

Request for Assistance for Child Victims of Human Trafficking

**OMB Information Collection Request
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Supporting Statement Part B – STATISTICAL METHODS

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OTIP employs basic statistical methods (descriptive statistics) to cull insights from information collected through the Request for Assistance (RFA) form. No inferential statistical tests will be conducted, nor will sophisticated statistical techniques (e.g., sampling plans, imputation or other missing data adjustments and statistical estimation techniques) be applied; therefore, this section is not addressed below.

1. Respondent Universe and Sampling Methods

Representatives of governmental entities, members of the community, and nongovernmental entities providing social, legal, or protective services to foreign national minors in the United States who may have been subjected to severe forms of trafficking in persons in order to make eligibility determinations. Response estimates are based on referral volumes observed over the past three years.

2. Procedures for the Collection of Information

All data collected is obtained through the RFA form and the child eligibility determination process. Respondents submit the form through OTIP's online case management, Shepherd.

3. Methods to Maximize Response Rates and Deal with Nonresponse

By statute, mandatory reporters and other representatives providing social, legal, or protective services to foreign national minors in the United States who may have been subjected to severe forms of trafficking in persons are required to notify OTIP within 24 hours of identifying potential trafficking concerns. Additional methods to maximize response rates or deal with nonresponse are not applicable.

4. Test of Procedures or Methods to be Undertaken

No testing is required.

5. Individuals Consulted on Statistical Aspects and Individuals Collecting and/or Analyzing Data

The organization responsible for collecting and analyzing the data is the Office on Trafficking in Persons. For questions related to statistical methods, please contact Vera J. Soto, MPA, Research and Data Collection Analyst at Vera.Soto@acf.hhs.gov or (771) 216-7710.