

# List of Newspapers Published in Ethiopia (November 2000)

Due to market fluctuation add or subtract 500 from specified average circulation mentioned.

Private Daily							
Title	Creation Date	Average Circulation	Format / No. of Pages Unit Price	Publication Director Chief Editor	Address Phone (+251) Fax E-mail	Frequency	Editorial Approach
<b>Elatawi Addis</b> (Amharic language)	2000	5.000	Standard broad sheet, 16 pages	Unity College, publisher Solomon Abate, editor in chief	P. O Box 16054, Addis Ababa Tel: 627071-3, 627121  Fax: 627077 Email: unity-educ@telecom.net.et	7x/ week	Belongs to Unity College, the first private college in the country. The paper claims to be independent from any political orientation. The paper is less critical of the government than other newspapers. But neither is it openly pro government.
<b>Monitor, The</b> (English language)	1993	1.000	Tabloid 8 Birr 1.50	Lullit G. Michael, editor-in-chief Seble Bekele, deputy ed-chief	P.O. Box 4502, Addis Ababa T.: 1-560 518/560 199 Fax: 1-552 643 themonitor@telecom.net.et	7 x/ week	Paper claims to be independent of political orientation. paper gives lots of coverage to international news. Occasionally dwells on domestic issues. Owned by people close to the ruling party, EPRDF.
PRIVATE WEEKLY							
<b>MONDAY</b>	No private weekly newspapers published on Monday. This is because printing houses are usually closed on Sundays, and, therefore, charge overtime for printing on Sunday, which makes the cost too expensive for weekly private newspaper.						
<b>TUESDAY</b>							
<b>Askual</b> (Amharic language)	2000	4.000	Tabloid 8 Birr 1.25	Serkalem Fasil, publisher. Asefa Beyene, editor in chief.	P.O. Box 181563, Addis Ababa T.: 11 54 30 <a href="mailto:menelik84@hotmail.com">menelik84@hotmail.com</a>	Weekly	A sister publication of Menelik, a weekly that comes out on Friday. Claims to be independent of political orientation. But editorial approach is considered by public opinion to be anti government. Propagates Amhara nationalism, supports ethnic politics.  Paper claims to be independent of all political orientation. But editorial approach is considered by public opinion as anti government. Propagates Ethiopian nationalism, against ethnic politics.

<b>Atkurot</b> (Amharic language)	2000	2.500	Tabloid 8 pages Birr 1.25	Atkurot publishing, publisher Tamrat Zewma, editor in chief.	P. O. Box 180703, Addis Ababa Tel: 110665	Weekly	
<b>Mahlet</b> (Amharic language)	2000	2.000	Tabloid 8 pages Birr 1.25	Getachew Bekele, publisher Aseye Dabre, editor in chief	P. O. Box. 181563, Addis Ababa Tel: 552335	Weekly	Paper claims to be independent of all political orientation. But editorial approach is considered by public opinion as anti government. Propagates Ethiopian nationalism, against ethnic politics.
<b>Wedensday</b>							
<b>Ethiop</b> (Amharic language)	1995	5.500	Tabloid 8 pages Birr 1.25	Sisay Agena, publisher. Meles Shine, editor in chief.	P. O. Box 21767, Addis Ababa Tel: 09 21 15 41 (mobile) Email: <a href="mailto:ethi-op@hotmail.com">ethi-op@hotmail.com</a>	Weekly	Paper claims to be independent of all political orientation. But editorial approach is considered by public opinion as anti government. Propagates Ethiopian nationalism, against ethnic politics. Run by a member of the executive committee of the EFJA, Sisay Agena (Treasurer).
<b>Tomar</b> (Amharic language)	1993	2.000	Tabloid 8 pages Birr 1,25	Befekadu Moreda, publisher. Befekadu Moreda, editor in chief	P.O. Box 9289, Addis Ababa T.: 11 61 19	Weekly	Paper claims to be independent of all political orientation. But editorial approach is considered by public opinion as anti government. Propagates Ethiopian nationalism, against ethnic politics. Run by a member of the executive committee of the EFJA, Befekadu Moreda (Secretary).
<b>Tikusat</b> (Amharic language)	1998	2.000	Tabloid 8 pages Birr 1,25	Elias Gudene, publisher. The publisher is also the editor in chief	P. O. Box 181563, Addis Ababa Tel: 55 23 35	Weekly	Paper claims to be independent of all political orientation. But editorial approach is considered by public opinion as anti government. Propagates Ethiopian nationalism, against ethnic politics.
<b>Efoita</b> (Amharic language)	1996	Does not engage in vender sales. EPRDF members are primary subscribers	Tabloid 14 pages Birr 1,00	Fana Democracy, publisher. Tesfaye Gebraha, editor in chief	P. O. Box 12682, Addis Ababa Tel: 556771-2 Fax: 2511556410 Email: <a href="mailto:fana@telecom.net.et">fana@telecom.net.et</a>	Weekly	Paper claims to be independent. But is owned by the dominant partner in the ruling coalition, the TPLF. Editorial approach is considered by public opinion as being pro government

<b>Thursday</b>							
<b>Tobia (Amharic language)</b>	1994	6.500	Tabloid 16 to 20 pages Birr 1,50	Atbia Kokoeb, publisher (Share Company) Kebebew Gebeyehu, editor in chief	P. O. Box 22373, Addis Ababa Fax: 251 1 552651 Tel: 55 6177	Weekly	Paper claims to be independent of all political orientation. But editorial approach is considered by public opinion as anti government. Propagates Ethiopian nationalism, against ethnic politics. Owned and run by officials and members of the last ruling party , WPE
<b>Mebrek (Amharic language)</b>	1999	4.000	Tabloid 8 Birr 1,25	Zeritu publishing house, publisher Kidusehat Belachew, editor in chief	P.O. Box 20467, Addis Ababa Tel: 56 17 84	Weekly	Paper claims to be independent of all political orientation. But editorial approach is considered by public opinion as anti government. Propagates Ethiopian nationalism, against ethnic politics.
<b>Kebrit (Amharic language)</b>	1998	2.000	Tabloid 8 Birr 1,25	Asmaray publishing house, publisher Abraham Belaye, editor in chief	P. O. Box 10116, Addis Ababa Tel: 120079	Weekly	Paper claims to be independent of all political orientation. But editorial approach is considered by public opinion as anti government. Propagates Ethiopian nationalism, against ethnic politics.
<b>Sun, The (English language)</b>	1996	1.000	Tabloid 10 Birr 1.50	Elias Awoke, ed.-chief Kibru Kifle, deputy ed.-chief	P.O. Box 56343, Addis Ababa T.: 11 02 07	Weekly	Not current issues oriented. Tries to stir clear from local political issues. Gives extensive coverage to social issues.
<b>Friday</b>							
<b>Menelik (Amharic language)</b>	1998	13.000	Tabloid 16 Birr 1.25	Serkalem Fasil, publisher Assefa Beyena, Editor in chief	P.O.Box 181 563, Addis Ababa T.: 115 430 Fax: 551 494 menelik84@hotmail.com	Weekly	Claims to be independent of political orientation. But editorial approach is considered by public opinion to be anti government. Propagates amhara nationalism, supports ethnic politics.
<b>Seife Nebelbal (Amharic language)</b>	1994	4.000	Tabloid 8 pages Birr 1.25	Israel Soboqa, publisher The publisher is also the editor in chief.	P. O. Box 10778, Addis Ababa Tel: 110665	Weekly	Claims to be independent of political orientation. But editorial approach is considered by public opinion to be anti government. Propagates Oromo nationalism, supports ethnic politics.
<b>Ruh (Amharic language)</b>	1999	3.000	Tabloid 20 pages Birr 1.50	Kenife publishing house, publisher. Wondemu Negash, editor in chief	P. O. Box 5614, Addis Ababa Tel: 615369	Weekly	Paper claims to be independent of all political orientation. But editorial approach is considered by public opinion as being mildly anti government. Propagates Ethiopian nationalism, against ethnic politics.  Perhaps the only newspaper in the country launched as an investment by members of the Ethiopia's business community.

<b>Addis Tribune</b> (English language)	1992	2.000	Tabloid 16 to 20 pages Birr 1.50	Tanbek International, publisher. Menbere Maryam Seyoum, editor in chief.	P. O. Box 2395, Addis Ababa Tel: 615228-9 Fax: 251 1 615227 Email: tanbek@telecom.net.et	Weekly	Ethiopia's first private English newspaper. Claims and is actually considered as being neither pro or against the government. Runs a popular website under its banner.
<b>Saturday Addis Admas</b> (Amharic language)	2000	7.000	Tabloid 20 pages Birr 1.50	Admas advertising, publisher Nebeye Mekonnen, editor in chief	P. O. Box 1232 4, Addis Ababa Tel: 623708/623709 Email: admas.adv@telecom.net.et	Weekly	Run by people considered close to the ruling party, EPRDF. But the editorial approach is neither pro or against government. Gives extensive coverage to arts.
<b>Goh</b> (Amharic language)	1998	4.500	Tabloid 8 pages Birr 1.25	Yohannes Abebe, publisher.  Zakarias Tesfaye, editor in chief.	P. O. Box 180703, Addis Ababa Tel: 120079	Weekly	Paper claims to be independent of all political orientation. But editorial approach is considered by public opinion as being anti government. Propagates Ethiopian nationalism, against ethnic politics. Paper under the name of Goh was banned during the Derg's time, allegedly for being pro the opposition, EPRP. Present publisher however says there is no link between the present and the banned Goh.
<b>Mabel</b> (Amharic language)	1995	2.500	Tabloid 8 pages Birr 1.25	Aklilo Tadesse, publisher. Elias Lemma, editor in chief.	P. O. Box 13012, Addis Ababa Tel: 11 58 85	Weekly	Paper claims to be independent of all political orientation. But editorial approach is considered by public opinion as being anti government. Propagates Ethiopian nationalism, against ethnic politics. Publisher currently residing in the U.S, request for asylum pending.
<b>Moged</b> (Amharic language)	1998	2.000	Tabloid 8 pages Birr 1.2	Wendmenh Negusse, publisher Beruk Assefa, editor in chief	P. O. Box 181563, Addis Ababa Tel: 552335	Weekly	Paper claims to be independent of all political orientation. But editorial approach is considered by public opinion as being anti government. Propagates Ethiopian nationalism, against ethnic politics.
<b>Sunday</b>							
<b>Reporter, The</b> (Amharic and English language)	1995	11.000	Tabloid 20 pages Birr 1.50	Amare Aregawi, ed.chief Kibret Markos, deputy ed.-chief	P.O. Box 7023 Addis Ababa T.: 53 34 77 / 81 (amharic) – 66 15 18 (Engl Fax: 53 41 59 (Amh. Ed.) // 66 15 17 (Engl.ed ahadu@telecom.net.et	Weekly	Paper claims to be independent of all political orientation. But editorial approach is considered by public opinion as being pro government, for ethnic politics. Has an English version that comes out on Wednesday. The English version enjoys more editorial independence. The English version has 16 pages.
<b>Ethio Times</b>	1995	2.000	Tabloid		P. O. Box 31317, Addis Ababa	Weekly	Paper claims to be independent of all political

<b>(Amharic language)</b>			8 pages Birr 1.25	Kefle Mulat, publisher Shimalesse Asfaw, editor in chief	Tel: 555021 Fax: 251 1 555021		orientation. But editorial approach is considered by public opinion as being anti government. Propagates Ethiopian nationalism, against ethnic politics. Run by the president of EFJA, Kifle Mulate.
<b>Meyesaw (Amharic language)</b>	1999	2.000	Tabloid 8 pages Birr 1.25	Zegaye publishing house, publisher. Wendesoon Mekonnen, editor in chief.	P. O. Box 7453, Addis Ababa Tel: 110665 Fax: 251-1-551499	Weekly	Paper claims to be independent of all political orientation. But editorial approach is considered by public opinion as being anti government. Propagates Ethiopian nationalism, against ethnic politics.
<b>Fortune (English language)</b>	2000	2.000	Tabloid 18 to 20 pages Birr 1.50	Tamrat G. Giorgis, publisher and editor in chief.	P. O. Box 259 , Code 1110 Addis Abeba Email: tengirtt@hotmail.com	Weekly	Business weekly. Promotes free market and enterprise.
<b>Capital (English language)</b>	1998	2.000	Tabloid 18 to 20 pages Birr 1,50	Crown Publishing PLC, publisher Behailu Desalegn, ed.-chief	P.O. Box 3155, Addis Ababa Tel: 1-53 17 59 / 51 52 64 Fax: 1-53 33 23	Weekly	Business weekly. Promotes free market and enterprise. Owned by the president of Addis Ababa Chamber of Commerce, Kebur Gana.

### Federal Government Newspapers

<b>Addis Zemen (Amharic language)</b>	1941	15.000	Broad Sheet 8 to 10 pages. Birr 0.50	Ethiopian Press Agency, publisher. Demessie Tsige, editor in chief	P.O. Box 30145, Addis Ababa Tel: 15 58 68 Fax: 251-1-51 6819	Daily	It is government paper. No editorial independence. Serves as medium for government policy. Attempts since 19 91 to give it editorial independence has failed.
<b>The Ethiopian Herald (English language)</b>	1943	7.000	Broad Sheet 6 to 8 pages. Birr 0.50	Ethiopian Press Agency, publisher Tsegie Gebre-Amlak, editor in chief.	Tel: 15 67 16 / 157017 Fax: 251-1- 51 68 19	Daily	Targets the international community in Addis. However the foreign community finds it well below its standard. However, the herald is still one of the main source for local news.
<b>Bariisaa (Oromo language, uses Latin alphabet)</b>	1977	2.500	Tabloid, 12pages 0.35	Ethiopian Press Agency, publisher Samuel Birrato, editor in chief.	P. O. Box 30089, Addis Ababa Tel: 156690/157540	Weekly	Targets Ethiopia's largest ethnic group, the Oromos. Paper was using Ethiopic script until 1992. Began using Latin script since 1992. Claims Latin script is best for the Oromo language.
<b>Alalem (Arabic language newspaper)</b>	1940	2.000	Tabloid,8 pages Birr 0.25	Ethiopian Press Agency, publisher Yassin Bushara, editor in chief.	P. O. Box 30089, Addis Ababa Tel: 157540	Weekly	Virtually no native Arabic speakers in Ethiopia. Few people speak Arabic as a second language. Originally targeted a large Yemeni community in Ethiopia. But Yemen community has returned home.

### Religious

<b>Publications</b>							
<b>Smasedque (Amharic language)</b>	1993	Paper is sold in Orthodox churchs.	Tabloid,12 pages, birr 1.50	Mhabere Kedussan, publisher. Deacon Efrem Eshet, editor in chief	P. O. Box 80078, Addis Ababa Tel: 556328	Monthly	Orthodox Church inspired newspaper.
<b>Emnet (Amharic language)</b>	1998	Paper is sold in churchs and in few protestant shops.	Tabloid,8 pages Birr 1.25	Bizu Mulugeta, publisher.The publisher is also the editor in chief.	P.O Box 24256, Addis Ababa Tel 165284	Monthly	Protestant Church inspired newspaper.
<b>Mesnanat Amharic language)</b>	1993	This paper is sold in churchs and few protestant shops.	Tabloid,8 pages, birr 1.50	Aboyneh w/Georgis, publisher The publisher is also the editor in chief.	P.O. Box 13765, Addis Ababa Tel: 116847 (Mobil) 09211520 Email: -abaynehw@hotmail.com	Every 15 days	Protestant Church inspired newspaper.
<b>Mulu Wengele Amharic language)</b>	1997	This paper is sold in churchs and few protestant shops	Tabloid,8 pages Birr 1.25	Ethiopia Mulu Wengel Church, publisher. Aberra Tsehai, editor in chief.	P. O. Box 30740, Addis Ababa Tel: 531791	Once every two months.	Belongs to the Ethiopian Mulu Wengel Church. Protestant newspaper.
<b>Fikrina Selaam / Link Amharic and English language)</b>	1974	3.000	Tabloid 12 pages Birr 1.00	Abba Tesfaye W/Mariam acting Editor in chief	Catholic Secretariat P.O. Box 2454, Addis Ababa T.: 55 03 00 Fax: 55 31 13 ecs@telecom.net.et	Monthly	Paper belongs to the Catholic Church. Become bilingual in 1999. Originally started as an Amharic language newspaper.
<b>Hikma (Amharic language)</b>	1999	4.000	Tabloid 8 pages Birr 1.25	Handya publishing house, publisher. Ezedim Mhamed, editor in chief.	P. O. Box 180289, Addis Ababa Tel: 138237 (mobil) 09214361	Weekly	Islamic newspaper.
<b>Iman (Amharic language)</b>	2000	1.500	Tabloid,8 pages Birr 1.25	Nebyiu publishing house, publisher.	P. O. Box 181000, Addis Ababa (mobil) 09214652 Email: imanislamicnewspaer@hotmail.com	Weekly	Islamic newspaper.
<b>Haiyt (Amharic language)</b>	1997	2.000	Tabloid,8 pages	Haiyt publishing house, publisher	P. O. Box 2347, Addis Ababa Tel: 503230	Weekly	Islamic newspaper.

			Birr 1.25	Saada Ahmed, editor in chief	(mobil) 09216838		
<b>Selfya</b> (Amharic language)	1998	2.000	Tabloid,8 pages Birr 1.25	Hibraim Mohamed, publisher. The publisher is also the editor in chief.	P. O. Box 160123, Addis Ababa Tel: 137150 Fax: 2511559233	Weekly	Islamic newspaper.

## Press Agencies in Ethiopia (November 2000)

Name	Creation Date	Status	Staff/production/clients	Director	Address	Remarks
<b>Ethiopia News Agency</b>	1994	Public/ Government	Producing and selling news, articles, editorials, reel-audio to local media. Mostly to government media but it has a new client in the form of Ethiopia's new private daily, Eletawi Addis	Kefale Azeze, General manager.	P.O. Box 30232 Addis Ababa Tel: 156709	This is a classical government agency. There is no originality. The attitude is that it has always been there, and it will always be there. It has a steady client in the form of the government media.
<b>Walta Information Agency</b>	1994	Private	Producing and selling news, articles, editorials, reel-audio to local media. Mostly to government media but it has a new client in the form of Ethiopia's new private daily, Eletawi Addis.	Negash Teklu, General manager	P. O. Box 12918, Addis Ababa Fax: 251-1-51 86 55 Tel: 51 83 16 Email: WIC@telecom.net.et Website: <a href="http://www.telcom.net.et/Walta">www.telcom.net.et/Walta</a>	Government has refused to issue licence for proposed news press agencies. However the Walta news agency is registered as a private news agency. Registered under the name of a prominent member of the TPLF. The Government press has been ordered to buy news from it.

# Radios in Ethiopia (November 2000)

Name	Creation Date	Status	Staff	Address	Frequency / Remarks on the programming
<b>Educational Media Agency</b>	1955	Public/Government	Ministry of Education, mostly teachers. Not professional journalists	P. O. Box 3025, Addis Ababa Tel: 158714 Fax: 251 1 510739	Distant education – Network of 13 stations Broadcasts in 16 languages as well as in English
<b>Radio Ethiopia - FM Service</b>	2000	Public/ government	90 staff members	P.O. Box 654, Addis Ababa Tel:71 70 23/201889 Fax: 251 1 713222	97.1 Music, entertainment and news
<b>Radio Ethiopia - National and External Services</b>	Station was established in 1930.  National service established in 1935  External service was nationalised from Mekane Yesus Church in 1977.	Public/Government	Ato Fikadu Yimeru, general manager.  Approx. 1000 employees of whom 150 journalists	P.O. Box 1020, Addis Ababa Tel: 71 11 11/714104 Fax: 71 32 22	Broadcasts in 11 languages The programmes of Radio Ethiopia can be categorised as follows: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Hard news, including briefs of five minutes and full news programmes of 20 minutes.</li> <li>• Soft news, including public affairs programmes, commentaries and press reviews.</li> <li>• Educational programmes, addressing issues such as law, development, women, youth, etc.</li> <li>• Cultural programmes, addressing the arts and sports.</li> </ul> Entertainment programmes, including traditional and modern music programmes. FM service leases broadcasting time to interested parties. But content of broadcast material is restricted to non political issues.
<b>Radio Fana</b>	1994	Cooperation	Mulugeta Gessese, General Manager.	P.O. Box 30702, Addis Ababa Tel: 518655 Fax: 251 1 515039  <a href="mailto:fana@telecom.net.et">fana@telecom.net.et</a>	Owned by Meganet Corporation, which is owned by the ruling party. However, all other non governmental bodies have been denied licence to operate radio stations. But a broadcasting law that allows non governmental bodies the right to a licence for radio and TV operation has been approved by Parliament in 1998. It has yet to be

					<p>implemented.  Radio Fana broadcasts in 4 languages. 30 hours per week in Amharic and Oromifa and six hours weekly in Somali and Afar..  Balance of programmes: information 30 %, educational 30 %, entertainment 38 %, commercials 2 %</p>
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## Professional Associations in Ethiopia (November 2000)

Name	Representative	Address	Type / No. of members
<b>Ethiopian Free Press Journalists' Association (EFJA)</b>	Kifle Mulat, president	P.O. Box 31317 / 33232 Addis Ababa Tel: 55 50 21 Fax : 00251-1-55 50 21	Established in 1993; Registered in 2000 88 members. <u>Comments:</u> Represents journalists who work for private newspapers. But does not mean that all journalists who work in the private press are necessarily members. For example, most journalists who work for the private weeklies: The Reporter, Addis Admas and Menelik, are not members of the EFJA. In the same way, all journalists who work for the private English language weeklies are not members of the EFJA.
<b>Ethiopian Journalists Association (EJA)</b>	Kefale Azeze, president	P. O. Box 30232 Addis Ababa Tel: 156709 Fax: 251 1 516819	Represents journalists working for government Media. The Addis Ababa chapter of the association is chaired by the editor in chief of the ruling party organ, Abyotawi Democracy newspaper. This has compromised the integrity of the association. There is an assumption that every journalist who works for the government media is a de facto member. But most of the journalists insist that they are not members.
<b>Ethiopian Media Women's Association (EMWA)</b>	Tekabech Assefa, president	P. O. Box 62094 Addis Ababa Tel: 157244	Established in 1997, Registered in 1999 Members 73 Members work both in the Government and private media. Membership is also open to public relations officers. Association membership is accorded to women foreign correspondents and journalists in Ethiopia. Most NGO's in Addis Ababa are optimistic about the future prospect of this association in particular.