseeking for child pneumonia: **no data**

Postnatal visits: **no data**

Antenatal care (4 or more visits): **no data**

### Nutrition

Early initiation of breastfeeding: **no data**

Exclusive breastfeeding: **no data**

Minimum acceptable diet: **no data**

### Early learning

Early stimulation at home: **no data**

Children's books in the home: **no data**

Playthings at home: **no data**

Attendance in early childhood education: **no data**



### 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: 100%

Positive discipline: **no data**

Basic drinking water: >99%

Basic sanitation: >99%

Policies					
	<20%	20-39%	40-59%	60-79%	≥80%
Officially adopted national multisectoral ECD policy	X				
Child and family social protection	None	<14	14 - <18	18 - <26	≥26
Maternity leave (weeks)	None	<14	14 - <18	18 - <26	≥26
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International Code of Marketing of Breastmilk Substitutes (alignment)	Not	Slightly	Moderately	Substantially	

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