

World Day against Trafficking in Person

30 July Dispelling three myths around human trafficking



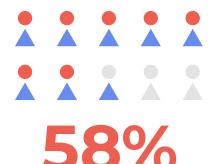
MYTH 1:

Trafficking of persons always involves the crossing of borders



REALITY:

Human trafficking often (and increasingly) takes place nationally. According to the ILO, 77% of trafficking victims are exploited within their country of residence.



MYTH 2:

Myth 2: Persons are only trafficked for the sex industry

REALITY:

In 2018, 58% of trafficking victims in the UK were trafficked for labour exploitation. No industry is exempt from human trafficking. Particularly vulnerable sectors include agriculture, domestic service, construction and manufacturing.



MYTH 3:

Businesses cannot help to combat human trafficking

REALITY:

Ethical recruitment practices are crucial to mitigate human trafficking. Business need to set out clear standards for ethical recruitment e.g. by prohibiting the charging of recruitment fees.

Click here for more information on illegal recruitment fees.