

## Early Marriage and Adolescent Girls

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those already married need greater policy and programmatic attention.

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This is number 15 in the series, YouthLens: on reproductive health and HIV/AIDS. This issue looks at the health risks associated to early marriage for female youth; including a distinct and substantial risk of acquiring HIV/AIDS. This Issue also discusses ways in which to reduce early marriage, such as programs that help foster policies and norms that support later marriage and offer services, resources, and options to families to delay marriage. Suggestions are given to policy-makers and program managers on how to provide support to married girls. The report concludes with additional resources on married adolescent girls.

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