

Documentation file for Data and Program corresponding to paper titled:
“Peer Effects, Teacher Incentives, and the Impact of Tracking: Evidence from a
Randomized Evaluation in Kenya”

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Datasets

There are three datasets.

1. “Student_test_data.dta” is the main dataset. It is in wide format (one observation per student). It includes baseline characteristics of the students, their test scores at both the endline (fall 2006) and long-term follow-up (fall 2007) tests, and the “treatment” dummies – whether the school was sampled for “Tracking”, whether the student was assigned to the Contract Teacher, etc.
2. “Student_pres_data.dta” is the dataset that contains the presence data for students (presence during surprise visits organized by research team). It is in long format (multiple observations per student, each observation corresponding to a student-visit). The dataset also includes the baseline characteristics of the students, and the “treatment” dummies.
3. “Teacher_pres_data.dta” is the dataset that contains the presence data for teachers (presence during surprise visits organized by research team). It is in long format (multiple observations per teacher, each observation corresponding to a student-visit). The dataset also includes the baseline characteristics of the teachers, and the “treatment” dummies.

Do File

The file called “analysis.do” uses the datasets to create the tables and figures in the paper.