

ECD COUNTRY PROFILES



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NURTURING CARE
FOR EARLY CHILDHOOD DEVELOPMENT

A RESOURCE FOR MONITORING AND ACTION:

COUNTRY PROFILES ON EARLY CHILDHOOD DEVELOPMENT

Launched in 2017 – regularly updated

Assemble in **one place the latest
information to assess and monitor **country
progress** in improving the health,
development and future prospects of
young children all over the world**

- Demographics, threats to ECD
- Outcomes/impact

2005-2015 trend in children at risk

Sex & residence differences

Children developmentally on track

Children with functional difficulties

- 5 components of nurturing care

Health

Nutrition

Security and safety

Early learning

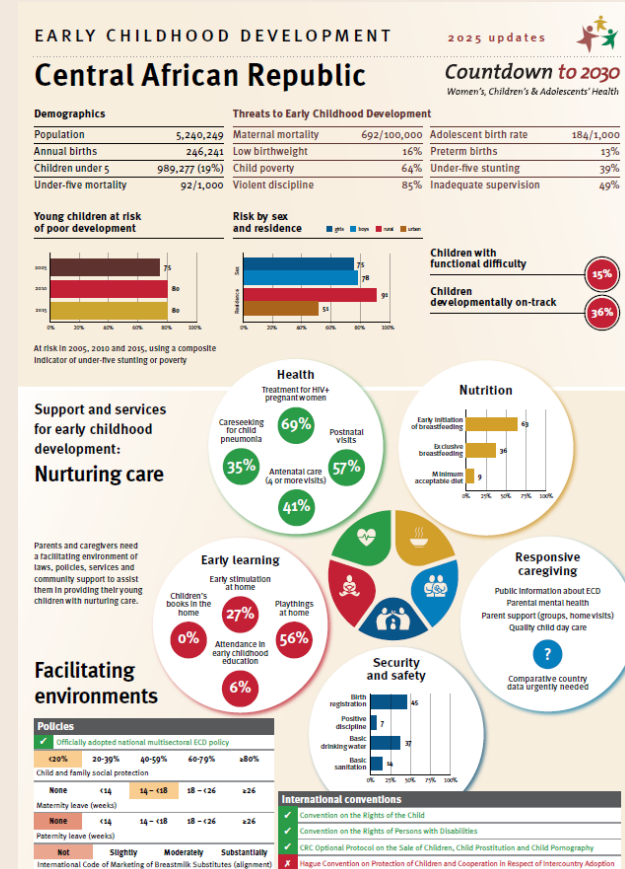
Responsive caregiving (indicators and data to be defined)

- Facilitating environment

Policies

International conventions

40 Indicators – 197 Countries

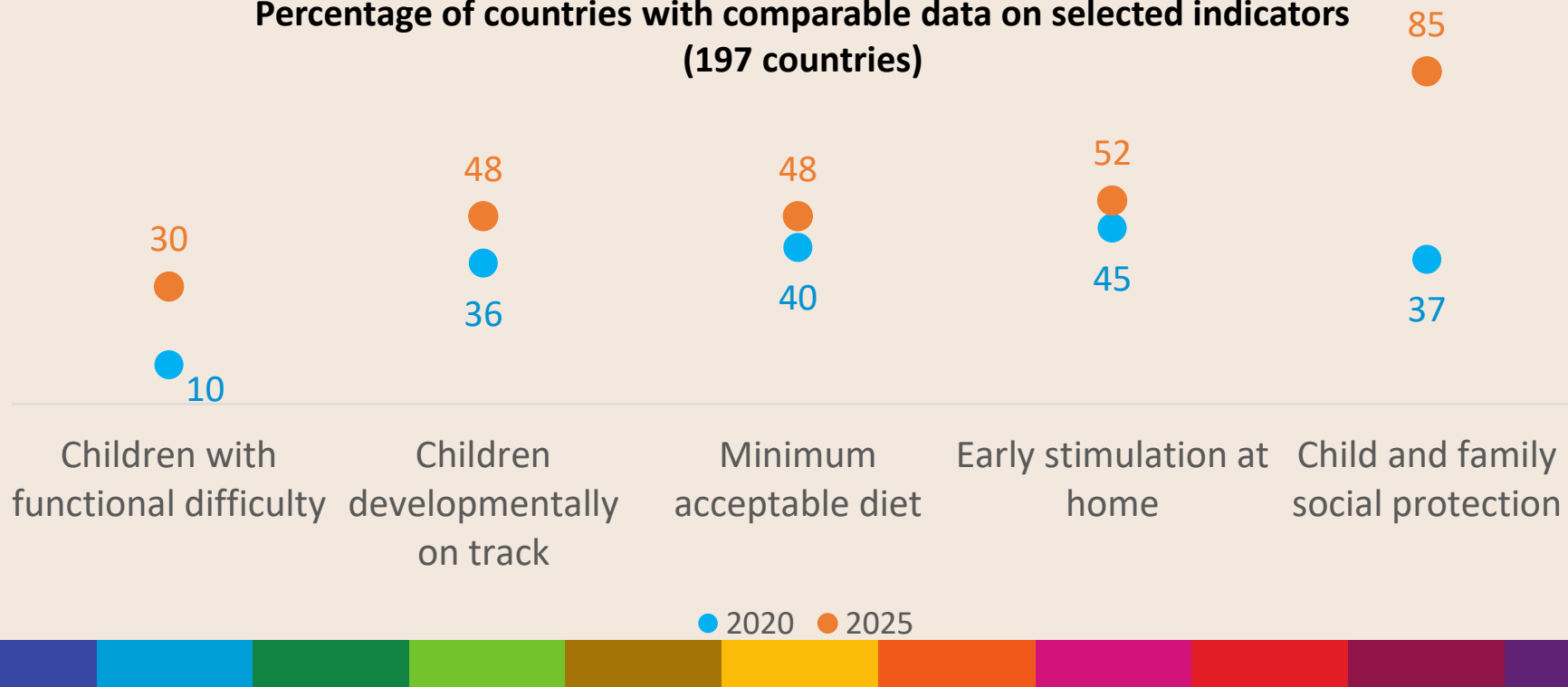


Data for the country profiles

- Extracted from **comparable and publicly available** global indicator databases
 - UNICEF-supported Multiple Indicator Cluster Surveys (MICS)
 - Demographic and Health Surveys (DHS)
 - Other nationally representative household surveys, censuses
 - Modelled estimates produced by interagency groups
- Country data **published in high impact journals**
- Accompanied by a **Technical Appendix** with indicator definitions, together with the underlying Excel database

Data increasingly available, but critical gaps remain...

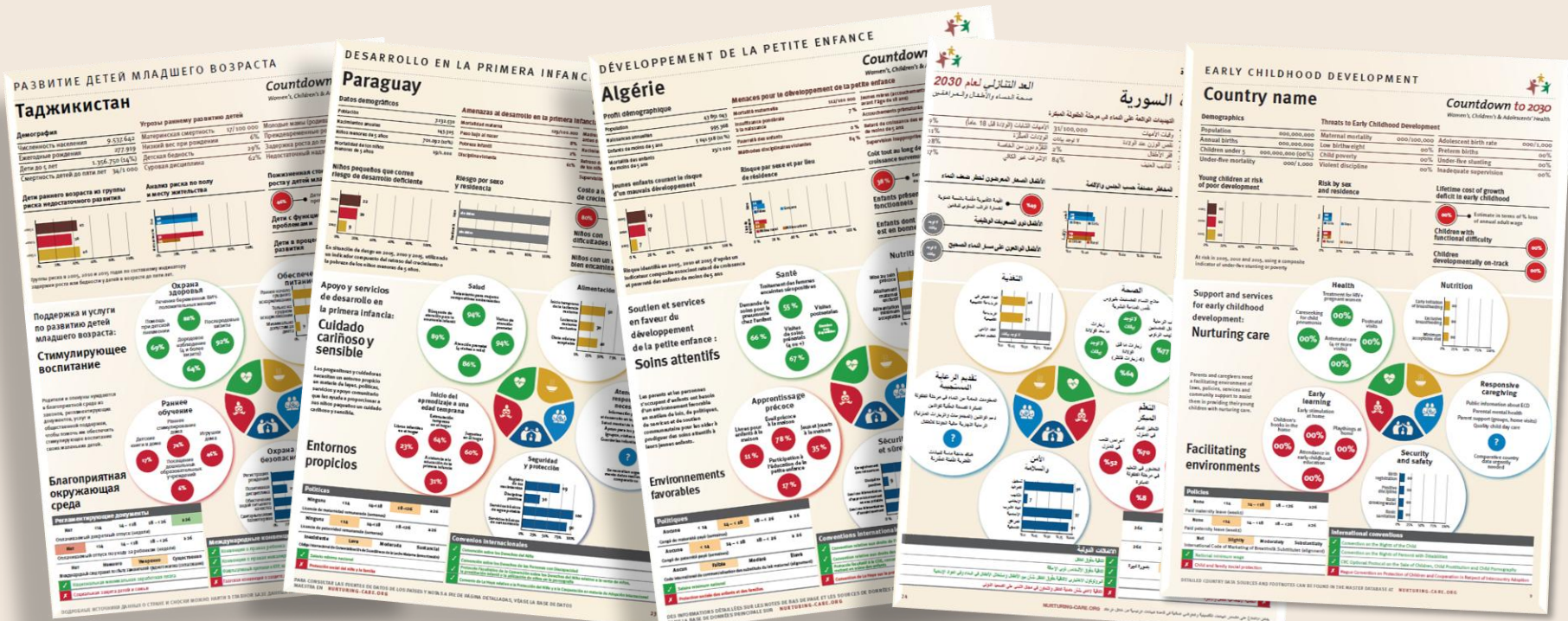
Percentage of countries with comparable data on selected indicators
(197 countries)



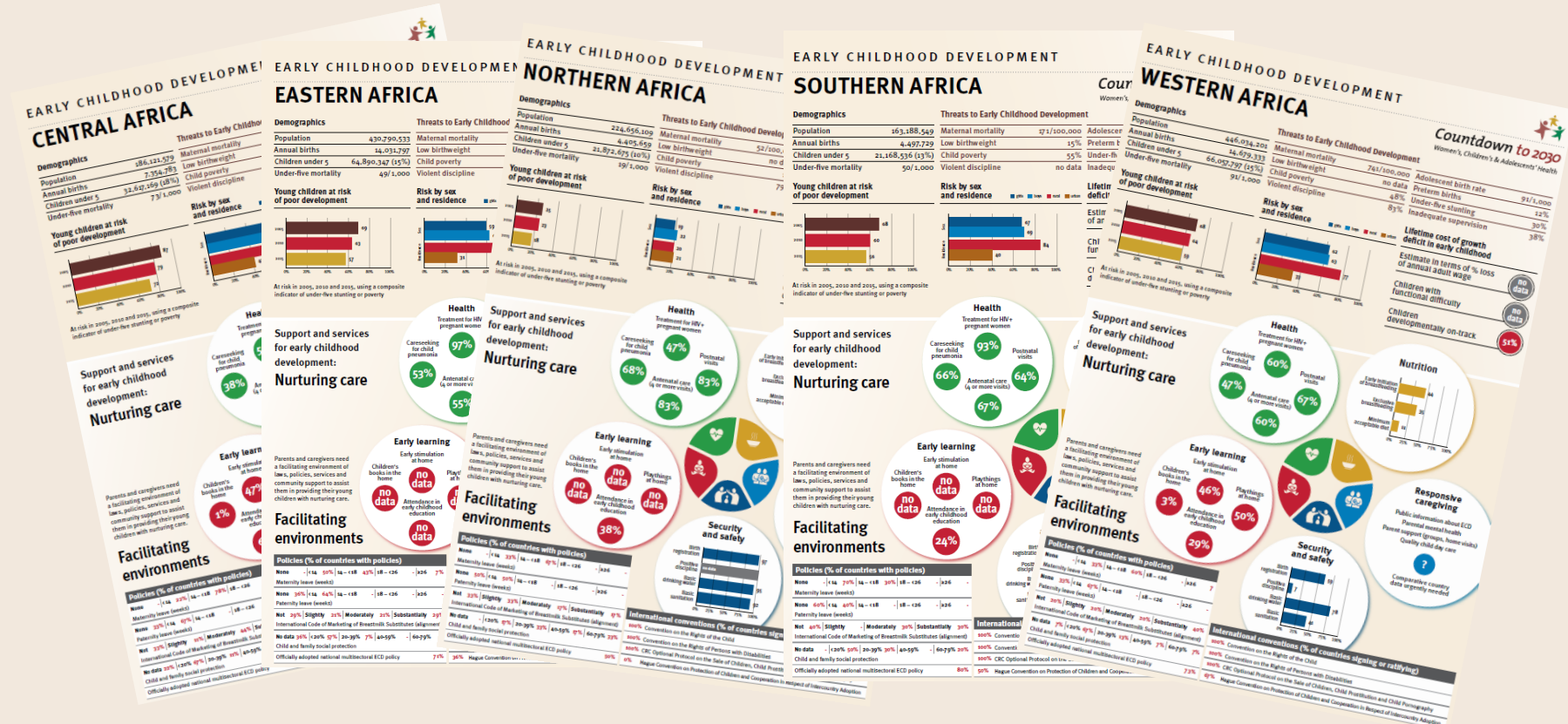
At risk - ECD data from ~25 countries have been included with a DHS, starting in 2011. Several countries eg Angola, Ethiopia are still to publish results

Dissemination - Translations

5 Languages: Arabic, English, French, Russian and Spanish



Dissemination – Africa Regional Profiles



Leveraging the ECD Profiles

- A high-quality, **largely untapped resource** for countries to identify key data gaps, monitor progress over time and propel action for change
- **Global data collection** using standard tools must be expanded
- **Country investment is needed** for regular data collection on a standard set of indicators to fill data gaps and generate data to assess trends
- **Accelerated efforts to collect, use & disseminate data** to improve outcomes for young children in the last five years of the SDG agenda to 2030

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