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Modern Slavery: A shared problem



modern
slavery
helpline

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Unseen: Who we are

Working towards a world without slavery

- **Supporting survivors and potential victims of slavery;** men, women and children
- **Informing stakeholders;** by providing training and awareness-raising, including with businesses and through secondary schools
- **Influencing systemic changes;** by working with the UK and international Governments

Unseen: What We Do

- Women's Safe House
- Men's Safe House
- UK Modern Slavery Helpline
- Anti-Slavery Partnerships
- Training

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...

Global and National Stats

How many victims estimated globally:

- **Over 40 million**

How much money is human trafficking estimated to garner globally?

- **150 Billion US dollars**

How many victims are estimated to be present in the UK?

- **By government in 2014: 10,000 – 13,000**

Where is it happening? What cities?

- **Cities and rural communities across the UK**

What we see in the UK

Criminal exploitation for begging

Domestic servitude in private households

Forced labour in nail bars

Forced labour in restaurants/take-aways

Forced labour in car washes



Forced labour in fishing

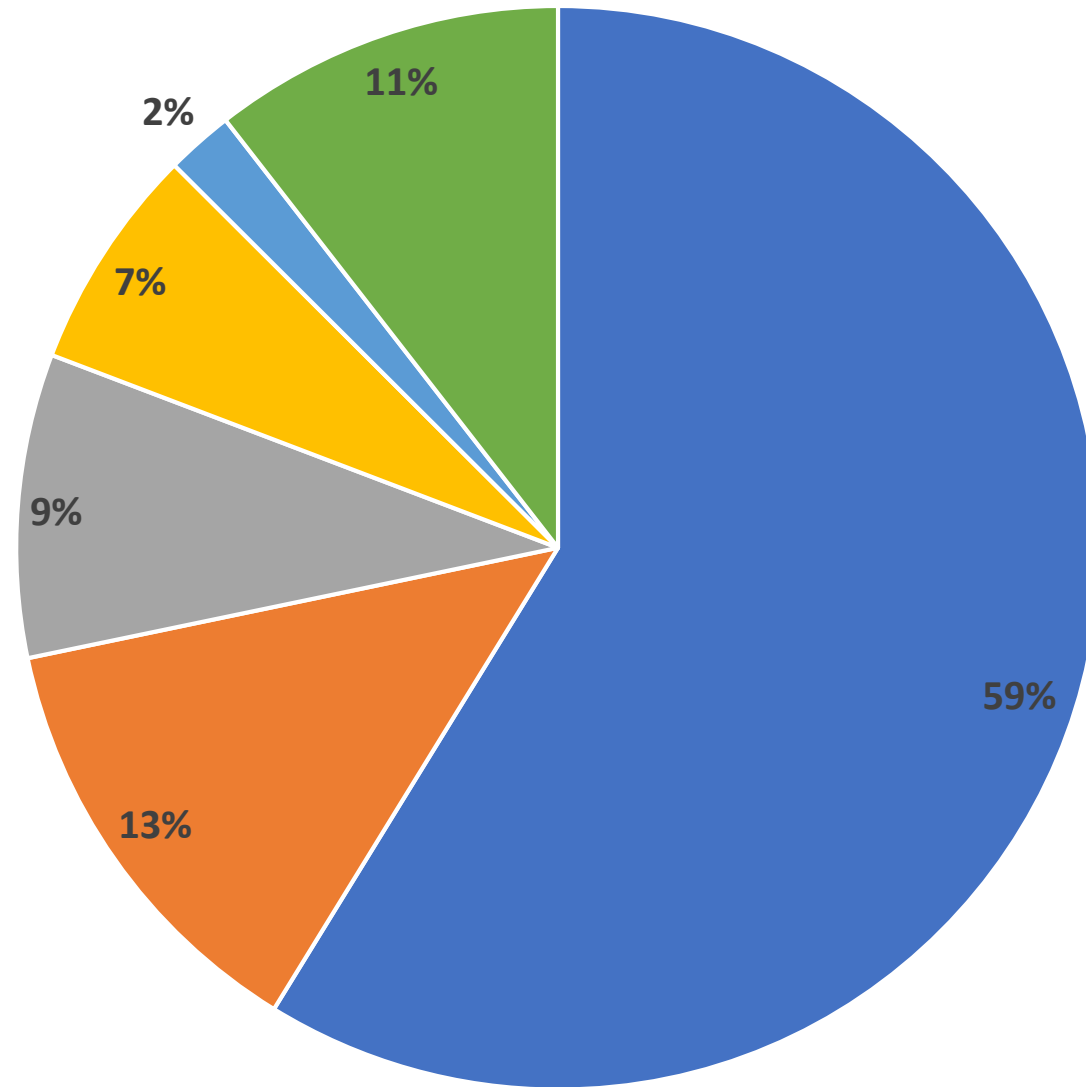
Forced labour in manufacturing

Forced labour in construction

Sexual exploitation

Criminal exploitation for drugs

Types of Exploitation



From 2018
Helpline
Annual
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■ Forced labour ■ Sexual exploitation ■ Domestic servitude ■ Criminal exploitation ■ Various ■ Unknown

Typical Venues – Forced Labour



Agriculture



Factories



Construction



Cleaning



Logistics

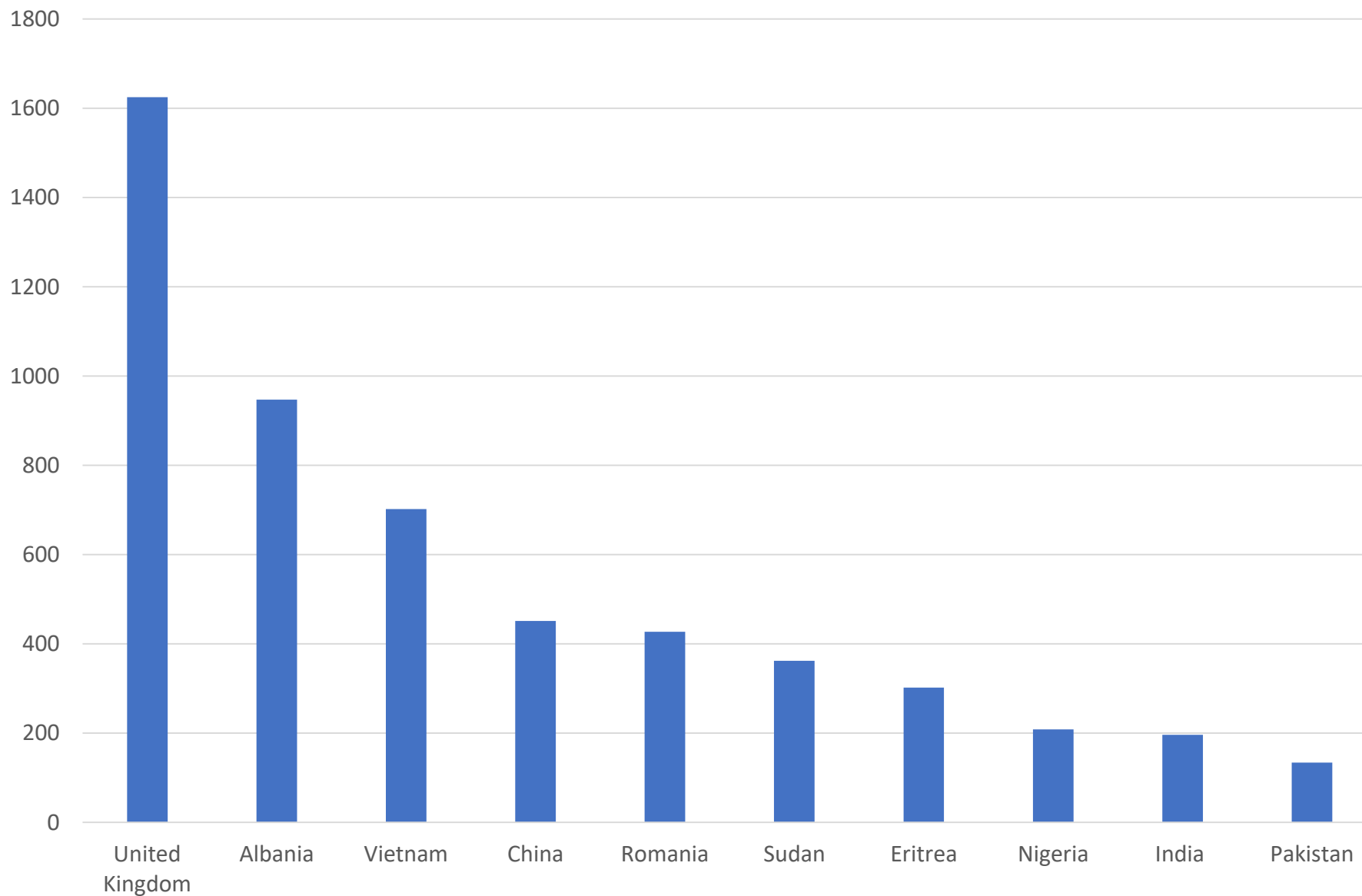


Hospitality



Care sector

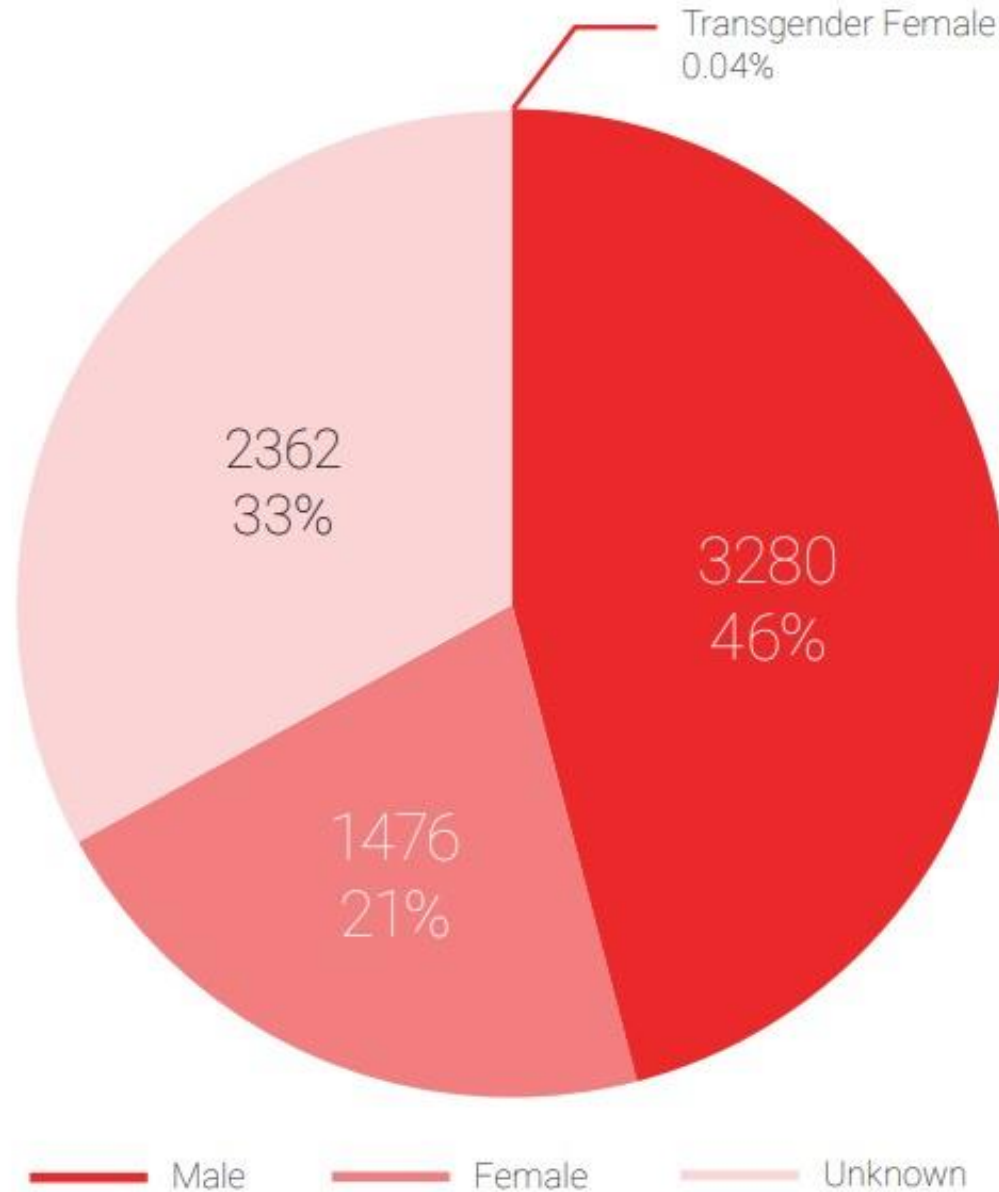
Victim Nationalities



- **94** nationalities indicated to Helpline in 2018

From 2018
NRM annual
report
published by
NCA

2018 Overview: of the 7.118 Potential Victims indicated



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So What?

- Issue that is *local, national, international*
- Priority for PCC police and crime plan.
- Modern Slavery does not sit in isolation.
 - Overlapping vulnerabilities: homelessness, FGM, forced marriage, HMOs, begging, children in care/abused
 - Cuts across many other crimes and anti-social behaviour:
 - **shoplifting, pickpocketing; cannabis cultivation; drug trafficking; illegal working; benefit fraud; begging; extortion; domestic violence; CSE; county lines**

Challenges

- Funding is scarce
- Knowledge for all officers across force- e.g. of the NRM. **Unseen App**
- Multi-regional
- Complex crimes, difficult to prosecute and linked with other crime types
- Stopping with low-hanging fruit
- Lack of trust (in police)
- Misuse of statutory defence
- **Symptomatic** Responses to Complex Trauma
- Reaching insular communities; language barriers

Challenges: A Victim's Perspective



Vulnerability comes in many guises
Significant barriers to seeking help
Afraid of authorities
Physically and psychologically abused
Fear of retaliation for them and family
Unable to speak English
No understanding of worker rights
Impact of complex trauma



DISPELLING MYTHS: Someone is not a victim if....

- 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?

Opportunities

- Anti-Slavery Partnerships
- STROs, STPOs
- Asset seizure
- Collaboration with NGOs:
 - We **won't** arrest or prosecute our way out of this
 - victim advocate
- Helpline
- Targeted campaigns for potential victims and communities
- **Training** (as to signs and NRM) – impact on victim
- Prevention with young people

UK-wide Modern Slavery Helpline



08000 121 700



- 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, including the **police** for information, advice, and support
- Referrals to the **police**, NGOs, and local authorities
- Central point of contact for all NCA campaigns and many **police and other partner campaigns**
- Publish aggregate **data**



How can the Helpline help?

- Help identify indicators of modern slavery
- Speak with the Potential Victim and offer support to them as external NGO
- Offer support and reminders to professionals as to duties, next steps, service options
- Submission of Actionable Information – eyes and ears
- Victim Advocate on Live Operations
- Raise Awareness
- Offer unique Data to Field
- Helpline is **24/7**, Confidential, **Translators Available**

Reaching insular communities

Romanian

Hindi

Welsh

Vietnamese

Albanian

Chinese

Polish

Punjabi

Slovakian

Hausa

Lithuanian

Yoruba

Latvian

Arabic

Bengali

Bulgarian

Urdu

ARE YOU **SCARED**, IN DEBT TO YOUR EMPLOYER, **BEING THREATENED** OR **CONTROLLED**. **DON'T HAVE ACCESS TO YOUR MONEY OR IDENTITY DOCUMENTS?**

In the UK, all workers have rights.
If you think you are being abused or exploited
call us for help and support.

BẠN CÓ SỢ, MẮC NỢ CHỦ THUÊ CỦA MÌNH, BỊ ĐE DỌA HOẶC BỊ KIỂM SOÁT, KHÔNG ĐƯỢC SỬ DỤNG TIỀN HOẶC GIẤY TỜ TÙY THÂN CỦA MÌNH KHÔNG?

Ở Vương quốc Anh, mọi người lao động đều có quyền.
Nếu bạn nghĩ rằng bạn đang bị lạm dụng hoặc bị bóc lột hãy gọi cho chúng tôi để được giúp đỡ và hỗ trợ.



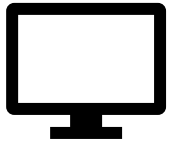
CUI POȚI SĂ-I SPUI?

DACĂ AI NEVOIE DE AJUTOR SAU CREZI CĂ CINEVA POATE FI VICTIMA SCLAVIEI SAU A EXPLOATĂRII, APELEAZĂ LINIA DE ASISTENȚĂ CONFIDENȚIALĂ „SCLAVIE MODERNĂ” DIN REGATUL UNIT 24 DE ORE PE ZI, 365 DE ZILE PE AN.

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 **LUPTĂM PENTRU O LUME FĂRĂ SCLAVIE**

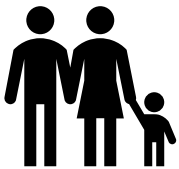
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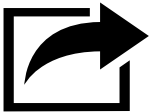
Over **15,000** calls/webforms/app submissions



Over **4,700** cases of modern slavery recorded



Over **16,000** potential victims indicated



Over **5,700** referrals to police and safeguarding
(covering **all** police forces in the UK)



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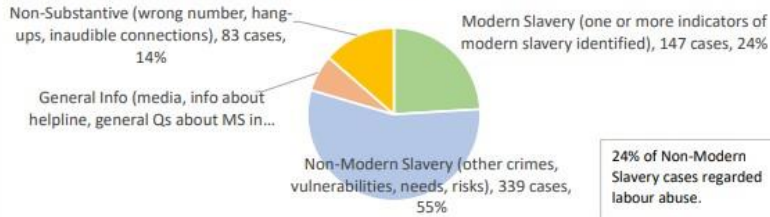
555 Calls into the helpline - 08000 121 700

178 Online Reports - www.modernslaveryhelpline.org

8 App Submissions - Unseen App

611 Cases | **147** Cases of Modern Slavery

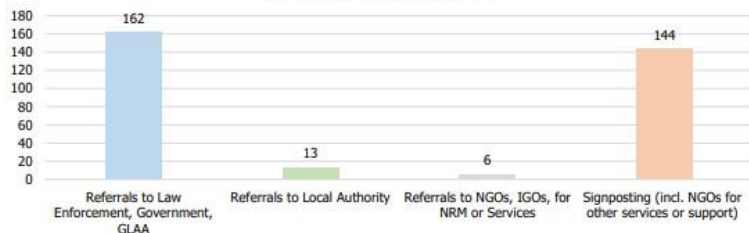
Type of Case



294 Potential Victims of Modern Slavery Indicated

325 Referrals and Signposts

Referrals and Signposts



Disclaimer: This report represents a summary of the calls received into the UK-wide Modern Slavery Helpline and Resource Centre between 1st September and 30th September 2019. It is not intended to provide a comprehensive assessment of modern slavery in the UK. The number of potential modern slavery cases and victims indicated are based on the information provided to the helpline at the time of the contact. The Helpline does not corroborate or seek to prove the information provided.

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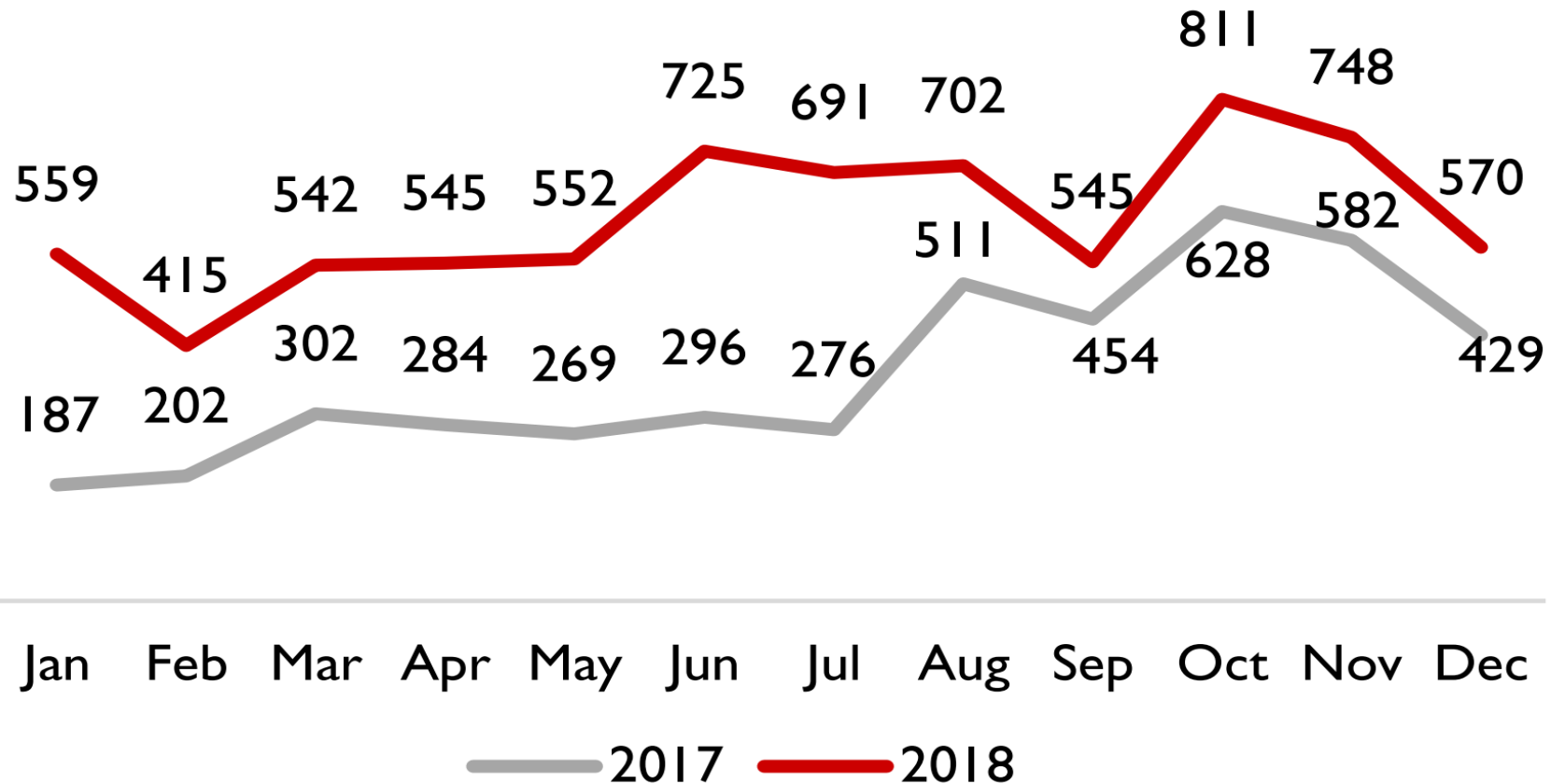
<https://www.modernslaveryhelpline.org/information/stats>

- The Helpline publishes monthly, quarterly and thematic reports
- We have published two annual assessments to date: 2017 and 2018, both available to download as PDFs from our website
- We produce bespoke reports to partners we are collaborating with: including police, local authorities, NHS, IASC
- Bespoke monthly reports break down reports by police force region and victim demographics such as age and gender

Correlation with Awareness Media Campaigns



Contacts: 2017 and 2018





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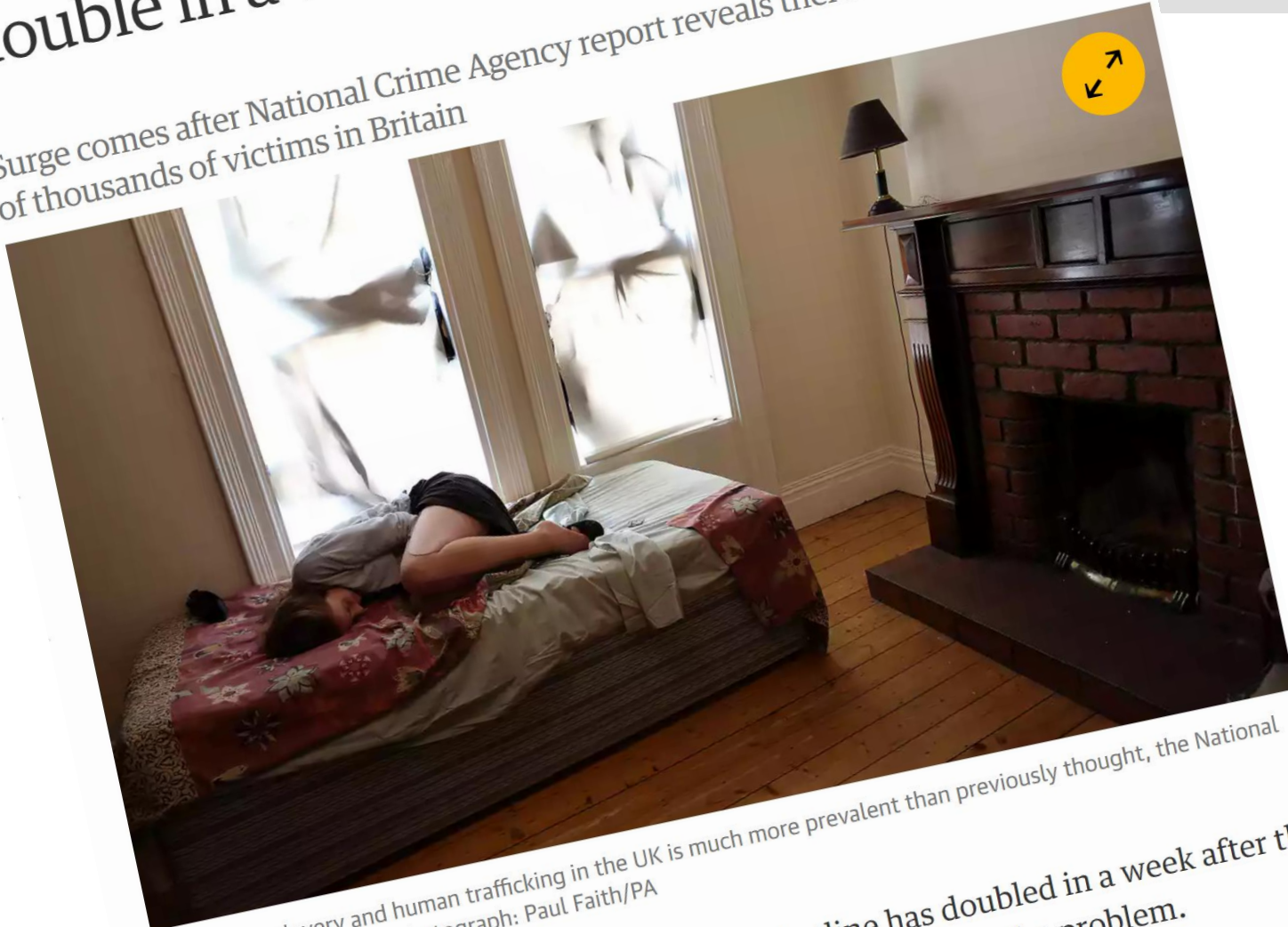
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Calls to UK's modern slavery hotline double in a week

Surge comes after National Crime Agency report reveals there are potentially tens of thousands of victims in Britain



Slavery and human trafficking in the UK is much more prevalent than previously thought, the National Crime Agency has said. The number of calls to the modern slavery hotline has doubled in a week after the report was published. Photograph: Paul Faith/PA

When Awareness
Increases, ↑
Calls and Reports
Increase ↑ too

The alarming rise in reports of modern slavery in Birmingham



West Midlands Anti Slavery Network
@WestMidsASN

There were 210 instances of the c
to police in our city in 2017/18 - u
2016/17 and 29 in 2015/16

From the @WestMidsASN perspective its not an alarming rise so much as partnership working, awareness raising and promoting the @MSHelpline is starting to show signs of better reporting and confidence in the structures.

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@MSHelpline

At @MSHelpline we have seen correlation: as campaigns run increasing awareness- reports increase. Perhaps the more we look for it, the more we see it! Great focus @WestMidsASN. Crucial that communities know how to #report. Yes, #Collaboration key for effective process!
@WMPolice



Thank you