



FEMALE GENTIAL MUTILATION (FGM)

20 MILLION
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OVER 20 MILLION
GIRLS HAVE HAD
FEMALE GENTIAL
MUTILATION

30

THERE ARE 30
COUNTRIES THAT
PRACTICE FGM

513,000

IN 2016, 513,000 GIRLS
AND WOMEN WERE
AFFECTED BY FGM

FGM can cause:

- severe bleeding
- infections
- menstrual problems
- psychological disorders
- death

Reasons for FGM:

- social pressure
 - religious customs
 - premarital virginity
 - marital fidelity
 - cultural traditions
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Often FGM is done by individuals with no medical training and with tools such as knives, scissors, or clippers. FGM may not be done in a sterile environment.