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## Prostitution Study Sheds Light on Johns

**A new report on Chicago prostitution comes out tomorrow. The report says most men who purchase sex see the behavior as an addiction.**

The Chicago Alliance Against Sexual Exploitation put ads in Craigslist offering \$40 to any local john who sat down for a two-hour interview. The alliance says it interviewed 113 respondents.

The average age of when they said they first paid for sex was 21. Three-quarters said seeing a prostitute hurts a marriage, even if the wife doesn't know about it. And 83 percent said buying sex is an addiction.

The report on johns closely follows a study of Chicago prostitutes. In January, University of Chicago economist Steven D. Levitt and Columbia University sociologist Sudhir Venkatesh reported that the prostitutes in their study averaged about \$340 week and got beaten about once a month.