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# NEBRASKA

## 2021 Report Card on Child & Youth Sex Trafficking

TIER II

| Issue  | Grade   | Score              | Highlights  |
|--|---|--------------------|---|
|  1. Criminal Provisions                                    | F   | $\frac{9.5}{17.5}$ | Policy goals accomplished in areas related to buyer accountability under the trafficking law, buyer accountability under state CSEC laws, and decoy defenses. Gaps remain in areas related to trafficker accountability under state CSEC laws, mistake of age defenses, business entity liability under the trafficking law, and financial penalties                                    |
|  2. Identification of and Response to Victims              | F   | $\frac{15}{27.5}$  | Policy goals accomplished in areas related to third party control, screening through child welfare, child abuse definitions, and non-familial trafficking cases. Gaps remain in areas related to foreign national victims, screening through the juvenile justice system, non-criminalization for prostitution offenses, expanded non-criminalization, and juvenile court jurisdiction. |
|  3. Continuum of Care                                      | F   | $\frac{6}{15}$     | Policy goals accomplished in areas related to services through a non-punitive system and MDT responses. Gaps remain in areas related to services through the juvenile justice system, extended foster care services, and appropriations.  |
|  4. Access to Justice for Trafficking Survivors            | D   | $\frac{9}{15}$     | Policy goals accomplished in areas related to vacatur and civil remedies. Gaps remain in areas related to civil orders of protection, crime victims' compensation, restitution, and statutes of limitation.   |
|  5. Tools for a Victim-Centered Criminal Justice Response | F   | $\frac{3}{10}$     | Gaps remain in all areas, including hearsay exceptions, alternatives to live, in-court testimony, victim supports, and privileged communications.   |
|  6. Prevention and Training                              | F   | $\frac{0}{15}$     | Gaps remain in all areas, including training for child welfare, juvenile justice agencies, law enforcement, prosecutors, and school personnel as well as prevention education in schools.   |
| EXTRA CREDIT   |  Youth                   | 1                  | Protection related to civil remedies is extended to sex trafficked youth.   |
|  |  Child Labor Trafficking | 4                  | Policy goals related to child abuse definitions, services through a non-punitive system, MDT responses, and civil remedies are extended to child labor trafficking victims.   |

**OVERALL GRADE**  
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**F 47.5**

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To better understand Nebraska's grade, access an in-depth analysis of its laws under the advanced legislative framework and review its historical progress by visiting [reportcards.sharedhope.org/nebraska](https://reportcards.sharedhope.org/nebraska).

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