OVERVIEW OF INCOMING SIGNALS

The following information is based on incoming communication with the National Human Trafficking Hotline from January 1, 2016 – December 31, 2016 about human trafficking cases and issues related to human trafficking in Texas. Communication can take the form of phone calls, online tip reports, or emails. Communication regarding topics unrelated to human trafficking are not included in this report. In 2016, the National Human Trafficking Hotline received a total of **34,068** phone calls, emails, or online tip reports nationwide.







SUBSTANTIVE CALL DATA

158 Online Tip Reports

The following statistics are based solely on substantive calls about human trafficking and issues related to human trafficking made to the National Human Trafficking Hotline between January 1, 2016 and December 31, 2016 from callers in Texas at the time of their call. Substantive calls exclude hang-ups, missed calls, wrong numbers, and calls in which the caller's reason for calling is unknown.

Number of Substantive Calls Received from Texas: 2,191

This constitutes the 2nd highest call volume of all 50 states and Washington, D.C. in 2016.

CALLER TYPE	# OF CALLS	% OF CALLS
Community Member	550	25.1%
Victim of Trafficking	465	21.2%
NGO Representative	198	9.0%
Family of Trafficking Victim	179	8.2%
Victim of Labor Exploitation	145	6.6%
Other	124	5.7%
Government Official	88	4.0%
Victim of Other Crime	81	3.7%
Friend of Trafficking Victim	71	3.2%
Law Enforcement	56	2.6%
Medical Professional	44	2.0%
Legal Professional	38	1.7%
Student	25	1.1%
Not Specified	21	1.0%
Educator/School Personnel	19	0.9%
Trucker	15	0.7%
Faith-Based Representative	14	0.6%
Mental Health Professional	14	0.6%
Business	11	0.5%
Buyer of Commercial Sex	10	0.5%
Press/Media	6	0.3%

Visa Holder Acquaintance of Trafficker	4	0.2%
Caller Types Referenced Fewer than Three Times ¹	6	0.3%
TOTAL # OF SUBSTANTIVE CALLS	2,191	100.0%

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How Caller Found the National Hotline	# OF CALLS	% OF CALLS
Referral	57	2.6%
Internet-Web Search	36	1.6%
Word of Mouth	34	1.6%
DOS Know Your Rights Pamphlet	24	1.1%
Other	23	1.0%
Television	16	0.7%
Conference/Training/Presentation	14	0.6%
Contact Involved in Case	10	0.5%
HHS Letter to T Visa Holders	10	0.5%
Pamphlet/Brochure/Leaflet	8	0.4%
Awareness Campaign	5	0.2%
Polaris	5	0.2%
Backpage.com	4	0.2%
Poster	4	0.2%
211/311	3	0.1%
Other Media	3	0.1%
Billboard	2	0.1%
DHS Blue Campaign	1	0.0%
FBI Website	1	0.0%
Radio	1	0.0%
Rescue and Restore Campaign	1	0.0%
Unknown	1,929	88.0%
TOTAL # OF CALLS	2,191	100.0%

HUMAN TRAFFICKING CASE DATA

Each request submitted to the hotline is evaluated for evidence of potential human trafficking. **In Texas, a total of 670 unique cases (incidents) of potential human trafficking were reported to the hotline.**

PRIMARY REASON FOR CONTACTING THE NATIONAL HOTLINE	# OF CASES	% OF CASES
Report a Trafficking Tip	490	73.1%
Access Service Referrals	115	17.2%

Request Crisis Assistance	63	9.4%
Request General Information ²	2	0.3%
TOTAL # OF CASES	670	100.0%

²Requests for general information are situations in which an individual who is aware of a specific situation of potential trafficking may contact the National Human Trafficking Hotline for general information about human trafficking or to learn more about services available to trafficking victims. Requests for T&TA (Training and Technical Assistance) are situations in which service providers or law enforcement working with a victim of trafficking contact the National Hotline for technical assistance.

VENUE/INDUSTRY OF POTENTIAL TRAFFICKING	# OF CASES	% OF CASES
Sex	473	70.6%
Venue Not Specified	171	25.5%
Commercial Front Brothel	71	10.6%
Hotel/Motel-Based	50	7.5%
Residential Brothel	39	5.8%
Online Ad, Venue Unknown ³	37	5.5%
Escort/Delivery Service	25	3.7%
Street-Based	18	2.7%
Truck Stop-Based	14	2.1%
Bar/Club-Based	11	1.6%
Hostess/Strip Club	10	1.5%
Pornography	8	1.2%
Personal Sexual Servitude	8	1.2%
Internet Chat	6	0.9%
Other Venue	5	0.7%
Labor	121	18.1%
Domestic Work	27	4.0%
Illicit Activity	11	1.6%
Landscaping Service	11	1.6%
Construction	10	1.5%
Industry Not Specified	10	1.5%
Traveling Sales Crew	9	1.3%
Restaurant/Food Service	6	0.9%
Agriculture/Farms	6	0.9%
Retail/Other Small Business	6	0.9%
Health & Beauty Services	5	0.7%
Factory	4	0.6%
Industries Referenced in Fewer than Three Cases ⁴	16	2.4%
Sex and Labor	31	4.6%
Trafficking Type Not Specified ⁵	45	6.7%

TOTAL # OF POTENTIAL TRAFFICKING CASES	670 100.
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³Online Ad, Venue Unknown cases typically involve reports of sex trafficking in which an individual is advertised for commercial sex online but the venue of the sex act is unknown or not specified.

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⁵Cases where trafficking type is not specified typically occur when a law enforcement agent or service provider contacts the National Hotline for resources and referrals but does not disclose details about the trafficking situation due to confidentiality. This category also includes cases in which the person reporting the information references human trafficking but does not provide further detail regarding the presence of labor or commercial sex. These cases are often submitted to the National Hotline through anonymous online tip reports.

VICTIM DEMOGRAPHICS ⁶ (LABOR TRAFFICKING CASES)	# OF <u>CASES</u>	% of <u>Cases</u>
Adults	124	18.5%
Minors	40	6.0%
Females	95	14.2%
Males	72	10.7%
Transgender Females	Fewer than Three ⁷	N/A
Transgender Males	Fewer than Three ⁷	N/A
Gender Non-Conforming Individuals	Fewer than Three ⁷	N/A
US Citizens/Legal Permanent Residents	21	3.1%
Foreign Nationals ⁸	98	14.6%
		NON-CUMULATIVE ⁶

⁶These statistics are non-cumulative. Cases may involve multiple victims and include female, male, transgender and gender non-conforming individuals, foreign nationals and U.S. citizens, adults and minors. In some cases, demographic information is not reported. This table shows the number of cases referencing each demographic and not the number of individual victims. ⁷To protect the identity of the people we serve, the National Human Trafficking Hotline does not disclose exact statistics related to venues, industries, victim information or caller information referenced fewer than three times.

⁸A Foreign National in this data set is defined as any individual who is not currently a US Citizen or Legal Permanent Resident.

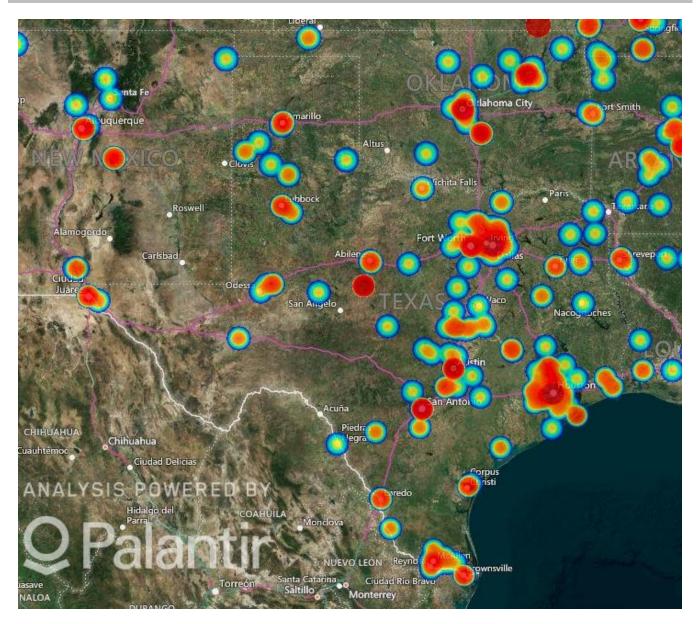
VICTIM DEMOGRAPHICS ⁹ (SEX TRAFFICKING CASES)	# OF <u>CASES</u>	% of <u>Cases</u>
Adults	316	47.2%
Minors	187	27.9%
Females	447	66.7%
Males	29	4.3%
Transgender Females	8	1.2%
Transgender Males	Fewer than Three ¹⁰	N/A
Gender Non-Conforming Individuals	Fewer than Three ¹⁰	N/A
US Citizens/Legal Permanent Residents	159	23.7%
Foreign Nationals ¹¹	82	12.2%
		NON-CUMULATIVE ⁸

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LOCATION OF POTENTIAL TRAFFICKING CASES (WHERE KNOWN)¹²

¹²The image above is a heat map which reflects the cases reported to the National Human Trafficking Hotline. Areas in which greater numbers of cases were reported contain more red shading. This map only reflects cases in which the location of the potential trafficking was known. Some cases may involve more than one location.

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