

Wuhan's One-Million-Graduate Retention Plan

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Quality score: 67/100

Evidence strength: Moderate

Summary

In 2017 Wuhan pledged to keep one million university graduates in the city within five years, pairing eased hukou registration with below-market housing. Retention rose sharply, but a 70-city study found the wider talent-policy wave also pushed up local housing prices.

Key dimensions

Dimension	Score
Evidence of impact / measured results	2/3
Transferability / demonstrated replication	3/3
Scalability	2/3
Sustainability / continuity	2/3
Innovation	2/3
Inclusiveness / equity	1/3
Multi-stakeholder collaboration	2/3

Evaluated by C-NAPSE

Data sources

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