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– Australia –

The current legislation on trafficking in persons in Australia covers all forms of trafficking indicated in the UN Trafficking in Persons Protocol.

Investigations and suspects

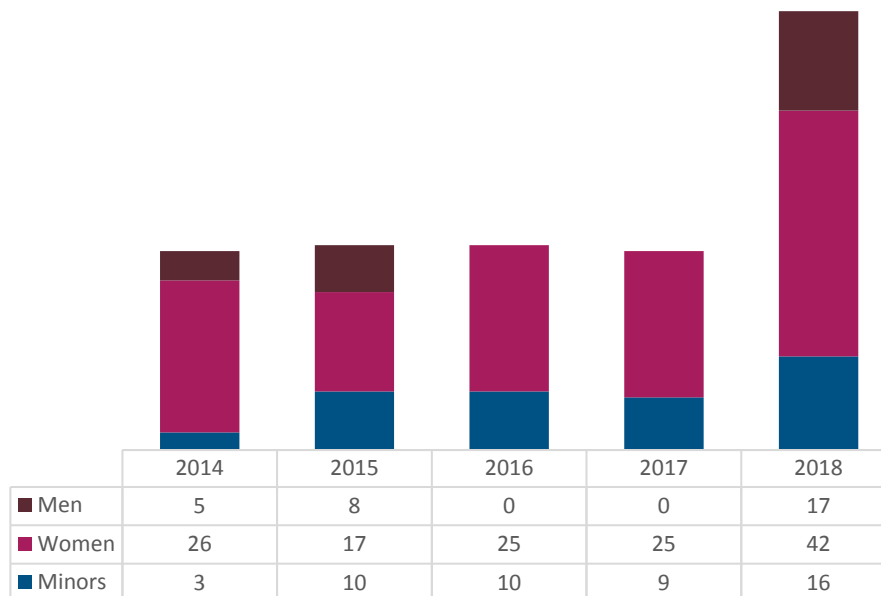
Between 2017 and 2019, the Australian Government received and investigated 558 allegations of trafficking in persons crimes. In the same period, prosecution against 17 individuals were initiated and eight individuals were convicted.

Of those convicted, six people were convicted of trafficking for sexual exploitation (2 convictions) and for the purpose of domestic servitude (4 convictions), while two convictions were of trafficking-related crimes.

Source: Commonwealth Director of Public Prosecutions and Australian Federal Police.

Victims

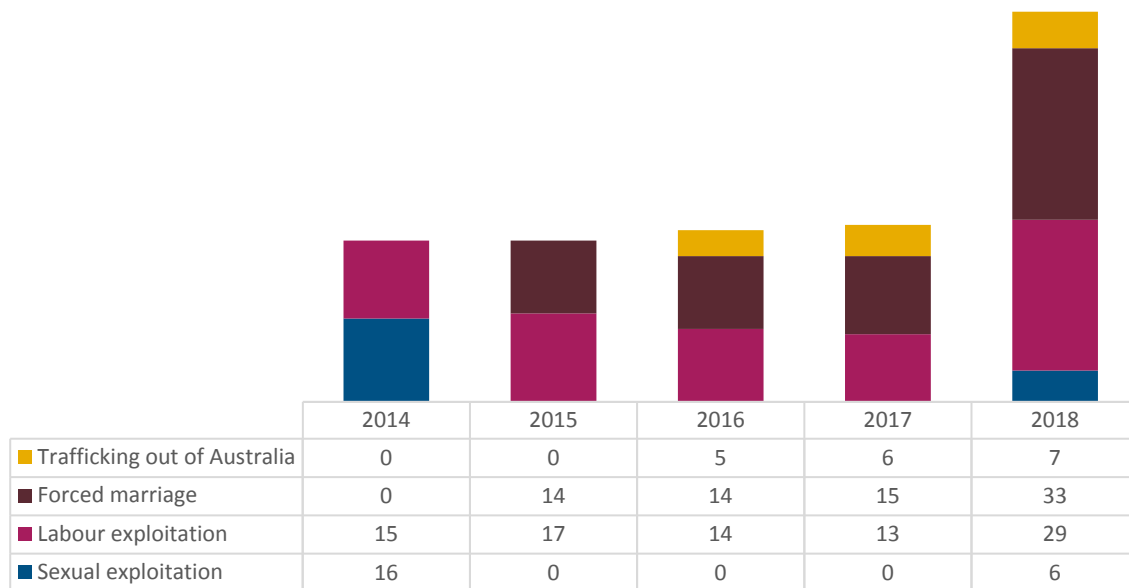
Number of victims of trafficking in persons detected by sex and age, 2014 – 2018*



Source: Australian Red Cross.

** Due to privacy reasons, figures under five have been omitted. Figures include suspected victims.*

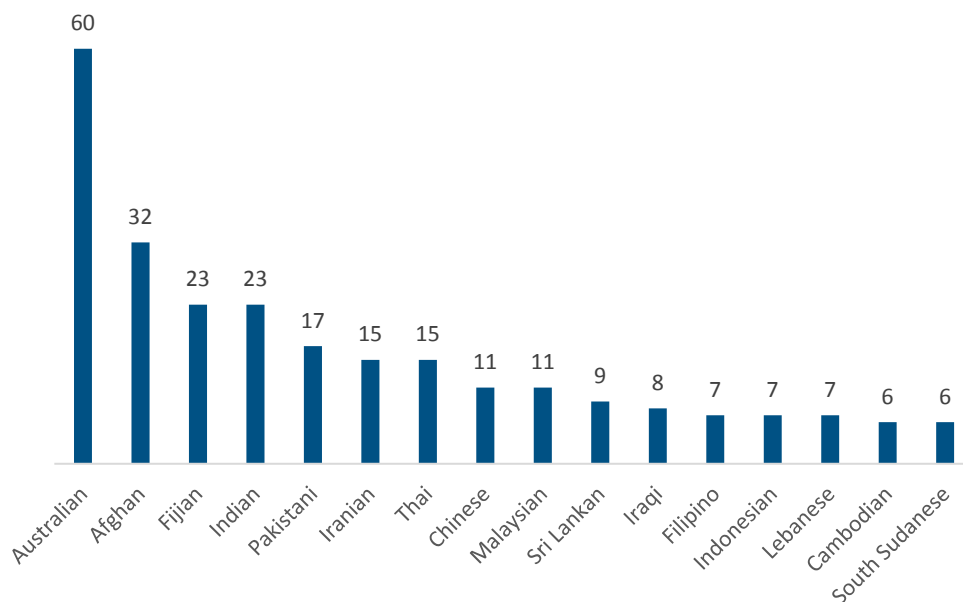
Number of victims of trafficking in persons detected, by type of exploitation, 2017 – 2018 *



Source: Australian Red Cross.

* Due to privacy reasons, figures under five have been omitted. Figures include suspected victims.

Most reported countries of nationalities of identified victims of trafficking in persons, 2017 – 2019



Source: Australian Red Cross

* Due to privacy reasons, figures under five have been omitted. Nationalities of less than 5 have been pooled in the 'Other' category. Figures include suspected victims.

– Brunei Darussalam –

The current legislation on trafficking in persons in Brunei Darussalam was adopted in 2004 and covers all forms of trafficking indicated in the UN Trafficking in Persons Protocol. However, Brunei Darussalam is not a party to the UN Trafficking in Persons Protocol.

Investigations and suspects

According to the national authorities of Brunei Darussalam, one case of trafficking in persons was reported in 2016. Between 2017 and 2019, no cases of trafficking in persons were registered.

In the period between 2016 and 2019, one person was brought into formal contact with the police and/or criminal justice system because he has been suspected of, arrested for or cautioned for trafficking in persons in 2017.

In 2016, the national authorities commenced prosecution against two male and one female defendants. In the same year, three persons were convicted of trafficking in persons for the purpose of sexual exploitation, of which two were males and one was female. All the persons convicted of trafficking were from Thailand. Between 2017 and 2019, no prosecutions and convictions were reported.

Source: Human Trafficking Investigation Unit, Criminal Investigation Department and Royal Brunei Police Force.

Victims

The investigation authorities reported that between 2016 and 2019, one girl was identified as victim of child trafficking for the purpose of sexual exploitation in 2016. Additionally, in 2017, one adult victim was identified as victim of domestic trafficking. Those identified as victims of trafficking in persons in 2016 and 2017, were respectively citizens of Thailand and Brunei Darussalam.

Source: Human Trafficking Investigation Unit, Criminal Investigation Department and Royal Brunei Police Force.

– Cambodia –

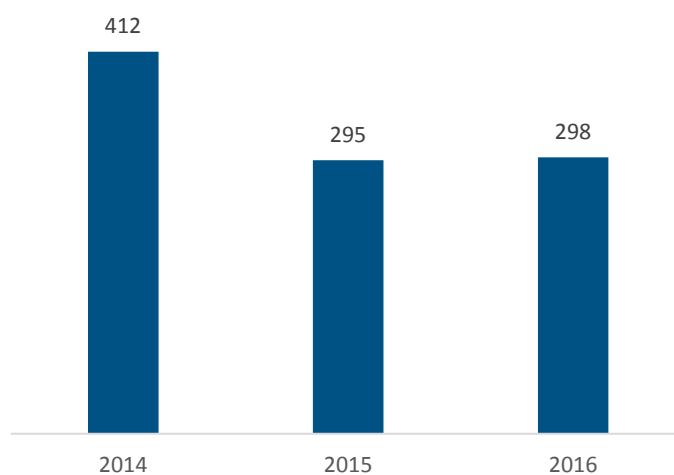
The current legislation on trafficking in persons in Cambodia covers all forms of trafficking indicated in the UN Trafficking in Persons Protocol. Trafficking in persons is defined and prosecuted in the Cambodian law on Suppression of Human Trafficking and Sexual Exploitation, introduced in 2008.

Investigations and suspects

The National Committee for Counter Trafficking (NCCT), reported that the Phnom Penh Municipal Court convicted 125 persons for trafficking in persons in 2018 and 129 persons in 2017.

Victims

Number of victims properly identified, referred and provided with assistance, 2014 – 2017



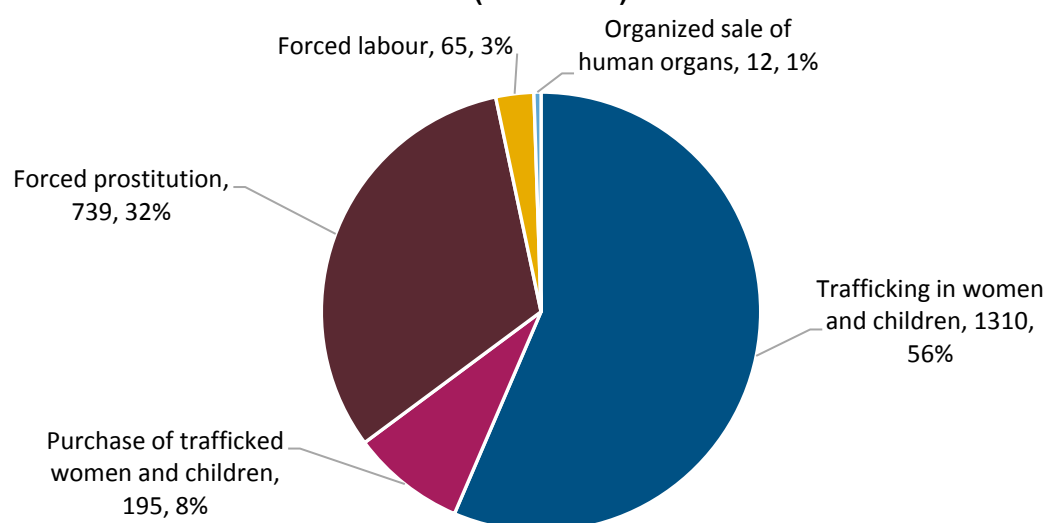
Source: National Plan of Action 2014 – 2018, National Committee for Counter Trafficking in Persons, Mid Term Review Report.

– China –

The People's Republic of China criminalizes trafficking in persons under Articles 240 (abducting and trafficking of women or children), 241 (purchase of women and children), 242(2) (obstruction of rescuing victims), 262 (abduction of children under 14), 358 (forced prostitution), and 359 (harbouring prostitution or seducing others into prostitution) of the Criminal Law.

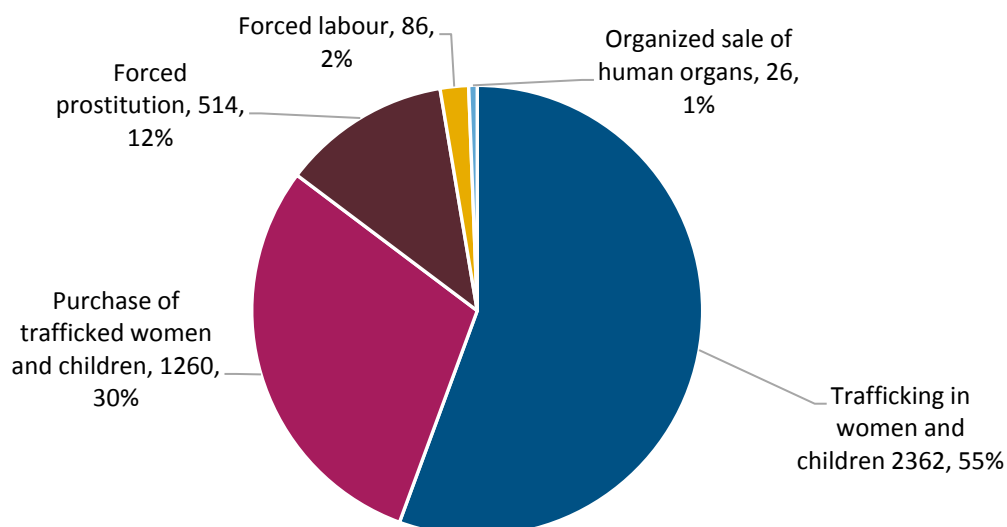
Investigations and suspects

**Number of cases closed and sentences enforced, 2017 – 2018
(Tot=2.321)**



Source: The Government of the People's Republic of China.

**Number of persons convicted of trafficking in persons, 2017 – 2018
(Tot=4.248)**



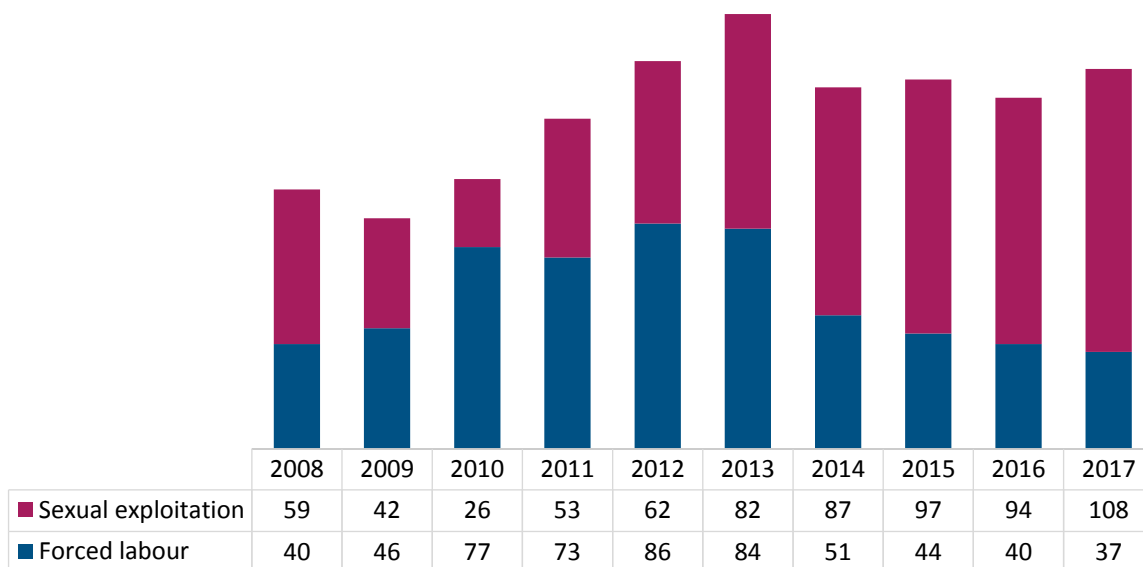
Source: The Government of the People's Republic of China. Taiwan Province of China

Judicial police agencies uncovered 145 cases of trafficking in persons in 2017. Among them, 108 were cases of sexual exploitation and 37 of labour exploitation. In 87 convicted TIP cases, 248 individuals were prosecuted.

In 2017, 208 newly identified foreign victims were placed in shelters, among them 45 were returned to their home countries, and 155 received work permits.

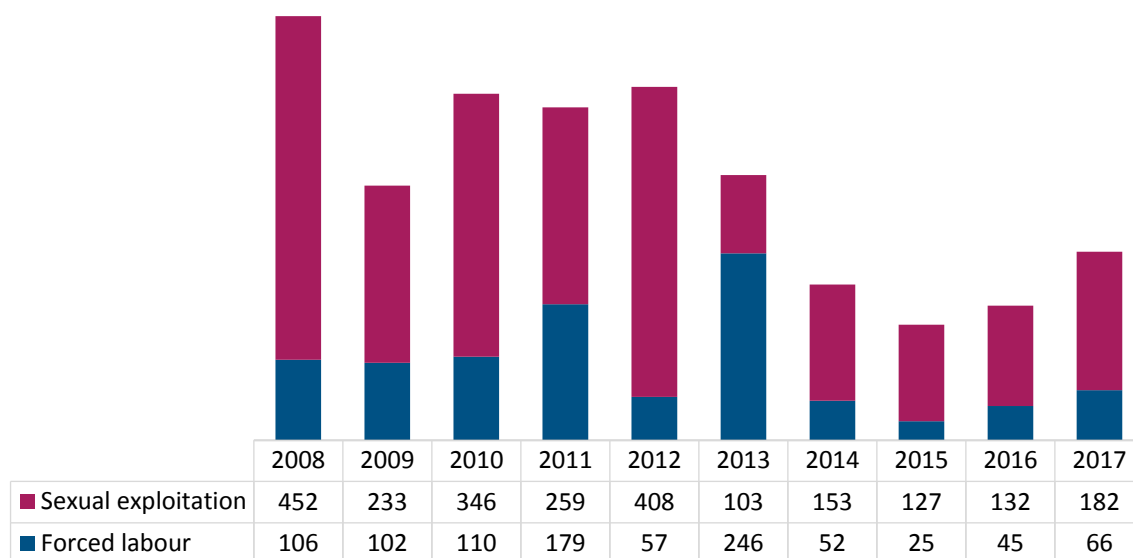
Investigations and suspects

Number of cases of trafficking in persons, by form of exploitation, 2008 – 2017



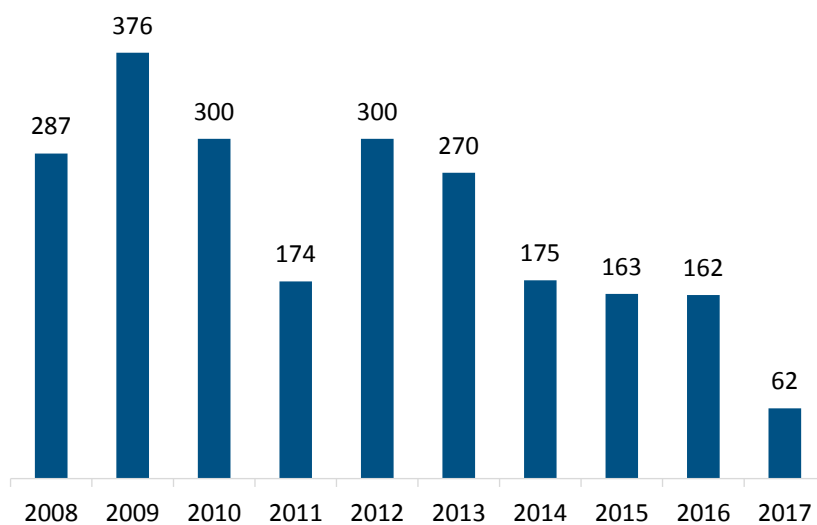
Source: Published information on Taiwan Province of China.

Number of persons prosecuted for trafficking in persons, by form of exploitation, 2008 – 2017



Source: Published information on Taiwan Province of China.

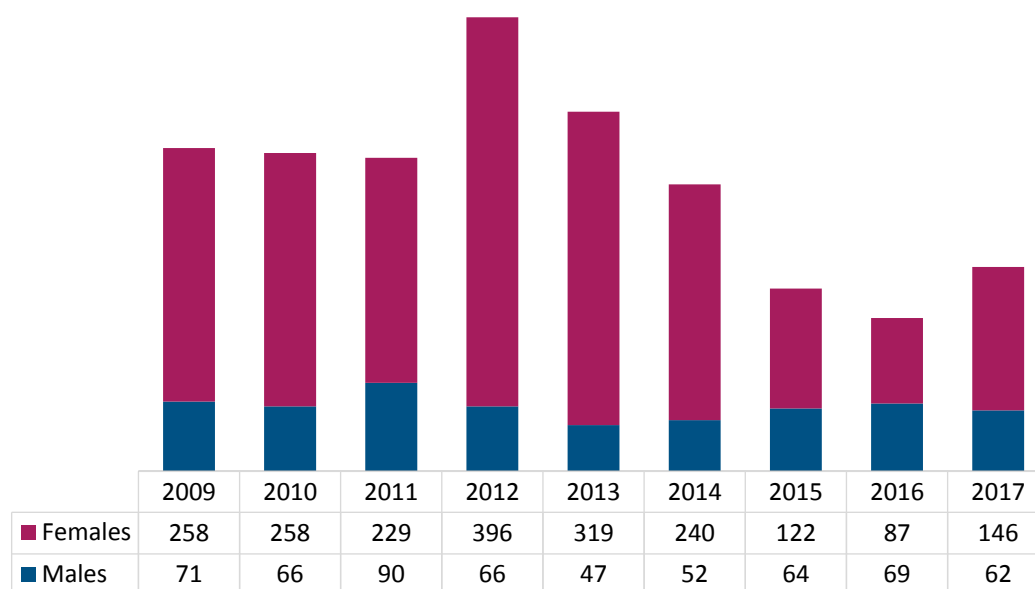
Number of persons convicted of trafficking in persons, 2008 – 2017



Source: Published information on Taiwan Province of China.

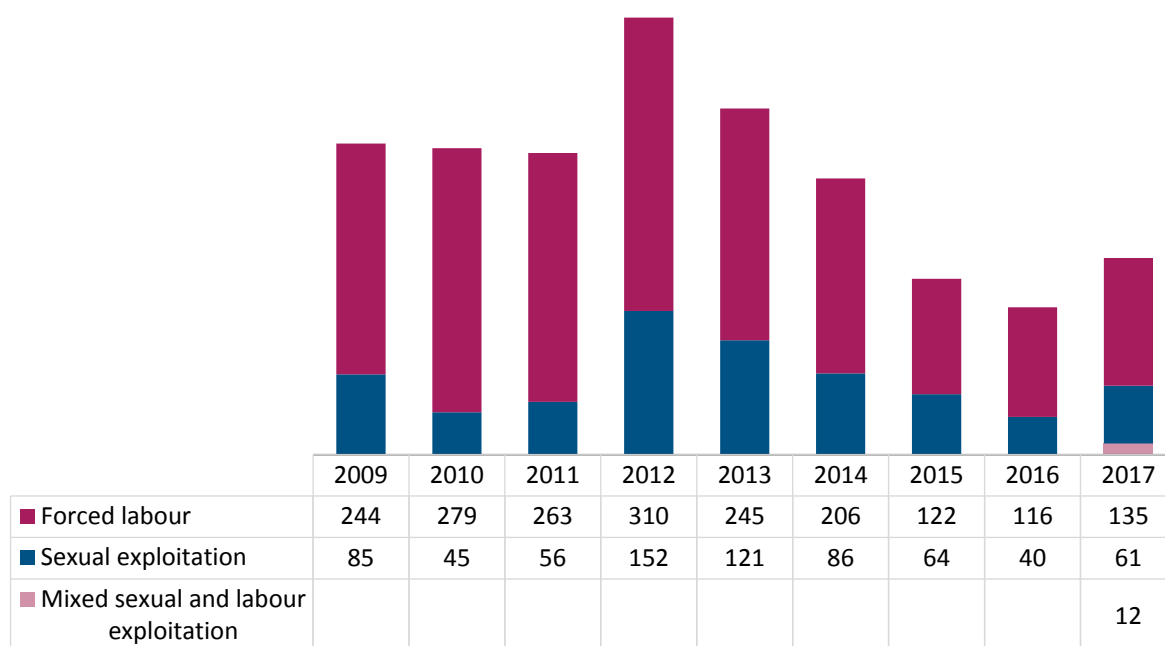
Victims

Number of detected victims of trafficking in persons, by sex, 2009 – 2017



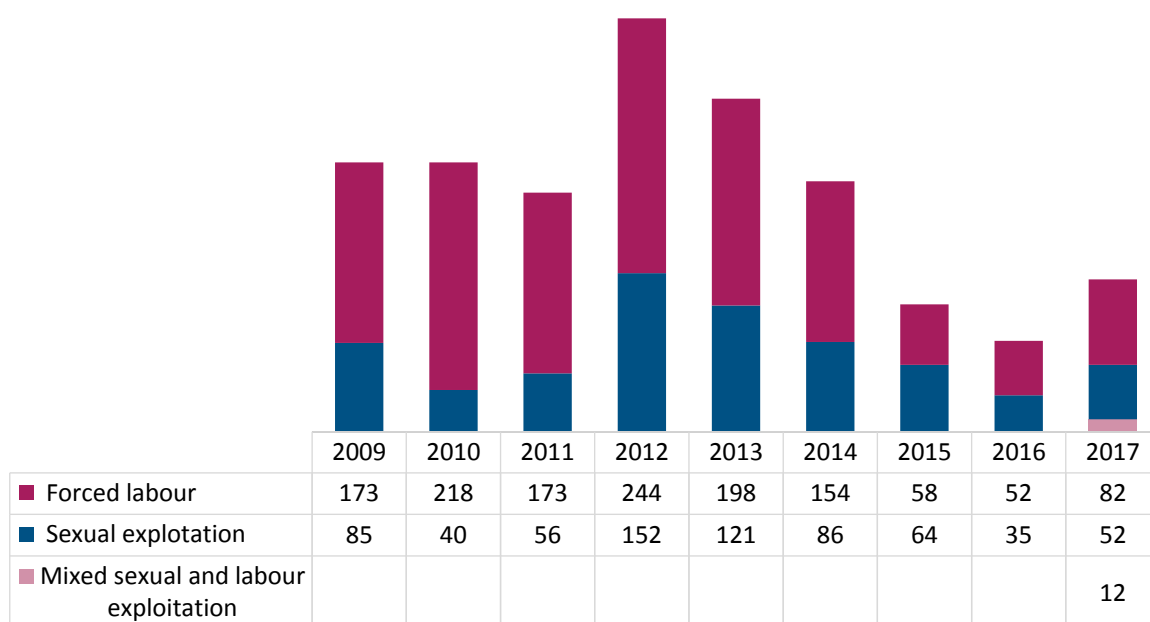
Source: Published information on Taiwan Province of China.

Number of detected victims of trafficking in persons, by form of exploitation, 2009 – 2017



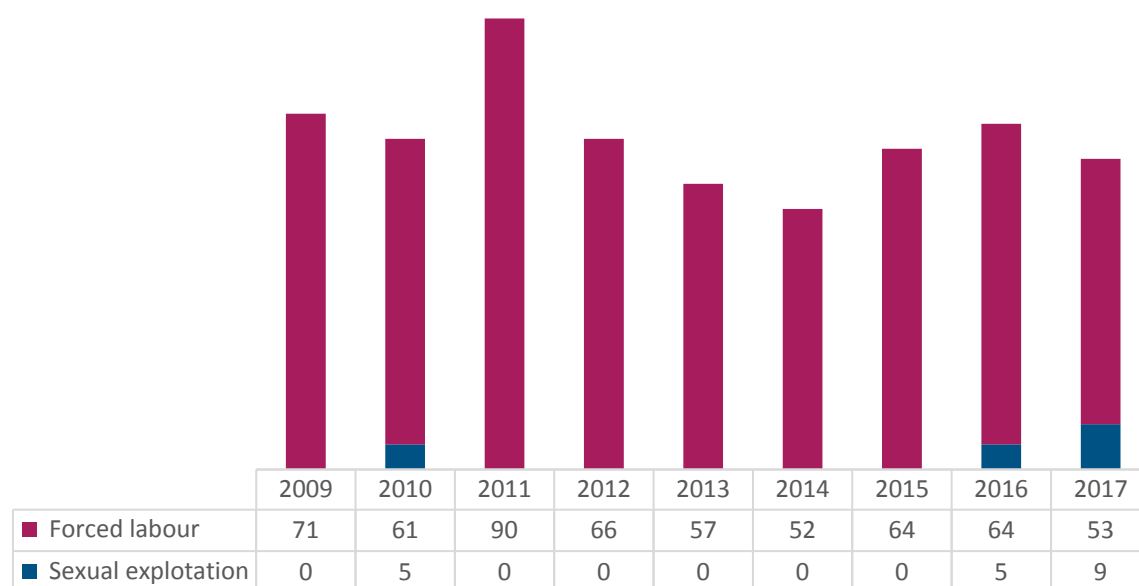
Source: Published information on Taiwan Province of China.

Number of detected female victims of trafficking in persons, by form of exploitation, 2009 – 2017



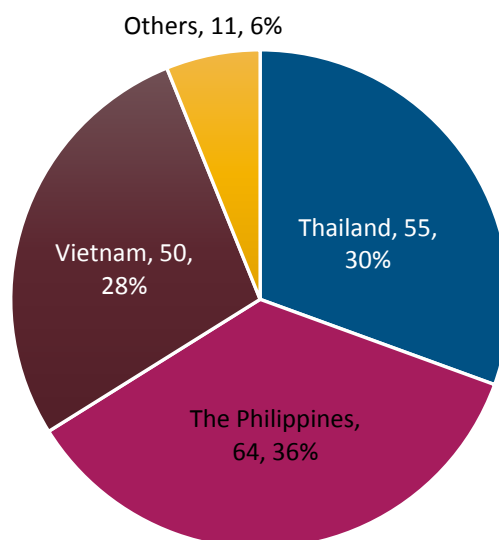
Source: Published information on Taiwan Province of China.

Number of detected male victims of trafficking in persons, by form of exploitation, 2009 – 2017



Source: Published information on Taiwan Province of China.

Number of victims of trafficking in persons detected, by country and territories of origin, 2016 – 2017 (Tot = 365)



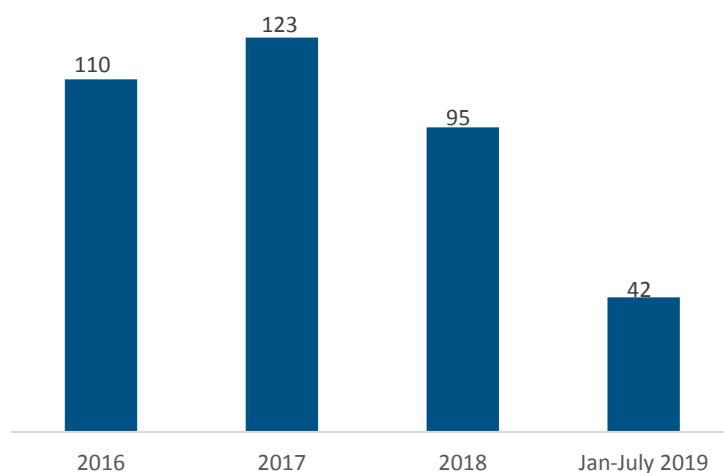
Source: Published information on Taiwan Province of China.

– Indonesia –

The current legislation on trafficking in persons in Indonesia, Law No. 21 on Combating the Crime of Trafficking in Persons of 2007, covers all forms of exploitation indicated in the UN Trafficking Protocol.

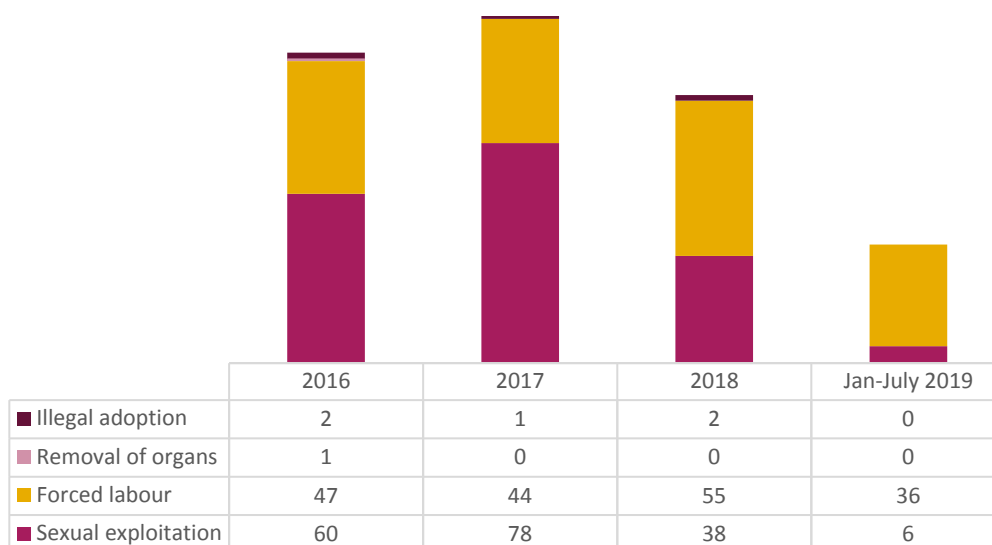
Investigations and suspects

Number of cases of trafficking in persons recorded, 2016 – July 2019



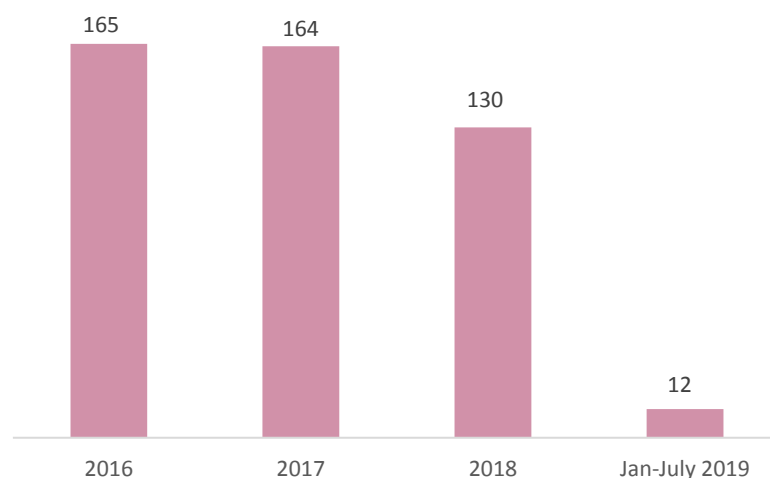
Source: Indonesia National Police.

Number of cases of trafficking in persons reported, by type of exploitation, 2016-2019



Source: Indonesia National Police and Ministry of Women Empowerment and Child Protection.

Number of persons brought into formal contact with the police and/or criminal justice system because they have been suspected of, arrested for or cautioned for trafficking in persons, 2016 – July 2019

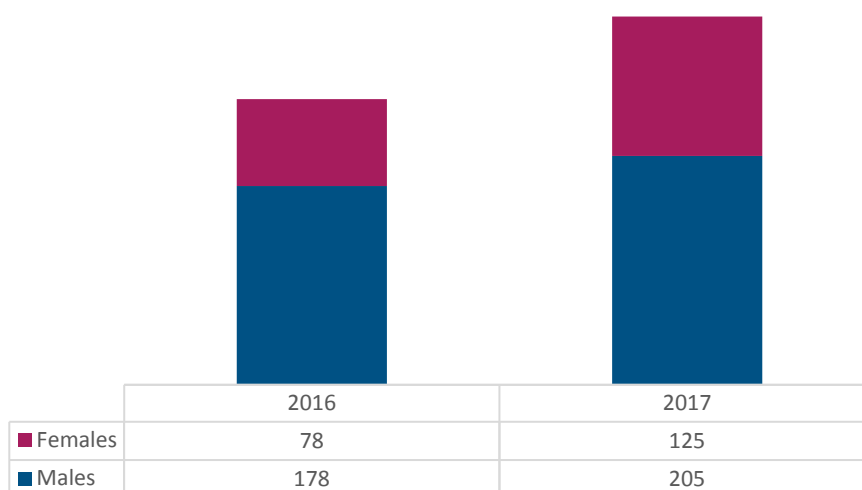


Source: Indonesia National Police and Ministry of Women Empowerment and Child Protection.

The Attorney General's Office reported that 21 persons were prosecuted for trafficking in persons in 2016 and 25 in 2017.

Source: The Attorney General's Office.

Number of persons convicted of trafficking in persons by sex, 2016 – 2017



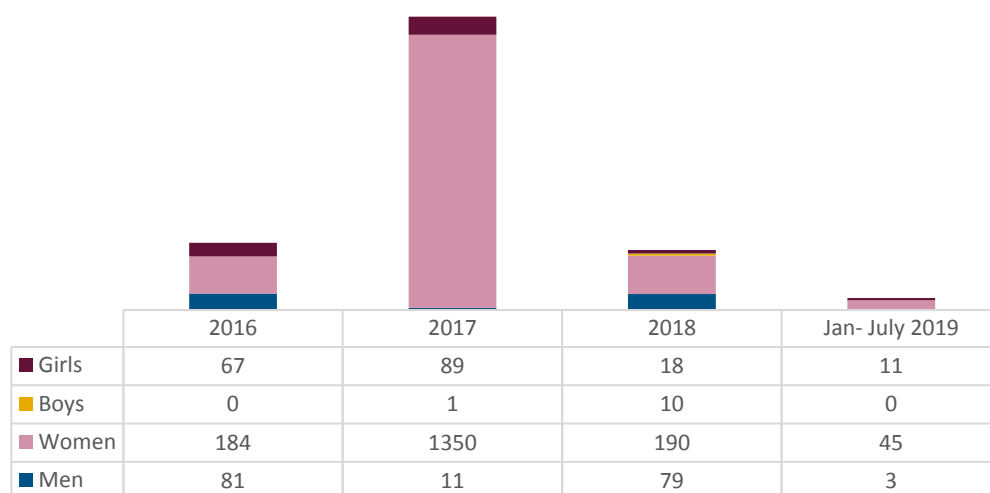
Source: The Attorney General's Office and The Supreme Court.

Between 2016 and 2019, The Supreme Court reported that the majority of those convicted of trafficking in persons were of Indonesian nationality (581). The remaining persons convicted of trafficking were citizens of Malaysia (2), China (2) and Ethiopia (2).

Source: The Supreme Court of Indonesia.

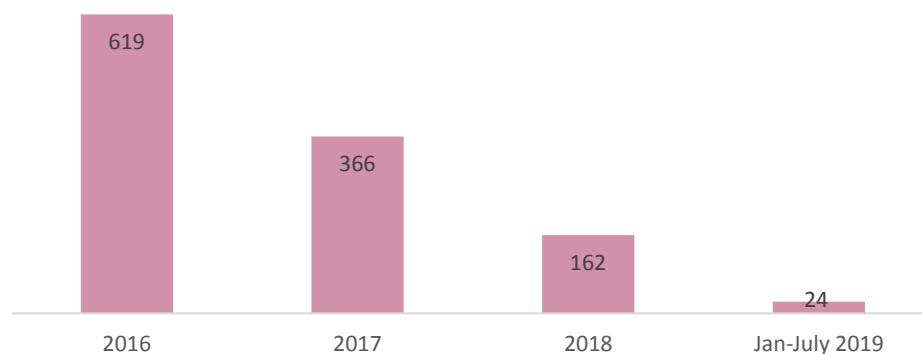
Victims

Number of victims of trafficking in persons detected, by sex and age, 2016 – July 2019



Source: Indonesia National Police and Ministry of Women Empowerment and Child Protection.

Number of Indonesian victims of trafficking in persons repatriated from other countries, 2016 – July 2019



Source: Ministry of Foreign Affairs.

In 2018, The Ministry of Internal Affairs reported that Indonesian victims of trafficking were repatriated from the Middle East (74), South East Asia (47), Africa (39) and North and Central America (1). As of July 2019, identified Indonesian victims were repatriated from Saudi Arabia (17), Malaysia (4), Oman (2), and Singapore (1).

Source: The Ministry of Foreign Affairs.

– Japan –

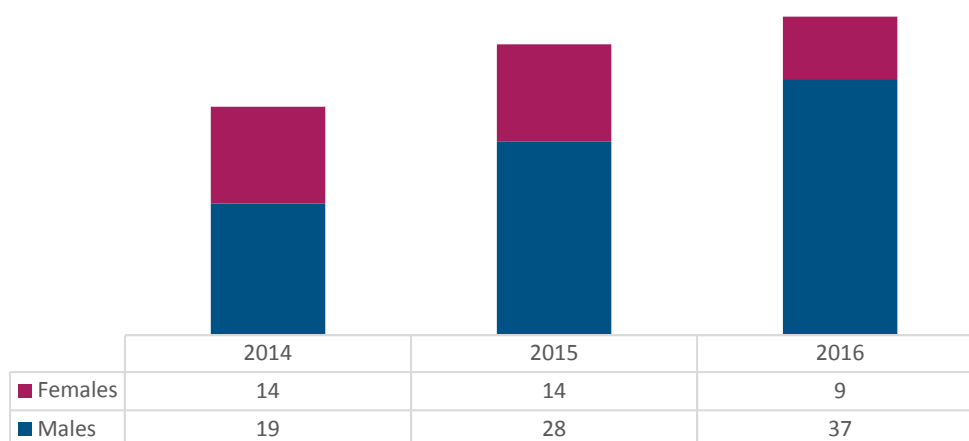
The current legislation on trafficking in persons in Japan covers all forms of trafficking indicated in the UN Trafficking in Persons Protocol.

Investigations and suspects

In 2014, 32 cases of trafficking in persons were recorded by national authorities. In 2015 and 2016, 44 cases were recorded each year.

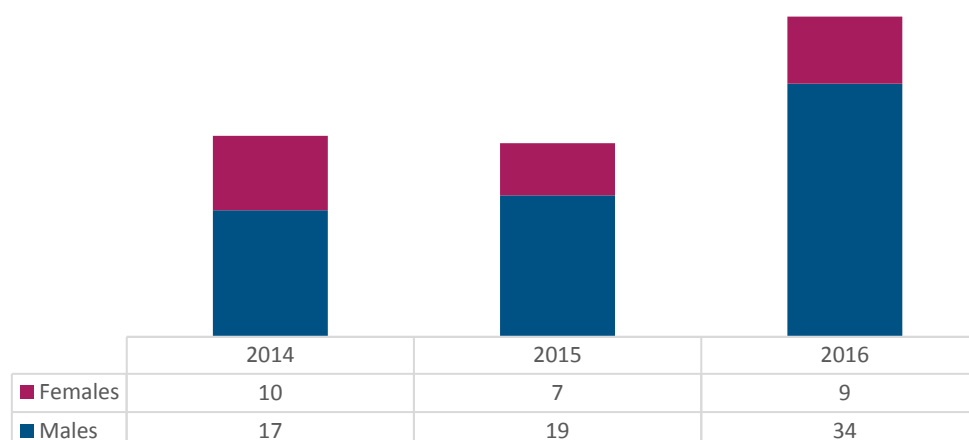
Source: National Police Agency.

Number of persons brought into formal contact with the police and/or criminal justice system because they have been identified as an offender and treated as a suspect, by sex, 2014 – 2016



Source: National Police Agency.

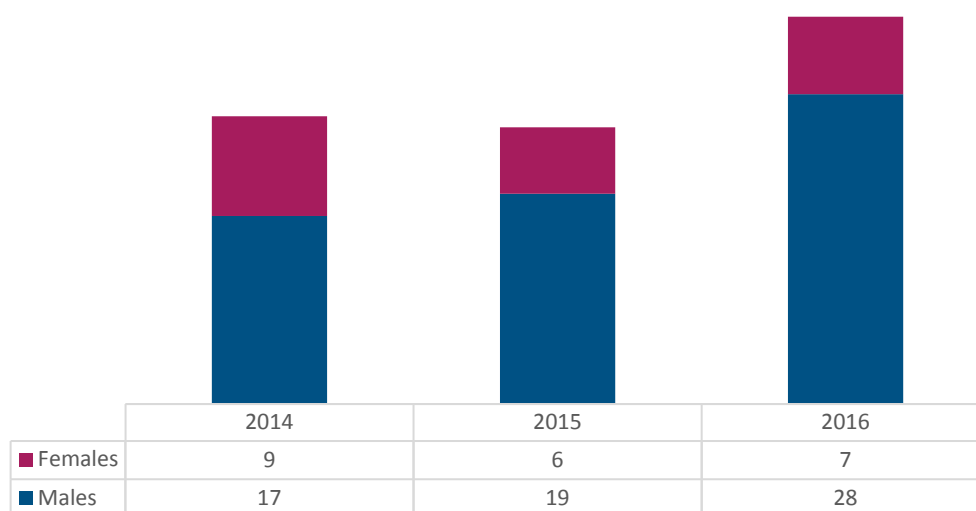
Number of persons prosecuted for trafficking in persons, by sex, 2014 – 2016**



Source: Ministry of Justice.

****This data includes persons who were prosecuted under the Penal Code and under other laws such as the Prostitution Prevention Law and Employment Security Act.**

Number of persons convicted of trafficking in persons, by sex, 2014 – 2016



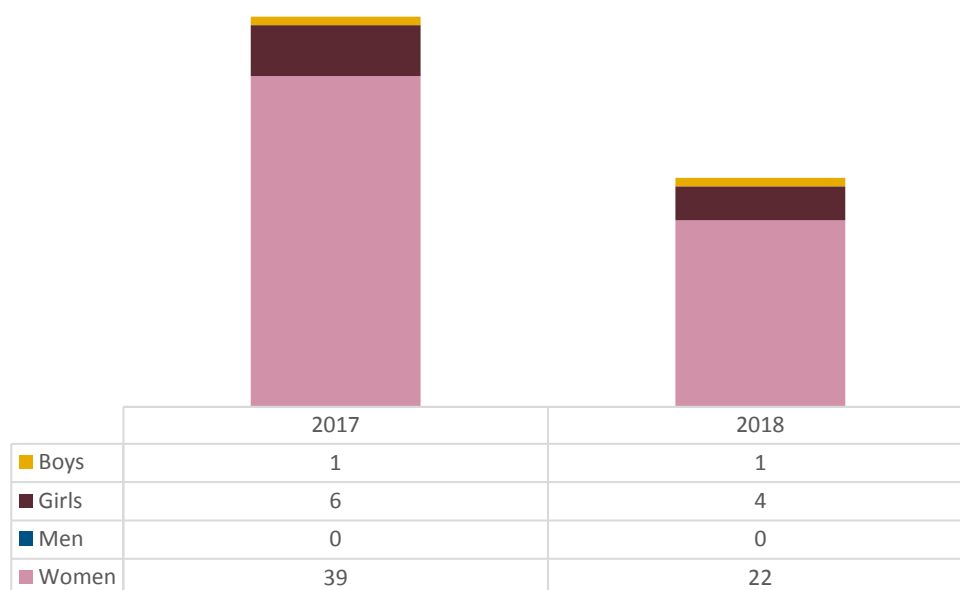
Source: Ministry of Justice.

The majority of persons convicted of trafficking in persons were nationals of Japan. Others convicted were from Thailand, the Philippines, China, and Brazil.

Source: Ministry of Justice.

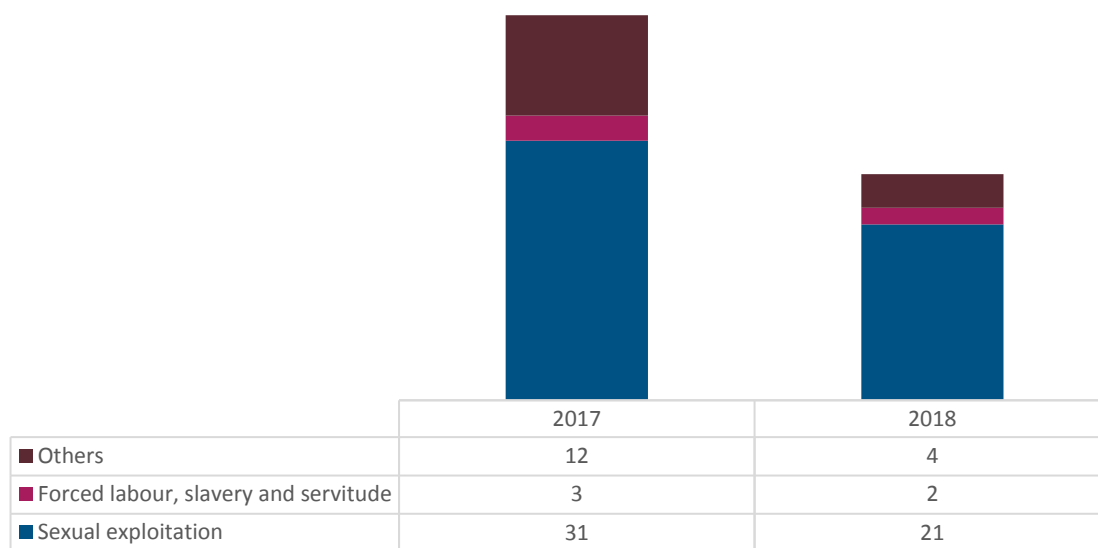
Victims

Number of victims of trafficking in persons detected, by age and sex, 2017-2018



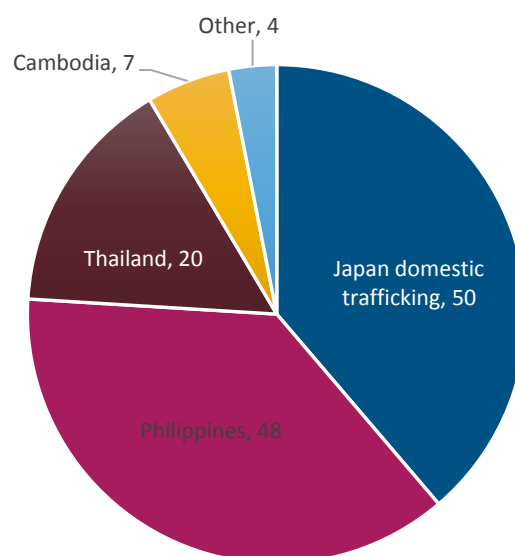
Source: National Authorities of Japan.

Number of victims of trafficking in persons, by form of exploitation, 2017-2018



Source: National Authorities of Japan.

Countries of citizenship of identified victims of trafficking in persons, 2014-2017 (Tot=129)



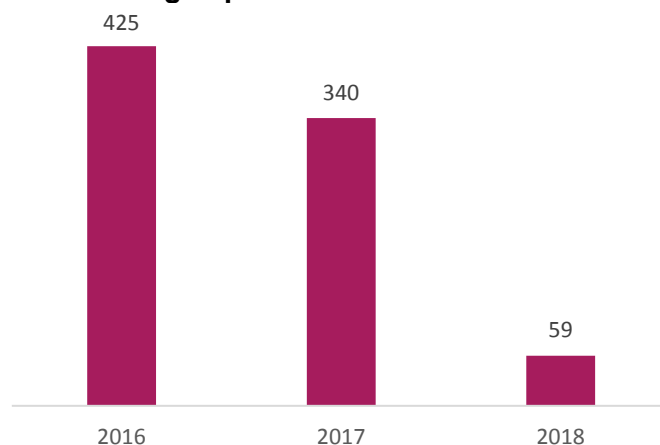
Source: National Police Agency, Ministry of Justice.

– Malaysia –

The current legislation on trafficking in persons in Malaysia covers all forms of trafficking indicated in the UN Trafficking in Persons Protocol.

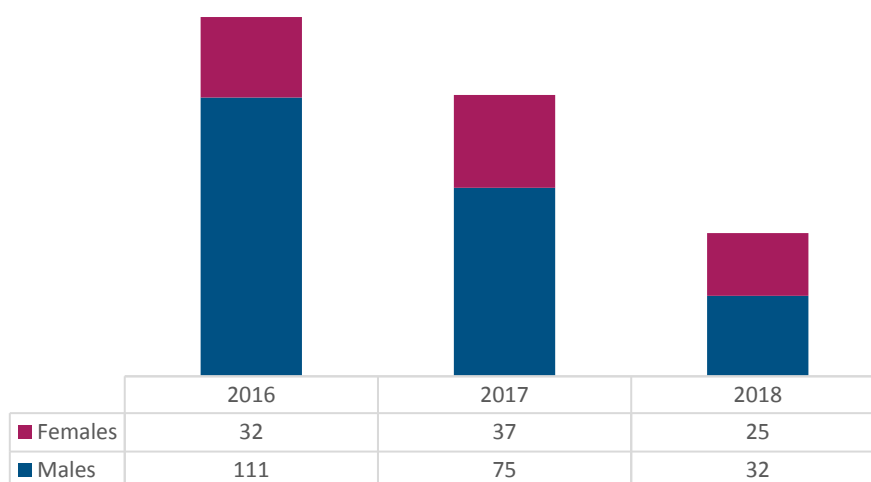
Investigations and suspects

Number of cases of trafficking in persons and related offences recorded, 2016 – 2018



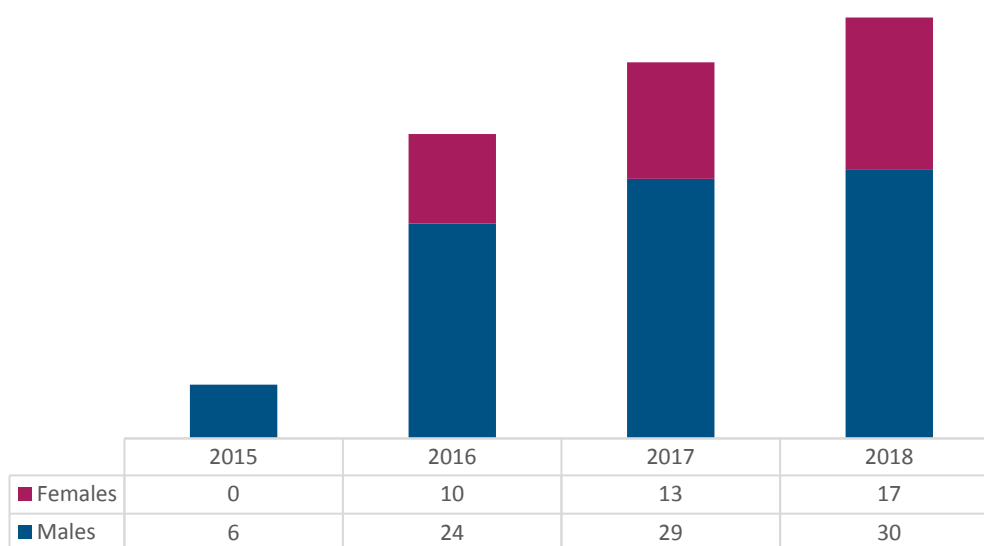
Source: National Strategic Office, Council for Anti-Trafficking in Persons and Anti-smuggling of Migrants.

Number of persons prosecuted of trafficking in persons and related offences, by sex and age, 2016 – 2018



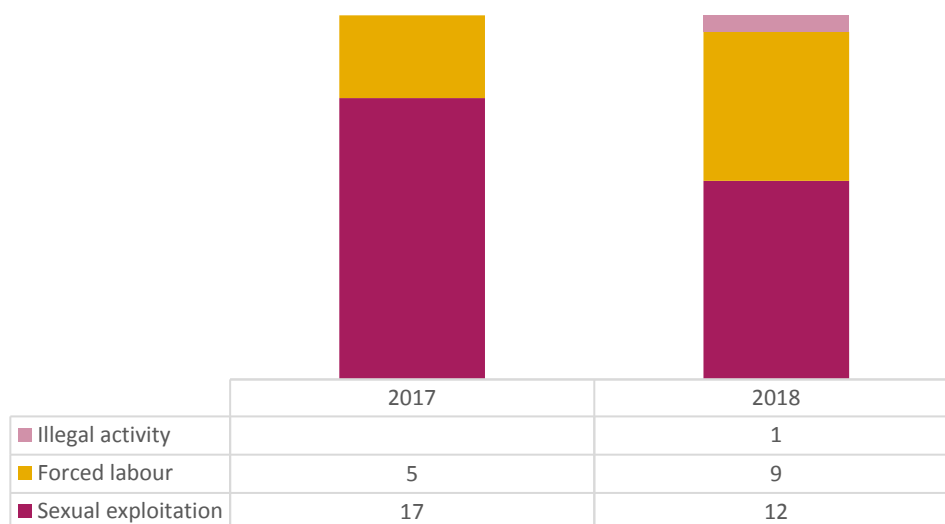
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Number of persons convicted of trafficking in persons and related offences, 2015-2018



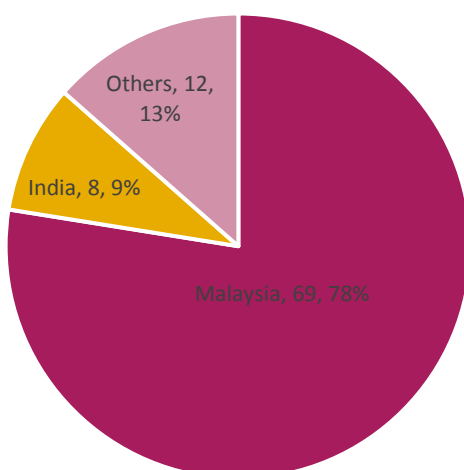
Source: National Strategic Office, Council for Anti-Trafficking in Persons and Anti-smuggling of Migrants.

Number of persons convicted of trafficking in persons and related offences, by form of exploitation, 2017 – 2018



Source: National Strategic Office, Council for Anti-Trafficking in Persons and Anti-smuggling of Migrants.

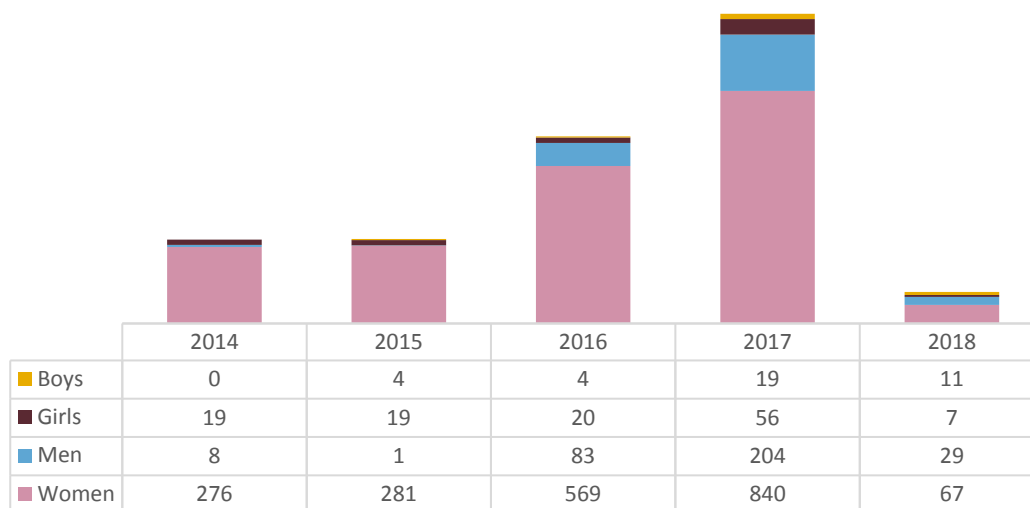
Countries of citizenships of persons convicted of trafficking in persons and related offences, 2017 – 2018 (Tot= 89)



Source: National Strategic Office, Council for Anti-Trafficking in Persons and Anti-smuggling of Migrants.

Victims

Number of victims of trafficking in persons and related offences detected, by age and sex, 2014 – 2018



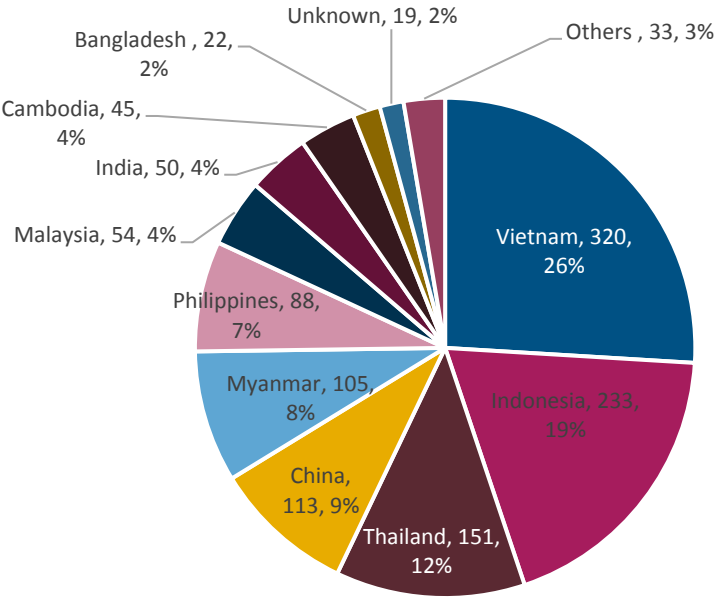
Source: National Strategic Office, Council for Anti-Trafficking in Persons and Anti-smuggling of Migrants.

Number of victims of trafficking in persons and related offences detected, by form of exploitation, sex and age, 2017 – 2018



Source: National Strategic Office, Council for Anti-Trafficking in Persons and Anti-smuggling of Migrants.

Countries of citizenships of identified victims of trafficking in persons and related offences, 2017 – 2018
Tot= 1233



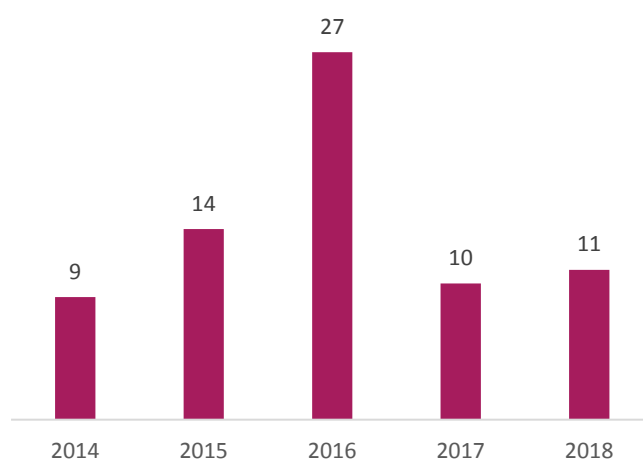
Source: National Strategic Office, Council for Anti-Trafficking in Persons and Anti-smuggling of Migrants.

– Mongolia –

The current legislation on trafficking in persons in Mongolia covers all forms of trafficking indicated in the UN Trafficking in Persons Protocol.

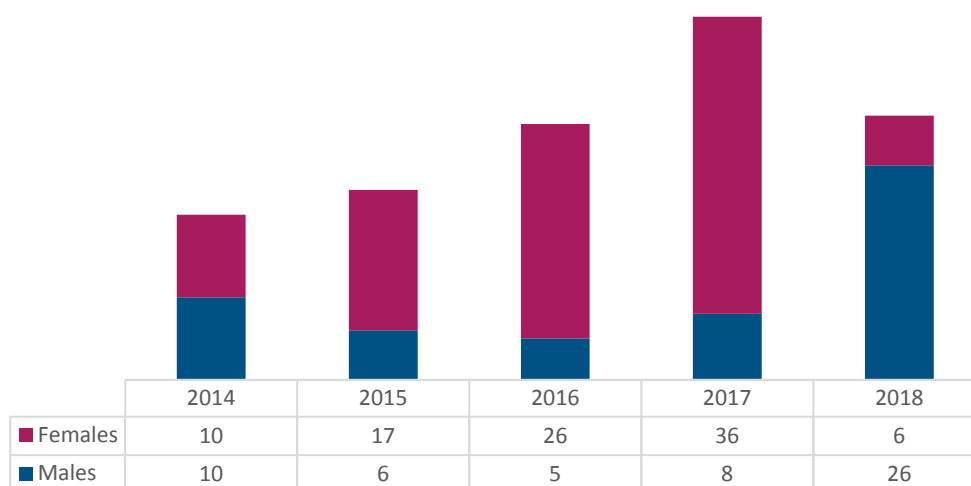
Investigations and suspects

Number of cases of trafficking in persons recorded, 2014 – 2018



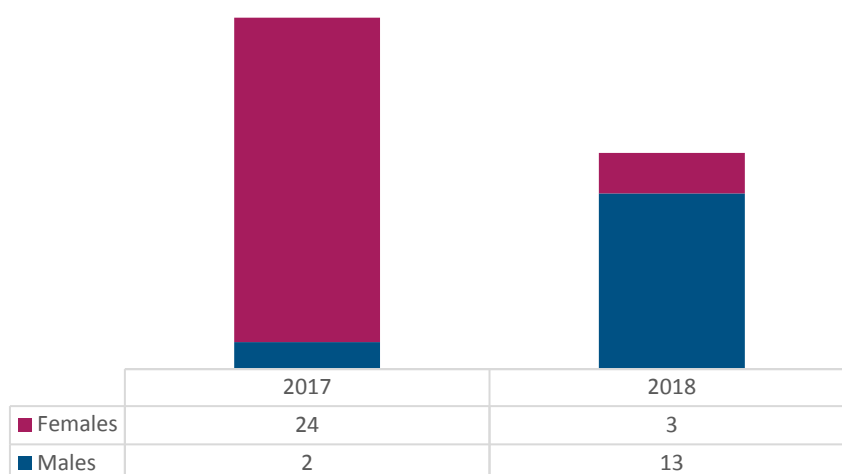
Source: The National Police Agency of Mongolia.

Number of persons brought into formal contact with the police and/or criminal justice system because they have been suspected of, arrested for or cautioned for trafficking in persons, 2014 – 2018



Source: The National Police Agency of Mongolia.

Number of persons prosecuted of trafficking in persons, by sex, 2017-2018

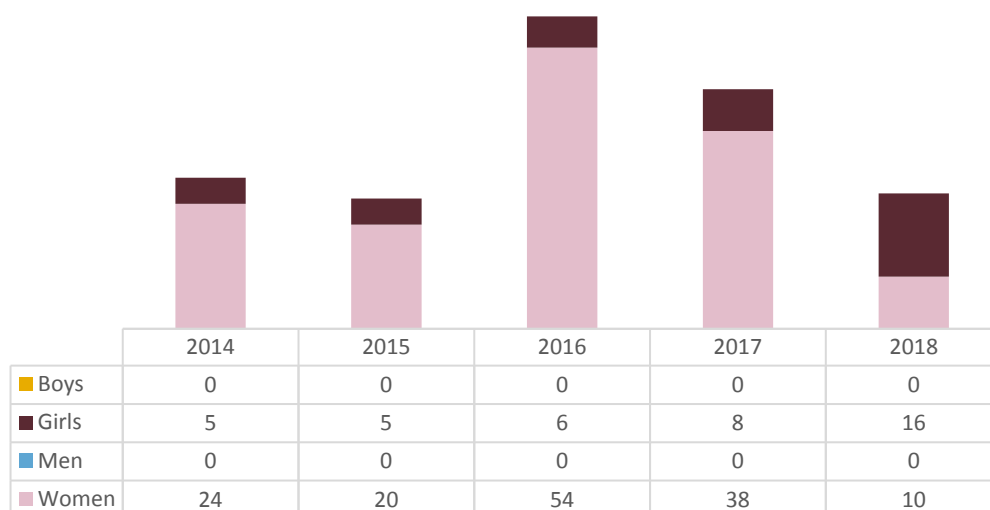


Source: The National Police Agency of Mongolia.

According to the National Police Agency of Mongolia, three persons were convicted of trafficking in persons for sexual exploitation in 2017, of which two were females and one was male. In 2018 one man was convicted of the same offence. Those convicted of trafficking in persons were all citizens of Mongolia.

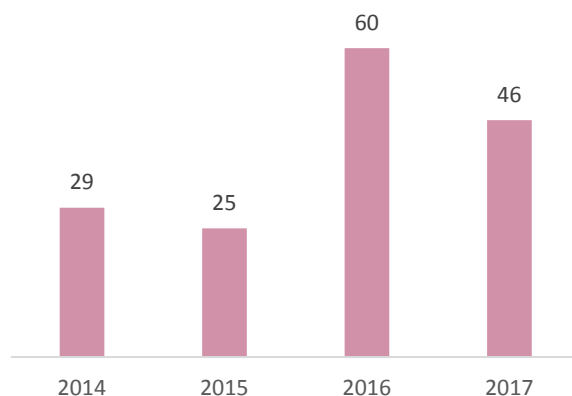
Victims

Number of victims of trafficking detected, by age and sex, 2014 – 2018



Source: The National Police Agency of Mongolia.

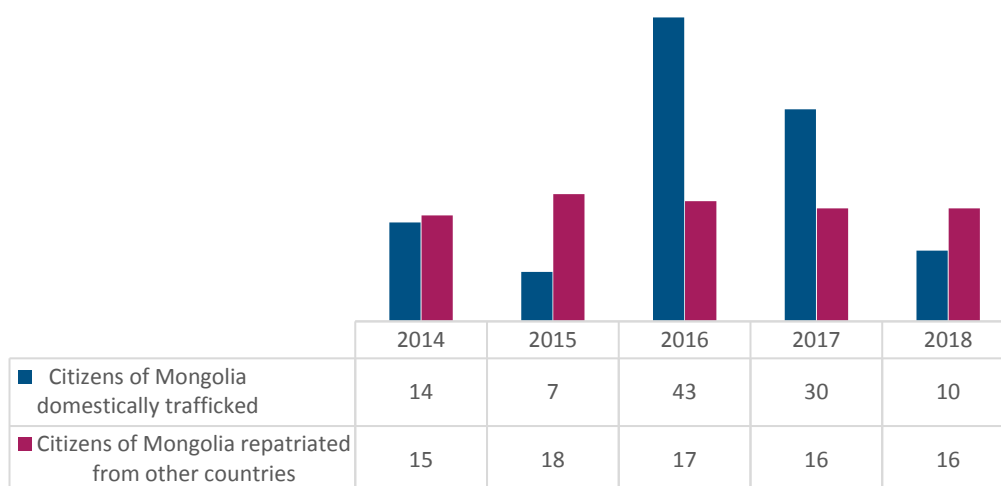
Number of victims of sexual exploitation detected, 2014 – 2018*



Source: The National Police Agency of Mongolia.

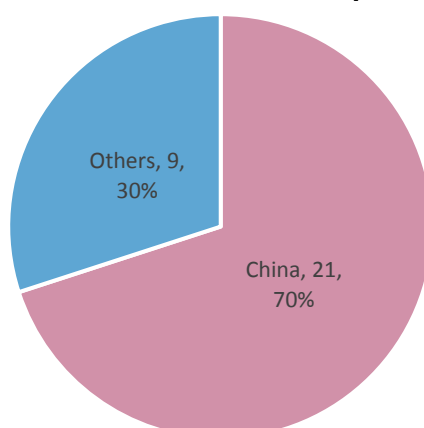
*The National Police Agency of Mongolia reported that the victims identified between 2014 and 2018, were all trafficked for the purpose of sexual exploitation.

Number of Mongolian citizens identified as victims of trafficking in persons, by type of trafficking, 2014 – 2018



Source: The National Police Agency of Mongolia.

Countries from which identified victims were repatriated, 2017 – 2018 (Tot= 30)



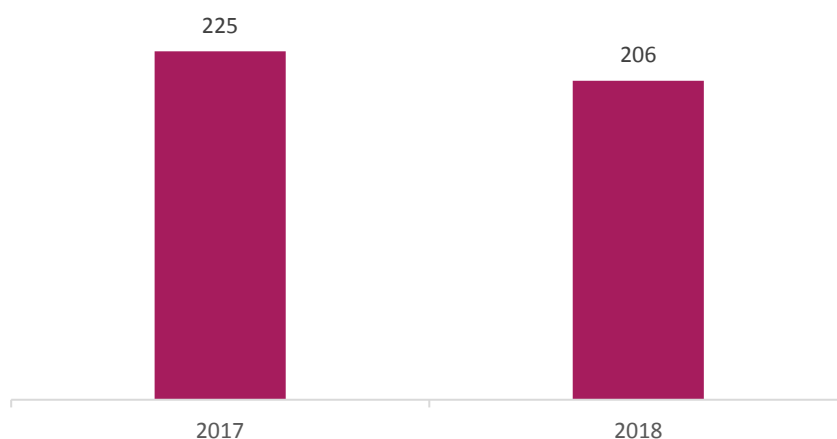
Source: The National Police Agency of Mongolia.

– Myanmar –

The current legislation on trafficking in persons in Myanmar covers all forms of trafficking indicated in the UN Trafficking in Persons Protocol.

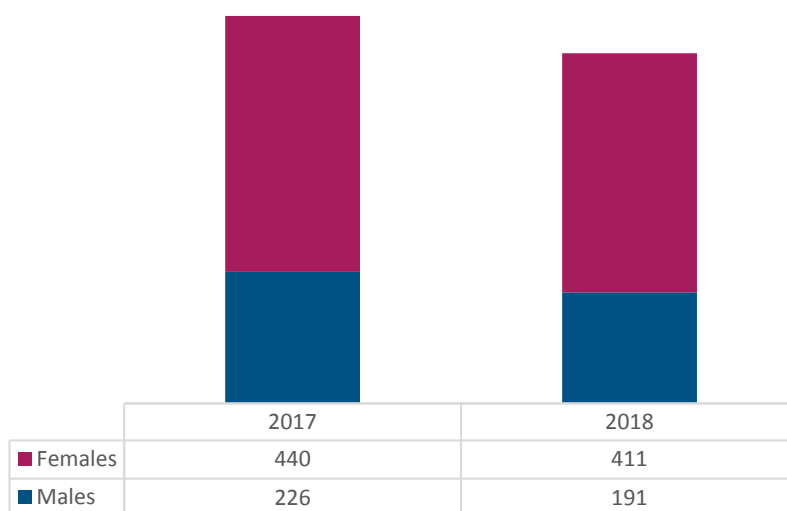
Investigations and suspects

Number of cases in trafficking in persons recorded, 2017– 2018



Source: Anti Trafficking in Persons Division.

Number of persons brought into formal contact with the police and/or criminal justice system because they have been suspected of, arrested for or cautioned for trafficking in persons, 2017 – 2018

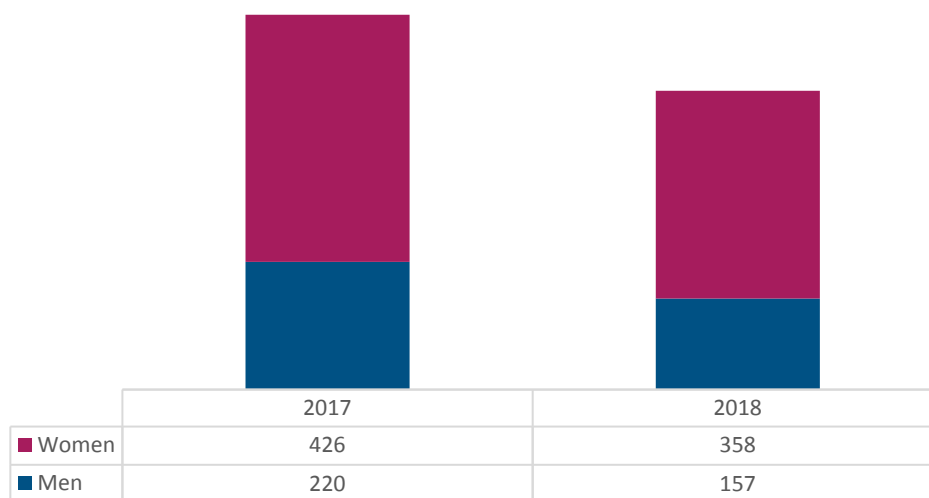


Source: Anti Trafficking in Persons Division.

The Anti Trafficking in Persons Division reported that in 2017 and 2018, 718 offenders were arrested for trafficking in persons.

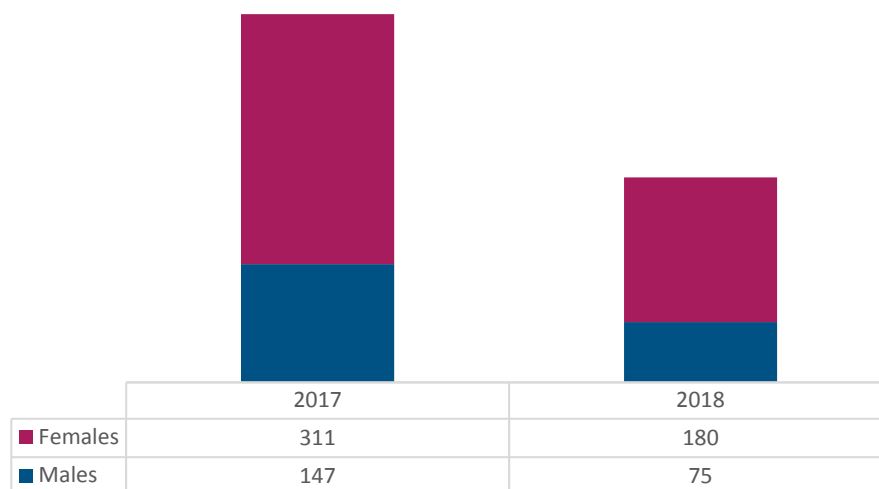
Source: Anti Trafficking in Persons Division.

Number of persons prosecuted of trafficking in persons, by sex, 2017 – 2018



Source: Anti Trafficking in Persons Division.

Number of persons convicted of trafficking in persons, 2017 – 2018

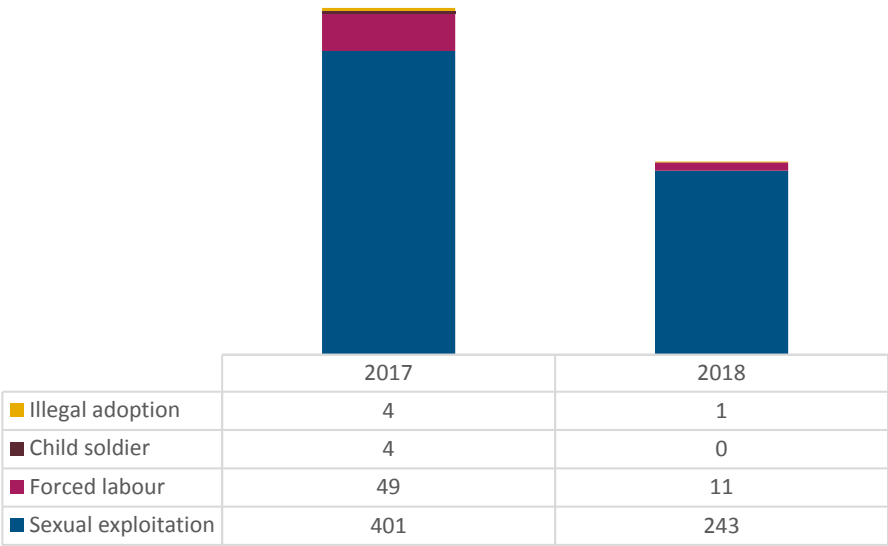


Source: Anti Trafficking in Persons Division.

The Anti Trafficking in Persons Division reported that between 2017 and 2018, concurrently with the crime of trafficking in persons, a conviction for money laundering was sought.

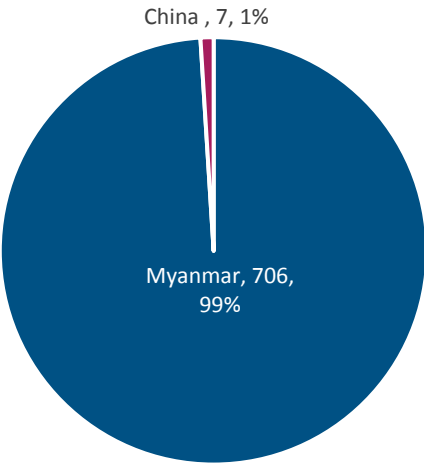
Source: Anti Trafficking in Persons Division.

Number of persons convicted of trafficking in persons, by form of exploitation, 2017 – 2018



Source: Anti Trafficking in Persons Division.

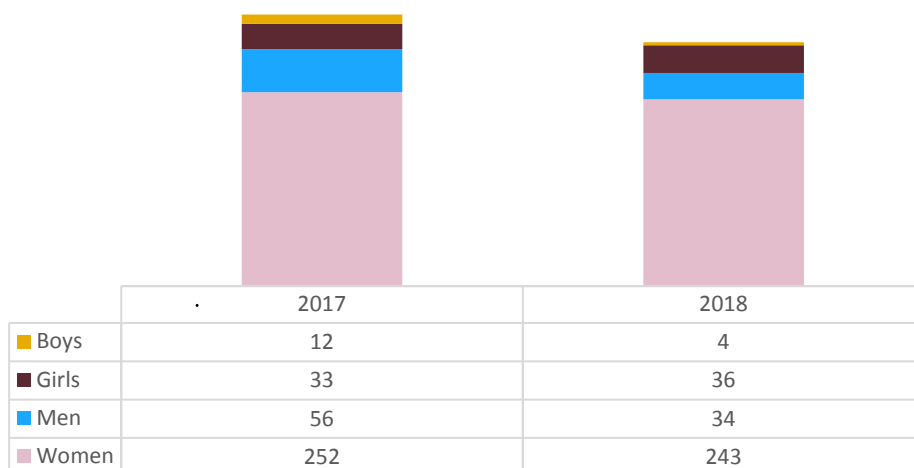
Citizenships of persons convicted of trafficking in persons, 2017 – 2018



Source: Anti Trafficking in Persons Division.

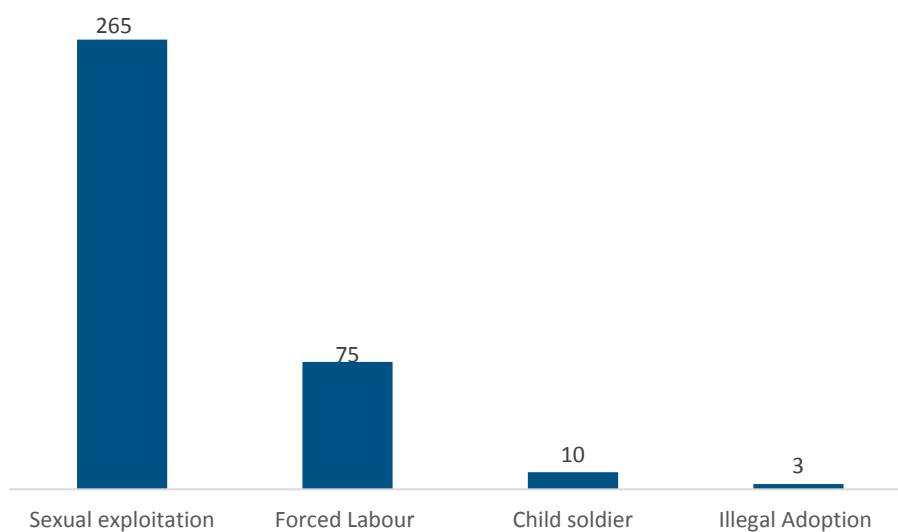
Victims

Number of victims of trafficking detected, by age and sex, 2017 – 2018



Source: Anti Trafficking in Persons Division.

Number of victims of trafficking detected, by form of exploitation, 2017

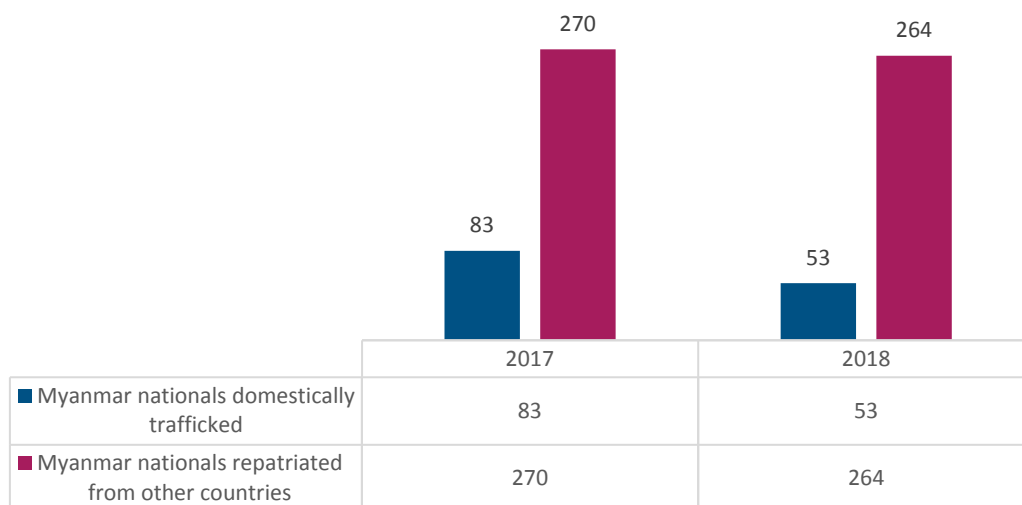


Source: Anti Trafficking in Persons Division.

During the reporting period, all victims of trafficking in persons identified by the state authorities were citizens of Myanmar.

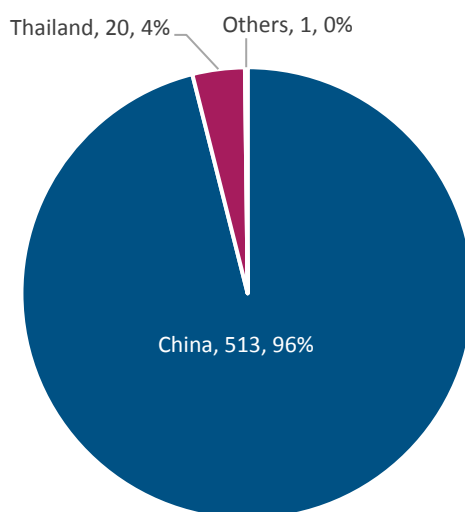
Source: Anti Trafficking in Persons Division.

Number of Myanmar nationals identified as victims of trafficking in persons, by type of trafficking, 2017 – 2018



Source: Anti Trafficking in Persons Division.

Countries from where identified Myanmar victims were repatriated, 2017 – 2018



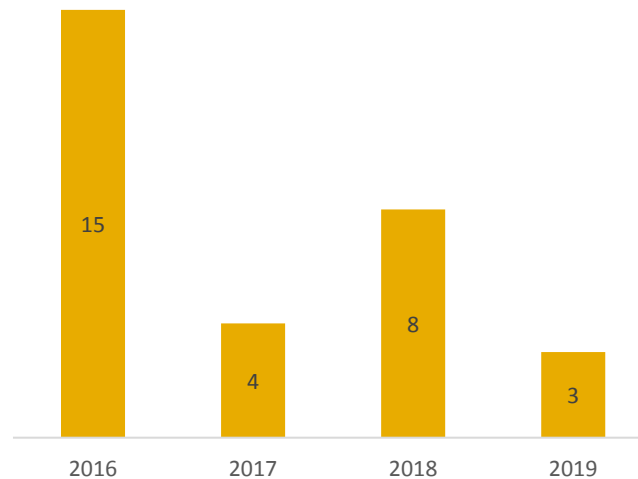
Source: Anti Trafficking in Persons Division.

– New Zealand –

The current legislation on trafficking in persons in New Zealand, section 98D of the Crimes Act 1961, covers all forms of trafficking indicated in the UN Trafficking in Persons Protocol.

Investigations and suspects

Number of charges of trafficking in persons reported, 2016– 2019



Source: Immigration New Zealand – Ministry of Business, Innovation and Employment.

Between 2016 and 2019, four persons (three males and one female) were arrested and prosecuted for trafficking in persons. As shown in the graph above, a total of 30 charges for trafficking in persons were laid against these four individuals.

In 2016, a New Zealand resident and Fijian citizen was convicted of 15 counts of trafficking in persons for the purpose of forced labour, in concurrence with other charges.

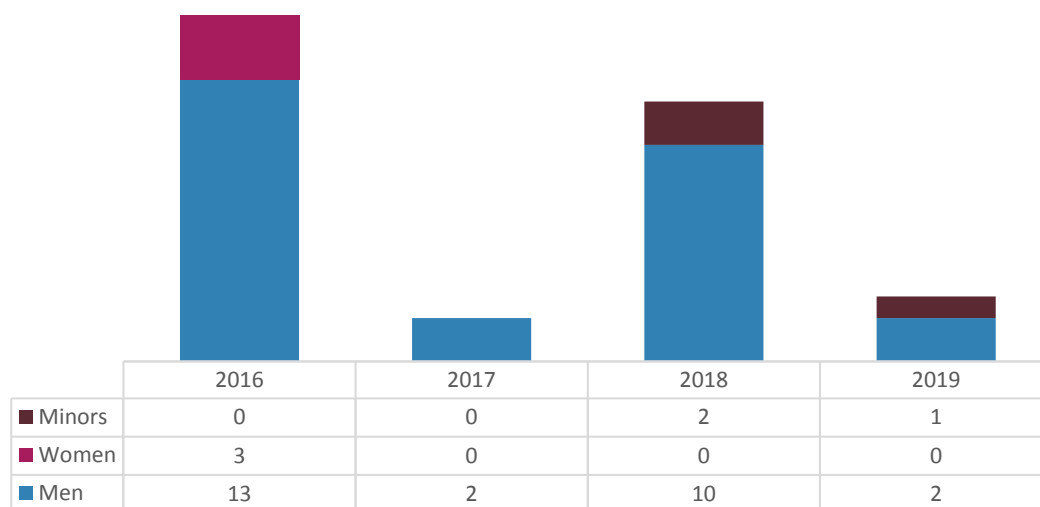
In 2017, a New Zealand citizen couple were each charged with two counts of trafficking in persons for the purpose of forced labour (four total charges). In 2019, they were acquitted of the trafficking charges but convicted of 18 exploitation charges in total, in concurrence with other immigration-related offences.

In 2018, a New Zealand permanent resident and Samoan citizen was charged with 8 counts of trafficking in persons for the purpose of forced labour, along with 10 slavery charges. An additional three trafficking in persons charges and three slavery charges were laid in 2019. In 2020, he was convicted of 10 counts of trafficking in persons (acquitted of one charge) and of 13 counts of slavery.

Source: Immigration New Zealand – Ministry of Business, Innovation and Employment.

Victims

Number of victims of trafficking in persons, by sex and age, 2016 – 2019

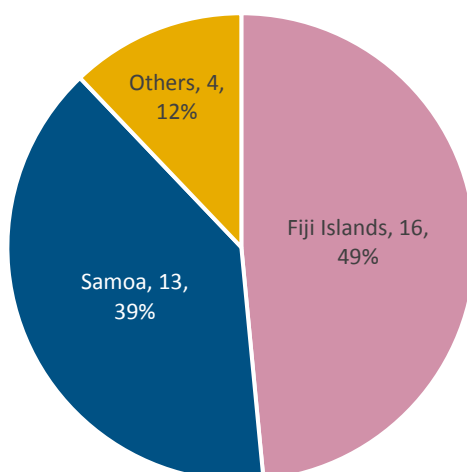


Source: Immigration New Zealand – Ministry of Business, Innovation and Employment.

Between 2016 and 2019, there were 33 victims of trafficking in persons identified by government authorities. Among them, 31 were trafficked for the purpose of forced labour, and two of the victims identified were trafficked for the purpose of sexual exploitation.

Source: Immigration New Zealand – Ministry of Business, Innovation and Employment.

Countries of citizenship of identified victims of trafficking in persons, 2016 – 2019



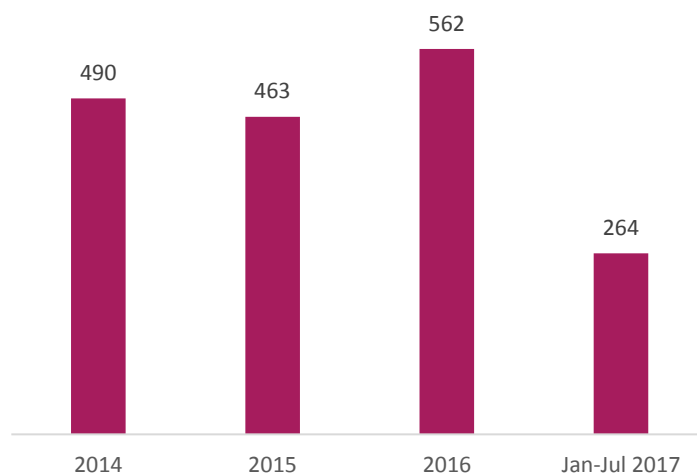
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– The Republic of Korea –

The current legislation on trafficking in persons in the Republic of Korea covers all forms of trafficking indicated in the UN Trafficking in Persons Protocol.

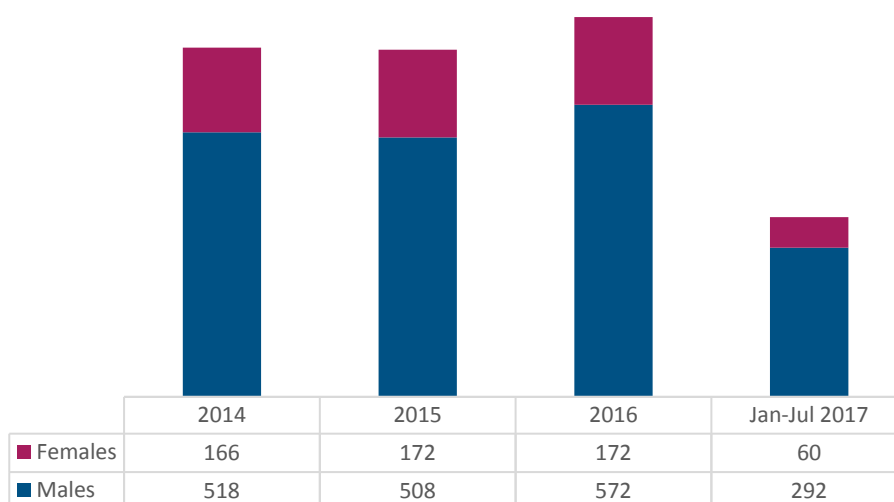
Investigations and suspects

Number of cases of trafficking in persons and related crimes recorded, 2014 – July 2017



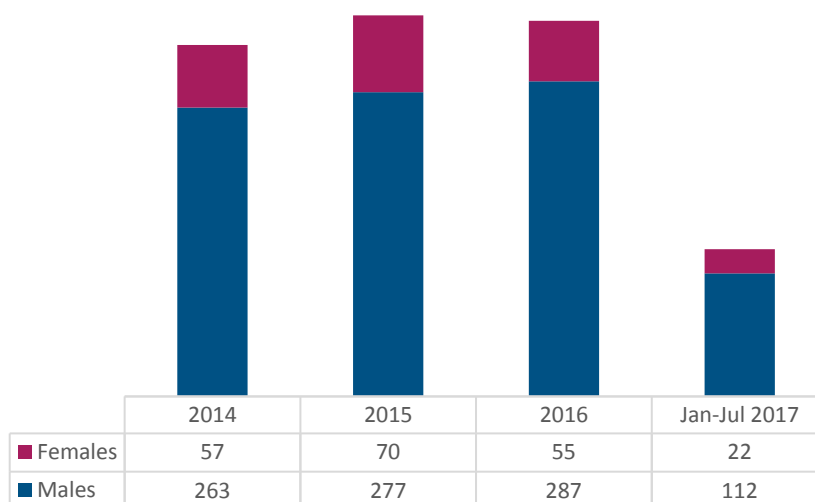
Source: Prosecution's Statistics System.

Number of persons brought into formal contact with the police and/or criminal justice system because they have been suspected of trafficking in persons and related crimes, by sex, 2014 – July 2017



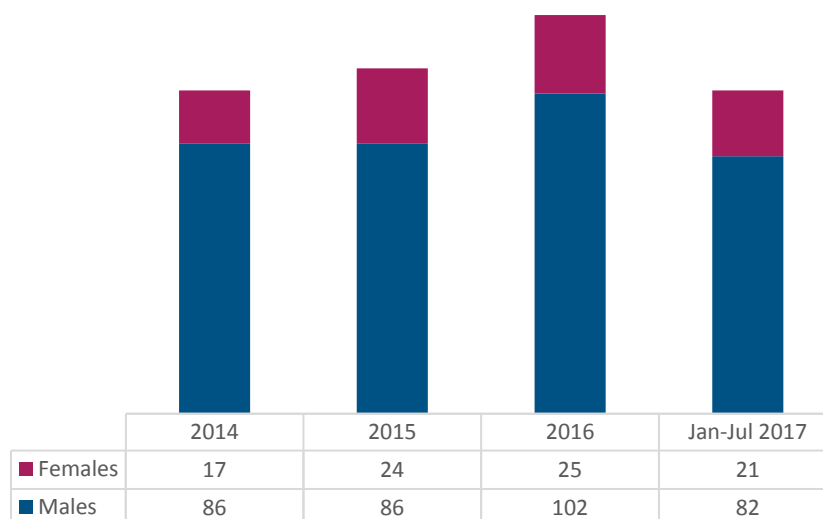
Source: Prosecution's Statistics System.

**Number of persons prosecuted for trafficking in persons and related crimes, by sex,
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Source: Prosecution's Statistics System.

**Number of persons convicted of trafficking in persons and related crimes,
by sex, 2014 – July 2017**



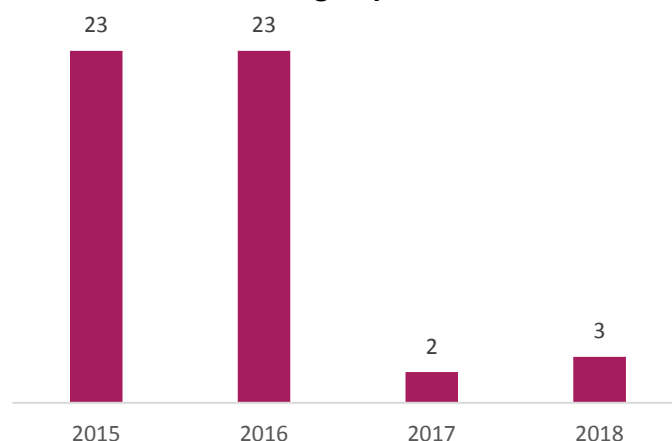
Source: Prosecution's Statistics System.

– Singapore –

The current legislation on trafficking in persons in Singapore, the Prevention of Human Trafficking Act of 2015, covers all forms of trafficking indicated in the UN Trafficking in Persons Protocol.

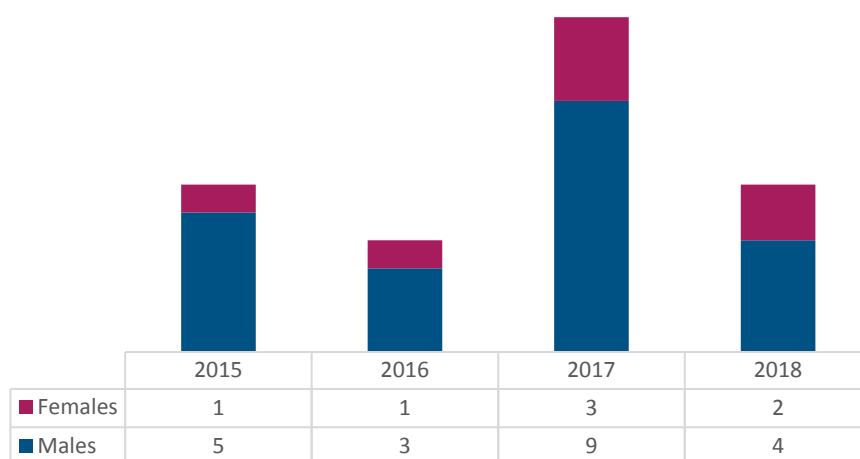
Investigations and suspects

Number of cases of trafficking in persons recorded, 2015 – 2018



Source: Ministry of Manpower, Singapore Police Force.

Number of persons brought into formal contact with the police and/or criminal justice system because they were suspected of, arrested for or cautioned for trafficking in persons, by sex, 2015 – 2018



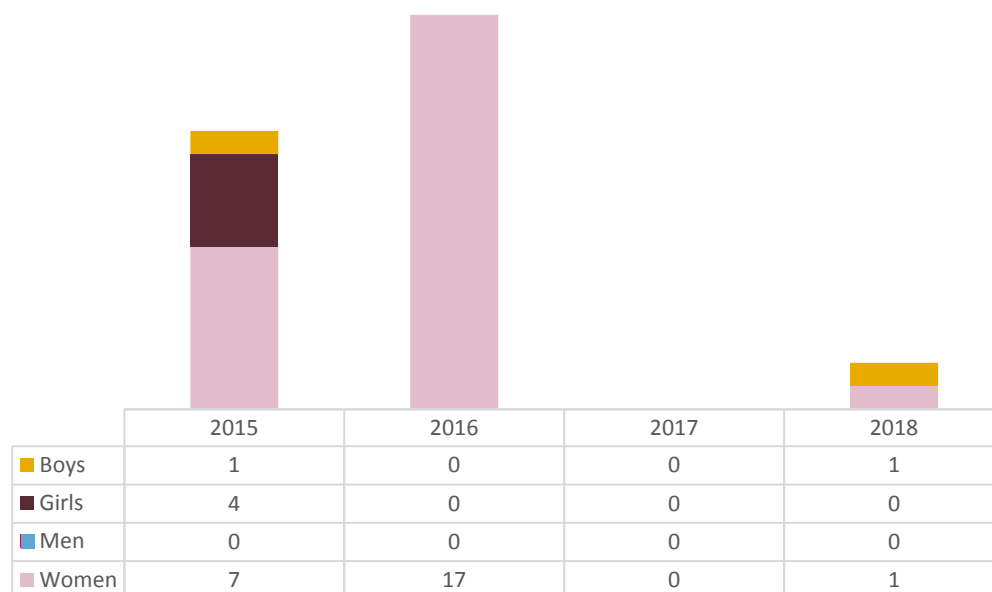
Source: Ministry of Manpower, Singapore Police Force.

The Ministry of Manpower and the Singapore Police Force reported that, between 2015 and 2018, 11 males and 2 females were prosecuted of trafficking in persons.

Source: Ministry of Manpower and Singapore Police Force.

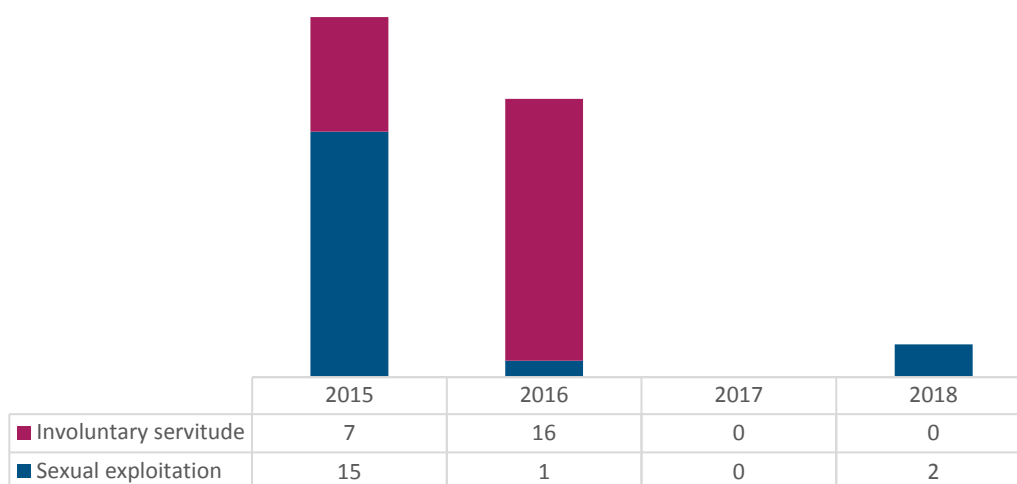
Victims

Number of victims of trafficking in persons detected, by age and sex, 2015 – 2018



Source: Ministry of Manpower, Singapore Police Force.

Number of victims of trafficking detected, by form of exploitation, 2015 - 2018



Source: Ministry of Manpower, Singapore Police Force.

Of those identified as victims of trafficking in persons in 2018, one victim was domestically trafficked.

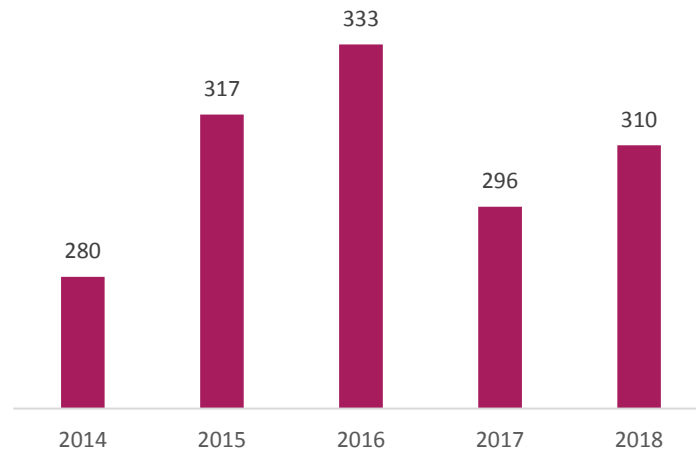
Source: Ministry of Manpower, Singapore Police Force.

– Thailand –

The current legislation on trafficking in persons in Thailand covers all forms of trafficking indicated in the UN Trafficking in Persons Protocol.

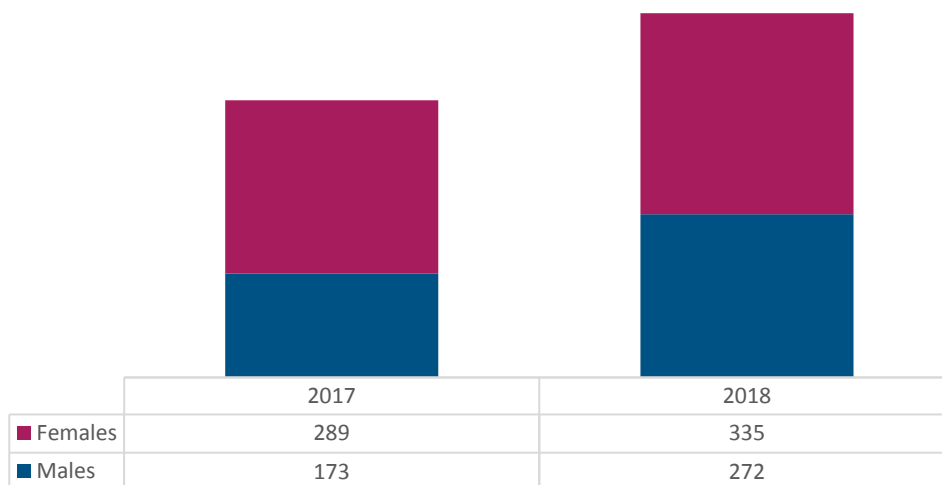
Investigations and suspects

Number of cases of trafficking in persons recorded, 2014 – 2018



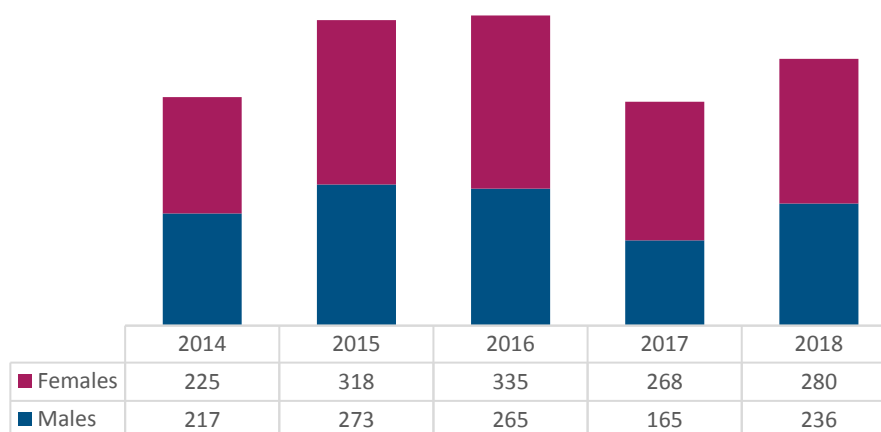
Source: Royal Thai Police and The Office of the Attorney General.

Number of persons brought into formal contact with the police and/or criminal justice system because they have been suspected of, arrested for or cautioned for trafficking in persons, by sex, 2017 – 2018



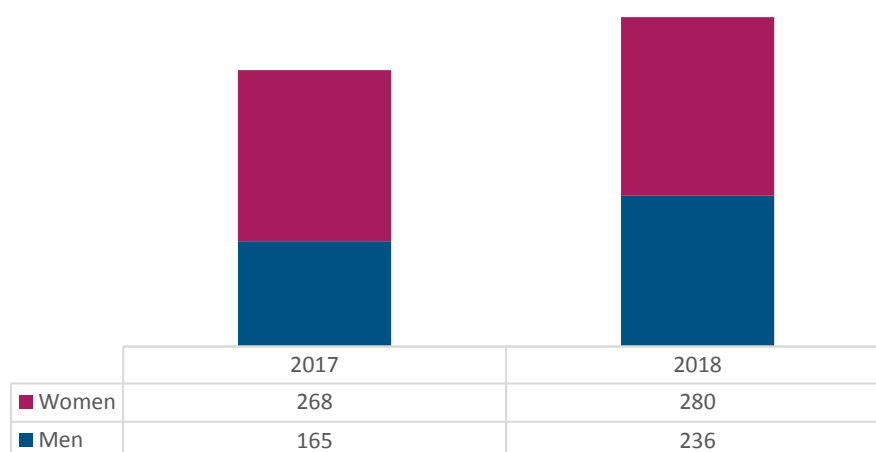
Source: The Office of Attorney General.

Number of persons prosecuted for trafficking in persons, by sex, 2014 – 2018



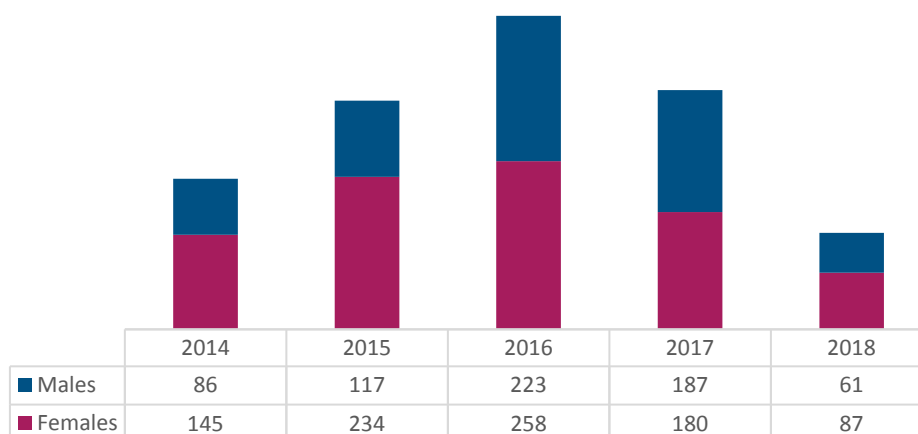
Source: Royal Thai Police and the Office of Attorney General.

Number of persons prosecuted for trafficking in persons, by sex, 2017 – 2018



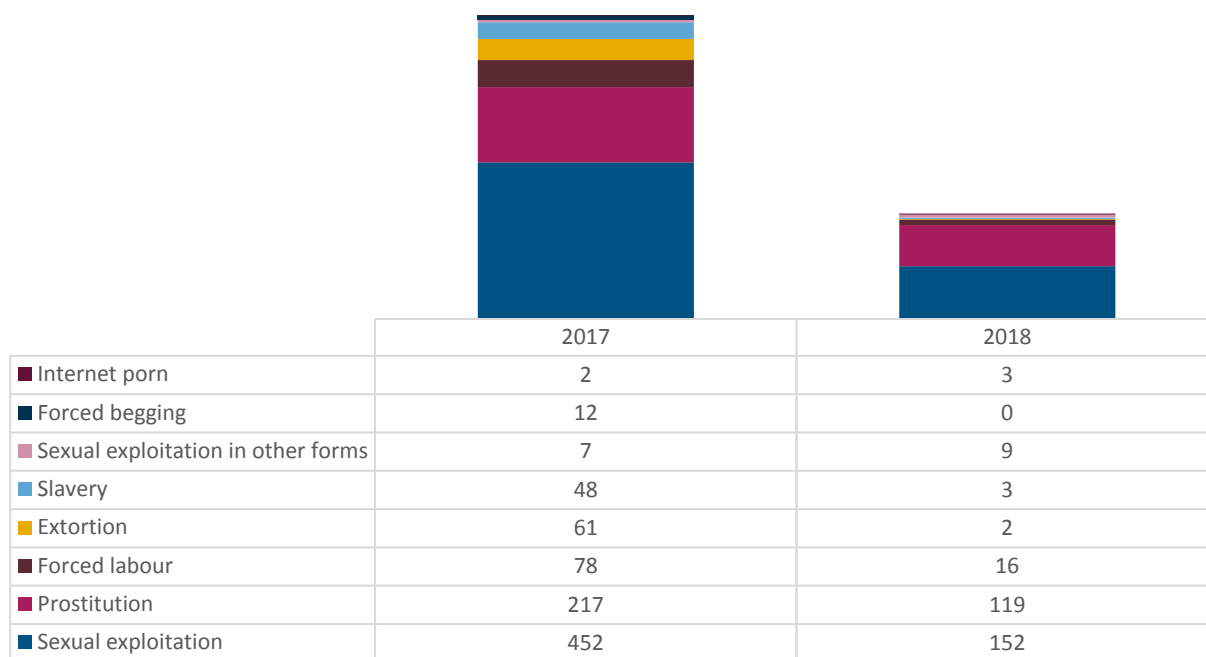
Source: The Office of Attorney General.

Number of persons convicted of trafficking in persons, by sex, 2014 – 2018



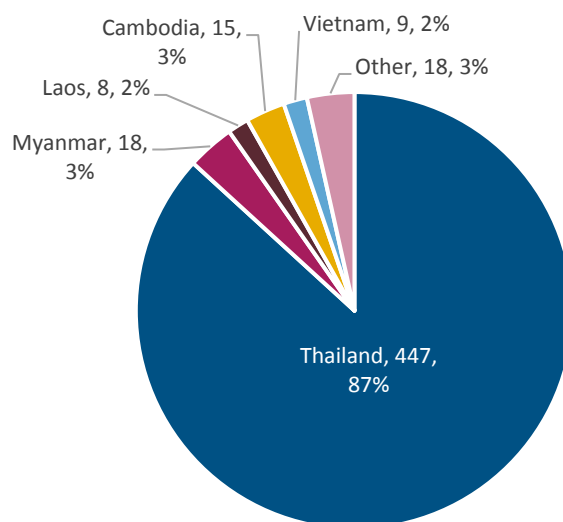
Source: Royal Thai Police and the Office of Attorney General.

Number of persons convicted of trafficking in persons, by form of exploitation, 2017 – 2018



Source: The Office of the Attorney General.

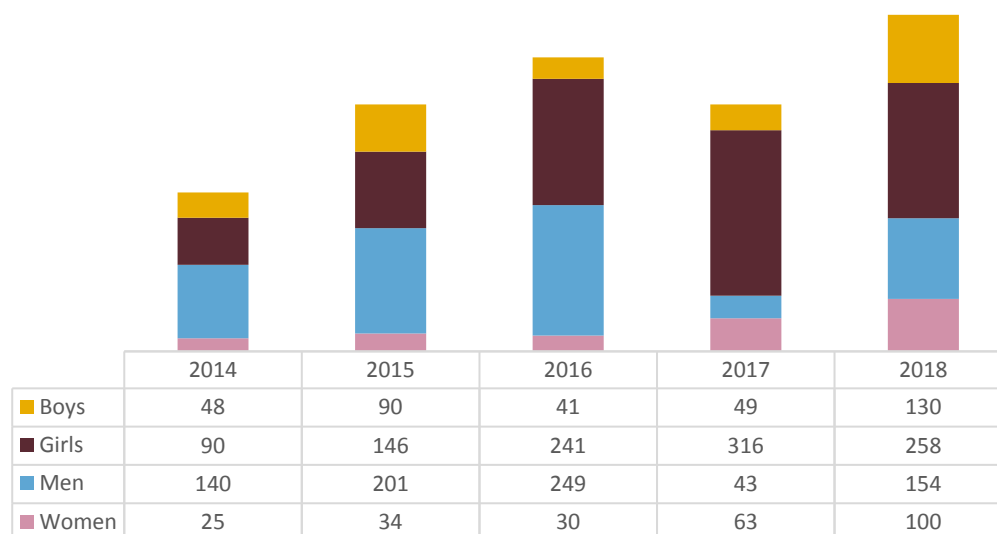
Citizenships of persons suspected of trafficking in persons, 2017 - 2018



Source: The Office of the Attorney General.

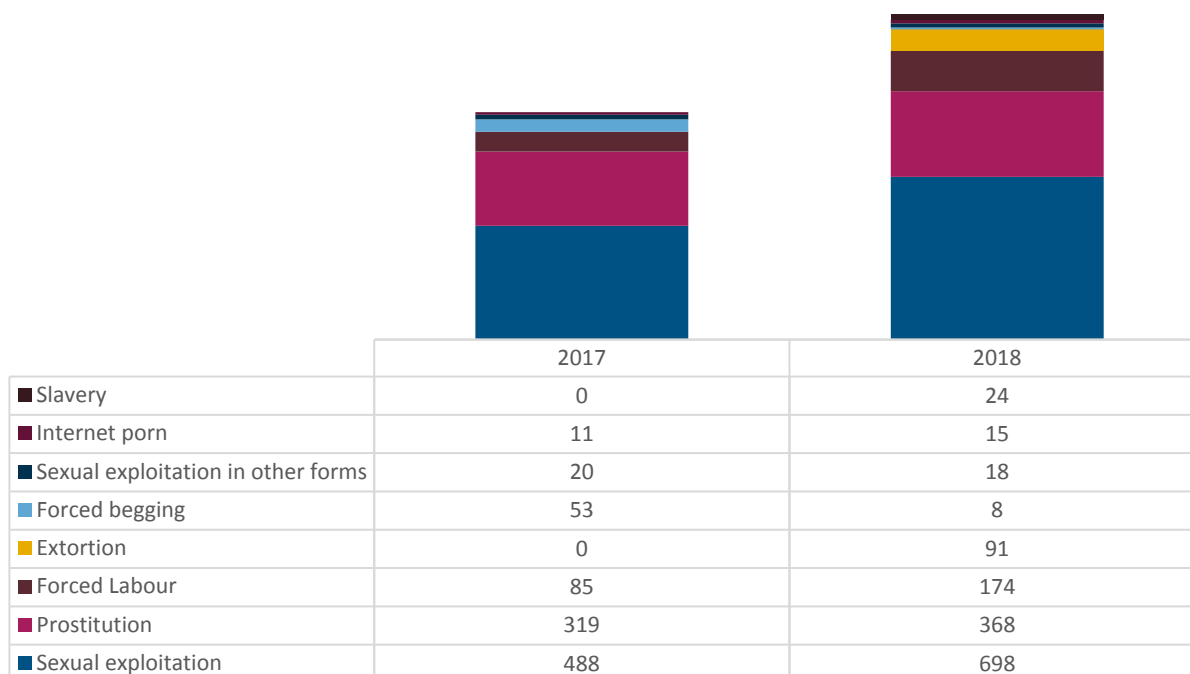
Victims

Number of victims of trafficking in persons detected, by age and sex, 2014 – 2018



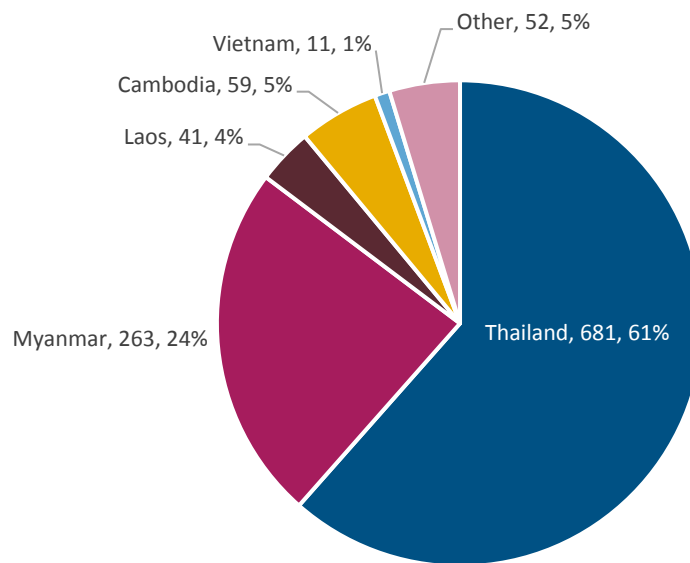
Source: Division of Anti-Trafficking in Persons – Ministry of Social Development and Human Security and the Office of the Attorney General.

Number of victims of trafficking detected, by form of exploitation, 2017 – 2018



Source: The Office of the Attorney General.

**Citizenships of persons identified as victims of trafficking in persons by state authorities,
2017 – 2018 (Tot=1107)**



Source: The Office of the Attorney General.

– The Pacific Islands –

This section covers the Cook Islands, Nauru, Palau, and Solomon Islands.

The current legislations in the Cook Islands, Section 109 of the Crimes Amendment Act 2003-2007, and in Palau, the Anti-Smuggling and Trafficking Act of 2005, cover all forms of trafficking indicated in the UN Trafficking in Persons Protocol.

Despite lacking a dedicated legislation on human trafficking, the Republic of Nauru criminalizes slavery, slave trade and sexual exploitation of children under the Crimes Act 2016.

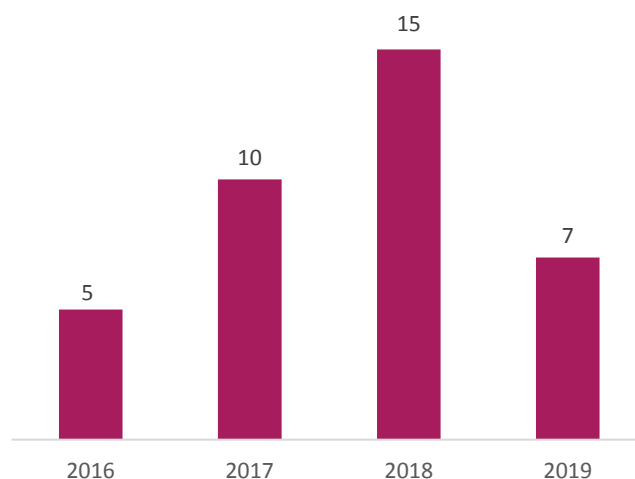
In Solomon Islands, Article No.143 and No. 145 of the penal code and some provisions in the Immigration Act criminalize and prosecute trafficking in persons and child trafficking for the purpose of sexual exploitation.

Investigations and suspects

The national authorities of the Cook Islands, Nauru and Palau reported no investigations, prosecutions or convictions for trafficking in persons occurring between 2016 and 2019.

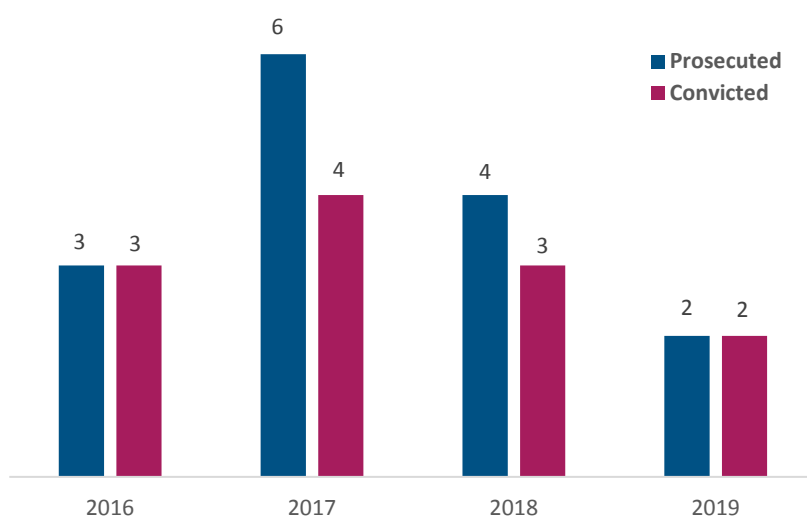
Source: The Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Immigration of Cook Islands, The Judiciary Department of Nauru and The Judiciary Department of Palau.

Number of cases of trafficking in persons reported in the Solomon Islands, 2016 – 2019



Source: Solomon Islands Immigration Division.

Number of persons prosecuted and convicted in the Solomon Islands, 2016 – 2019

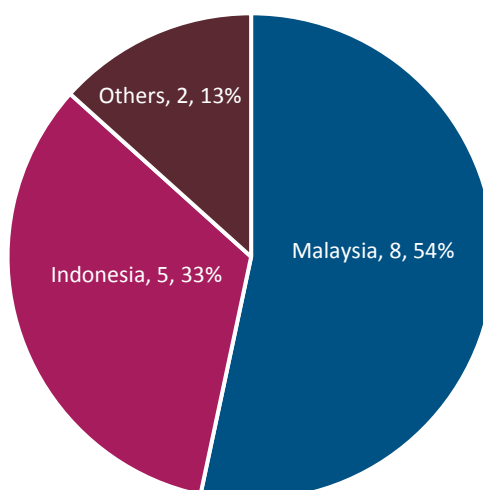


Source: Solomon Islands Immigration Division.

In the period between 2016 and 2019, all the persons convicted of trafficking in persons in Solomon Islands were males and were convicted of trafficking in persons for the purpose of sexual exploitation.

Source: Solomon Islands Immigration Division.

Countries of citizenships of persons convicted of trafficking in persons in the Solomon Islands, 2016 – 2019



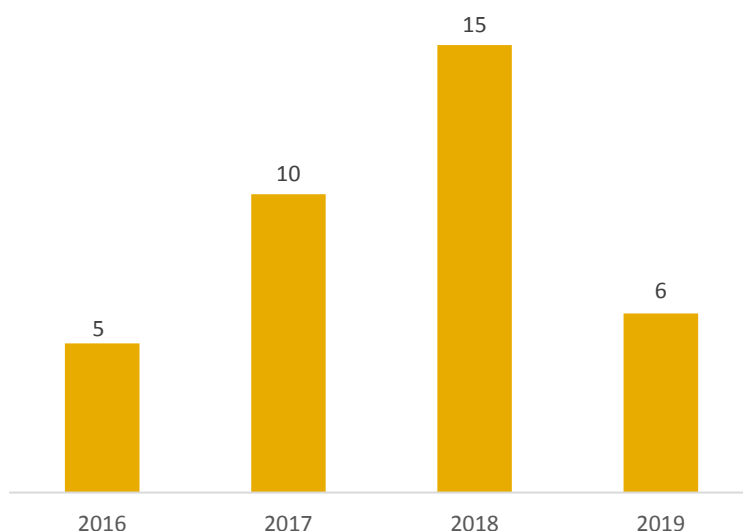
Source: Solomon Islands Immigration Division.

Victims

The national authorities of the Cook Islands, Nauru and Palau registered no victims of trafficking in persons in the period between 2016 and 2019.

Source: The Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Immigration of Cook Islands, The Judiciary Department of Nauru and The Judiciary Department of Palau.

Number of victims of trafficking in persons in the Solomon Islands, 2016 – 2019*



Source: Solomon Islands Immigration Division.

**The Solomon Islands Immigration Division reported that all the victims identified between 2016 and 2019 were children (girls) trafficked for the purpose of sexual exploitation.*

In the period between 2016 and 2019, the Solomon Islands Immigration Division reported that all the victims identified were citizens of Solomon Islands.

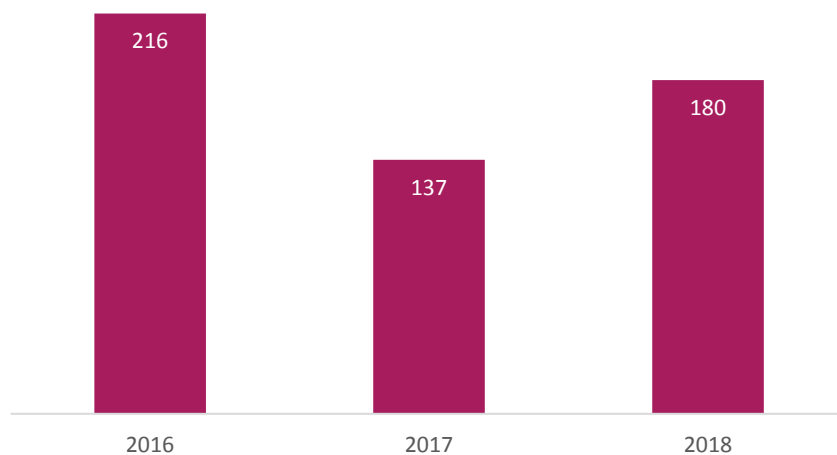
Source: Solomon Islands Immigration Division.

– The Philippines –

The current legislation on trafficking in persons in the Philippines, the Republic Act No. 9208 of 2003, covers all forms of trafficking indicated in the UN Trafficking in Persons Protocol.

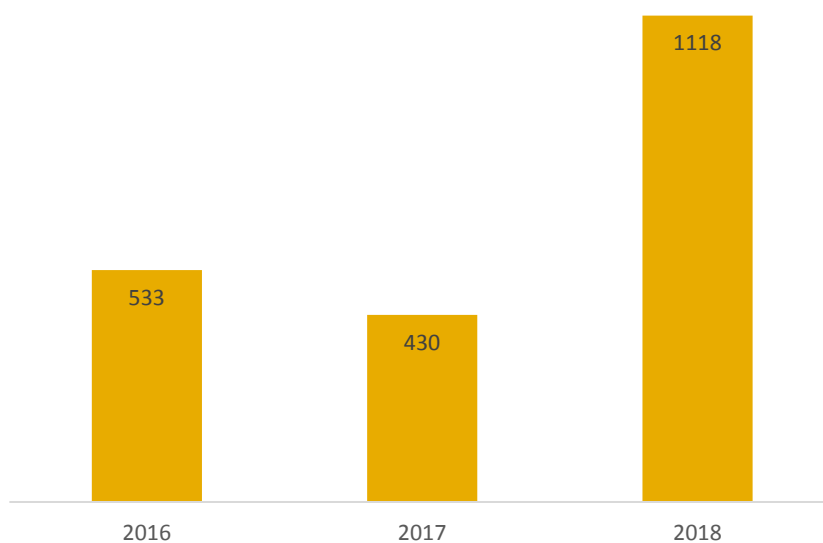
Investigations and suspects

Number of cases of trafficking in persons reported, 2016 – 2018



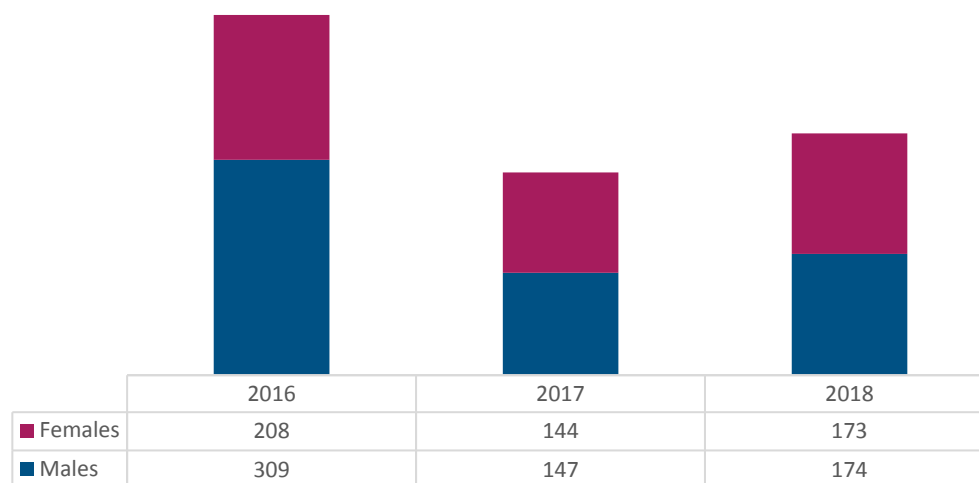
Source: Inter-Agency Council Against Trafficking.

Number of persons brought into formal contact with the police and/or criminal justice system because they have been suspected of, arrested for or cautioned for trafficking in persons, 2016 – 2018



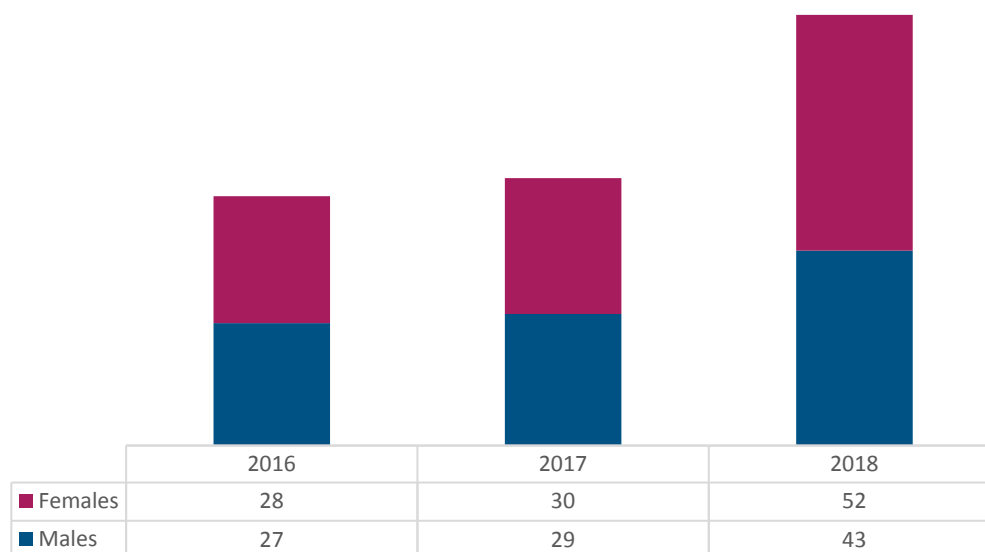
Source: The Philippines National Police and National Bureau of Investigations.

Number of persons prosecuted of trafficking in persons, by sex, 2016 – 2018



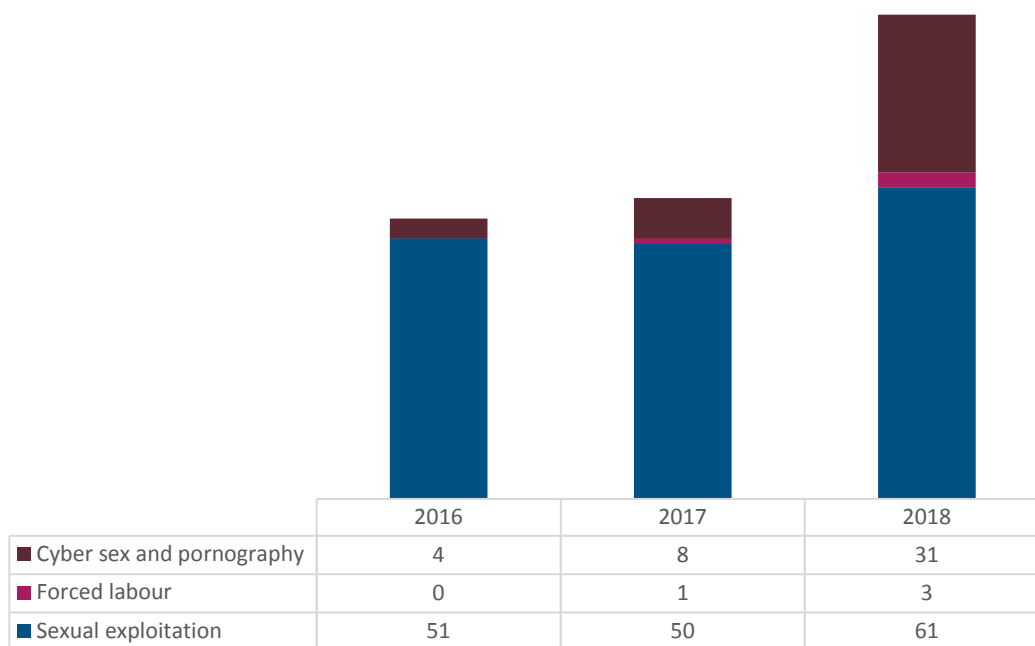
Source: Inter-Agency Council Against Trafficking.

Number of persons convicted of trafficking in persons by sex, 2016 – 2018



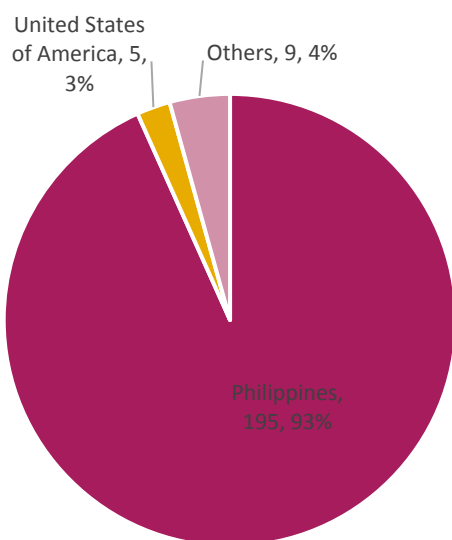
Source: Inter-Agency Council Against Trafficking.

Number of persons convicted of trafficking in persons, by form of exploitation, 2016 – 2018



Source: Inter-Agency Council Against Trafficking.

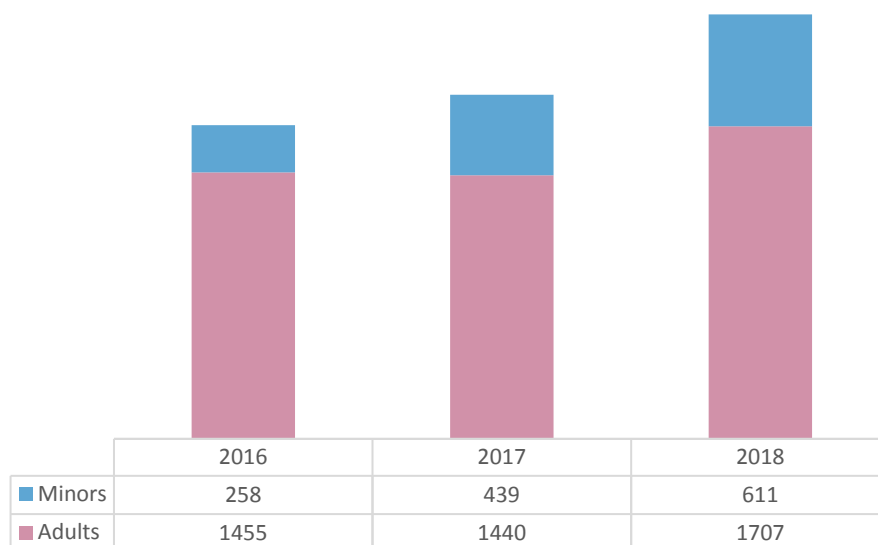
Countries of citizenships of persons convicted of trafficking in persons, 2016 – 2018



Source: Inter-Agency Council Against Trafficking.

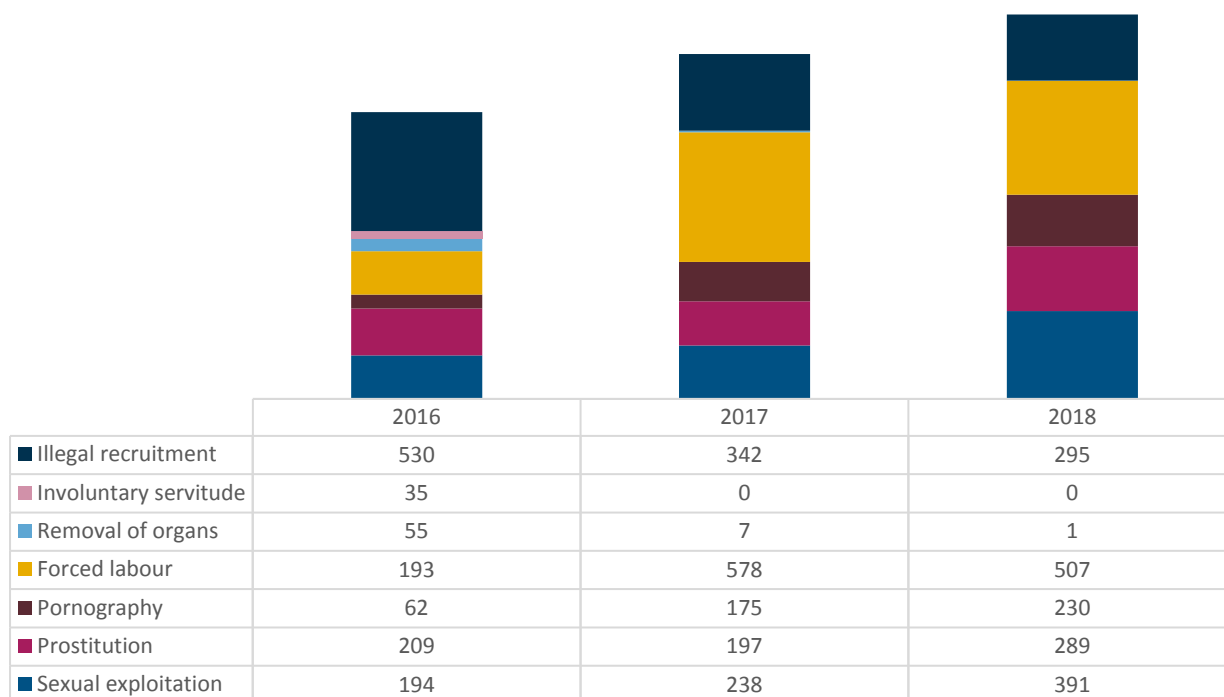
Victims

Number of victims of trafficking in persons detected, by age, 2016 – 2018



Source: Narrative Report Program for Trafficked People and The Department of Social Welfare and Development.

Number of victims of trafficking in persons detected, by form of exploitation, 2016 – 2018



Source: Narrative Report Program for Trafficked People and The Department of Social Welfare and Development.

– Timor-Leste –

The current legislation on trafficking in persons in Timor Leste covers all forms of trafficking indicated in the UN Trafficking in Persons Protocol. The Criminal Code criminalises trafficking in persons under Articles 163, 164, and 165.

Investigations and suspects

In 2015, five cases of trafficking in persons were recorded, and in 2016 and 2017, three cases were recorded each year. In 2015 and 2017, two persons per year were brought into formal contact with the police and/or the criminal justice system for either being suspected, cautioned, or arrested for trafficking in persons.

In total, prosecution for trafficking in persons was commenced against two persons in 2015 and one person in 2016. In 2017, two female and one male offenders were prosecuted. Between 2015 and 2017, one person was convicted of trafficking in persons each year.

Source: Police Scientific Criminal Investigation.

Victims

In the period between 2015 and 2017, around 40 female victims of trafficking in persons were identified by state authorities. Most were identified as victims of trafficking for the purpose of sexual exploitation. All the victims of trafficking in persons identified in the period between 2015 and 2017 originated from Asia.

Source: Police Scientific Criminal Investigation.