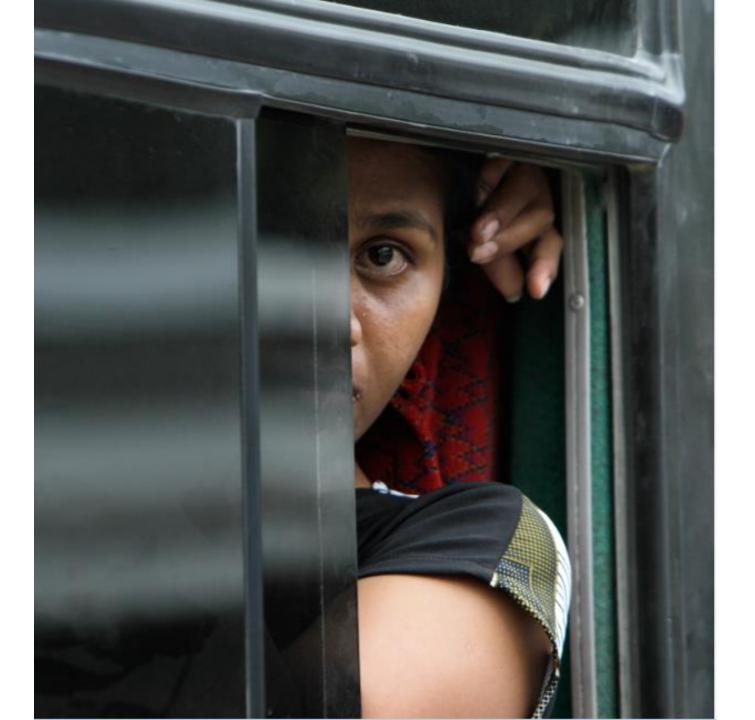


Pilot Initiatives on Sexual Harassment on Public Transport: Azerbaijan, Georgia, Pakistan

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average age to first experience public aggression **is**

12 years old

ISTANBUL WOMEN AND GIRLS ARE HARASSED REGULARLY/MONTHLY

blaming cklim

70-99% of women experience street harassment

Croatia 99% experienced, 33% of whom had been physically attacked

76% think
women
should
remain
silent

Poland 85%

Resort to private transport

19 year old student:
"Traveling in rickshaw is
quite expensive for us, but
we feel [more secure than
on buses] in it" (SRDO)

"84 percent, showed their willingness to stay at the bus stop for more than 45 minutes, if they have any chance to travel in women-only bus or wagon" (SRDO)

"From the conductor and the driver to polished men and male students, all of them try to harass women in one way or another....We are used to this. Sometimes we tolerate silently but, when driven to it, we react with a slap," Shaheen Akhtar, 30-year-old woman (The Express Tribune, March 7th, 2014)

Pakistan/Karachi



"In Karachi a majority women who commute using public transportation ... have experienced different forms of harassment, including verbal, physical and sexual harassment" (SRDO)

"Karachi is the city of working women where hundreds of thousands of ladies work in offices, schools, hospitals and factories; however, for working women of this city commuting in public transport buses is a nightmare, as they face immense harassment from male commuters travelling in female compartments of crowded minibuses". OnePakistanNews, February 2014



Azerbaijan/Baku

- 79% of female metro users experience harassment
- Almost all did not react, or only frowned – fear of escalation or violence
- 80% of harassed were 18-30 years old
- 26% experienced help from bystanders – most helpers were older women
- 82% experienced harassment on the train itself
- 35% on the platform
- Not time specific, but more physical types are experienced when the metro is crowded
- Feelings: angry, annoyed, disgusted
- 30% have decreased metro use
- Possible links with metro management?

