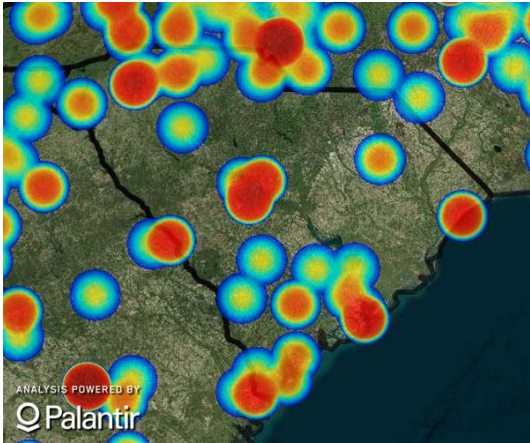


South Carolina: Efforts to Combat Human Trafficking

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 South 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, central, south, east, and west South 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.



DEMOGRAPHICS OF POTENTIAL VICTIMS:

Citizenship

U.S. Citizen/Legal Permanent Resident: **80**
Foreign National: **84**

Gender

Female: **208**
Male: **51**
Gender Minorities: **1**

Age

Adult: **182**
Minor: **78**

*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 South Carolina, visit <https://humantraffickinghotline.org/state/south-carolina>.

TOP 5

SEX TRAFFICKING VENUES

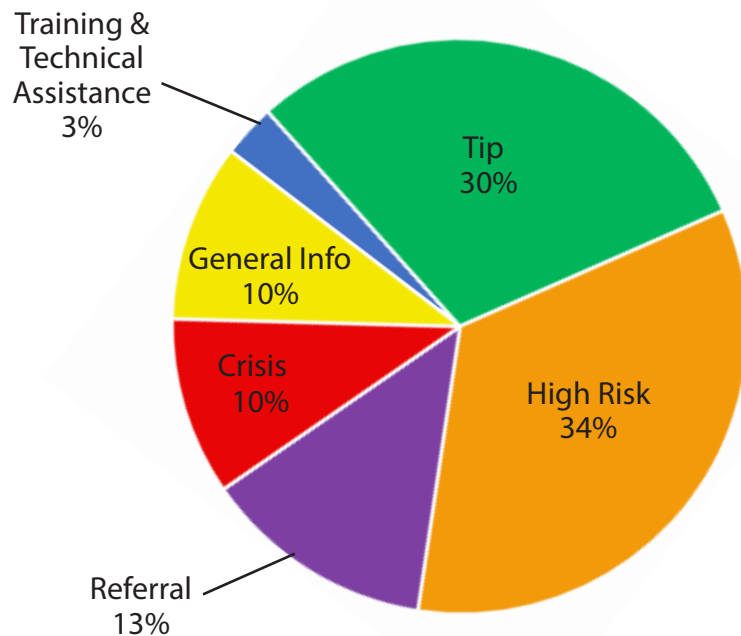
1. Hotel-/Motel-Based
2. Commercial-Front Brothels
3. Online Ad. Venue Unknown
4. Truck-Stop Based
5. Residential Brothels

TOP 5

LABOR TRAFFICKING VENUES

1. Agriculture
2. Restaurants/Food Service
3. Forestry/Reforestation
4. Domestic Work
5. Health and Beauty Services

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.



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

- Asset Forfeiture | [§ 16-3-2090](#)
- Criminal Sexual Conduct in the First Degree | [§ 16-3-652](#)
- Compensation for Victims of Trafficking; Identity of Victim and Victim’s Family Confidential | [§ 16-3-2070](#)
- Interagency Task Force | [§ 16-3-2050](#)
- Restitution for Victims of Trafficking | [§ 16-3-2040](#)
- Trafficking in Persons for Forced Labor or Services; Penalty; Exceptions | [§ 16-3-930](#)



South Carolina Statewide Efforts

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

COLLABORATIONS (Coalitions, Task Forces, Working Groups)

- [South Carolina Human Trafficking Task Force](#)
- Upstate Human Trafficking Task Force
- Richland County Anti-Human Trafficking Task Force
- [Lowcountry Human Trafficking Task Force](#)
- [East Carolina Coalition Against Human Trafficking](#)

RESOURCES (State Research, Publications, Trainings)

- [South Carolina State Plan to Address Human Trafficking](#)
- [2015 South Carolina Human Trafficking Task Force Annual Report](#)
- [Identifying Potential Instances of Human Trafficking: Applying a Novel Template of Indicators to Narratives in Police Reports](#)
- [Attorney General’s Executive Summary of the South Carolina State Plan to Address Human Trafficking](#)
- [2016 South Carolina Human Trafficking Task Force Annual Report](#)

FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES

- [Victim 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.