

INVISIBLE WEAVE

The burden women bear : Unseen and Unpaid.

This data visualization reveals the hidden hours of unpaid care work carried out by women in Fiji (2016).

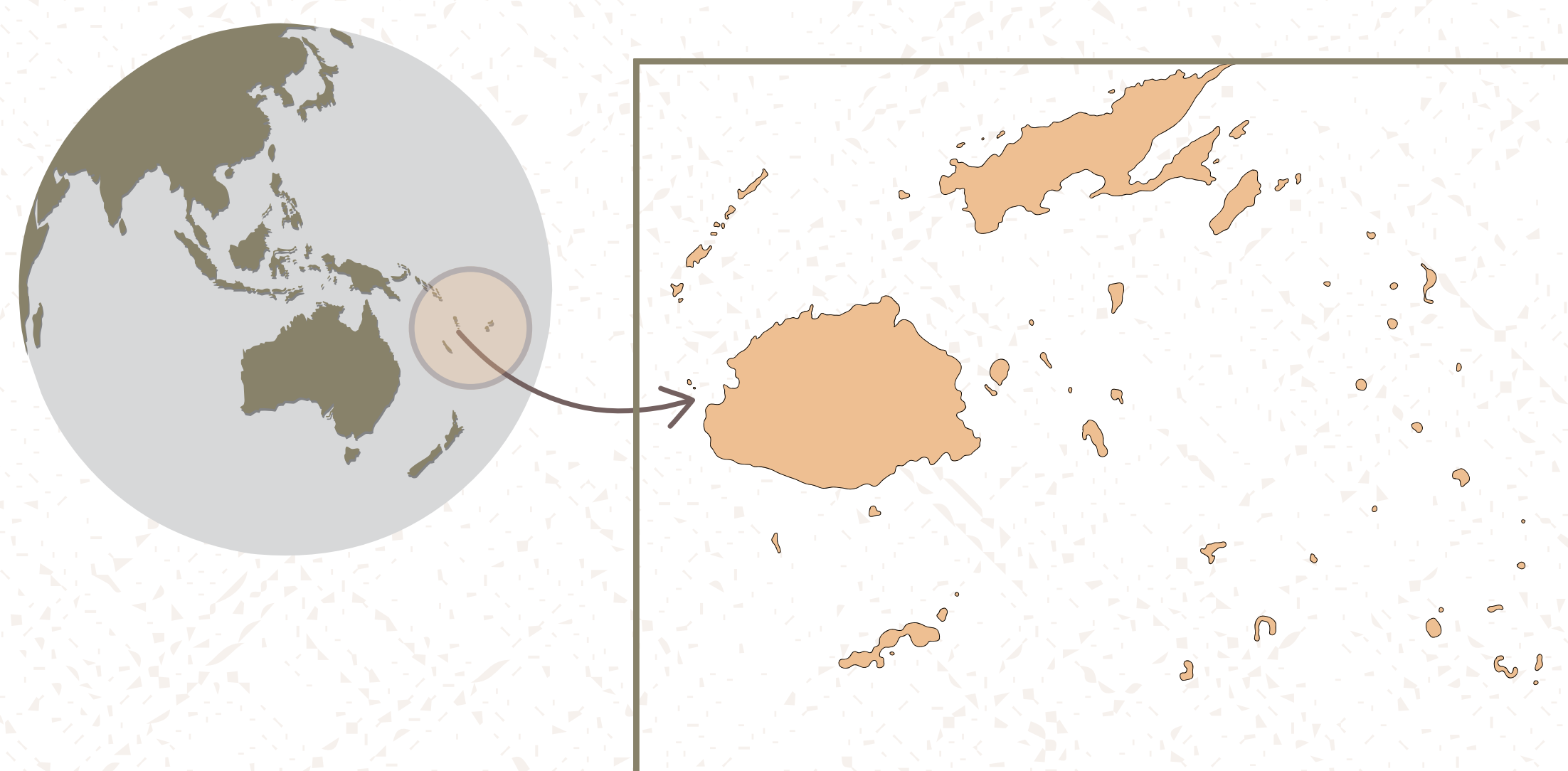
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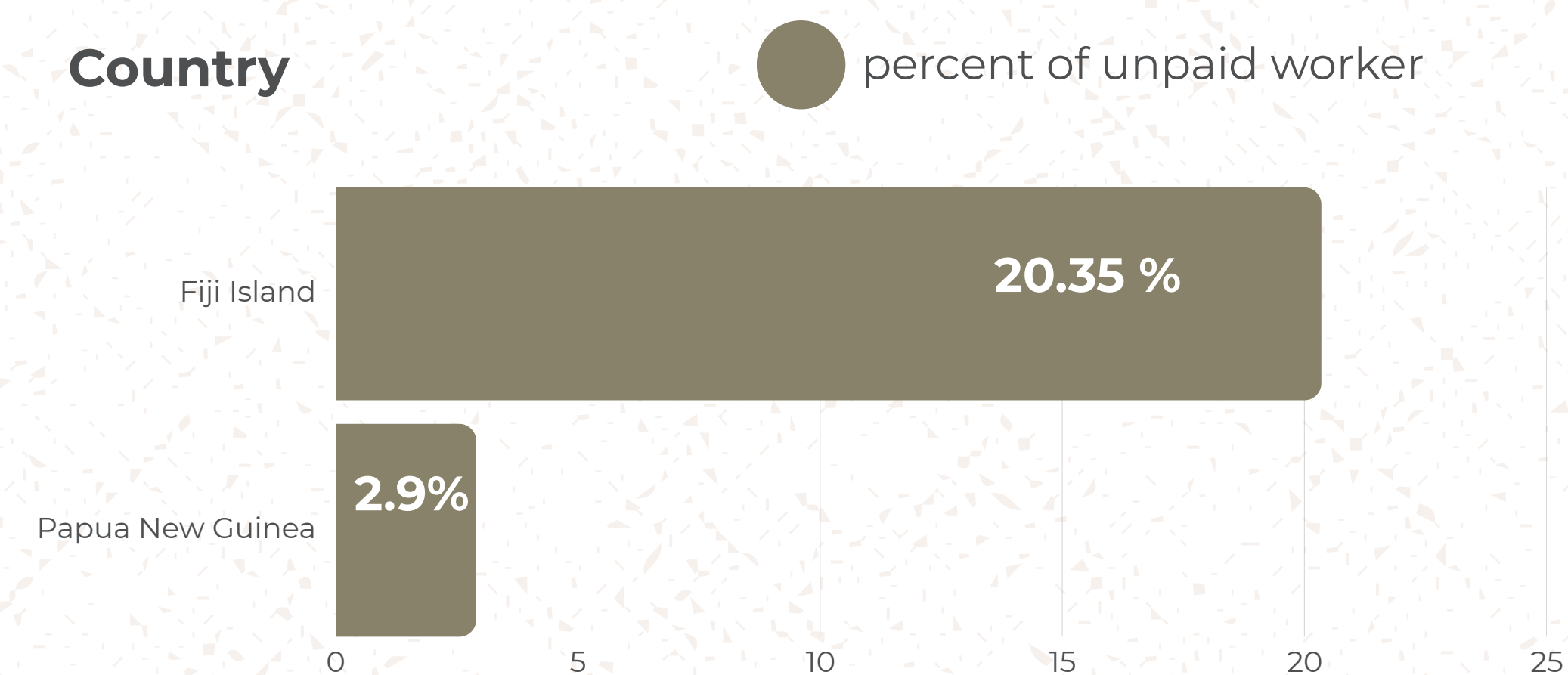
A country in pacific called Fiji Island



Why Fiji Island?

A women's day in Fiji longer than a factory shift.

Unpaid work on Pacific Countries

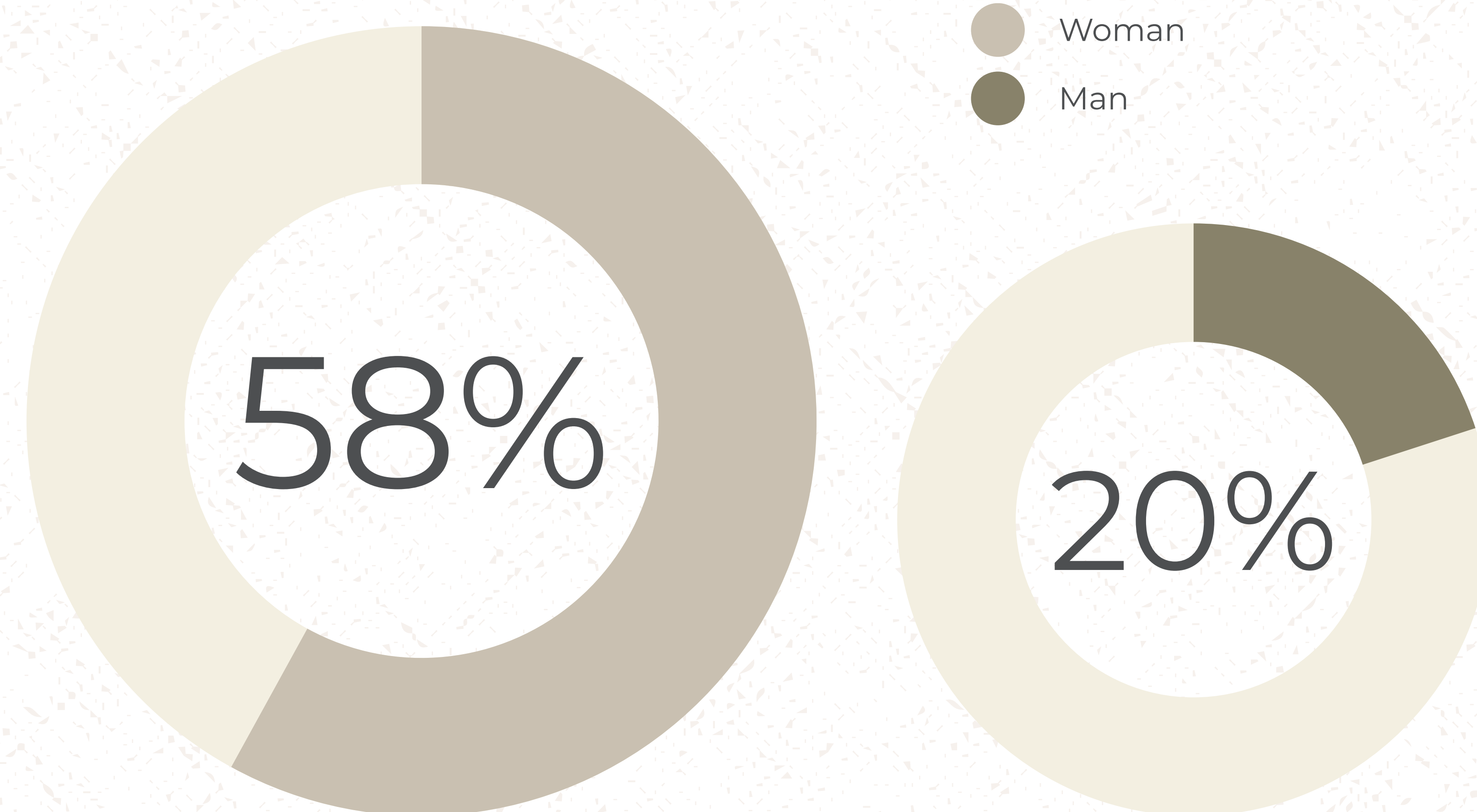


Among Pacific Island countries, **Fiji** stands out, not because unpaid care is a new issue, but because it is one of only two countries that have measured it.

Unpaid Work of Women in Fiji

This data visualization shows the gender gap in unpaid care work among Fijians.

Time Spent per Day on Unpaid Care Work



Fijian women spend **14.1 hours** a day, **58%** of their daily time on unpaid care work. In contrast, men spend only **4.9 hours**, making up just **20%** of their day. This reveals how much more invisible labor women shoulder each day

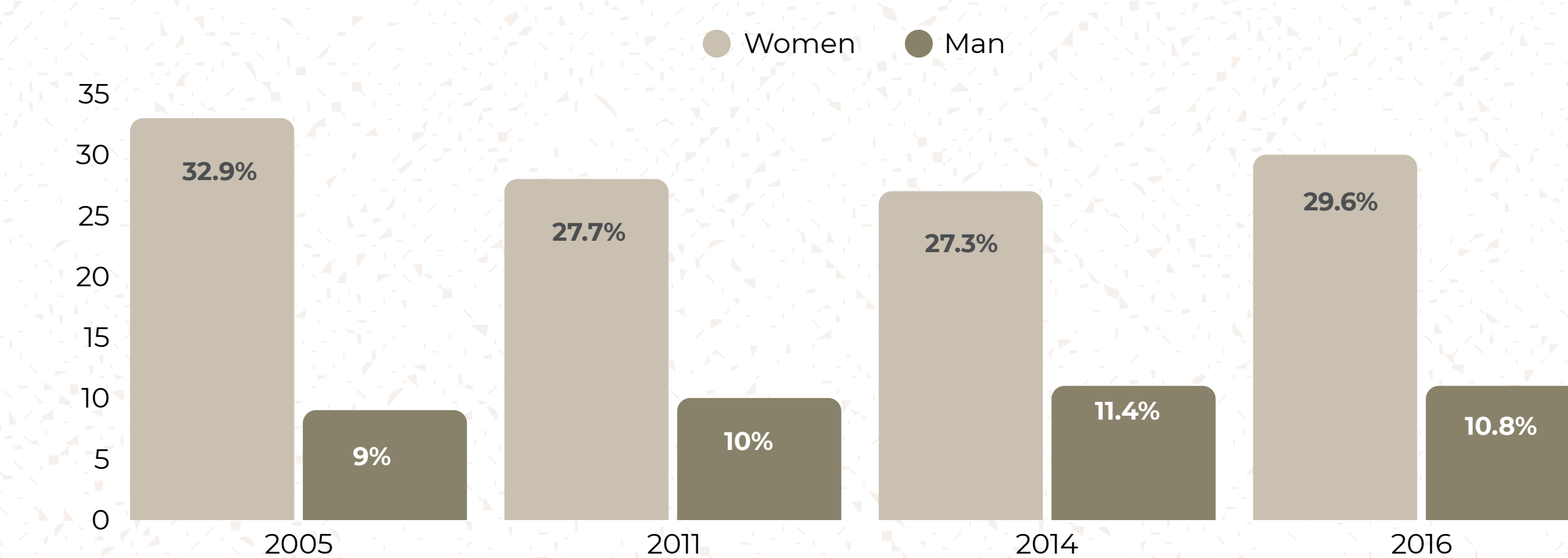
They account for a sizeable share of employment in the informal sector. They perform the bulk of unpaid care and domestic work within families and households.
-Fijitimes.com-

There is a stark gender imbalance in unpaid care work in Fiji. This significant gap highlights the invisible burden carried by women, often **without recognition, compensation, or protection.**

NEET: Where Young Women Disappear from the Numbers

In Fiji, many young women are not in school, not in paid jobs, not in training.

NEET Rates by Gender in Fiji



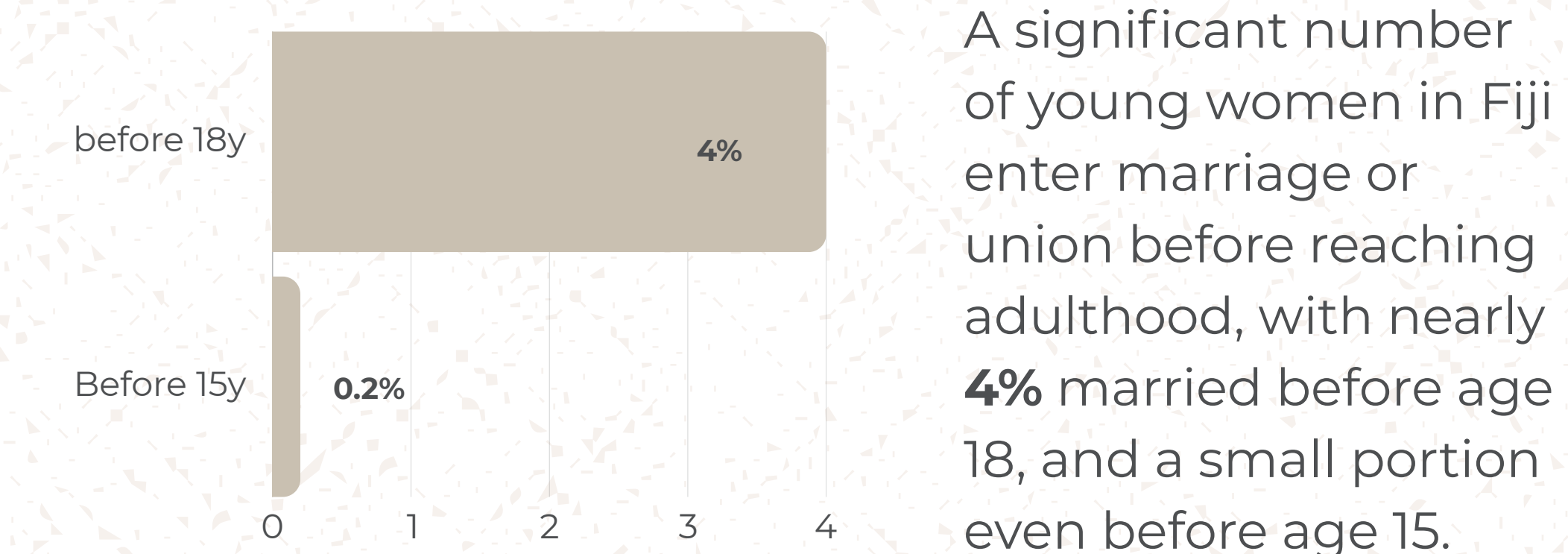
The NEET rate for young women in Fiji consistently stayed above **27%**, nearly triple that of young men

This gap reveals a **systemic exclusion** of young women from **education, employment, and training opportunities.**

What Happened in Fiji?

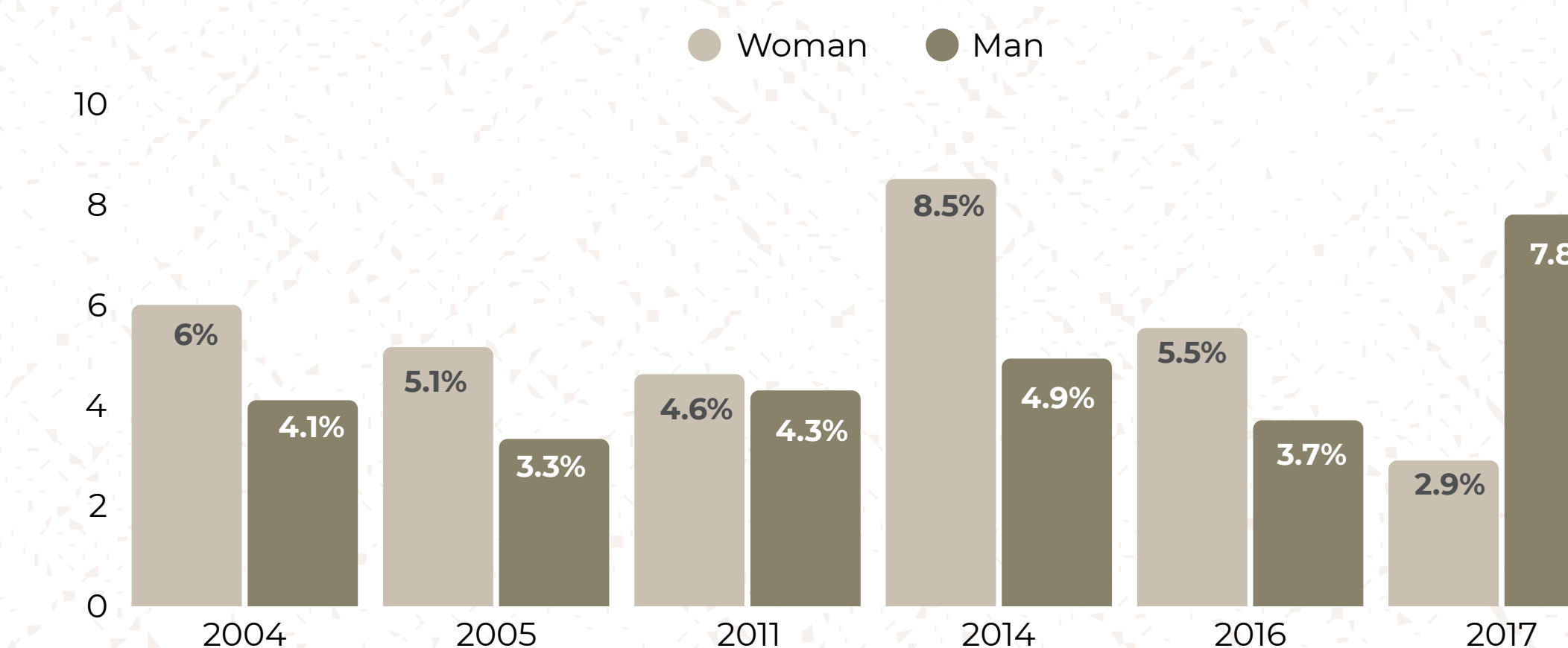
A Fijian woman's day is longer than a factory shift.

Proportion of women aged 20-24 years who were married or in a union before age 15 and 18 (%)



A significant number of young women in Fiji enter marriage or union before reaching adulthood, with nearly **4%** married before age 18, and a small portion even before age 15.

Unemployment Rates by Gender in Fiji



Women consistently faced **higher unemployment rates than men**, peaking at around **8.3%** in 2014.

Findings

- Women do unpaid care work 3x longer than men, and it's unpaid.
- It disrupts education and reduces young women's opportunities for formal employment.
- Unrecognized as workers, women doing unpaid care get nothing in return—no pension, no support, no safety net.

What Can Be Done

1. **Count it.** If it's not measured, it doesn't matter.
2. **Recognize it.** Policy must reflect reality.
3. **Secure it.** Guarantee protections like pensions & benefits.