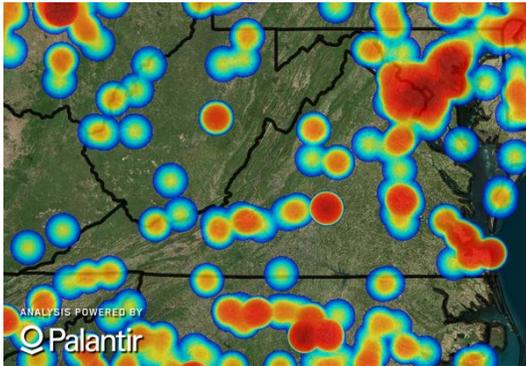


Virginia: Efforts to Combat Human Trafficking

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 Virginia. 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, and southeast Virginia 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 PERSONS TRAFFICKED:

Citizenship

U.S. Citizen/Legal Permanent Resident: **208**
Foreign National: **259**

Gender

Female: **588**
Male: **103**
Gender Minorities: **5**

Age

Adult: **466**
Minor: **187**

*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 Virginia, visit <https://humantraffickinghotline.org/state/virginia>.

TOP 5

SEX TRAFFICKING VENUES

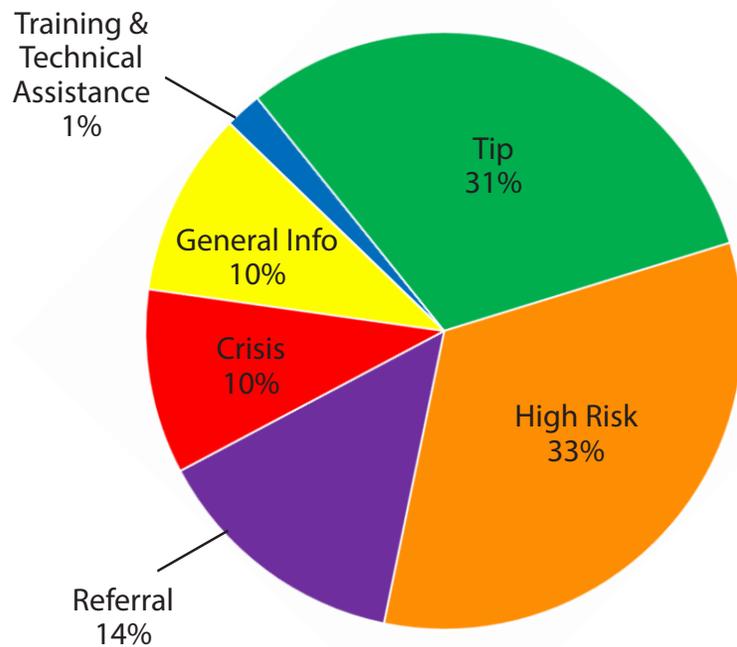
1. Commercial-Front Brothels
2. Hotel-/Motel-Based
3. Escort Services
4. Online Ad. Venue Unknown
5. Residential Brothels

TOP 5

LABOR TRAFFICKING VENUES

1. Domestic Work
2. Traveling Sales Crews
3. Restaurants/Food Service
4. Health and Beauty Services
5. Retail/Other Small Business

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.



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

- Abduction with Intent to Extort Money or for Immoral Purpose | [§ 18.2-48](#)
- Abduction and Kidnapping Defined, Punishment | [§ 18.2-47](#)
- Abused or Neglected Child Definition | [§ 63.2-100](#)
- Criminal Penalties, Forfeiture | [§ 18.2-515](#)
- Extortion of Money, Property or Pecuniary Benefit | [§ 18.2-59](#)
- Human Trafficking Hotline, Posted Notice Required, Civil Penalty | [§ 40.1-11.3](#)
- Information on Human Trafficking | [§ 63.2-214.3](#)
- Receiving Money from Earnings of Prostitute; Penalties | [§ 18.2-357](#)
- Receiving Money for Procuring Person; Penalties | [§ 18.2-356](#)
- Taking, Detaining, Person for Prostitution, or Consenting, Human Trafficking | [§ 18.2-355](#)
- Training Materials on Human Trafficking | [§ 22.1-16.5](#)



Virginia Statewide Efforts

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

COLLABORATIONS (Coalitions, Task Forces, Working Groups)

- [Northern Virginia Human Trafficking Task Force](#)
- Virginia Coalition Against Human Trafficking
- Hampton Roads Human Trafficking Task Force
- I-81 Corridor Human Trafficking Working Group
- Human Trafficking of Central Virginia Working Group
- [Northern Virginia Human Trafficking Initiative \(NOVA-HTI\)](#)
- [The Virginia Anti-Human Trafficking Coordinating Committee](#)
- The Greater Prince William Human Trafficking Task Force
- Virginia Human Trafficking Task Force
- [Virginia Beach Justice Initiative](#)

RESOURCES (State Research, Publications, Trainings)

- [Report on the Human Trafficking Services Needs Assessment Survey](#)
- [Laying the Foundation for Virginia's Coordinated Response to Human Trafficking](#)

FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES

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

CAMPAIGNS

- [Prince Williams County Teen Trafficking Prevention](#)
- [Just Ask Prevention Project](#)
- [Attorney General's Statewide Human Trafficking Awareness Campaign](#)



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.