

FEMALE GENITAL CUTTING MODULE QUESTIONNAIRE AND INTERVIEWER'S MANUAL

	Is (NAME OF DAUGHTER) circumcised?)emograp urveys Me			YES 1 NO 2 (GO TO GC11 IN FIRST COLUMN OF NEW QUESTIONNAIRE; OR IF NO MORE DAUGHTERS, GO TO GC16)
- 3	circumcised?			AGE IN COMPLETED YEARS
	IF THE RESPONDENT DOES NOT KNOW THE AGE, PROBE TO GET AN ESTIMATE.	DON'T KNOW 98	DON'T KNOW 98	DON'T KNOW 98
GC13	Was her genital area sewn closed? (3)	YES	YES	YES 1 NO 2 DON'T KNOW 8
GC14	Who performed the circumcision? (4)	TRADITIONAL TRADITIONAL CIRCUMCISER 11 TRAD. BIRTH ATTENDANT 12 OTHER TRAD. (SPECIFY) HEALTH PROFESSIONAL DOCTOR 21	TRADITIONAL TRADITIONAL CIRCUMCISER 11 TRAD. BIRTH ATTENDANT 12 OTHER TRAD. (SPECIFY) HEALTH PROFESSIONAL DOCTOR 21	TRADITIONAL TRADITIONAL CIRCUMCISER 11 TRAD. BIRTH ATTENDANT 12 OTHER TRAD. 16 16 16 16 16 16 16 120 HEALTH PROFESSIONAL DOCTOR 21

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	FEMALE GENITAL CUTTING FOR WOMAN	<u>N'S QUESTIONNAIRE</u> (1)	3 January 2011
NO.	QUESTIONS AND FILTERS	CODING CATEGORIES	SKIP
GC1	Have you ever heard of female circumcision? (2)	YES NO	
GC2	In some countries, there is a practice in which a girl may have part of her genitals cut. Have you ever heard about this practice?	YES NO	
GC3	Have you yourself ever been circumcised?	YES NO	
GC4	Now I would like to ask you what was done to you at that time. Was any flesh removed from the genital area?	YES NO DON'T KNOW	2
GC5	Was the genital area just nicked without removing any flesh?	YES NO DON'T KNOW	2
GC6	Was your genital area sewn closed? (3)	YES NO DON'T KNOW	2
GC7	How old were you when you were circumcised? IF THE RESPONDENT DOES NOT KNOW THE EXACT AGE, PROBE TO GET AN ESTIMATE.	AGE IN COMPLETED YEARS	
GC8	Who performed the circumcision? (4)	TRADITIONAL TRAD. CIRCUMCISER TRAD. BIRTH ATTENDANT OTHER TRAD. (SPECIFY) HEALTH PROFESSIONAL DOCTOR	12 16 21
GC9	CHECK 213, 215 AND 216: HAS ONE OR MORE LIVING DAUGHTERS BORN IN 1995 (5) OR LATER HAS NO LIVING DAUGHTERS BORN IN 1995 (5) OR LATER		→ GC16

	CHECK 213, 215 AND 216: ENTER I BORN IN 1995 (5) OR LATER. ASK THE YOUNGEST DAUGHTER. (IF T	THE QUESTIONS ABOUT ALL	OF THESE DAUGHTERS. BEG	IN WITH
	Now I would like to ask you some que	estions about your (daughter/da	ughters).	
GC10	BIRTH HISTORY NUMBER AND NAME OF EACH LIVING DAUGHTER BORN IN 1995 (5) OR LATER	YOUNGEST LIVING DAUGHTER BIRTH HISTORY NUMBER	NEXT-TO-YOUNGEST LIVING DAUGHTER BIRTH HISTORY NUMBER	SECOND-TO-YOUNGEST LIVING DAUGHTER BIRTH HISTORY NUMBER
		NAME	NAME	NAME
GC11	Is (NAME OF DAUGHTER) circumcised?	YES 1 NO 2 (GO TO GC11 ← IN NEXT COLUMN; OR IF NO MORE DAUGHTERS, GO TO GC16)	YES 1 NO 2 (GO TO GC11 ← IN NEXT COLUMN; OR IF NO MORE DAUGHTERS, GO TO GC16)	YES 1 NO 2 (GO TO GC11 ← IN FIRST COLUMN OF NEW QUESTIONNAIRE; OR IF NO MORE DAUGHTERS, GO TO GC16)
GC12	How old was (NAME OF DAUGHTER) when she was circumcised?	AGE IN COMPLETED YEARS	AGE IN COMPLETED YEARS	AGE IN COMPLETED YEARS
	IF THE RESPONDENT DOES NOT KNOW THE AGE, PROBE TO GET AN ESTIMATE.	DON'T KNOW 98	DON'T KNOW 98	DON'T KNOW 98
GC13	Was her genital area sewn closed? (3)	YES 1 NO 2 DON'T KNOW 8	YES 1 NO 2 DON'T KNOW 8	YES 1 NO 2 DON'T KNOW 8
GC14	Who performed the circumcision? (4)	TRADITIONAL TRADITIONAL CIRCUMCISER 11 TRAD. BIRTH ATTENDANT 12 OTHER TRAD. 16 16	TRADITIONAL TRADITIONAL CIRCUMCISER 11 TRAD. BIRTH ATTENDANT 12 OTHER TRAD. 16 16	TRADITIONAL TRADITIONAL CIRCUMCISER 11 TRAD. BIRTH ATTENDANT 12 OTHER TRAD. 16 16
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		DON'T KNOW 98	DON'T KNOW 98	DON'T KNOW 98
GC15		GO BACK TO GC11 IN NEXT COLUMN; OR, IF NO MORE DAUGHTERS, GO TO GC16.	GO BACK TO GC11 IN NEXT COLUMN; OR, IF NO MORE DAUGHTERS, GO TO GC16.	GO TO GC11 IN FIRST COLUMN OF NEW QUESTIONNAIRE; OR IF NO MORE DAUGHTERS, GO TO GC16.
GC16	Do you believe that female circumcisi religion?	ion (2) is required by your	YES NO NO RELIGION DON'T KNOW	2 3
GC17	Do you think that female circumcision should it be stopped?	n should be continued, or	CONTINUED STOPPED DEPENDS DON'T KNOW	2

- (1) Female genital cutting module can be inserted into the woman's questionnaire wherever it is appropriate, and questions should be renumbered accordingly.
- (2) Use local term for female circumcision.
- (3) This question should be adapted to reflect country-specific methods of infibulation (that is, ways in which the vaginal orifice is narrowed or "closed").
- (4) Coding categories to be developed locally and revised based on information collected before the survey and on the pretest; however, the broad categories must be maintained. The detailed coding categories for "health professional" are relevant in the countries where health professionals perform a large number of circumcisions.
- (5) Year of fieldwork is assumed to be 2010. For fieldwork beginning in 2011 or 2012, the year should be 1996 or 1997, respectively.

NO.	QUESTIONS AND FILTERS	CODING CATEGORIES	SKIP
GC1	Have you ever heard of female circumcision? (2)	YES 1 NO 2	→ GC3
GC2	In some countries, there is a practice in which a girl may have part of her genitals cut. Have you ever heard about this practice?	YES 1 NO 2	→ NEXT SECTION
GC3	Do you believe that female circumcision (2) is required by your religion?	YES 1 NO 2 NO RELIGION 3 DON'T KNOW 8	
GC4	Do you think that female circumcision should be continued, or should it be stopped?	CONTINUED 1 STOPPED 2 DEPENDS 3 DON'T KNOW 8	

Female genital cutting module can be inserted into the man's questionnaire wherever it is appropriate, and questions should be renumbered accordingly.
Use local term for female circumcision.

INTERVIEWER'S MANUAL FOR THE FEMALE CIRCUMCISION MODULE

WOMAN'S QUESTIONNAIRE

In this section we will collect data on knowledge and prevalence of and attitudes toward female genital cutting, also known as female circumcision (FGC). Not all women are comfortable talking about FGC. Further, in countries where the practice is not legal, or where there are social sanctions against it, women may be particularly reluctant to discuss the topic freely. Thus it is important to ask the questions in a neutral tone of voice, without being critical or judgmental. If the respondent appears reluctant to answer these questions, remind her that the same questions are being asked of women all over the country and that her answers are completely confidential and will not be shared with anyone.

QUESTIONS GC1 – GC3: KNOWLEDGE OF FEMALE CIRCUMCISION

Questions on FGC are to be asked from women who have heard about FGC. Hence GC1 and GC2 are very important because they help determine which women know about FGC. Women who know what female circumcision is, or have heard of it will answer YES to GC1. In this case, circle code 1 and skip to GC3. If women answer NO then circle code 2 and ask GC2. GC2 is needed because sometimes women may know what FGC is but know it by some other name. Thus GC2 explains to the respondent what FGC is. Remember to read the question exactly as it is written.

If the respondent answers YES, circle the appropriate code and continue with question GC3. If she says NO, skip the remaining questions on FGC and go directly to the following section.

THE FOLLOWING QUESTIONS, BEGINNING WITH GC3, ARE ONLY FOR WOMEN WHO KNOW ABOUT FEMALE CIRCUMCISION.

GC3 asks women who know about FGC whether they themselves have been circumcised. Again look for signs of hesitation. Remind the respondent about the confidentiality of her answers. If the woman says that she has not been circumcised, skip to GC9; otherwise, proceed to GC4.

QUESTIONS GC4-GC6: TYPE OF GENITAL CUTTING

There are various types of genital cutting that a woman can undergo. These types differ by areas, cultures and by the person who does it. In its most radical form, the clitoris and the labia minora are totally removed and the genital opening is sewn up. The less radical moderate form consists of removing only some of the skin from the genital area. The important issue here is to know which form of genital cutting the respondent has experienced. Accordingly, GC4 tries to determine whether flesh was removed from the genital area. If no flesh was removed (GC4 coded 2), GC5 asks if the genital area was only nicked (only a cut was made) without removing any flesh.

GC6 concerns all women who have been circumcised irrespective of how they answered GC4 and GC5. Its purpose is to provide additional information on the form of genital cutting that the woman has undergone; whether any flesh was removed from the genital area or not, we want to know if the genital area was sewn closed.

Note that on all three questions, it is possible for women to say that they do not know what was done to them even though they know they are circumcised. Hence a DON'T KNOW answer is possible but before accepting it, be sure that the respondent has understood the question.

QUESTION GC7: AGE AT FEMALE CIRCUMCISION

As in other places in the questionnaire, the answer to GC7 on age at circumcision must be recorded in <u>completed</u> years. Remember that a completed year in this context means her age on her last birthday before her circumcision.

Since the respondent may not be sure of her age at circumcision, try to help the respondent narrow down the period in which the circumcision could have occurred. Get the closest estimate by probing using life markers such as the start of school, the start of menstruation, or the time of marriage. You can also compare the respondent's circumcision to that of one of her sisters if she knows a much more exact approximation of the age of her sister at circumcision.

If the respondent says that the circumcision took place when she was just baby, then circle code 95. It is only in cases where the respondent is not able to provide you with the any information at all about her age at circumcision that you are allowed to circle code 98 for DON'T KNOW.

QUESTION GC8: THE PERSON WHO PERFORMED THE CIRCUMCISION

The goal of this question is to obtain information on the qualifications of the person who performed the circumcision. This information helps to increase understanding of the medical and social context within which the circumcision is being performed. Code only the answer provided by the respondent. The circumcision may have been performed in a traditional manner, by a traditional circumciser or a traditional midwife/birth attendant or other local traditional provider, OR by a health professional (doctor or nurse/midwife or other health professional). This is not a multiple response question—only one code should be circled.

QUESTION GC9: FILTER/DOES RESPONDENT HAVE A LIVING DAUGHTER?

Check questions 213, 215 and 216 in the birth history table to determine whether the respondent has one or more living daughters born in 1995 or later. If she has at least one living daughter born in 1995 or later, proceed to GC10; if not then skip to GC16.

QUESTIONS GC10-GC15: GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS

Questions GC11-GC14 collect information on all the respondent's daughters age 15 or less. The questions must be asked for only one daughter at a time, starting with the youngest daughter. However, before questions can be asked about daughters, you must first complete GC10. To do this, use information from questions 213, 215 and 216 of the respondent's birth

history and fill out the birth history number and name of each living daughter born in 1995 or later at the head of each column. Start with the youngest daughter in the first column. In the case where a woman has more than three living daughters, take an additional copy of the questionnaire to complete the information for the fourth or fifth daughter.

Remember that you must go down each column for one daughter at a time. This means that you must fill out all the information for one daughter before starting with the next daughter. To ensure that the respondent knows which daughter you are talking about, be sure to insert the correct daughter's name when asking each question.

Once the information is filled for each daughter, GC15 provides instructions on what to do next. For example, if the woman has only one daughter, then once you have completed the first column, GC15 tells you to go to GC16. If the woman has two daughters, then GC15 in the first column tells you to go back to GC11 and ask the questions about the next daughter and fill out the second column. If the respondent has more than three daughters, GC15 instructs you to go to a new questionnaire and ask GC11 for the next daughter.

QUESTION GC11: WHETHER DAUGHTER IS CIRCUMCISED

Since all questions so far have been about the respondent's own experience with circumcision, it is important that you introduce this next set of questions to the respondent by reading clearly the introductory sentence in the box above GC10: "Now I would like to ask you some **questions about your (daughter/daughters).**" Remember to use 'daughter' if she has only one daughter below the age of 15 and 'daughters' only if she has more than one daughter in this age group.

GC11 asks whether the daughter being discussed has been circumcised. Ask the question mentioning the daughter by name. Then, go down the column to the next question for the same daughter according to the answer given. If the daughter has been circumcised, ask GC12; if she has not been circumcised, go to GC11 in the next column. If no more daughters, go to GC16.

QUESTION GC12: AGE OF DAUGHTER AT THE TIME OF HER CIRCUMCISION

This question concerns the age of the daughter at the time of her circumcision. Record the age in completed years. Again, as in GC7, if the mother does not know the age, probe by asking additional questions to get an approximate age. If the mother still says that she does not know, circle code 98 for DON'T KNOW.

QUESTION GC13-GC14: TYPE OF CIRCUMCISION AND PERSON PERFORMING THE CIRCUMCISION

These questions are similar to GC6 and GC7 and are concerned with the type of circumcision undergone by the daughter and who the circumciser for the daughter was. Fill each out as per the instructions for GC6 and GC7, respectively.

QUESTION GC16: RELIGION AND FEMALE CIRCUMCISION

All women who have heard of FGC receive this question. The goal of this question is to ascertain whether the respondent believes that the practice of female genital cutting is required by her religion. It does not matter what her religion is or whether it is in reality required by the religion or not. We are only interested in the respondent's own opinion on this question.

QUESTION GC17: CONTINUATION OF THE PRACTICE OF FEMALE CIRCUMCISION

Like GC16, this question is also trying to get the respondent's opinion—do not in any way indicate whether you do or do not agree with the respondent's opinion. This question is not saying anything about ways in which the practice should be stopped, or whether it is possible for it to be stopped. We only want to know if the respondent thinks that the practice should be stopped or not.

MAN'S QUESTIONNAIRE

In this section we will collect data on the knowledge and attitudes toward female genital cutting, also known as female circumcision (FGC). Not all men are comfortable talking about FGC. Further, in countries where the practice is not legal, or where there are social sanctions against it, men may be particularly reluctant to discuss the topic freely. Thus it is important to ask the questions in a neutral tone of voice, without being critical or judgmental. If the respondent appears reluctant to answer these questions, remind him that the same questions are being asked of men all over the country and that all his answers are completely confidential and will not be shared with anyone.

QUESTIONS GC1 - GC3: KNOWLEDGE OF FEMALE CIRCUMCISION

Questions on FGC are to be asked from men who have heard about FGC. Hence GC1 and GC2 are very important because they will help to determine which men know about FGC. If men know what female circumcision is or have heard of it, they will answer YES to GC1. In this case, circle code 1 and skip to GC3. If they answer NO then circle code 2 and ask GC2. GC2 is needed because some men may know what FGC is but know it by some other name. Thus GC2 explains to the respondent what we mean by FGC. Be sure to read the question exactly as it is written.

If the respondent answers YES, circle the appropriate code and then continue with GC3. If he says NO to GC2, skip the rest of the questions on FGC and go directly to the following section.

QUESTION GC3: RELIGION AND FEMALE CIRCUMCISION

The goal of this question is to ascertain whether the practice of female genital cutting is required by his religion. It does not matter what his religion is. We only want to know his opinion. Only one answer is possible here. Listen to the man's answer and circle the code corresponding to it.

QUESTION GC4: OPINION OF MEN ON THE CONTINUATION OF THE PRACTICE OF FEMALE CIRCUMCISION

Like GC3, this question is also trying to get the respondent's opinion—do not in any way indicate whether you do or do not agree with the respondent's opinion. This question is not saying anything about ways in which the practice should be stopped, or whether it is possible for it to be stopped. We only want to know if the respondent thinks that the practice should be stopped or not.

FEMALE GENITAL CUTTING MODULE TABULATION PLAN

	Wome	n	Men	
Background characteristic	Have heard of female circumcision	Number of women	Have heard of female circumcision	Number of men
Age 15-19 20-24 25-29 30-34 35-39 40-44 45-49 Religion Ethnic group Residence Urban				
Rural Region Region 1 Region 2 Region 3 Region 4				
Education No education Primary Secondary More than secondary				
Wealth quintile Lowest Second Middle Fourth Highest				
Total 15-49				
50-54[59] Total 15-54[59]	na na	na na		

Table FGC.2 Prevalence	of female	circumcision
		Circumersion

Percentage of women age 15-49 circumcised, and percent distribution of circumcised women by type of circumcision according to background characteristics, [country, year]

	Percentage		Type of cire	cumcision			Number of
Background characteristic	of women circumcised	Cut, no flesh removed	Cut, flesh removed	Sewn closed	Don't know/ missing	Total	circumcisec
Age					<u> </u>		
15-19						100.0	
20-24						100.0	
25-29						100.0	
30-34						100.0	
35-39						100.0	
40-44						100.0	
45-49						100.0	
Religion							
						100.0	
						100.0	
Ethnic group							
						100.0	
						100.0	
Residence							
Urban						100.0	
Rural						100.0	
Region							
Region 1						100.0	
Region 2						100.0	
Region 3						100.0	
Region 4						100.0	
Fotal 15-49						100.0	

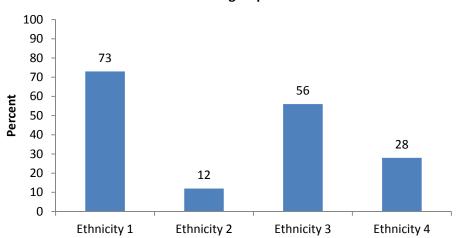


Figure FGC.1 Percentage of women age 15-49 circumcised by ethnic group

Table FGC.3 Age at circumcision

Percent distribution of circumcised women age 15-49 by age at circumcision, according to background characteristics, [country, year]

	Age at circumcision				Don't	Numb	Number of
Background					know/		circumcise
characteristic	<5	5-9	10-14	15+	missing Total	d women	
Age							
15-19						100.0	
20-24						100.0	
25-29						100.0	
30-34						100.0	
35-39						100.0	
40-44						100.0	
45-49						100.0	
Religion							
						100.0	
						100.0	
Ethnic group							
						100.0	
						100.0	
Residence							
Urban						100.0	
Rural						100.0	
Region							
Region 1						100.0	
Region 2						100.0	
Region 3						100.0	
Region 4						100.0	
Total						100.0	

Table FGC.4	Prevalence of	ⁱ circumcision	and age at	circumcision: Girls 0	-14

Percent distribution of girls age 0-14 by age at circumcision, and percentage of girls circumcised, according to current age, [country, year]

		Age	e at circum	ncision				
					Percentage not circumcise		Number of	Percentage
Current age	<1	1-4	5-9	10-14	d	Total	girls	circumcised
0-4 5-9 10-14			na	na na		100.0 100.0 100.0		
0-14						100.0		
Note: The circu na = Not applic		0	•	ed by their	mothers.			

Please note that the denominator of this table is the living daughters age 0-14 of all women who participate in the FGC module. The number of daughters age 0-14 is taken from the woman's birth history. In the FGC module, no data is collected on the circumcision status of daughters of women who have never heard of FGC, but in this table they are all assumed to be 'not circumcised.'

Please note that prior to August 2013, daughters of women who had not heard of FGC were excluded from this table, and thus from the denominator of the estimate of FGC prevalence among daughters age 0-14. In order to compare trends between surveys, if the prior survey report was completed before August 2013, the table for the prior survey must be re-run to include daughters of women who have not heard of FGC.

The same applies to Table FGC.5 and Figure FGC.2.

	(Current age o	of airls	
Background characteristic	0-4	– Total 0-14		
Religion Ethnic group			10-14	^
 Residence Urban Rural				
Region Region 1 Region 2 Region 3 Region 4				
Mother's Education No education Primary Secondary More than secondary				
Mother's circumcision status Circumcised Not circumcised Don't know/missing				
Wealth quintile Lowest Second Middle Fourth Highest				
Total				

Please see the notes following Table FGC.4 regarding the handling of daughters of women who have never heard of FGC and instructions for presenting trends between surveys.

Table FGC.6 Infibulation among circumcised girls age 0-14

Percent distribution of girls age 0-14 who are circumcised by whether or not they are infibulated, according to background characteristics, [country, year]

]	Infibulation sta				
Background characteristic	Sewn	Not sewn	Don't know/	Tatal	Number	
	closed	closed	missing	Total	Number	
Religion				100.0		
				100.0		
				100.0		
Ethnic group						
				100.0		
				100.0		
Residence						
Urban				100.0		
Rural				100.0		
Region						
Region 1				100.0		
Region 2				100.0		
Region 3				100.0		
Region 4				100.0		
Mother's Education						
No education				100.0		
Primary				100.0		
Secondary				100.0		
More than secondary				100.0		
Mother's circumcision						
status						
Infibulated				100.0		
Circumcised, not infibulated				100.0		
Not circumcised				100.0		
Wealth quintile						
Lowest				100.0		
Second				100.0		
Middle				100.0		
Fourth				100.0		
Highest				100.0		
Total				100.0		
Note: The circumcision status o	f girls is rep	ported by their	mothers.			

This table should be included only when infibulations accounts for a sizeable proportion of circumcisions in some categories of girls.

		Age of gir	_		
Characteristic of circumcision	0-4	5-9	10-14	Girls age 0-14	Women age 15-49
Person who performed the					
circumcision					
Traditional agent					
Traditional circumciser					
Traditional birth attendant Other traditional agent					
Medical professional					
Doctor					
Nurse/midwife					
Other health professional					
Don't know/ missing					
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Type of circumcision					
Sewn closed					
Not sewn closed					
Don't know/missing					
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0

Programming notes: Subtotals should be shown for the headings "Traditional agent" and "Medical professional." When showing table FGC.X, delete the information on type of circumcision from this table.

Working Table for Figure FGC.2 Circumcision by age: Girls and Women

Percentage of girls who have been circumcised by current age, and percentage of women age 15-49 who were circumcised by specific exact ages, [country, year]

	Girls ag	Girls age 0-14							
			age 15- 49						
	Percent		circum-						
	circum-		cised by						
Age (in years)	cised	Number	exact age						
Age (in years)	ciscu	Number	chact age						
<1			na						
1			na						
2			na						
3			na						
4			na						
5									
6									
7									
8									
9									
10									
11									
12									
13									
14									
>14 ¹	na	na							
Total number of women	na	na							
Note: Exact age at circumcision for years of age less than 5 not available for women due to recall issues. na = not applicable ¹ Percentage of women circumcised after exact age 14									

Notes for programming:

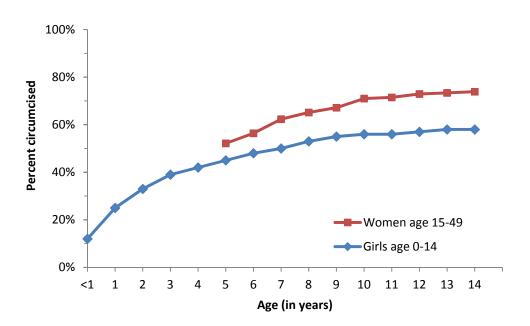
Denominator for girls for the row showing age 5 (for example) includes those girls who are currently five years old (i.e. 60-71 months old at the time of the interview).

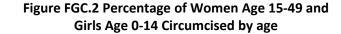
Numerator for girls for the row showing age 5 includes girls age 60-71 months who have been circumcised (GC11 = yes).

Denominator for all rows for women is all women age 15-49.

Numerator for row showing age 5 for women is women who were circumcised before their 5th birthday (i.e. at age 0-4 years, OR code 95 is circled (as a baby/in infancy).

Numerator for women for row ">14" is all women circumcised at age 14 or older (i.e., after their 14th birthday.





Note: Data on age at circumcision for women who were circumcised before age 5 is not available in single years of age. Data for girls is based on current status. The figure shows the percentage of girls currently in each age group who have been circumcised (according to mother's report). Data for women age 15-49 is based on recall and shows the percentage who were circumcised by specific exact ages.

Please see the notes following Table FGC.4 regarding the handling of daughters of women who have never heard of FGC and instructions for presenting trends between surveys.

Table FGC.8 Opinions of women and men about whether circumcision is required by religion

Percent distribution of women age 15-49 and men age 15-54[59] who have heard of female circumcision by opinion on whether their religion requires female circumcision, according to background characteristics, [country, year]

	Women					Men					
Background		Not	Don't		Number of women who have heard of female circum-		Not	Don't		Number of men who hav heard of female circum-	
characteristic	Required	required	know	Total	cision	Required	required	know	Total	cision	
Female circumcision											
status Circumcised Not circumcised						na na	na na	na na	na na	na na	
Age											
15-19 20-24 25-29				100.0 100.0 100.0					100.0 100.0 100.0		
30-34 35-39				100.0 100.0					100.0 100.0		
40-44 45-49				100.0 100.0					100.0 100.0		
				100.0					100.0		
Religion				100.0					100.0		
				100.0					100.0		
Ethnic group											
				100.0					100.0		
				100.0					100.0		
Residence											
Urban Rural				100.0 100.0					100.0 100.0		
				100.0					100.0		
Region Region 1				100.0					100.0		
Region 2				100.0					100.0		
Region 3				100.0					100.0		
Region 4				100.0					100.0		
Education											
No education				100.0					100.0		
Primary				100.0					100.0		
Secondary				100.0					100.0		
More than secondary				100.0					100.0		
Wealth quintile											
Lowest				100.0					100.0		
Second				100.0					100.0		
Middle				100.0					100.0		
Fourth				100.0					100.0		
Highest				100.0					100.0		
Total 15-49				100.0					100.0		
50-54[59]	na	na	na	na	na						
Total 15-54[59]	na	na	na	na	na						

na=not applicable

Table FGC.9 Opinions of women and men about whether the practice of circumcision should continue

Percent distribution of women age 15-49 and men age 15-54[59] who have heard of female circumcision by their opinion on whether the practice of circumcision should be continued, by background characteristics, [country, year]

	Women					Men					
Background characteristic Female	Continue d	Not continued	Don't know	Total	Number of women who have heard of female circum- cision	Continued	Not continued	Don't know	Total	Number of men who have heard of female circum- cision	
circumcision status											
Circumcised						na	na	na	na	na	
Not circumcised						na	na	na	na	na	
Age											
15-19				100.0					100.0		
20-24				100.0					100.0		
25-29				100.0					100.0		
30-34				100.0					100.0		
35-39				100.0					100.0		
40-44				100.0					100.0		
45-49				100.0					100.0		
50-54	na	na	na	na	na						
Religion											
				100.0					100.0		
				100.0					100.0		
				100.0					100.0		
Ethnic group				100 0					100.0		
				100.0					100.0		
				100.0					100.0		
Residence											
Urban				100.0					100.0		
Rural				100.0					100.0		
Region											
Region 1				100.0					100.0		
Region 2				100.0					100.0		
Region 3				100.0					100.0		
Region 4				100.0					100.0		
Education				100.0					100.0		
No education				100.0					100.0		
Primary				100.0 100.0					100.0 100.0		
Secondary More than				100.0 100.0					100.0 100.0		
secondary				100.0					100.0		
5											
Wealth quintile											
Lowest				100.0					100.0		
Second				100.0					100.0		
Middle				100.0					100.0		
Fourth				100.0					100.0		
Highest				100.0					100.0		
Fotal 15-49				100.0					100.0		
50-54[59]	na	na	na	na	na						
Total 15-54[59]	na	na	na	na	na						

na=not applicable

