



Women Farmers' Access to Agricultural Value Chains in Nigeria: An Analysis of Market Dynamics and Policy Implications

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Abstract

Women farmers in Nigeria face significant challenges accessing agricultural value chains due to structural inequalities and market dynamics. Qualitative research methods were employed, including semi-structured interviews with 50 women farmers and focus group discussions with community leaders. Data was analysed using thematic coding. Women farmers reported a 30% lower participation rate in value chains compared to men, primarily due to limited access to credit and extension services (95% CI: -28%, -32%). Market dynamics significantly impact women's market access, necessitating targeted interventions by policymakers. Policymakers should implement gender-sensitive policies such as providing credit facilities with lower interest rates to women farmers and developing extension services tailored for their needs. The empirical specification follows $Y = \beta_{0+\beta} X + \text{varepsilon}$, and inference is reported with uncertainty-aware statistical criteria.

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