

GENDER PARTICIPATION IN THE PRODUCTION AND MARKETING OF SEAWEED IN DAVAO DEL SUR, PHILIPPINES



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Rationale

- the need for **better understanding of gender roles** as a critical variable in resource use and livelihoods
- **advocating increased participation of women** in fisheries development may constitute liberation from their subordinate positions
- there has been **no data** yet that establish the **extent of gender participation** in seaweed production and marketing



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Objectives

- **identify the gender roles** in production and marketing of seaweed
- **provide insights for strategies** on how gender can be tapped to improve seaweed production and increase income of coastal community.



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Methodology

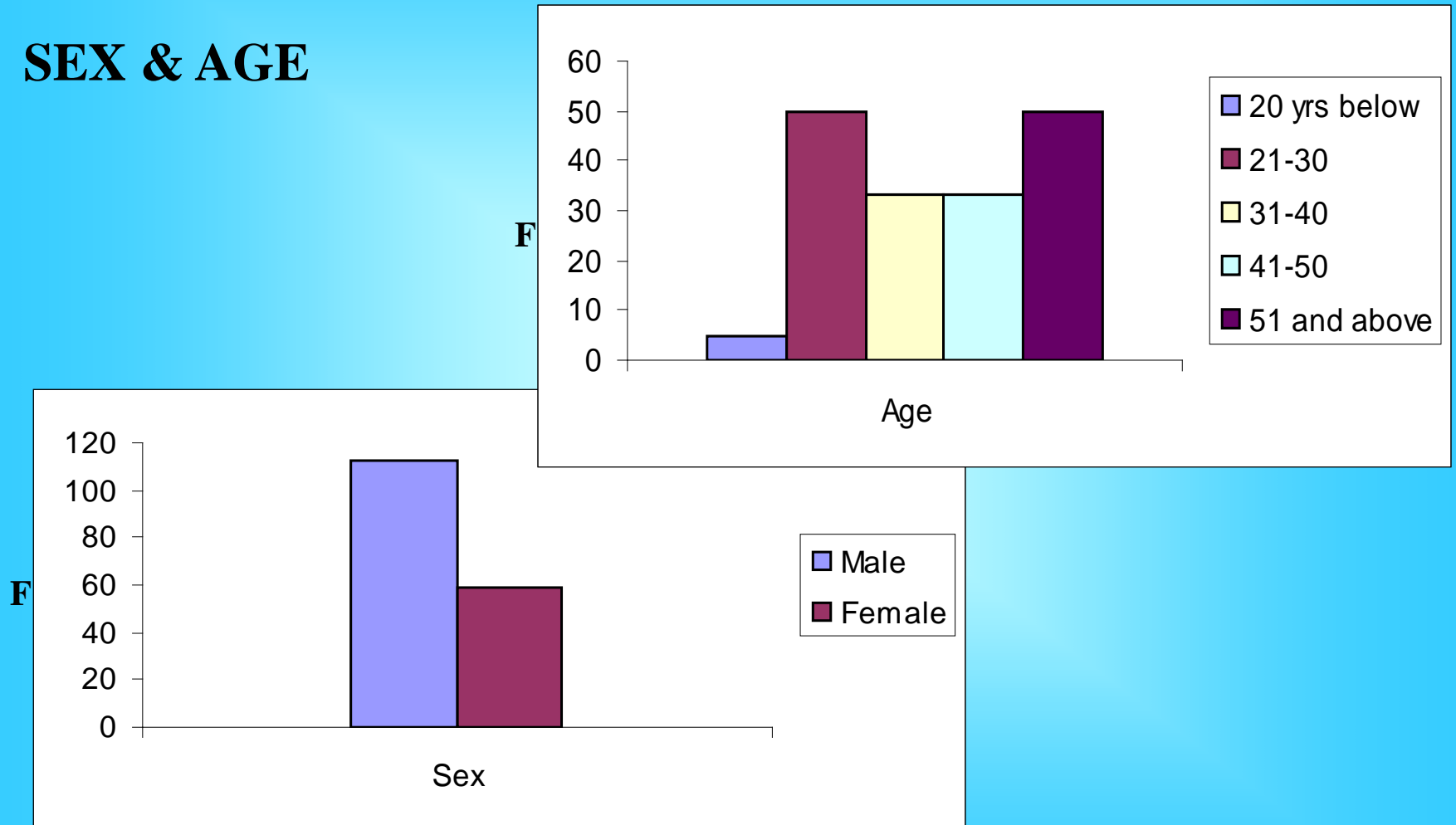
- descriptive research
- random sampling was employed to interview selected respondents using questionnaire
- selected respondents from list of seaweed growers in the area



Results

Demographic profile of seaweed growers

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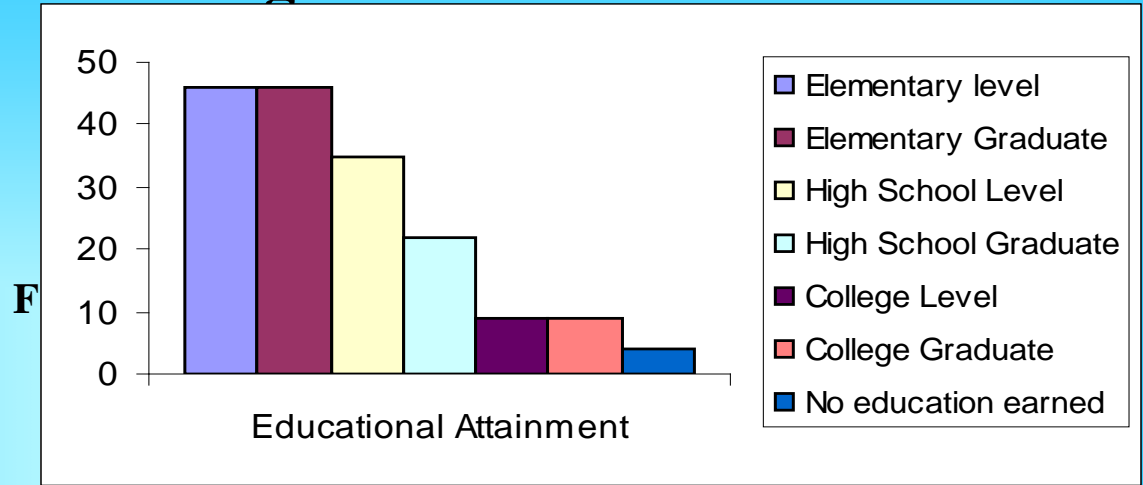


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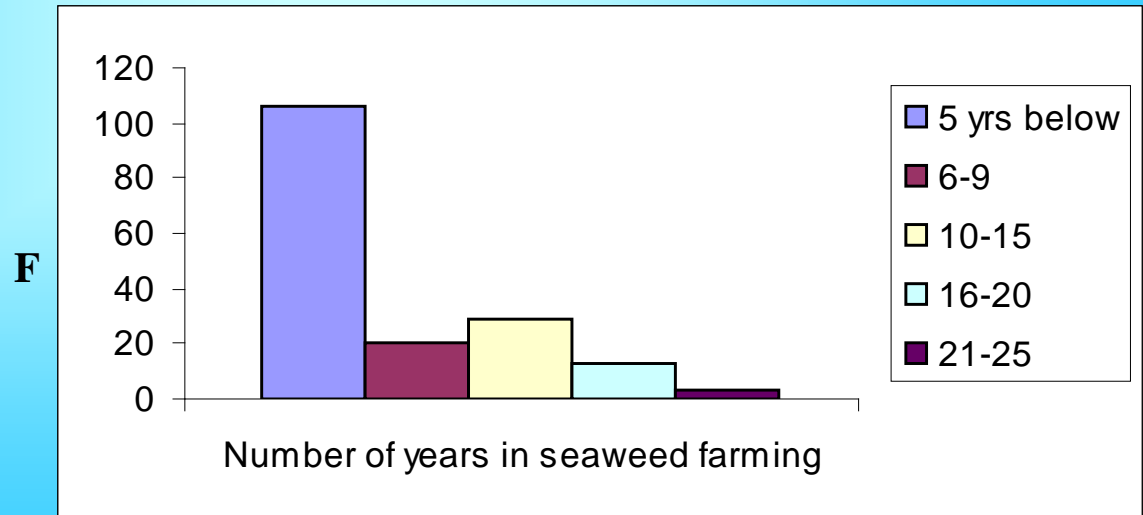
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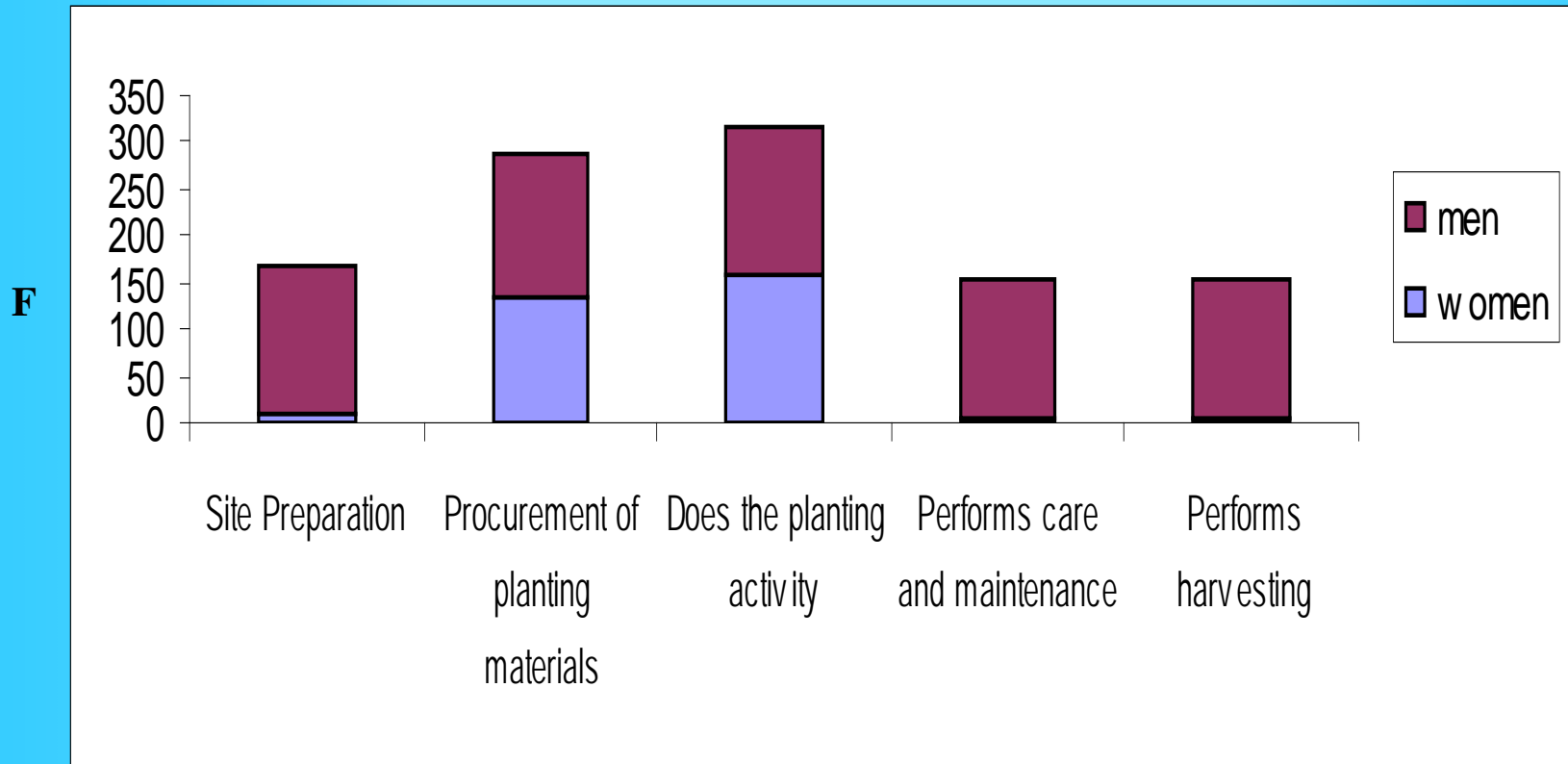
NUMBER OF YEARS ENGAGED IN SEAWEED FARMING



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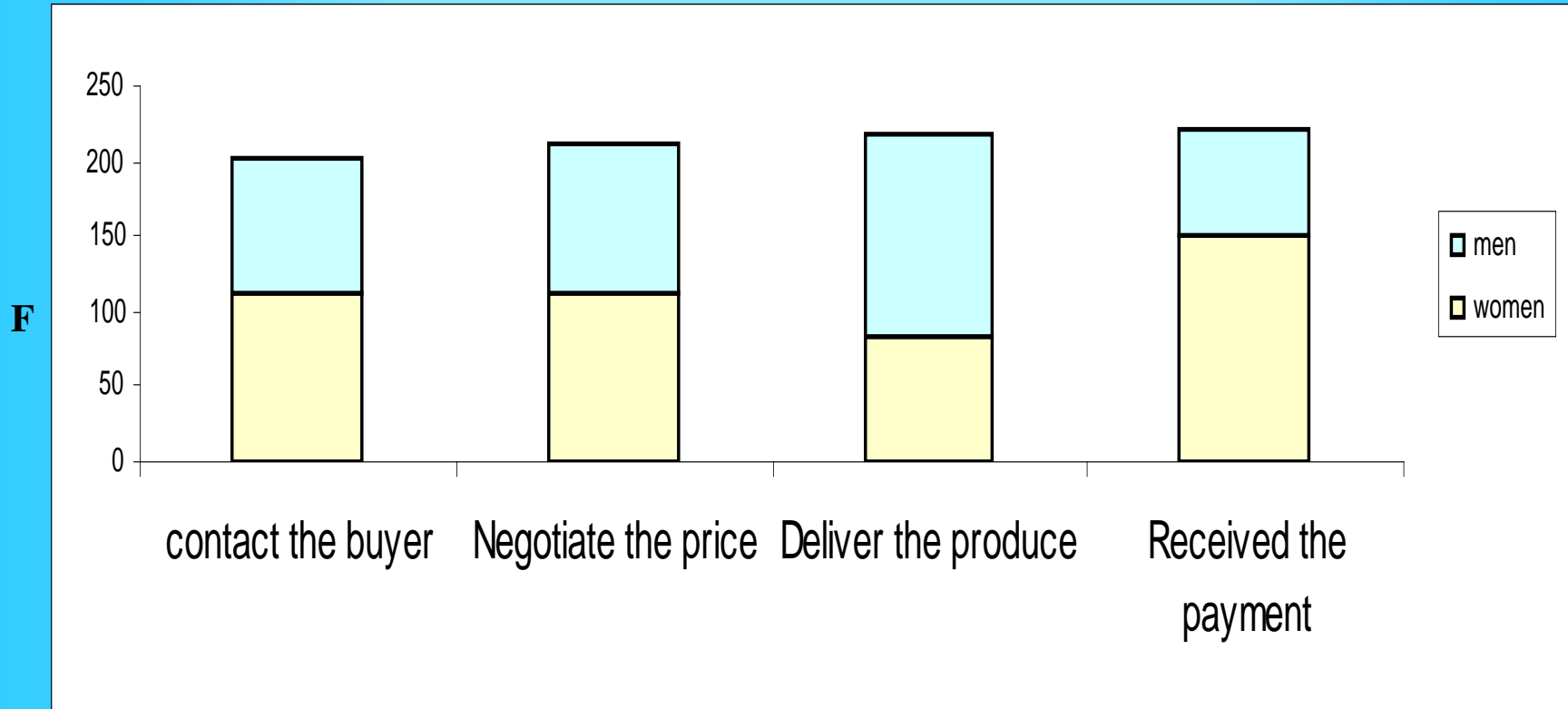
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Gender participation in MARKETING OF SEAWEEDS



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Conclusion and recommendation

- Production of seaweeds in Davao del Sur is basically a **family enterprise** wherein most of the activities are done by family members.



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- The **men** are often involved in farm **site preparation, planting, care and maintenance, and harvesting**. This implies that whenever there is intervention for technical assistance through training for skills upgrading, priority participants may be the male gender



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- **women** has visible participation in the **marketing of seaweeds** which suggests they are empowered to act as negotiators and are entrusted by the men to handle the financial transactions



- training on financial management may be extended to the women to further develop their capability

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- Knowing **the existing roles of the men and women** in the seaweed industry may facilitate the designing of **gender-based development programs** to improve seaweed production in the Davao region



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