

**Governor:** H.E Andrew Mwadime

**Deputy Governor:** H.E Christine Saru Kilalo

**Speaker:** Hon. Wisdom Kazungu Mwamburi

**Capital:** Mwatate

**Key towns:** Voi, Mwatate, Wundanyi & Taveta

**Regional block:** Jumuiya ya Kaunti za Pwani

**Constituencies:** 4

**Electoral wards:** 20

**Land area and size:** 17,084.1 km<sup>2</sup> (12 largest)

**Temperature range:** 15°C and 32°C

**Tsavo National Park** accounts for 62.3% of Total land area

Maize, beans, rice, banana, macadamia and sisal are key agricultural crops

Agriculture contributes about 95% of household incomes

Own Source Revenue (OSR) accounted for 6% of FY 2022/23 revenue

### Recommendations

- Deepen own source revenue by fully automating the revenue collection process to address challenges associated with leakages and collection.
- Strengthen compliance for established county laws and policies such as the climate change policies and enhance capacity building and awareness in climate change and green finance
- Explore alternative financing options to fund capital development projects

## Gross County Product (GCP) of Kshs 70.4 billion contributes 0.6% of Kenya's GDP



Population of 360,000 people  
Annual Growth Rate of 1.9%



Agriculture, fishing and forestry are the dominant sectors and accounted for 25.1% of the GCP

**Kshs 6.5 billion**  
Revenue  
(FY 2022/23)

**Kshs 6.1 billion**  
Expenditure  
(FY 2022/23)

**Kshs 1.02 billion**  
Pending Bills  
(FY 2022/23)

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Shadow  
Credit Rating

Fiscal Snapshot

### Key green projects



**WATER HARVESTING, MANAGEMENT AND DISTRIBUTION**  
Scaling up water harvesting & distribution from Mzima Springs, Njoro Kubwa spring, Kitopo springs and Lake Chala



**ESTABLISHMENT OF AGRO-PROCESSING FACILITIES'**  
Construction of agro-processing facilities including completion of banana processing facility to create value addition to the County's agricultural produce like rice banana and macadamia



**ENERGY EFFICIENCY**  
Harness electricity generated by solar parks to power government offices, schools, state-owned enterprises, street lights and marketplaces to promote a 24-hour economy



**DEVELOPMENT OF SPECIAL ECONOMIC ZONES**  
Establish Industrial Parks, which will serve as the foundation of a booming export-focused trade and urban-based commerce

### Governance structures

Presence of a legal & regulatory framework for green/climate finance - Taita Taveta County Climate Change Fund Act, 2022

Presence of Taita Taveta County Investment and Development Corporation Bill, 2021, Taita Taveta County Climate Action Plan, 2023/2027, and Taita Taveta Water Bill, 2021

Qualified for Financing Locally Led Climate Action (FLLoCA) funds

### Green assets

**Water bodies:** 106 km<sup>2</sup> comprising Lakes Jipe and Chala

**Forests:** 1,489.80 ha of gazetted forests & 9,000 ha of non-gazetted forests

**Hills:** Taita, Sagalla, Kasigau, Dawida, and Shaimu

Teita Sisal Estate Limited's plantation which covers 32,000 acres is the largest sisal producer in the east Africa region.

