Domestic Minor Sex Trafficking
By the Numbers

National Statistics

- **100,000 - 300,000** children are at risk of being victimized by DMST in the U.S. every year *(Shared Hope International)*

- The average age of entry into the commercial sex market for children is between **12 and 14 years** old *(Shared Hope International)*

- **1 in 6** reported endangered runaways are believed to be victims of child sex trafficking *(National Center for Missing and Exploited Children)*

- Size of commercial sex economy in major U.S. cities ranges from an estimated **$39.9 million - $290 million** per year *(Urban Institute)*

- **63%** of DMST victims report being **sold online** *(THORN)*

Georgia Statistics

- Between **200 and 350** adolescent girls are sold online **per month** *(The Schapiro Group)*

- **65% of men who purchase sex** with female children in Atlanta **live in suburban areas outside the I-285 perimeter** *(The Schapiro Group)*

- Traffickers in Atlanta make an average of **$33,000 per week** *(Urban Institute)*

- **7,200 men** purchase sex from a minor **every month** in Georgia accounting for **8,700 sex acts** *(The Schapiro Group)*

- **91%** of DMST victims in Georgia were **enrolled in school** at the time of their exploitation *(Georgia Cares)*