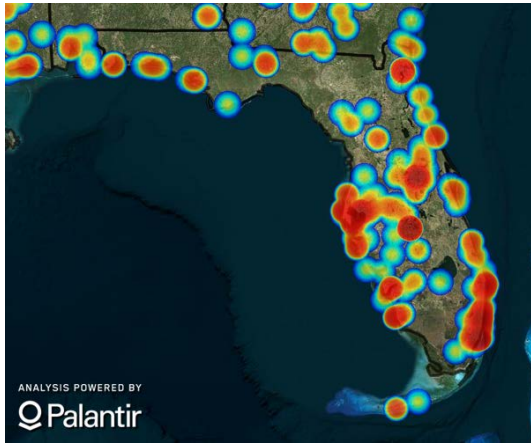


Florida: Efforts to Combat Human Trafficking

U.S. Department of Health and Human Services Region IV

This state profile summarizes regionally specific data to help promote collaboration and inform and enhance the response to human trafficking in Florida. Information was reported to the National Human Trafficking Hotline from December 2012 to December 2016.



The image above is a heat map that reflects the cases reported to the National Human Trafficking Hotline in 2016. Areas in which greater numbers of cases were reported contain more red shading. Areas in north, west, east, south, and central Florida contain 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.



DEMOGRAPHICS OF POTENTIAL VICTIMS:

Citizenship

U.S. Citizen/Legal Permanent Resident: **710**
Foreign National: **444**

Gender

Female: **1,615**
Male: **284**
Gender Minorities: **10**

Age

Adult: **1,266**
Minor: **612**

*These statistics are non-cumulative. Cases may involve multiple victims and include males and females, foreign nationals and U.S. citizens, adults and minors. In some cases, callers do not provide demographic information.

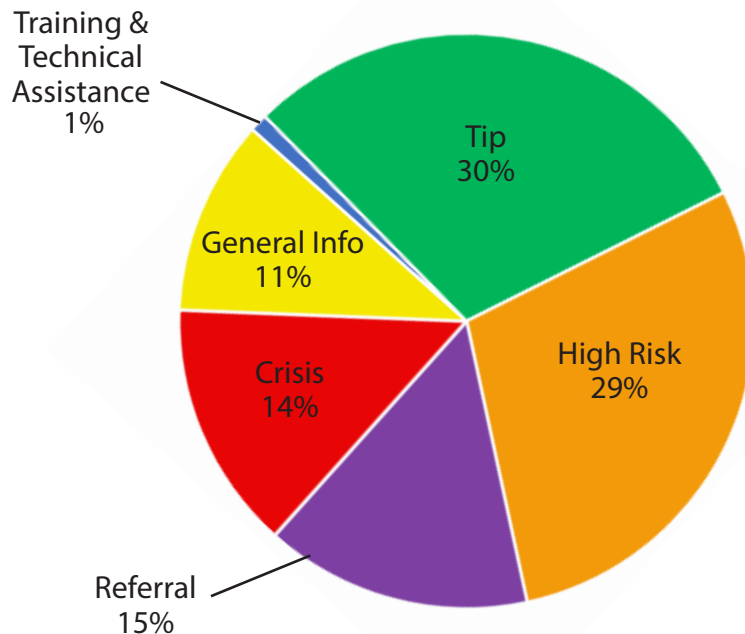
For more statistics on human trafficking in Florida, visit <https://humantraffickinghotline.org/state/florida>.

TOP 5

SEX TRAFFICKING VENUES

1. Hotel-/Motel-Based
2. Commercial-Front Brothels
3. Online Ad. Venue Unknown
4. Street-Based
5. Other Venues

Types of Calls to the National Human Trafficking Hotline in 2016



TOP 5

LABOR TRAFFICKING VENUES

1. Domestic Work
2. Agriculture
3. Traveling Sales Crews
4. Restaurants/Food Service
5. Other Industries

The data contained in this document are based on aggregated information learned through signals—phone calls, emails, and online tip reports—received by the National Human Trafficking Hotline. The data do not represent actual numbers of cases identified or processed, nor do they represent the entire scope of human trafficking.



Florida Human Trafficking Laws

(Sex Trafficking, Labor Trafficking, Safe Harbor, Vacating Convictions, etc.)

- Civil Cause of Action | [§ 772.104](#)
- Coercion; Civil Cause of Action; Evidence; Defenses; Attorney's Fees | [§ 796.09](#)
- Definitions | [§ 895.02](#)
- Safe Harbor | [HB 99](#)
- Selling or Buying of Minors Into Sex Trafficking or Prostitution; Penalties | [§ 796.035](#)
- Services to Immigrant Survivors of Human Trafficking, Domestic Violence, and Other Serious Crimes | [§ 409.9531](#)
- Sex Trafficking; Penalties | [§ 796.045](#)
- Human Trafficking; Training for Law Enforcement; | [§ 787.06](#)
- Posting Human Trafficking Hotline Number | [HB 369](#)
- Unlawfully Obtaining Labor or Services | [§ 787.05](#)



Florida Statewide Efforts

COLLABORATIONS (Coalitions, Task Forces, Working Groups)

- [Florida Human Trafficking Task Forces by County](#)
- [Southwest Florida Regional Human Trafficking Coalition](#)
- [Human Trafficking Coalition of the Palm Beaches](#)
- [Statewide Council on Human Trafficking](#)
- [Pasco County Commission on Human Trafficking](#)
- [Florida Coalition Against Human Trafficking](#)

RESOURCES (State Research, Publications, Trainings)

- [Protections for Child Victims of Human Trafficking: Information Kit](#)
- [Human Trafficking and Smuggling in Tampa Bay, Florida: Processes, Policies, and Procedures](#)
- [Sex Trafficking: Florida's Response to the International Organized Crime](#)
- [Zero Tolerance for Trafficking Toolkit for Businesses](#)
- [State and Local Agencies Are in Initial Stages of Addressing Needs of Child Victims of Commercial Sexual Exploitation](#)
- [Statewide Guide for Human Trafficking Task Forces, Coalitions and Shelters](#)
- [Southwest Florida Human Trafficking Response Protocol](#)

FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES

- [Victims of Crime Act Grants and Funds](#)

Campaigns

- [From Instant Message to Instant Nightmare](#)

Thirty two victim service agencies are listed in the National Human Trafficking Referral Directory in Florida.

<https://humantraffickinghotline.org/training-resources/referral-directory>



Human Trafficking Hotlines



.....888-373-7888

The National Hotline serves victims and survivors of human trafficking and the anti-trafficking community across the United States and its territories, 24/7, in more than 200 languages. Contact the confidential hotline to report tips, seek services, ask for help, or receive information and statistics related to human trafficking.

LOCAL

Florida Abuse Hotline.....800-96-ABUSE

The Florida Abuse Hotline is available 24/7 and is operated by the Florida Department of Children and Families. Call to report known or suspected trafficking, abuse, neglect, abandonment, or exploitation of a minor or vulnerable adult.