

Human Trafficking: Invisibility of Women in Labor Trafficking

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What is Trafficking?

- Trafficking is defined as “the act of recruiting, harboring, transporting, providing, or obtaining a person for compelled labor or commercial sex acts through the use of force, fraud or coercion.”
 - Other terms used are: “trafficking in persons,” “human trafficking,” and “modern slavery.”
- Facts to consider:
 - Trafficking can include movement of victims, but is not required.
 - People may be considered trafficked victims regardless if they were born into servitude, exploited in their hometown, transported into an exploitive situation, previous consent to work for trafficker, or participated in a crime as a direct result of being trafficked.

Sex Trafficking vs. Labor Trafficking

Labor Trafficking

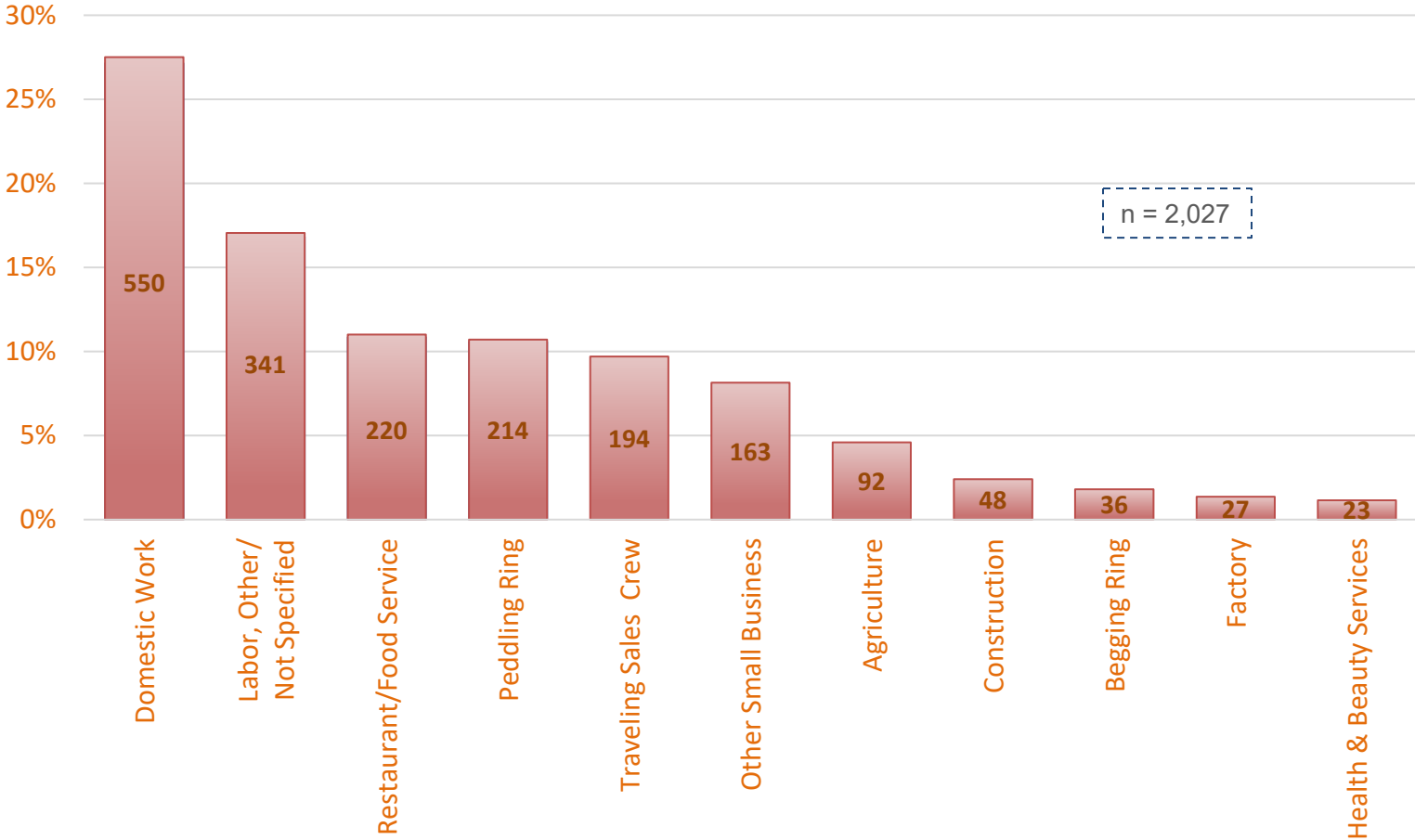
- Use of force or physical threats, psychological coercion, abuse of the legal process, deception, or other coercive means to compel someone to work
 - This includes the recruitment, harboring, transporting, providing or obtaining of such persons.
 - Forced Child Labor: Children in slavery or slavery-like situations, in custody of a non-family member, requiring a child to perform work that financially benefits someone outside the child's family and is not offered the option of leaving.

Sex Trafficking

- “When an adult engages in a commercial sex act, such as prostitution, as the result of force, threats of force, fraud, coercion or any combination of such means...”
- Child Sex Trafficking: “When a child (under 18 years of age) is recruited, enticed, harbored, transported, obtained, or maintained to perform a commercial sex act...”
 - Proof of force, fraud or coercion is not necessary for this type of offense.

Types of Labor Trafficking

Venue/Industries

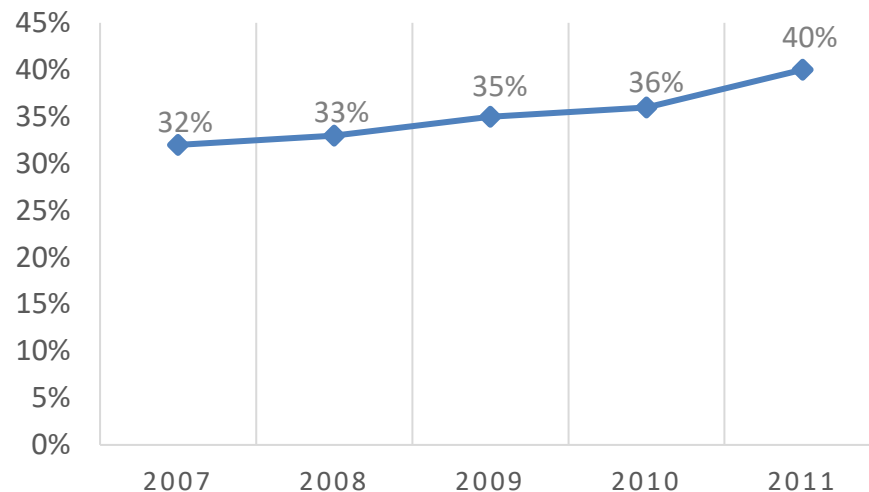


International Statistics



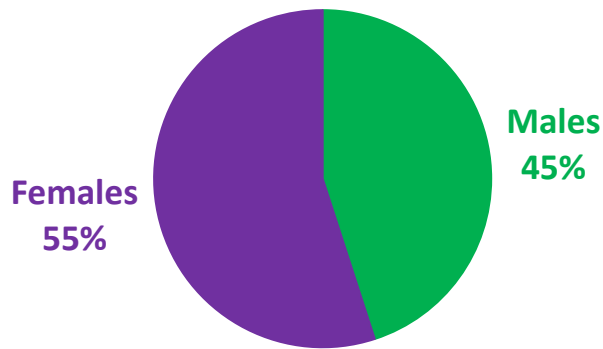
Approximately 20.9 million people or three out of every 1,000 persons, became a victim of labor trafficking around the world.

TOTAL NUMBER OF DETECTED LABOR TRAFFICKED VICTIMS



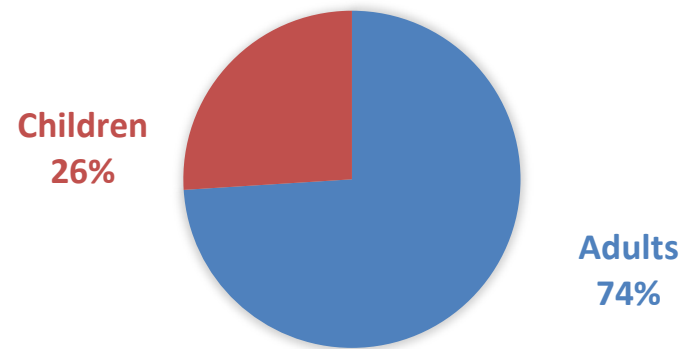
International Demographics

VICTIMS BY GENDER
2002 - 2012



- 11.4 million victims are women and girls
- 9.5 million are men and boys

VICTIMS BY AGE GROUP,
2002 - 2011



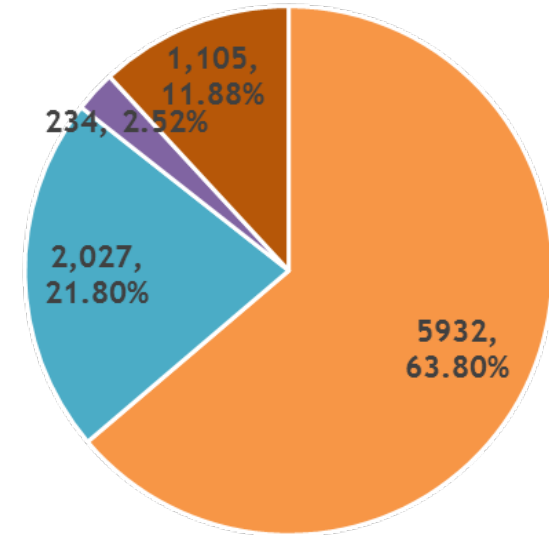
- 15.4 million victims are age 18 years and above
- 5.5 million are children, ages 17 years and under

Domestic Human Trafficking Statistics

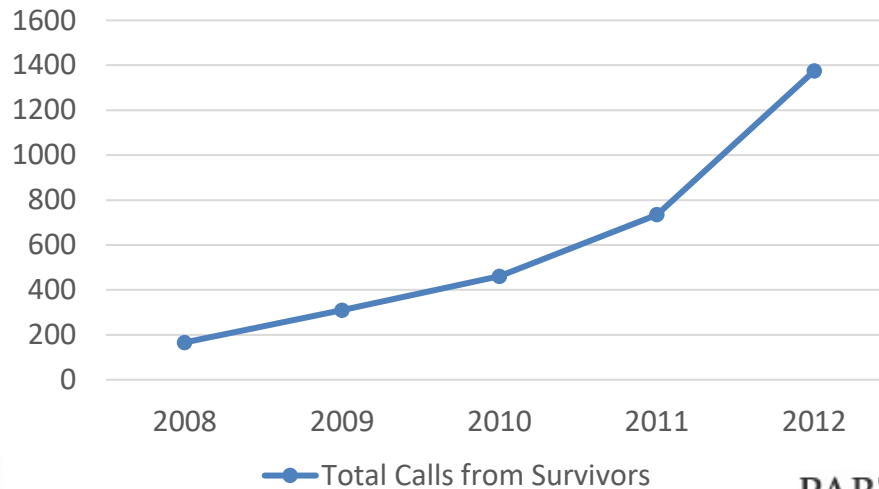
States with Most Reports of Potential Human Trafficking

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| 1. California | 6. District of Columbia (D.C.) |
| 2. Texas | 7. Virginia |
| 3. Florida | 8. Ohio |
| 4. New York | 9. North Carolina |
| 5. Illinois | 10. Georgia |

- Sex Trafficking
- Labor Trafficking
- Sex and Labor Trafficking
- Other/ Not Specified

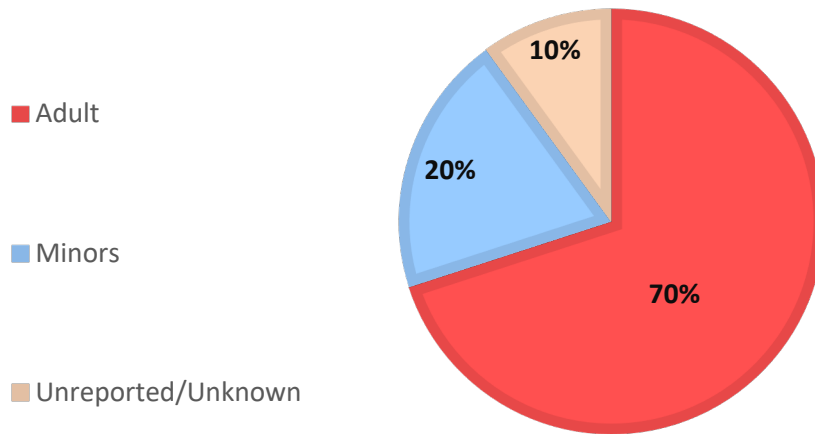


Total Calls from Survivors



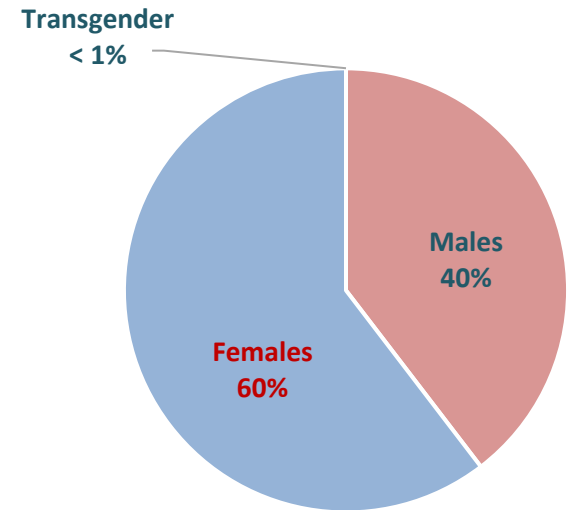
Domestic Trafficking Demographics

AGE GROUP

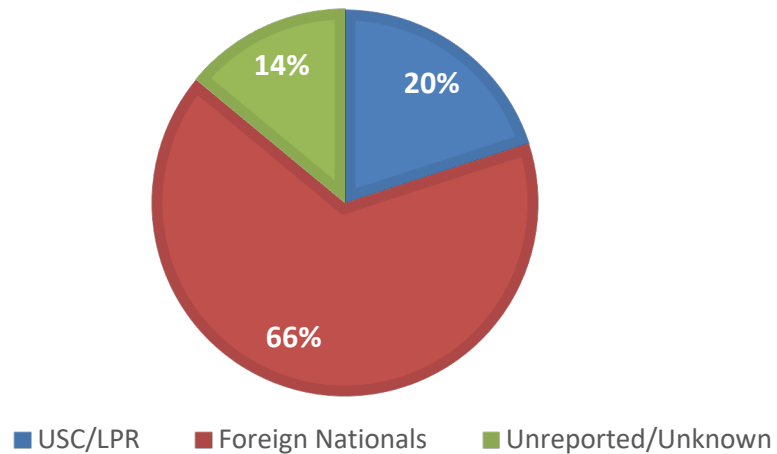


- Adult
- Minors
- Unreported/Unknown

Gender



NATIONALITY

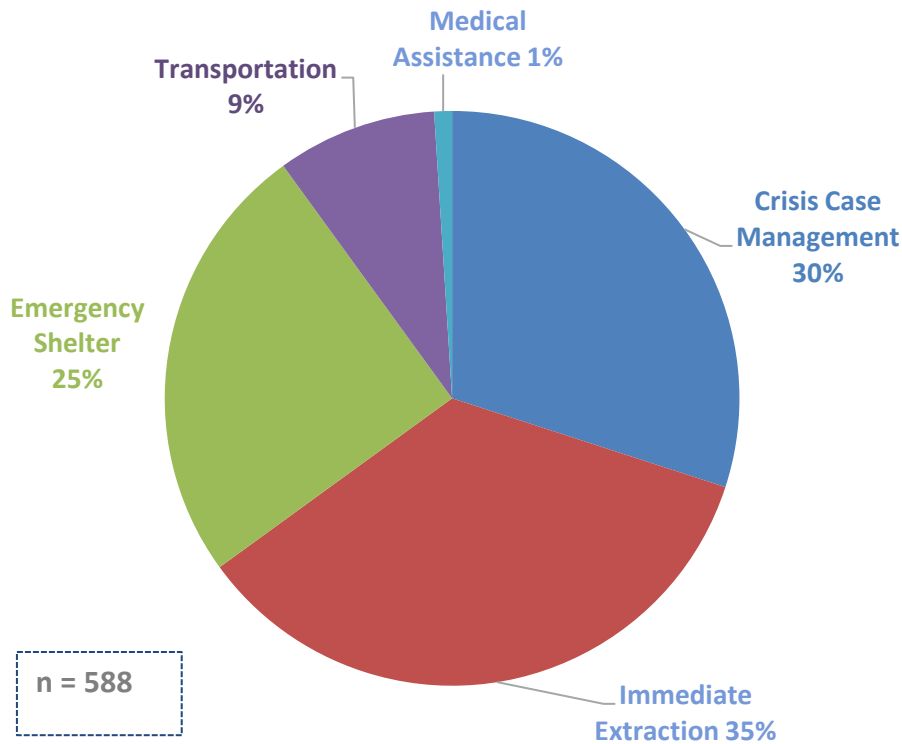


Impacts of Labor Trafficking

- Physical Health Problems:
 - Scars
 - Headaches
 - Hearing Loss
 - Limb Amputation
 - Chronic Back, Visual and Cardiovascular/Respiratory Problems
 - Malnourishment
- Mental Health Problems:
 - Feeling Helpless, Shame, Humiliation
 - Anxiety Disorders: PTSD, Phobias, Panic Attacks, Depression
 - Traumatic Bonding or “Stockholm Syndrome”

Services For Survivors

SERVICES REQUESTED IN CRISIS CASES



Top 5 Most Frequently Requested Services in Non-Crisis Cases

Comprehensive Services from an Anti-Trafficking Organization	1,820
Case Management	334
Emergency Shelter	327
Legal Services	246
Mental Health Services	241

Case Scenario: U.S. v. Dann, California – United States Court of Appeals, Ninth Circuit, 2011.

Perpetrator: Mabelle de la Rosa Dann is a naturalized American citizen of Peruvian descent

Survivor: Zoraida Peña Canal

Situation:

- Offered work as a nanny
- Falsified visa applications for admittance into the country
- Peña Canal resided and worked for Dann as agreed upon
- Worked 16 hour days
- Forbade her from leaving the apartment without permission
- Restricted her food intake
- 7 months without pay for labor
- Held on to Peña Canal's financial and legal documentations
- Continued isolation

Implications for Social Work Practice

- Micro:
 - Recognize Signs
 - Advocate for Resources
- Mezzo:
 - Community Education and Engagement
 - Advocate for Program Services
- Macro:
 - Advocate for Policies

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