New Mexico: Efforts to Combat Human Trafficking

U.S. Department of Health and Human Services Region VI

This state profile summarizes regionally specific data to help promote collaboration and inform and enhance the response to human trafficking in New Mexico. 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. There is significant red shading in the center and southern regions of New Mexico. This map only reflects cases in which the location of the potential trafficking was known. Some cases may involve more than one location.

132 Cases Reported
248 Potential Persons Trafficked

DEMOGRAPHICS OF POTENTIAL PERSONS TRAFFICKED:

Citizenship
- U.S. Citizen/Legal Permanent Resident: 48
- Foreign National: 25

Gender
- Female: 104
- Male: 29
- Gender Minorities: 0

Age
- Adult: 80
- Minor: 50

*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 New Mexico, visit https://humantraffickinghotline.org/state/new-mexico.

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

TOP 4
LABOR TRAFFICKING VENUES
1. Traveling Sales Crews
2. Hospitality
3. Domestic Work
4. Construction
5. Illicit Activities

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/n httac.
New Mexico Human Trafficking Laws
(Sex Trafficking, Labor Trafficking, Safe Harbor, Vacating Convictions, etc.)

- Human Trafficking | § 30-52-1
- Temporary Provision; Task Force to Combat Human Trafficking; Membership; Duties, | § 30-52-3
- Human Trafficking; Benefits and Services for Human Trafficking Victims | § 30-52-2

New Mexico Statewide Efforts

COLLABORATIONS (Coalitions, Task Forces, Working Groups)
- New Mexico Tribal Task Force on Human Trafficking
- New Mexico’s Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force

RESOURCES (State Research, Publications, Trainings)
- Human Trafficking Manual for Law Enforcement

FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES
- Victims of Crime Act grants and funds

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.

The National Hotline: 888–373–7888

The Life Link: 505–438–3733

The Life Link is New Mexico’s only 24-hour crisis, resource, and tipline dedicated to addressing instances of human trafficking.

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