

DETERMINANTS OF TEENAGE PREGNANCY EXPERIENCE IN OYE-EKITI LOCAL GOVERNMENT, EKITI STATE, NIGERIA

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ABSTRACT

Sub-Saharan Africa has one of the highest levels of teenage pregnancies in the world. It is often debated in literature as reasons of health concern and social problems (World Health Organization, 2008). This study hypothesizes that demographic factors do not significantly influence teenage pregnancy experience in Oye-Ekiti.

Data was collected via self-administered structured questionnaire to assess young girls' on Determinants of Teenage Pregnancy experience in Oye-Ekiti.

Convenience sampling technique was used during the study. Three information selected for this study are Ayegbaju, Ilupeju, Oye located government. A minimum of 80 participants were selected from the three study areas, making a total of 250 participants. Pregnancy experience (68%), bi-variate analysis shows that some of the socio-demographic variables are significant at p-value less than 0.05 while multivariate analysis at p-value < 0.05, schooling status of adolescents are put into consideration, those who are still schooling are less likely but mother education such as secondary education are more likely to influence teenage pregnancy experience in Oye-Ekiti Local Government, Ekiti State, Nigeria.

The study therefore concludes that there was high rate of teenage pregnancy among the respondents and thus recommends that emphasis should be laid on the promotions of sexual education among the sexually active female adolescents in the study area.