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'Circles of hell': Domestic, public and state violence against women in Egypt

Sexual harassment

■ 99%: Women and girls interviewed for UN Women survey in 2013 who reported some form of sexual harassment

Domestic violence

- 47.4%: Married, divorced, separated or widowed women who reported some form of physical domestic violence in the last official survey on the issue
- 39% of women interviewed in the last official survey on domestic violence who agreed that a husband is justified in beating his wife in certain circumstances

Female genital mutilation (FGM)

- 91%: Women (ages 15-49) subjected to FGM in the last official survey
- 1: Known prosecutions for female genital mutilation since the 2011 uprising

Public life

- 30-42: Approximate number of women judges, many directly appointed by Hosni Mubarak
- **2%:** Women holding seats in the last People's Assembly (lower house of parliament)
- 10%: Women appointed to the 50-member committee that drafted Egypt's 2014 constitution

Employment

■ 24.2 % / 9.8%: Unemployed women versus men

Illiteracy

■ 37.3%: Egyptian women and girls over the age of 10 who are illiterate

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