

Review of: "Growth, Instability and Trend Analysis of Rice Production Indicators in Nigeria"

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The focus of this study is on the trends and decomposition of milled rice production indicators in Nigeria. The study provides a descriptive analysis of the annual growth rate of rice, a decomposition analysis, and an instability index. However, the introduction of the study speaks more on poverty than the problems/challenges of rice production in Nigeria. The author(s) can improve the quality of this work by including the statistics of rice import bills into Nigeria for different periods. In addition, the author(s) made some critical statements without proper citations. For instance, the stand that "four out of every ten Nigerians are poor" and "rice accounted for 10% of total household spending and 6.6% of food spending" are strong positions that need to be supported by a reference. The author(s) should also provide us with the historical justification of dividing the study period from 1960/61 to 2019/20. Overall, the research article is a good addition to the empirical literature on rice production in Nigeria.