

MONTHLY BULLETIN JUNE 2020



This Monthly Bulletin summarizes data collected from the U-Report polls and highlights key findings and recommendations proposed by young people of the following topics – **parents' needs during the COVID-19 pandemic, opinions of young people on COVID-19 and menstrual hygiene.**

Number of U-Reporters:



11 million U-Reporters
in 66 countries



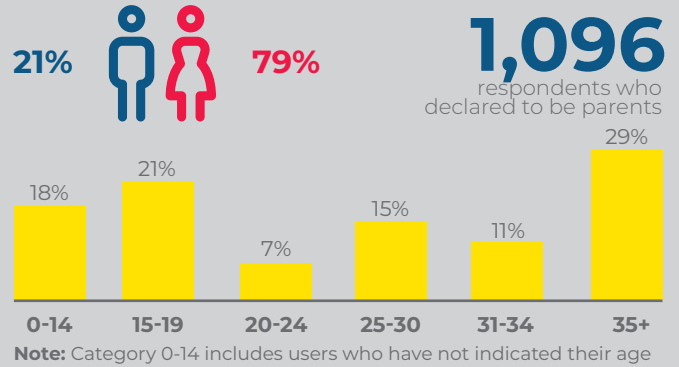
21,700 U-Reporters
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PARENTING DURING COVID-19

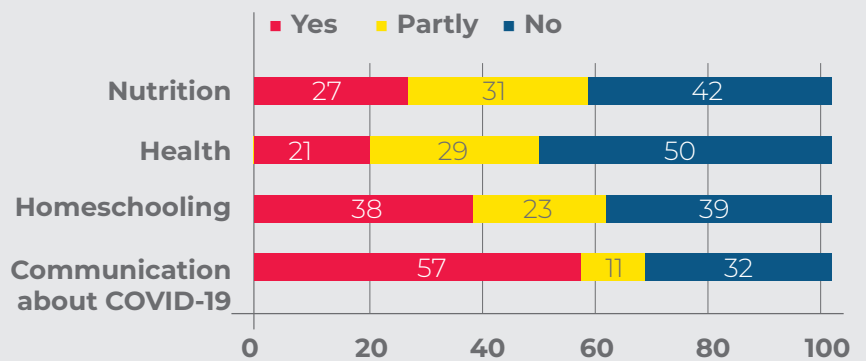
The poll aimed to analyze the situation of parents in Moldova and identify their needs related to the COVID-19 pandemic



The survey focused on identifying needs in four areas: **nutrition** (buying food and feeding the family), **health** (contacting doctor, buying medication), **homeschooling** (helping with homework and school tasks) and **communication with children about COVID-19** (social distancing, hygiene, protection).

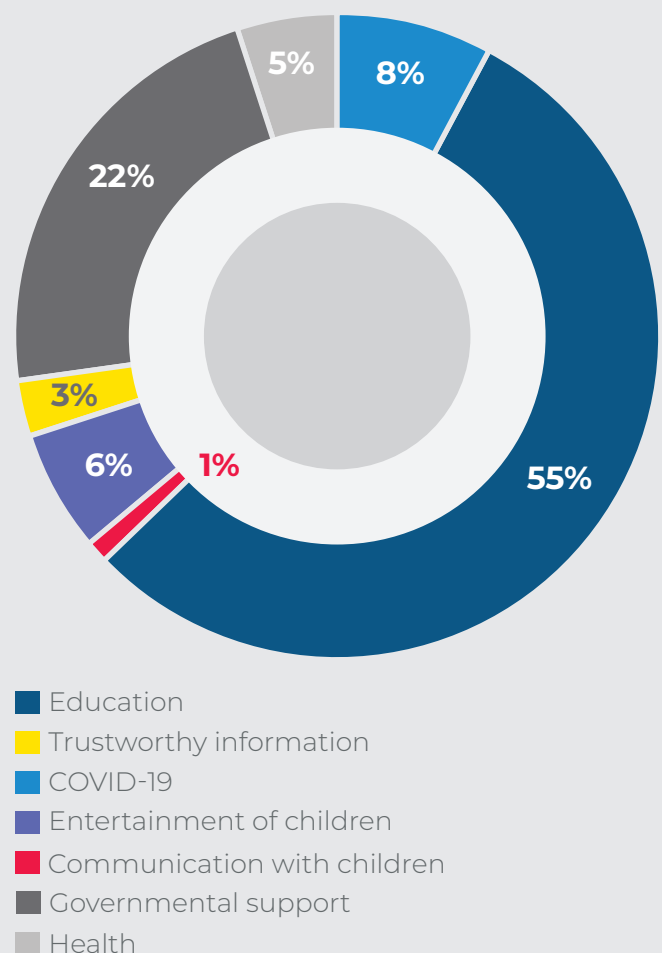
KEY FINDINGS

During the COVID-19 lockdown, have you faced challenges in your family related to?



While the biggest part of users faces challenges in communication with children about COVID-19, this trend is even **more present among parents from rural districts such as Cahul and Ungheni** (65% face challenges in this matter) compared to Chisinau and Balti (51%).

Most parents requested support related to education, more specifically to: the lack of support from teachers, the access to remote learning and the need to reopen schools and kindergartens. Some parents expressed the need for help from the government, such as financial and material support as well as the need to find a solution to the work and childcare incompatibility.

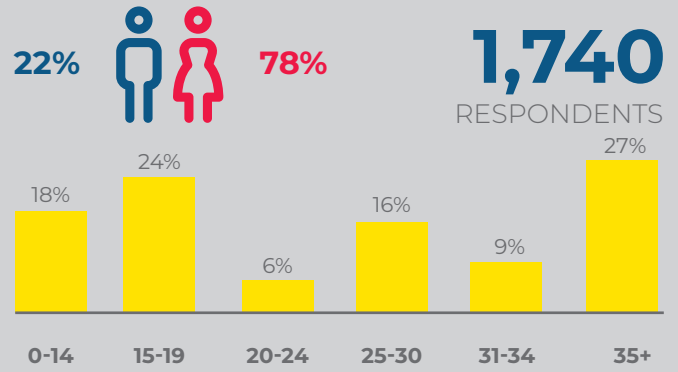


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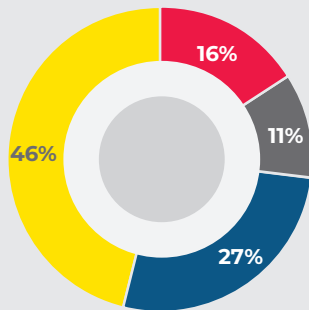
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COVID-19

The poll aimed to collect the opinions of young people about the current situation regarding the COVID-19 pandemic.

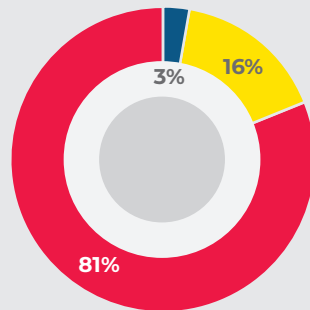


Do you find information about COVID-19 presented by national media trustworthy?



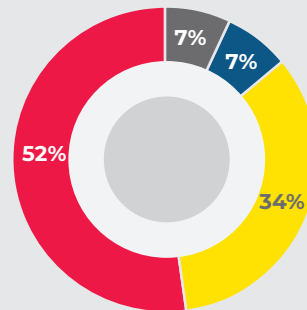
- Yes
- Partly
- No
- I don't know

Do you wear a mask in public places to keep yourself and others safe?



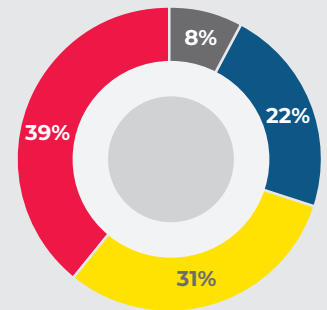
- Yes, always
- Sometimes
- Never

Are you worried about the increase of COVID-19 infections in the recent days?



- Yes
- Partly
- No
- I don't know

Do you think that the worries in society about COVID-19 are exaggerated?



- Yes
- Partly
- No
- I don't know

FOLLOW-UP

The results of the survey were discussed during a **talk show** focusing on myths about COVID-19 that was streamed on Facebook. An expert from the National Agency of Public Health and a U-Report coordinator participated in the talk show addressing queries collected from U-Reporters. The live stream reached nearly 1,000 viewers simultaneously and 13,000 viewers in total. The talk show can be watched [online here](#).



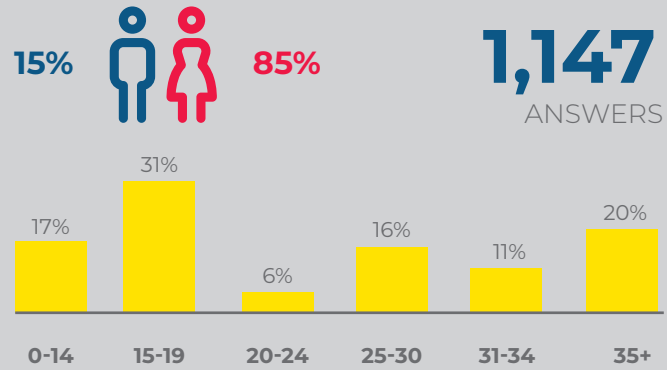
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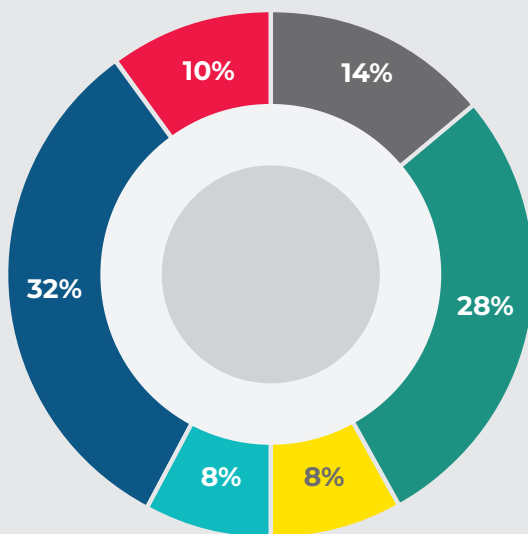
MENSTRUAL HYGIENE

1,147
ANSWERS

The last poll of the month focused on menstrual hygiene – a topic that was discussed on U-Report for the first time.

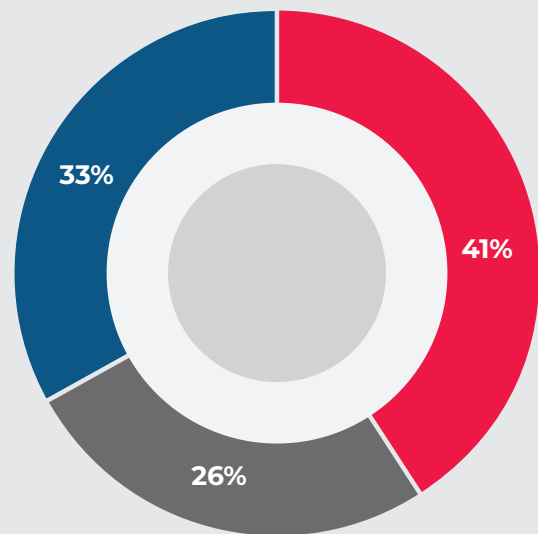


Where/from whom have you learned the most about menstruation?



■ Friends ■ Doctors ■ Self-studying
■ Relatives ■ Teachers ■ Other

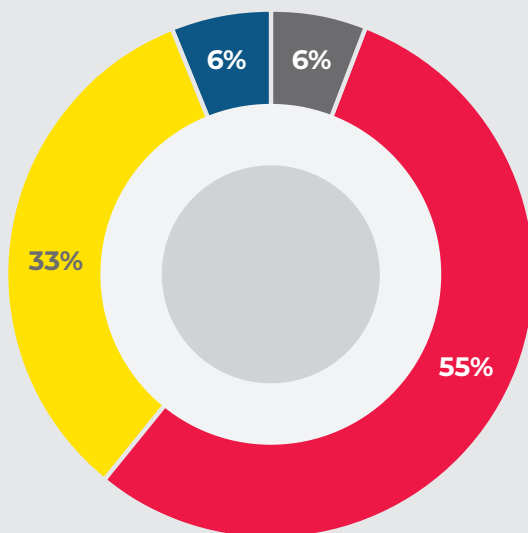
Can a woman get pregnant during menstruation?



■ Yes ■ No ■ I don't know

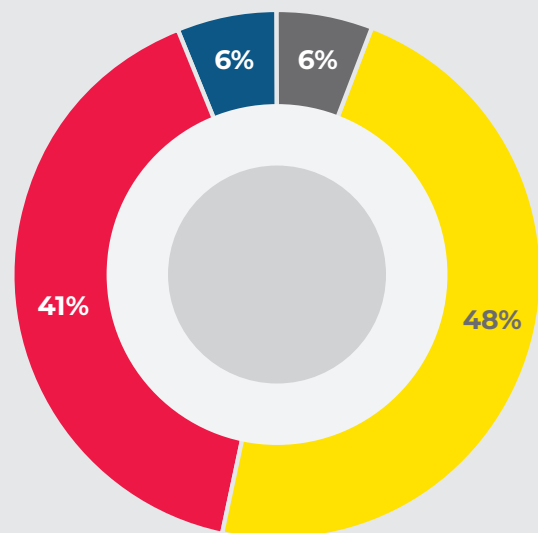
Most U-Reporters learned about menstruation mostly by self-studying (books, internet..) and from relatives. However, based on the above-displayed results, it can be assumed that the knowledge on this topic is limited as only 41% of users provided the correct answer to question 2.

Do you think it is okay to discuss the menstruation topic openly? (at school, in media..)



■ Yes ■ Partly ■ No ■ I don't know

Should boys know about menstruation?



■ Yes ■ Partly ■ No ■ I don't know

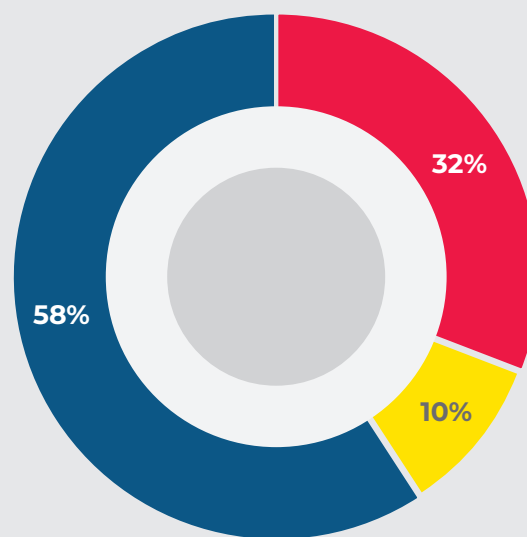
MENSTRUAL HYGIENE

A series of questions were asked to female participants only. Following the question displayed on the right, girls provided **reasons for skipping school classes during menstruation:**

- 66% stated they felt bad physically,
- 6% felt uncomfortable mentally,
- 4% skipped school because of poor hygienic conditions at school
- 23% have done so because of all the above-mentioned reasons.

Moreover, **78%** of women know others who have menstrual problems (pain, irregular cycle). Majority of them would advise contacting a doctor in case of menstrual problems.

Have you ever skipped school / university because of menstruation?



■ Yes ■ No ■ I don't remember

FOLLOW-UP

An **online chat** was organized with the support of doctors from Youth Clinics Neovita to answer questions on menstrual hygiene. In total, 285 queries were received and over 600 messages were sent from the U-Partners platform to users.



A Facebook poster used for promotion of the YK online consultation

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