



Eritrea

Countdown to 2030

Women's, Children's & Adolescents' Health

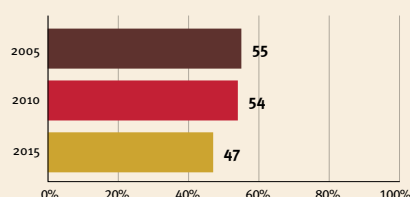
Demographics

Population	3,501,780
Annual births	101,539
Children under 5	467,981 (13%)
Under-five mortality	35/1,000

Threats to Early Childhood Development

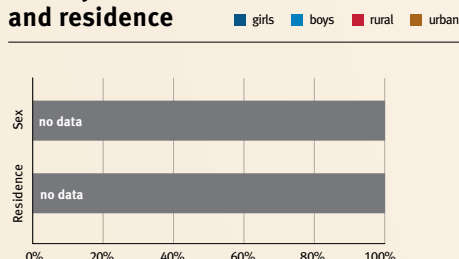
Maternal mortality	291/100,000	Adolescent birth rate	76/1,000
Low birthweight	15%	Preterm births	12%
Child poverty	no data	Under-five stunting	48%
Violent discipline	no data	Inadequate supervision	no data

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.

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

95%

Postnatal visits

5%

Antenatal care (4 or more visits)

57%

Early learning

Early stimulation at home

Children's books in the home

no data

no data

Playthings at home

no data

Attendance in early childhood education

no data

Security and safety

Birth registration	no data
Positive discipline	no data
Basic drinking water	no data
Basic sanitation	no data

Nutrition

Early initiation of breastfeeding

93

Exclusive breastfeeding

69

Minimum acceptable diet

no data

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