

Impact of COVID-19 on the SGBV situation in Lebanon



















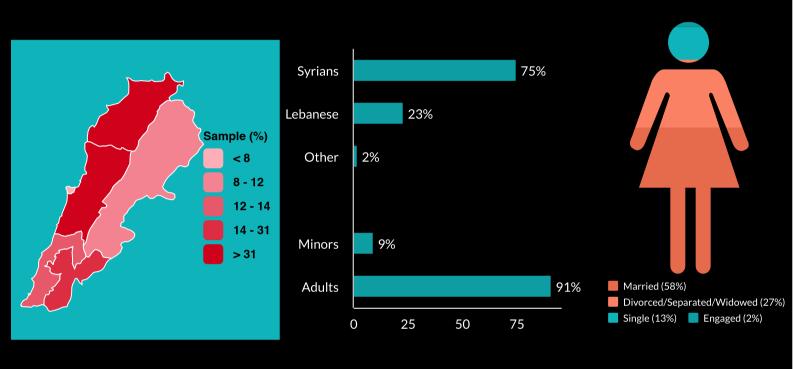
Objectives

- Assess women and girls' access to SGBV services in COVID 19
- Explore the impact of COVID-19 on women and girls

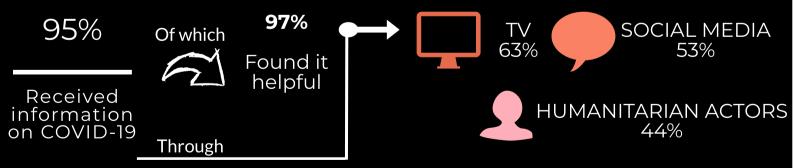
Methodology

SGBV partners (ABAAD, CARE, DRC, IRC, & INTERSOS) conducted phone interviews with 562 GBV service users (women and girls) across Lebanon.

Demographics



Awareness of COVID-19 and Health Services





85%

Know where to go and how to seek support if they need health assistance

SGBV in the Household or Community



54%

reported observing an increase of harassment, violence or abuse against women and girls in their household or community.

TYPES OF VIOLENCE OBSERVED















79% **Emotional** Violence

55% Physical Violence

53% Denial of Resources

32% Sexual Violence

31% Discrimination

15% Threat of Deportation/ **Eviction**

Child Marriage

LOCATION OF VIOLENCE OBSERVED















85% Home

39% Other Public **Spaces**

21% Market

Public **Transportation**

6% **ATM**

Hospital

1% Other

Changes in Feeling of Safety

Changes in the feeling of safety by women & girls in **their communities** since the spread of the COVID-19

Less safe (57%) No changes (25%) More Safe (12%) Does not know (6%)



Changes in the feeling of safety by women & girls in their homes since the spread of the COVID-19

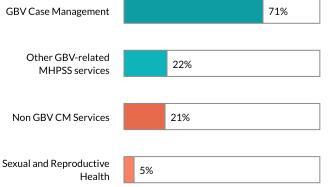


Awareness and Access to GBV Services

75% know where and how to seek assistance in case they feel unsafe or have any violence issues related women and girls

50% Have been able to access different services since the start of the COVID-19 outbreak in Lebanon

Services that women and girls were able to access 71% **GBV** Case Management



The modality of services accessed: When asked how helpful have these services been since the onset of the COVID-19 outbreak in Lebanon 12% received the 94% received the service in person service over the Just as helpful as usual (67%) phone More helpful than usual (19%) Less helpful than usual (13%) These services were never helpful (1%) Of those who accessed the service over the phone Faced no challenges Did not have 16% consistent access to a phone or internet Did not feel safe 15% talking over the phone When asked, if they are receiving other emotional/protective support from anyone in the community or family 5% Other Partner or another family member did not 2% let them use the **57% YES** phone 0 20 40 60 Of those, the support was found Percentage of those who accessed non-GBV services since the start Very helpful 49% of COVID-19 in Lebanon 30% Health Services 18% Other Somewhat helpful Hygiene Items 51% Food Items 3% Not helpful at all 3% Non-GBV **MHPSS** Services 20% Sanitary 43% NO Pads Of those, in case of urgent need Main challenges in accessing the above Call a service 76% Lack of money 67% provider Fear of moving outside due 35% to COVID 19 Ask for familial or Lack of services/items in the 13% 22% community market support Tension and harassment on 16% the streets Contact the No challenges 15% 6% authorities 12% Other Fear of arrest/deportation Other Distance