



# Youth Engagement in Senegalese Agribusiness and Food Systems: An Analysis

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## Abstract

Youth in Senegal are increasingly engaged in agribusiness and food systems as a means of livelihood diversification and poverty reduction. A mixed-methods approach involving quantitative surveys ( $N=300$ )  $\wedge$  qualitative interviews ( $n=25$ ). Youth participation in agribusiness is highest among those with secondary education (68%), with significant disparities by gender (42% female vs. 70% male engagement). The study highlights the need for targeted interventions to enhance youth access to resources and markets. Develop inclusive agribusiness training programmes and establish gender-sensitive market linkages. Youth, Senegal, Agribusiness, Food Systems, Engagement

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