

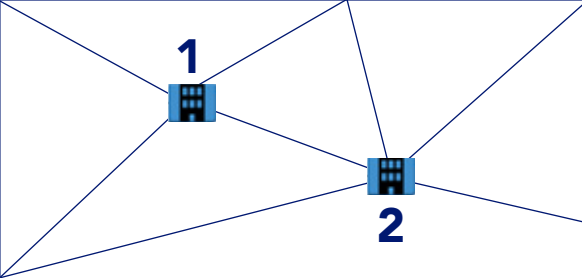


Massage Parlor Trafficking Quick Facts

 <p>~ 9,000+ Number of illicit massage businesses (IMBs) currently open for business across every state in America</p>	 <p>~ 35–55 Typical age range of women providing services at illicit massage parlors. Most of them are mothers who recently arrived from China or South Korea and have limited English language skills</p>	<p>Rank of illicit massage parlors among the 25 types of human trafficking in the United States most often reported via cases to the National Human Trafficking Hotline</p> <p>1st 2nd 3rd</p>
<p>100% Percentage of cases studied in which survivors report some form of labor trafficking or exploitation present in their situation</p>	<p>\$ ~ 2.5 billion annual Estimated total annual revenue of illicit massage businesses in the United States</p>	 <p>Average number of illicit massage businesses linked in networks that allow women to be recruited in one site and moved to other sites, often in other states. Also often present in these networks are non-massage businesses, such as laundromats or nail salons that can be used to launder money.</p>

Key indicators that a business is selling commercial sex and is a possible human trafficking venue include:

- Prices significantly below market level (e.g. \$40 for a one-hour massage in a city where \$80 is the norm)
- Serves primarily or only male clientele
- Locked front door, customers can only enter if buzzed in or through discreet back or side doors
- Windows are covered so passersby cannot see into the establishment
- Women appear to be living in the establishment

To be considered human trafficking in any venue, a situation must include one of the following:

- **Force:** Violence or the threat of violence
- **Fraud:** Deceitful recruitment practices, fraudulent debt accumulation
- **Coercion:** Emotional manipulation; document confiscation; threats of law enforcement, deportation, exposure and shaming; consequences to family members