Mission Statement

The Ethiopian Journal of Population Studies (EJPS) is a peer-reviewed journal with a timely mission of communicating pioneering new research on Ethiopia’s population dynamics by focusing on the nexus between population and development, and between population and health. The emphasis on this link allows for the exchange of the latest theories and perspectives on population, development, and health matters, and the sharing of research methods, and results. EJPS will have a broad scope in both geographical and topical sense as it covers the entire county, and the rest of East Africa, while at the same time addressing a wide spectrum of health and development topics. The journal will provide a long-awaited and timely opportunity for Ethiopian and foreign contributors to share the fruits of their research with a global audience.

EJPS will be distinguished by its interdisciplinary nature and breadth, serving not only the demographic and health community but also policy makers and outside agencies looking to engage in development work in Ethiopia and East Africa. The journal will help increase the visibility of Ethiopian population, health, and developments issues as the county struggles to meet the Millennium Development Goals (MDG) of the United Nations. In this capacity EJPS will be able to serve, inter alia, as a facilitator of socio-economic progress.

EJPS seeks to implement and maintain very high standards of original content while guaranteeing a speedy consideration of high priority submissions for online publication. We seek to publish superior quality papers that display soundness of methodology, robustness of techniques, and data integrity. All pre-screened manuscripts will be given a fair consideration if submitted in grammatically sound English. To this end, we encourage researchers to peer-review their work with colleagues, former or current professors, and other researchers prior to submission. Manuscripts should also display superior qualities of organization and relevance to Ethiopia’s current socio-economic policy needs. For its part, the journal guarantees editorial staff of the highest quality and integrity. Our senior editors have decades of applied research experiences and command the utmost respect both in Ethiopia and internationally.

Manuscript Formatting

The EJPS accepts and publishes research findings contributing to the scientific study of the Ethiopian population, including its characteristics and dynamics in the context of Northeast Africa and Sub-Saharan Africa. Submission of articles to the EJPS constitutes an affirmation by the author(s) that the manuscript is based on original research by the author(s) and that it has not been submitted to or published by another journal.

Manuscripts in Microsoft Word (2005 or more recent versions) should be submitted by email to the Editor-in-Chief. Submit manuscripts to AynalemAdugna@aol.com
Manuscripts should not exceed 6,000 words, including the abstract, text, references, tables, figures and graphs but reviews may be up to 7,500 words in length. Abstracts should not exceed 200 words.

Tables and figures should be numbered consecutively using Arabic numerals (Table 1, Figure 1, etc.). Captions of tables and figures should be concise but comprehensive. Excessively long tables should be condensed to one page maximum.

Graphs should be prepared in Microsoft Excel 2005 or later. Figures and tables should be placed on separate pages and their approximate location in the text marked (e.g. “Place Table 1 approximately here”).

Type of font: Times New Roman for text, Arial or similar font for graphs and maps. Font size: 12 points for abstract and text, 11 points for tables if necessary.

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Include a separate page with full title of the manuscript for review purposes. This page should contain the title, the names of the author(s) listed vertically if there are more than one and a complete word count of the document which includes footnotes and references.

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Abstract should be on a separate page, immediately after the title page, with the title of the document as the heading.

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Footnotes and endnotes are used to cite materials of limited availability, expand upon the text or to add information presented in a table.

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Number tables consecutively (Table 1, Table 2, Table 3, etc.).

Number figures consecutively (Figure 1, Figure 2, Figure 3, etc.).

Each table or figure should be placed on a separate page at the end of the manuscript, and should have a descriptive title that explains enough that the reader can understand it without having to refer to the text of the article.

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5. **Conclusion**
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20.

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Double-space between each line and between each reference

Hanging indent of five spaces

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(U.S. Bureau of the Census 2013:117)

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