Sri Lanka

Countdown to 2030
Women's, Children's & Adolescents' Health

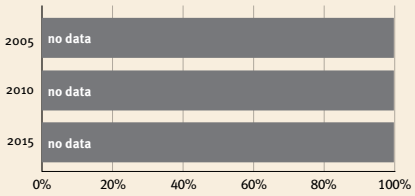
Demographics

Population	21,832,143
Annual births	301,383
Children under 5	1,537,343 (7%)
Under-five mortality	7/1,000

Threats to Early Childhood Development

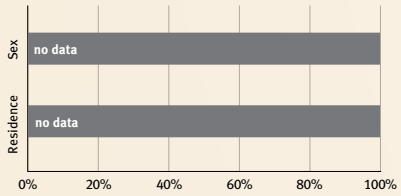
Maternal mortality	29/100,000	Adolescent birth rate	17/1,000
Low birthweight	18%	Preterm births	11%
Child poverty	no data	Under-five stunting	16%
Violent discipline	no data	Inadequate supervision	no data

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



Children with functional difficulty

no data

Children developmentally on-track

no data

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.

Health

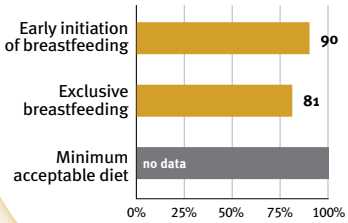
Treatment for HIV+ pregnant women: no data

Careseeking for child pneumonia: 52%

Antenatal care (4 or more visits): 93%

Postnatal visits: 99%

Nutrition



Early learning

Early stimulation at home: 95%

Children's books in the home: 47%

Playthings at home: 85%

Attendance in early childhood education: 60%

Responsive caregiving

Public information about ECD

Parental mental health

Parent support (groups, home visits)

Quality child day care

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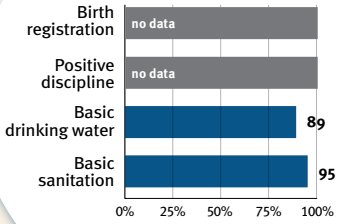
Comparative country data urgently needed

Security and safety



Facilitating environments

Policies

✓ Officially adopted national multisectoral ECD policy

<20%	20-39%	40-59%	60-79%	≥80%

Child and family social protection

None	<14	14 – <18	18 – <26	≥26

Maternity leave (weeks)

None	<14	14 – <18	18 – <26	≥26

Paternity leave (weeks)

Not	Slightly	Moderately	Substantially

International Code of Marketing of Breastmilk Substitutes (alignment)

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