### EARLY CHILDHOOD DEVELOPMENT



# **Comoros**

### Countdown to 2030

Women's, Children's & Adolescents' Health

#### **Demographics**

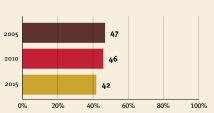
Population	869,595
Annual births	26,932
Children under 5	123,508 (14%)
Under-five mortality	63/1,000

#### Threats to Early Childhood Development

Maternal mortality	273/100,000
Low birthweight	24%
Child poverty	20%
Violent discipline	no data

Young mothers (births by 18y)	17%
Preterm births	17%
Under-five stunting	31%
Inadequate supervision	no data

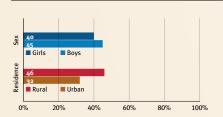
#### Young children at risk of poor development



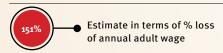
At risk in 2005, 2010 and 2015, using a composite

indicator of under-five stunting or poverty

#### Risk by sex and residence



#### Lifetime cost of growth deficit in early childhood



#### Children with functional difficulty

Children developmentally on-track

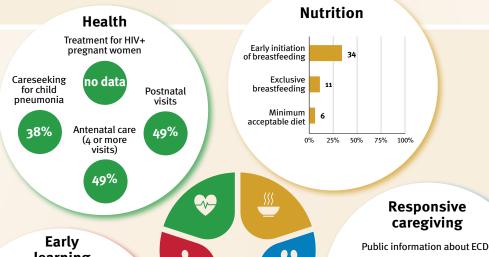


### Support and services for early childhood development:

## **Nurturing care**

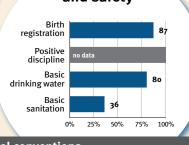
Parents and caregivers need a facilitating environment of laws, policies, services and community support to assist them in providing their young children with nurturing care.

# **Facilitating** environments



#### 8 learning Early stimulation at home Playthings at home no data

no data Security Attendance in and safety early childhood education



#### Responsive caregiving

Parental mental health Parent support (groups, home visits) Quality child day care

Comparative country data urgently

Policies							
None	<b>&lt;14</b>	14 - <1	8 18 - 4	(26 ≥26			
Paid maternity leave (weeks)							
None	<b>&lt;14</b>	14 - <1	8 18 - 6	(26 ≥26			
Paid paternity leave (weeks)							
Not	Slight	tly	Moderately	Substantially			
International Code of Marketing of Breastmilk Substitutes (alignment)							

Children's books in the home

no data

National minimum wage

Child and family social protection

### 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

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