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III. OUTLINE OF INCIDENT DATABASE AND INDIVIDUAL DATABASE

1. General Outline

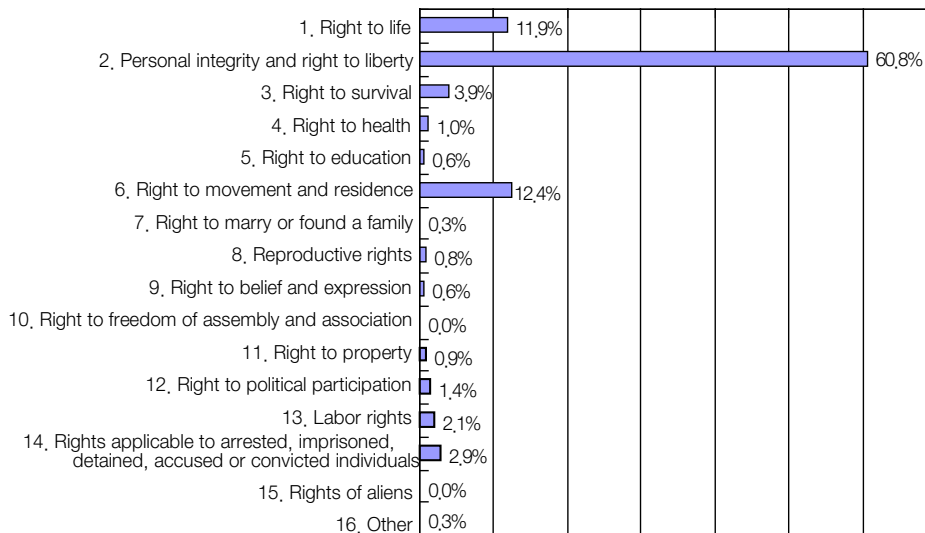
1) The Total Number of Incidents and Individuals

(1) Total number of incidents: 22,346 (99.4% increase from White Paper 2009)
 (Incidents witnessed or experienced 19,179 or 85.8%. / Incidents gathered through second-hand reports, 3,167 or 14.2%)

Rights Affected	Year 2010		Year 2009	
	Number of incidents	Percentage (%)	Number of incidents	Percentage (%)
1. Right to life	2,655	11.9	1,666	14.9
2. Personal integrity and right to liberty	13,587	60.8	6,616	59.0
3. Right to survival	869	3.9	434	3.9
4. Right to health	225	1.0	84	0.7
5. Right to education	138	0.6	50	0.4
6. Right to movement and residence	2,777	12.4	1,212	10.8
7. Right to marry or found a family	67	0.3	30	0.3
8. Reproductive rights	168	0.8	75	0.7
9. Right to belief and expression	137	0.6	103	0.9
10. Right to freedom of assembly and association	5	0.0	5	0.0
11. Right to property	211	0.9	105	0.9
12. Right to political participation	318	1.4	63	0.6
13. Labor rights	475	2.1	306	2.7
14. Rights applicable to arrested, imprisoned, detained, accused or convicted individuals	643	2.9	400	3.6

Rights Affected	Year 2010		Year 2009	
	Number of incidents	Percentage (%)	Number of incidents	Percentage (%)
15. Rights of aliens	3	0.0	3	0.0
16. Other	68	0.3	54	0.5
Total	22,346	100.0	11,206	100.0

- Total number of incidents is 22,346, an increase of 99.4% in comparison to 11,206 incidents included in the 2009 White Paper.
- 85.8% of incidents were either witnessed directly or experienced directly making the data highly reliable.
- The highest proportion of reported incidents involved personal integrity and right to liberty (60.8%), that of the right to movement and residence (12.4%), and that of the right to life (11.9%). Combined they account for 85.1% of reported incidents.
- Shown in descending order by percentage of reported incidents the categories are: personal integrity and right to liberty (60.8%), the right to movement and residence (12.4%), right to life (11.9%), right to survival (3.9%), rights applicable to arrested, imprisoned, accused or convicted persons (2.9%) and labor rights (2.1%).

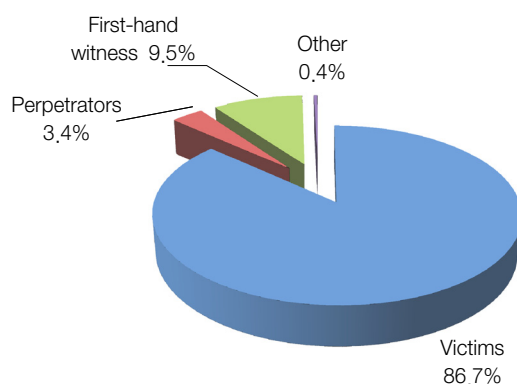


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(2) Total number of individuals: 12,963 (increased by 81.6%, compared to the number of individuals included in white paper 2009)

Category	Victims	Perpetrators	First-hand witness (Second-hand witness)	Other	Total
Number	11,243	441	1,226	53	12,963
Percentage (%)	86.7	3.4	9.5	0.4	100.0

* An individual may be involved in a number of incidents but will only be recorded once as either a victim, perpetrator, witness or other. If an individual has been a victim (despite having been a perpetrator) they will be recorded as a victim. If an individual has been both a witness and a perpetrator, they will be recorded as a perpetrator.



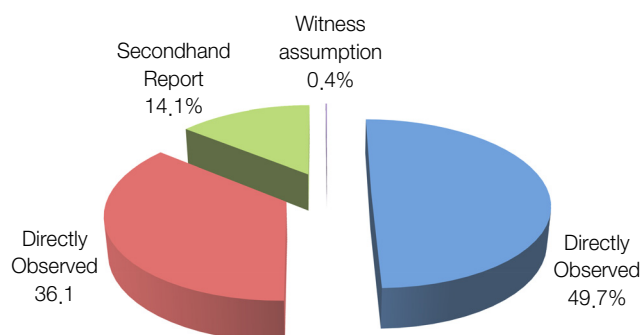
- The total number of individuals involved in reported human rights violations in North Korea is 12,963, which increased by 81.6%, compared to 7,137, individuals included in White Paper 2009.
- Of these individuals involved in reported cases, 86.7% were victims. This may reflect the fact that many individuals may have witnessed, but the majority have also suffered as victims of a violation and so are categorized as a victim.

2) Important basic information

(1) Basic information (regarding incidents)

a. Type of information

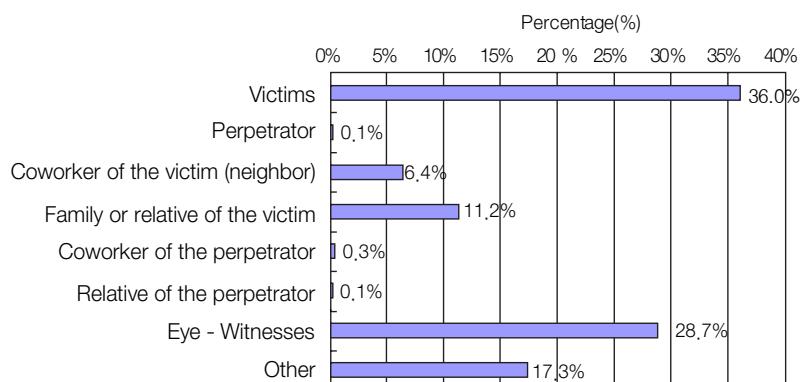
Category	Directly Experienced	Directly Observed	Secondhand Report	Witness assumption	Total
Number of violations	11,115	8,064	3,141	26	22,346
Percentage (%)	49.7	36.1	14.1	0.1	100.0



The majority of information obtained is from direct sources (85.8%). The remaining information (14.1%) came from secondhand reports. This suggests that the reported cases are likely to be highly reliable. This may be caused by increased rate of interviews analyzed in 2009 relative to other sources.

b. Information provider

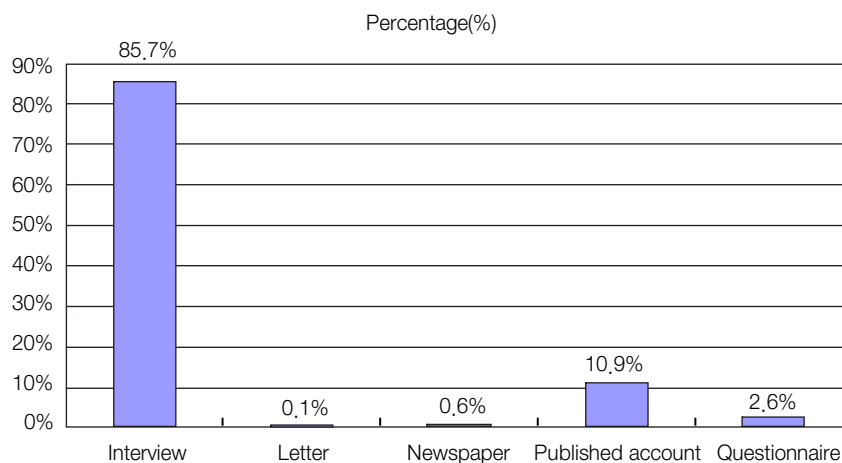
Category	Victims	Perpetrator	Coworker of the victim (neighbor)	Family or relative of the victim	Coworker of the perpetrator	Relative of the perpetrator	Eye-Witnesses	Other	Total
Number of individuals	8,052	12	1,429	2,512	65	14	6,406	3,856	22,346
Percentage (%)	36.0	0.1	6.4	11.2	0.3	0.1	28.7	17.3	100.0



- ‘Other’ includes testifier who obtained information indirectly.
- Of the recorded testifiers providers, the majority were victims (36.0%) followed by eye-witnesses (28.7%), and the third most frequent information providers were family or relatives of victims (11.2%). The percentage of information providers that were also the perpetrators of the rights violation was very low.
- Most perpetrators carry out rights violations while employed at interrogation or detention facilities or legal organization. It is rare for such persons to escape from North Korea. As a result the number of perpetrators reporting violations by themselves was much lower than others.

c. Source of information

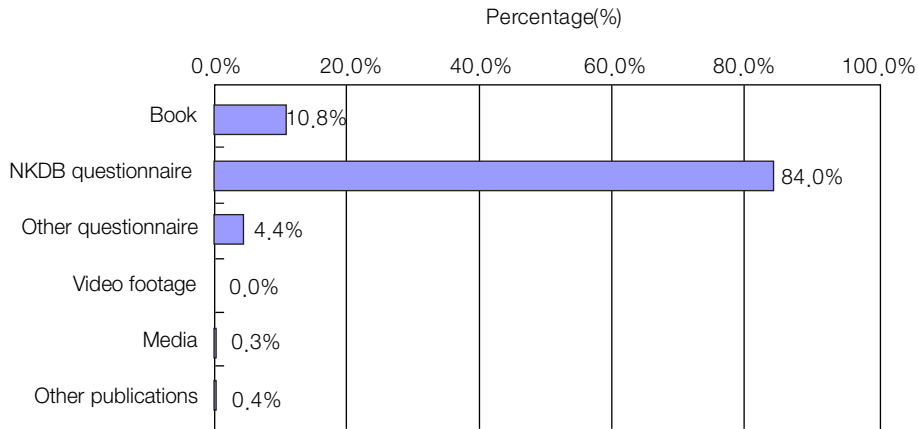
Category	Interview	Letter	Newspaper	Published account	Questionnaire	Total
Number	19,157	26	141	2,431	591	22,346
Percentage (%)	85.7	0.1	0.6	10.9	2.6	100.0



- The majority of information was obtained from interviews (85.7%). The rest were taken from published accounts (10.9%), questionnaires (2.6%), newspapers (0.6%), and letters (0.1%).

d. Types of evidence

Category	Book	NKDB questionnaire	Other questionnaire	Video footage	Media	Other publications	Total
Number	2,418	18,777	992	4	69	86	22,346
Percentage (%)	10.8	84.0	4.4	0.0	0.3	0.4	100.0



- 84.0% of information was obtained from questionnaires developed by NKDB, 10.8% from books, 4.4% from other questionnaires. NKDB questionnaires and books represent a large share of the evidence.
- NKDB aims to interview as many of the recently arrived North Korean defectors as possible, because such face-to-face interviews provide the most accurate and up-to-date information. Therefore, the percentage of interviews will continue to increase.

(2) Basic information (regarding individuals)

a. Access to information contained in NKHRA database

Category	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total
Number	2,017	10,946	12,963
Percentage (%)	15.6	84.4	100.0

- Express approval by information provider for data to be accessible to individuals or organization will be required for 84.4% of the information stored on the database. Unrestricted information includes information provided by individuals who have explicitly agreed to allow the information to be available to the approved persons and information obtained from publications.
- The ratio of unrestricted information used in the 2010 White Paper was lowered from 38.3% (White Paper 2009) to 15.6%. In contrast, that of restricted information was increased from 61.7% to 84.4%. This reflects the increased amount of information gained from interviews held under the precondition that the release of this information will be restricted to maintain interviewee's privacy.

b. Type of interviewed victims: Individuals, Families, and Groups

Category	Individual	Family	Group	Total
Number	11,800	692	471	12,963
Percentage (%)	91.0	5.3	3.6	100.0

- The majority of people analyzed were individuals (91.0%), family (5.3%) and with Group (4.7%) representing a much smaller portion.

c. Accuracy of name of individuals involved in the incident

Category	Real name	Assumed name	Unidentified	Total
Number	8,924	38	4,001	12,963
Percentage (%)	68.8	0.3	30.9	100

- Verification of names of individuals found in secondary sources such as

publications or secondhand report is difficult. Furthermore, the time lapse between an incident and the witness's testimony can often be long and so memories may be difficult to accurately recall. As a result, for 30.9% of individuals recorded on the database there is no confirmed name. Those cases involving individuals whose name is not known include individuals referred to, for example, as 'someone's mother, father or family', 'clearly stated position in the work place', 'clear place of residence' as well as unidentified individuals.

d. Gender of information provider

Category	Male	Female	Group	Unidentified	Total
Number	6,269	4,675	167	1,852	12,963
Percentage (%)	48.4	36.1	1.3	14.3	100.0

- Of individuals recorded in the database, the ratio of male (48.4%) is higher than that of women (36.1%).
- The higher ratio of men to woman among reported victims and perpetrators may reflect the high percentage of men working for the law or the high percentage of men detained in the general detention facilities in North Korea.