



Human Trafficking: An Emerging Crime in the Commonwealth

Scope of Human Trafficking

- ▶ \$32 billion industry
 - As large as weapons trafficking
- ▶ 12 million victims worldwide
 - 43% sex; 32% labor
 - 80% women; 50% children
- ▶ 8.5% convicted offenders to victims identified
- ▶ 0.4% victims identified to estimated victims



Hotline Calls: 2013

National Human Trafficking Resource Center (NHTRC) Data Breakdown *Virginia State Report* 1/1/2013-12/31/2013

OVERVIEW OF INCOMING SIGNALS

*The following information is based on incoming signals made to the NHTRC from January 1, 2013-December 31, 2013 from individuals in Virginia. **Signals** refer to incoming communications with the NHTRC. Signals can take the form of **phone calls, SMS text messages, online tip forms, or emails.** In 2013, the NHTRC received a total of 35,889 signals nationwide.*



742 Phone Calls



37 Online Tip Forms



26 Emails



5 SMS Threads

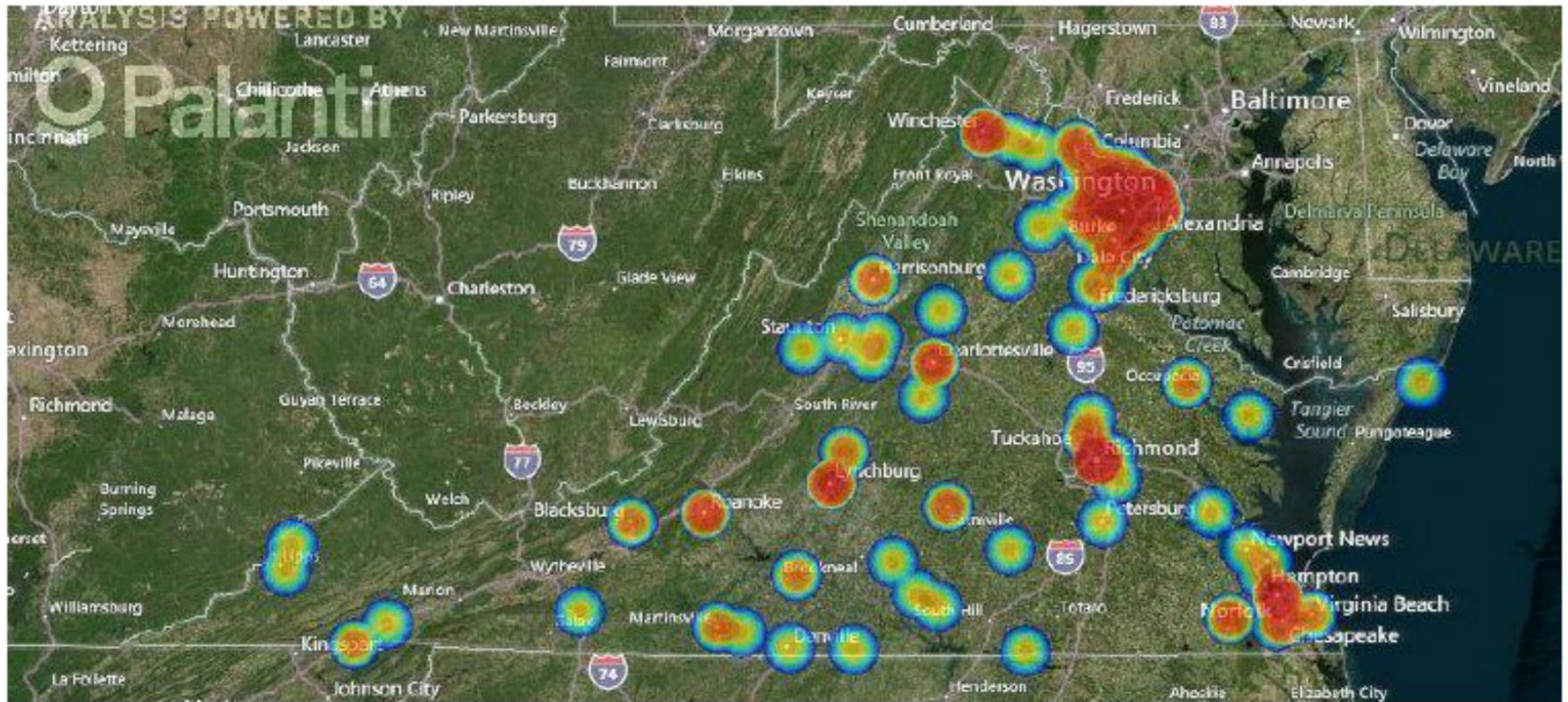
(Launched 3/28/13)

Source: NHTRC



2013 Virginia Call Locations

Location of Callers*

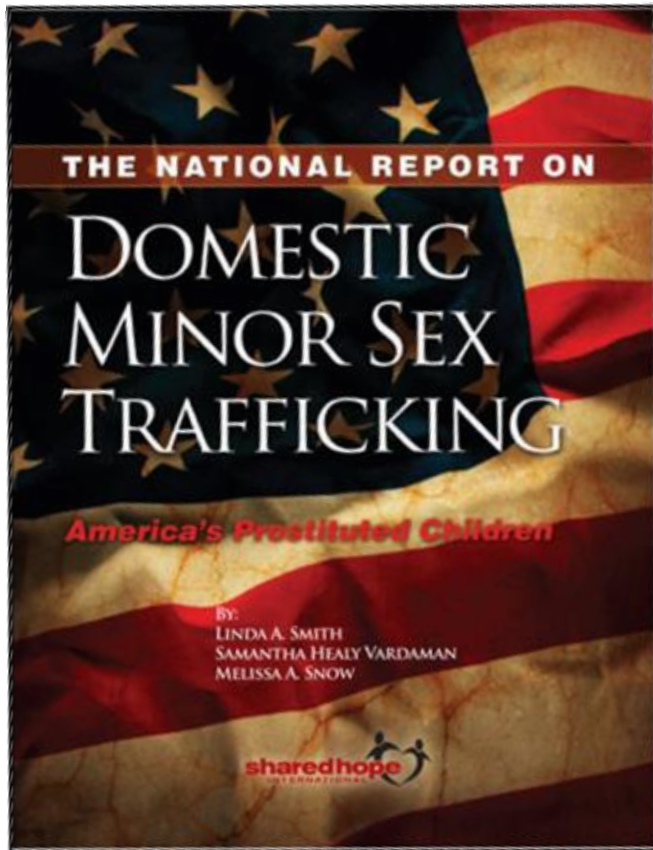


**These maps only reflect calls in which the caller identified as being in a particular location at the time of the call.*

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Commercial Sexual Exploitation of Children in the US



- ▶ Findings:
 - Approximate number of victims
 - 100,000 U.S. children
 - Average age:
 - 12-14
 - Vulnerability:
 - ANYONE
 - Primary barrier to services and intervention:
 - *Misidentification*



Traditional Ideologies: Presentation in the Courtroom

- Runaway
- Non-responsive to services
- Sexually promiscuous
- Charges:
 - Prostitution
 - Assault
 - Disorderly Conduct
 - Drunk in Public
 - Narcotics Violations
 - Licensing Violations
 - Massage Parlors



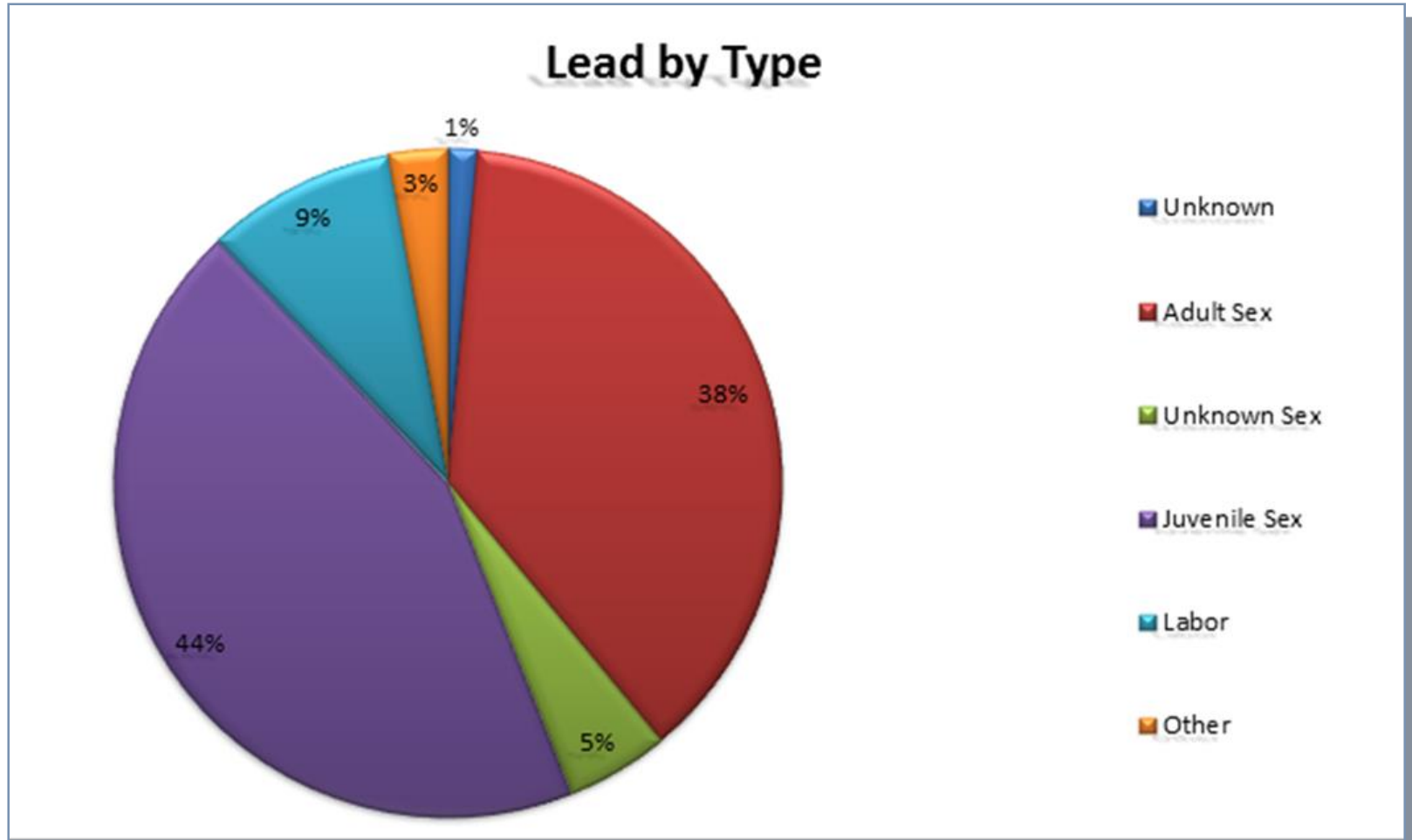
General Data

(*All data is from October 1, 2013 to October 17, 2014*)

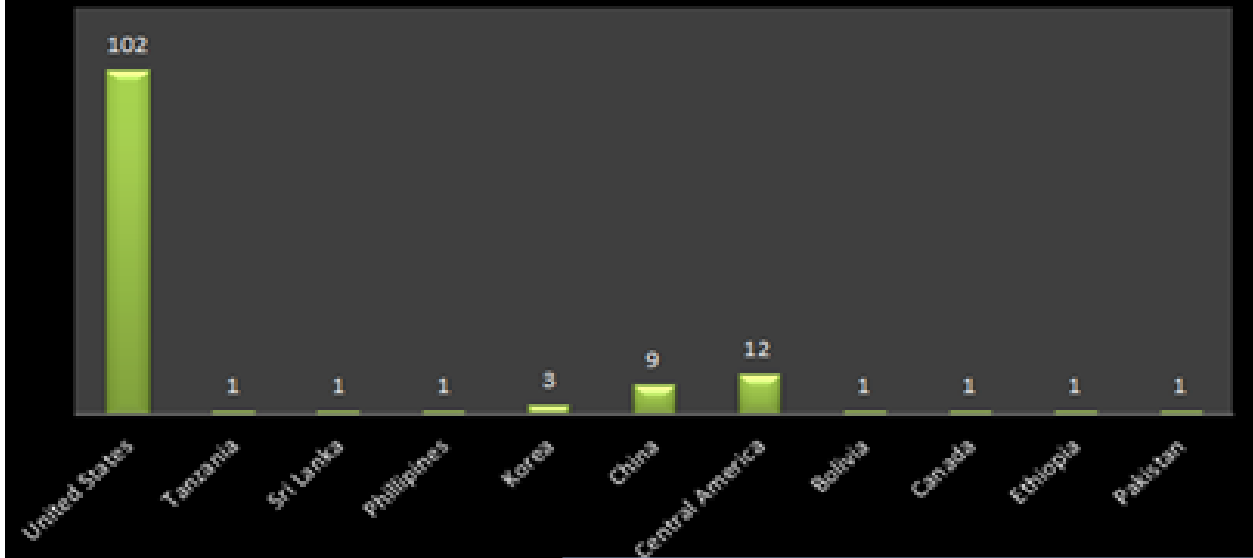
- ▶ We have received 156 leads since the start of our task force.
- ▶ 108 Victims have been recovered and offered services.
- ▶ 261 Victims have been identified (13% juveniles).
- ▶ 76 Suspects have been identified through our investigations.
- ▶ 17% of the leads received are gang-related.



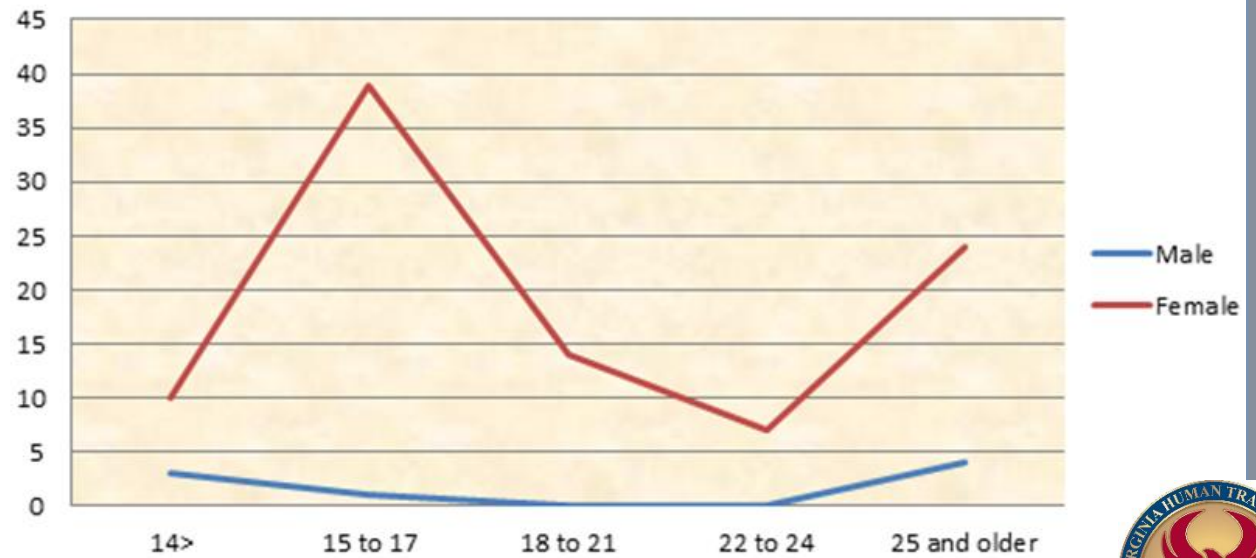
NVHTTF Leads



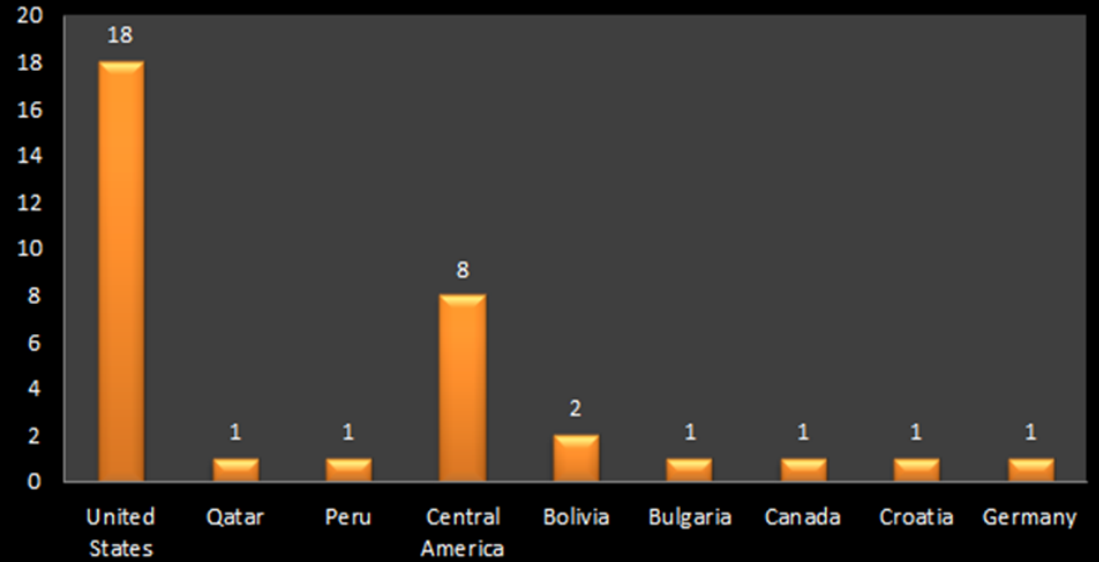
Known Victim by Country of Origin



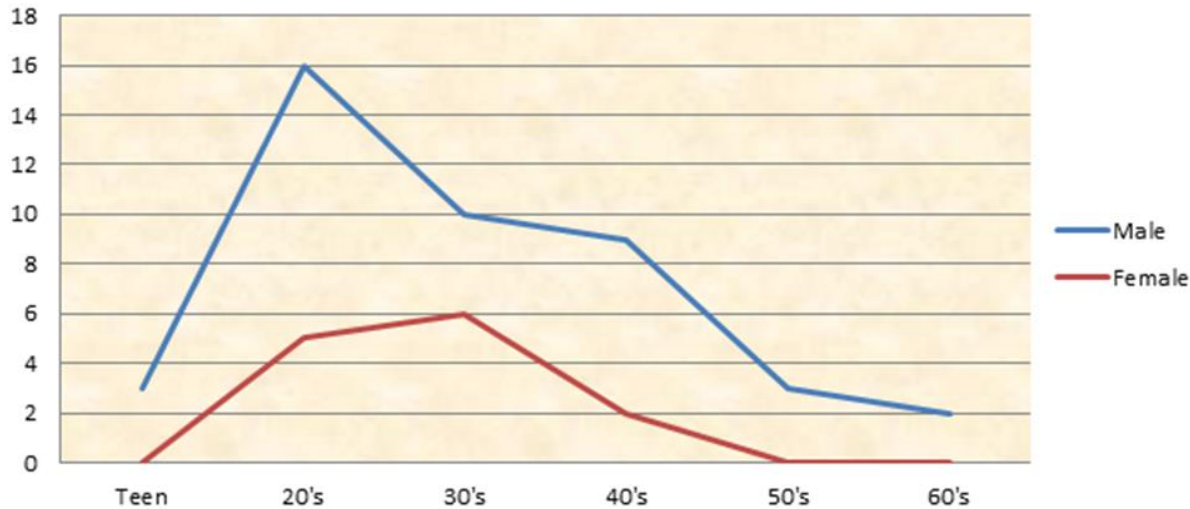
Victim by Age and Gender



Known Suspect by Country of Origin



Suspect by Age and Gender



Victim Exploitation

- Prostitution
- Pornography
- Exotic Services
- Other Commercial Sex Activities
- Hospitality Services
- Factory, Farms
- Construction, Landscaping
- Domestic Services
- Peddling or Begging
- Anywhere

Sex Trafficking

Labor Trafficking



Underground Gangster Crips: A Case Study

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