## **World of 21st century slavery**

Two centuries after the abolition of the slave trade, an estimated 27 million men, women and children around the world - more than at any time in history - continue to lead lives as slaves. They are forced to work for little or no pay, are sold like objects, and and controlled by violence

Chattel slavery: Like 18th century slavery, people are captured and sold into permanent servitude. Children of slaves are also treated as property. Affects 80-90,000 people

Sex trade: Estimates of up to 10 million child sex slaves worldwide. Trade generates about \$34 billion annually

France: 10.000-12.000 sex and domestic slaves. UK: 4,000 sex slaves

Sudan:

Back African

Arab owners

slaves sold

for \$90 by

Bonded labour:

Affects some 20 million people who work to pay off debts. Loans - as little as \$35 - can be passed down for generations. Valued at \$19 billion

annually

People trafficking: 800.000 victims/year. 400,000 to EU, 17,500 to U.S. \$32 billion annually Mauritania: World's largest population of chattel slaves. Africans sold by Arab-Berbers for as little as \$15

**Brazil:** Agricultural

workers typically

"bought" for

\$100

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Eastern Europe: Romania, Bulgaria, Moldova, Ukraine. At least 15,000 women trafficked each year. Victims sold for around \$500 each

Majority of world's slaves are in India, Pakistan, Bangladesh, Nepal India: Bonded labourers include

South Asia:

child slaves Bangladesh: Estimated

estimated 15 million

496,000 child slaves

Sources: Free The Slaves, Human Rights Watch, Amnesty International, International Labour Org.