



Human Trafficking

**It's Closer
Than You Think**

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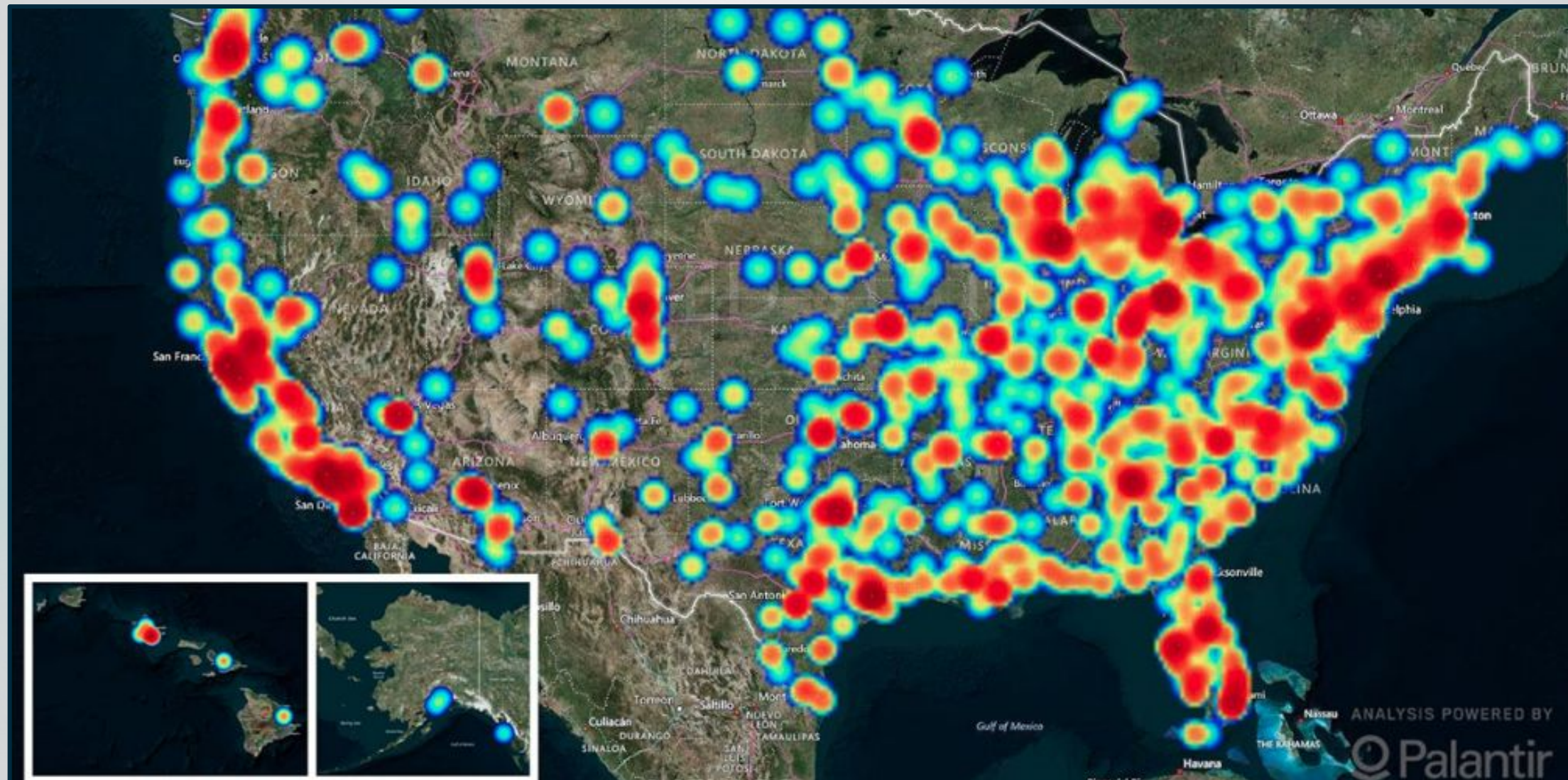
What it is

Human trafficking is the exploitation of another for purposes of sex or labor.
By means of ***force fraud or coercion***
Or any commercial sex act of a minor (under 18) which is CSEC

Three types:

- Sex Trafficking
- Labor Trafficking
- Organ Trafficking

Polaris Trafficking Heat Map





Why San Diego?

- ❖ Proximity to Border
- ❖ Tourism
- ❖ Gangs
- ❖ Transportation Hub
- ❖ Agriculture
- ❖ Military

Sex Trafficking in San Diego

- “The Nature and Extent of Gang Involvement in Sex Trafficking in San Diego County” – Carpenter and Gates, 2016
 - 3,417 - 8,108 victims
 - Age of entry: 16
 - 80% of victims U.S.
 - \$810 million
 - Facilitators > \$670,000/yr



Sex Trafficking in San Diego



Who is vulnerable?

- ❖ Prior sexual abuse
- ❖ Orphans and foster kids
- ❖ Street kids/runaways
- ❖ Victims of poverty
- ❖ Those with lack of education
- ❖ Lack of self esteem
- ❖ Refugees or immigrants on work visas
- ❖ Widows/abandoned wives and children

Where are the Victims?

- ❖ Pornography
- ❖ Massage Parlors
- ❖ Escort Services
- ❖ Schools
- ❖ Internet
- ❖ Street Prostitution

Where are the Sex Trafficking Victims Recruited?

Internet

Schools

Trolley
Stations

Parties

Movie
Theaters

Concerts

Shopping
Malls

Group
Homes

Bus Stops

Churches

Looking for Sex Trafficking Warning Signs

- Unclear on details
- Signs of abuse/emotional distress
- Under high surveillance at work or living locations
- Several women as tenants and frequent male visitors
- Expensive clothing/jewelry/electronics
- Branding/Tattoos

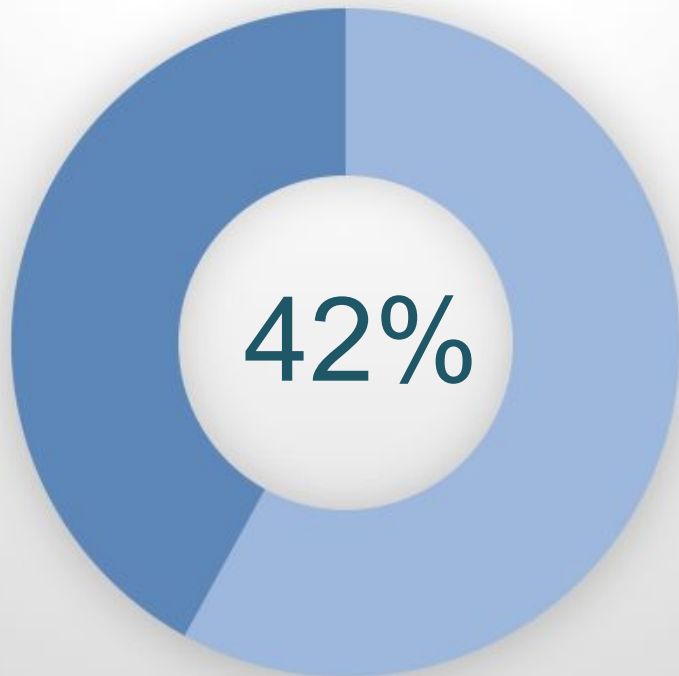
Who are the Traffickers?



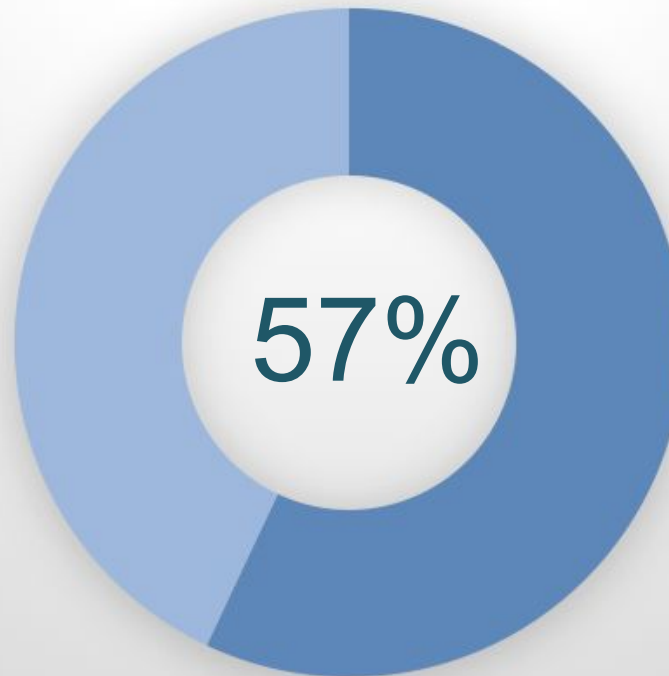
Trafficker's Types of Coercion

Three most commonly used types of coercion
(sex trafficking) as defined by the research study:

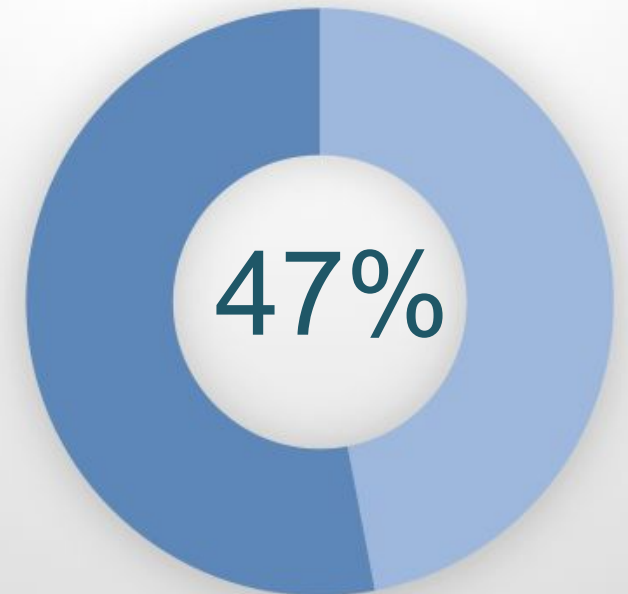
Chemical



Psychological



Economic



Sex Trafficker Typologies Facilitators:

- Boyfriend
- Protector
- Business Partner/Entrepreneur
- Vicious/Violent

What To Do If You Suspect Trafficking?

- ❖ If an emergency, call 911
- ❖ National Human Trafficking Hotline – to Get Help, Report a Tip, or Request Services:
 - ❖ 1-888-373-7888
 - ❖ Text “HELP” or “INFO” to: BEFREE (233733)
 - ❖ 24/7, 7 days a week
 - ❖ 2-1-1 San Diego