



# SOCIAL POLICY

Child-sensitive, evidence-based social policy, for every child

In 2023 UNICEF supported the development of policies that are gender sensitive and attuned to the needs of the most vulnerable children. UNICEF also supported the development of child-friendly cities and family policies for working parents.

To meet children’s needs, decision makers need sound data. With the National Bureau of Statistics, UNICEF and UNFPA developed a flagship data brochure, *What the 2020 Census Can Tell Us About Children in China – Facts and Figures*. Using this data and other UNICEF-supported research, the Ministry of Civil Affairs and other ministries drafted a plan to strengthen community-based psychological support services for vulnerable children, particularly those affected by migration.

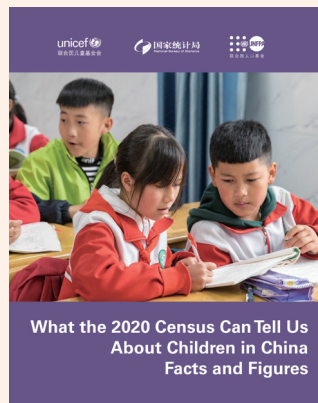
High quality childcare can help give children a strong start, while supporting working parents. UNICEF generated evidence and advocated for policies that expand affordable, high quality childcare services, particularly for rural areas. The Ministry of Finance and the National Health Commission launched new demonstration projects, earmarking CNY 100 million (USD 14 million) for each province in financial support that will mainly support the renovation of existing venues, provide incentive subsidies, train practitioners and more.

Above: A volunteer captivates young children with picture books at the early childhood development (ECD) centre of Chengxi Community in Zhang County on 2 August, 2023.  
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How UNICEF China is advocating for comprehensive family policies for every child.

