

Governor: H.E. Joshua Irungu, EGH
Deputy Governor: H.E. Reuben Kamuri
Speaker: Hon. Lantano Nabaala
Capital: Rumuruti Town
Key towns: Nanyuki, Rumuruti and Nyahururu
Regional Bloc: Central Region Economic Bloc (CEREB)
Constituencies: 3
Electoral wards: 15
Land area and size: 9,532 km²
Temperature range: 9.8°C and 24.4°C

- Laikipia County has abundant wildlife mainly found in the Aberdares Forest, Mt. Kenya wildlife corridors, and large private ranches which cover over 50% of the county's land, thereby attracting a large number of tourists
- The primary crops grown in the county are maize, beans, wheat, potatoes and vegetables, with maize being the predominant crop accounting for about 51% of the total planted area
- Own Source Revenue (OSR) accounted for 15% of FY 2022/23 revenue.

Recommendations

- Improvement of the county's overall revenue profile mainly in fully automating its own source revenue collection by providing an online one-stop collection portal for fees and levies
- 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
- Exploring alternative financing options such as the debt capital markets to fund capital development projects

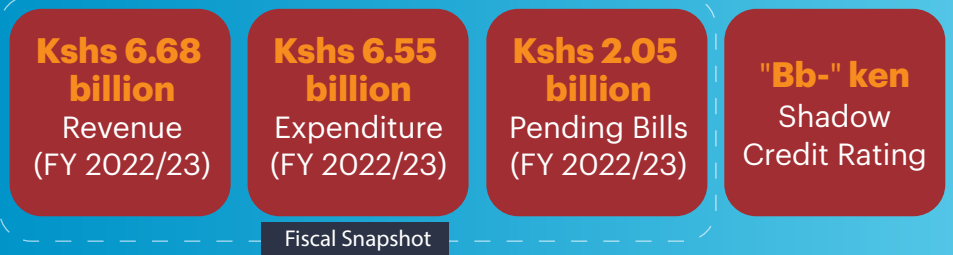
Gross County Product (GCP) of Kshs 119.58 billion contributes 0.9% of Kenya's GDP



Population of 550,318 people
 Annual Growth Rate of 2%



Agriculture is the primary economic activity in the county accounting for 26.5% of the GCP and employing approximately 60% of the labour force



Key green projects

<p>WATER HARVESTING, MANAGEMENT AND DISTRIBUTION Construct 5 mega-dams with a cumulative capacity of 1,000,000m³, improve existing water infrastructure, and enhance rainwater harvesting and storage through supplying of water tanks to households.</p>	<p>ESTABLISHMENT OF AGRO-PROCESSING FACILITIES Increase production and value addition of farm produce by establishing, upgrading and reviving agro-processing industries, and expanding sustainable irrigation in the County through partnership with development partners.</p>
<p>ENERGY EFFICIENCY Promote and support the installation of solar power systems in government offices, schools, healthcare centres, markets, streetlights and at the household level. Development of wind mills and solar farms.</p>	<p>INTEGRATED WASTE MANAGEMENT SYSTEM AND RECYCLING CENTRE Improving the solid waste management system by initiating a hybrid model for solid waste collection and management that brings together private sector players and the government through a Public-Private Partnership.</p>

Governance structures

Presence of a legal & regulatory framework for green/climate finance - Laikipia County Climate Change Act, 2021	Presence of Laikipia County Water Services Bill 2021, Laikipia County Spatial Planning Bill 2014 and Laikipia County Forest Conservation Strategy (2013 - 2030)	Qualified for Financing Locally Led Climate Action (FLLoCA) funds
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Green assets

Water bodies: Ewaso Nyiro River, Marura Swamp and Ewaso Narok Swamp
 Mountains and Plateaus: Laikipia Plateau and Mount Kenya
 Forests: Six gazetted forests covering 580Km²

Laikipia County is home to several endangered mammal species, including the Grevy's Zebra and the Reticulated Giraffe

