

How to submit information for the 2022 Trafficking in Persons Report

This guide shows the main sections of the Request for Information for the 2022 Trafficking in Persons Report (TIP Report) and provides detailed instructions for how to submit a response by the deadline of February 1, 2022. The U.S. Department of State relies on a wide array of sources, including the expertise of the anti-trafficking community, to better understand the trafficking situation on the ground. Submissions must include information relevant to national, state, local, or tribal governments' concrete actions related to human trafficking that have occurred since the start of this reporting period (April 1, 2021). You should have direct or other relevant experience related to the information in your submission or provide credible sources.

Action and Summary:

This Request for Information seeks to gather information that is critical to ensure the TIP Report includes the most comprehensive review of governments' concrete actions to combat trafficking in persons. The submissions we receive help provide additional perspectives on key areas.

Dates: Submissions must be received by February 1, 2022, at 5:00 pm EST.

Addresses:

Please send submissions and supporting documentation, such as reports, survey data, or sources referenced in the submission, by email to tipreport@state.gov for submissions related to foreign governments and tipreportus@state.gov for submissions related to the United States. Provide a point of contact for the submission in case follow-up is needed. The published TIP Report will not reference sources.

Scope of Interest:

Submissions must focus on governmental efforts, including details about federal/central, state/provincial, or local government efforts since the beginning of this reporting period on

April 1, 2021. Please note the tier rankings in the TIP Report do not include an assessment of the work done in a particular country by NGOs, international organizations, or the private sector. Submissions may also include recommendations to address areas of governmental efforts that need improvement.

Submission Formats:

Submissions can take any form, such as data charts, survey questionnaires, published reports, and written responses. The inclusion of statistics or precise dates, whenever possible, is particularly helpful.

Sources and Citations:

Information in the submission should be as specific as possible. All statements and claims in submissions should be supported by primary or secondary sources. Please include copies of sources along with the submission wherever possible. Citations for primary sources should include details on the methodology used for gathering information.

Supplementary Information: The TIP Report follows the TVPA's definitions of human trafficking.

The TIP Report:

Each country narrative in the TIP Report focuses on concrete governmental actions organized into three sections: Prosecution, Protection, and Prevention. Each narrative also includes recommendations for the government and an overview of human trafficking in the country and factors affecting vulnerability to trafficking of the country's nationals abroad.

Minimum Standards for the Elimination of Trafficking in Persons:

The TIP Report assesses governments' efforts to meet the TVPA's minimum standards for the elimination of human trafficking. Submissions should include information that addresses at least one of the minimum standards.

Information Sought Relevant to the Minimum Standards:

The questions listed in this section of the Request for Information help break down the TVPA's minimum standards and highlight the areas where information would be helpful in assessing governmental efforts. Submissions do not need to answer all the questions, but rather should only respond to questions where the submitter has direct or other relevant experience.