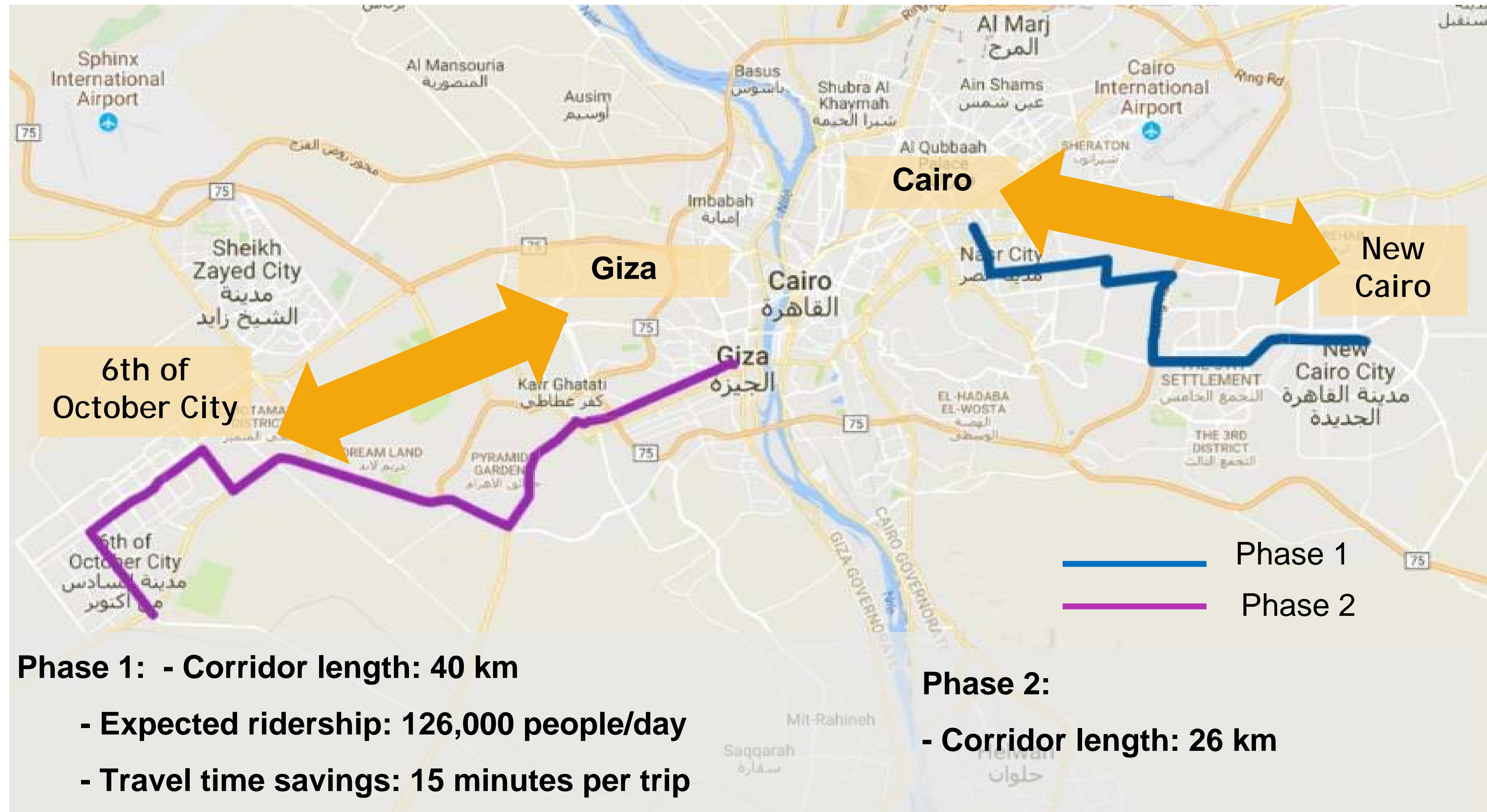


# Women's Access To Public Transport In Cairo

June 2018



# Planned BRT Corridors



# Surveys Performed

## Frequency-Occupancy Gender counts

Count of passengers on each vehicle, distinguished by gender



## Focus Group Discussion

Capture information on level of safety within catchment area of proposed BRT corridor



## Operator Interviews

Assess the level of gender sensitivity awareness among existing public transport operators



## Online Travel Pattern Survey

Online Survey to capture women travel patterns & safety concerns



## Public Transport Terminal Survey

Capture men and women's travel patterns and preferences

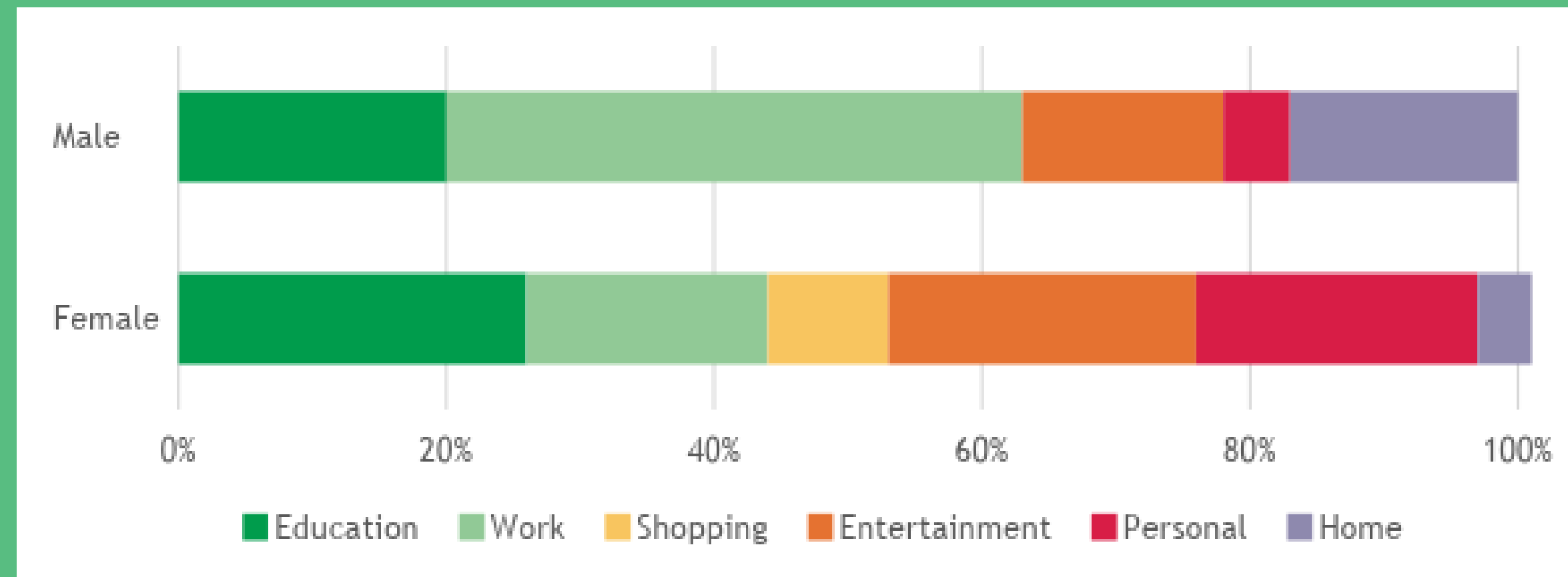


## Physical Assessment Survey

Examine current state of streets & public spaces



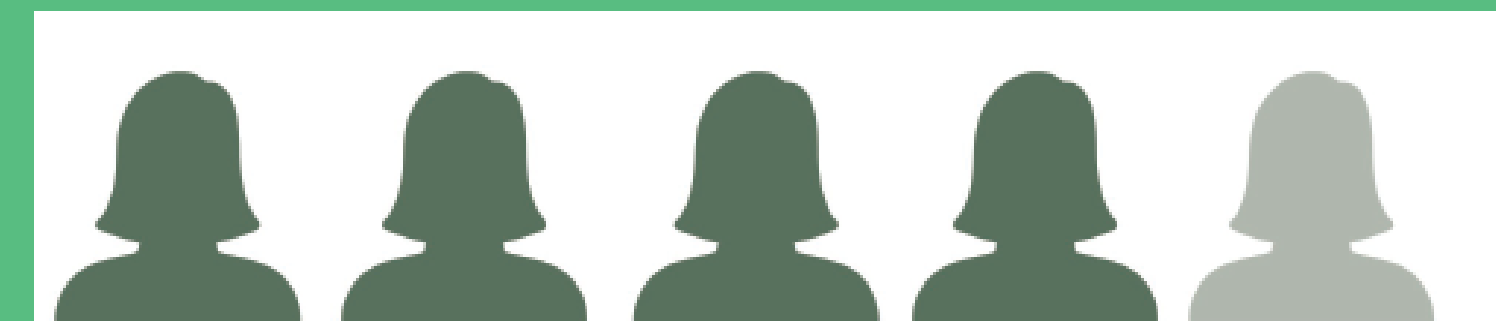
# Women's Travel Patterns



Many men's trips are work-related compared to more varied trips for women



Own driving license



4 out of 5 women make **two or more transfers** to reach their final destinations

1 out of 5 women are accompanied by an infant, child or family member in their daily commute.

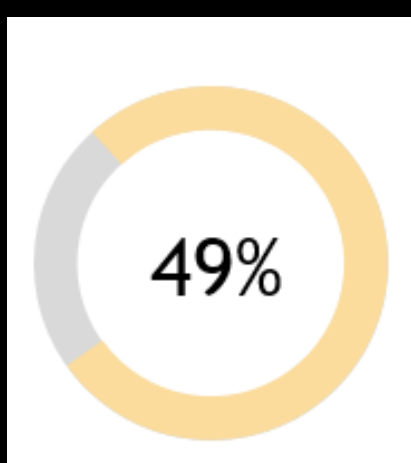
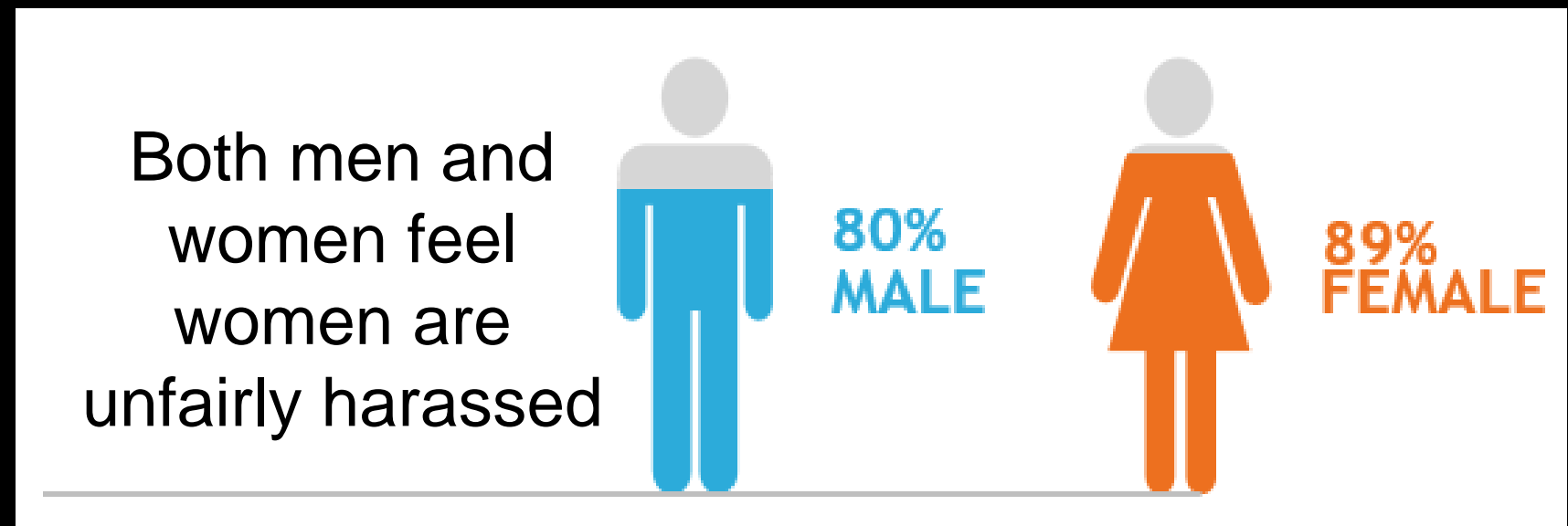


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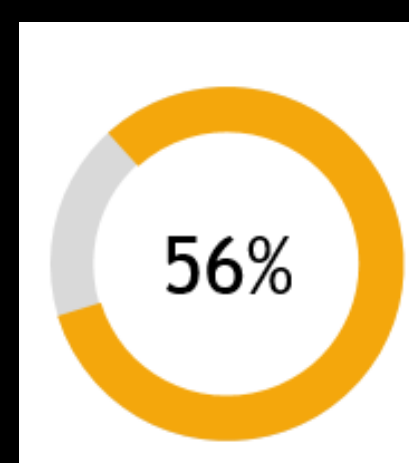
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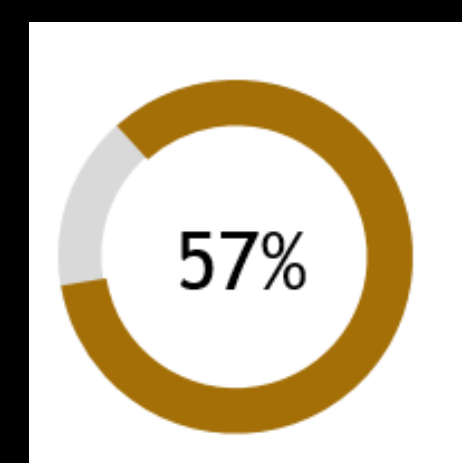
# Experience With Harassment



During the walk



While waiting



During the ride

**Most women are harassed during all stages of the journey**

“Suppose I have a problem in the microbus, there must be an officer to whom I can resort at the stop and report the problem. A real officer not a friend of the drivers. And I can give the officer the number of the car and he can call the driver to account. If this is repeated two, three and ten times, drivers will behave correctly.”  
– Focus group participant.

“Sometimes we women resort to the man organizing the bus stop, or to the man selling tea to the drivers and passengers, and we ask them to help us find a place in the microbus. Then some passengers start calling us names and implying that we have a secret relationship with that man, and in fact we do not even know them.”  
– Focus group participant

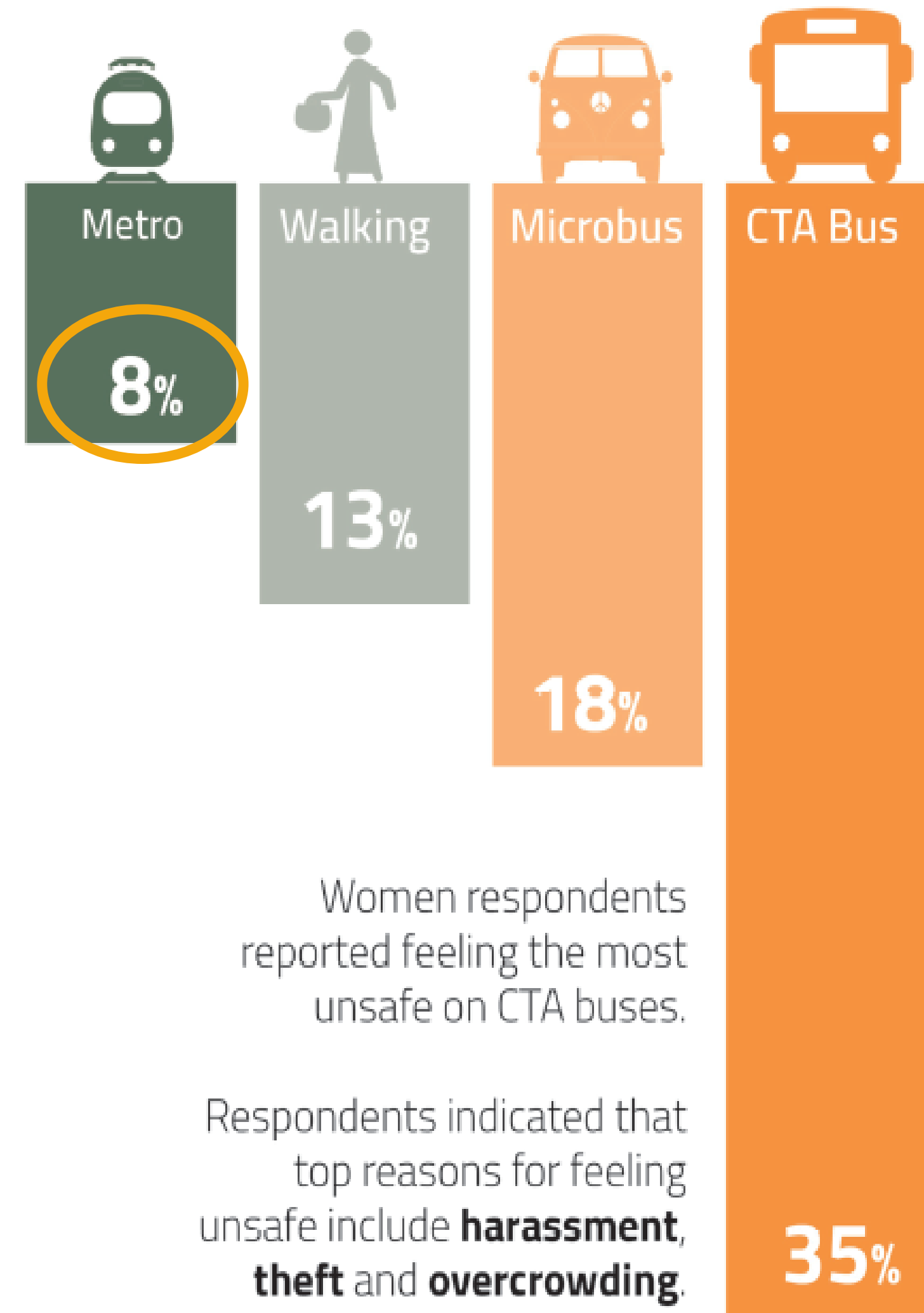
# Feeling of Insecurity



A common theme is that overcrowding at:

- **Bus stops,**
  - **Metro stations platforms, and**
  - **Vehicles;**
- contributes to harassment and general discomfort.

Feeling of insecurity in public transport modes



# Willingness To Pay



85% of women expressed their willingness to pay more than what they're paying now to get a safer and higher quality public transport service.



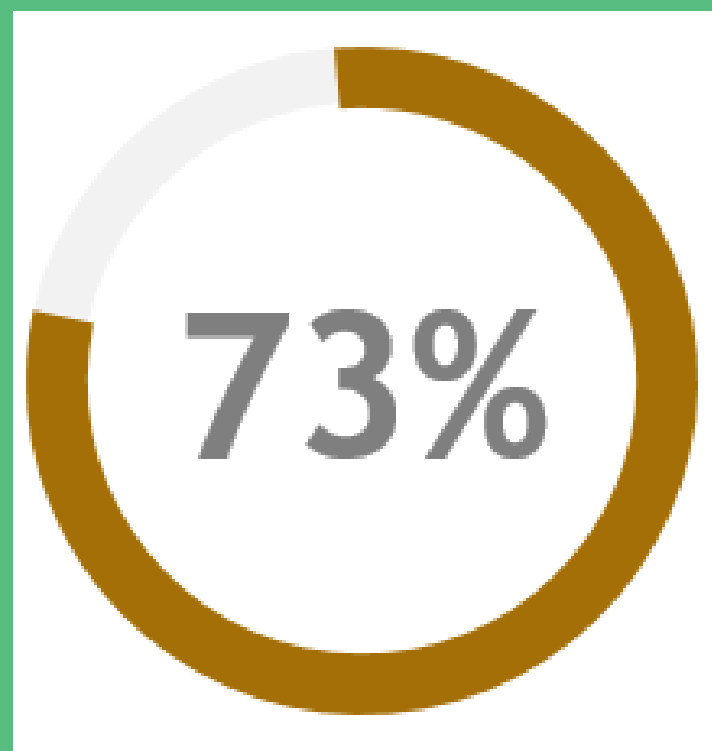
Average daily spending on transport: EGP 12-17

Equivalent to USD 0.67-0.95

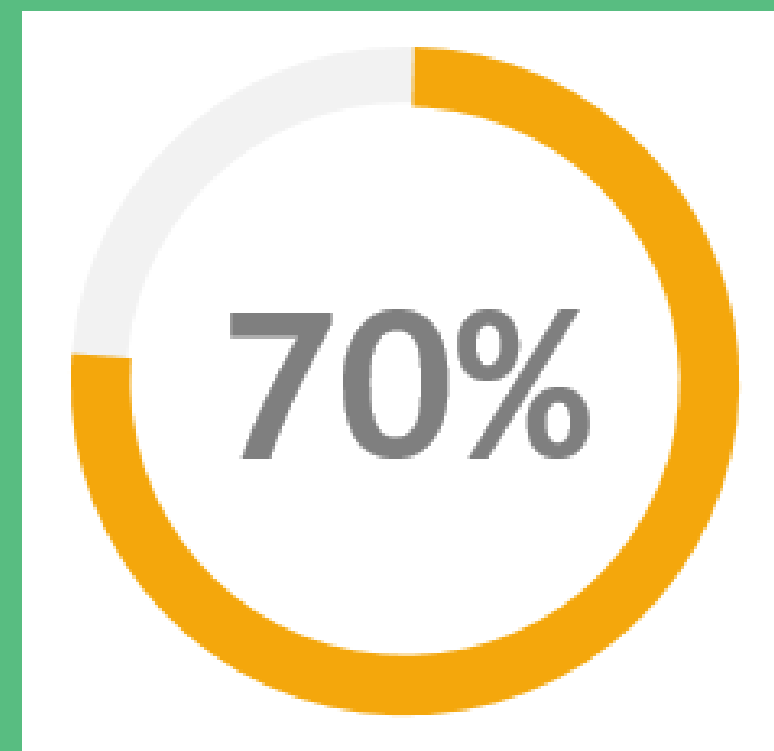


# Improving public transport service

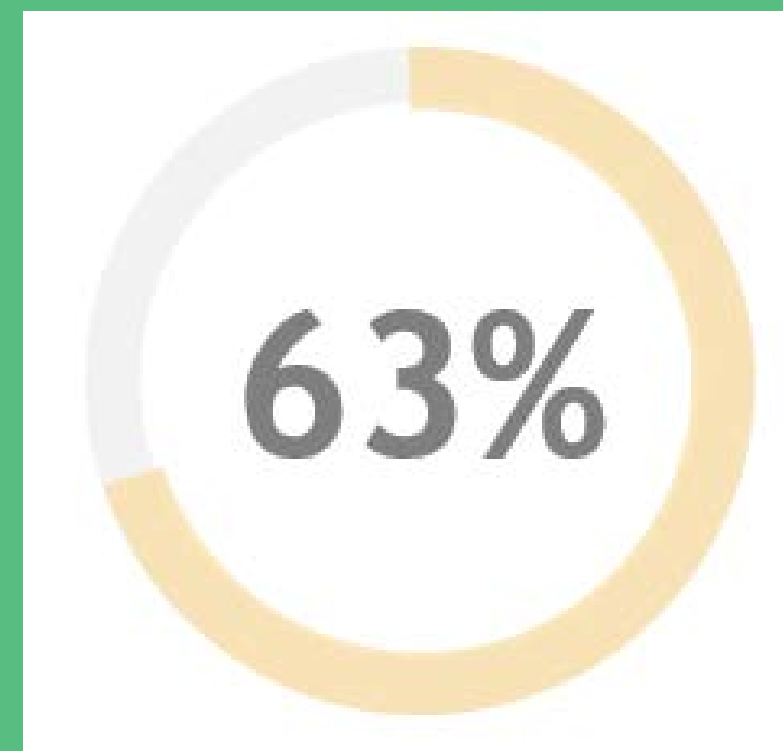
- Women suggestions



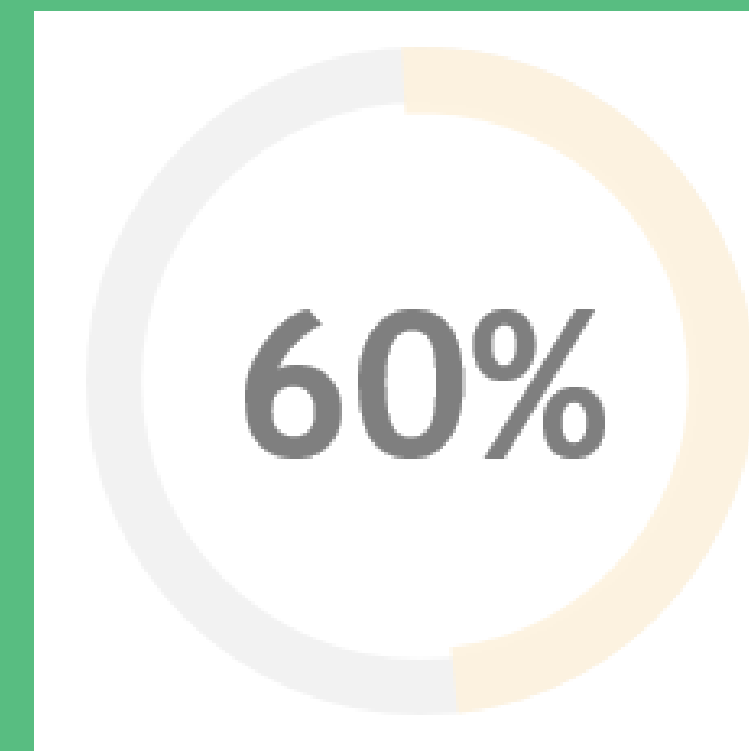
**Separate sections for women**



**More frequent services**



**Better traffic laws and enforcement**



**Maps of bus stations and service schedules**



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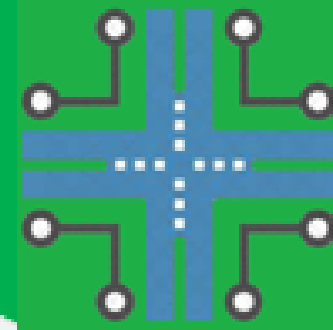
# Recommendations

## Service Plan



- Designated areas for women in each bus
- Large fleet to serve expected passenger volumes without overcrowding

## Infrastructure design



- Level boarding at BRT stations
- Bus stops with transparent façades and level boarding
- CCTV cameras in buses
- Adequate street lighting
- Complimentary walking and cycling facilities

## Economic Opportunities



- Presence of women in ground operations and mid- and senior-level management

# Recommendations

## Institutional Reforms



- Participation of women in system planning and design
- A women's safety task force to develop policies and interventions geared toward making the city safer for women

## Education & Awareness



- Communications campaigns on forms of harassment and help centres
- Training of operators on women's safety and security



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