



Belarus

Countdown to 2030

Women's, Children's & Adolescents' Health

Demographics

Population	9,085,898
Annual births	63,679
Children under 5	373,858 (4%)
Under-five mortality	2/1,000

Threats to Early Childhood Development

Maternal mortality	1/100,000	Adolescent birth rate	12/1,000
Low birthweight	5%	Preterm births	4%
Child poverty	no data	Under-five stunting	1%
Violent discipline	55%	Inadequate supervision	2%

Young children at risk of poor development



Risk by sex and residence



Children with functional difficulty

2%

Children developmentally on-track

87%

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

Policies				
X	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)				
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Not	Slightly	Moderately	Substantially	
International Code of Marketing of Breastmilk Substitutes (alignment)				

Health

Treatment for HIV+ pregnant women

no data

Careseeking for child pneumonia

93%

Antenatal care (4 or more visits)

100%

Postnatal visits

99%

Nutrition

Early initiation of breastfeeding

24

Exclusive breastfeeding

22

Minimum acceptable diet

57

Early learning

Early stimulation at home

97%

Children's books in the home

91%

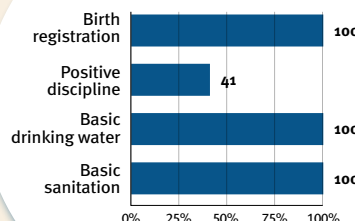
Attendance in early childhood education

91%

Playthings at home

81%

Security and safety



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

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