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**Determinants of Never Attending School, Dropout and Grade Repetition in the Basic Education in Egypt, 2000.**

Education is one of the most important determinants of human development; it is a powerful instrument for reducing poverty and inequality, improving health and social well-being and laying the basis for sustained economic growth.

Education is not simply about preparing young people to take their place in a changing economy.

This study will focus mainly on the status of the basic education stage in Egypt (primary& preparatory) during the last 10 years.

The study will meet the following objectives:-

- To examine the basic educational stage and its trends in terms of levels of enrolment, never attending school, repetition and dropout of school, as well as the main reasons behind such phenomena.
- To investigate the quality and performance of educational process in the basic stage.
- To assess the efficiency of educational process in the basic stage in terms of pupil/years, input/output ration, coefficient of efficiency, and wastage.
- To identify the determinants of never attending school, repetition, and dropout of school among the children of the basic education stage.

The study depended on logistic regression model.