# Illinois Spotlight

### 2019 National Human Trafficking Hotline Statistics

The National Human Trafficking Hotline provides survivors of human trafficking with vital support and a variety of options to get help and stay safe. The data below do not represent the full scope of trafficking in Illinois. Lack of awareness of human trafficking or of the National Hotline can lead to significant underreporting, particularly among labor trafficking populations or by certain racial or ethnic groups. However, this information can shed some light on trafficking in Illinois which can help put traffickers out of business and help survivors find the services they need.

Victims Identified

434

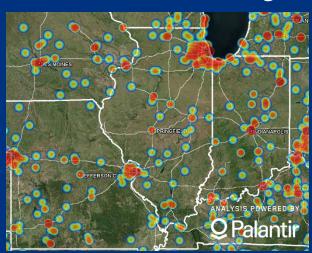
Traffickers Identified

115

Trafficking Businesses

53

#### **Locations of Trafficking<sup>1</sup>**



<sup>1</sup>Some cases may involve multiple locations.

#### **267 Trafficking Cases**



Sex Trafficking

195 Cases

Labor
Trafficking
28 Cases

Sex & Labor Trafficking

15 Cases

Form Not Specified<sup>2</sup>

29 Cases

<sup>2</sup>Cases where trafficking type is not specified are typically a results of callers self identifying as victims or service providers or law enforcement seeking referrals for trafficking victims without providing further details about the presence of forced work or forced commercial sex.

## Communication to the National Hotline



Phone Calls 648



Webforms **73** 



Emails 27



Texts 74



Webchats **22** 



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The data in this report represents signals and cases from January 1, 2019 through December 31, 2019 and is accurate as of July 30, 2020. Cases of trafficking may be ongoing or new information may revealed to the National Hotline over time. Consequently, statistics may be subject to change as new information emerges.