Kenya

What it produces, exports, imports and uses, among the commodities tracked here

Top-ten producer of

Commodity	World rank	Share of world	Year
Sisal	3	9%	2024
Tea	3	8.2%	2024
Avocados	6	5.2%	2024
Cloves	6	1.1%	2024

Top-ten exporter of

Commodity	World rank	Share of world exports	Export value
Tea	1	18%	$1.4 billion
Sisal	3	7.2%	$49.2 million
Jute	4	4.3%	$9.1 million
Lamb	8	1.5%	$131.5 million
Pineapples	8	1.3%	$35.1 million
Avocados	9	2.8%	$263.8 million
Fluorspar	9	1.3%	$7 million
Zirconium	9	1.8%	$31 million

Of $2.5 billion of tracked-commodity exports, 56% is tea, then coffee (12%).

Top-ten importer of: palm oil (#6), tungsten (#6), sorghum (#10).

What it uses (FAO food balances, 2023)

Commodity	Domestic supply	kg per person	Self-sufficiency	Imported
Milk	6.3 million tonnes	88	97%	3.1%
Corn	4.3 million tonnes	61	88%	12%
Bananas	2.9 million tonnes	48	100%	<0.1%
Potatoes	2.2 million tonnes	30	105%	0.1%
Tea	2.0 million tonnes	35	127%	0.3%
Wheat	1.8 million tonnes	26	13%	95%

Single-supplier import markets

Kenya buys half or more of its imports from one country in 4 of 6 import markets of $250 million or more: palm oil from Malaysia (85%); wheat from Russia (82%); steel from Japan (51%); natural gas from United States (67%).

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