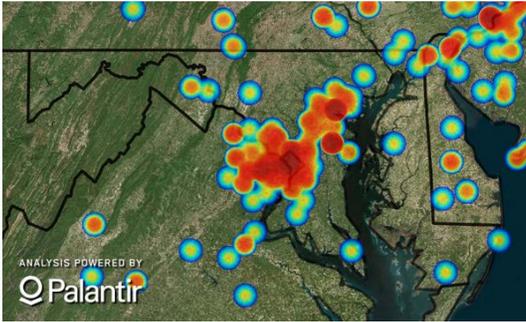


Maryland: Efforts to Combat Human Trafficking

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

This state profile summarizes regionally specific data to help promote collaboration and inform and enhance the response to human trafficking in Maryland. 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 northeast Maryland 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.



642
Cases Reported



1,116
Potential Persons Trafficked

DEMOGRAPHICS OF POTENTIAL PERSONS TRAFFICKED:

Citizenship

U.S. Citizen/Legal Permanent Resident: 220
Foreign National: 228

Gender

Female: 540
Male: 77
Gender Minorities: 2

Age

Adult: 408
Minor: 201

*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 Maryland, visit <https://humantraffickinghotline.org/state/maryland>.

TOP 5

SEX TRAFFICKING VENUES

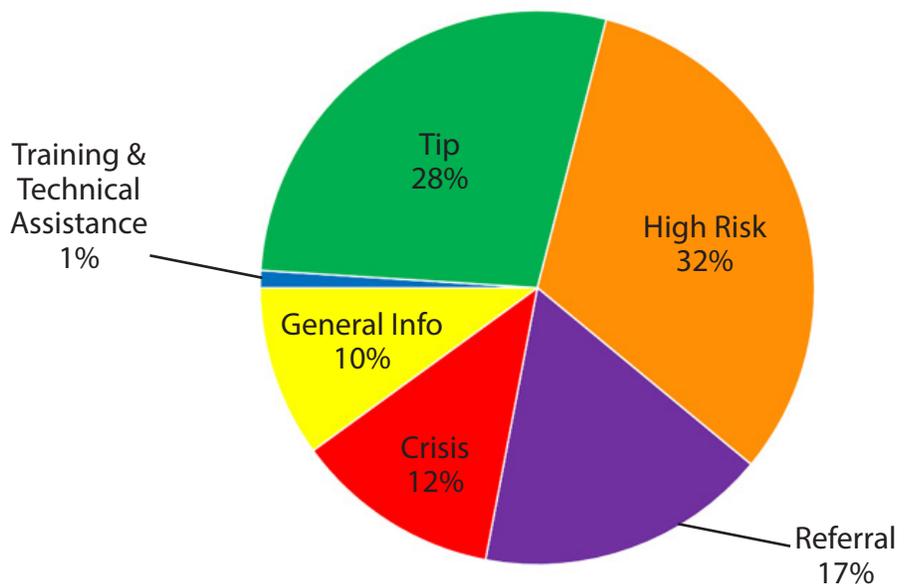
1. Hotel-/Motel-Based
2. Online Ad. Venue Unknown
3. Commercial-Front Brothels
4. Residential Brothels
5. Escort Services

TOP 4

LABOR TRAFFICKING VENUES

1. Domestic Work
2. Restaurants/Food Service
3. Begging Rings
4. Traveling Sales Crews

Types of Calls to the National Human Trafficking Hotline in 2016



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.



Maryland Human Trafficking Laws

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

- Bus Stations and Truck Stops Required to Post Hotline Information Signs | [§ 19-103](#)
- Criminal Law - Child Kidnapping for the Purpose of Committing a Sexual Crime | [SB 454](#)
- Extortion Generally | [§ 3-701](#)
- Human Trafficking | [§ 11-303](#)
- Human Trafficking - Civil Actions: Statute of Limitations | [HB-276](#)
- Protecting Victims of Sex Trafficking Act of 2017 | [HB-632](#)
- State Government - Human Trafficking Address Confidentiality Program | [SB-818](#)
- Trafficking Survivors Relief Act of 2017 | [H.R.-459](#)



Maryland Statewide Efforts

Twelve victim service agencies are listed in the National Human Trafficking Referral Directory in Maryland.
<https://humantraffickinghotline.org/training-resources/referral-directory>

COLLABORATIONS (Coalitions, Task Forces, Working Groups)

- [Maryland Human Trafficking Task Force](#)
- [Eastern Shore Human Trafficking Task Force](#)
- [Howard County Human Trafficking Task Force](#)
- [Prince George’s County Human Trafficking Task Force](#)
- [Montgomery County Human Trafficking Task Force](#)

RESOURCES (State Research, Publications, Trainings)

- [Maryland Safe Harbor Work Group Final Report](#)
- [Maryland Victim Identification and Service Survey](#)
- [Howard County Human Trafficking Task Force Recommendations](#)
- [Child Sex Trafficking Prevention and Intervention Education Program](#)

FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES

- [Victims of Crime Act grants and funds](#)



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.