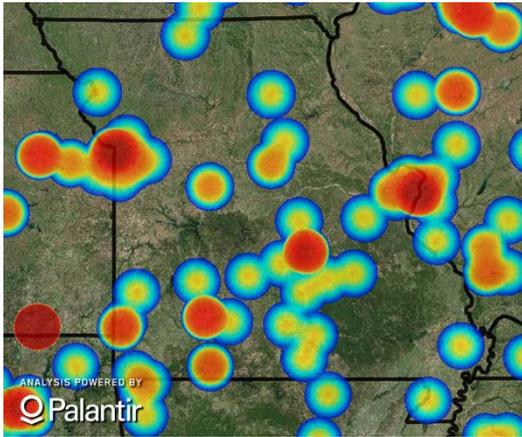


Missouri: Efforts to Combat Human Trafficking

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

This state profile summarizes regionally specific data to help promote collaboration and inform and enhance the response to human trafficking in Missouri. 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. There is significant red shading in northeast and northwest Missouri. 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 PERSONS TRAFFICKED:

Citizenship

U.S. Citizen/Legal Permanent Resident: 167
Foreign National: 66

Gender

Female: 330
Male: 62
Gender Minorities: 0

Age

Adult: 247
Minor: 140

*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 Missouri, visit <https://humanhumantraffickinghotline.org/state/missouri>.

TOP 5

SEX TRAFFICKING VENUES

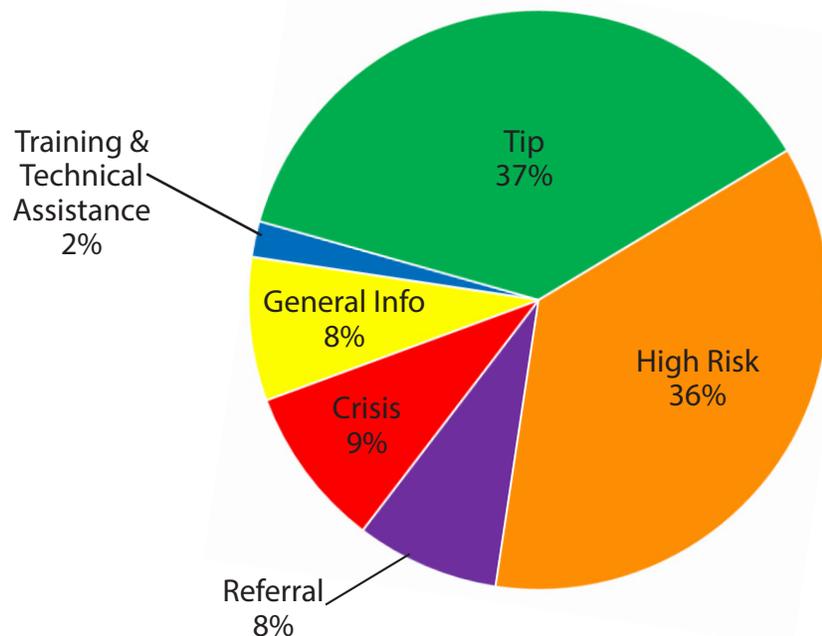
1. Online Ad. Venue Unknown
2. Residential Brothels
3. Hotel-/Motel-Based
4. Commercial-Front Brothels
5. Other Venues

TOP 5

LABOR TRAFFICKING VENUES

1. Traveling Sales Crews
2. Landscaping Services
3. Health and Beauty Services
4. Restaurants/Food Services
5. Agriculture

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.



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

- Abusing an Individual Through Forced Labor Penalty | [§ 566.203](#)
- Federal Trafficking Victims Protection Act of 2000 to Apply, When -- Affirmative Defense -- Procedures to Identify Victims, Training on Protocols | [§ 566.223](#)
- Contributing to Human Trafficking: Penalty | [§ 566.215.1](#)
- Property Subject to Forfeiture | [§ 513.607](#)
- Sexual Trafficking of a Child: Penalty | [§ 566.212](#)
- Trafficking for the Purpose of Slavery, Involuntary Servitude, Peonage, or Forced Labor: Penalty | [§ 566.206](#)



Missouri Statewide Efforts

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

COLLABORATIONS (Coalitions, Task Forces, Working Groups)

- Human Trafficking Task Force of Eastern Missouri
- [Central Missouri Stop Human Trafficking Coalition](#)
- [Stop Human Trafficking: Eastern MO, Southern Illinois Network](#)
- [Human Trafficking Rescue Project](#)
- [Stand Against Trafficking](#)
- [Missouri Attorney General Task Force Against human Trafficking](#)

RESOURCES (State Research, Publications, Trainings)

- [Human Trafficking Manual](#)
- [Human Trafficking: A Comparison of Missouri Local Law Enforcement Preparedness Methods](#)
- [An Ethnographic Study of Human Trafficking in Springfield: A Real or Perceived Problem?](#)
- [Understanding Community Needs and Priorities for Preventing Commercial Sexual Exploitation of Children and Youth](#)
- [Human Trafficking Trainings](#)

FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES

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

CAMPAIGNS

- [Bills for Billboard](#)



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.

Missouri Attorney General Trafficking Tipline.....**800-700-1650**
Call this state-wide hotline to report incidents of human trafficking.