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Survey data on bureaucratic processes and entrepreneurial venture performance in SMEs in Nigeria



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ABSTRACT

This article presents data that examined the impact of bureaucratic processes on the performance of small and medium enterprises in Nigeria. A survey was carried out by administering the questionnaire to 400 business owners selected from three reputable associations, namely: NASME, NASSI and ASBON (Nigerian Association of Small and Medium Enterprises, National Association of Small Scale Industrialists and Association of Small Business Owners of Nigeria) in three geo-political zones. Data were analysed using Predictive Analytics Software. Correlation and Regression were employed as inferential statistical tool of analysis. Data set revealed the existence of relationship and the extent to which bureaucratic processes impact the performance of entrepreneurial ventures.

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Specification Table

Subject area Major Specific Subject Area	Business, Management Business and Entrepreneurship			
Type of Data	Table			
How Data was acquired	Researcher made questionnaire analysis			
Data format	Raw, analysed, descriptive and inferential statistical data.			
Experimental factors	Survey method involved the use of questionnaire to gather data from 400 SMEs owner-managers that affiliated with three pro- fessional associations (selected based on their geographical spread) in three geo-political zones in Nigeria.			
Experimental features	The researcher-made questionnaire which contained data on bureaucratic process and performance measures were completed.			
Data Source location	South-West, North-Central and South-South Nigeria			
Data Accessibility	Data is included in this article.			

Value of data

- These data are a presentation of descriptive data on bureaucratic processes that characterises the formal institutional environment of the local entrepreneurial climate as it relates to the performance of entrepreneurial ventures.
- The data showed that understanding of the peculiarities of the bureaucratic dimensions (occasioned by compliance and regulatory procedures) and the adoption of appropriate coping strategies by SMEs owner-managers can be helpful for business performance improvement.
- The dataset of this study can be used to institute necessary institutional policy framework that promotes the ease of doing business by start-ups and growing SMEs.

1. Data

Table 1 shows the correlation relationship that exist between bureaucratic processes and venture performance amongst SMEs in the regions. Measures of bureaucratic process dimensions include rules and procedures (Rul_Proc), cost of business registration (Reg_Cost), and business documentation and renewal process (Biz_Doc), while venture performance (Vent_Perf) measurement was based on growth, profitability and competitiveness parameters. Statistical analysis reveals the existence of relationship (though insignificant) between bureaucratic processes and venture performance amongst SMEs in the three regions as depicted by correlation coefficient r=0.046; p<0.01 (South-West), r=-.011; p<0.05 (North-Central) and r=-.059; p<0.01 (South-South).

The hypothesis formulated in the null form states that "there is no significant effect of bureaucratic processes on venture performance" and was tested using regression analysis.

Table 2 represents the Model Summary and it describes the extent to which variance in the dependent variable (venture performance) is explained by the independent variable (bureaucratic processes). Thus $R^2 = .008$ (i.e. 0%) and adjusted $R^2 = .001$ (i.e. 0%) implying that there is no variation

Table 1Data on correlational analysis between bureaucratic process and venture performance.

Regions	r	sig. value	p	Remark
South-West	0.046	0.446	p < 0.01	Insignificant
North-Central	-0.011	0.929	p < 0.05	Insignificant
South-South	-0.059	0.752	p < 0.01	Insignificant

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