



# Methodological Evaluation of Public Health Surveillance Systems in Kenya Using Difference-in-Differences Models for Measuring Risk Reduction

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## Abstract

Public health surveillance systems in Kenya are crucial for monitoring diseases such as malaria and tuberculosis. The study employed a difference-in-differences (DID) model to assess changes in disease incidence rates before and after the implementation period. A significant reduction of 15% in malaria cases was observed post-intervention, with a confidence interval indicating robustness of results. The DID approach successfully highlighted the impact of surveillance system enhancements on reducing disease incidence. Further research should explore scalability and cost-effectiveness of similar interventions across different regions. Public Health Surveillance, Difference-in-Differences Model, Risk Reduction, Kenya Treatment effect was estimated with  $\text{text} \{ \logit \} (\pi) = \beta_0 + \beta_1 X_i$ , and uncertainty reported using confidence-interval based inference.

**Keywords:** Kenya, Public Health Surveillance, Difference-In-Differences, Epidemiology, Quasi-Experimental Design, Outcome Measures, Spatial Analysis

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