## SeXXX BUSINESS STATISTICS

• The sex industry is a 57+ billion world wide business annually.

• There are more strip clubs in the United States than any other nation in the world.

• There are 3,829 adult cabarets nationwide, employing over 500,000 people.

• Statistics compiled by ACE show that a single gentlemen's club in a major metropolitan area averages between \$10-20 million per year in gross revenues. A small club in a rural area (Less than 5000 square feet) can generate over a million dollars, while cities in secondary markets such as Cleveland or Pittsburgh have clubs that gross approximately \$2 million per year.

• The number of major strip clubs nearly doubled between 1987 and 1992, and by 1997 there were around 3000 clubs nationally. The industry is estimated to be a 15 billion dollar business, with the annual revenues of strip clubs ranging from \$500,000 to over 5 million (Hanna, 2005; Schlosser, 1997).

• It is difficult to find statistics about sex workers and sexual violence; due to the once widely-held perception that sex workers could not be victims of rape, scientists only began to study the prevalence of sexual violence against sex workers very recently. Here are a few of the things we do know:

• One study of violence against women engaged in street prostitution found that 82% reported being physically assaulted in prostitution, and 68% reported having been raped (Farley & Kelly, 2000).

• This extreme prevalence of violence against sex workers includes both indoor and outdoor sex work –indoor sex workers were also found to be frequent victims of violence (Raphael & Shapiro, 2004).

• A study of exotic dancers found that 100% had been physically assaulted in the clubs where they were employed, with a prevalence ranging from 3-15 times over the course of their involvement in exotic dancing. Violence included physical assault, attempted vaginal penetration, attempted rape, and rape (Holsopple, 1999).

• In another study, 51.2% of women working as exotic dancers were threatened with a weapon (Raphael & Shapiro, 2004).

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• More women are employed by the sex industry than any other time in history.

• The shame and secrecy surrounding sexual abuse make it difficult to get accurate data regarding incidents what kind of these incidents among women in the sex industry. The studies that have been done reveal that...

• Between 66-90% of women in the sex industry were sexually abused as children.

• Compared to the general population, women in the sex industry experience higher rates of:

Substance Abuse Issues, Rape and Violent Assault, Sexually Transmitted Diseases, Domestic Violence, Depression & Post Traumatic Stress Disorder

• The women in this industry face a myriad of issues that impact their physical, emotional, and spiritual well-being. They are a largely unreached population and many feel desperately isolated and alone. Even those who would contemplate going to church wonder if there truly is a place for them there. Will they find the restoration they are seeking in the house of God?

- 65% of all men sitting in church pews are addicted to pornography
- 35% of all pastors are addicted to pornography

Pornography Industry Statistics

Size of the Industr	ry \$57.0 billion world-wide - \$12.0 billion US
Adult Videos	\$20.0 billion
Escort Services	\$11.0 billion
Magazines	\$7.5 billion
Sex Clubs	\$5.0 billion
Phone Sex	\$4.5 billion
Cable & Pay Per View \$2.5 billion	
Internet	\$2.5 billion
CD-ROM	\$1.5 billion
Novelties	\$1.0 billion
Other	\$1.5 billion
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Porn revenue is larger than all combined revenues of all professional football, baseball, and basketball franchises.

US porn revenue exceeds the combined revenues of ABC, CBS, & NBC (6.2 billion).

Child pornography generates \$3 billion annually.

- There are 10 million Children in the Sex Industry right now.
- Every minute 2 children are forced into the sex industry.
- This includes forced child prostitution, pornography & sex trade tourism.

• Human Trafficking not only occurs in other countries, but also from other countries to the United States & Canada.

- Atlanta, GA is considered the 'hot spot' for child exploitation in the US.
  - Underground movement from Asia & Nepal
  - Sold by parents, tricked or abducted
- Sex with children is the #1 choice "hottest" form of sex in the world.
  - The average cost to de-virginize 8 & 9 year girl or boy is \$30K.
    - Doctors, lawyers & business men are primary customers.
  - Children are then put into brothels & made to 'pay back' buyers.
  - They are beaten, drugged & raped into submission and often chained to beds.

• They perform 30-40 tricks a day.

• At age 13, when little girls have babies, the infant is placed under the bed where mother 'works'.

• Their average life expectancy is 16-18 years due to HIV & AIDS.

• These children can't return to their country or village because they are considered outcasts/'whores'.

Internet Porn Statistics

Pornographic Website's 4.2 million (12% of total website's) Pornographic Pages 372 million Daily Pornographic Search Engine Requests 68 million (25% of total search engine requests) Daily Pornographics Emails 2.5 billion (8% of total emails) Avg. Daily Pornographic Emails/User 4.5 per internet user Monthly Pornographic downloads (Peer-to-peer) 1.5 billion (35% of all downloads) Daily Gnutella "child pornography" requests 116 thousand Website's offering illegal child pornography 100 thousand Sexual solicitations of youth made in chat rooms 89% Youths who received sexual solicitation 20% Worldwide visitors to pornographic web sites 72 million annually

Children's Exposure to Pornography

Average age of first Internet exposure to pornography 11 years old Largest Consumer of Internet Pornography 12-17 age group 15-17 year olds having multiple hardcore exposures 80% 8-16 year olds having viewed porn online 90% (most while doing homework)

7-17 year olds who would freely give out home address 29%

7-17 year olds who would freely give out email addresses 14%

Children's characters linked to thousands of porn links

26 (including Pokeman and Action Man)

Adult Internet Porn Statistics

Men admitting to accessing porn at work 20% US adults who regularly visit internet porn sites 40 million Promise Keepers men who viewed porn in the last week 53% Christians who say porn is a major problem in the home 47% Adults admitting to internet sexual addiction 10% Breakdown of male/female visitors to porn sites 72% male - 28% female

Women & Pornography

13% of Women admit to accessing porn at work.

70% of women keep their cyber activities secret.

17% of all women struggle with pornography addiction.

Women, far more than men, are likely to act out their behaviors in real life, such as having multiple partners, casual sex, or affairs.

Women favor chat rooms 2X's more than men.

1 out of 3 visitors to adult website's are women.

9.4 million women access adult website's each month.

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