

Comparison Chart of Primary Sex Trafficking Networks in the U.S.

	Asian Networks	Latino Networks	Domestic Networks
Locations of operation	Asian Massage Parlors (AMPs), room salons/hostess clubs, residential brothels, karaoke bars, escort services	Residential brothels, escort “delivery” services, hostess clubs/”cantinas,” and some massage parlors	Street, hotels, residential brothels, strip clubs, some massage parlors, internet, truck stops, private parties
Trafficker profile	Older Asian female management in AMPs, male owners, enforcers, and transporters	Latino male controllers, recruiters, enforcers, transporters; pimps known as “padrotes” (father)	U.S. domestic male pimps, male and female recruiters and enforcers, male transporters
Victim profile	Predominantly South Korean women, and some Chinese and Thai women, often between ages of 18 and 55; rare minors	Predominantly Mexican, central American, and south American adult women and some minors	U.S. Citizen adults and minors; some Native Americans; avg. age of recruitment estimated at 12-14
Demand profile (Johns) Open: All men Closed: Only some men	Middle to upper class working professionals; Asian men in ‘closed’ networks; some foreign business men	Entirely ‘closed’ network catering to Latino males	Open network that includes men of all backgrounds
Methods of recruitment	False promises of legitimate employment, internet chat rooms, in saunas/baths	False promise of marriage and opportunity; false promise of legitimate jobs	False promise of love and support; sometimes kidnapping or abduction
Methods of control	Physical isolation, language barriers, debt bondage, threats, threats of reports to immigration, psychological control, intimidation, controlled transportation	Physical abuse, rape, assault with weapons, debt bondage, threats of force, threats to family, threats of reports to immigration, sexual abuse of minors	Physical abuse, rape, assault with weapons, debt bondage, threats of force, sexual abuse of minors, threats to family or to children, control of drug supply, psychological control
Affiliation to gangs	Some have affiliation with Asian street gangs and/or organized crime	Some have affiliations with MS-13 and other Latino gangs	Some have affiliations with street gangs; some gangs directly engage in trafficking
Advertising mechanisms to attract customers	Classified ads, Asian newspapers, internet classifieds, phone directories, word of mouth, billboards	Fake business cards distributed person-to-person, word of mouth	Online sex ads, internet classifieds, local newspapers, phone directories, word of mouth, text messaging
Pricing structure/Cost per sex act	\$60 per hour plus tips for AMPs; inflated prices for food and alcohol in room salons; average of 5 to 15 men a day	\$30 for 15 minute sex act; avg. of 20 to 35 men a day; money usually taken by managers and ‘padrotes’	Nightly quotas of \$200 to \$1,000; average of 7 to 15 men per day; all money kept by pimps/traffickers
Transnational and internal transportation structure	Smuggling through Canada and Mexico; overstaying legitimate visas; use of Korean “taxi” services	Smuggling through Mexico; transported via cargo vans or commercial buses between cities	Direct transportation by pimps; use of individual cars and/or commercial transportation lines
Support Structure that Facilitates Operations	Advertisers, landlords, active online john community	Advertisers, landlords	Advertisers, landlords, media, operators of hotels used heavily by pimps, taxis

Top 10 Ways to Publicize the National Human Trafficking Resource Center (NHTRC) Hotline

1-888-3737-888

The National Human Trafficking Resource Center (NHTRC) Hotline is a 24-hour, 7 day a week, toll-free hotline. NHTRC Call Specialists can connect victims with law enforcement and social service providers in their local area who can help them get out of exploitative situations and into safe environments where they have access to services, such as emotional support, health care, and legal services.

1. **Dedicate your Facebook status to the hotline for a week.**
2. **Put up hotline flyers in Greyhound bus stations.**
3. **Tell 5 friends to put the hotline number in their cell phones.**
4. **Hand out information about the hotline at concerts, fairs, and community events.**
5. **Talk about it. Tell your friends, teachers, teammates, co-workers, and family members about this resource.**
6. **Invite your friends over to watch a movie on human trafficking and tell them about the hotline.**
7. **Post the hotline number on your website and/or blog.**
8. **Put up hotline posters in the windows of local businesses.**
9. **Ask a teacher, politician, or other local leader to talk about human trafficking and the hotline.**
10. **Post hotline flyers in motels and hotels in your area.**

How Can Publicizing the NHTRC Hotline Help Victims of Human Trafficking?

Cases of human trafficking have been reported in all 50 states and in a variety of environments, including: legal and illegal settings; cities, suburbs, and rural areas; and wealthy and low income areas. Often, community members come across labor and sex trafficking situations in their day-to-day routines.

Raising public awareness about how to recognize and report a potential trafficking case to the NHTRC Hotline is essential. Most victims do not self-identify as victims or are not aware that help is available. By taking action and calling the NHTRC Hotline – and encouraging others to do so – you can provide crucial information about a trafficking case. As a result, more victims will receive help.

Resources

- Hotline materials (fliers, etc.): http://www.polarisproject.org/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=60&Itemid=73
- Hotline flyer: <http://www.polarisproject.org/resources/outreach-and-awareness-materials>
- Polaris Project Action Center: <http://www.polarisproject.org/take-action>

Polaris Project works to empower and mobilize people from diverse backgrounds and of all ages to take meaningful action against human trafficking. Register with www.polarisproject.org/signup to receive regular updates on human trafficking in the United States.

Human trafficking is modern-day slavery,
and it's happening right here in the United States.

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WHO ARE THE VICTIMS?

Victims are forced to provide labor or commercial sex, and can be:

- U.S. citizens or foreign nationals
- Men, women, or children

WHERE DOES HUMAN TRAFFICKING HAPPEN?

Human trafficking can happen in many situations, including in:

- Commercial sex industry (street prostitution, strip clubs, massage parlors, escort services, brothels, internet)
- Factories (industrial, garment, meat-packing)
- Farms, landscaping, or construction
- Peddling rings, begging rings, or magazine crews
- Private homes (housekeepers, nannies, or servile marriages)
- Restaurants, bars, and other service industries (nail or hair salons)

Call to report a potential case, get information or resources,
request training or technical assistance, or receive referrals.

FOR MORE INFORMATION: www.TraffickingResourceCenter.org

