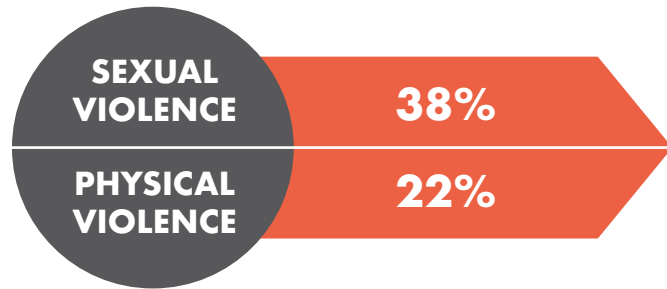


ESWATINI

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 Eswatini, girls experience unacceptably high rates of sexual and physical violence

Percentage of **females** who experienced sexual or physical violence prior to age 18, as reported by 18 - 24 year olds



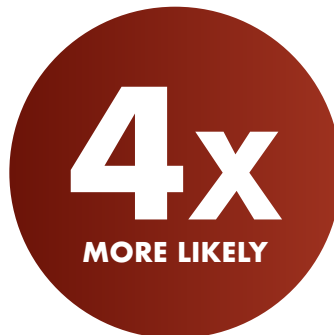
57%

For many girls, the first experience of sexual intercourse is forced or coerced, often with devastating consequences

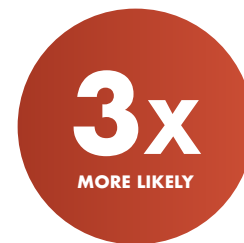
(as reported by 13 - 24 year olds)

Girls who experience sexual violence are more likely to experience negative health outcomes

As compared to girls who did not experience sexual violence



To contract HIV and other sexually transmitted diseases

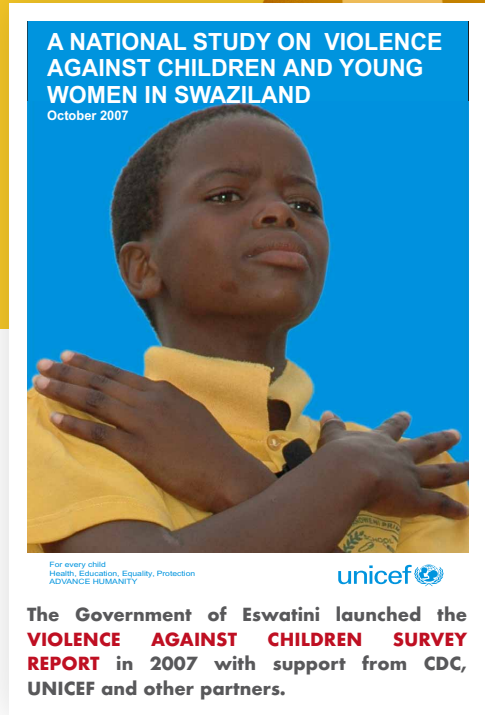


To have unwanted pregnancies



To experience suicidal thoughts

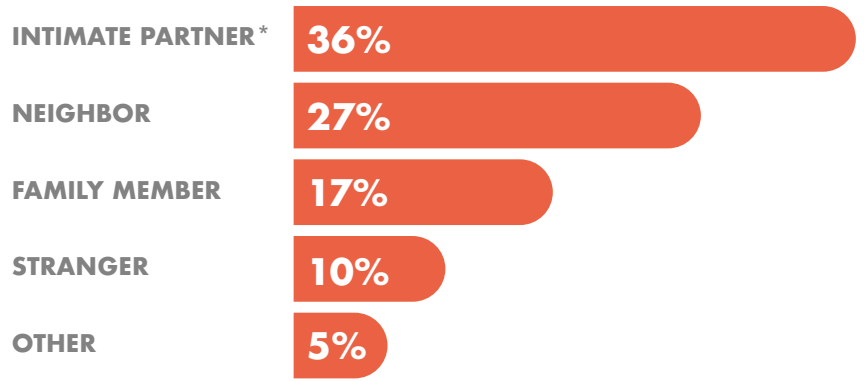
(as reported by females 13-24 years old, adjusted for age, community setting, SES and orphan status)



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

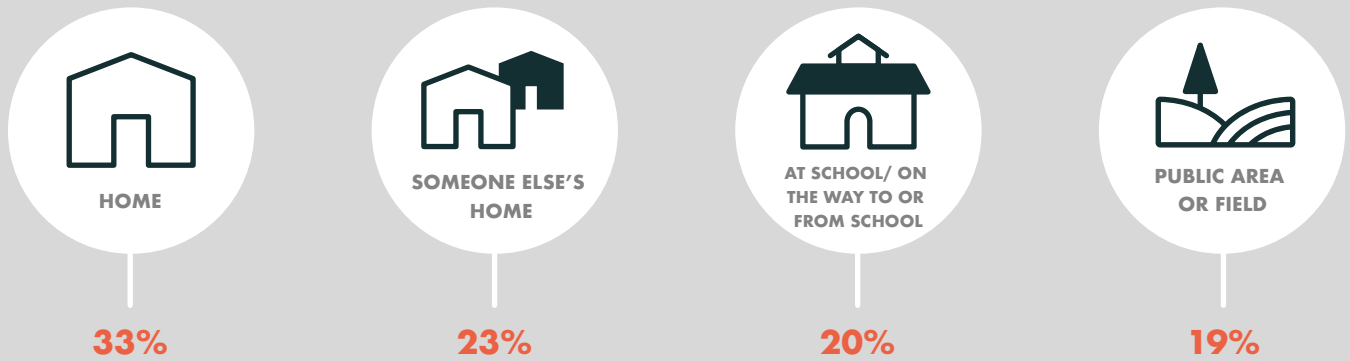
Most common perpetrators of first incident of sexual violence as reported by 18-24 year old females who experienced sexual violence prior to age 18

**Intimate partner is defined as husband or boyfriend*



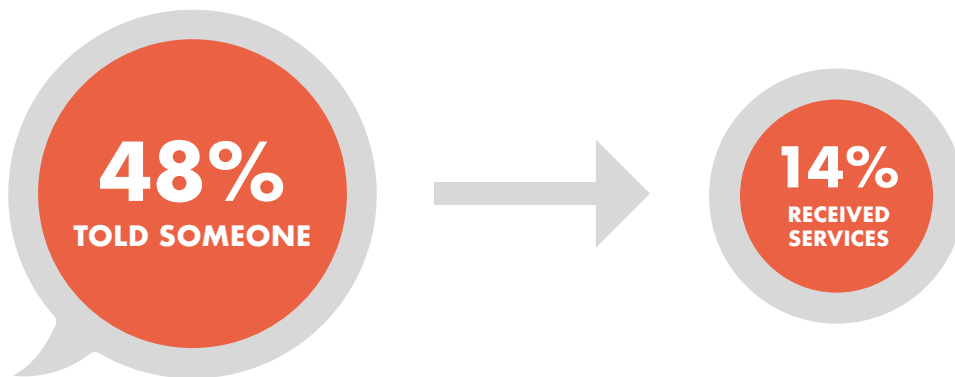
Sexual violence often occurs in familiar locations

Location of first incident of sexual violence as reported by 18-24 year old females who experienced an incident prior to age 18



Girls who experience sexual violence are not getting the support and services they need

Females who told someone, sought and/or received services for sexual violence, as reported by 13-24 year olds who experienced sexual violence prior to age 18



Together for girls
STRENGTH IN NUMBERS

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