



# Methodological Assessment and Risk Reduction Evaluation of Transport Maintenance Depots in Ghana: A Quasi-Experimental Study

Achamfu Aggrey Ababu<sup>1</sup>, Yaw Gyamfi Asare<sup>2,3</sup>, Kofi Adjei Mensah<sup>3</sup>

<sup>1</sup> Department of Mechanical Engineering, University of Cape Coast

<sup>2</sup> Department of Sustainable Systems, University of Cape Coast

<sup>3</sup> Council for Scientific and Industrial Research (CSIR-Ghana)

**Published:** 25 October 2010 | **Received:** 21 June 2010 | **Accepted:** 08 September 2010

**Correspondence:** [aababu@aol.com](mailto:aababu@aol.com)

**DOI:** [10.5281/zenodo.18908124](https://doi.org/10.5281/zenodo.18908124)

## Author notes

*Achamfu Aggrey Ababu is affiliated with Department of Mechanical Engineering, University of Cape Coast and focuses on Engineering research in Africa.*

*Yaw Gyamfi Asare is affiliated with Department of Sustainable Systems, University of Cape Coast and focuses on Engineering research in Africa.*

*Kofi Adjei Mensah is affiliated with Council for Scientific and Industrial Research (CSIR-Ghana) and focuses on Engineering research in Africa.*

## Abstract

Transport maintenance depots (TMDs) are crucial infrastructure components in Ghana's transport network, facilitating vehicle repairs and maintenance to ensure road safety and efficiency. A mixed-method approach was employed, integrating quantitative survey data with qualitative interviews. Statistical analyses were conducted to evaluate the effectiveness and efficiency of TMD operations. The analysis revealed that TMDs in northern Ghana faced higher maintenance costs compared to those in southern regions ( $p < 0.05$ ), indicating regional disparities in depot performance. This study highlights the importance of localized data for optimising TMD operations and suggests targeted interventions based on identified inefficiencies. Future research should focus on developing standardised maintenance protocols and improving depot accessibility to reduce costs and enhance service quality. Transport Maintenance Depots, Quasi-Experimental Design, Risk Reduction, Ghana The maintenance outcome was modelled as  $Y = \beta_0 + \beta_1 X + u_i + \text{var}\epsilon$ , with robustness checked using heteroskedasticity-consistent errors.

**Keywords:** Ghana, Sub-Saharan, Logistics, SupplyChain, QualityAssurance, Metrology, EvaluationDesign

## ABSTRACT-ONLY PUBLICATION

This is an abstract-only publication. The complete research paper with full methodology, results, discussion, and references is available upon request.

✉ **REQUEST FULL PAPER**

**Email:** [info@parj.africa](mailto:info@parj.africa)

Request your copy of the full paper today!

## SUBMIT YOUR RESEARCH

**Are you a researcher in Africa? We welcome your submissions!**

Join our community of African scholars and share your groundbreaking work.

**Submit at:** [app.parj.africa](http://app.parj.africa)



Scan to visit [app.parj.africa](http://app.parj.africa)

**Open Access Scholarship from PARJ**

Empowering African Research | Advancing Global Knowledge