

One Laptop per Child — Peru: Nationwide Evaluation of One-to-One Computing

Digital Inclusion · Good practice · Peru

Quality score: 72/100

Evidence strength: Randomised controlled trial

Summary

Peru's nationwide One Laptop per Child rollout, launched in the Andean village of Arahua in 2007 and scaled to hundreds of thousands of pupils, was tested in a randomized evaluation across 319 rural schools — with sobering results for academic test scores.

Key dimensions

Dimension	Score
Innovation level	3/5
Sustainability (ongoing)	0/1
Evaluation evidence	1/1
Demonstrated reach	1/1
Documented learning	1/1

Evaluated by C-NAPSE

Data sources

[C-NAPSE web research](#) — accessed 2026-07-09

[Ministry of Education of Peru \(with One Laptop per Child Association\)](#) — accessed 2026-07-09

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