**Indiana**

Total Score: 5 Points of 8 Total Available

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**Why did my state receive this rating?** Indiana has elements that are friendly to prevention but should take further action to make prevention education viably accessible to youth.

**Who does exploitation and trafficking impact?** Each year millions of children are victims of trafficking and commercial sexual exploitation, affecting communities small and large. This happens all over the world, including in your own community.

**How does this happen?** Children are most often exploited by an acquaintance (significant other, friend, family member, etc.). They are targeted, groomed, tricked, and manipulated.

**Indiana by Numbers**

- **283** calls to the human trafficking hotline.
- **93** human trafficking cases reported.
- **31** cases concerned a minor.
- **76** cases involved females, **10** involved males.

**Indiana Laws and Provisions**

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<td>Terms included in Indiana's Definition of Abuse:</td>
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| Prevention Education Law, Scope, and Grade Levels | • IN Code § 20-19-3-11 (2017); see also: Ind. Code §20-19-3-10
Topics: child abuse, child sexual abuse awareness and prevention; dating violence (not including exploitation or trafficking)
• Mandated for K-12 |
| Staff Training Requirements | Neither mandated nor recommended |
EXPLOITATION BY NUMBERS

- Approximately 1.6 million children run away every year in the United States.²
- Of the nearly 27,000 runaways reported to NCMEC in 2017, one in 7 were likely victims of child sex trafficking.³
- There were 8,524 human trafficking cases reported in the United States in 2017 and 32% of those cases involved a minor.⁴
- In 2017, 88% of trafficked children were in the care of social services at the time the exploitation began.⁵

WHAT CAN I DO?

Contact your child’s school administrator about adding prevention education at your child’s school.

Contact your local representative to ask them to get involved in prevention education legislation.

Be a mentor to youth in your community.

Sponsor prevention education for schools and other youth-serving organizations. Visit donate.iempathize.org.

¹ Polaris Project, Human Trafficking Hotline, 2017 State Statistics: https://humantraffickinghotline.org/states. Note that not all demographics are captured by every report to the hotline.
³ National Center for Missing and Exploited Children: http://www.missingkids.com/theissues/cse/cstt
⁴ National Human Trafficking Hotline Statistics: https://humantraffickinghotline.org/states
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MISSION: We equip adults to empower youth to eradicate exploitation.
For more info visit: http://iempathize.org/educators/the-prevention-priority/