



Samoa

Countdown to 2030

Women's, Children's & Adolescents' Health

Demographics

Population	217,342
Annual births	5,444
Children under 5	27,551 (13%)
Under-five mortality	16/1,000

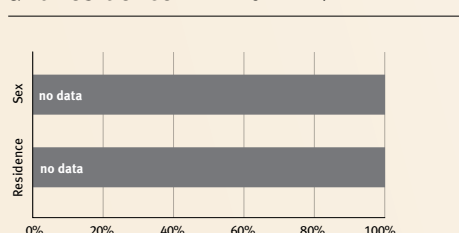
Threats to Early Childhood Development

Maternal mortality	101/100,000	Adolescent birth rate	55/1,000
Low birthweight	no data	Preterm births	6%
Child poverty	no data	Under-five stunting	8%
Violent discipline	82%	Inadequate supervision	16%

Young children at risk of poor development



Risk by sex and residence



Children with functional difficulty

7%

Children developmentally on-track

73%

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				
✓	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

72%

Antenatal care (4 or more visits)

70%

Postnatal visits

83%

Nutrition

Early initiation of breastfeeding

53

Exclusive breastfeeding

52

Minimum acceptable diet

12

Early learning

Early stimulation at home

87%

Children's books in the home

9%

Attendance in early childhood education

26%

Playthings at home

51%

Security and safety

Birth registration

67

Positive discipline

13

Basic drinking water

99

Basic sanitation

97

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