



Central African Republic

Countdown to 2030

Women's, Children's & Adolescents' Health

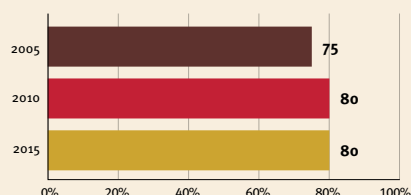
Demographics

Population	5,240,249
Annual births	246,241
Children under 5	989,277 (19%)
Under-five mortality	92/1,000

Threats to Early Childhood Development

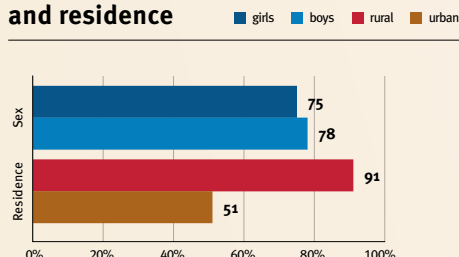
Maternal mortality	692/100,000	Adolescent birth rate	184/1,000
Low birthweight	16%	Preterm births	13%
Child poverty	64%	Under-five stunting	39%
Violent discipline	85%	Inadequate supervision	49%

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

15%

Children developmentally on-track

36%

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				
✓	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

Careseeking for child pneumonia

69%

Postnatal visits

57%

35%

Antenatal care (4 or more visits)

41%

Nutrition

Early initiation of breastfeeding

63%

Exclusive breastfeeding

36%

Minimum acceptable diet

9%

Early learning

Early stimulation at home

27%

Playthings at home

56%

Children's books in the home

0%

Attendance in early childhood education

6%

Security and safety

Birth registration

45%

Positive discipline

7%

Basic drinking water

37%

Basic sanitation

14%

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