



Bayesian Hierarchical Model for Evaluating Cost-Effectiveness of Public Health Surveillance Systems in Kenya,

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Abstract

Public health surveillance systems are crucial for monitoring infectious diseases in Kenya, where they play a vital role in outbreak detection and response. A Bayesian hierarchical model was developed to assess the economic impact of public health surveillance systems on disease control, incorporating data from multiple regions within Kenya. The model estimated that effective surveillance reduced healthcare costs by approximately 20 per capita annually, with robust standard errors indicating a reliable estimate. Bayesian hierarchical modelling

$$\text{logit}(\pi) = \beta_0 + \beta^{\text{top}} X_i$$

and uncertainty reported using confidence-interval based inference.

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