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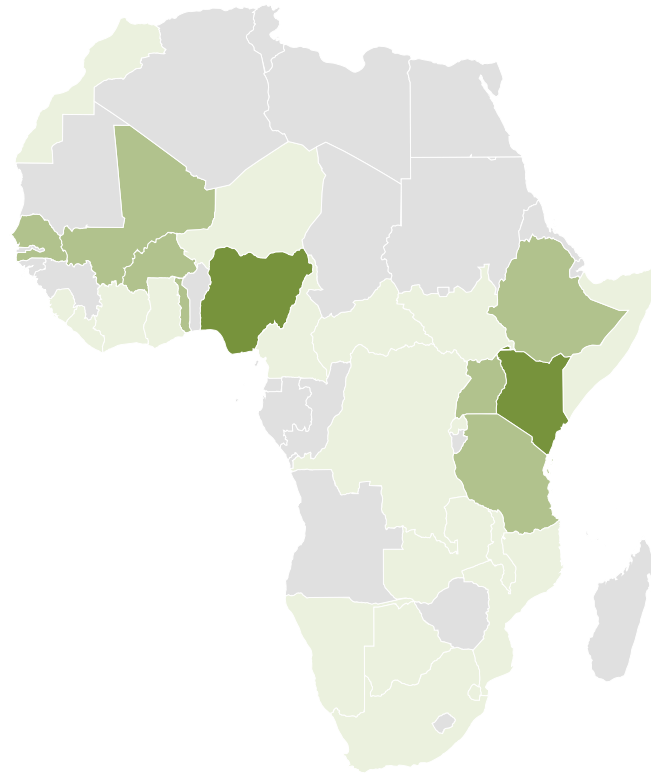
Gen Africa Youth Survey

August 2024



The survey received responses from 581 youths from 32 countries in Africa

Respondent Distribution by Country



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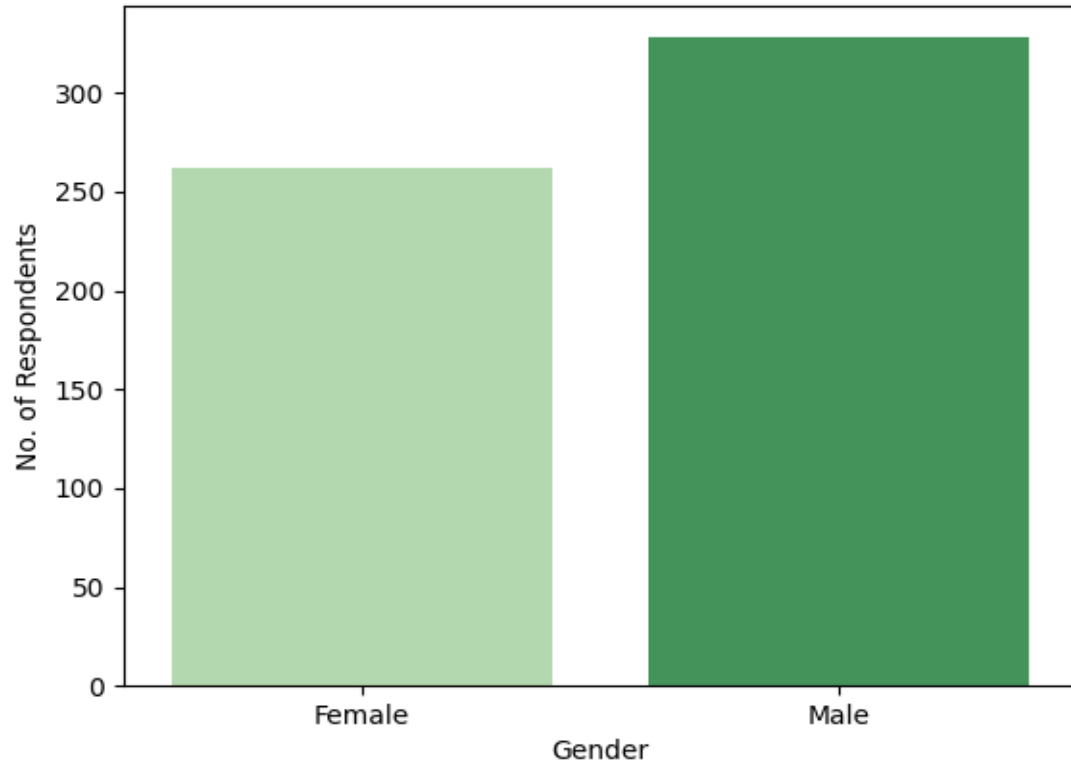
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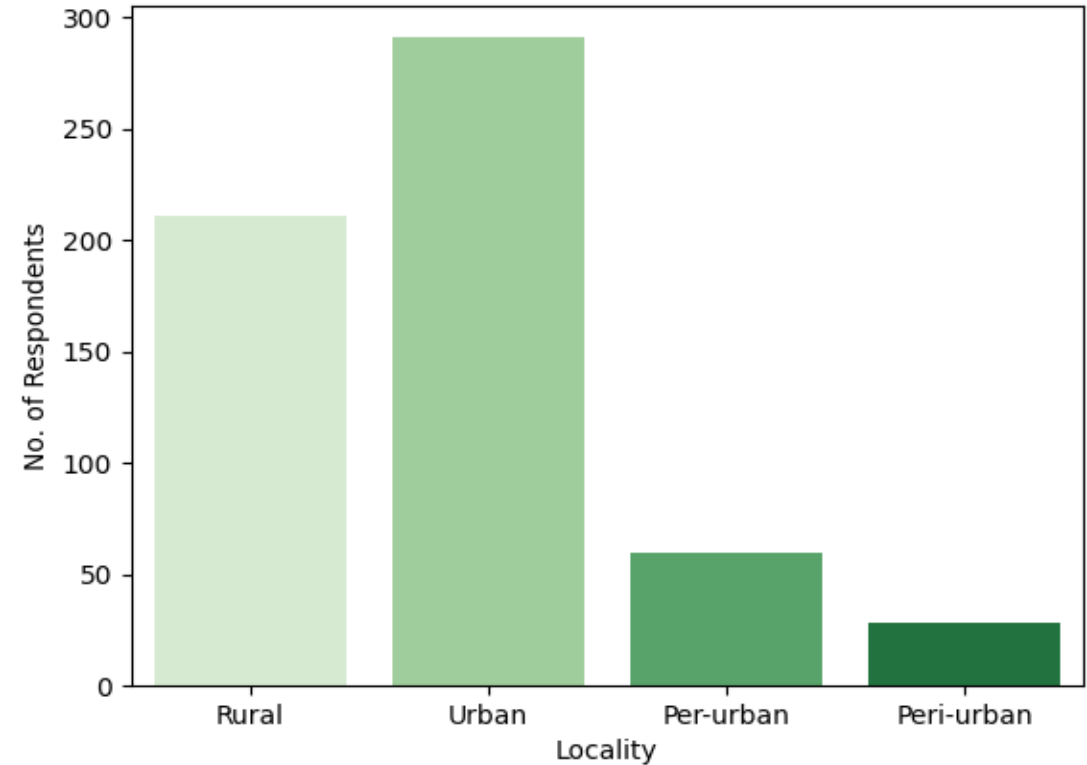
Country	Respondents
Kenya	91
Nigeria	89
Togo	49
Mali	48
Burkina Faso	48
Uganda	44
Tanzania	43
Sénégal	40
Ethiopia	31
Malawi	26
Ivory Coast	26
Ghana	10
Rwanda	6
Cameroon	5
South Africa	3
Congo, Democratic Republic of the	3
Namibia	1
Sierra Leone	2
Benign	2
Mozambique	2
Dem. Rep. of the Congo	2
Congo	1
Central African Republic	1
Niger	1
Somalia	1
Morocco	1
South Sudan	1
Botswana	1
Zambia	1
Liberia	1
Eswatini	1
Total	581

44% of the respondents were female and 56% were Male majority of the respondents were between the ages of 25 and 30 (49%) being mostly urban dwellers while(36%) were rural.

Distribution of respondents by Gender

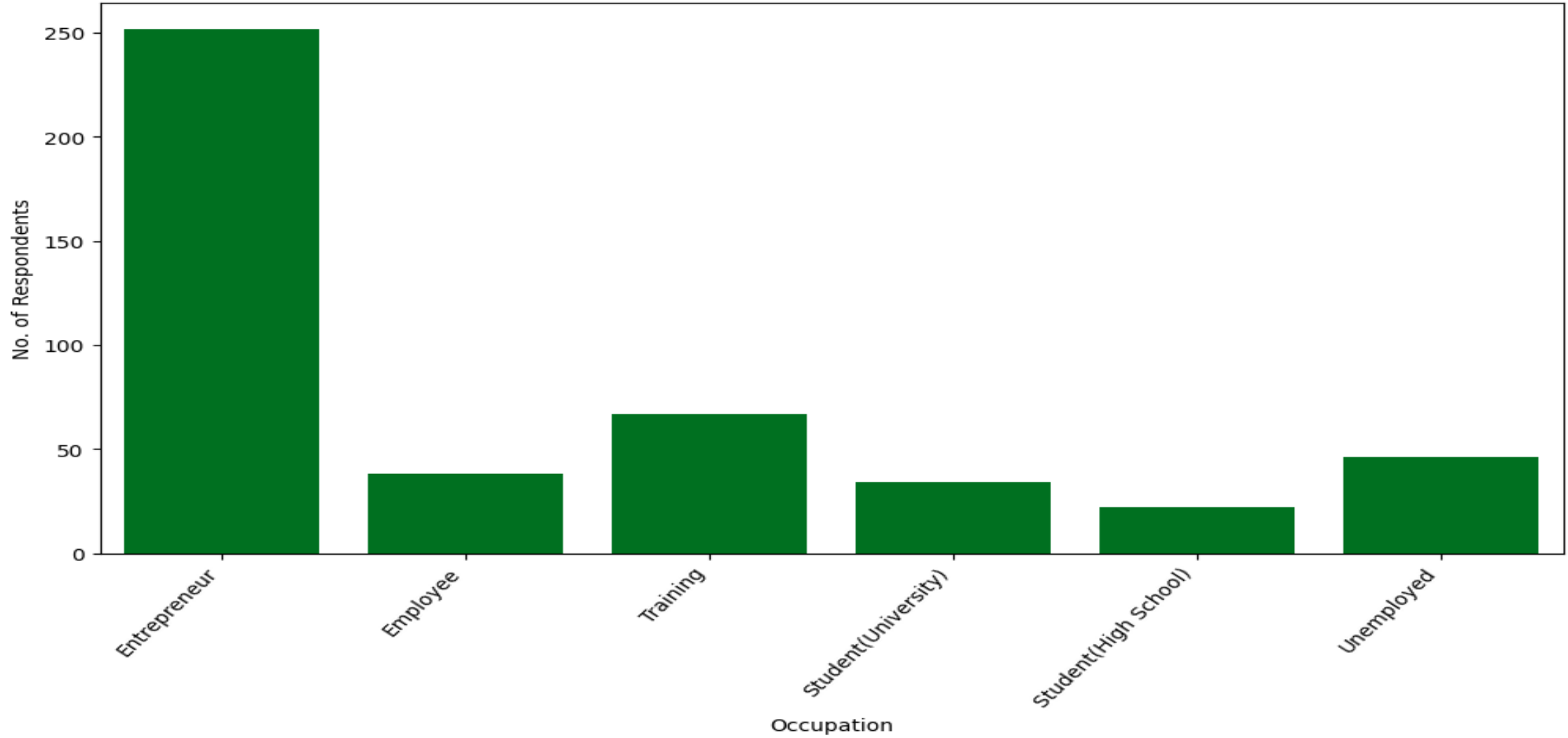


Distribution of respondents by Locality



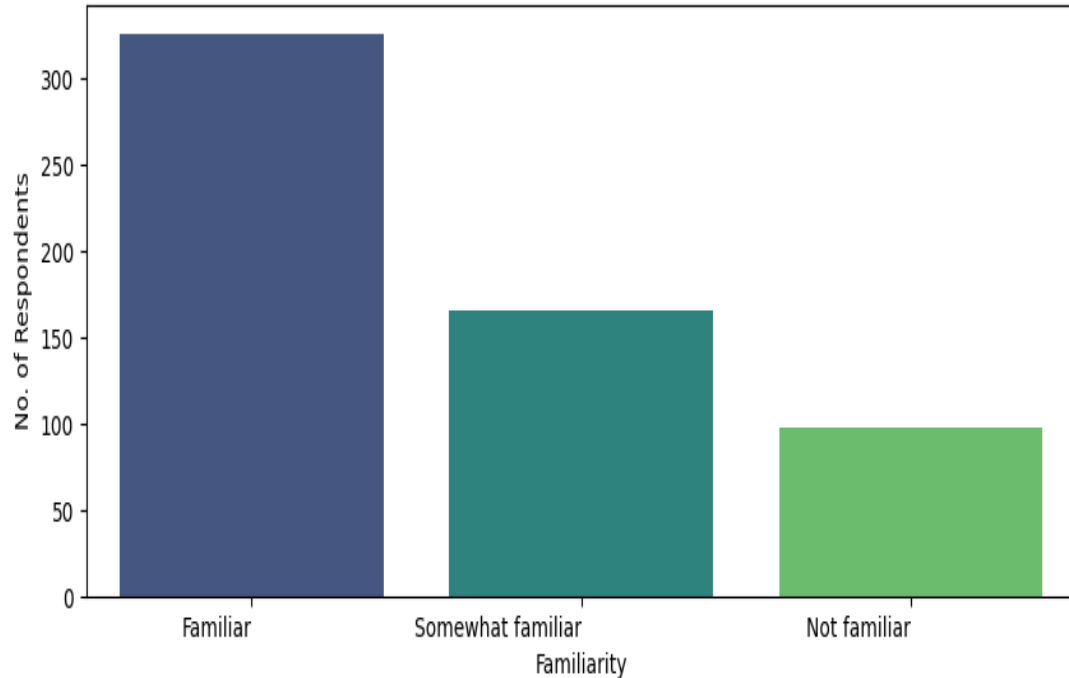
43% were Entrepreneurs while 14% were Employees and 8% were Students.

Occupation of Respondents

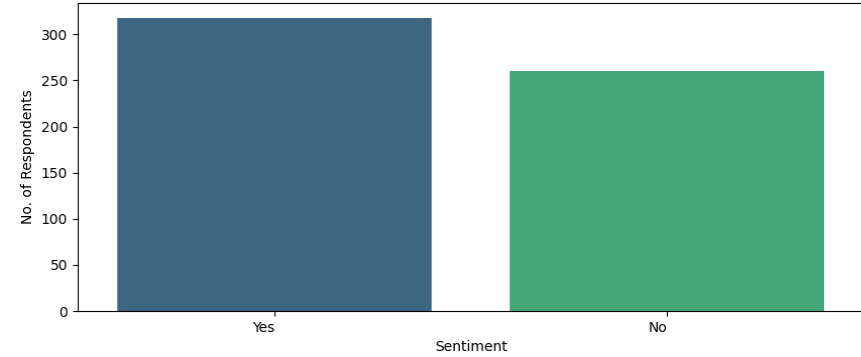


About 318 respondents were familiar with the concept of 'Green Jobs' and 513 were interested in pursuing a career in Sustainability. Additionally, 526 respondents believe that Green jobs are integral in driving solutions to environmental challenges.

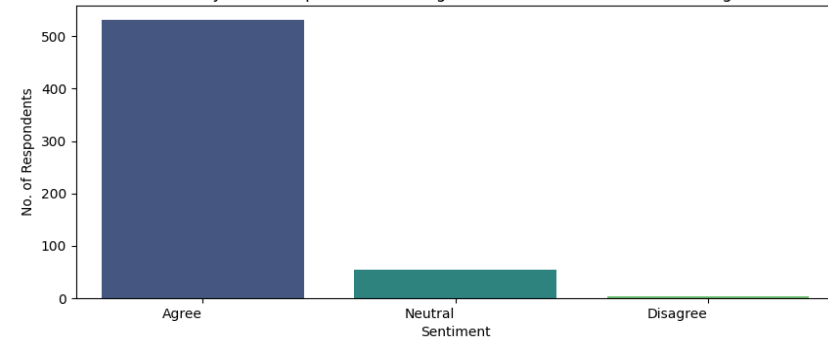
Familiarity with the concept of Green Jobs



Interested in Pursuing a career in sustainability

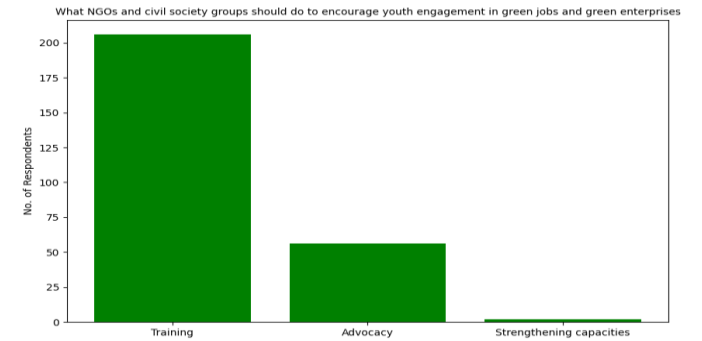
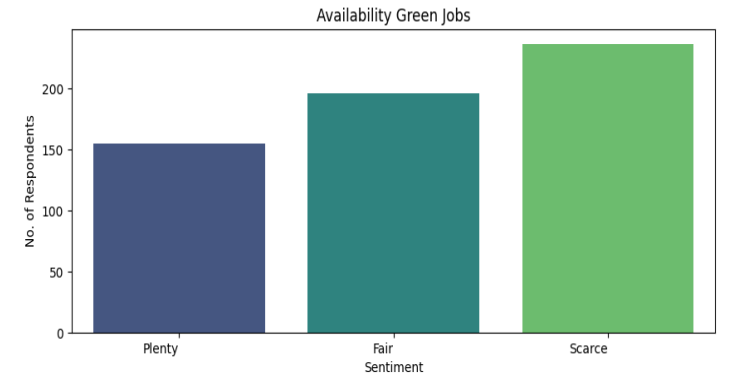
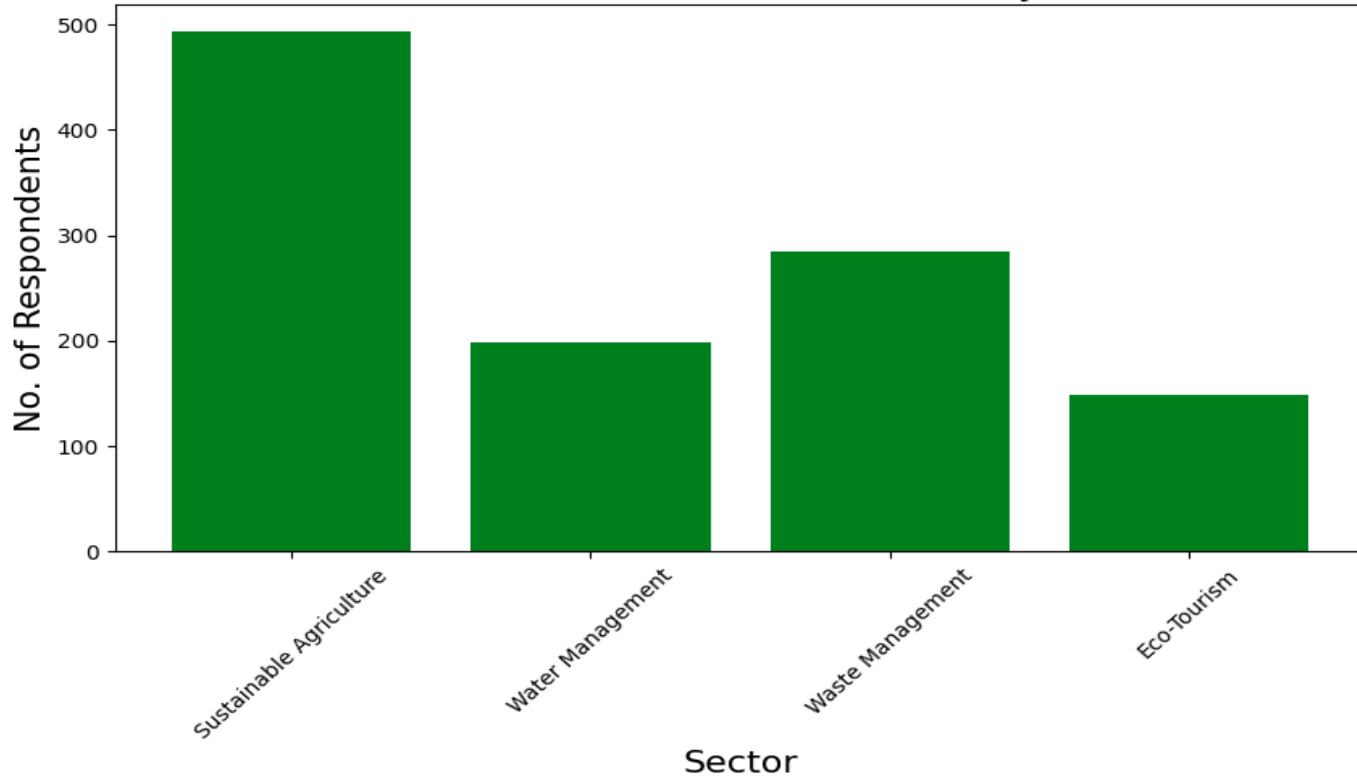


Green Jobs are important in driving solutions to environmental challenges

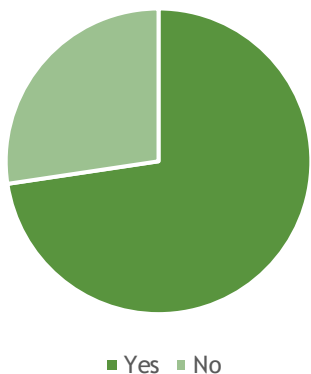


We measured youth perceptions on green jobs availability, role of NGOs and sector dominance. Over 492 listed Sustainable Agriculture Sector as the biggest producer of Green Jobs followed by Water management and waste management sectors, respectively. 209 said that they found it difficult to secure green jobs even though they are actively searching and 199 youths felt that NGOs should focus mainly on Training to enhance youth engagements in Sustainability initiatives as opposed to Advocacy and Capacity Strengthening.

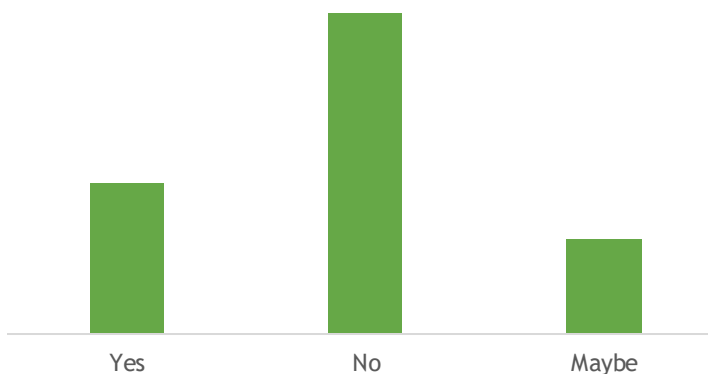
Sectors with the most Green jobs



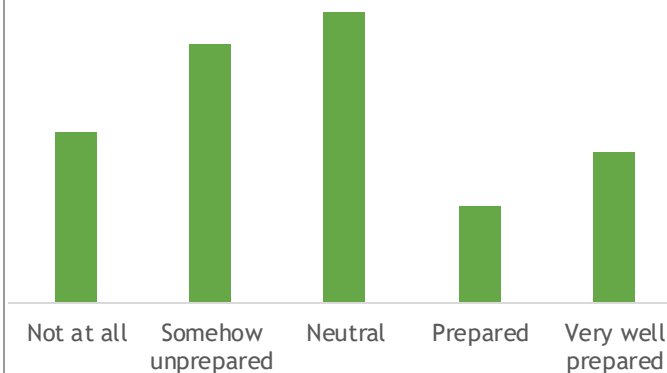
Experienced stress or anxiety related to entrepreneurial pursuits or job responsibilities



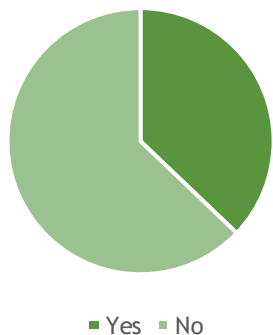
Adequate mental health support services are available for youth



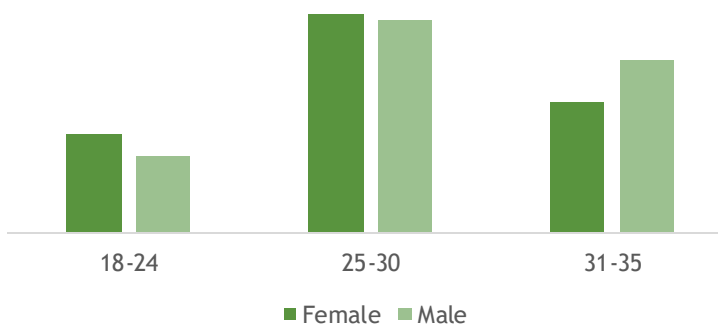
Community preparedness to handle the impacts of climate change?



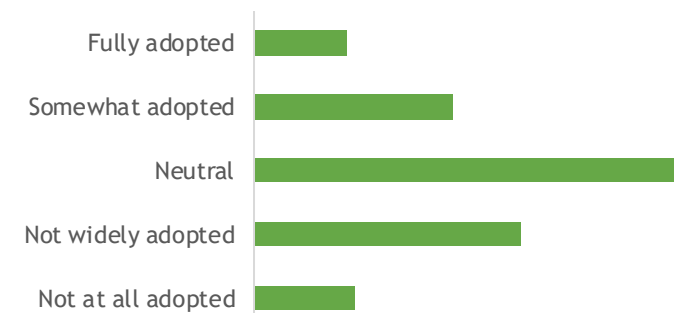
Seeking support from social support structures when facing entrepreneurial or work challenges



Male vs female youths seeking support for anxiety or other mental health



Adoption of sustainable agricultural practices in your community?



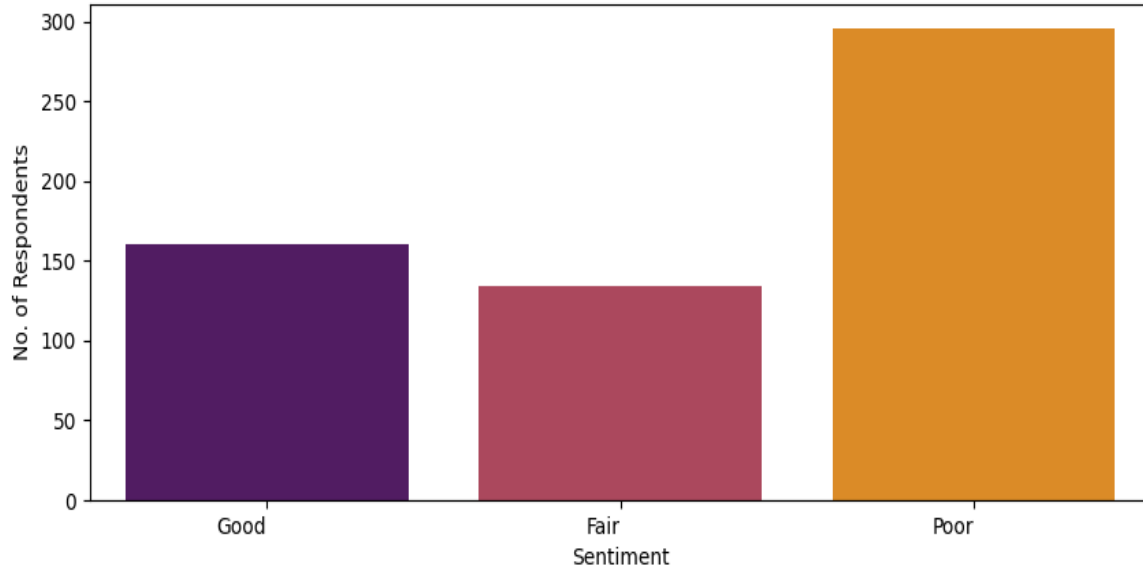
We asked the youths the kind of support or resources they believe could effectively promote their welfare and enable them to access green opportunities. Content analysis revealed the following

Key Themes Identified:

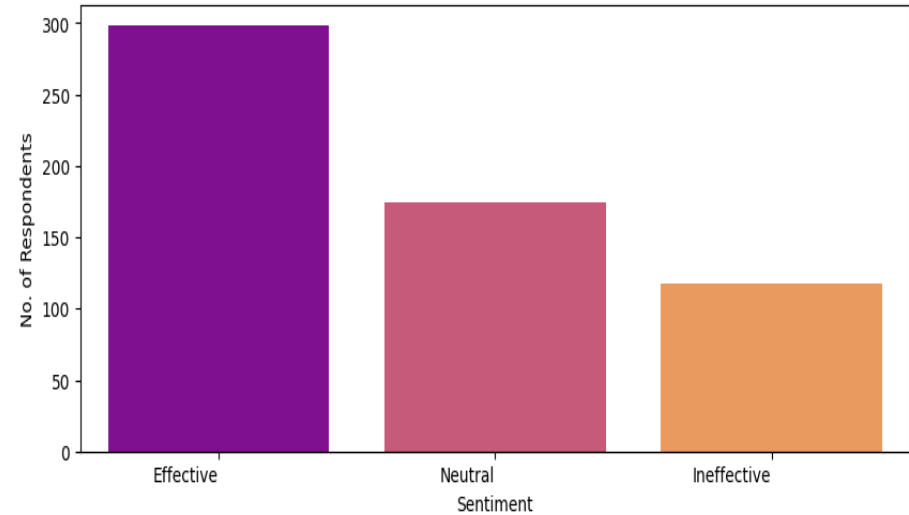
- 1. Networking opportunities with professionals in the green sector: (Mentioned in 458 instances.)**
 - Strong emphasis on the need for connection with industry professionals, which is crucial for career development and business opportunities.
- 2. Advocacy for supportive policies and regulations: (Mentioned in 382 instances.)**
 - This theme highlights the need for policy support to create an enabling environment for green industries and employment.
- 3. Access to funding or financial support: (Mentioned in 289 instances)**
 - Significant focus on the importance of financial backing, both for starting businesses and sustaining career growth in green industries.
- 4. Advocacy and Training: (Mentioned in 58 and 206 instances, respectively.)**
 - Recurring emphasis on the need for support in navigating career paths and access to mentors who can provide industry-specific insights.
- 5. Training and educational programs in green industries: (Mentioned in 115 instances.)**
 - Regular mentions indicate a strong demand for educational resources and training opportunities to build skills relevant to the green sector.
- 6. Access to information about job openings or entrepreneurial opportunities: (Mentioned in 169 instances.)**
 - Frequent mentions point to the importance of having access to reliable information about job markets and opportunities for entrepreneurship.

More than 250 Youths we interviewed believed most government support tailored for the youth was 'Poor' and Ineffective but had faith in the effectiveness of Learning Institutions to prepare them for careers in Sustainability.

Rating Government policies and support aimed at facilitating access to green jobs



Rating Effectiveness of Learning institutions in preparing youth for careers in green industries or sustainable development





“It is time now for a uniquely youth-led food systems transformation in Africa”

Resolutions and Conclusions

To drive the mission to empower African Youth, strengthen their potential and build a resilient sustainable future for the food systems as well as climate governance on the continent, the Youth call for the following:

1. Invest in youth-centric food systems and climate policies
2. Enhance access to resources and funding for young farmers
3. Strengthen capacity building and knowledge sharing
4. Promote technological innovation in agriculture
5. Enhance inclusive and gender-equitable agricultural policies
6. Accelerate agro-industrial development and value chain integration
7. Mobilize youth as key actors in climate action
8. Support collaboration and partnerships for youth empowerment
9. Implement strong policy and advocacy frameworks
10. Facilitate research and development to inform youth engagement
11. Increase the flow of climate action finance mobilization of public and private investments in carbon financing and climate-smart innovations



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