

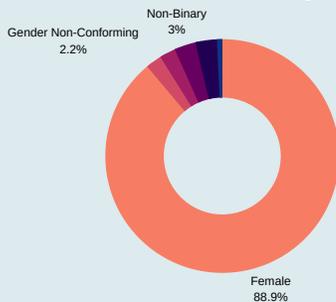
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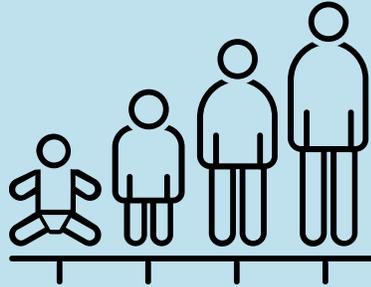
As of June 8, 2020, we have heard from 246 Girls*.

They described their gender identity as:

- Female
- Gender Non-Conforming
- Non-Binary
- Gender Queer
- Not Sure
- Agender

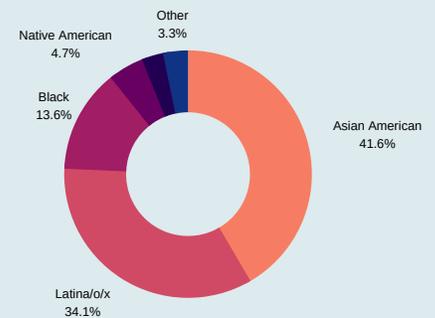


Their ages ranged from 11-24, with the average being 15.22.



They described their race as:

- Asian American
- Latina/o/x
- Black
- Native American
- Native Hawaiian
- Other



With shelter in place and teaching going online, girls reported impacts on their . . .

MENTAL HEALTH, including:

65.16% STRESS OR ANXIETY



10.25% EXPECTATIONS OR NEGATIVE MESSAGES PLACED ON THEM BECAUSE OF THEIR GENDER.



HOME LIFE, including:

1.23% VIOLENCE AT HOME



40.57% BEING ASKED TO TAKE ON ADDITIONAL CAREGIVING RESPONSIBILITIES



EDUCATION, including:

10.25% NEEDING A TUTOR



17.21% ACCOMMODATION FOR THEIR STYLE OF LEARNING



Girls said they need:

- "More opportunities to connect with classmates."
- "Have services virtually."
- "Media to be more sensitive. It's scaring people and creating panic."
- "People [to] stay home so this situation can end quicker."

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As of June 8, 2020, girls that responded to AFG's survey need or do not have access to...

SAFETY & SUPPORT, including:

6.85%



A SAFE PLACE TO LIVE

"I dont have a safe space."

"I couldn't find a job and had to move back home where my abusive brother lives."

7.76%



A TABLET, COMPUTER, OR CELL PHONE WITH ACCESS TO THE INTERNET

"My family has to share the same internet, which can be hectic as we are [a] busy family of 5."

"I'm not the best at using computers, so it's a bit hard"

11.42%



A PRIVATE SPACE TO COMMUNICATE WITH CARING ADULTS & FRIENDS

"It's hard to really communicate. Everyone copes differently, I hope that there can be more support."

BASIC NEEDS, including:

10.05%



FOOD AND GROCERIES

"The closing of services such as nearby grocery stores has prevented me from getting the groceries that I need."

9.59%



PERIOD PRODUCTS

"Schools provide feminine hygiene [products] in the office, -wellness centers, [including] -condoms ... they should still provide that now at the food distribution sites so that girls can still have them. Girls deserve to take care of themselves."

12.79%



BIRTH CONTROL

"At least open up clinics around the city so we can have access to feminine products, birth control, check ups."

EDUCATION, including:

10.5%



COMPLETING THEIR SCHOOL REQUIREMENTS

"[I have] no access to education or the help I needed. No one contacted me from the school. I had to reach out. I'm trying to finish high school and I need help to get school done."

7.76%



GETTING A PROGRAM/SERVICE IN OR OUTSIDE OF SCHOOL DUE TO CHANGES/ CLOSURE

"[I have] limited [access to my] support group, I navigate school mostly alone. The dream center doesn't have all the resources I need."

"I no longer have the space to [meet my] social/financial needs."

ECONOMIC STABILITY, including:

26.48%



A JOB OR SOURCE OF INCOME

"We have to stay home and it makes our PG&E bill go super high so i need a job."

"I was furloughed from my job."

18.26%



FINANCES OR MONEY

"I don't have money to access [face mask and hand sanitizer]."

"It has also affected my family because they can't go to work to get money to provide for my family."

*"Girls" refers to gender-expansive youth (cis girls, trans girls, non-binary youth, gender non-conforming youth, gender queer youth and any girl-identified youth). **Help us get more responses** by sharing the survey with girls here: tiny.cc/MgniCovid19. Email our Advocacy Manager at haleema@alliance4girls.org.