AHA FOUNDATION STUDY FINDINGS ON FEMALE GENITAL MUTILATION IN THE U.S.

MINNESOTA

STATE DATA

Based on 2015-2019 American Community Survey population estimates.

84,363

Women and girls with ancestral ties to countries where FGM/C is practiced

30,228
Women and girls who were likely LIVING
WITH FGM/C

5,478Girls who were likely AT RISK of FGM/C

STATE LEGISLATION AND POLICY LANDSCAPE

STATUS

Deficient Existing Legislation¹, Needs Strengthening

IMPROVE BY ADDING

Comprehensive Expanded
Definition of FGM/C; Prohibition
of Transporting for FGM/C;
Civil Cause of Action; Extended
Civil Statute of Limitations;
Specification that Culture, Ritual,
Religion are Not Defenses to
Prosecution; Specification of
Mandatory Reporting; Annual
Statistical Reporting; Specification
of Ability to Prosecute Parents/
Guardian; Mandatory Training
for Law Enforcement; Mandatory
Revocation of Medical License

1 https://bit.ly/47AqizU



SUMMARY

FGM/C prevalence was estimated at 42.3% within the study population in Minnesota with over 70% of the impacted population in the state identifying as Somali (67.9%) or Ethiopian (12.1%).

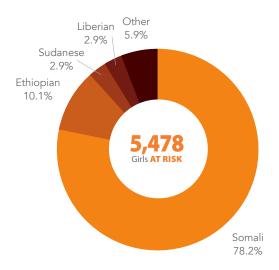
It is estimated that **15,795** women were living with Type 3 FGM/C in Minnesota. While all survivors may require some level of medical and mental health support, those living with Type 3 would likely require additional medical attention.

Most of those impacted by FGM/C in Minnesota live in the greater Minneapolis-St. Paul-Bloomington metropolitan area.

An estimated 80 women and girls from the **Dawoodi Bohra** community live in Minnesota and are not included in the population extrapolation calculation.

ETHNIC BREAKDOWN

Ethnic breakdown of girls most likely to be AT RISK of FGM/C in Minnesota



STATE PREVALENCE RANKING

LOW LESS THAN 100 PER STATE AT RISK

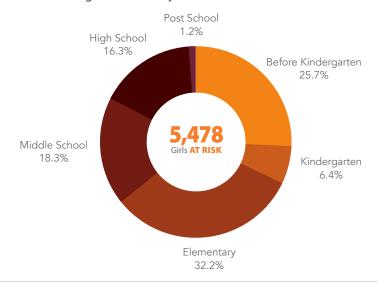
MEDIUM ETWEEN 100 AND HIGH



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AGE DISTRIBUTION

Distribution of girls most likely to be AT RISK of FGM/C in Minnesota



SPATIAL DISTRIBUTION

Counties with the highest STUDY POPULATION | LIVING WITH | AT RISK population

Hennepin	38,915	13,990	2,262
Ramsey	12,561	4,142	730
Dakota	7,144	3,264	394
Anoka	6,452	1,933	315
Stearns	4,688	1,842	717
Olmsted	2,781	1,210	221
Washington	1,969	604	109
Scott	1,789	536	128
Sherburne	470	310	14
Rice	614	205	105

Metropolitan Areas with the highest STUDY POPULATION | LIVING WITH | AT RISK population

Minneapolis-St. Paul-Bloomington, MN-WI La Crosse-Onalaska, WI-MN

70,417	25,032	4,001
140	58	1

CALL TO ACTION

Interventions tailored to the specifics of the context.

State legislators should prioritize strengthening existing legislation.

Prevention and response interventions should focus on the greater Minneapolis-St. Paul-Bloomington metropolitan area.

Child Protection should focus on **Somali** girls between the ages of 5 and 15; and **Ethiopian** girls throughout their childhood and adolescence.

All estimates are subject to both sampling and nonsampling error.

For more granular prevalence data contact info@theahafoundation.org

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