

Children Left-Behind by Migrating Mothers Study, 2013

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- Indonesia is one of the biggest female migrant workers sending countries in Asia (Reyes, 2008; Bryant, 2005)
- Since 1990s the number of female migrant workers increased twice as much as that of their male counterparts (*Komnas Perempuan*, 2003)
- Major concern : children left behind by their migrating mothers. They are vulnerable to experience problems in caring that consequently affected their well-being.

14,5% Internal Migrant

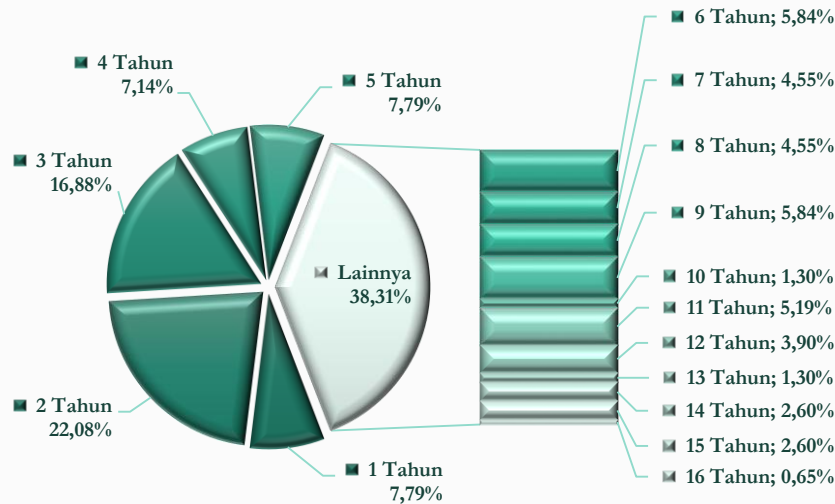
28% International Migrant

Have children

57,6% Of the children are left in their villages



- **Household Survey :**
 - 400 migrant and non-migrant households were surveyed
 - 626 children from migrant and non-migrant households aged 0-17 were surveyed
- **Indepth interview**
- **Location :**
 - Five villages in Kabupaten Banyumas (Central Java)
 - Seven villages in Kabupaten Central Lombok (West Nusa Tenggara)



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Internal Migrant

More than 54% of the children were left by their mothers at the age of less than six years old.

42.7% of the children were cared for by their fathers since the mother left.

46.7% of the children were cared for by their grandmothers since the mother left.

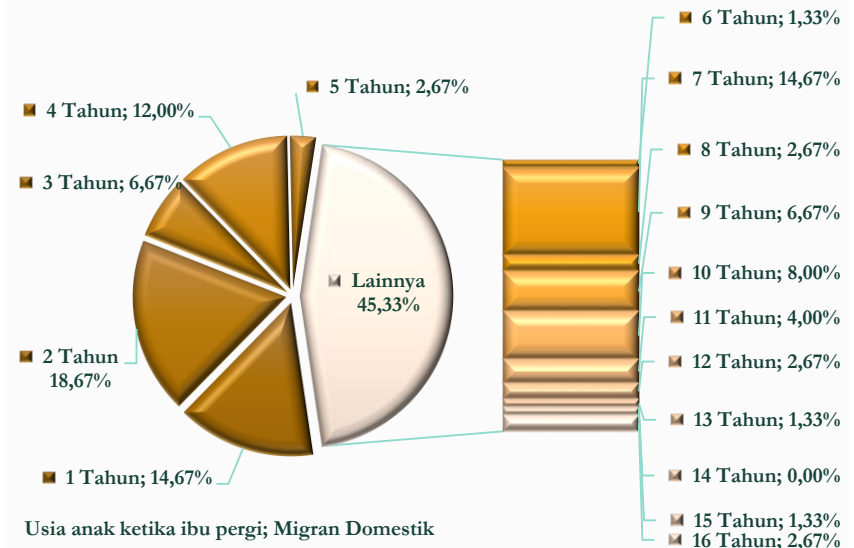
Sumber: Hasil Survei, diolah

International Migrant

More than 60% of the children were left by their mothers at the age less than six years old.

40.9% of the children were cared for by their fathers since the mother left

48% of the children were cared for by their grandmothers since the mother left



Usia anak ketika ibu pergi; Migran Domestik

- Encouraging community-based empowerment at village level, such as:
 - Village as the Basis for Safety in Migration to minimize the negative impacts of migration on the migrant workers and their families,
 - Village Development Movement as the way to get the technology closer to the community. For example, to build communication between mothers and their children;
- Strengthening the role of PAUD and the quality of the cadres in providing caring and education for children from migrant workers.

THANK YOU



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