

Urbanization and Child Welfare: Evidence from Uganda

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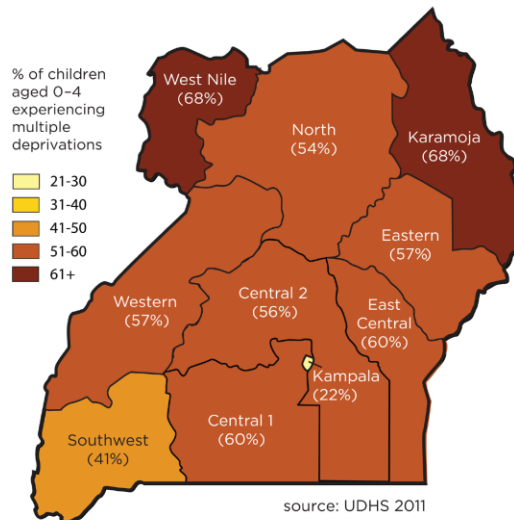
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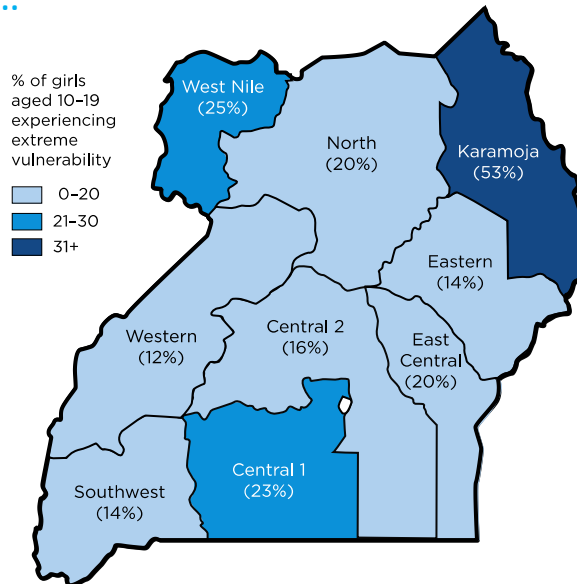
- **Poverty as one of the biggest barriers preventing children from reaching their full potential and realizing their rights**

- 55% of children below five live in poverty
- 38% of children 6-17 years live in poverty

Child Poverty in Uganda



Some children are more vulnerable than others...

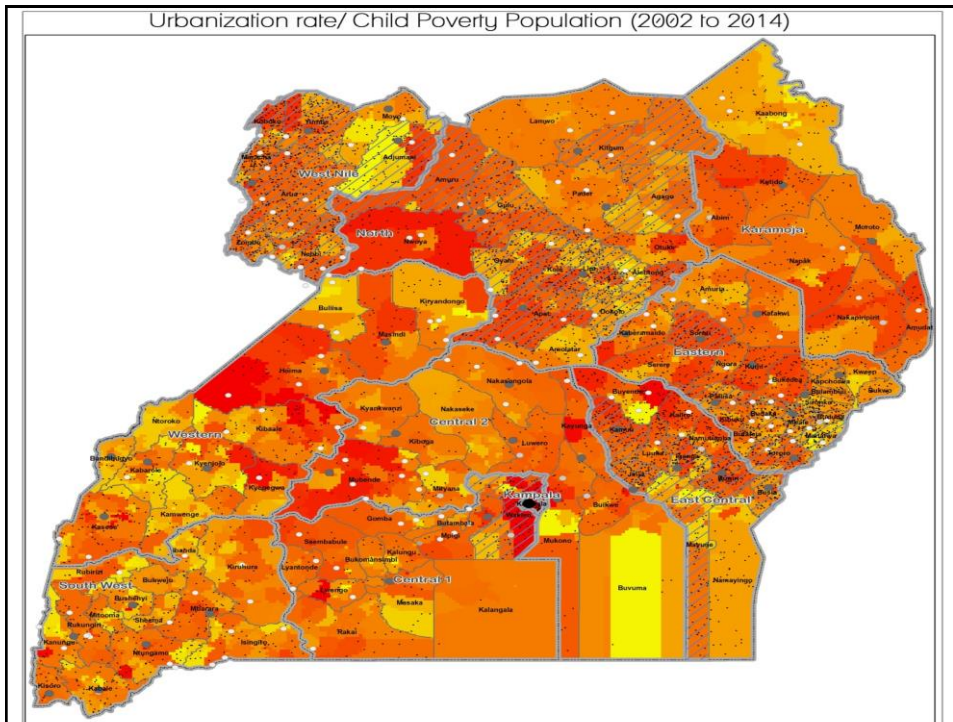


CHILDREN'S RIGHTS IN UGANDA



Some children are more vulnerable than others...

- Children living in Karamoja or West Nile
- Children living in female-headed households, orphaned or disabled
- Adolescent girls at high risk of early marriage and pregnancy, dropping out of school and contracting HIV
- *Children living in **urban** areas...?!*

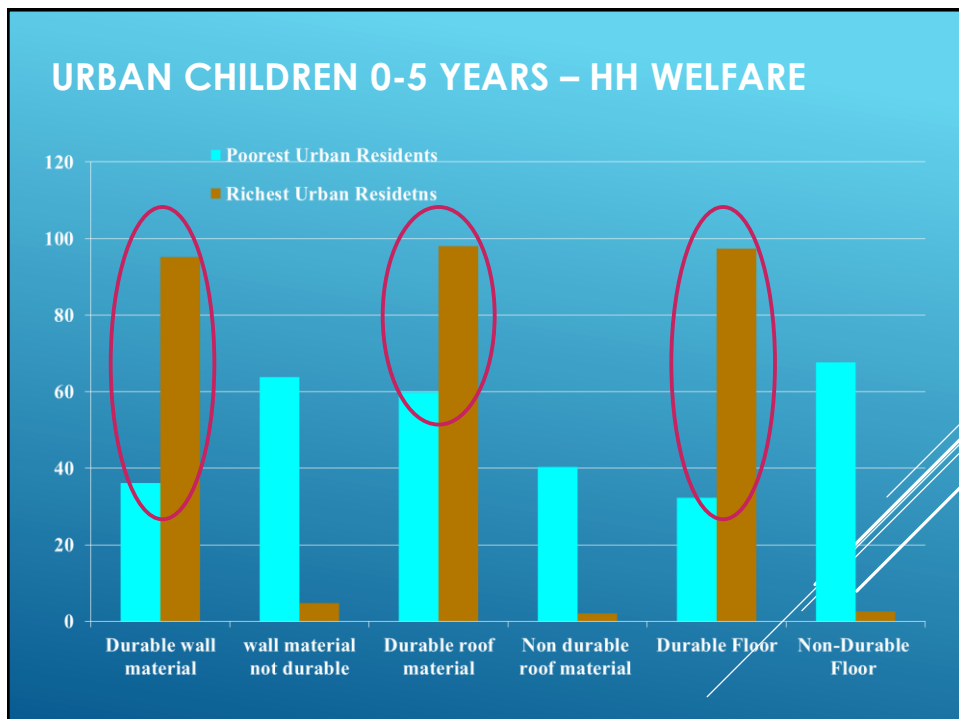


Unpacking urbanization...

- *Rural nation* – approx. 16% of the population living in urban areas
- *Rapid urbanization* – 4.5% among the world's highest
- Cities and urban centres as engines of economic growth and social development... but...
- Approx. 60% of residents in Kampala live in informal settlements, where housing, sanitation and access to basic services are lacking

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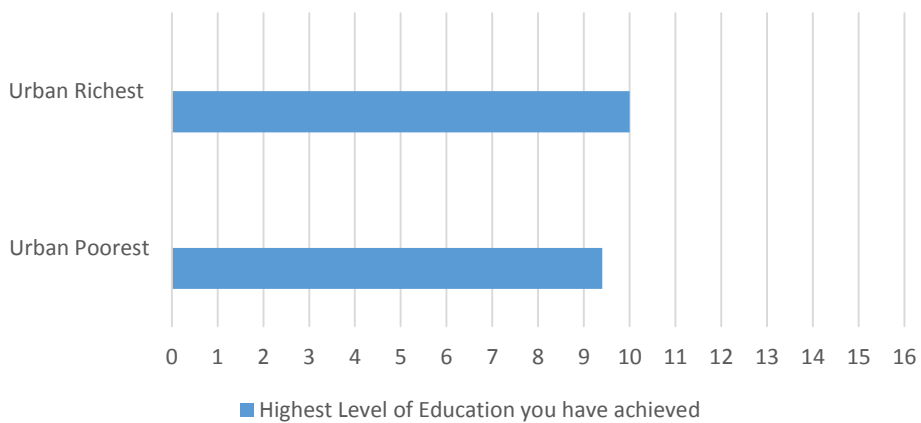
- *“Slums and urban poverty are not just a manifestation of a population explosion and demographic change, it is also reflects in part the failure of housing policies, laws and delivery of national urban policies” (UN-HABITAT)*
- UN-HABITAT / Definition of a slum household to use existing household survey and census data to identify slum dwellers among the urban population. Key features of slum households:
 - Access to improved water
 - Access to improved sanitation
 - Security of tenure
 - Durability of housing
 - Sufficient living area



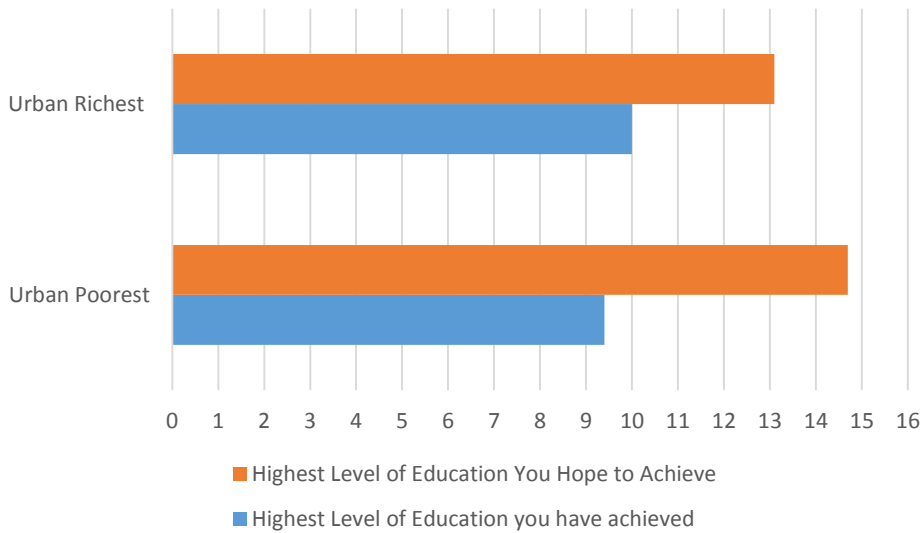
URBAN CHILDREN 0-5 YEARS – HH WELFARE



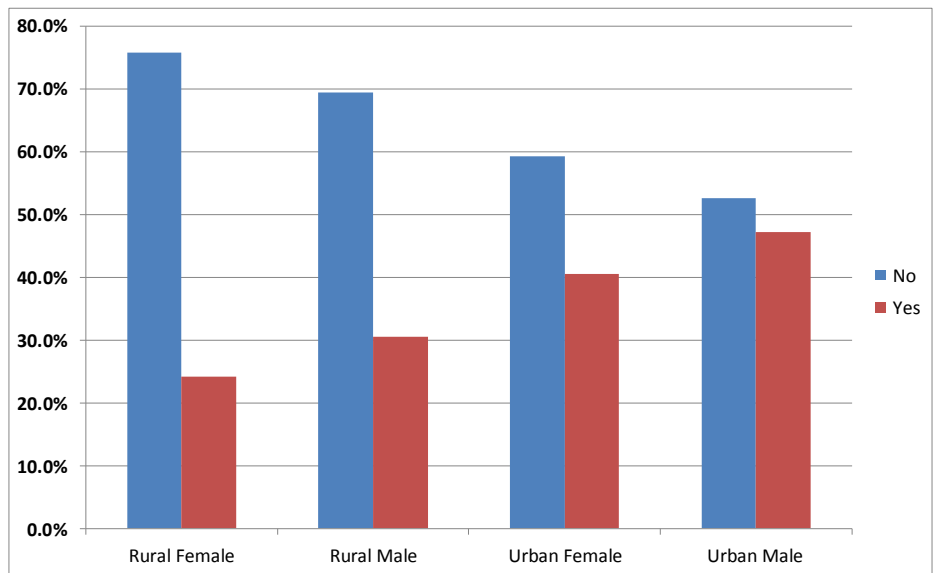
Education attainment



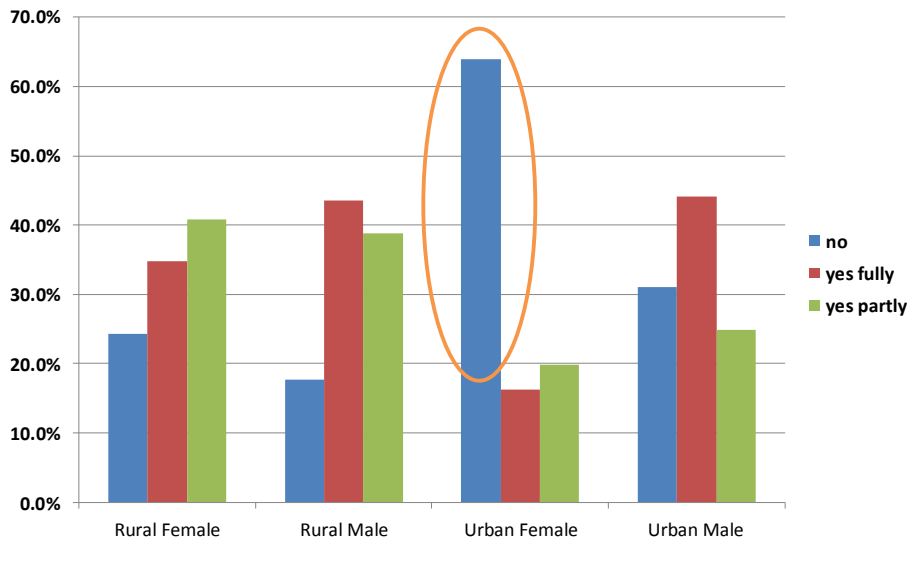
Education attainment/aspirations



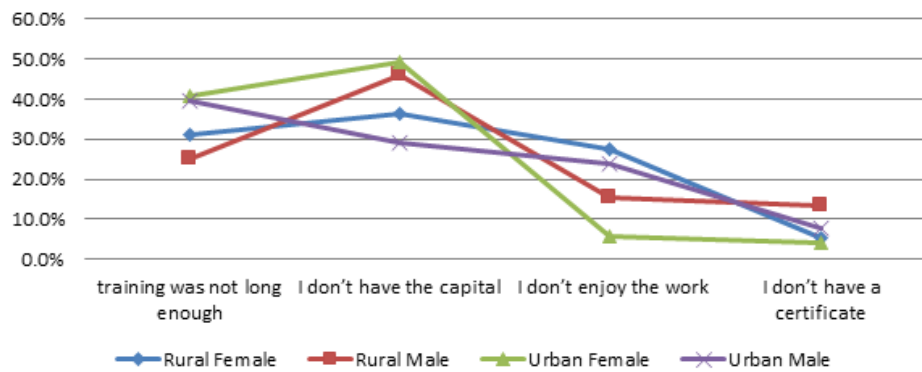
Skills training (15-24)



Skills training being utilized for income generation (15-24)



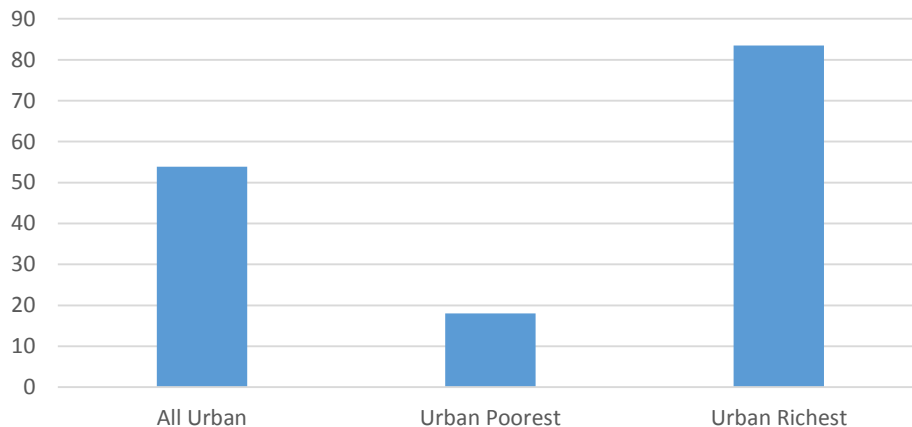
Reasons for not utilizing skills training for income generation



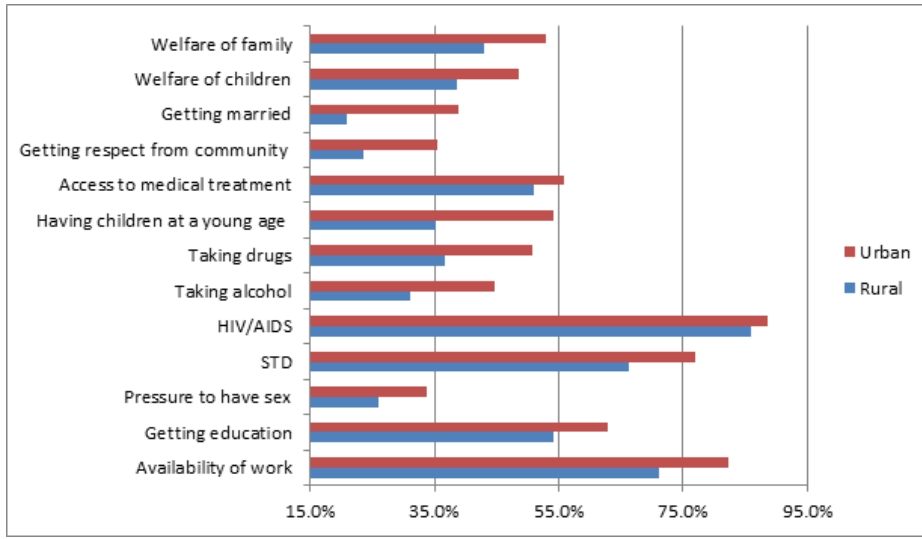
EMPLOYMENT AND URBAN YOUTH (15-24)

	All Urban	Urban Poorest	Urban Richest
How Many Members Working in Household	2.1	1.9	2.2
Main Source of Income for Your Household			
Subsistence farming	8.1	9.4	7.1
Commercial farming	2.7	2.3	3.2
Wage employment	16.6	12	20.6
Non-farm self employment	38.2	37.7	36.1
Salaried employment	31.9	35.4	30
Others	2.6	3.1	2.8
How Many Months Have You Been unemployed/underemployed (15-24 years)	4.38	5.89	3.44

Involved in any Earning Activities in the Past Week? (15-24)

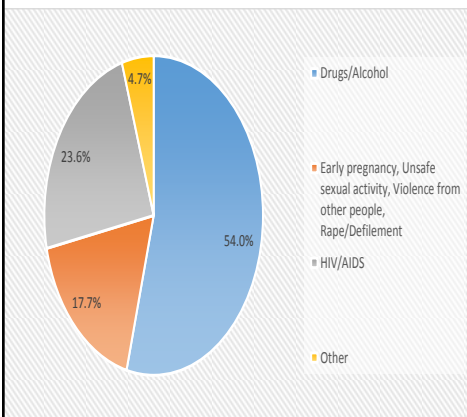


Major worries (15-24)



Biggest health risks (15-24)

Men



Women

