

Pastoral Orientations on Human Trafficking  
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# Human Trafficking in the context of Sexual Exploitation

International Organization for Migration  
Regional Office of Asia and the Pacific



# Global Estimates of Modern Slavery



**FORCED LABOUR AND FORCED MARRIAGE**

## The global estimates

- *Modern Slavery*

*“Situations of exploitation that a person cannot refuse to leave because of threats, violence, coercion, deception, and/or abuse of power.”*

- **Data Sources**

- 48 national surveys involving 71,000 respondents
- IOM case management data for individual human trafficking victims between 2012-2016



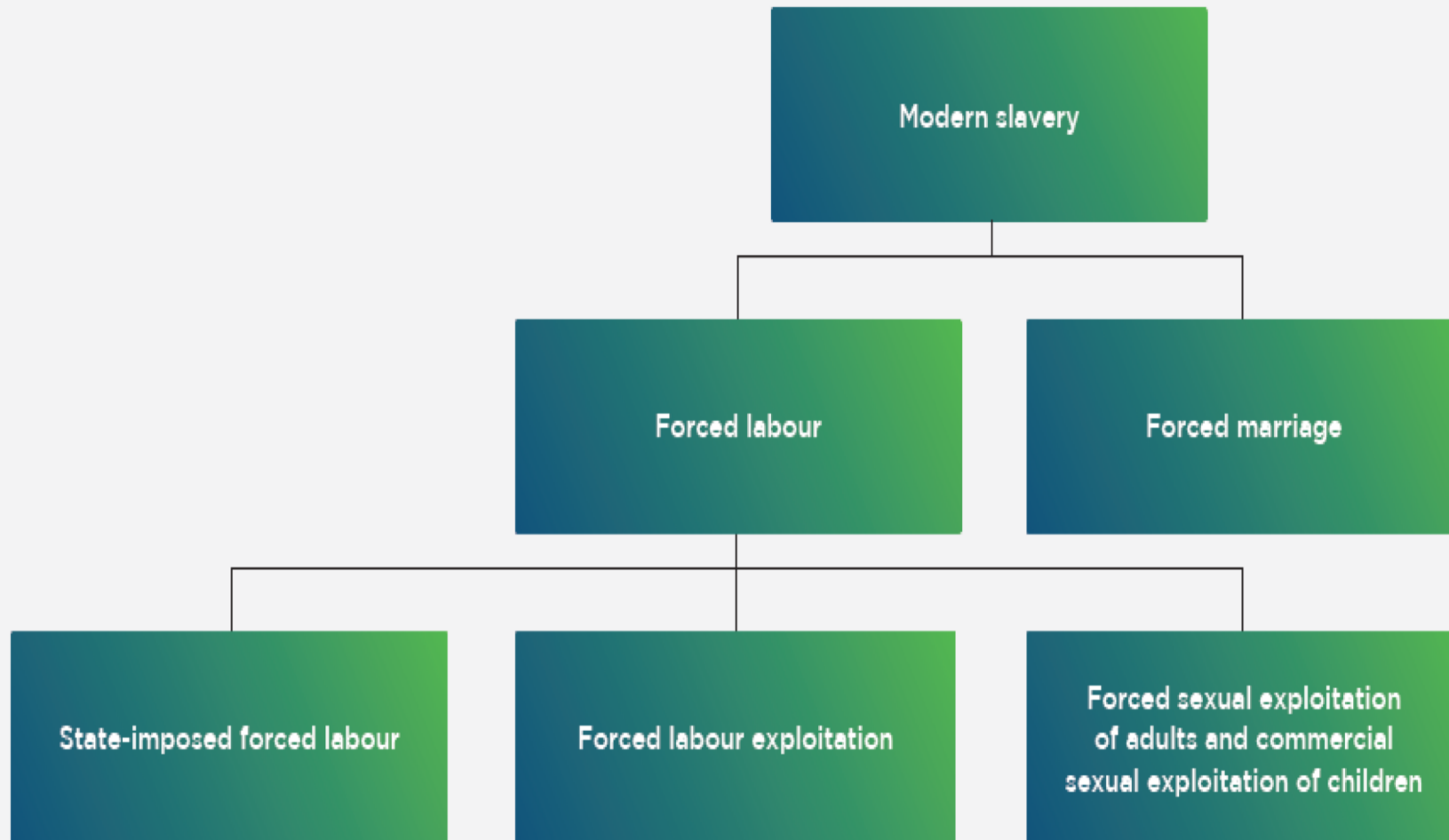
#### METRICS

40 million people were victims of modern slavery. This includes:

- 25 million people in forced labour
- 15 million people in forced marriage

- Consists of forced labour exploitation; **forced sexual exploitation**; state-imposed forced labour; forced marriage
- **The Asia and the Pacific** region has the highest share of victims across all forms of exploitations

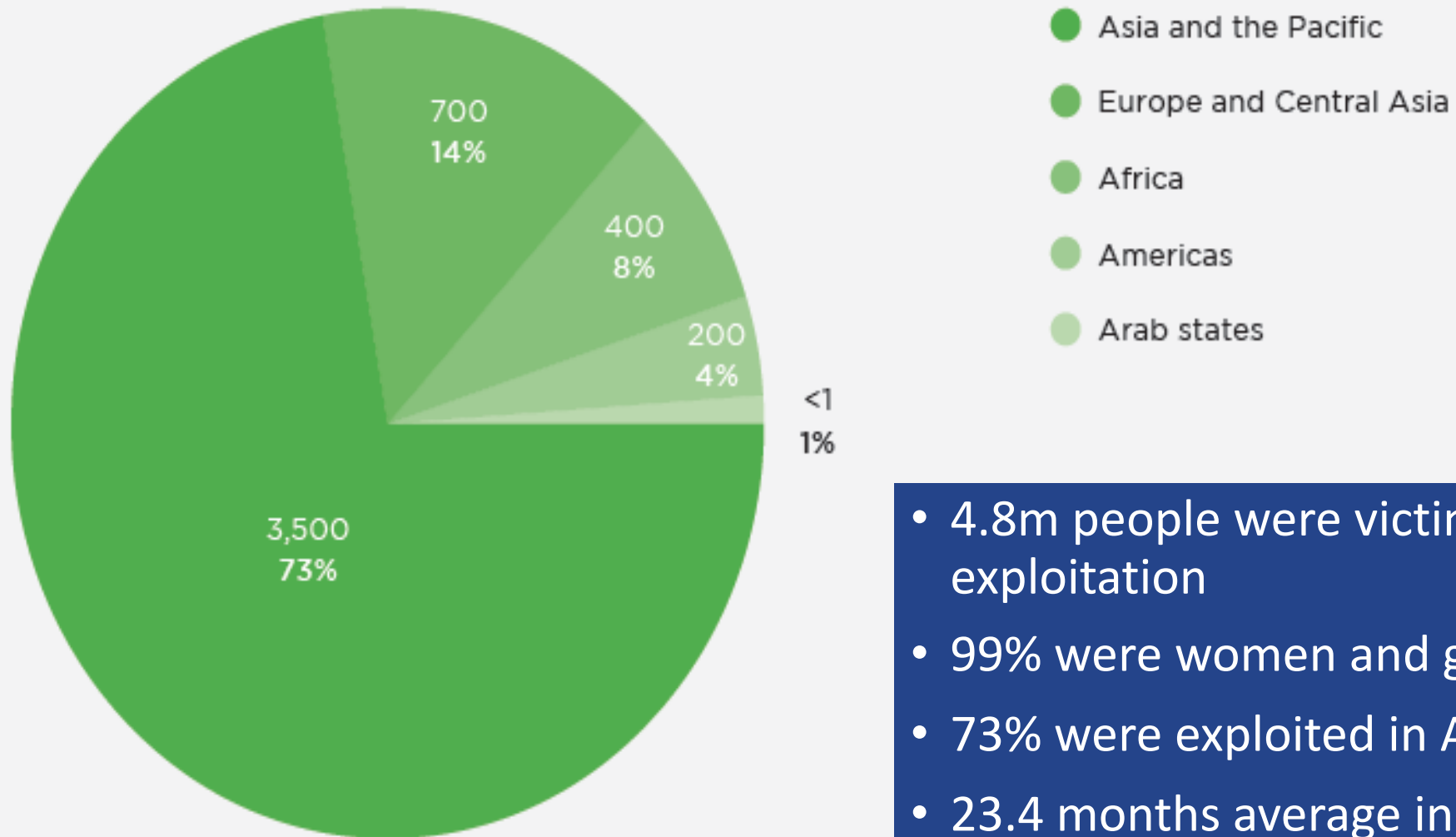
*“73% per cent of all victims of forced sexual exploitation, 64% per cent of those in forced labour exploitation, and 42% of all those in forced marriages.”*





## Regional distribution of forced sexual exploitation

Percentage distribution of victims of forced sexual exploitation, by region (in 000's)

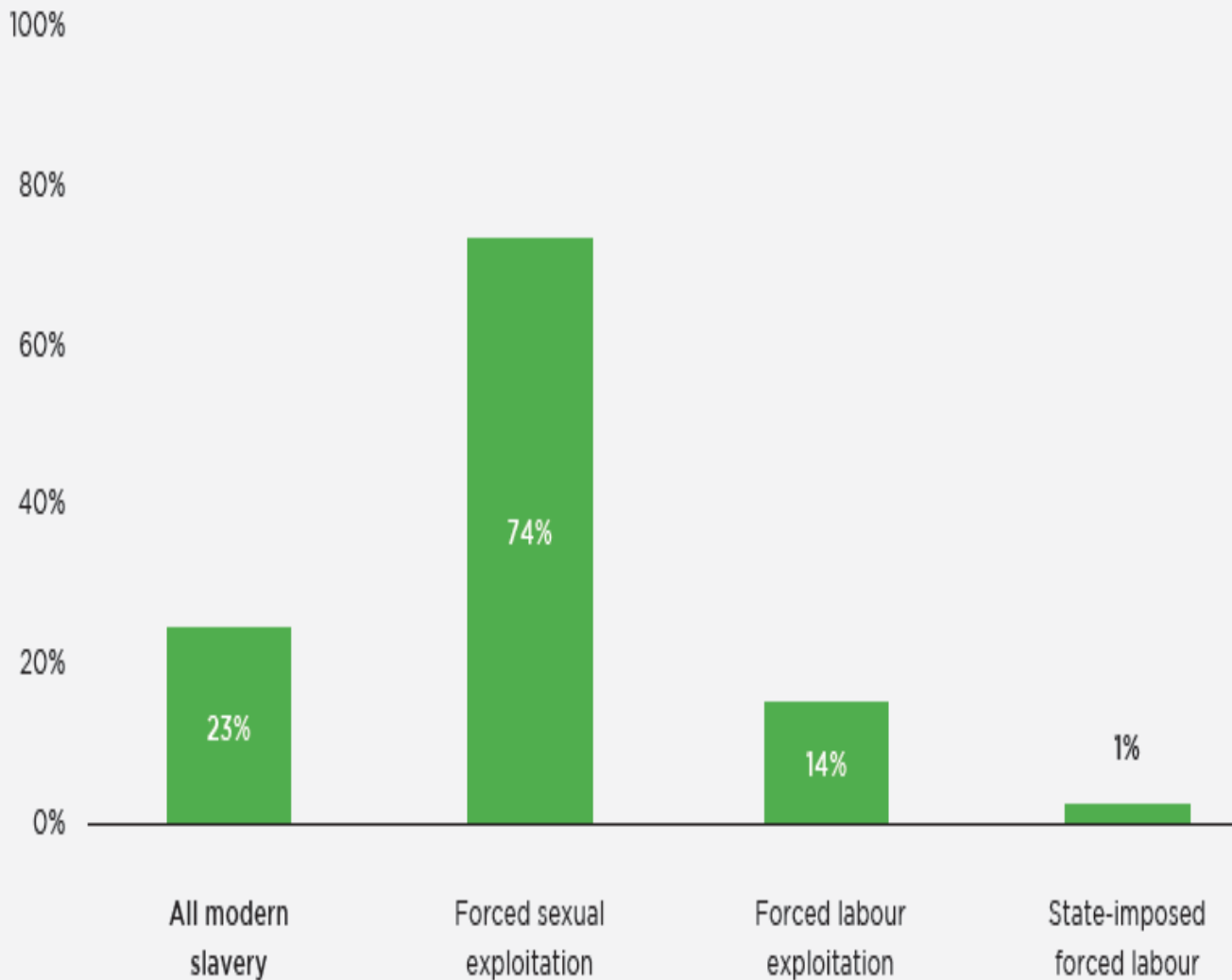


- 4.8m people were victims of forced sexual exploitation
- 99% were women and girls
- 73% were exploited in Asia
- 23.4 months average in sexual exploitation



## Forced labour and migration

Percentage of victims of forced labour living outside their country residence, by form of forced labour



- 1 in 7 people are migrants
- 1 in 4 people living in modern slavery are migrants
- Migrants are disproportionately vulnerable
- 74% of victims of forced sexual exploitation were migrants

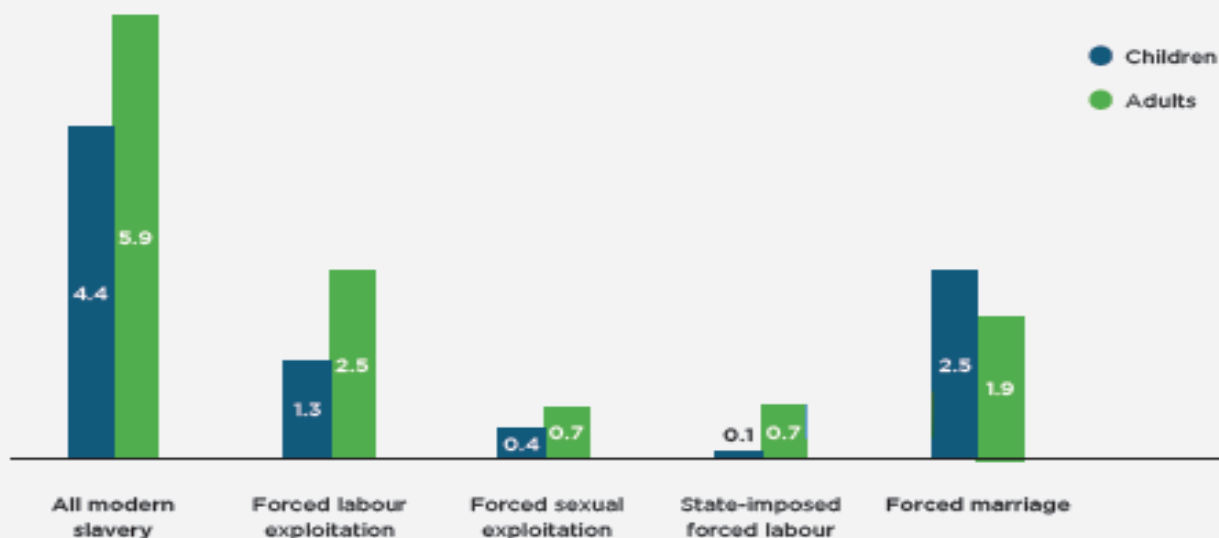


## Forced sexual exploitation of adults and commercial sexual exploitation of children

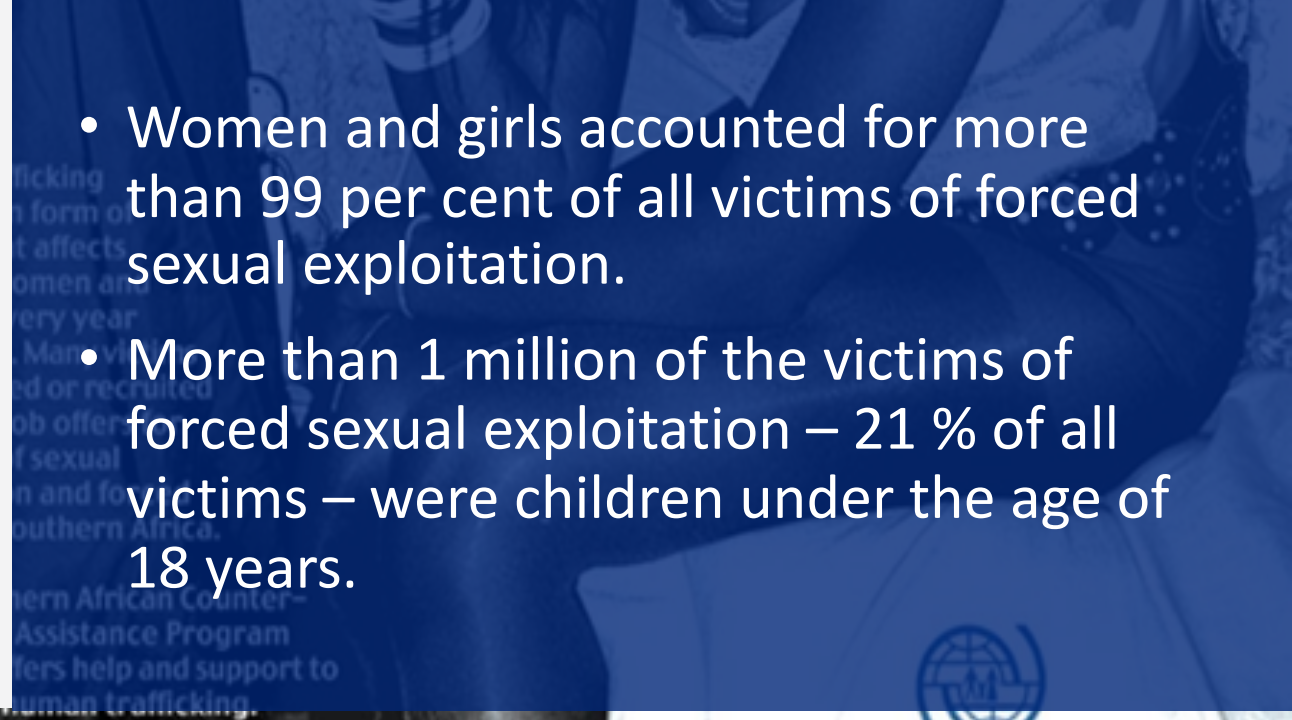
World		No. (thousands)	4 816
		Prevalence (per thousand)	0.7
Sex	Male	No. (thousands)	29
		Prevalence (per thousand)	0
	Female	No. (thousands)	4 787
		Prevalence (per thousand)	1.3
Age	Adults	No. (thousands)	3 791
		Prevalence (per thousand)	0.7
	Children	No. (thousands)	1 024
		Prevalence (per thousand)	0.4

### Modern slavery and age of victim

Prevalence (per 1,000 persons) of modern slavery, by age and category



- Women and girls accounted for more than 99 per cent of all victims of forced sexual exploitation.
- More than 1 million of the victims of forced sexual exploitation – 21 % of all victims – were children under the age of 18 years.



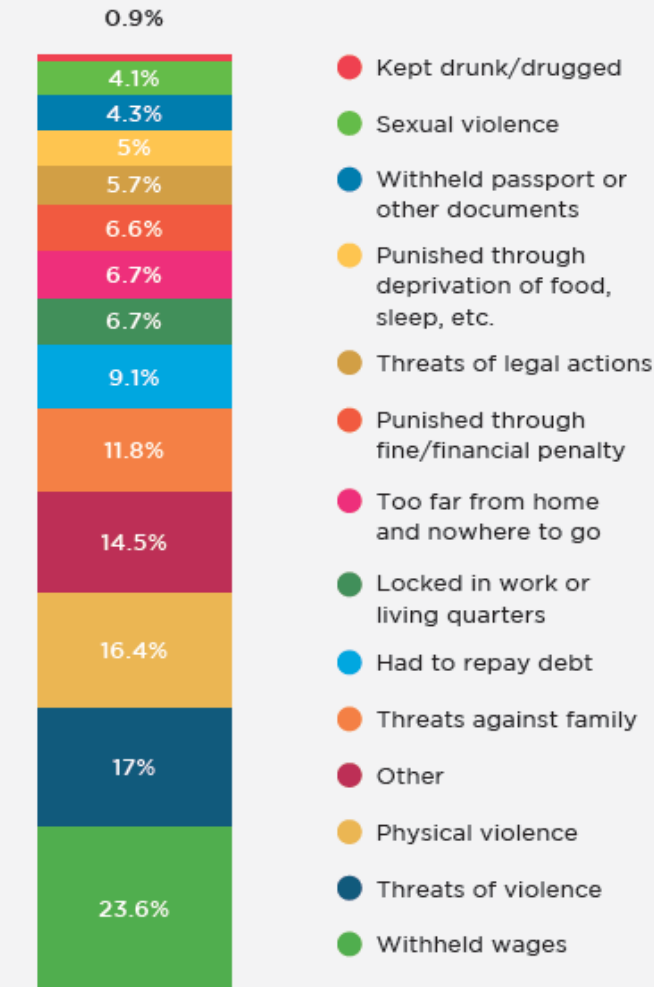


## Why don't they leave?

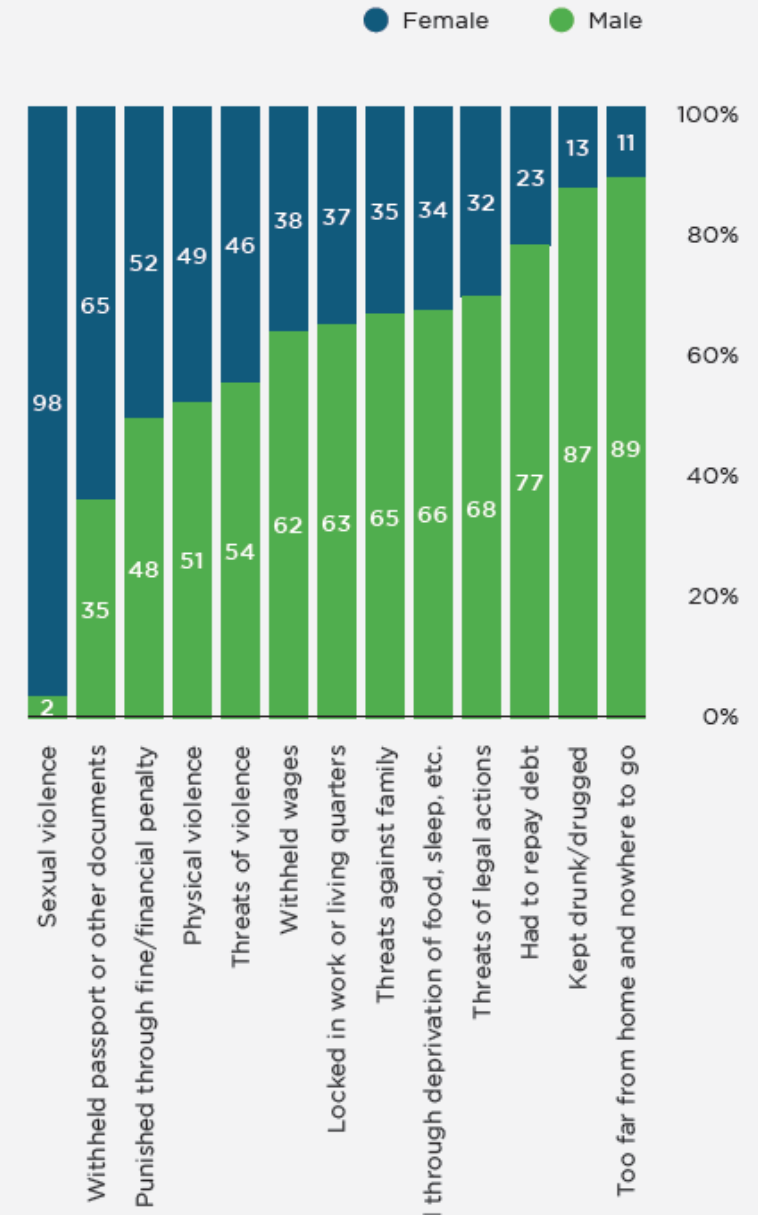
- Victims of sexual violence and passport retention were disproportionately women.
- Men were more likely to be controlled by all other means, including debt, being far from home, and by being kept drugged or drunk.
- Both were subjected to fines and physical violence.

### Means of coercion

(a) Percentage of victims of forced labour exploitation, by means of coercion



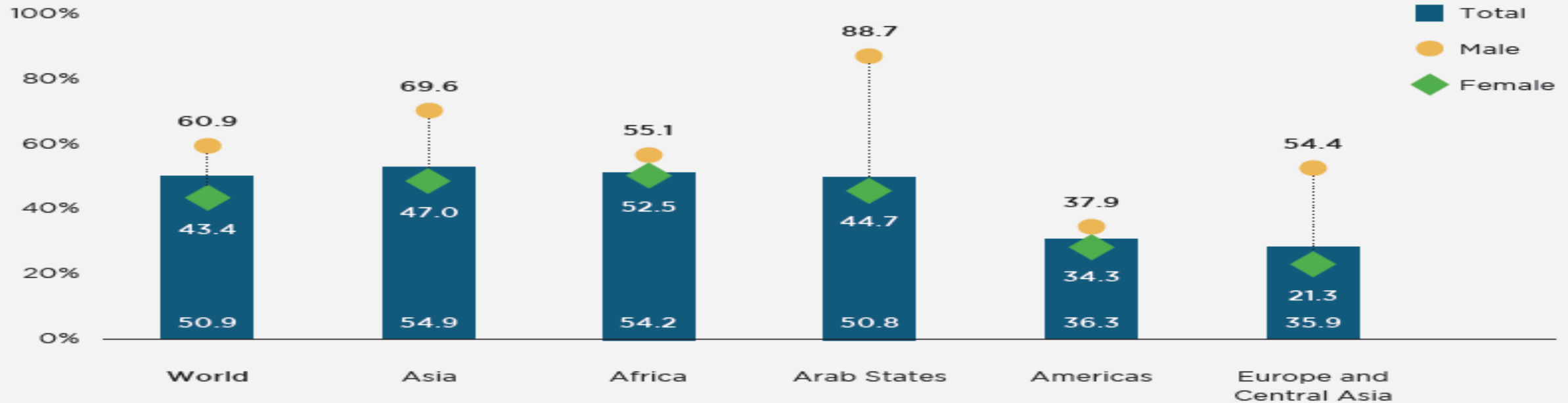
(b) Percentage distribution of means of coercion, by sex





## Debt bondage

Percentage of victims of forced labour exploitation who are held in debt bondage, by sex and region



- Defined as “*forced to work to repay a debt and not being able to leave, or being forced to work and not being able to leave because of a debt.*”
- Highest rates were among men in the Arab States and in Asia
- Agriculture, domestic work, and manufacturing were sectors most likely to involve debt bondage.

# Demand side of Human Trafficking - a huge challenge!

Human trafficking is **highly lucrative business**.

- All forms of forced labour generates **USD 150 billion** of illegal profits every year
- While victims of **sexual exploitation** account for approximately **19%** of total victims, sexual exploitation earns **66%** of the global profits of human trafficking.

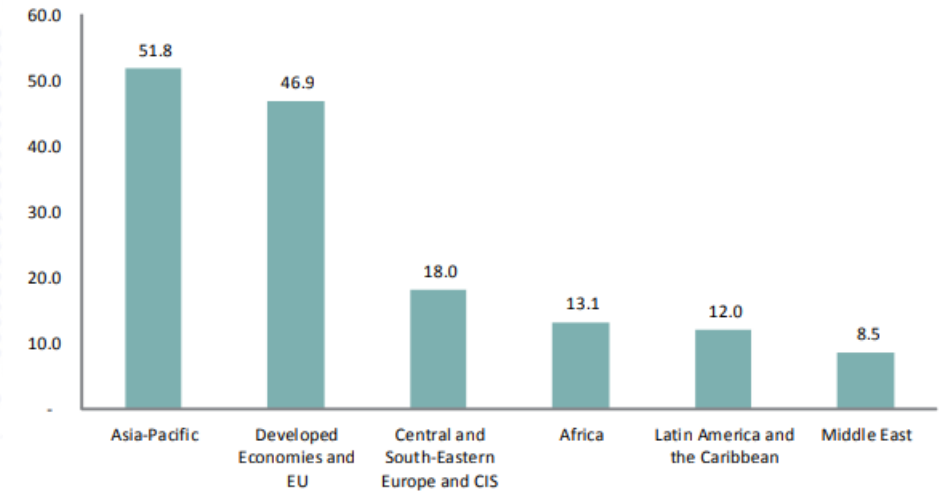
**USD 100,000**

- The average annual profits generated by each woman in forced sexual servitude

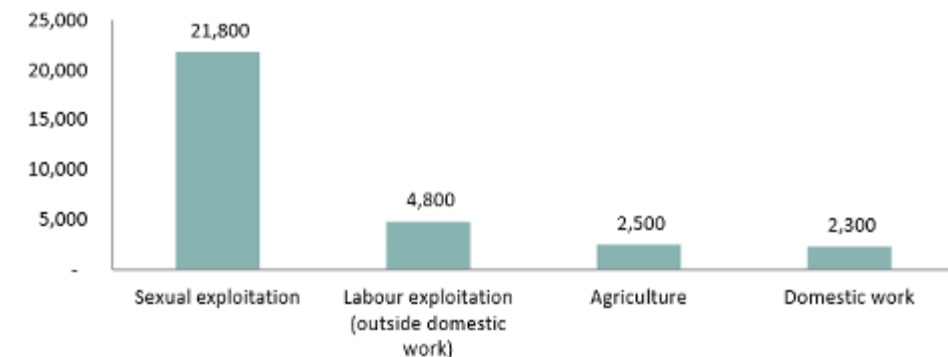
**USD 21,800**

The average annual profits generated by each trafficking victim

Annual profits of forced labour per region (US \$ billion)



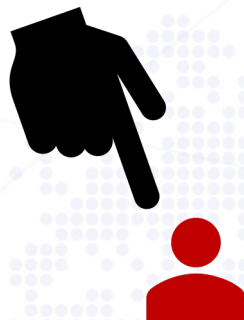
Annual profits per victim per sector of exploitation (US \$)



# Challenges in addressing Trafficking in Persons (TIP)



- Weak institutional framework to criminalize human trafficking and inadequate implementation



- Social stigma and victim-blaming associated especially with sexually exploited victims



- Lack of knowledge on what is counted as human trafficking



# Some food for thought

- ✓ Assistance including health and psychosocial support and interventions are in the best interest of the individual – including the child. << Do No Harm >>
- ✓ Individualized and holistic approaches assistance for every trafficked victim and engage them in all phases  
<< ‘Nothing for us, without us’ >>
- ✓ Not all trafficked persons are ‘unhealthy’ or suffer from mental illnesses; Many are found to be resilient; they can be strong advocates and support in their communities

# Children, are most vulnerable

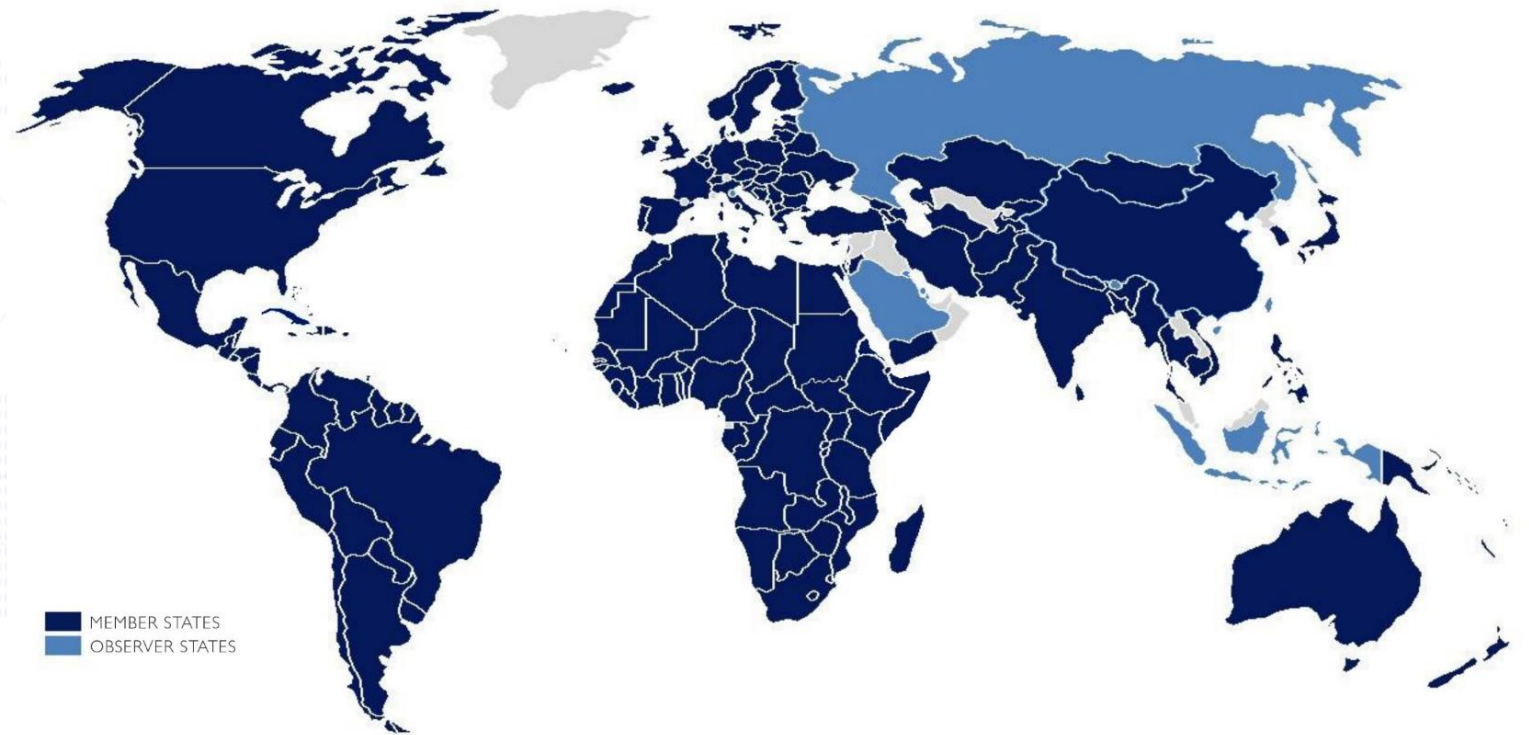
- ✓ Separated from families and deprived of protection
- ✓ Constantly exposed to highly damaging physical and psychological environment
- ✓ Significant effect on their future development
- ✓ Care and assistance needs to be tailored to their specific needs

# International Organization for Migration

## IOM MEMBER STATES

IOM is committed to the principle that **humane and orderly migration benefits migrants and society**. As the UN agency with the migration mandate, IOM acts with its partners in the international community to:

- Facilitate regular migration
- Reduce forced and irregular migration
- Protect rights of all migrants



From 67 in 1998 to 169 Member States in 2018 (with a further 8 as Observer States)



# IOM's counter trafficking approach

**Prevention**

**Protection of  
Victims**

**Prosecution and  
policy**

# Prevention



## Communication campaigns to promote safe migration

- leveraging the power of social media and technology, promote safe migration and encourage public action to stop exploitation and human trafficking
- Inspire young people and their communities to act against human trafficking and understand better about victims of trafficking

## Private sector engagement

- Promote ethical international recruitment through IRIS, a voluntary certification scheme
- Address vulnerabilities of migrant workers in company's supply chains



# Protection

## Direct Assistance...

Tailored assistance to victims based on individual needs and risks assessment



Shelter/temporary accommodation



Legal assistance



Medical & Psychosocial assistance



Vocational training/ education



Return to home



Small business

## incl Reintegration

In 2017, IOM assisted **12,940 migrants** in their return to the Asia and the Pacific region

**Sustainable  
reintegration**

**Economic self  
sufficiency**

**Social stability in  
their communities**

**Psychosocial  
well-being**



# Prosecution and Policy

Strengthen the capacity of prosecution and policy



Training of:  
Law enforcement officials, Judiciary,  
NGO service providers



Support to development of:

- Protection-sensitive legislation and policies aligned with international standard
- Best practice operational procedures
- Technical support to regional bodies/RCPs

# Active engagement and partnerships with the catholic church to end TIP



## Partnerships and collaboration

- ✓ Gathering data, evidence
- ✓ Advocacy and support for evidence-based inclusive policies (government, policy or decision makers, international community, private sector)
- ✓ Tailored support and services
- ✓ Multi-sector, multi platform dialogues (national, regional, global)



IOM Indonesia work closely with the Counter Women Trafficking Commission (CWTC) to combat trafficking in person through prevention, protection and partnership approach.



## Prevention

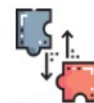
- Provide technical assistance on the development of Strategic Planning of CWTC IBSI for 2019-2024
- Provide technical assistance on the Development of Manual on victim assistance for church community
- Provide technical assistance on the developments of training manual on introduction of TIP for youth
- Provide technical assistance on Development of Standard Operational Procedure (SOP) for Shelters Management for victim of trafficking



## Development of Training Manual on Victim Assistance for Church Community



- The manual aims to strengthen the role of faith-based community in mitigating and handling cases of trafficking in persons through skill improvement, enhance the knowledge of the community in assisting TIP cases as well as how to establish counter trafficking network.



- Consist of 3 sub module namely Introduction, general overview on TIP, Protection Principles and Networking Development



## Provide Technical Assistance to Counter Women Trafficking Commission IBSI to Develop Standard Operational Procedure (SOP) on Shelters Management for Victim of Trafficking



- The SOP aims to provide a clear guidelines for the church based organization in managing their shelter especially for the victim of trafficking and women and children cases.

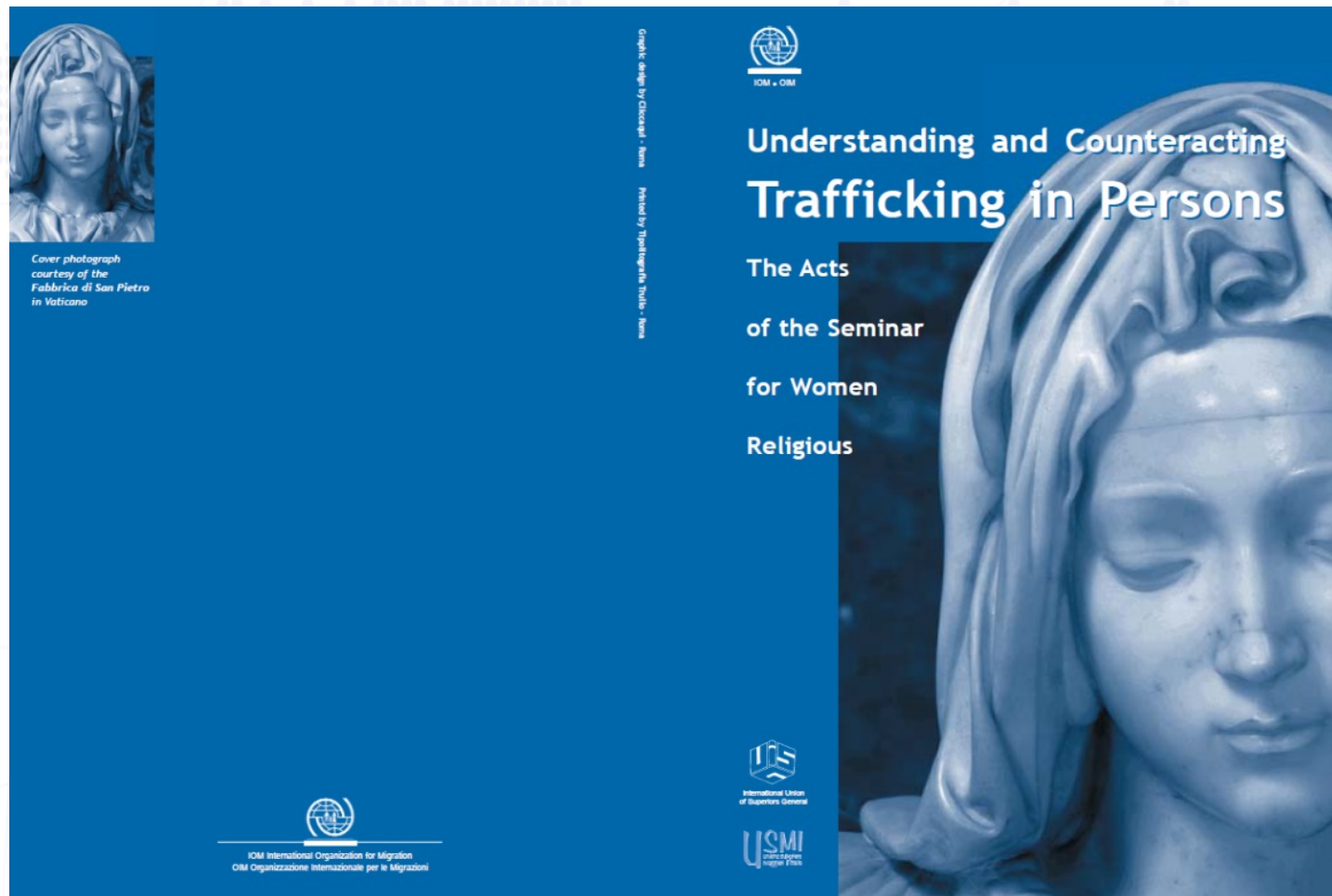


- The validation meeting of the SOP development was held on 9 March 2019.





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# *Thank you*

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