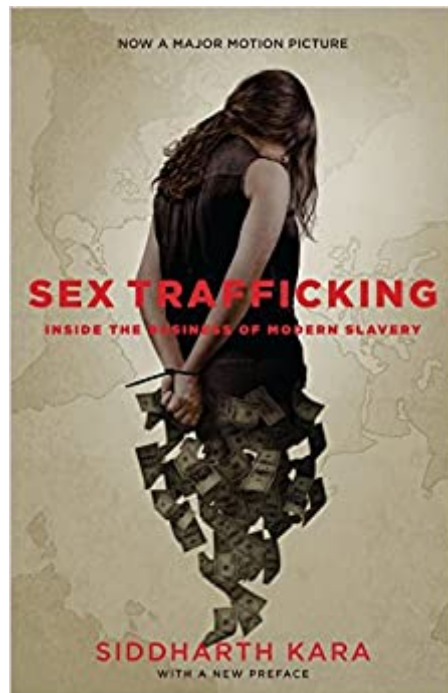


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# Sex Trafficking: Inside The Business Of Modern Slavery



## Synopsis

Since the publication of *Sex Trafficking* in 2007, Siddharth Kara has continued to travel across countries and continents, documenting the local factors and economic forces that support sexual slavery worldwide. His riveting encounters with victims and traffickers informed his screenplay for *Trafficked* (2016), now a major motion picture. The film features familiar figures from *Sex Trafficking* and the shocking conditions of their exploitation. It also includes cases Kara has uncovered since his book debuted. This new paperback edition of *Sex Trafficking* includes a preface by Kara in which he discusses his findings and updates the statistics relating to his business and economic analysis of contemporary slavery. After fifteen years, Kara has recorded nearly 900 cases of sex trafficking in forty-one countries and has helped advise on numerous legal, tactical, and policy efforts for abolishing modern-day slavery across the globe. *Sex Trafficking* continues to lead as a resource for those hoping to expose this hidden evil and eradicate its practice once and for all.

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## Customer Reviews

Kara, a former investment banker and executive, uses theoretical economics and business analysis to propose measures that could eradicate sex trafficking by undermining the profitability of the illegal activities associated with the crime. At considerable personal risk and expense—[he is nearly attacked by a gang of pimps in Mumbai](#)—[the author penetrates seedy underworlds and forced labor markets to meet the women and children in the dungeon of human disgrace in Asia, Europe and the U.S.](#) He highlights ubiquitous and disturbing trends—[the heavy involvement of law enforcement agencies and personnel in trafficking and slavery](#)—[but this book's](#)

intentions suffers from Kara's self-professed rudimentary economic analysis, which often borders on the offensive (a theoretical calculation of the lifetime value of a sex slave) and an unscientific, ad hoc research model. While the evidence indicates the urgent need for action— a woman or child is trafficked for sexual exploitation every 60 seconds— Kara's economic approach fails to shed new light on the human cost of sex slavery and seems at the best of times beside the point, although the detailed statistical information he compiles— on everything from the costs of running a brothel in Queens, N.Y., to massage parlor and bonded labor economics worldwide— is a resource for researchers in the field. (Jan.) Copyright © Reed Business Information, a division of Reed Elsevier Inc. All rights reserved. --This text refers to the Digital edition.

A disturbing and illuminating study of one of the underbellies of economic globalization: the global sex trafficking industry. (Irish Times) An eloquent, campaigning book that addresses an evil that belittles our humanity. (Financial Times) Sex trafficking is more of a problem than most people realize. Read this well-written book and find out. (Kirk Douglas) The best book ever written on human trafficking for sexual exploitation. Representing a new period of solid yet humane scholarship, this breakthrough analysis represents a quantum leap in the study of this subject. Simply beyond anything I have seen anywhere. (Kevin Bales, president of Free the Slaves) Siddharth Kara possesses that rare and valuable combination of passion for his subject, insight, and rigorous research. His analysis is persuasive and his descriptions heartbreaking in their clarity. Human trafficking in all forms is slavery, no matter how you cut it, and in this book Kara brings a modern-day scourge to the light of day. (Erica Stone, president, American Himalayan Foundation)

Mr. Kara is a very brave man putting himself in harms way in dangerous neighborhoods and situations too bad law enforcement didn't give him back up to enforce the law. This book will bring you to tears and put yourself in these victims places and you'll begin to think, "What would I do if I were in their shoes?", one desperately hopeless situation after another not just Sex Traffic but Human under age Forced Labor is covered. Men that buy sex should read this book, they might not buy sex if they know prostitutes are "Required" to sleep with 20 to 35 customers a day, weather they are sick or injured. Wars and economic collapse and religious beliefs play a big roll, a very sad book, makes you wonder why the USA gives huge sums of money to foreign countries if they don't enforce human trafficking, in the USA all we hear about is slavery from the 1800's, yet Pimps are

idolized in this country, I wish the author would have covered the USA more.... "Couldn't put it down" ..a must read for all..

I have finished the first two chapters at the writing of this review. As someone relatively new to the issue, I cannot tell you how deeply heart broken I am. I have finished these first two chapters in three settings and I wept profusely each time I put down the book. I have been changed! I have a daughter who is 18 months old and I cannot tell you the righteous indignation I feel against those perpetrators of such horrific abuse. I feel similarly as others have written a kind of "mercenary anger" to go on an expedition to torture and eventually take out these traffickers and the worthless evil men who abuse these girls and young women. However, whoever lives by the sword, dies by the sword. I believe that the author is better on target to eliminating the problem through systematic legal action. As Americans, we are so dull to the atrocities of the world as we sit in our world of comfort and ease. And to consider that such atrocities happen here?! What will we do about it? As you read, the scope of the problem and the gratuitous evil makes you feel helpless at first. There are really only two ways to respond to such a heinous, vile, wretched reality: to nod your head and say "what a shame" and do nothing about it or continue to educate yourself more, take the action you can, and embark on a life long journey to join the voices and action of those like the author in efforts to set people free. I am so grateful for the sacrifice of Siddharth and his journey to expose the truth of what is happening around the world. I heartily recommend this book to anyone with a heart to see the most desperate people of the world set free!

This is an important book detailing the corruption of sexual trafficking. Siddharth Kara traveled all over the world in order to interview young women lured or coerced into prostitution, the pimps and madams who take advantage of them, and those committed to helping women and girls leave the life. Well-researched and well-documented, this book is a must-read for those who care about women and girls caught up in sexual trafficking. Highly recommended.

This book should be required reading for every member of the human race. It is an indictment of all of us that these horrendous practices continue on this planet. The author is a true hero. He camps out on rooftops to take pictures of smuggling trucks, walks boldly into seamy apartments while enforcers watch television in the living room, snaps pictures while threatened by pimps, travels the world - literally - to bring you heartbreaking stories of 13 year olds sold by their parents into a drugged, violence-filled nightmare. Do you not want to know that there are children who are

amputated so they will appear more sympathetic while sent to beg on the streets of Greece? That children are kidnapped so their organs can be harvested and sold? Do you not want to know that poor women world wide are treated worse than animals by what is now Big Business? What lowers one of us lowers all of us. Heartbreaking. Thank you to the author for confirming our family's decision to DO SOMETHING.

I was incredibly touched when i read kara's book. Firstly because he is a man. The previous books i had read about sex trafficking where written by women, a men point of view may be quite different, i just loved Kara's sensibility when he talks about his trips around the world, men like him, proves that men must discover a new masculinity that doesnt involve hurting women, where you dont have to harm to prove who you are, i live in mexico, and news about people been traficked for sexual slavery are ver y common, reading tris book, confirmed me that slavery is a global problem, each country with their own horrid way of exploiting people, and so few people figthing against it. But knowing that there are people out there just like him, who sacrifices a lot of time to research and witness humanity's worst face in order to make people know about and care about, IT just tell me that there is still hopee for humanity, there are still chances for redemption and love, , i was specially moved about Aye, the girl he speaks about on chapter 8 , her testimony made me cry, my conclusiÃfÂ n? Everybody should read this book, and i just cant wait for buying the NeXT two books he is going to publish!!

After reading over 10 books about human trafficking, this is easily the best and most informative. Other books are heavy on anecdotes and stories. This has a balance of both stories, and cold hard facts. It is a different take on trafficking because it addresses the economics of it- supply, demand, and the elasticity of profit, which I found incredibly interested. The book is full of charts, graphs, and helpful tables. I appreciate all the data and facts from this book that is lacking for others of its kind. The first fourth of the book is an overview on the subject, the rest divided into sections by country. Great book for research. Best book on the market to get the most comprehensive overview of the mechanics of trafficking and the tragedy it is.

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