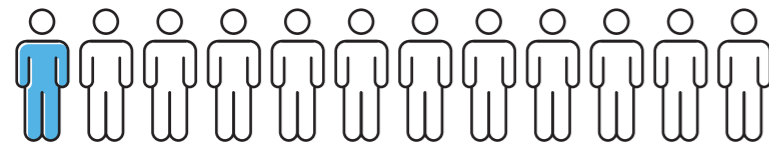


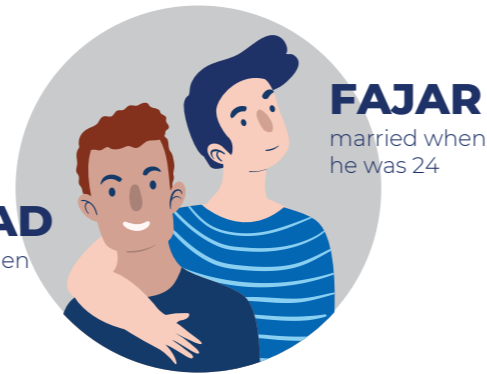
THE CONSEQUENCES OF CHILD MARRIAGE

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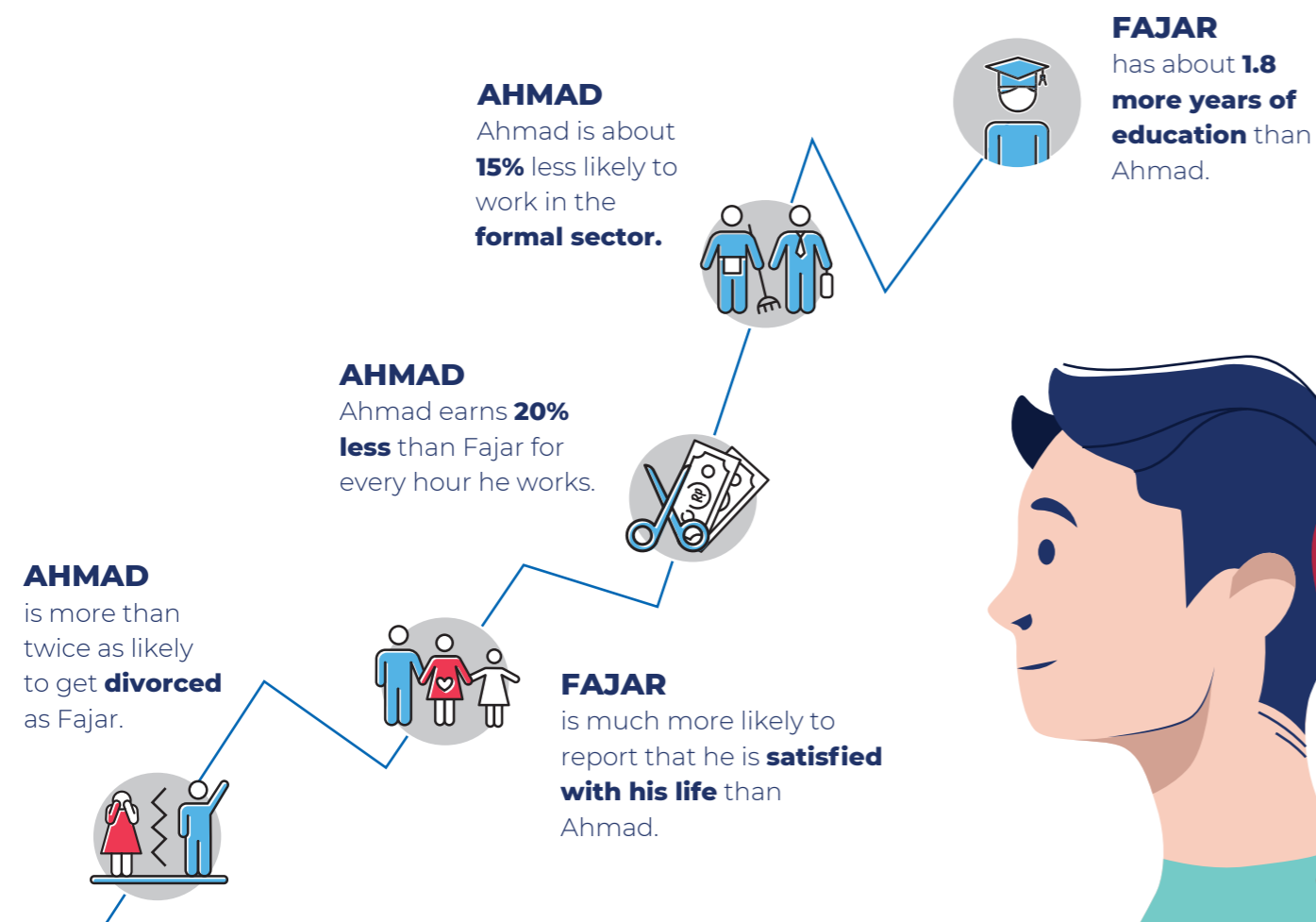


1 IN 12
INDONESIAN MEN
MARRIED BEFORE 19

AHMAD
married when
he was 17



FAJAR
married when
he was 24



Indonesian women who are married before the age of 19 can expect a **lower quality of life** for themselves and for their children, compared with women who wait a few years. Putri and Dewi are friends. Putri marries early and Dewi waits a bit longer. Otherwise, up to that point they have had a very similar life.



3 IN 10
INDONESIAN WOMEN
MARRIED BEFORE 19

DEWI
married when
she was 24



PUTRI
married when
she was 17

DEWI
Dewi has about **1.6 more years of education** than Putri.



DEWI
is much more likely to have a **marriage certificate** than Dewi.

PUTRI
Putri is less likely to work and, if she does, she is about **35% less likely** to work in the **formal sector**.

PUTRI
Putri earns about **25% less** than Dewi for every hour she works.

PUTRI
is 60% more likely to get **divorced** than Dewi.

DEWI
is about **3.5 years older** when she has her **first child**. She is more likely to have a **doctor or nurse** present when the baby is born, and more likely to get a **birth certificate**.

Dewi is more likely to report that she is **satisfied with her life**.

PUTRI
has **more children**, but those children are **worse off**.

They are about **20% more likely to die** in their first 12 months of life and about **15% more likely to be stunted**.

*8.4% of Indonesian men and 29% of Indonesian women over the age of 19 reported that they were married before they turned 19. Results based on Indonesia Family Life Survey (IFLS5): Waves 1-5 and East. For more information see Cameron, Contreras Suarez and Wiecekiewicz, *Consequences of child marriage in Indonesia*, 2020 MAMPU - Melbourne Institute: Applied Economic & Social Research, University of Melbourne