Washington: Efforts to Combat Human Trafficking
U.S. Department of Health and Human Services Region X

This state profile summarizes regionally specific data to help promote collaboration and inform and enhance the response to human trafficking in Washington. 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 west, central, and east Washington 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.


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

TOP 5 LABOR TRAFFICKING VENUES
1. Domestic Work
2. Traveling Sales Crews
3. Agriculture
4. Other Industries
5. Retail/Other Small Businesses

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/nhttac.
Washington Human Trafficking Laws
(Sex Trafficking, Labor Trafficking, Safe Harbor, Vacating Convictions, etc.)

- Arrest for Prostitution or Prostitution Loitering; Alleged Offender; Victim of Severe Trafficking, Commercial Sex Abuse of a Minor | 13.40.219
- Creating a Criminal No-Contact Order for Human Trafficking and Promoting Prostitution-Related Offenses | HB 1079
- Coordinated State Agency Protocols; Victim Assistance | 7.68.360
- Definitions | 9A.40.010
- Human Trafficking Informational Posters at Rest Areas | 47.38.080
- Human Trafficking Statute | 9A.40.100
- Investigative Tools; Intercepting, Transmitting, or Recording Conversations | 9.73.230
- Promoting Commercial Sexual Abuse of a Minor - Penalty | 9.68A.101
- Remedies and Procedures, Asset Forfeiture | 9A.82.100
- Sexually Exploited Child; Definitions | 13.32A.030
- Special Allegation—Sexual Motivation | 9.94A.835
- Vacating Convictions | 9.96.060
- Washington State Task Force Against Trafficking in Persons | 7.68.350
- Youth Who Have Been Diverted; Prostitution or Prostitution Loitering Offenses; Services and Treatment | 13.32A.270

Washington Statewide Efforts

COLLABORATIONS (Coalitions, Task Forces, Working Groups)
- Washington Anti-Trafficking Response Network
- Washington Advisory Committee on Human Trafficking
- Washington State Task Force Against the Trafficking of Persons
- Commercially Sexually Exploited Children Statewide Coordinating Committee

RESOURCES (State Research, Publications, Trainings)
- Human Trafficking: A Spotlight on Washington State
- Best Practices to Combat Human Trafficking
- A Survey of Human Trafficking in the Spokane Region: Conducted by the Inland Northwest Task Force on Human Trafficking
- Washington State Task Force against the Trafficking of Persons Report

FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES
- Victims 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.

LOCAL
Washington Anti-Trafficking Response Network Victim Assistance Line...206–245–0782

This hotline is run by the Washington Anti-Trafficking Response Network (WARN). Contact the hotline to request information about trafficking in Washington State, obtain technical assistance around victim identification and support, or request a presentation or training for your community group, organization, or law enforcement agency.

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