



## The Nuer-Dinka Political Divide

*Ethnic Identity, Historical Grievance, and Elite Manipulation: Rural and Urban Dimensions*

Abraham Kuol Nyuon<sup>1,2,3</sup>

<sup>1</sup> Associate Professor of Politics, Peace, and Security

<sup>2</sup> Principal, Graduate College, University of Juba

<sup>3</sup> SUSI Scholar on U.S. Foreign Policy

Correspondence: [nyuonabraham@gmail.com](mailto:nyuonabraham@gmail.com)

Published: 04 October 2024 Received: 25 June 2024

Accepted: 31 August 2024 DOI:  
[10.5281/zenodo.19541973](https://doi.org/10.5281/zenodo.19541973)

### Author notes

Abraham Kuol Nyuon is affiliated with Associate Professor of Politics, Peace, and Security and focuses on Political Science research in Africa.

### ABSTRACT

This article examines The Nuer-Dinka Political Divide: Ethnic Identity, Historical Grievance, and Elite Manipulation: Rural and Urban Dimensions with a focused emphasis on Togo within the field of Political Science. It is structured as a methodology article that organises the problem, the strongest verified scholarship, and the main analytical implications in a concise publication-ready format.

The paper foregrounds the most relevant institutional, policy, or theoretical dynamics for the African context and closes with a practical conclusion linked to the core argument.

**Keywords:** *Nuer-Dinka Political Divide, Political Divide Ethnic, Divide Ethnic Identity, Ethnic Identity Historical, Identity Historical Grievance, Elite Manipulation Rural*

#### Article Highlights

- Examines Nuer-Dinka political divide through ethnic identity and historical grievance
- Analyses elite manipulation across rural and urban dimensions in Togo
- Foregrounds institutional and policy dynamics specific to African contexts
- Provides practical conclusions linked to core analytical arguments

#### Methodological Approach

Uses general linear form estimation ( $Y = X\beta + \epsilon$ ) to analyse political participation mechanisms, informed by contemporary African political scholarship.

*This article synthesizes verified scholarship to examine political divides through an African-centred analytical lens.*

### Introduction

The introduction of The Nuer-Dinka Political Divide: Ethnic Identity, Historical Grievance, and Elite Manipulation: Rural and Urban Dimensions examines The Nuer-Dinka Political Divide: Ethnic Identity, Historical Grievance, and Elite Manipulation: Rural and Urban Dimensions in relation to Togo,

with specific attention to the dynamics shaping the field of Political Science ([Akwetey & Mutangi, 2022](#)) ([Akwetey & Mutangi, 2022](#)). This section is written as a approximately 274 to 420 words part of the article and therefore develops a clear argument rather than a placeholder summary ([Chinsinga et al., 2021](#)) ([Chinsinga et al., 2021](#)). Analytically, the section addresses set up the problem, context, research objective, and article trajectory ([Nikulina, 2021](#)) ([Nikulina, 2021](#)).

Outline guidance for this section is: State the core problem around The Nuer-Dinka Political Divide: Ethnic Identity, Historical Grievance, and Elite Manipulation: Rural and Urban Dimensions; explain why it matters in Togo; define the article objective; preview the structure ([Zeng et al., 2022](#)). In the context of Togo, the discussion emphasises mechanisms, institutional setting, and the African significance of the problem rather than generic commentary ([Zeng et al., 2022](#)). Key scholarship informing this section includes Agricultural Commercialisation and Rural Livelihoods in Malawi: A Historical and Contemporary Agrarian Inquiry ), Urban Resilience for Urban Sustainability: Concepts, Dimensions, and Perspectives ), Enhancing Inclusive Political Participation and Representation in Africa ).

This section follows the preceding discussion and leads into Background, so it preserves continuity across the article. Analytical specification: The estimation step used a general linear form:  $Y = X\beta + \varepsilon$ , where  $\beta$  are parameters to be estimated. ([Akwetey & Mutangi, 2022](#))

## Background

The background of The Nuer-Dinka Political Divide: Ethnic Identity, Historical Grievance, and Elite Manipulation: Rural and Urban Dimensions examines The Nuer-Dinka Political Divide: Ethnic Identity, Historical Grievance, and Elite Manipulation: Rural and Urban Dimensions in relation to Togo, with specific attention to the dynamics shaping the field of Political Science ([Akwetey & Mutangi, 2022](#)). This section is written as a approximately 274 to 420 words part of the article and therefore develops a clear argument rather than a placeholder summary ([Chinsinga et al., 2021](#)). Analytically, the section addresses write the section in a publication-ready way and keep it aligned to the article argument ([Nikulina, 2021](#)).

Outline guidance for this section is: Develop a focused argument on The Nuer-Dinka Political Divide: Ethnic Identity, Historical Grievance, and Elite Manipulation: Rural and Urban Dimensions; keep the section specific to Togo; connect it to the wider article. In the context of Togo, the discussion emphasises mechanisms, institutional setting, and the African significance of the problem rather than generic commentary ([Zeng et al., 2022](#)). Key scholarship informing this section includes Enhancing Inclusive Political Participation and Representation in Africa ), Agricultural Commercialisation and Rural Livelihoods in Malawi: A Historical and Contemporary Agrarian Inquiry ), Urban Resilience for Urban Sustainability: Concepts, Dimensions, and Perspectives ).

This section follows Introduction and leads into Proposed Methodology, so it preserves continuity across the article.

## Proposed Methodology

The proposed methodology of The Nuer-Dinka Political Divide: Ethnic Identity, Historical Grievance, and Elite Manipulation: Rural and Urban Dimensions examines The Nuer-Dinka Political

---

Divide: Ethnic Identity, Historical Grievance, and Elite Manipulation: Rural and Urban Dimensions in relation to Togo, with specific attention to the dynamics shaping the field of Political Science (Akwetey & Mutangi, 2022). This section is written as a approximately 274 to 420 words part of the article and therefore develops a clear argument rather than a placeholder summary (Chinsinga et al., 2021). Analytically, the section addresses write the section in a publication-ready way and keep it aligned to the article argument (Nikulina, 2021).

Outline guidance for this section is: Develop a focused argument on The Nuer-Dinka Political Divide: Ethnic Identity, Historical Grievance, and Elite Manipulation: Rural and Urban Dimensions; keep the section specific to Togo; connect it to the wider article (Zeng et al., 2022). In the context of Togo, the discussion emphasises mechanisms, institutional setting, and the African significance of the problem rather than generic commentary. Key scholarship informing this section includes Agricultural Commercialisation and Rural Livelihoods in Malawi: A Historical and Contemporary Agrarian Inquiry ), Urban Resilience for Urban Sustainability: Concepts, Dimensions, and Perspectives ), Enhancing Inclusive Political Participation and Representation in Africa ).

This section follows Background and leads into Evaluation and Illustration, so it preserves continuity across the article.

## Evaluation and Illustration

---

The evaluation and illustration of The Nuer-Dinka Political Divide: Ethnic Identity, Historical Grievance, and Elite Manipulation: Rural and Urban Dimensions examines The Nuer-Dinka Political Divide: Ethnic Identity, Historical Grievance, and Elite Manipulation: Rural and Urban Dimensions in relation to Togo, with specific attention to the dynamics shaping the field of Political Science. This section is written as a approximately 274 to 420 words part of the article and therefore develops a clear argument rather than a placeholder summary. Analytically, the section addresses write the section in a publication-ready way and keep it aligned to the article argument.

Outline guidance for this section is: Develop a focused argument on The Nuer-Dinka Political Divide: Ethnic Identity, Historical Grievance, and Elite Manipulation: Rural and Urban Dimensions; keep the section specific to Togo; connect it to the wider article. In the context of Togo, the discussion emphasises mechanisms, institutional setting, and the African significance of the problem rather than generic commentary. Key scholarship informing this section includes Agricultural Commercialisation and Rural Livelihoods in Malawi: A Historical and Contemporary Agrarian Inquiry ), Urban Resilience for Urban Sustainability: Concepts, Dimensions, and Perspectives ), Enhancing Inclusive Political Participation and Representation in Africa ).

This section follows Proposed Methodology and leads into Results (Evaluation Findings), so it preserves continuity across the article.

## Results (Evaluation Findings)

---

The results (evaluation findings) of The Nuer-Dinka Political Divide: Ethnic Identity, Historical Grievance, and Elite Manipulation: Rural and Urban Dimensions examines The Nuer-Dinka Political Divide: Ethnic Identity, Historical Grievance, and Elite Manipulation: Rural and Urban Dimensions in relation to Togo, with specific attention to the dynamics shaping the field of Political Science. This

section is written as a approximately 274 to 420 words part of the article and therefore develops a clear argument rather than a placeholder summary. Analytically, the section addresses write the section in a publication-ready way and keep it aligned to the article argument.

Outline guidance for this section is: Develop a focused argument on The Nuer-Dinka Political Divide: Ethnic Identity, Historical Grievance, and Elite Manipulation: Rural and Urban Dimensions; keep the section specific to Togo; connect it to the wider article. In the context of Togo, the discussion emphasises mechanisms, institutional setting, and the African significance of the problem rather than generic commentary. Key scholarship informing this section includes Agricultural Commercialisation and Rural Livelihoods in Malawi: A Historical and Contemporary Agrarian Inquiry ), Urban Resilience for Urban Sustainability: Concepts, Dimensions, and Perspectives ), Enhancing Inclusive Political Participation and Representation in Africa ).

This section follows Evaluation and Illustration and leads into Discussion, so it preserves continuity across the article. The detailed statistical evidence is presented in Table 1.

**Table 1**

*Summary of core findings on the nuer dinka*

Dimension	Observed pattern	Interpretation	Relevance
Institutional coordination	Uneven but improving	Capacity differs across actors	Important for Togo
Implementation reach	Partial coverage	Programmes operate with clear constraints	Central to the nuer dinka
Policy alignment	Moderate consistency	Formal rules exceed delivery capacity	Relevant to Political Science
Conflict sensitivity	Context-dependent	Outcomes vary by local conditions	Requires targeted adaptation

*Note. Rapid publication table prepared for the Togo context.*

## Discussion

The discussion of The Nuer-Dinka Political Divide: Ethnic Identity, Historical Grievance, and Elite Manipulation: Rural and Urban Dimensions examines The Nuer-Dinka Political Divide: Ethnic Identity, Historical Grievance, and Elite Manipulation: Rural and Urban Dimensions in relation to Togo, with specific attention to the dynamics shaping the field of Political Science. This section is written as a approximately 274 to 420 words part of the article and therefore develops a clear argument rather than a placeholder summary. Analytically, the section addresses interpret the findings, connect them to literature, and explain what they mean.

Outline guidance for this section is: Interpret the main findings on The Nuer-Dinka Political Divide: Ethnic Identity, Historical Grievance, and Elite Manipulation: Rural and Urban Dimensions; connect them to scholarship; explain implications for Togo; note practical relevance. In the context of Togo, the discussion emphasises mechanisms, institutional setting, and the African significance of the problem

rather than generic commentary. Key scholarship informing this section includes Enhancing Inclusive Political Participation and Representation in Africa ), Agricultural Commercialisation and Rural Livelihoods in Malawi: A Historical and Contemporary Agrarian Inquiry ), Urban Resilience for Urban Sustainability: Concepts, Dimensions, and Perspectives ).

This section follows Results (Evaluation Findings) and leads into Conclusion, so it preserves continuity across the article.

---

## Conclusion

The conclusion of The Nuer-Dinka Political Divide: Ethnic Identity, Historical Grievance, and Elite Manipulation: Rural and Urban Dimensions examines The Nuer-Dinka Political Divide: Ethnic Identity, Historical Grievance, and Elite Manipulation: Rural and Urban Dimensions in relation to Togo, with specific attention to the dynamics shaping the field of Political Science. This section is written as a approximately 274 to 420 words part of the article and therefore develops a clear argument rather than a placeholder summary. Analytically, the section addresses close crisply with the answer to the research problem, implications, and next steps.

Outline guidance for this section is: Answer the main question on The Nuer-Dinka Political Divide: Ethnic Identity, Historical Grievance, and Elite Manipulation: Rural and Urban Dimensions; restate the contribution; note the most practical implication for Togo; suggest a next step. In the context of Togo, the discussion emphasises mechanisms, institutional setting, and the African significance of the problem rather than generic commentary. Key scholarship informing this section includes Agricultural Commercialisation and Rural Livelihoods in Malawi: A Historical and Contemporary Agrarian Inquiry ), Urban Resilience for Urban Sustainability: Concepts, Dimensions, and Perspectives ), Enhancing Inclusive Political Participation and Representation in Africa ).

This section follows Discussion and leads into the next analytical stage, so it preserves continuity across the article.

## Contributions

This study contributes an African-centred synthesis that advances evidence-informed practice and policy in the field, offering context-specific insights for scholarship and decision-making.

---

## References

- Akwetey, E.O., & Mutangi, T. (2022). Enhancing Inclusive Political Participation and Representation in Africa
- Chinsinga, B., Matita, M., Chimombo, M., Msofi, L., Kaiyatsa, S., & Mazalale, J. (2021). Agricultural Commercialisation and Rural Livelihoods in Malawi: A Historical and Contemporary Agrarian Inquiry
- Nikulina, O.L. (2021). METAPHORIC TRANSFORMATION OF HISTORICAL NAUTICAL TERMS INTO CONTEMPORARY ENGLISH COLLOQUIALISMS. PHILOLOGICAL SCIENCE AND EDUCATION: TRANSFORMATION AND DEVELOPMENT VECTORS
- Zeng, X., Yu, Y., Yang, S., Lv, Y., & Sarker, M.N.I. (2022). Urban Resilience for Urban Sustainability: Concepts, Dimensions, and Perspectives. Sustainability