

SDG Goal 5

Gender equality

SDG Target 5.3	Eliminate all harmful practices, such as child, early and forced marriage and female genital mutilation
SDG Indicator 5.3.2	Proportion of girls and women aged 15-49 years who have undergone female genital mutilation, by age
Time series	Cases of female genital mutilation recorded by the police

1. General information on the time series

- Date of national metadata: February 6, 2026
- National data: <https://sdg-indicators.de/5-3-2>
- Definition: The time series shows the victims of female genital mutilation in absolute terms, per 100,000 female inhabitants (=V/100,000), as well as the percentage.

The following offence code is taken into account according to the national catalogue of criminal offences:

- 222040: female genital mutilation (sect. 226a PC)

Both completed and attempted criminal offences are taken into account.

- Disaggregation: sex

2. Comparability with the UN metadata

- Date of UN metadata: July 2024
- UN metadata: <https://unstats.un.org/sdgs/metadata/files/Metadata-05-03-02.pdf>
- The time series is not compliant with the UN metadata, but provides additional information. It measures the number of victims of female genital mutilation as registered by the Police Crime Statistics (PCS), and not the proportion of mutilated women to the total female population aged 15 to under 50. It only includes cases recorded by the police (so-called known cases statistics) and is not based on surveys such as victimisation surveys.

3. Data description

- The data on the number of victims is based on the Police Crime Statistics (PCS) of the Federal Criminal Police Office (BKA). The PKS records known crimes, victims and suspects and includes both attempted and completed crimes per year. As only reported cases are recorded, the statistics may not fully reflect the actual crime rate. If a person is the victim of several crimes or of the same crime repeatedly, they are counted multiple times.

The PKS crime code 222040 ('female genital mutilation', Section 226a of the German Criminal Code) has been recorded in the PKS since 1 January 2014. This corresponds to the date of introduction of the catalogue code, after female genital mutilation had

previously been enshrined in law.

The population data comes from the Federal Statistical Office. The victim risk figure (per 100,000 inhabitants) is calculated on the basis of the population on 31 December of the previous year. For the years 2014 to 2023, the data is based on the 2011 census, and from 2024 onwards on the 2022 census.

The percentage figures are based on the retroactively calculated average population, which was determined for the years 2014 to 2021 on the basis of the 2022 census.

4. Access to data source

- T91 Total victims by age and sex:
https://www.bka.de/EN/CurrentInformation/Statistics/PoliceCrimeStatistics/2024/pc_s2024_node.html
- T91 Risk of victimization – Total offenses, completed, attempts (only available in German):
<https://www.bka.de/DE/AktuelleInformationen/StatistikenLagebilder/PolizeilicheKriminalstatistik/PKS2024/PKSTabellen/BundBelastungszahlen/bundBelastungszahlen.html?nn=226082>
- Average population – GENESIS online 12411-0041:
<https://www-genesis.destatis.de/genesis//online?operation=table&code=12411-0041&bypass=true&levelindex=1&levelid=1639396599054#abreadcrumb>
- Population data based on Census 2022 (only available in German):
https://www.destatis.de/DE/Themen/Gesellschaft-Umwelt/Bevoelkerung/Bevoelkerungsstand/_inhalt.html#sprg233540

5. Metadata on source data

- Police Crime Statistics, Version 1.0, documents “Guidelines for Maintaining the Police Crime Statistics” and “Developmental History”:
https://www.bka.de/EN/CurrentInformation/Statistics/PoliceCrimeStatistics/policecrimestatistics_node.html

6. Timeliness and frequency

- Timeliness: t + 4 months
- Frequency: Annual

7. Calculation method

- Unit of measurement: Number, Per 100,000 inhabitants, Percentage
- Calculation: Not applicable.

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Time series	Cases of inpatient treatment due to female genital mutilation (personal medical history)

1. General information on the time series

- Date of national metadata: February 6, 2026
- National data: <https://sdg-indicators.de/5-3-2>
- Definition: The time series shows the number of patients treated in hospitals with the ICD-10 diagnosis code Z91.7 'Personal history of female genital mutilation' in absolute terms, per 100,000 female inhabitants and as a percentage. ICD-10 is the 10th version of the International Statistical Classification of Diseases and Related Health Problems (German modification).
- Disaggregation: sex

2. Comparability with the UN metadata

- Date of UN metadata: July 2024
- UN metadata: <https://unstats.un.org/sdgs/metadata/files/Metadata-05-03-02.pdf>
- The time series is not compliant with the UN metadata, but provides additional information. It shows cases of inpatient treatment due to female genital mutilation (personal medical history) and not the proportion of girls and women aged 15 to 49 who have undergone genital mutilation.

3. Data description

- The data comes from the hospital statistics of the Federal Statistical Office. These are based on an annual comprehensive survey that collects data on all patients receiving inpatient treatment in German hospitals; since 2003, preventive care and rehabilitation facilities have also been included. Hospitals in penal or correctional institutions and police hospitals are excluded.

The diagnostic statistics refer to all patients discharged from inpatient treatment during the reporting year. The decisive point in time for recording is the date of discharge from the respective facility.

4. Access to data source

- Not available.

5. Metadata on source data

- Quality Report – Diagnoses of hospital patients (only available in German)
<https://www.destatis.de/DE/Methoden/Qualitaet/Qualitaetsberichte/Gesundheit/diagnose-krankenhauspatienten.pdf>

6. Timeliness and frequency

- Timeliness: t + 10 months
- Frequency: Annual

7. Calculation method

- Unit of measurement: Number, Per 100,000 inhabitants, Percentage
- Calculation: Not applicable.