NATIONAL HUMAN TRAFFICKING HOTLINE DATA REPORT
South Carolina State Report: 1/1/2016 – 12/31/2016

OVERVIEW OF INCOMING SIGNALS

The following information is based on incoming communication with the National Human Trafficking Hotline from January 1, 2016 – December 31, 2016 about human trafficking cases and issues related to human trafficking in South Carolina. Communication can take the form of **phone calls, online tip reports, or emails**. Communication regarding topics unrelated to human trafficking are not included in this report. In 2016, the National Human Trafficking Hotline received a total of **34,068** phone calls, emails, or online tip reports nationwide.

261 Phone Calls   **34** Emails   **21** Online Tip Reports

SUBSTANTIVE CALL DATA

The following statistics are based solely on substantive calls about human trafficking and issues related to human trafficking made to the National Human Trafficking Hotline between January 1, 2016 and December 31, 2016 from callers in South Carolina at the time of their call. Substantive calls exclude hang-ups, missed calls, wrong numbers, and calls in which the caller's reason for calling is unknown.

Number of Substantive Calls Received from South Carolina: 261
This constitutes the 28th highest call volume of all 50 states and Washington, D.C. in 2016.

CALLER TYPE	# OF CALLS	% OF CALLS
Community Member	61	23.4%
Victim of Trafficking	55	21.1%
NGO Representative	21	8.0%
Victim of Labor Exploitation	21	8.0%
Family of Trafficking Victim	19	7.3%
Victim of Other Crime	19	7.3%
Other	10	3.8%
Faith-Based Representative	7	2.7%
Friend of Trafficking Victim	7	2.7%
Student	7	2.7%
Educator/School Personnel	6	2.3%
Not Specified	5	1.9%
Acquaintance of Trafficker	4	1.5%
Law Enforcement	4	1.5%
Medical Professional	4	1.5%
Legal Professional	3	1.1%
Trucker	3	1.1%
Caller Types Referenced Fewer than Three Times[1]	5	1.9%
TOTAL # OF SUBSTANTIVE CALLS	**261**	**100.0%**

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HOW CALLER FOUND THE NATIONAL HOTLINE	# OF CALLS	% OF CALLS
DOS Know Your Rights Pamphlet	13	5.0%%
Internet-Web Search	7	2.7%
211/311	4	1.5%
Polaris	4	1.5%
Word of Mouth	4	1.5%
Awareness Campaign	3	1.2%
Conference/Training/Presentation	3	1.2%
Contact Involved in Case	3	1.2%
Television	3	1.2%
Billboard	2	0.8%
Other	2	0.8%
Pamphlet/Brochure/Leaflet	1	0.4%
Poster	1	0.4%
Radio	1	0.4%
Referral	1	0.4%
Unknown	209	80.1%
TOTAL # OF CALLS	**261**	**100.0%**

HUMAN TRAFFICKING CASE DATA

Each request submitted to the hotline is evaluated for evidence of potential human trafficking. **In South Carolina, a total of 73 unique cases (incidents) of potential human trafficking were reported to the hotline.**

PRIMARY REASON FOR CONTACTING THE NATIONAL HOTLINE	# OF CASES	% OF CASES
Report a Trafficking Tip	54	74.0%
Access Service Referrals	12	16.4%
Request Crisis Assistance	6	8.2%
Request T&TA[2]	1	1.4%
TOTAL # OF CASES	**73**	**100.0%**

[2]Requests for general information are situations in which an individual who is aware of a specific situation of potential trafficking may contact the National Human Trafficking Hotline for general information about human trafficking or to learn more about services available to trafficking victims. Requests for T&TA (Training and Technical Assistance) are situations in which service providers or law enforcement working with a victim of trafficking contact the National Hotline for technical assistance.

VENUE/INDUSTRY OF POTENTIAL TRAFFICKING	# OF CASES	% OF CASES
Sex	**51**	**69.9%**
Venue Not Specified	20	27.4%
Hotel/Motel-Based	10	13.7%
Commercial Front Brothel	5	6.8%

Residential Brothel	5	6.8%
Online Ad, Venue Unknown[3]	3	4.1%
Venues Referenced in Fewer than Three Cases[4]	8	11.0%
Labor	**17**	**23.3%**
Industries Referenced in Fewer than Three Cases[4]	17	23.3%
Sex and Labor	**2**	**2.7%**
Trafficking Type Not Specified[5]	**3**	**4.1%**
TOTAL # OF POTENTIAL TRAFFICKING CASES	**73**	**100.0%**

[3]Online Ad, Venue Unknown cases typically involve reports of sex trafficking in which an individual is advertised for commercial sex online but the venue of the sex act is unknown or not specified.

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[5]Cases where trafficking type is not specified typically occur when a law enforcement agent or service provider contacts the National Hotline for resources and referrals but does not disclose details about the trafficking situation due to confidentiality. This category also includes cases in which the person reporting the information references human trafficking but does not provide further detail regarding the presence of labor or commercial sex. These cases are often submitted to the National Hotline through anonymous online tip reports.

VICTIM DEMOGRAPHICS[6] (LABOR TRAFFICKING CASES)	# OF CASES	% OF CASES
Adults	17	23.3%
Minors	Fewer than Three[7]	N/A
Females	10	13.7%
Males	11	15.1%
Transgender Females	Fewer than Three[7]	N/A
Transgender Males	Fewer than Three[7]	N/A
Gender Non-Conforming Individuals	Fewer than Three[7]	N/A
US Citizens/Legal Permanent Residents	4	5.5%
Foreign Nationals[8]	12	16.4%
		NON-CUMULATIVE[6]

[6]These statistics are non-cumulative. Cases may involve multiple victims and include female, male, transgender and gender non-conforming individuals, foreign nationals and U.S. citizens, adults and minors. In some cases, demographic information is not reported. This table shows the number of cases referencing each demographic and not the number of individual victims.

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[8]A Foreign National in this data set is defined as any individual who is not currently a US Citizen or Legal Permanent Resident.

VICTIM DEMOGRAPHICS[9] (SEX TRAFFICKING CASES)	# OF CASES	% OF CASES
Adults	38	52.1%
Minors	17	23.3%
Females	48	65.8%
Males	5	6.8%
Transgender Females	Fewer than Three[10]	N/A
Transgender Males	Fewer than Three[10]	N/A

Gender Non-Conforming Individuals	Fewer than Three[10]	N/A
US Citizens/Legal Permanent Residents	17	23.3%
Foreign Nationals[11]	3	4.1%
		NON-CUMULATIVE[9]

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LOCATION OF POTENTIAL TRAFFICKING CASES (WHERE KNOWN)[12]
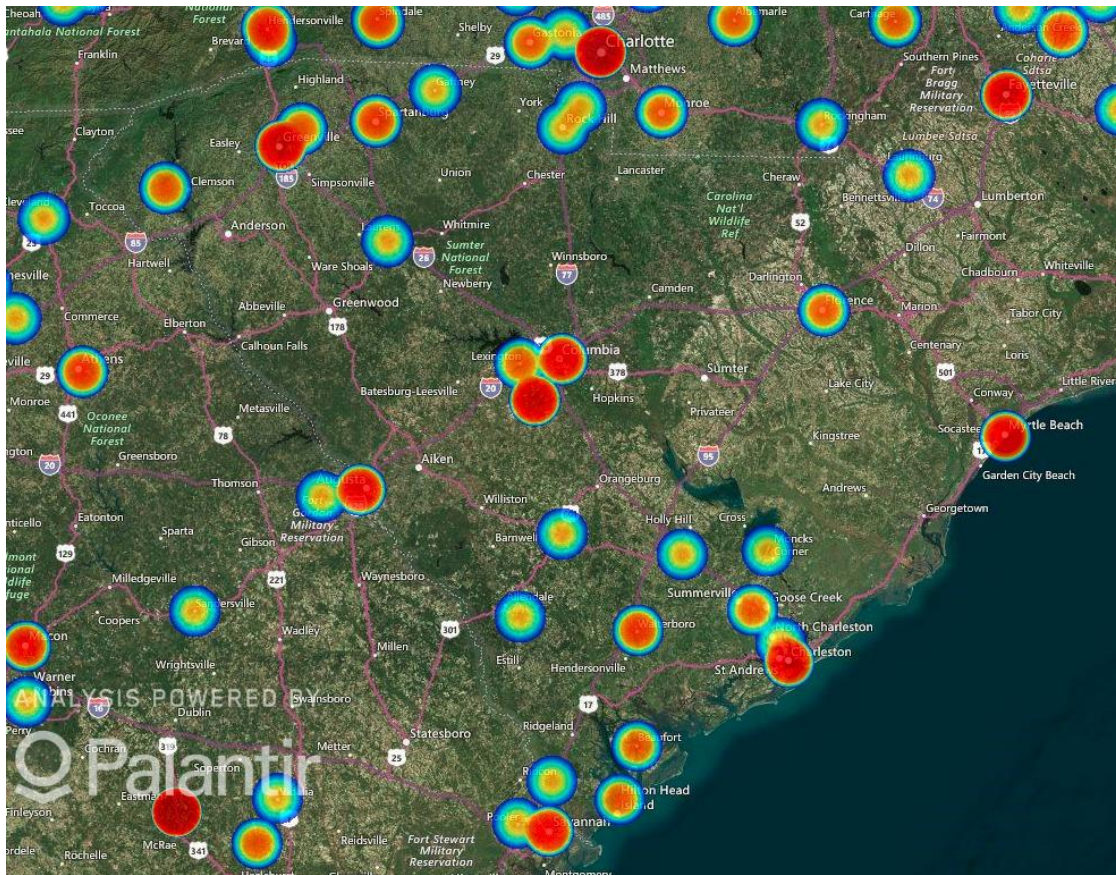
[12]*The image above is a heat map which reflects the cases reported to the National Human Trafficking Hotline. Areas in which greater numbers of cases were reported contain more red shading. This map only reflects cases in which the location of the potential trafficking was known. Some cases may involve more than one location.*

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Important Note: *The data displayed in this report was generated based on information communicated to the National Human Trafficking Hotline via phone, email, and online tip report. The National Human Trafficking Hotline cannot verify the accuracy of the information reported. This is not a comprehensive report on the scale or scope of human trafficking within the state. These statistics are accurate as of March 8, 2017. They may be subject to change as new information emerges.*