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

SOUTH DAKOTA

STATE DATA

Based on 2015-2019 American Community Survey population estimates.



with ancestral ties to countries where FGM/C is practiced

1,085 Women and girls who were likely LIVING WITH FGM/C

188 Girls who were likely AT RISK of FGM/C

STATE LEGISLATION AND POLICY LANDSCAPE

STATUS

Deficient <u>Existing Legislation</u>¹, Needs Strengthening

IMPROVE BY ADDING

Education and Outreach; Comprehensive Expanded Definition of FGM/C; Civil Cause of Action; Extended Civil Statute of Limitations; Specification of Mandatory Reporting; Annual Statistical Reporting; Mandatory Training for Law Enforcement; Mandatory Revocation of Medical License

1 https://bit.ly/45htxLc



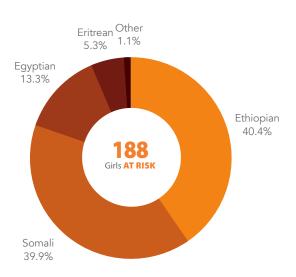
SUMMARY

FGM/C prevalence was estimated at 38.9% within the study population in South Dakota with over 60% of the impacted population in the state identifying as Ethiopian (35.1%) or Somali (31%).

It is estimated that **331** women were living with Type 3 FGM/C in South Dakota. 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 South Dakota live in Minnehaha county.

ETHNIC BREAKDOWN



STATE PREVALENCE RANKING

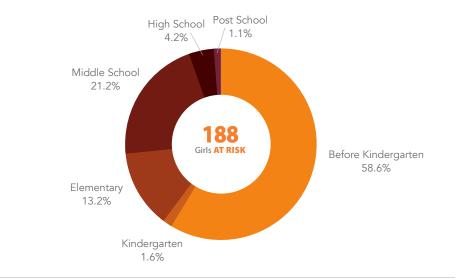
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Ethnic breakdown of girls most likely to be **AT RISK** of FGM/C in South Dakota



AGE DISTRIBUTION

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



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 Minnehaha county.

Child Protection should focus on **Egyptian** girls between the ages of 6 and 14; and **Somali** girls between the ages of 5 and 15.

SPATIAL DISTRIBUTION

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

Minnehaha	2,039	703	76
Lincoln	520	181	20
Brown	84	33	12
Codington	62	25	9
Yankton	43	17	2
Union	31	12	1
Clay	28	11	1
Brookings	56	9	9
Roberts	23	9	3

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

No Metropolitan Areas



All estimates are subject to both sampling and nonsampling error.

For more granular prevalence data contact info@theahafoundation.org

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