



# Government-Sponsored Vocational Training for Urban Youth in Nairobi: Employment Entry Rates and Qualification Gains Analysis

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## Abstract

Government-sponsored vocational training programmes have been implemented globally to address youth unemployment and skill gaps. In Nairobi, Kenya, such initiatives aim to prepare urban youth for employment. A survey research design was employed to collect data from participants who completed vocational training programmes. The survey included questions about pre- and post-training assessments, current job status, and educational qualifications. Of the respondents, 45% reported an increase in their employment entry rates after completing the courses, with a notable trend towards higher qualification levels among those who completed additional training modules. The analysis suggests that government-sponsored vocational training can positively influence both employment opportunities and professional qualifications for urban youth in Nairobi. Future studies should explore long-term outcomes and potential disparities by socio-economic backgrounds to inform more effective policy interventions. vocational training, urban youth, employment entry rates, qualification gains

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