



# Amsterdam's 'Nyíregyháza street'

Results of a research carried out by a Dutch social worker among Hungarian prostitutes

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# Reason for research

- Increase of Hungarian prostitutes in Amsterdam (Comensha 2009)
- Victims of trafficking
- Poor condition of window prostitutes
- Submissive, low standards

# Goal of the research

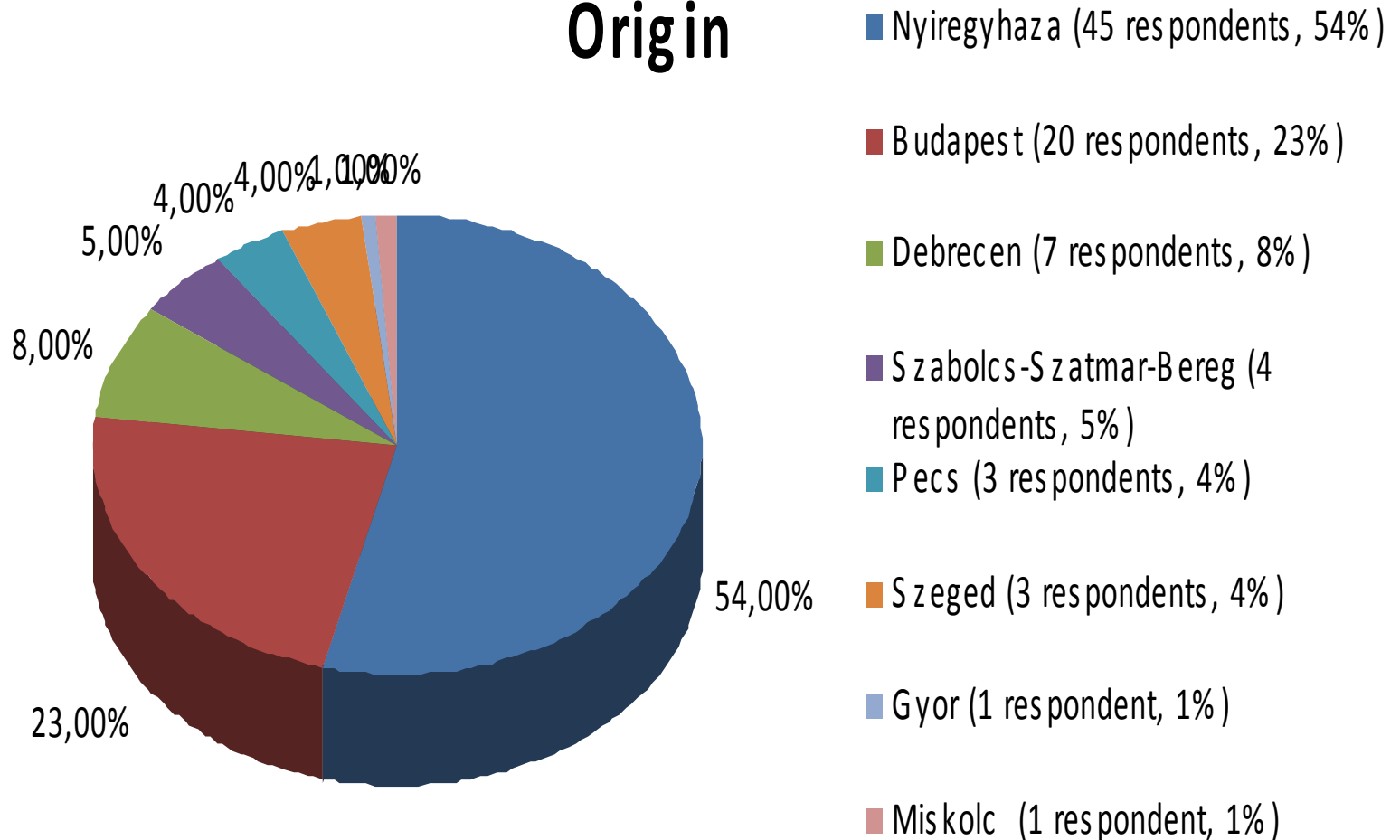
- Awareness among Hungarian women that they are going to be in prostitution in the Netherlands
- Circumstances of the Hungarian women in prostitution in Amsterdam.
- Expectations compared to the reality in the Netherlands.
- Possibilities of the Hungarian women to get out of prostitution.

# Scheme of the research

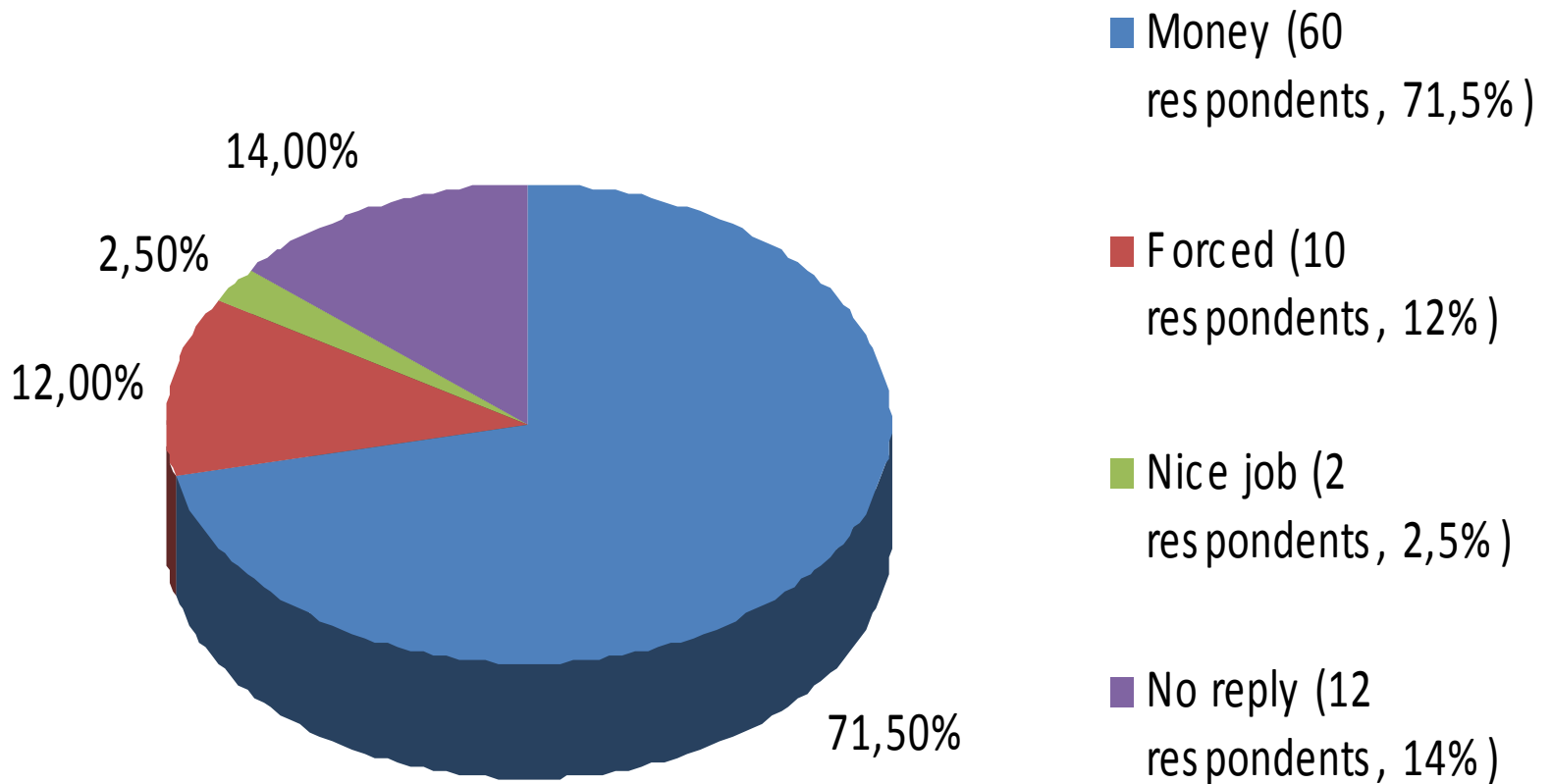
- Survey with 84 Hungarian prostitutes in Amsterdam by means of questionnaire during a period of 11 days over 8 weeks.
- Working visit to Hungary, interviews with key persons and visiting the prostitution scene.

# Research results

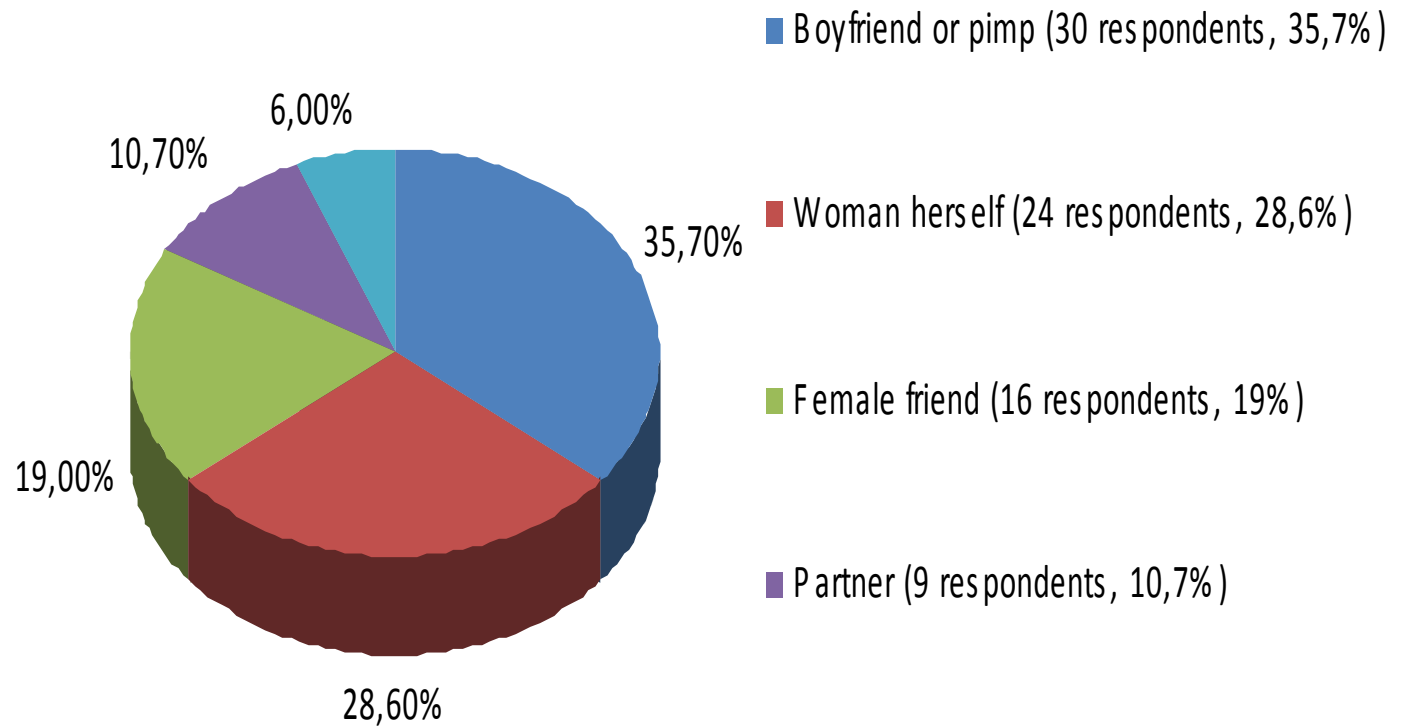
## Origin



# Motives to come to Holland

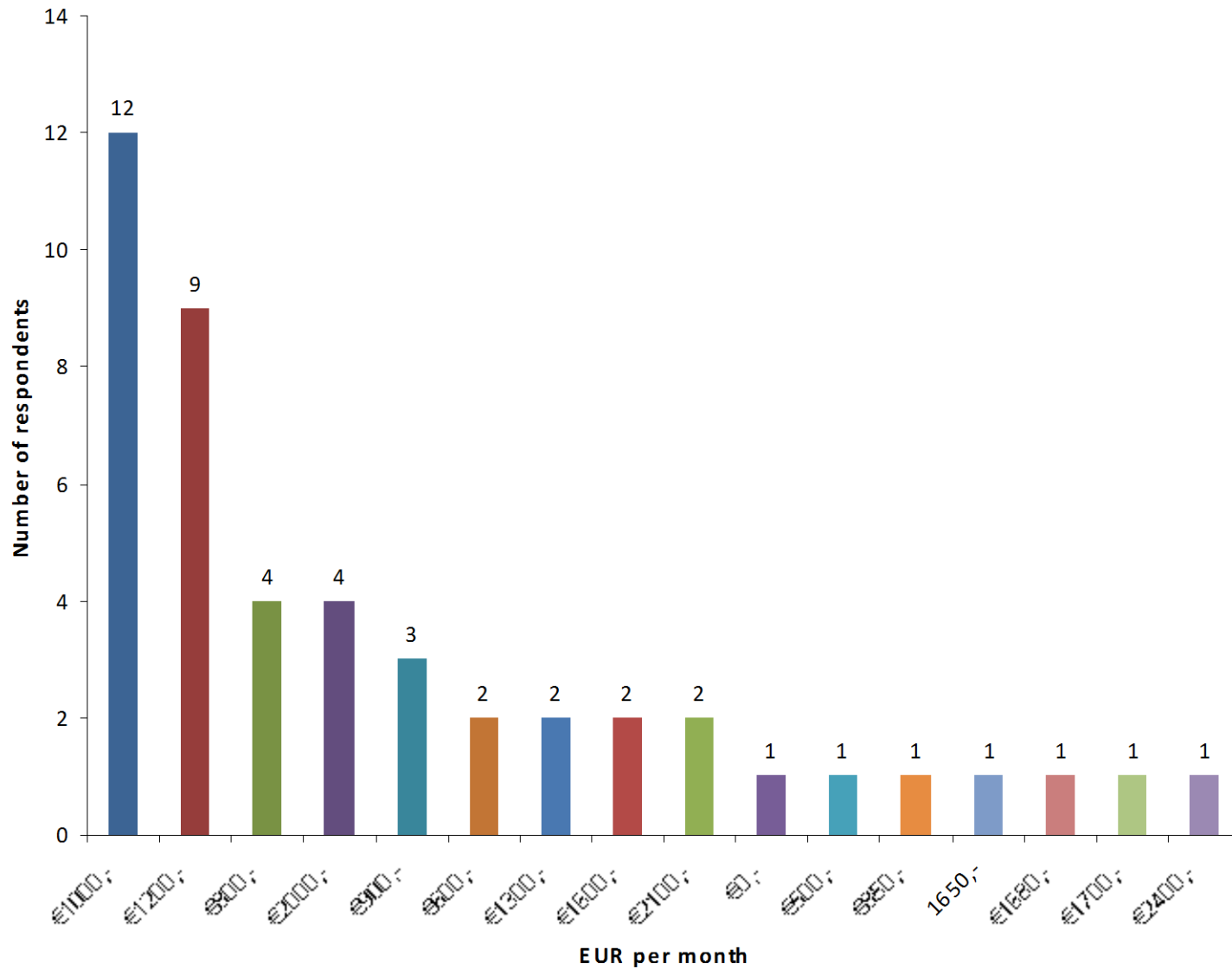


# Who organized the travel documents

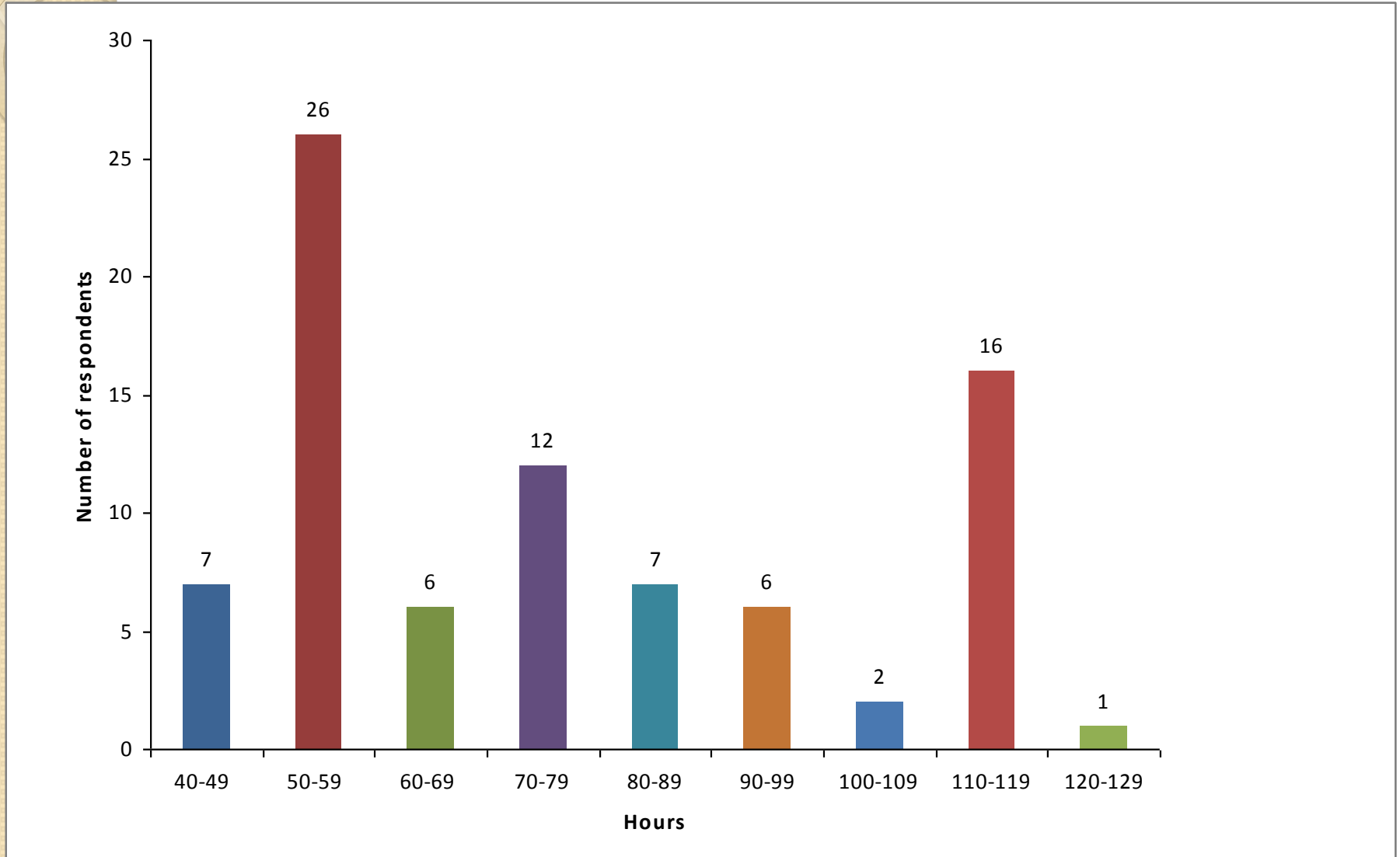




# Living costs per month (EUR)



# Hours in prostitution per week

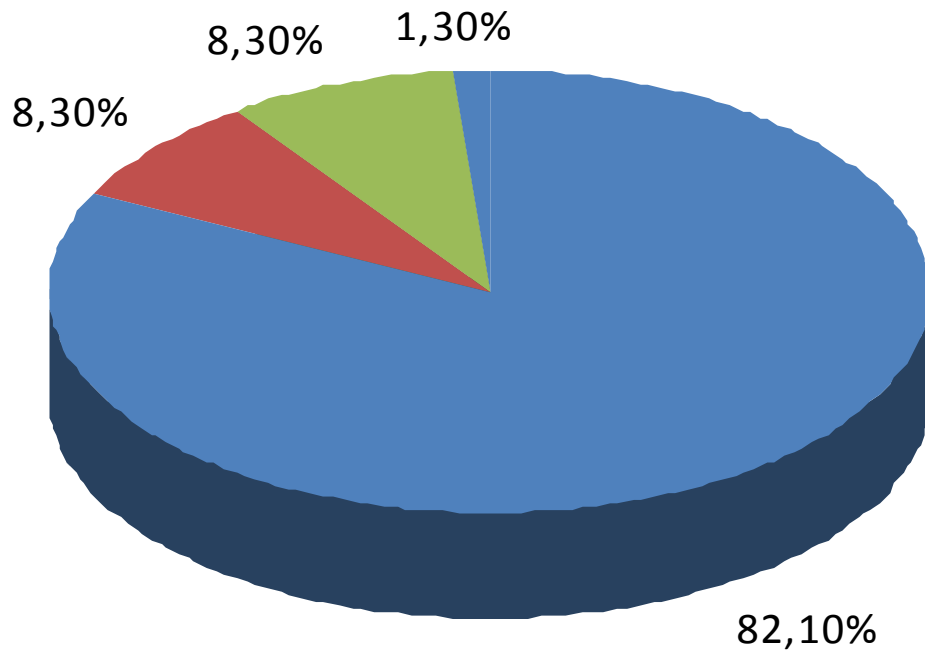


## Arrest 9 pimps

- One pimp 'earned' 94.361 euros in approximateley 7 months by exploiting 4 women, average 13.480 euros per month
- Other pimp 'earned' 219.7707 euros in 14 months by exploiting 3 women

# Expectations compared to reality

**Did the expectations you had when you left Hungary match the reality of your life in the Netherlands?**



- No, but I knew I was going to be in prostitution (69 respondents, 82,1%)
- No, and I didn't know I was going to be in prostitution (7 respondents, 8,3%)
- Yes, my expectations match the reality (7 respondents, 8,3%)
- No answer (1 respondent, 1,3%)

# Conclusions

- The majority of the Hungarian women are aware that they are going to be in prostitution in the Netherlands
- They are not informed about the actual circumstances
- The reality is completely different than their expectations
- Within one year the majority wants to return to Hungary for different work