THE CYCLE OF ABUSE

The Connection Among Pornography, Child Sexual Exploitation and Sex Trafficking

**CROSS MARKETING:**
The pornography industry cross markets child sex abuse images and adult pornography.

**"BARELY LEGAL":**
Pornographers feature women who are legal adults (18 yrs.), but look much younger (11-13 yrs.), whetting the appetites of male consumers to sexually desire younger girls.

**FINANCIAL GAIN:**
Traffickers record/photograph victims forced to perform sex acts, used to create porn and child sex abuse images → financial gain.

**CHILD SEX ABUSE IMAGES:**
The trend is for younger children, including infants. Minors are sexually abused to create child sex abuse images (a.k.a. child pornography).

**SUPPLY & DEMAND:**
Pornography fuels the “demand” for women and children (the “supply”) to be sold commercially for sex trafficking, as well as demand for more extreme content.

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