Botswana

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

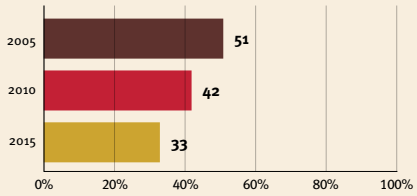
Demographics

Population	2,630,296
Annual births	60,554
Children under 5	296,060 (11%)
Under-five mortality	35/1,000

Threats to Early Childhood Development

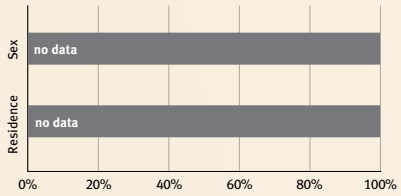
Maternal mortality	186/100,000	Adolescent birth rate	50/1,000
Low birthweight	17%	Preterm births	15%
Child poverty	no data	Under-five stunting	22%
Violent discipline	no data	Inadequate supervision	no data

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.

Health

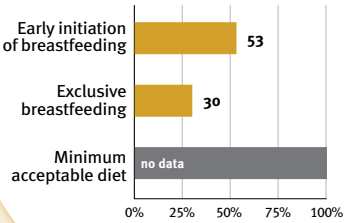
Treatment for HIV+ pregnant women: >95%

Careseeking for child pneumonia: 14%

Postnatal visits: no data

Antenatal care (4 or more visits): 73%

Nutrition



Early learning

Early stimulation at home: no data

Children's books in the home: no data

Playthings at home: no data

Attendance in early childhood education: 24%

Responsive caregiving

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

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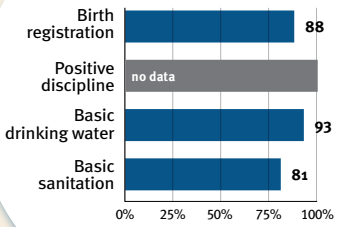
Comparative country data urgently needed

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)

None	<14	14 – <18	18 – <26	≥26

Paternity leave (weeks)

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