



# Youth Identity and Political Participation: A Theoretical Framework in Urban Nigeria 2009

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## Abstract

Youth identity in urban Nigeria has been a subject of interest due to its potential impact on political participation, particularly among young people who are often at the forefront of social and political change. No empirical data collection or analysis was conducted as part of this theoretical framework article, focusing instead on synthesizing existing literature. A theoretical framework for understanding the relationship between youth identity and political participation has been established, emphasising the importance of contextualizing these dynamics within specific urban Nigerian settings. Future research should focus on longitudinal studies to track changes in youth identities over time and their impact on political engagement. Additionally, interventions aimed at fostering inclusive civic education could enhance young people's active participation in politics.

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