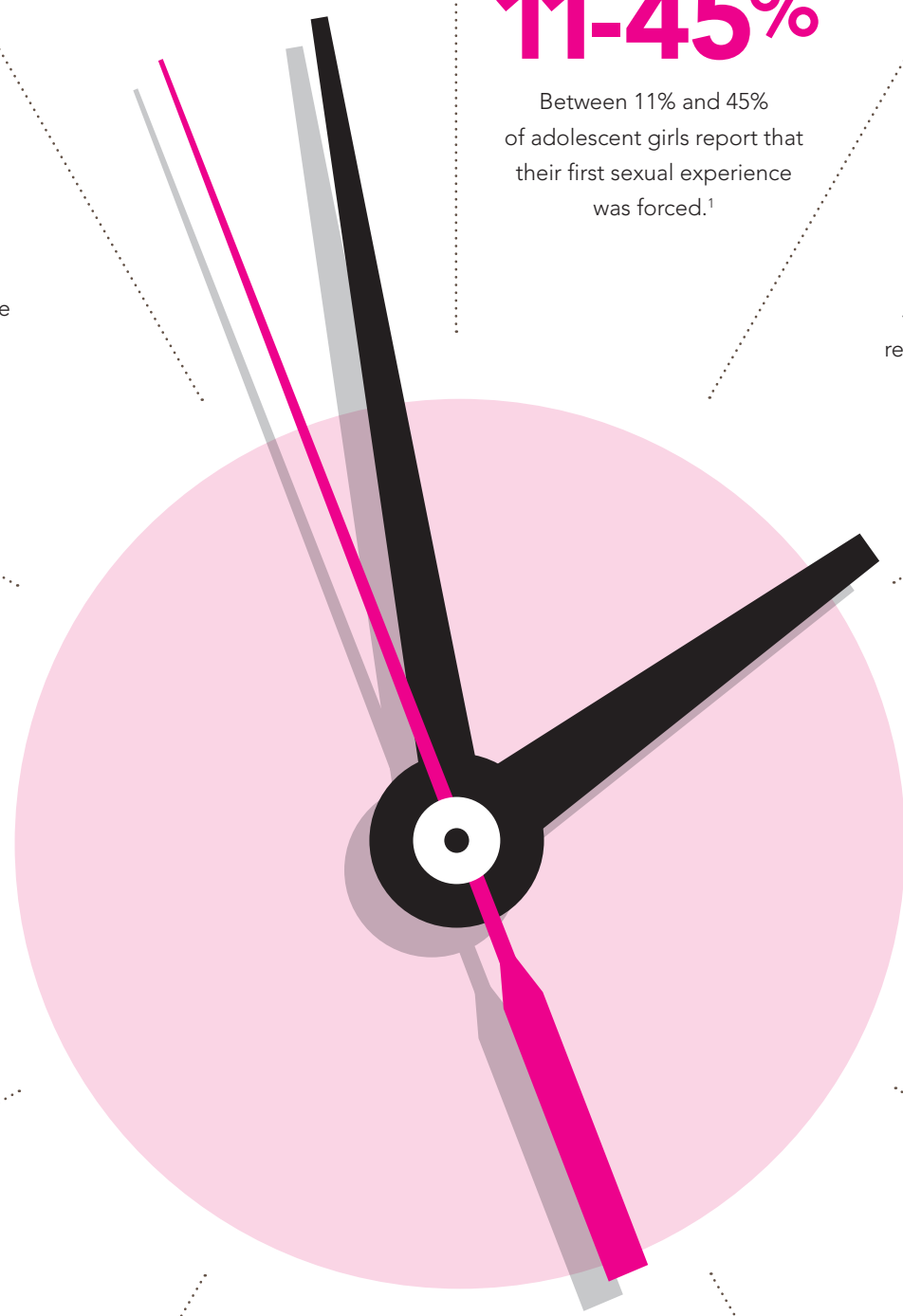
Every minute, a young woman is newly infected with HIV.

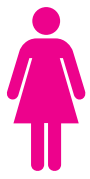
As a result of their lower economic, socio-cultural status in many countries, women and girls are disadvantaged when it comes to negotiating safe sex, accessing HIV prevention information and services.



11-45%

Between 11% and 45% of adolescent girls report that their first sexual experience was forced.[1]

Women living with HIV are more likely to experience violations of their sexual and reproductive rights, for example forced sterilisations.[2]



HIV is the leading cause of death of women of reproductive age.[10]

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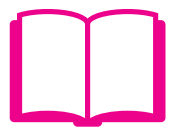
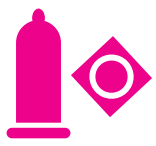
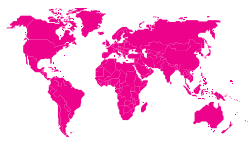
Globally, young women aged 15-24, are most vulnerable to HIV with infection rates twice as high as in young men, and accounting for 22% of all new HIV infections.[9]



Two-thirds of the world's 796 million illiterate adults are women.[3]



Only one female condom is available for every 36 women in Sub-Saharan Africa.[8]



In many countries customary practices on property and inheritance rights further increase women's vulnerability to AIDS and reduce their ability to cope with the disease and its impact.

More than one third of women aged 20-24 years in the developing world marry before 18 years old.[7]

40%

Approximately 40 percent of pregnancies worldwide are unintended, increasing risk of women's ill-health and maternal death.[6]

Globally, less than 30% of young women have comprehensive and correct knowledge on HIV.[5]

32/94

Women living with HIV are not regularly involved in formal processes to plan and review the national HIV response to HIV in 32 out of 94 countries.[4]

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