

STATE DATA

Based on 2015-2019 American Community
Survey population estimates.

20,208

STUDY POPULATION:

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

6,449

Women and girls who
were likely **LIVING
WITH** FGM/C

469

Girls who were likely
AT RISK of FGM/C

STATE LEGISLATION AND POLICY LANDSCAPE

STATUS

Deficient **Existing Legislation**¹,
Needs Strengthening

IMPROVE BY ADDING

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

¹ <https://bit.ly/47xgPtj>

SUMMARY

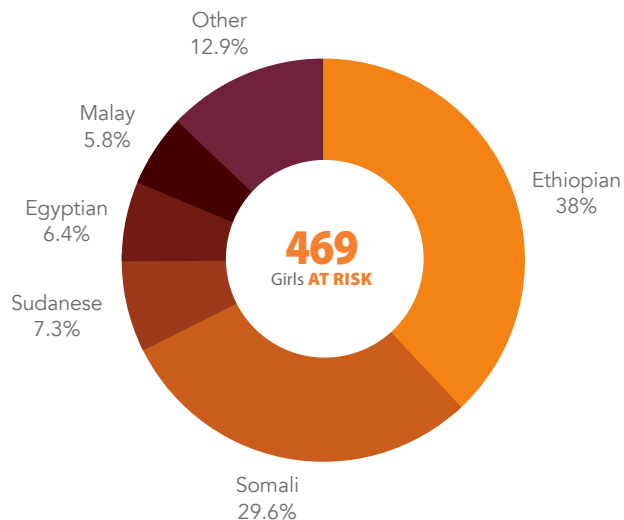
FGM/C prevalence was estimated at 34.2% within the study population in Colorado with over 60% of the impacted population in the state identifying as Ethiopian (35%), Somali (17.3%) or Eritrean (8.2%).

It is estimated that 1,434 women were living with Type 3 FGM/C in Colorado. While all survivors may require some level of medical and mental health support, those living with Type 3 would likely require additional medical attention.

82% of those impacted by FGM/C in Colorado live in the greater Denver-Aurora-Lakewood metropolitan area.

ETHNIC BREAKDOWN

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



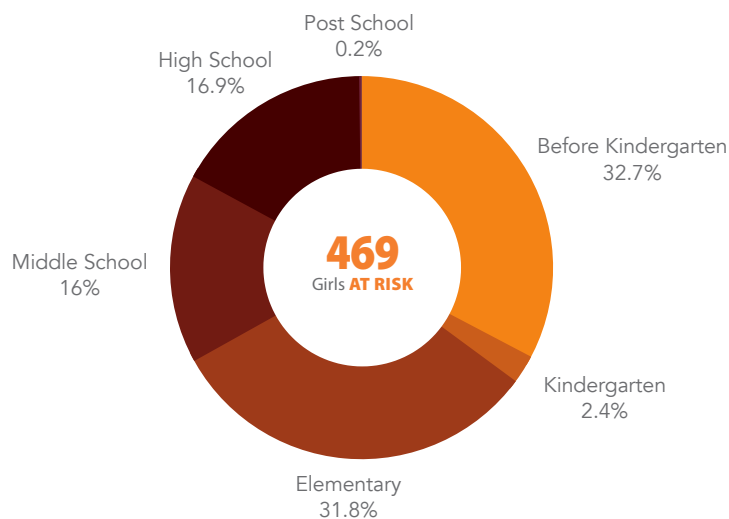
NOTE: Nigerian and Indonesian girls are likely underrepresented in this data since they are cut at a very young age, resulting in most girls being encoded as already living with FGM/C.

STATE PREVALENCE RANKING



AGE DISTRIBUTION

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



SPATIAL DISTRIBUTION

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

Arapahoe	7,461	2,566	226
Denver	5,282	1,710	60
Adams	1,826	497	39
Boulder	646	319	1
El Paso	1,166	279	37
Weld	974	274	19
Jefferson	736	271	13
Larimer	710	192	19
Douglas	700	116	29
Broomfield	84	47	-

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

Denver-Aurora-Lakewood, CO	16,407	5,318	375
Colorado Springs, CO	1,180	281	38
Fort Collins, CO	710	193	19
Pueblo, CO	32	2	4

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 Denver-Aurora-Lakewood metropolitan area.

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

All estimates are subject to both sampling and nonsampling error.

For more granular prevalence data contact info@theahafoundation.org

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