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# What is the Annual US Trafficking in Persons (TIP) Report?

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## What is the TIP Report?

-The TIP Report was developed by the Trafficking Victims Protection Act of 2000.

-The TIP report is used to combat trafficking in persons a contemporary manifestation of slavery whose victims are predominantly women and children, to ensure just and effective punishments of traffickers, and to protect their victims.

- The Department of State places each country onto one of three tiers based on the extent of their governments' efforts to comply with the "minimum standards for the elimination of trafficking."

- Even though Tier 1 is the highest rank, that does not mean the country has no human trafficking problem. Tier 1 just indicates that a country has government acknowledgment and has made great efforts to fight trafficking.

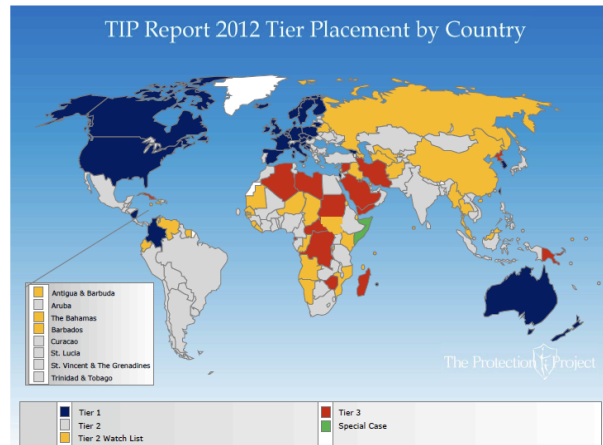
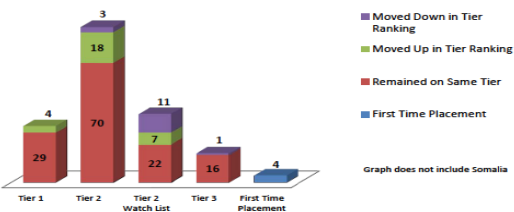
- Tier 1: Countries whose governments fully comply with the TVPA's minimum standards for the elimination of trafficking.

- Tier 2: Countries whose governments do not fully comply with the TVPA's minimum standards but are making significant efforts to bring themselves into compliance with those standards.

- Tier 2 Watch list: Countries whose governments do not fully comply with the TVPS's minimum standards, but are making significant efforts to bring themselves into compliance with those standards.

- Tier 3: Countries whose governments do not fully comply with the minimum standards and are not making significant efforts to do so. Tier 3 also will come with sanctions to that country. Opposition to assistance from international financial institutions like the World Bank and no funding for government employees' participation in educational and cultural exchange programs.

1.c. Movements in Tier Placement 2011-2012



## The "3P" Paradigm

- **Prevention**: Is the goal to prevent trafficking of persons and what actions the governments are taking to prevent trafficking from going on.

- **Prosecution of criminals**: Is the goal of prosecuting those who are taking advantage of people and are getting away with it. This section looks at what governments are doing to find, catch, and punish those who are actually trafficking people.

- **Protection of victims**: Is the goal of trying to protect victims and others who are vulnerable to trafficking and looking at what countries are doing and what programs they are setting up to help victims of trafficking.

## Moving Away From the "3D" Paradigm

-Detention: locking up and holding victims who are caught and do not be long in the country.

- Deportation: Sending the victims back to the country they came from letting their government help them and not see them again.

-Disempowerment: Leaving the victim with less confidence and power and leaving it into the governments hands and not letting the victim have any say.

TIER 1			
Australia	France	Lithuania	Poland
Austria	Georgia	Luxembourg	Slovak Republic
Belgium	Germany	Macedonia	Slovenia
Canada	Iceland	Mauritius	Spain
Colombia	Ireland	Netherlands	Sweden
Croatia	Israel	New Zealand	Taiwan
Czech Republic	Italy	Nicaragua	United Kingdom
Denmark	Korea, South	Norway	United States
Finland			
TIER 2			
Albania	El Salvador	Mali	Serbia
Antigua & Barbuda	Ethiopia	Marshall Islands	Singapore
Argentina	Fiji	Mexico	Solomon Islands
Armenia	Gabon	Moldova	South Africa
Bangladesh	Ghana	Mongolia	St. Lucia
Belize	Greece	Montenegro	St. Vincent & The Grenadines
Benin	Guatemala	Morocco	Switzerland
Bolivia	Guinea	Mozambique	Switzerland
Bosnia & Herzegovina	Guyana	Nepal	Tajikistan
Botswana	Honduras	Niger	Tanzania
Brazil	Hong Kong	Oman	Timor-Leste
Brunai	Hungary	Pakistan	Togo
Bulgaria	India	Palau	Tonga
Burkina Faso	Indonesia	Panama	Trinidad & Tobago
Cambodia	Japan	Paraguay	Tunisia
Cameroun	Jordan	Peru	Turkey
Cape Verde	Kazakhstan	Philippines	Uganda
Chile	Kiribati	Portugal	Ukraine
Costa Rica	Kosovo	Qatar	United Arab Emirates
Cote d'Ivoire	Kyrgyz Republic	Romania	Uruguay
Curacao	Laos	Rwanda	Vietnam
Dominican Republic	Latvia	St. Lucia	Zambia
Egypt	Lesotho		
TIER 2 WATCH LIST			
Afghanistan	China	Jamaica	Niger
Angola	Comoros	Kenya	Russia
Azerbaijan	Congo	Lebanon	Senegal
The Bahamas	Cyprus	Liberia	Seychelles
Bahrain	Egypt	Macau	Sierra Leone
Barbados	Ecuador	Malawi	South Sudan
Belarus	The Gambia	Malaysia	Suriname
Burma	Guinea Bissau	Maldives	Thailand
Burundi	Haiti	Mauritania	Turkmenistan
Chad	Iraq	Micronesia	Uzbekistan
		Namibia	Venezuela
TIER 3			
Algeria	Equatorial Guinea	Libya	Sudan
Central African Republic	Eritrea	Madagascar	Syria
Congo (DRC)	Iran	Fagus New Guinea	Yemen
Cuba	Korea, North	Saudi Arabia	Zimbabwe
	Kuwait		
SPECIAL CASES			
Somalia			