

# Sierra Leone

### Countdown to 2030

Women's, Children's & Adolescents' Health

### **Demographics**

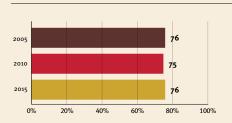
Population	8,605,718
Annual births	265,023
Children under 5	1,199,103 (14%)
Under-five mortality	105/1,000

### **Threats to Early Childhood Development**

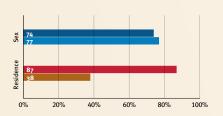
Maternal mortality	443/100,000
Low birthweight	10%
Child poverty	60%
Violent discipline	76%

Adolescent birth rate	102/1,000
Preterm births	10%
Under-five stunting	26%
Inadequate supervision	30%

### Young children at risk of poor development



Risk by sex and residence



Health



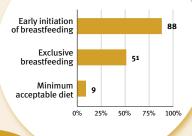
At risk in 2005, 2010 and 2015, using a composite indicator of under-five stunting or poverty

### 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.

### Treatment for HIV+ Careseeking 69% for child Postnatal visits Antenatal care 86% (4 or more visits)



**Nutrition** 

#### **Early** learning Early stimulation at home Children's

home

19% Attendance in

early childhood

education

**Playthings** at home 41%



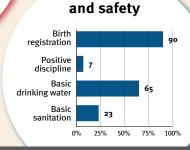
### Responsive caregiving

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

Comparative country data urgently needed

# **Facilitating** environments







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