

# College Students' Knowledge about Human Trafficking

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# **SAMPLE**

- Surveyed college students age 18+
- Did not specify which college they must be attending
- 35 students completed the survey
- Participants were recruited through Facebook

# RESEARCH QUESTION & HYPOTHESIS

- Research Question: Does knowledge about human trafficking affect college students' acceptance that a survivor of human trafficking may attend their school?
- Hypothesis: Students who are more knowledgeable about human trafficking will be more accepting of the idea that survivors may attend their school.

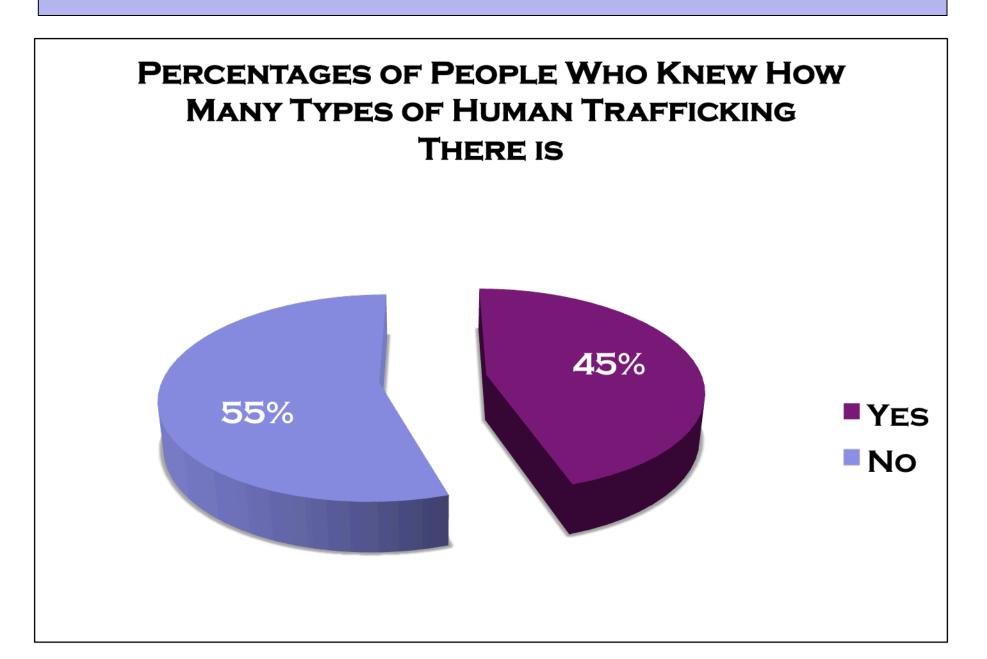
### **MEASURES**

- How many types of human trafficking is there?
  - 1=correct answer of 3 types; 0=incorrectly answered that there are 1, 2, 4, or 5 types.
- Name the Types of Human Trafficking correct answers are "Sex," "Labor," and "Debt" (0=no types correctly identified, to 3=all three types correctly identified)
- Rate how likely you think it is that a college student at your school could be involved in human trafficking (1=\*\* to 5=\*\*)

#### References

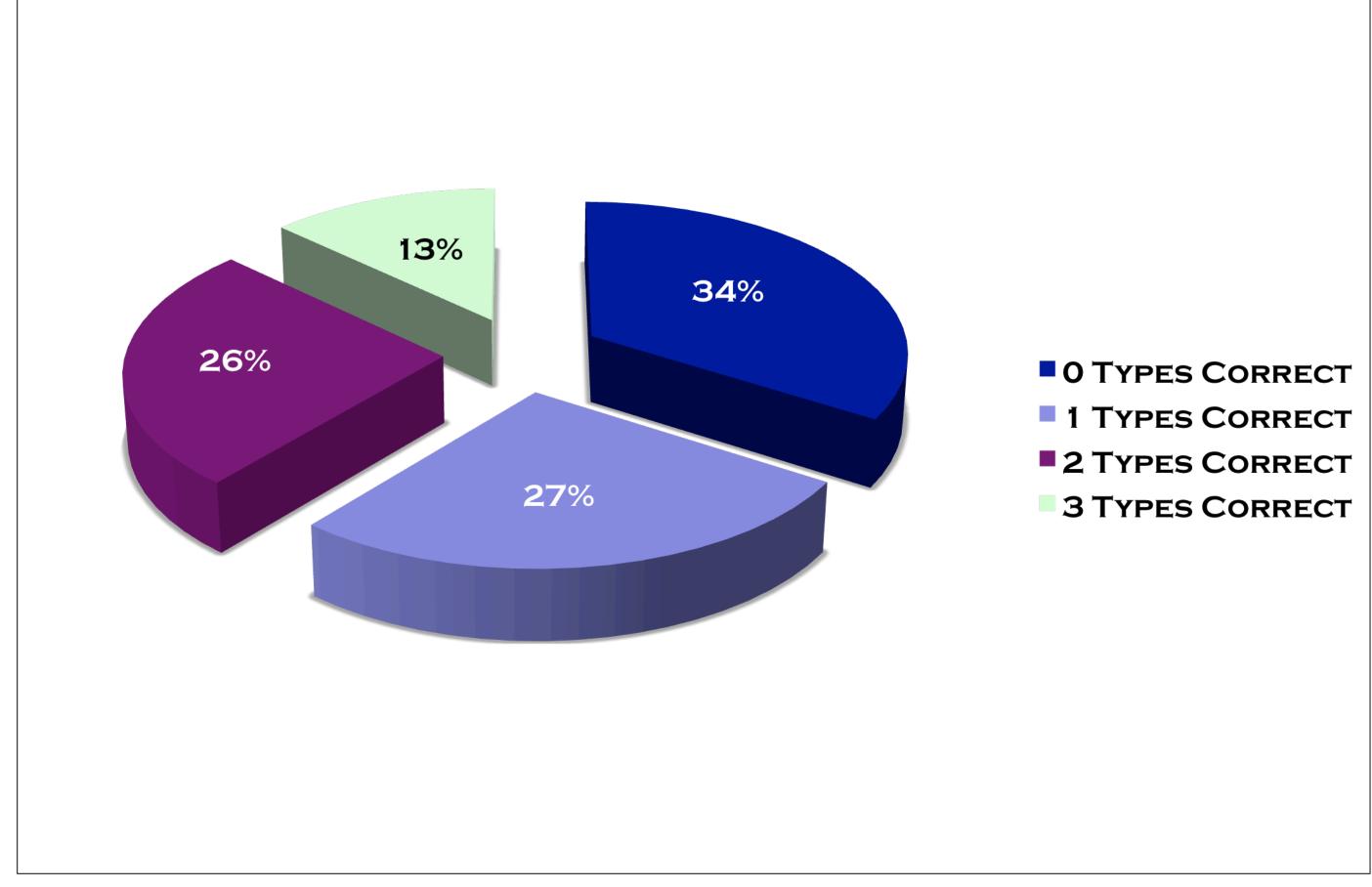
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# KNOWING HOW MANY TYPES OF HUMAN TRAFFICKING THERE IS



# **CORRECT TYPES OF HUMAN TRAFFICKING**





# **RESULTS**

- There is no significant correlation between students who are knowledgeable on human trafficking and their acceptance to survivors attending their college, *r* =- .09, *p* = .63.
- Responses were about equal between students who were knowledgeable on human trafficking and those who were not.
- Those who were able to identify the correct number of types of human trafficking were more likely to say that human trafficking survivors may be attending their school, compared to those who did not correctly answer this question, t(32) = .05, p=.96.

## DISCUSSION

- Findings suggest there is no correlation between having knowledge on human trafficking and being more accepting that people involved in human trafficking may be attending their college.
- Because
- If future research is conducted be sure to include questions on age, and gender.
  - This information can allow correlations to be done between demographics and knowledge
- This study did a good job of identifying the education level of college students in terms of human trafficking. It did not ask for demographics which limited the correlations of data. It also was not provided to a large majority of people seeing as not everyone may use Facebook.