



ETHIOPIA

123,000,000

POPULATION*

\$2,423

GDP (PPP)*



727,000

ESTIMATED NUMBER OF PEOPLE LIVING IN MODERN SLAVERY*



67.2/100

VULNERABILITY TO MODERN SLAVERY*



*Global Slavery Index 2023 data. For more information on their findings, visit [GlobalSlaveryIndex.org](https://www.globalslaveryindex.org)

TRAFFICKING IN ETHIOPIA

- The [Global Slavery Index](#) estimates that there are 727,000 people living in slavery in Ethiopia.
- In 2021, the [UN](#) declared Ethiopia one of the top ten internal displacement crises in the world. Any population uprooted from their community is at increased risk of being trafficked.
- The UN released a [report](#) in October 2022 declaring girls and Eritrean refugee women at a higher risk of being sex trafficked as people fled conflict in Northern Ethiopia. Children were also at higher risk as hundreds had been separated from their families. The report called for a more focused effort to identify victims and provide support.
- The U.S. Department of State categorized Ethiopia on Tier 2 Watch List in their [2022 Trafficking in Persons Report](#), indicating that the Ethiopian government is working to eliminate human trafficking in their country but as of yet does not meet the minimum standards necessary to accomplish that.
- Low wages, high rates of unemployment, and lack of available jobs in Ethiopia cause an increase in migration. According to the [Freedom Fund](#), large numbers of Ethiopian women migrate every day to seek domestic labor jobs in the Middle East, an industry rife with modern slavery.
- Gender-based violence and cultural discrimination against females put women and girls at increased vulnerability.





LJI ETHIOPIA IMPACT SINCE 2022

139

INTERCEPTS

0

ARRESTS

1

STATION

4

STAFF

0

SHELTERS

OUR TIMELINE

2022

Love Justice Ethiopia is established and has 12 intercepts in their first month, December.

2023

LJI Ethiopia has grown, and by May of 2023 has intercepted 44 people to prevent them from being trafficked.

