

In order to create a world where every child, adolescent and young person is safe, protected and thriving, we must first know the facts.

In El Salvador, both girls and boys experience unacceptably high rates of sexual and physical violence

Percentage of females and males who experienced sexual or physical violence prior to age 18



The Government of El Salvador launched the **VIOLENCE AGAINST CHILDREN AND YOUTH** SURVEY in 2019 with support from IOM, USAID, CDC and other partners.



SEXUAL 14% 3% VIOLENCE 22%

PHYSICAL 19% **VIOLENCE**

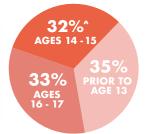


For some youth, the first experience of sexual intercourse is physically forced, coerced or facilitated by alcohol

(among those who had sexual intercourse before age 18)



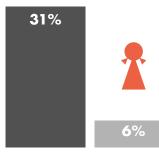
Girls face particularly high risks of sexual violence, often with devastating consequences



Age of first experience of physically forced or coerced or alcohol-facilitated sex among those who experienced physically forced or coerced or alcohol-facilitated sex before age 18

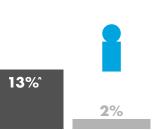
13-24 year old girls and young women who experienced physically forced or coerced or alcohol-facilitated sex became pregnant

Sexual violence is linked to negative health outcomes



Experienced sexual violence in childhood

Did not experience sexual violence in childhood



Percentage of females and males who

Perpetrators of sexual violence are often someone known to the child or adolescent

Most common perpetrators of first incident of sexual violence as reported by females and males who experienced sexual violence prior to age 18

| 19 | % | INTIMATE PARTNER* | 15% |
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| 34 | % | FRIEND/CLASSMATE/NEIGHBOR | 64% |
| 24 | % | FAMILY MEMBER | 0% |
| 34 | %^ | OTHER | 24% |

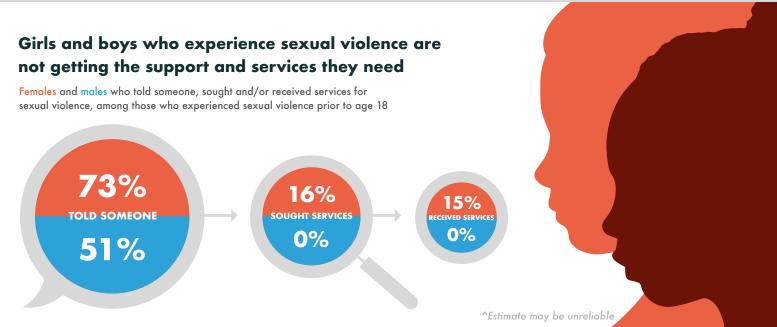
^{*}Intimate partner is defined as spouse, boyfriend, girlfriend or romantic partner

Sexual violence often occurs in a familiar location

Location of first incident of sexual violence experienced by females and males prior to age 18



*Home environment includes: the participant's home, the perpetrator's home, or someone else's home.





Violence Against Children and Youth Surveys are nationally representative household surveys led by national governments, with technical support from U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) as part of the Together for Girls Partnership.







