

NATIONAL HUMAN TRAFFICKING RESOURCE CENTER

# NATIONAL HUMAN TRAFFICKING RESOURCE CENTER (NHTRC) DATA BREAKDOWN District of Columbia 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 District of Columbia. **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 from callers in the District of Columbia at the time of the 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: 298\*

\*This constitutes the 18th highest call volume of all 50 states and Washington, D.C. in 2015.

CALLER TYPE	# OF CALLS	% OF CALLS
NGO Representative	58	19.5%
Community Member	54	18.1%
Victim of Trafficking	41	13.8%
Government Official	33	11.1%
Other	18	6.0%
Victim of Labor Exploitation	18	6.0%
Legal Professional	17	5.7%
Family of Trafficking Victim	13	4.4%
Law Enforcement	10	3.4%
Victim of Other Crime	8	2.7%
Student	8	2.7%
Not Specified	5	1.7%
Medical Professional	5	1.7%
Friend of Trafficking Victim	3	1.0%
Caller Types Referenced Fewer than Three Times*	7	2.3%

This publication was made possible in part through Grant Number 90ZV0102 from the Office on Trafficking in Persons, Administration for Children and Families, U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS). Its contents are solely the responsibility of the authors and do not necessarily represent the official views of the Office on Trafficking in Persons, Administration for Children and Families, or HHS.



\*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.

298

100.0%

How Did Caller Find NHTRC (where known)	# OF CALLS	% OF CALLS
Department of State Know Your Rights Pamphlet	12	30.0%
Polaris	9	22.5%
Referral	8	20.0%
Word of Mouth	4	10.0%
Conference/Training/Presentation	3	7.5%
Television	1	2.5%
DHS Blue Campaign	1	2.5%
Internet-Web Search	1	2.5%
Other	1	2.5%
TOTAL # OF CALLS WHERE HOW CALLER FOUND NHTRC IS KNOWN	40	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 67 unique cases (incidents) of potential human trafficking were reported to the hotline.

PRIMARY REASON FOR CONTACTING THE NHTRC	# OF CASES	% OF CASES
Report a Trafficking Tip	37	55.2%
Access Service Referrals	23	34.3%
Request Crisis Assistance	7	10.4%
TOTAL # OF CASES	67	100.0%

\*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
Sex	54	80.6%
Venue Not Specified	26	38.8%
Hotel/Motel-Based	7	10.4%
Street-Based	6	9.0%
Online Ad, Venue Not Specified*	6	9.0%
Escort/Delivery Service	4	6.0%
Venues Referenced in Fewer than Three Cases**	5	7.5%
Labor	10	14.9%
Education	3	4.5%



Industries Referenced in Fewer than Three Cases**	7	10.4%
Sex & Labor	2	3.0%
Trafficking Type Not Specified***	1	1.5%
TOTAL # OF POTENTIAL TRAFFICKING CASES	67	100.0%

\*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.

\*\*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.

\*\*\*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.

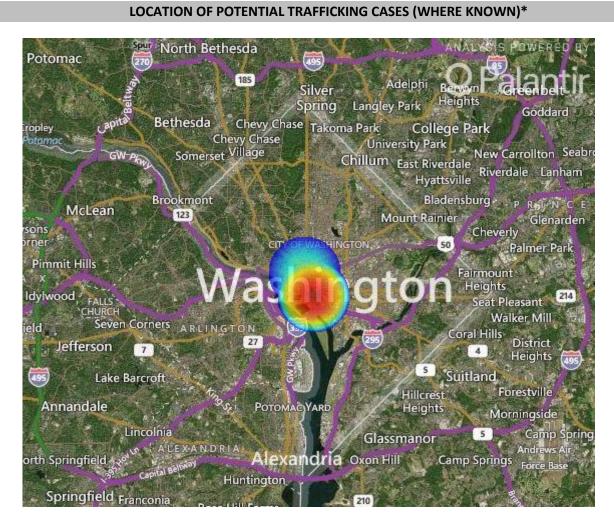
VICTIM DEMOGRAPHICS* (LABOR TRAFFICKING CASES)	# OF <u>CASES</u>	% of <u>Cases</u>
Adults	7	70.0%
Minors	3	30.0%
Females	7	70.0%
Males	3	30.0%
Transgender Females	0	0.0%
Transgender Males	0	0.0%
Gender Non-Conforming Individuals	0	0.0%
US Citizens/Legal Permanent Residents	0	0.0%
Foreign Nationals	7	70.0%
		NON-CUMULATIVE*

\*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. \*\*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.

VICTIM DEMOGRAPHICS* (SEX TRAFFICKING CASES)	# OF <u>CASES</u>	% OF <u>Cases</u>
Adults	33	61.1%
Minors	18	33.3%
Females	53	98.1%
Males	0	0.0%
Transgender Females	0	0.0%
Transgender Males	0	0.0%
Gender Non-Conforming Individuals	0	0.0%
US Citizens/Legal Permanent Residents	25	46.3%
Foreign Nationals	4	7.4%
		NON-CUMULATIVE*



\*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. \*\*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.



\*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.

**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.