

# The Counter-Trafficking Data Collaborative



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# IOM's Victim of Human Trafficking Database

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- IOM assists an estimated 7,000 victims of trafficking every year, from 115 countries of identification, and is the largest actor globally in this regard
- First and foremost a case management system; individual-level data
- Largest database of its kind in the world, containing data on over 50,000 cases
- Nearly 5,000 cases added every year

# Victims: the Fallout of any Trafficking Process



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Extremely valuable data on the phenomenon itself:

- Specific location data
- Industries/sectors of exploitation; types of exploitation
- Means of entry into trafficking process
- Means of exit from trafficking process
- Data on persons involved in trafficking process
- Means by which victims are controlled
- Data on the profile/background of the victim
- Assistance
- Etc.

# The Information Gap

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## OBSTACLES TO DATA SHARING

Data Privacy Concerns

Incompatible Values and Variables

Conflicting Definitions

Incompatible Formatting

Lack of Technical Resources and Solutions

## SOLUTIONS

De-Identification Techniques

Identify Overlap and Align Future Changes

Data Norming

Standardization

Open data publishing portal

# Data Sharing



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+35,000 potential trafficking situations

15,000 victims recorded since 2015



50,000 cases

Victims from 132 nationalities

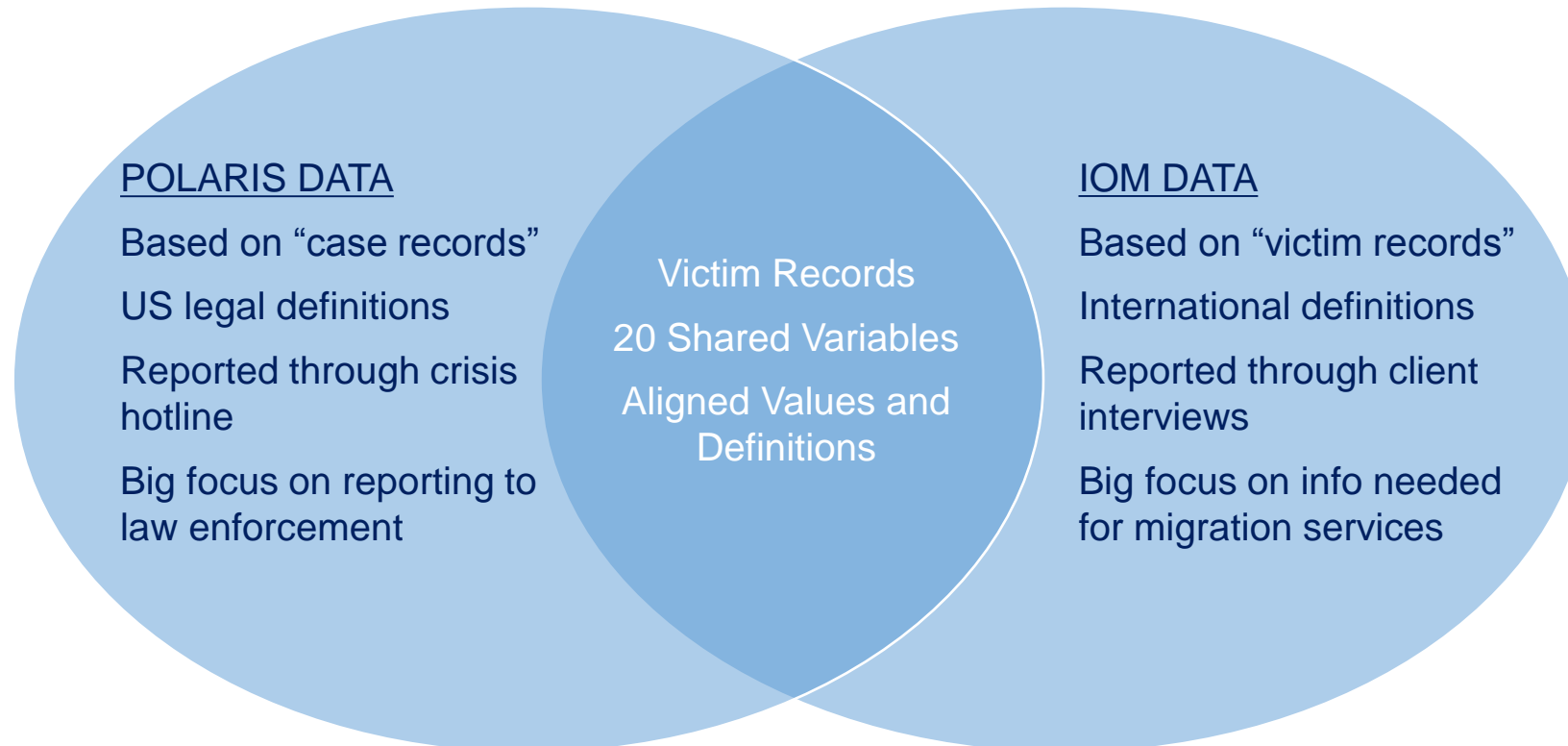
Served by IOM offices in 66 countries

# Data Norming



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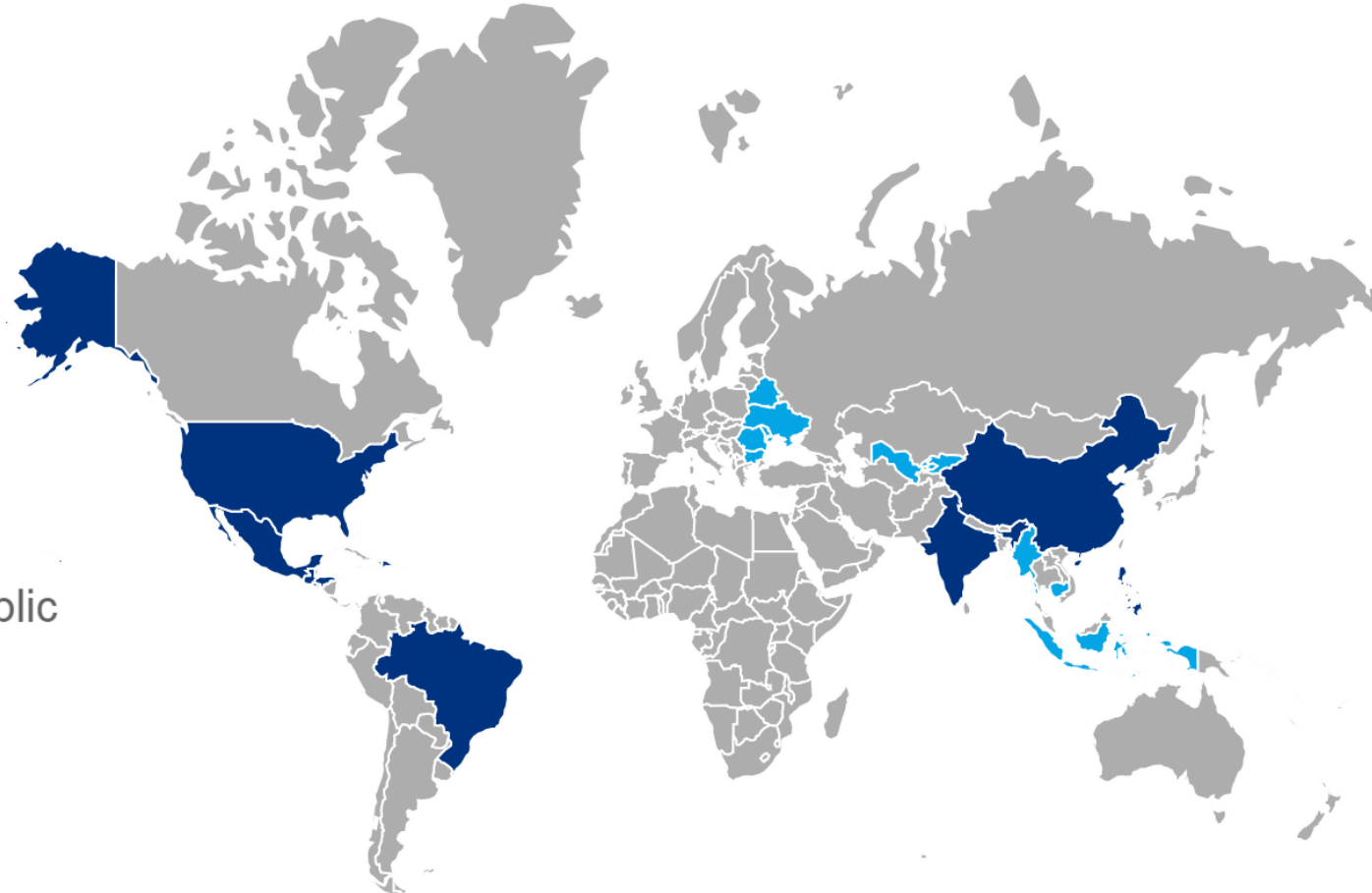
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## Top 10 Victim Nationalities by Organization

### Polaris

1. United States
2. Mexico
3. The Philippines
4. Guatemala
5. China
6. Honduras
7. El Salvador
8. India
9. Brazil
10. Dominican Republic



### IOM

1. Ukraine
2. Moldova
3. Belarus
4. Indonesia
5. Romania
6. Kyrgyzstan
7. Myanmar
8. Uzbekistan
9. Cambodia
10. Bulgaria

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