

**NATIONAL HUMAN TRAFFICKING RESOURCE CENTER (NHTRC) DATA BREAKDOWN**

**United States Report  
1/1/2015 – 12/31/2015**

**OVERVIEW OF INCOMING SIGNALS**

The following information is based on incoming signals made to the NHTRC from January 1, 2015 – December 31, 2015 about human trafficking cases and issues related to human trafficking in the United States and U.S. territories. **Signals** refer to incoming communications with the NHTRC and can take the form of **phone calls, online tip reports, or emails**. Signals regarding topics unrelated to human trafficking are not included in this report. In 2015, the NHTRC received a total of **24,757** signals nationwide.



**SUBSTANTIVE CALL DATA**

The following statistics are based solely on substantive calls about human trafficking and issues related to human trafficking made to the NHTRC between January 1, 2015 and December 31, 2015. Substantive calls exclude hang-ups, missed calls, wrong numbers, and calls in which the caller’s reason for calling is unknown.

CALLER TYPE	# OF CALLS	% OF CALLS
Community Member	5,833	26.6%
Victim of Trafficking	3,506	16.0%
NGO Representative	2,293	10.4%
Other	1,546	7.0%
Family of Trafficking Victim	1,383	6.3%
Victim of Labor Exploitation	1,305	5.9%
Victim of Other Crime	1,303	5.9%
Law Enforcement	663	3.0%
Government Official	645	2.9%
Student	555	2.5%
Friend of Trafficking Victim	462	2.1%
Medical Professional	415	1.9%
Not Specified	392	1.8%
Legal Professional	294	1.3%
Faith-Based Representative	232	1.1%
Trucker	208	0.9%
Educator/School Personnel	182	0.8%

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Mental Health Professional	169	0.8%
Business	138	0.6%
Press/Media	113	0.5%
Acquaintance of Trafficker	98	0.4%
Buyer of Commercial Sex	82	0.4%
Contact from the NHTRC Database	43	0.2%
Visa Holder	29	0.1%
Airline/Airport Personnel	23	0.1%
Military Personnel	15	0.1%
Truck Stop Employee	9	0.04%
211/311 Operator	4	0.02%
Foreign Government Official	3	0.01%
Potential Trafficker	3	0.01%
Caller Types Referenced Fewer than Three Times*	1	0.005%
<b>TOTAL # OF SUBSTANTIVE CALLS</b>	<b>21,947</b>	<b>100.0%</b>

*\*To protect the identity of the people we serve, the NHTRC does not disclose exact statistics related to venues, industries, victim information, or caller information referenced fewer than three times.*

HOW DID CALLER FIND NHTRC (WHERE KNOWN)	# OF CALLS	% OF CALLS
Internet-Web Search	878	23.8%
Referral	755	20.4%
Word of Mouth	461	12.5%
Department of State Know Your Rights Pamphlet	286	7.7%
Television	271	7.3%
Other	169	4.6%
Conference/Training/Presentation	165	4.5%
Polaris	122	3.3%
Pamphlet/Brochure/Leaflet	115	3.1%
Poster	98	2.7%
Awareness Campaign	70	1.9%
Other Media	55	1.5%
Newspaper-Magazine	51	1.4%
Billboard	45	1.2%
Rescue and Restore Campaign	39	1.1%
Radio	36	1.0%
DHS Blue Campaign	21	0.6%
211/311	18	0.5%
Film	15	0.4%
Backpage.com	12	0.3%
DOJ Trafficking Hotline	3	0.1%

Newsletter	3	0.1%
Directory/Phonebook	2	0.1%
UNICEF	2	0.1%
FBI Website	1	0.0%
<b>TOTAL # OF CALLS WHERE HOW CALLER FOUND NHTRC IS KNOWN</b>	<b>3,693</b>	<b>100.0%</b>

<b>CALLS BY CALLER'S LOCATION (STATE)</b>	<b># OF CALLS</b>	<b>% OF CALLS</b>
California	3,609	18.3%
Texas	1,731	8.8%
Florida	1,518	7.7%
Ohio	1,066	5.4%
New York	924	4.7%
Michigan	717	3.6%
Georgia	641	3.3%
Virginia	624	3.2%
Illinois	555	2.8%
New Jersey	543	2.8%
Pennsylvania	514	2.6%
North Carolina	463	2.4%
Maryland	454	2.3%
Washington	410	2.1%
Missouri	365	1.9%
Arizona	355	1.8%
Colorado	310	1.6%
District of Columbia	298	1.5%
Nevada	277	1.4%
Louisiana	276	1.4%
Tennessee	262	1.3%
Massachusetts	258	1.3%
Kentucky	257	1.3%
Oregon	252	1.3%
Indiana	243	1.2%
South Carolina	233	1.2%
Wisconsin	227	1.2%
Minnesota	224	1.1%
Alabama	186	0.9%
International Location	164	0.8%
Iowa	146	0.7%
Oklahoma	146	0.7%
Kansas	126	0.6%

Connecticut	120	0.6%
Arkansas	109	0.6%
Mississippi	107	0.5%
Utah	101	0.5%
Nebraska	101	0.5%
New Mexico	90	0.5%
Hawaii	68	0.3%
Montana	66	0.3%
South Dakota	64	0.3%
Maine	59	0.3%
Idaho	58	0.3%
West Virginia	48	0.2%
North Dakota	48	0.2%
U.S. Territories	47	0.2%
New Hampshire	47	0.2%
Rhode Island	40	0.2%
Alaska	37	0.2%
Wyoming	32	0.2%
Delaware	28	0.1%
Vermont	28	0.1%
<b>TOTAL # OF CALLS WHERE CALLER'S LOCATION IS KNOWN</b>	<b>19,672</b>	<b>100.0%</b>

## HUMAN TRAFFICKING CASE DATA

Each request submitted to the hotline is evaluated for evidence of potential human trafficking. **In the United States, a total of 5,544 unique cases (incidents) of potential human trafficking were reported to the hotline in 2015.**

PRIMARY REASON FOR CONTACTING THE NHTRC	# OF CASES	% OF CASES
Report a Trafficking Tip	3,291	59.4%
Access Service Referrals	1,750	31.6%
Request Crisis Assistance	368	6.6%
Request General Information*	88	1.6%
Request T&TA*	47	0.8%
<b>TOTAL # OF CASES</b>	<b>5,544</b>	<b>100.0%</b>

*\*In some instances, an individual who is aware of a specific situation of potential trafficking may contact the NHTRC for general information about human trafficking or to learn more about services available to trafficking victims. In other instances, service providers or law enforcement working with a victim of trafficking may contact the NHTRC for technical assistance.*

VENUE/INDUSTRY OF POTENTIAL TRAFFICKING	# OF CASES	% OF CASES
<b>Sex</b>	<b>4,136</b>	<b>74.6%</b>
Commercial Front Brothel	426	7.7%
Hotel/Motel-Based	413	7.4%
Online Ad, Venue Not Specified*	353	6.4%
Residential Brothel	233	4.2%
Street-Based	204	3.7%
Escort/Delivery Service	153	2.8%
Other Venue	142	2.6%
Pornography	128	2.3%
Truck Stop-Based	85	1.5%
Hostess/Strip Club	43	0.8%
Bar/Club-Based	35	0.6%
Legal Brothel	3	0.1%
Sex Tourism	3	0.1%
Venue Not Specified	1,915	34.5%
<b>Labor</b>	<b>721</b>	<b>13.0%</b>
Domestic Work	131	2.4%
Agriculture/Farms	75	1.4%
Traveling Sales Crew	68	1.2%
Restaurant/Food Service	54	1.0%
Health & Beauty Services	35	0.6%
Hospitality	27	0.5%
Begging Ring	20	0.4%
Retail/Other Small Business	19	0.3%
Peddling Ring	19	0.3%
Illicit Activity	19	0.3%
Arts & Entertainment	16	0.3%
Other Industry	15	0.3%
Construction	14	0.3%
Landscaping Service	13	0.2%
Hostess/Strip Club	12	0.2%
Housekeeping/Cleaning Service	11	0.2%
Factory	9	0.2%
Traveling Carnival	7	0.1%
Forestry/Reforestation	7	0.1%
Education	7	0.1%
Professional/Scientific/Tech Services	7	0.1%
Transportation	6	0.1%

Health Care	6	0.1%
Industries Referenced in Fewer than Three Cases**	6	0.1%
Industry Not Specified	118	2.1%
<b>Sex &amp; Labor</b>	<b>178</b>	<b>3.2%</b>
<b>Trafficking Type Not Specified***</b>	<b>509</b>	<b>9.2%</b>
<b>TOTAL # OF POTENTIAL TRAFFICKING CASES</b>	<b>5,544</b>	<b>100.0%</b>

\*These 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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\*\*\*This typically occurs when a law enforcement agent or service provider contacts the NHTRC 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 NHTRC through anonymous online tip reports.

VICTIM DEMOGRAPHICS* (LABOR TRAFFICKING CASES)	# OF CASES	% OF CASES
Adults	581	80.6%
Minors	114	15.8%
Females	411	57.0%
Males	333	46.2%
Transgender Females	3	0.4%
Transgender Males	3	0.4%
Gender Non-Conforming Individuals	Fewer than Three**	N/A
US Citizens/Legal Permanent Residents	107	14.8%
Foreign Nationals	453	62.8%
<b>NON-CUMULATIVE*</b>		

\*These 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.

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VICTIM DEMOGRAPHICS* (SEX TRAFFICKING CASES)	# OF CASES	% OF CASES
Adults	2,594	62.7%
Minors	1,379	33.3%
Females	3,780	91.4%
Males	168	4.1%
Transgender Females	32	0.8%
Transgender Males	0	0.0%
Gender Non-Conforming Individuals	4	0.1%
US Citizens/Legal Permanent Residents	1,435	34.7%
Foreign Nationals	399	9.6%
<b>NON-CUMULATIVE*</b>		

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POTENTIAL VICTIM(S) COUNTRY OR COUNTRIES OF ORIGIN	# OF CASES	% OF CASES
United States	1,660	29.9%
Mexico	109	2.0%
China	75	1.4%
Multiple Nationalities Referenced**	67	1.2%
Philippines	59	1.1%
Nationalities Referenced in Fewer than Three Cases***	47	0.8%
Guatemala	30	0.5%
Honduras	28	0.5%
South Korea	24	0.4%
El Salvador	20	0.4%
India	19	0.3%
Vietnam	17	0.3%
Russia	15	0.3%
Thailand	15	0.3%
Nigeria	10	0.2%
Other	9	0.2%
Kenya	8	0.1%
Jamaica	8	0.1%
Colombia	7	0.1%
Peru	6	0.1%
South Africa	6	0.1%
Brazil	5	0.1%
Japan	5	0.1%
Ethiopia	5	0.1%
Cuba	5	0.1%
Ukraine	4	0.1%
Venezuela	4	0.1%
United Kingdom	4	0.1%
Romania	4	0.1%
Ghana	4	0.1%
Israel	4	0.1%
Belize	3	0.1%
Rwanda	3	0.1%
Turkey	3	0.1%

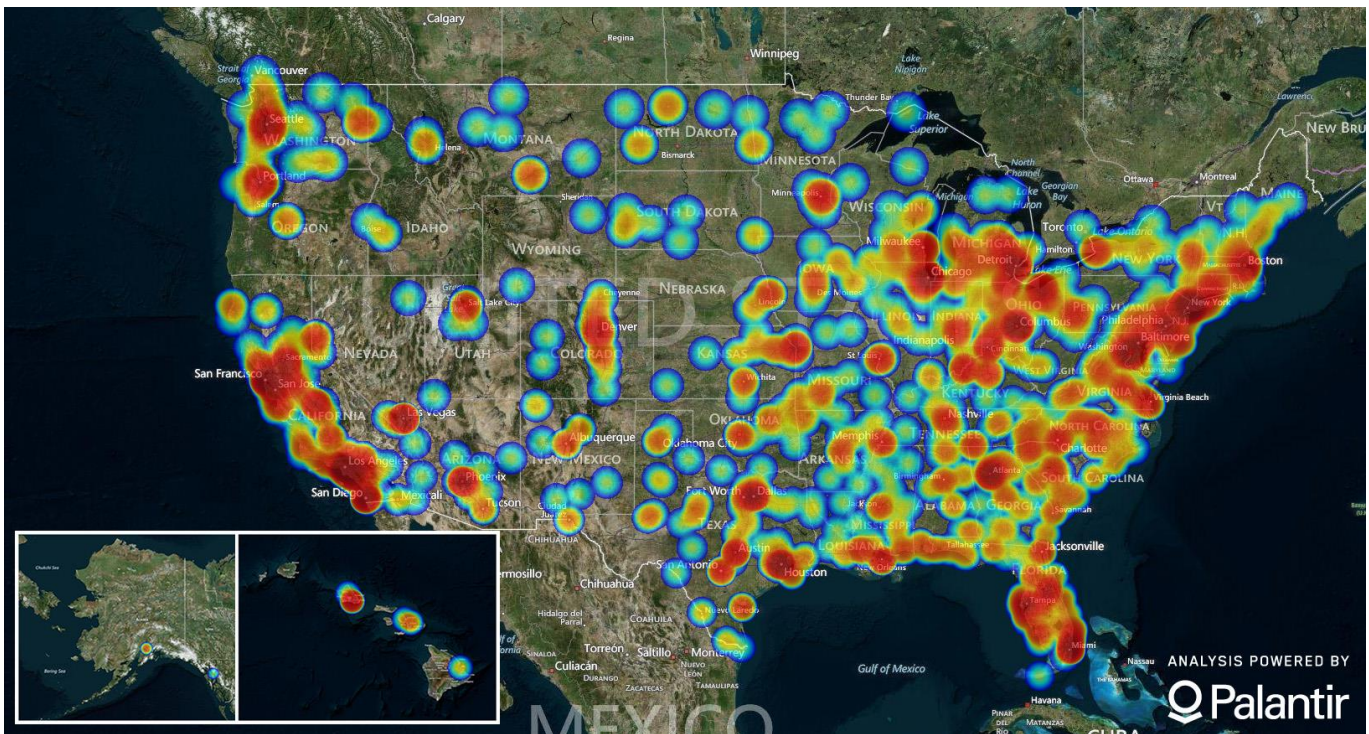
Tanzania	3	0.1%
Singapore	3	0.1%
Liberia	3	0.1%
Haiti	3	0.1%
Spain	3	0.1%
Unknown / Not Specified *	3,237	58.4%
<b>GRAND TOTAL</b>	<b>5,544</b>	<b>100.0%</b>

\*In some cases, demographic information is not reported to the NHTRC.

\*\* Cases may involve victims of multiple nationalities.

\*\*\* To protect the identity of the potential victims involved, the NHTRC does not disclose specific nationalities referenced in fewer than three cases.

**LOCATION OF POTENTIAL TRAFFICKING CASES (WHERE KNOWN)\***



\*These maps only reflect cases in which the location of the potential trafficking was known. Some cases may involve more than one location and are not reflected in this map.

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**Important Note:** The data displayed in this report was generated based on information communicated to the National Human Trafficking Resource Center hotline via phone, email, and online tip report. The NHTRC cannot verify the accuracy of the information reported. This is not a comprehensive report on the scale or scope of human trafficking within the state. These statistics may be subject to change as new information emerges.