

NATIONAL HUMAN TRAFFICKING HOTLINE DATA REPORT

District of Columbia State Report: 1/1/2016 – 12/31/2016

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 the District of Columbia. 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

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 the District of Columbia 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 the District of Columbia: 349

This constitutes the 18th highest call volume of all 50 states and Washington, D.C. in 2016.

CALLER TYPE	# OF CALLS	% OF CALLS
Community Member	95	27.2%
NGO Representative	71	20.3%
Victim of Trafficking	56	16.0%
Government Official	27	7.7%
Law Enforcement	16	4.6%
Medical Professional	13	3.7%
Legal Professional	12	3.4%
Other	11	3.2%
Victim of Labor Exploitation	10	2.9%
Student	7	2.0%
Educator/School Personnel	6	1.7%
Friend of Trafficking Victim	5	1.4%
Mental Health Professional	5	1.4%
Victim of Other Crime	4	1.1%
Airline/Airport Personnel	3	0.9%
Not Specified	3	0.9%
Caller Types Referenced Fewer than Three Times ¹	5	1.4%
TOTAL # OF SUBSTANTIVE CALLS	349	100.0%

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HOW CALLER FOUND THE NATIONAL HOTLINE	# OF CALLS	% of Calls
Word of Mouth	11	3.2%
DOS Know Your Rights Pamphlet	7	2.0%
Referral	5	1.4%
Awareness Campaign	4	1.1%
Internet-Web Search	4	1.1%
Polaris	4	1.1%
DHS Blue Campaign	2	0.6%
Other	2	0.6%
Contact Involved in Case	1	0.3%
Pamphlet/Brochure/Leaflet	1	0.3%
Unknown	308	88.3%
TOTAL # OF CALLS	349	100.0%

HUMAN TRAFFICKING CASE DATA

Each request submitted to the hotline is evaluated for evidence of potential human trafficking. In the District of Columbia, a total of 85 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	52	61.2%
Access Service Referrals	25	29.4%
Request Crisis Assistance	7	8.2%
Request General Information ²	1	1.2%
TOTAL # OF CASES	85	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	55	64.7%
Venue Not Specified	21	24.7%
Online Ad, Venue Unknown ³	7	8.2%
Hotel/Motel-Based	7	8.2%
Escort/Delivery Service	5	5.9%
Residential Brothel	4	4.7%
Street-Based	4	4.7%
Venues Referenced in Fewer than Three Cases ⁴	7	8.2%
Labor	21	24.7%



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Peddling Crew	7	8.2%
Domestic Work	6	7.1%
Begging Ring	3	3.5%
Industries Referenced in Fewer than Three Cases ⁴	5	5.9%
Sex and Labor	2	2.4%
Trafficking Type Not Specified ⁵	7	8.2%
TOTAL # OF POTENTIAL TRAFFICKING CASES	85	100.0%

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.

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	14	16.5%
Minors	9	10.6%
Females	12	14.1%
Males	11	12.9%
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	Fewer than Three ⁷	N/A
Foreign Nationals ⁸	10	11.8%
		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.

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VICTIM DEMOGRAPHICS ⁹ (SEX TRAFFICKING CASES)	# of <u>Cases</u>	% of <u>Cases</u>
Adults	35	41.2%
Minors	26	30.6%
Females	52	61.2%
Males	Fewer than Three ¹⁰	N/A
Transgender Females	Fewer than Three ¹⁰	N/A
Transgender Males	Fewer than Three ¹⁰	N/A
Gender Non-Conforming Individuals	Fewer than Three ¹⁰	N/A

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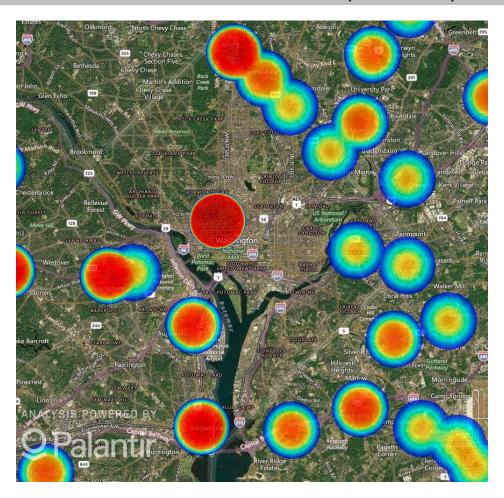
		NON-CUMULATIVE ⁹
Foreign Nationals ¹¹	13	15.3%
US Citizens/Legal Permanent Residents	20	23.5%

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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.

Important Note: The data displayed in this report was generated based on information communicated to the National Human Trafficking Hotline via phone, email, and online tip report. The National Human Trafficking Hotline 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 are accurate as of March 8, 2017. They may be subject to change as new information emerges.