

Human Trafficking

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Top human trafficking states and incidents 2023

1. California (1,334)
2. Texas (987)
3. Florida (738)
4. New York (414)
5. Georgia (338)

What is human trafficking????

Is a harsh form of exploitation of another person involving force, fraud, or coercion for labor or commercial sexual purposes



Facts about trafficking

1. A little more than half of trafficking victims are female
2. Minors make up about a third of trafficking victims
3. Traffickers prey on vulnerabilities
4. Most traffickers are never convicted for their crimes

Trafficking rates

2000 — between 45,000 - 50,000

2020 - 2,198

MYTHS

1. Slavery doesn't exist anymore
 - Human trafficking synonymous with slavery. Many refer to human trafficking as modern day slavery.
2. All traffickers are men
 - An estimated 72% are male, 28% female, some female offenders were once victims themselves to escape their victimization
3. All human trafficking victims are kidnapped and isolated
 - As long as force, fraud, or coercion is involved the victim doesn't need to be transported
4. Victims and traffickers are usually strangers
 - Over 60% of cases, victims are familiar with their traffickers. A trafficker could be a family friend, a significant other, or close relative

Barbara Amaya

- Summer she turned 12 she ran away from her home in Virginia - went to DC
- Young women approached her and wanted to help so Barbara went back to her apartment with her
- Her trafficker was there, she was out recruitment, sold her to a trafficker in NY
- 15 years old in NYC, addicted to heroin, was sentenced to rikers, the police officer told her she was 21 but she was not
- Officer said her parents were picking her up when she walked in it was her trafficker not her parents
- Had an 85 year old die on top of her when she was 16
- Became heavily addicted to heroin - saved her life because she felt numb to everything
- Left when she was 22

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- Shy, insecure, awkward girl as a teenager, cool girl wanted to be her friend invited her to her bday party, she accepted
- Girl took her to a parking lot next day, said she owed her \$600 for gas and car
- Made her dance in a strip club for 2 men, took her back to her apartment where the 2 men were and they raped her
- For a year she worked at the club everyday to earn them money and they would rape her
- Police officer was tipped off, came to strip club and rescued her
- A volunteer at the safe house offered \$1,000 to have sex with him and she accepted
- For years was depressed drank too much, addicted to cocaine
- After 5 years was going to kill herself
- Was told to forgive the people who wronged her and that sent her free - forgiveness set her free



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