



## **Data and Research Working Group**

# **Human Trafficking Data Updates and Resources**

**KENTUCKY REGIONAL HUMAN TRAFFICKING TRAINING SERIES:** 

# **HT 101 Train the Trainer**



Between March-June 2025, DCBS hosted a HT101 Train the Trainer Series, which was offered through four regional trainings for professionals throughout Kentucky positioned to provide future HT101 training to individuals in their field and awareness presentations to community members. There are now 76 new HT101 trainers in Kentucky!

Location	Date	# of Attendees
Lexington, KY	March 31, 2025	22
Bowling Green, KY	April 30, 2025	21
Prestonsburg, KY	June 11, 2025	21
Lexington, KY	June 25, 2025	15
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## 2024 Polaris Hotline Data

As provided by Polaris from their **2024 National Human Trafficking Hotline data**:

Last year, the Hotline received **32,309** signals-calls, texts, e-mails, and online messages-from people across the country. These included:

> 8,024 contacts from victims and survivors

> Over 17,900 phone calls

> Just under **5,000** text messages

These numbers represent individuals reaching out for assistance, information, or to report potential trafficking situations.

# T Visas- Temporary Immigration Relief for Foreign Born Survivors of Human Trafficking

The Trafficking Victims Protection Act provides protection for foreign-born survivors of human trafficking and accountability for traffickers through the T Visa (T Nonimmigrant Status). This temporary immigration relief offers safety and security for survivors while also serving as tool for law enforcement for survivors provide assistance for reasonable requests for information to investigate and prosecute traffickers. In Quarter 2 of FY2025, 4,879 T visa applications were received, 430 were approved, and 497 have been denied. 26,379 T visa applications are currently pending, which is the highest number of pending applications, that have not yet been fully processed, to date. The annual cap for T visas (5,000) has never been met. FY2025 Quarter 3 data was not yet available at the time of publication of this data report.

#### T Visa Application Status

(for Victims of a Severe Form of Trafficking in Persons)

Fiscal Year	Applications		Applications		
	Received	Approved	Denied	Pending	
2008	389	247	56	193	
2009	461	290	63	307	
2010	541	446	102	305	
2011	882	556	145	502	
2012	790	667	81	565	
2013	804	851	97	421	
2014	908	619	135	590	
2015	1040	611	239	809	
2016	955	748	175	869	
2017	1,177	669	213	1,180	
2018	1,613	576	300	1,916	
2019	1,242	500	365	2,358	
2020	1,110	1,040	778	1,798	
2021	1,702	829	524	2,299	
2022	3,070	1,715	389	3,490	
2023	8,598	2,181	638	9,394	
2024	15,332	3,786	603	20,351	
	2025: First 3 Quarters of Available Data				
Quarter 1 (Oct-Dec 2024)	5,848	605	196	24,412	
Quarter 2 (Jan-March 2025)	4,879	430	497	26,379	
Quarter 3 (April-June 2025)	Quarter 3 Data Not Yet Available				
Quarter 4 (July-Sept)	Quarter 4 Data Not Yet Available				
2025 Subtotals (to date)	10,727	1,035	693	26,379	

### T Visa Approvals and Denials (2008-2025) 15,332 8.598 3,070 1,613 1,035 1,242 1040 2011 2012 2013 2014 2015 2016 2017 2018 2019 2020 2021 2024 2025 Approved Applications Denied Applications

Source: US Department of Homeland Security (2025) US Citizenship and Immigration Service, Immigration and Citizenship Data, Form I-914, Application for T Nonimmigrant Status by Fiscal Year, Quarter, and Case Status, accessed July 23, 2025, available online at LINK

