Barbados

Countdown to 2030
Women's, Children's & Adolescents' Health

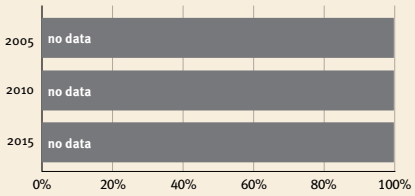
Demographics

Population	281,635
Annual births	3,037
Children under 5	15,067 (5%)
Under-five mortality	12/1,000

Threats to Early Childhood Development

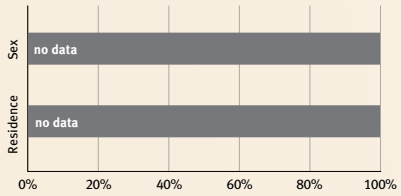
Maternal mortality	39/100,000	Adolescent birth rate	48/1,000
Low birthweight	no data	Preterm births	9%
Child poverty	no data	Under-five stunting	6%
Violent discipline	78%	Inadequate supervision	1%

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

97%

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.

Health

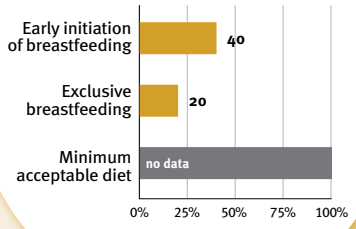
Treatment for HIV+ pregnant women: no data

Careseeking for child pneumonia: no data

Postnatal visits: 97%

Antenatal care (4 or more visits): 88%

Nutrition



Early learning

Early stimulation at home: 97%

Children's books in the home: 85%

Playthings at home: 76%

Attendance in early childhood education: 90%

Responsive caregiving

Public information about ECD
Parental mental health
Parent support (groups, home visits)
Quality child day care

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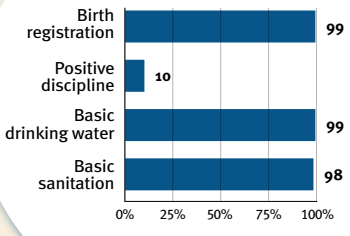
Comparative country data urgently needed

Security and safety



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)			

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