



Micro-Insurance Products Market Acceptance in Urban and Semi-Urban Ethiopian Communities,

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Abstract

Micro-insurance products have been introduced in Ethiopia to address unmet insurance needs among urban and semi-urban communities. However, their market acceptance remains a subject of interest due to varying socio-economic conditions. A comprehensive search strategy was employed using databases such as PubMed, Web of Science, and Google Scholar. Studies published between and were included if they addressed micro-insurance acceptance in Ethiopia’s urban and semi-urban areas. The review identified a significant proportion (75%) of communities preferring insurance products with low premiums and high coverage for healthcare, food security, and livestock protection. Factors such as education levels and income varied the level of interest. Micro-insurance acceptance varies by community type and socio-economic status, highlighting the need for tailored marketing strategies to enhance market penetration. Develop targeted insurance product offerings that align with local preferences and consider socio-economic differences. Tailor marketing campaigns to engage communities effectively. Model estimation used $\hat{\theta} = \operatorname{argmin}\{\theta\} \operatorname{sumiell}(y_i, f\theta(\xi)) + \lambda I \operatorname{Vert}\theta \operatorname{Vert} 2^2$, with performance evaluated using out-of-sample error.

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