



Development and Access within Agricultural Value Chains for Nigerian Women Farmers: A Methodological Approach in 2004 Context

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Abstract

Agricultural value chains (AVCs) play a crucial role in connecting smallholder farmers with markets. In Nigeria, women farmers are often marginalized despite their significant contributions to food security and economic development. The study employs mixed-method research, combining quantitative data from surveys with qualitative insights from in-depth interviews. It utilizes logistic regression models and constructs confidence intervals to analyse the likelihood of market entry by women farmers. In , approximately 35% of interviewed women farmers had successfully accessed AVC markets, indicating a significant proportion but also highlighting areas for improvement in policy and support structures. The methodological framework developed offers valuable insights into the barriers and facilitators to market access within AVCs for Nigerian women farmers. Policy makers should prioritise interventions that target social norms and economic constraints faced by women farmers, alongside enhancing infrastructure and market information. Agricultural Value Chains, Market Access, Women Farmers, Nigeria, Methodology The empirical specification follows $Y = \beta_{0+\beta}^{-1} p X + \text{varepsilon}$, and inference is reported with uncertainty-aware statistical criteria.

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