

New Jersey 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 New Jersey. 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 New Jersey 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 New Jersey: 577

This constitutes the 13th highest call volume of all 50 states and Washington, D.C. in 2016.

CALLER TYPE	# OF CALLS	% OF CALLS
Government Official	141	24.4%
Victim of Trafficking	104	18.0%
Community Member	79	13.7%
NGO Representative	55	9.5%
Family of Trafficking Victim	36	6.2%
Victim of Labor Exploitation	36	6.2%
Victim of Other Crime	28	4.9%
Other	24	4.2%
Friend of Trafficking Victim	19	3.3%
Law Enforcement	18	3.1%
Student	7	1.2%
Medical Professional	6	1.0%
Educator/School Personnel	5	0.9%
Legal Professional	5	0.9%
Faith-Based Representative	4	0.7%
Mental Health Professional	3	0.5%
Caller Types Referenced Fewer than Three Times <sup>1</sup>	7	1.2%
TOTAL # OF SUBSTANTIVE CALLS	577	100.0%

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HOW CALLER FOUND THE NATIONAL HOTLINE	# OF CALLS	% OF CALLS
Internet-Web Search	14	2.4%
DOS Know Your Rights Pamphlet	11	1.9%
Other	10	1.7%
Referral	10	1.7%
Contact Involved in Case	3	0.5%
Pamphlet/Brochure/Leaflet	3	0.5%
UNICEF	2	0.3%
Word of Mouth	2	0.3%
FBI Website	1	0.2%
HHS Letter to T Visa Holders	1	0.2%
Other Media	1	0.2%
Polaris	1	0.2%
Television	1	0.2%
Unknown	517	89.6%
TOTAL # OF CALLS	577	100.0%

#### **HUMAN TRAFFICKING CASE DATA**

Each request submitted to the hotline is evaluated for evidence of potential human trafficking. In New Jersey, a total of 193 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	149	77.2%
Access Service Referrals	33	17.1%
Request Crisis Assistance	11	5.7%
TOTAL # OF CASES	193	100.0%

VENUE/INDUSTRY OF POTENTIAL TRAFFICKING	# OF CASES	% of Cases
Sex	148	76.7%
Venue Not Specified	63	32.6%
Hotel/Motel-Based	22	11.4%
Commercial Front Brothel	13	6.7%
Residential Brothel	13	6.7%
Online Ad, Venue Unknown <sup>2</sup>	11	5.7%
Escort/Delivery Service	9	4.7%
Street-Based	6	3.1%
Personal Sexual Servitude	6	3.1%
Pornography	3	1.6%
Venues Referenced in Fewer than Three Cases <sup>3</sup>	2	1.0%



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Labor	24	12.4%
Domestic Work	7	3.6%
Hostess/Strip Club	3	1.6%
Industries Referenced in Fewer than Three Cases <sup>3</sup>	14	7.3%
Sex and Labor	13	6.7%
Trafficking Type Not Specified⁴	8	4.1%
TOTAL # OF POTENTIAL TRAFFICKING CASES	193	100.0%

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup>Online 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.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup>Cases 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 <sup>5</sup> (LABOR TRAFFICKING CASES)	# OF <u>CASES</u>	% of <u>Cases</u>
Adults	23	11.9%
Minors	15	7.8%
Females	26	13.5%
Males	15	7.8%
Transgender Females	Fewer than Three <sup>6</sup>	N/A
Transgender Males	Fewer than Three <sup>6</sup>	N/A
Gender Non-Conforming Individuals	Fewer than Three <sup>6</sup>	N/A
US Citizens/Legal Permanent Residents	5	2.6%
Foreign Nationals <sup>7</sup>	27	14.0%
		NON-CUMULATIVE <sup>5</sup>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup>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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 $<sup>^7</sup>$ A Foreign National in this data set is defined as any individual who is not currently a US Citizen or Legal Permanent Resident.

VICTIM DEMOGRAPHICS <sup>8</sup> (SEX TRAFFICKING CASES)	# OF <u>CASES</u>	% of <u>Cases</u>
Adults	79	40.9%
Minors	94	48.7%
Females	153	79.3%
Males	11	5.7%
Transgender Females	Fewer than Three <sup>9</sup>	N/A
Transgender Males	Fewer than Three <sup>9</sup>	N/A
Gender Non-Conforming Individuals	Fewer than Three <sup>9</sup>	N/A

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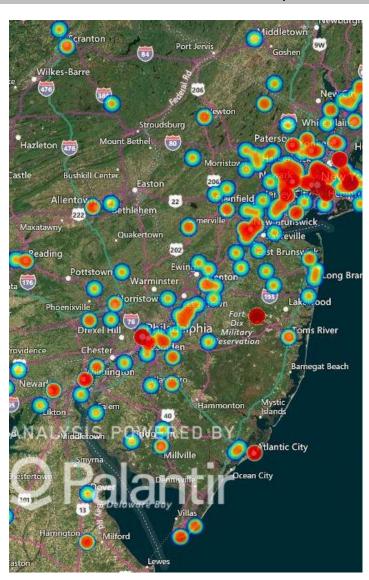
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		NON-CUMULATIVE <sup>8</sup>
Foreign Nationals <sup>10</sup>	31	16.1%
US Citizens/Legal Permanent Residents	64	33.2%

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#### LOCATION OF POTENTIAL TRAFFICKING CASES (WHERE KNOWN)11



<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>11</sup>The 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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**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.