North Carolina: 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 North Carolina. 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, south, west, central, and east North Carolina 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.

607 Cases Reported

2,505 Potential Persons Trafficked

DEMOGRAPHICS OF POTENTIAL VICTIMS:

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<th>Citizenship</th>
<th>Gender</th>
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<td>U.S. Citizen/Legal Permanent Resident: 207</td>
<td>Female: 493</td>
<td>Adult: 403</td>
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<td>Male: 100</td>
<td>Minor: 207</td>
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<td>Foreign National: 168</td>
<td>Gender Minorities: 4</td>
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*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 North Carolina, visit https://humantraffickinghotline.org/state/north-carolina.

TOP 5
SEX TRAFFICKING VENUES
1. Hotel-/Motel-Based
2. Commercial-Front Brothels
3. Online Ad. Venue Unknown
4. Other Venues
5. Truck Stop-Based

TOP 5
LABOR TRAFFICKING VENUES
1. Agriculture
2. Restaurants/Food Service
3. Domestic Work
4. Landscaping Service
5. Retail/Other Small Businesses

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.

For more information, visit https://www.acf.hhs.gov/otip/training/nhtac.
North Carolina Human Trafficking Laws
(Sex Trafficking, Labor Trafficking, Safe Harbor, Vacating Convictions, etc.)

- Asset Forfeiture; Forfeiture of Gain Acquired Through Criminal Activity | § 14-2.3
- Human Trafficking | § 14-43.11
- Human Trafficking Statute; Definitions | § 14-43.10
- Labor Trafficking; Involuntary Servitude | § 14-43.12
- North Carolina Human Trafficking Commission | § 114-70
- Prostitution; Immunity from Prosecution for Minors | § 14-204
- Sexual Servitude | § 14-43.13
- Victim Assistance; Responsibilities of Law Enforcement Agency | § 15A-831

North Carolina Statewide Efforts

COLLABORATIONS (Coalitions, Task Forces, Working Groups)
- North Carolina Human Trafficking Commission
- North Carolina Coalition Against Human Trafficking
- Asheville Rapid Response Team
- Pitt County Rapid Response Team
- Raleigh Rapid Response Team
- Triad Rapid Response Team
- Alamance Rapid Response Team
- North Carolina Stop Human Trafficking
- Cumberland Rapid Response Team
- Johnston Rapid Response Team
- Cape Fear Rapid Response Team
- Coastal Carolina Rapid Response Team
- Rowan Rapid Response Team
- Charlotte Rapid Response Team
- Triangle Rapid Response Team
- Charlotte Mecklenburg Human Trafficking Task Force

RESOURCES (State Research, Publications, Trainings)
- The North Carolina Human Trafficking Commission Report to the 2016 Session of the 2015 North Carolina General Assembly
- The Human Trafficking Training and Service Provision Survey for North Carolina

FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES
- Victims of Crime Act grants and funds

CAMPAIGNS
- Project No Rest

Human Trafficking Hotlines

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.

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