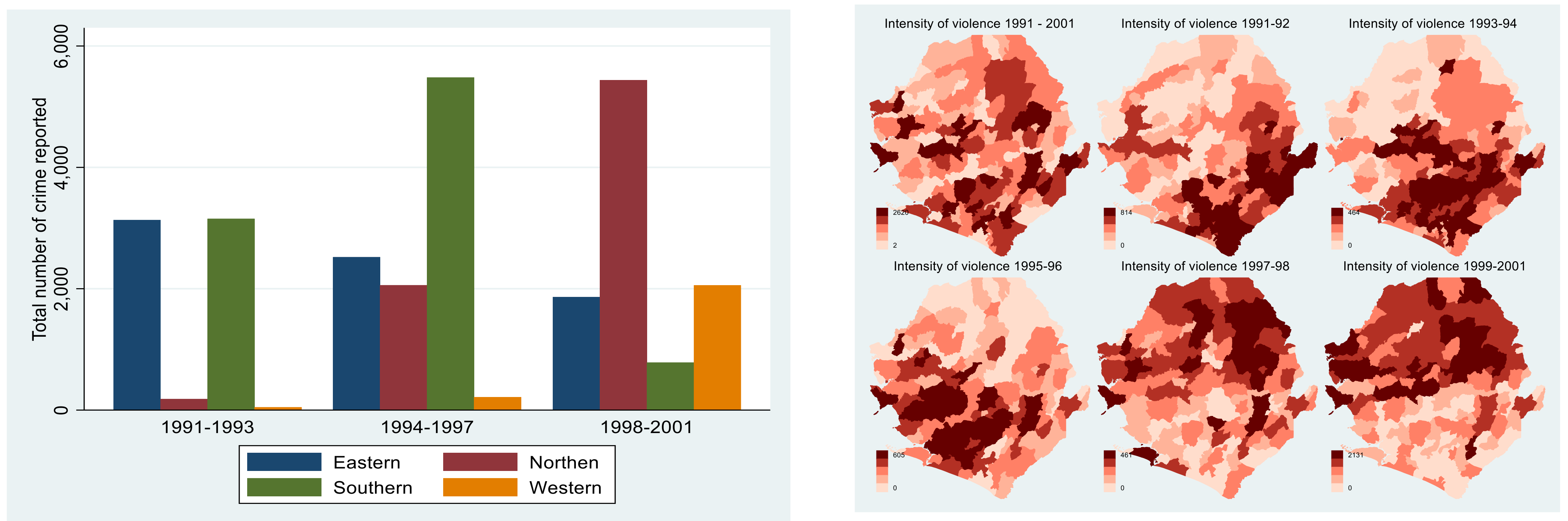


Not Exposed But Affected: Intergenerational Impact of Civil Conflict on Child Labor Outcomes in Sierra Leone

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Figure 1: Variation of conflict intensity across regions, chiefdoms and key periods of time



Source: Authors' own calculations, using TRC data (2004)

| Sociodemographic characteristics: % | Boys/Men | Girls/Women |
|---|----------|-------------|
| Children aged below 15: No education | 52.25 | 47.75 |
| Primary education | 49.37 | 50.63 |
| Labor market participation (LMP) | 55.50 | 44.50 |
| Paid apprentice | 75.81 | 24.19 |
| Parents: No educated | 47.5 | 52.5 |

Treatment group: children aged below 15, whose parents were living in Sierra Leone **most affected chiefdoms from 1991 to 2001**

Control group: same: children whose parents were living in Sierra Leone **less affected chiefdoms from 1991 to 2001**

Table 1: Impacts of parents' exposure to conflict during the childhood on their children labor market outcomes

| VARIABLES | (1) | (2) | (3) | (1) | (2) | (3) |
|--|----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|---------------------|
| Parents exposure to the conflict during primary school age, [6-11] years | 0.0003 * (0.0002) | -5.381*** (0.281) | 0.017*** (0.0007) | -0.0005 (0.0005) | -5.344*** (0.575) | 0.005*** (0.001) |
| Socio demographic and household characteristic controls | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Pre-war characteristics controls | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Migration controls | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Chiefdoms FE | No | No | No | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Time FE | No | No | No | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| R squared | 0.013 | 0.029 | 0.170 | / | / | / |
| Intercept | 0.995*** (0.003) | 31.674*** (3.583) | 0.314*** (0.026) | 1.007*** (0.0115) | 49.516 (134.084) | 0.475** (0.227) |
| Observations | 1,231 | 1,225 | 4,071 | 1,225 | 1,219 | 4,071 |

Source: Authors' own calculations, using SLIHS (2018, 2011), TRC (2004); (1) LMP, (2) Hours worked, (3) Number of children aged [5; 15] years who work, Robust standard errors in parentheses; ***p<0.01, **p<0.05, *p<0.1

- ✓ **Results:** Conflict positively linked to child **LMP** & the **number of children who work** within the household (found by Di Maio & Nandi, 2013 in West Bank; Kofol & Ciarli, 2017 in Afghanistan).
- ✓ **Hypothesis not rejected => Added worker effect.**

Policy implications:

Expand mandatory free education to JSS (Indonesia and South Africa) to increase the children entry age on the labor market.

Further studies: assess long-term impacts of the conflict on labor market outcomes of adults