



Eswatini

Countdown to 2030

Women's, Children's & Adolescents' Health

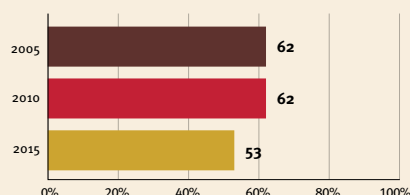
Demographics

Population	1,236,306
Annual births	29,390
Children under 5	141,472 (11%)
Under-five mortality	45/1,000

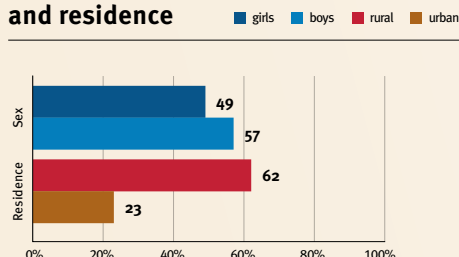
Threats to Early Childhood Development

Maternal mortality	118/100,000	Adolescent birth rate	87/1,000
Low birthweight	10%	Preterm births	14%
Child poverty	49%	Under-five stunting	19%
Violent discipline	84%	Inadequate supervision	14%

Young children at risk of poor development



Risk by sex and residence



Children with functional difficulty

14%

Children developmentally on-track

48%

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

Careseeking for child pneumonia

95%

Postnatal visits

88%

Antenatal care (4 or more visits)

74%

Early learning

Early stimulation at home

31%

Playthings at home

63%

Children's books in the home

2%

Attendance in early childhood education

9%

Nutrition

Early initiation of breastfeeding

47

Exclusive breastfeeding

54

Minimum acceptable diet

37

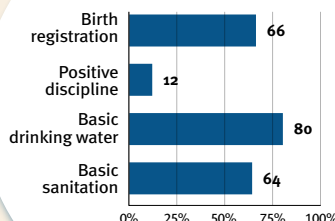
Responsive caregiving

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



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