

WHY IS IT THAT

women of the world do 66% of the work, earn 10% of the money and own 1% of the property?

the National Welfare Council says: "Poverty in Canada is an overwhelmingly female phenomenon." 44% of single mothers and their children, and 54% of older women live in poverty?

between 1967 and 1977 over 5000 Indian women and their children lost their status and homes, for marrying non-Indians (Indian men do not suffer this loss)?

mothering and housework make up 40% of the Gross National Product, yet have no pension plan, no job security and no wages?

at least 50 million women in Moslem countries are crippled by genital mutilation?

66% of Canadian women of child-bearing age work outside the home, yet the government spends only 0.01% of the budget on child-care?

the world's military budget is 400 billion dollars a year when only 5% of this would feed 200 million under-nourished children?

only 271 out of 1350 hospitals in Canada have established therapeutic abortion committees? Only 6 doctors in Toronto do OHIP abortions?

rape is an act of violence against women yet only 2% of reported rapes end in conviction?

the world's women are denied education and make up 2/3 of the billion people who are illiterate?

death in newborn infants and prematurity rates are twice as high in Canada using technological deliveries than in countries that use woman-centred birthing?

1/4 of hysterectomies are medically unnecessary?

lesbians are denied protection under the Human Rights Code in all but one province?

rural women, responsible for domestic and farm work, often must subsidize the farm by outside employment, resulting in 101.7 work hours weekly?

for every \$1.00 a man earns, a woman earns 62 cents?

women risk infection, heart attacks and cancer by using contraceptives and hormone therapy?

psychiatrists say passivity and dependence are normal in women and in children, while assertiveness and independence are normal in men. Tranquilizers are routinely prescribed to women to keep this "normalcy"?

10% of newborn children in Canada have children as mothers?

only 14, or 4.96%, of the 282 seats in the federal House of Commons are held by women?

80% of street prostitutes were physically and/or sexually abused as children?

the porn industry grossed 2.5 billion dollars, including 1 billion from child porn? In the U.S. 1 1/2 million children under the age of 16 are used annually in commercial sex (either prostitution or porn)?

58% of 18-25 yr. old men, surveyed at a university, said they believed women liked to be dominated and humiliated. 71% of the men in this same group said they might rape a woman if they thought they could get away with it?

a 1978 study shows 1 out of 4 suburban women use tranquilizers, 6 million of which are sold per week in Canada?

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