

FabFeb Statistics

29 days of February, 29 days of human trafficking statistics. Every day in February, we will be sharing a new statistic about human trafficking so that we can continue to learn about human trafficking together and share about this issue with those around us. Feel free to share any of our posts on Facebook or Instagram. But, if you prefer to make your own, here are 29 statistics about human trafficking in Canada, the Philippines, and the world!

Fact #	Fact	Source
1	Human trafficking is "the recruitment, transportation, harbouring and/or exercising control, direction or influence over the movements of a person in order to exploit that person, typically through sexual exploitation or forced labour"	Public Safety Canada. (2019). Human Trafficking. Government of Canada. Retrieved from https://www.publicsafety.gc.ca/cnt/cntrmg-crm/hmn-trffckng/index-en.aspx
2	It has been estimated that over 40.3 million people are trafficked annually (International Labour Organization.	International Labour Organization. (2017). Forced labour, modern slavery, and human trafficking. International Labour Organization. Retrieved from https://www.ilo.org/global/topics/forced-labour/lang--en/index.htm
3	70% of people being trafficked globally are women and children	International Labour Organization. (2017). Forced labour, modern slavery, and human trafficking. International Labour Organization. Retrieved from https://www.ilo.org/global/topics/forced-labour/lang--en/index.htm
4	25% of individuals who are trafficked are children.	International Labour Organization. (2017). Forced labour, modern slavery, and human trafficking. International Labour Organization. Retrieved from https://www.ilo.org/global/topics/forced-labour/lang--en/index.htm
5	Sex Trafficking involves individuals being forced into various forms of sexual exploitation, including providing	Department of Justice. (2017). Victims of Trafficking in Persons: Perspectives from the Canadian Community Sector.

	sexual services, exotic dancing, working in strip clubs, and in the production of pornography.	Government of Canada. Retrieved from https://www.justice.gc.ca/eng/rp-pr/cj-jp/tp/rr06_3/p3.html
6	Sex trafficking can occur in massage parlours, strip clubs, brothels, on the streets, in hotels, AirBnBs, or people's homes.	Barrett, N., & Shaw, M.. (n.d.). Laws to Combat Sex Trafficking: An Overview of International, National, Provincial, and Municipal Laws and their Enforcement. Canadian Women's Foundation. Retrieved from https://www.canadianwomen.org/sites/canadianwomen.org/files/Laws%20to%20Combat%20Sex%20Trafficking_1.pdf
7	99% of people trafficked for sexual exploitation are women and girls	International Labour Organization. (2017). Forced labour, modern slavery, and human trafficking. International Labour Organization. Retrieved from https://www.ilo.org/global/topics/forced-labour/lang--en/index.htm
8	50% of people caught in sex trafficking say they were forced into pornography at one time.	Beck, J.. (n.d.). The Link Between Pornography and Human Trafficking. EverAccountable. Retrieved from https://everaccountable.com/blog/the-link-between-pornography-and-human-trafficking/
9	Trafficking occurs in every region of the world, including Canada.	Public Safety Canada. (2018). National Action Plan to Combat Human Trafficking. Government of Canada. Retrieved from https://www.publicsafety.gc.ca/cnt/rsrscs/pblctns/ntnl-ctn-pln-cmbt/index-en.aspx
10	90% of people trafficked in Canada are from within Canada's borders.	Canadian Women's Foundation. (2014). Fact Sheet: Sex Trafficking of

		Women and Girls in Canada. Canadian Women. Retrieved from https://www.canadianwomen.org/sites/canadianwomen.org/files/FactSheet-EndHumanTrafficking%20(Aruna%20Edit%20-%20ONLINE).pdf
11	Ontario is home to 66% of all human trafficking in Canada.	Ibrahim, D.. (June, 2018). Trafficking in persons in Canada, 2016. Statistics Canada. Retrieved from https://www150.statcan.gc.ca/n1/pub/85-005-x/2018001/article/54979-eng.htm
12	Human trafficking is most common in Ontario along the 401 corridor, near the airports, and in metropolitan areas.	Olivia Carville and Piya Chattopadhyay. (Feb, 2016). Taken: Human Trafficking in Ontario. The Agenda with Steve Paikin Interview Transcript. TVOntario: The Agenda. Retrieved from https://www.tvo.org/transcript/2349737/taken-human-trafficking-in-ontario
13	People do not have to be moved in order to be trafficked. Someone can be trafficking in their own country, province, town, or even home.	Ontario Government. (June, 2019). Ontario's Strategy to End Human Trafficking. Government of Ontario, Ministry of Children, Community, and Social Services. Retrieved from https://www.mcsc.gov.on.ca/en/mcsc/programs/humanTrafficking/index.aspx
14	The age of recruitment is as low as 12 years old.	Ontario Government. (June, 2019). Ontario's Strategy to End Human Trafficking. Government of Ontario, Ministry of Children, Community, and Social Services. Retrieved from https://www.mcsc.gov.on.ca/en/mcsc/programs/humanTrafficking/index.aspx

15	The indigenous community makes up only 4% of Canada's population, yet 50-70% of people trafficked in Canada are Indigenous.	Roudometkina, A. & Wakeford, K.. (June, 2018). Trafficking of Indigenous Women and Girls in Canada. Native Women's Association of Canada. Retrieved from https://www.ourcommons.ca/Content/Committee/421/JUST/Brief/BR10002955/br-external/NativeWomensAssociationOfCanada-e.pdf
16	The biggest risk factor for trafficking in Canada is being a girl.	Canadian Women's Foundation. (2014). Fact Sheet: Sex Trafficking of Women and Girls in Canada. Canadian Women. Retrieved from https://www.canadianwomen.org/sites/canadianwomen.org/files/FactSheet-EndHumanTrafficking%20(Aruna%20Edit%20-%20ONLINE).pdf
17	459 persons were accused of human trafficking in Canada between 2009 and 2014.	Karam, M. (2016). Trafficking in persons in Canada, 2014. Statistics Canada. Retrieved from https://www150.statcan.gc.ca/n1/pub/85-002-x/2016001/article/14641-eng.htm
18	Canada now has a human trafficking hotline! For information and support regarding human trafficking, you can call Canada's confidential Human Trafficking Hotline: 1-833-900-1010 or visit www.canadianhumantraffickinghotline.ca	Canadian Human Trafficking Hotline: www.canadianhumantraffickinghotline.ca

19	In the Philippines, most people who are trafficked are young and female, and most are from the city of Manila, where Fight4Freedom is working.	National Police Commission, Republic of the Phillipines, Leones, C., & Caparas, D.. (n.d.). Trafficking in Human Beings from the Philippines: A Survey of Government Experts and Law Enforcement Case Files. Execuative Sumary. UNODC. Retrieved from https://www.unodc.org/pdf/crime/human_trafficking/Exec_Summary_NAPOLCOM.pdf .
20	Labour Trafficking and Sex Trafficking are the most common forms of trafficking in the Philippines.	United States Department of State. (June 2018) 2018 Trafficking in Persons Report – Philippines United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees. Retrieved from: https://www.refworld.org/docid/5b3e0aa4a.html
21	60% of trafficking in East Asia is sex trafficking.	United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime. (2018). Global Report on Trafficking in Persons. United Nations. Retrieved from https://www.unodc.org/documents/data-and-analysis/glotip/2018/GLOTiP_2018_BOOK_web_small.pdf
22	Traffickers prey on the needs of people and target people in vulnerable situations. They are skilled at identifying needs and vulnerabilities and acting upon them to lure and manipulate those whom they traffic.	National Human Trafficking Hotline. (n.d.). The Traffickers. Human Trafficking Hotline. Retrieved from https://humantraffickinghotline.org/what-human-trafficking/human-trafficking/traffickers

23	Vulnerability factors include homelessness, low-self esteem, bullying, discrimination, poverty, abuse, isolation, mental health conditions, and substance use issues, among others.	National Human Trafficking Hotline. (n.d.). The Victims. Human Trafficking Hotline. Retrieved from https://humantraffickinghotline.org/what-human-trafficking/human-trafficking/victims
24	Often traffickers target isolated and vulnerable youth, and offer them love, affection, understanding, and gifts/drugs to make them feel special. This is referred to as the “grooming process”.	Polaris Project. (n.d.). How Human Trafficking Happens. Polaris Project. Retrieved from https://polarisproject.org/how-human-trafficking-happens/
25	Most often, sex traffickers purposely develop a bond with the person they are trafficking, in order to manipulate them and make them believe they are better off staying than leaving. For this and other reasons, the trafficked person may fear and resist police intervention.	Ontario Government. (June, 2019). Ontario’s Strategy to End Human Trafficking. Government of Ontario, Ministry of Children, Community, and Social Services. Retrieved from https://www.mcscs.gov.on.ca/en/mcscs/programs/humanTrafficking/index.aspx
26	There are over 2000 verses in the Bible about poverty and justice! God’s heart breaks over exploitation. “Learn to do right; seek justice. Defend the oppressed. Take up the cause of the fatherless; plead the case of the widow. Isaiah 1:17”	
27	Signs that someone is being trafficked include: the person is unable to speak for themselves, the person is being controlled by another, the person is unpaid or paid very little, the person	Ontario Government. (June, 2019). Ontario’s Strategy to End Human Trafficking. Government of Ontario, Ministry of Children, Community, and Social Services. Retrieved from

	<p>seems fearful, anxious, depressed, submissive, tense, or nervous, the person shows signs of abuse, has tattooing or branding symbols on their bodies, the person cannot control their own ID, the person is moved frequently and may not know their surroundings well, the person has been reported missing.</p>	<p>https://www.mcsc.gov.on.ca/en/mcsc/programs/humanTrafficking/index.aspx</p>
28	<p>Trafficking can be very hard to spot. The person who is trafficked as well as those around them may not even know that this is happening.</p>	<p>Ontario Government. (June, 2019). Ontario's Strategy to End Human Trafficking. Government of Ontario, Ministry of Children, Community, and Social Services. Retrieved from https://www.mcsc.gov.on.ca/en/mcsc/programs/humanTrafficking/index.aspx</p>
29	<p>Human Trafficking is a huge issue and it can be hard to talk about. But there is hope! Governments, charitable organizations, and individuals are standing up to make a difference. At Fight4Freedom alone, we are partnered with hundreds of staff, volunteers, donors, and partners who are committed to ending human trafficking. When we come together to fight an injustice like human trafficking, incredible things happen!</p>	