## Case Study Name:
Microcredit and the Socio-economic Well-being of Women and their Families in Cairo

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## Region:
Africa - north of Sahara

## Country:
Egypt

## Ecosystem Type:
arid and/or semi-arid, coastal marine

## Social Characteristics:
other (women)

## Scale of Study:
household

## Resource Type:
other (microcredit)

## Type of Initiative:
research-driven project

## Community- Based Work:
development planning

## Keywords:
microcredit, women, socio-economic wellbeing, Egypt

## Summary:
Microcredit has become one of the most important tools used to combat poverty and to enhance families’ wellbeing. This research aims at testing the following hypothesis: microcredit is positively linked to women’s
socio-economic wellbeing in Cairo. It is of special interest because it is a leader in evaluating this kind of intervention in Cairo; it uses primary source data and has a public policy orientation. The results confirmed what was previously reported in the literature, namely the high correlation between microcredit and children’s education, income and assets and disproved studies that found microcredit to improve health and harmony in the family.