

Human Trafficking Indicators for U.S. Military Abroad

Human trafficking is a form of modern-day slavery where people profit from the exploitation of others. Human traffickers use force, fraud or coercion to compel victims into commercial sex acts, labor or services in exchange for something of monetary value (money, safety, or transportation). When victims are minors, force, fraud or coercion does not have to be present to be considered human trafficking. Transportation from one place to another is not required for human trafficking to occur.

Human trafficking is considered to be one of the fastest growing criminal industries in the world. Currently, it is second only to drug trafficking and produces \$32 billion dollars of annual revenue worldwide (United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime, 2012, p. 68)."

Forms of Human Trafficking

- Labor Trafficking- Forced labor or debt bondage
- Sex Trafficking- Forced adult prostitution and children being sold sexually
- Child Soldiers
- Child brides

Potential Human Traffickers

- Employment agencies such as job placement, modeling, etc.
- Parents and other family members
- Smugglers
- Corrupt government officials: law enforcement, politicians, etc.
- Taxi drivers
- Individuals looking to make money (brothel owners, pimps, exploitive adults or older adolescents)
- Business owners
- Arms dealers
- Drug traffickers
- Organized criminal enterprises
- Criminal networks
- Gangs

United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime. (2012). Global report on Trafficking in Persons Annual Report. Retrieved from http://www.unodc.org/documents/data-and-analysis/glotip/Trafficking_in_Persons_2012_web.pdf



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Social Indicators of People at High Risk for Trafficking

- Refugees
- Displaced persons
- People looking for work
- People looking for assistance getting into a new country
- Adults, children and adolescents living on the streets

Possible Venues for Sex Trafficking

- Streets
- Brothels
- Truck/bus stops
- Hotels/motels
- Personal homes

Possible Venues for Labor Trafficking

- Mines
- Street begging
- Agricultural fields
- Refineries
- Restaurants
- Factories
- Fishing industry

If you have suspicions of human trafficking:

- Report to your Military Police Headquarters.

For further assistance:

- Pennsylvania Coalition Against Rape, Criminal Justice Training Specialist: 800-692-7445
- INTERPOL, Trafficking in Human Beings Directorate: <http://interpol.int/Crime-areas/Trafficking-in-human-beings/Trafficking-in-human-beings>

Additional Resources:

- U.S. Department of State. (2012). *Trafficking in Persons Report 2012*. Available from: <http://www.state.gov/j/tip/rls/tiprpt/2012/>
- United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime. (2012). *Global Report on Trafficking in Persons 2012*. Retrieved from http://www.unodc.org/documents/data-and-analysis/glotip/Trafficking_in_Persons_2012_web.pdf