

unseen



**modern slavery
& exploitation
helpline**

What is Modern Slavery?

- The illegal trade of human beings for exploitation, labour exploitation or sexual exploitation.
 - Not paid properly
 - No/little control over circumstances
 - Do not feel free to leave
 - Under a means of control...

Methods of control

- Debt bondage
- Physical violence or threat of violence
- Sexual violence
- Emotional manipulation
- Threats to family and loved ones
- Isolation
- Confiscation of passport/ID documents
- Restricted freedom of movement



Types of Exploitation

- Labour Exploitation
- Domestic Servitude
- Sexual Exploitation
- Criminal Exploitation



Dispelling Myths

- They did not take opportunities to escape therefore they are not being coerced?
- They reject offers of help?
- They say they have a better life now than they had previously?

Victims face significant barriers to disclosing.

UK-wide Modern Slavery & Exploitation Helpline



- UK-wide - we also take international calls
- **Confidential and independent**
- 24/7, 365 days a year
- Fully **trained specialist** staff
- Translation services
- Calls from potential victims, **businesses**, the **public** and statutory agencies

Over **22,000** calls and contacts in four years of operations indicating more than **20,000** potential victims

2020 High level figures



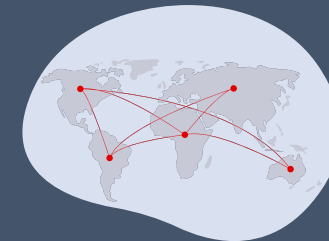
1,742 modern slavery cases



3,481 potential victims



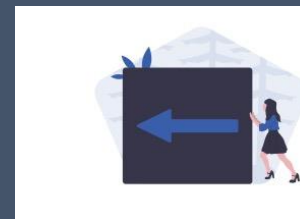
6,052 calls



80 different nationalities



1,924 webforms

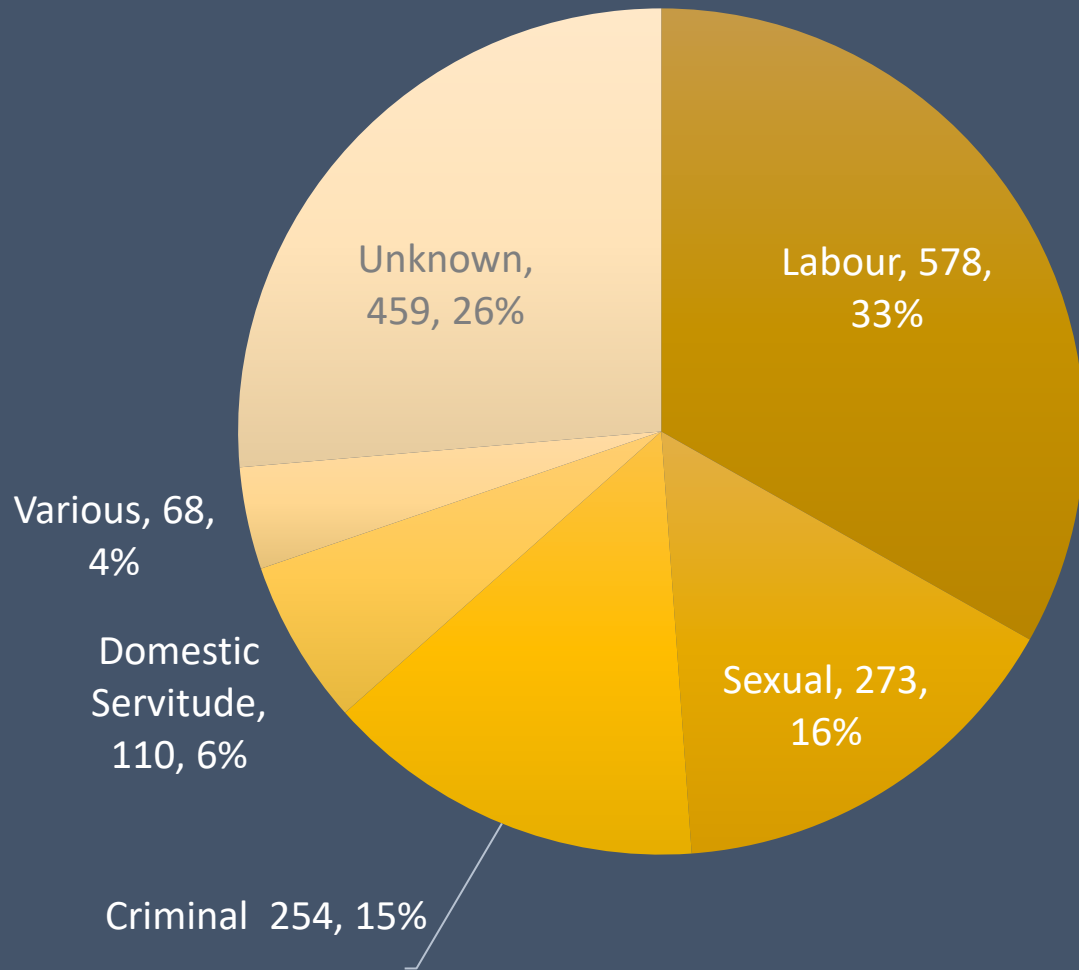


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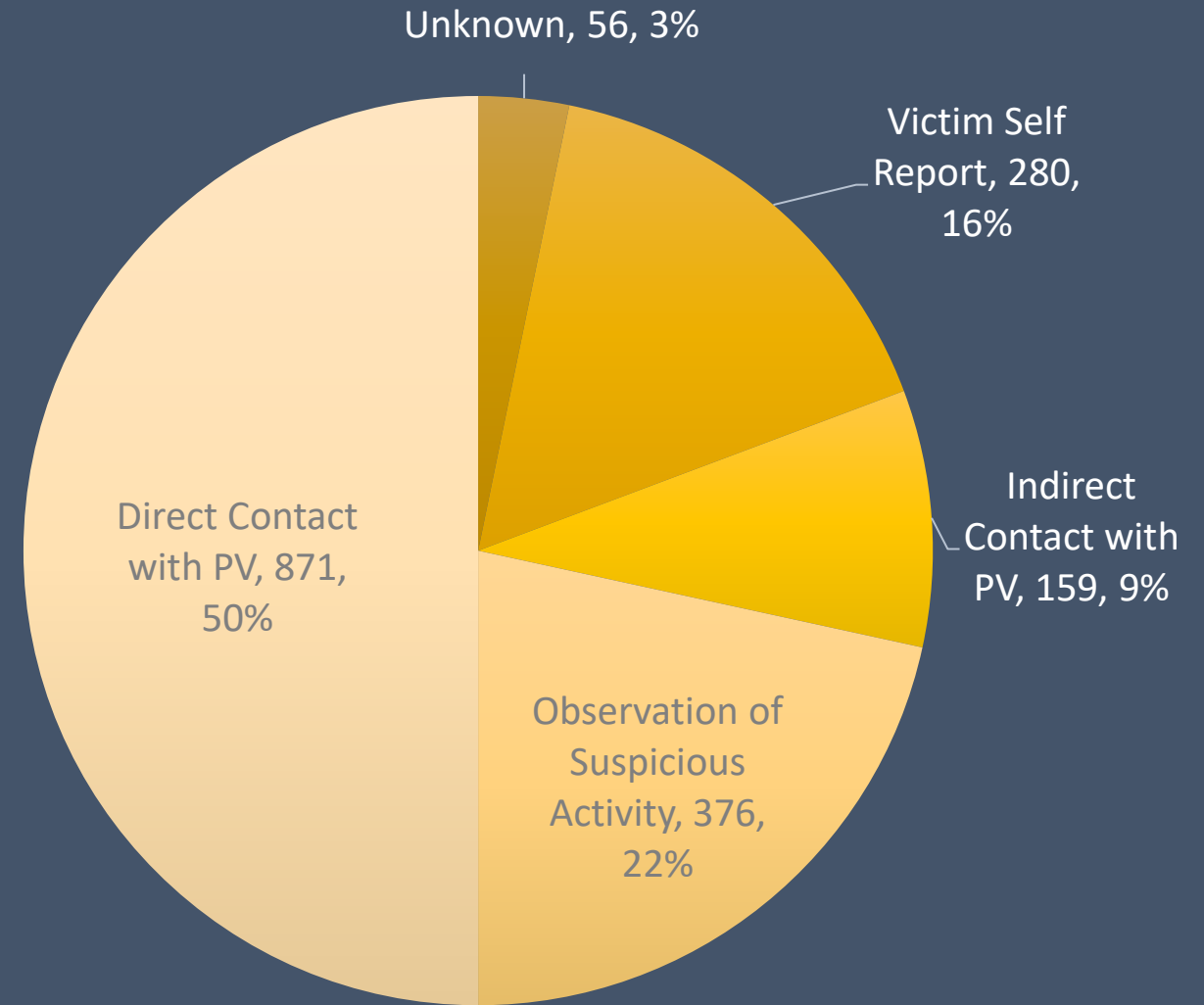
Key 2020 Highlights and Impact of Covid

- Fewer labour exploitation cases
- Increase in sexual exploitation, criminal exploitation, and domestic servitude cases
- Increase in potential victims calling themselves
- More technical advice cases
- Increase in minors indicated
- Online platforms continue to be utilised to recruit and exploit individuals

Types of Exploitation – MS cases 2020



Caller Proximity by MS case



Sexual Exploitation



25% ↑

273 sexual exploitation cases



Most common locations:

1. Private house (96 cases)
2. Online (47 cases)



14% ↑

481 potential victims:

91% female (440)

117 minors- most prevalent form of exploitation for minor PVs

Labour Exploitation



35% ↓

578 labour exploitation cases



Top 5 sectors

1. Services (car washes, nail bars)
2. Construction
3. Hospitality
4. Agriculture
5. Manufacturing



Top Contacts

1. Community Member, **72%**
2. Potential Victim, **12%**
- 3. LA / Regional Gov't, 11%**
4. Police, **10%**

Domestic Servitude

| # | Top Ten PV nationalities | Top ten PE nationalities |
|-----|--------------------------|--------------------------|
| 1 | Philippines | England |
| 2 | Nigeria | Nigeria |
| 3 | Sri Lanka | India |
| 4 | Romania | Saudi Arabia |
| 5 | India | Romania |
| 6 | Bangladesh | Pakistan |
| 7 | Pakistan | Greece |
| 8 | Greece | Afghanistan |
| 9* | Zimbabwe | Slovakia |
| 10* | Uganda | Oman |



6% ↑

110 domestic servitude cases



3% ↓

139 potential victims:
71% female



Top Contacts

1. Community Member, 41%
2. Potential Victim, 15%
3. LA / Regional Gov't, 10%

Criminal Exploitation



42% ↑

265 criminal exploitation cases



Top involved crimes

1. **Drugs, 152**

2. Begging, 36

3. Benefit Fraud, 9

4. Shoplifting, 5



10% ↑

329 potential victims:

20% minors

Potential exploiters:

Highest % male PEs



Drugs

Over 3x as many females

41 minors



Top Contacts

1. Community Member, 21%

2. **LA / Regional Gov't**

3. Police

4. Legal Professionals

} 46%

Encountering Modern Slavery as a **Local Authority**

- Child Safeguarding - Commercial Child Sexual Exploitation
- Adult Safeguarding
- Trading Standards
- Housing, Homeless services
- Job Centres, Job placement support, Recruitment
- Environment regulations
- Health and Safety
- Neighbour Complaints
- Benefits (Fraud)
- Overcrowding, Council Tax