

Female genital mutilation: How many girls are at risk in Greece?

The infographic features a blue header with the EIGE logo and the title. Below the header, a circular graphic shows a house icon and the text '25-42 % (1) at risk of FGM'. To the right, text states: 'It is estimated that 25 % to 42 % of girls are at risk of female genital mutilation (FGM or FGM-C) in Greece, out of a total population of 1 767 girls aged 15-18 originating from countries where female genital mutilation is practised.' Further text explains that girls at risk are mostly from Egypt, Ethiopia and Nigeria, and that the findings are from the latest research conducted by the European Institute for Gender Equality (EIGE) on female genital mutilation in the EU (2).

Female genital mutilation is a serious form of gender-based violence & a violation of the rights of women and girls. It is a violent form of subordination of women's rights and it leads to grave health care to the protection of gender equality.

According to the World Health Organization, female genital mutilation refers to all procedures involving the partial or total removal of the external female genitalia or other injury to the female genital organs for non-medical purposes (3).

About the study and the European Institute for Gender Equality

The study 'Estimation of girls at risk of female genital mutilation in the European Union – Belgium, Greece, France, Italy, Cyprus and Malta' was conducted in 2017-2018. It supports the EU institutions and EU Member States in providing more accurate information on female genital mutilation and its risks among girls in the European Union.

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What are the results, over time? The percentage of girls at risk in the European Union has increased from 14 % in 2011 to 42 % in 2018. The absolute number of girls at risk has also increased. The total population of migrant girls from FGM-practising countries living in Greece has slightly increased from 1 066 to 1 767 over the same time frame.

1. The study has not taken into account girls who are at risk of female genital mutilation in their own countries. 2. The study is based on data from 10 European countries where female genital mutilation is practised. 3. The study is based on data from 10 European countries where female genital mutilation is practised. 4. The study is based on data from 10 European countries where female genital mutilation is practised. 5. The study is based on data from 10 European countries where female genital mutilation is practised. 6. The study is based on data from 10 European countries where female genital mutilation is practised. 7. The study is based on data from 10 European countries where female genital mutilation is practised. 8. The study is based on data from 10 European countries where female genital mutilation is practised. 9. The study is based on data from 10 European countries where female genital mutilation is practised. 10. The study is based on data from 10 European countries where female genital mutilation is practised.

This factsheet presents the results of the study 'Estimation of girls at risk of female genital mutilation in the European Union – Belgium, Greece, France, Italy, Cyprus and Malta' for Greece.

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