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Preface

Over the last five decades the global dairy sector has seen substantive changes with major intensification, scaling-up and efficiency of production driven by demand from a growing human population and disposal incomes. This growth was achievable through the developments in animal breeding, nutrition, feed efficiency, animal health, housing and automation and supporting policies, strategies and organizations. Such changes are not however reflected across the whole dairy sector and while some developing countries have seen a major expansion in small-scale milk production, small-scale dairying in other countries has largely stagnated.

Dairying contributes positively to human wellbeing in a variety of different ways: nutrition through quality food products, income and employment, organic fertilizer as well as assets and savings. There are however negative aspects associated with dairying including its contribution to Green House Gases, pollution and waste disposal, food safety and human health, use of grains for feed, animal welfare and erosion of biodiversity. In order to inform the public and to make rational policy and investment decisions related to the dairy sector, it is essential to fully understand these complex interactions and their consequences.

This paper provides a review of these issues for the dairy sector of Kenya. We hope this paper will provide accurate and useful information to its readers and any feedback is welcome by the author and the Livestock Production Systems Branch (AGAS)¹ or to the Rural Infrastructure and Agro-Industries Division (AGS)² of the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO).

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Executive Summary

Commercial dairying was introduced into Kenya in the early twentieth century, but indigenous Kenyans were not involved in it until the mid-1950s. After independence, most dairy cattle were transferred to the indigenous people, marking the beginning of smallholder domination of the dairy industry.

The policy environment for dairy can be divided into four phases:

- i) pre-independence (before 1963), export-oriented and large-scale;
- ii) first administration after independence (1967 to 1978), growth of smallholders;
- iii) second administration after independence (1979 to 2002), period of disruption; and
- iv) since 2003, period of new impetus.

Milk production is mainly from cattle (3.5 million head of Friesian, Ayrshire, Jersey and Guernsey breeds and their crosses, and 9.3 million indigenous animals), camels (1 million) and goats (13.9 million). Dairy cattle produce about 70 percent of total national milk output (more than 3 billion litres).

The bulk of dairy cattle feed is from natural forage, cultivated fodder and crop by-products. Commercial feeds include dairy meal, dairy cubes, calf pullets, maize germ, maize bran, molasses, cottonseed cake, wheat pollard and wheat bran. About 500 000 tonnes of commercial livestock feed was produced in 2007.

Estimated annual per capita milk consumption ranges from 19 kg in rural areas to 125 kg in urban ones. About 55 percent of the milk produced in Kenya, mainly from dairy cattle, enters the market. Most (more than 75 percent) is marketed through informal (unlicensed) channels, with about 30 processors and other formal milk marketers handling about 400 million litres a year, much of it in liquid form.

Owing to the large amount of milk that is marketed unprocessed and the weak monitoring of markets, there are concerns about public health risks from diseases and drug residues. Milk product safety is controlled through the existing food safety standards and regulations contained in two main laws – the Dairy Industry Act (CAP 336) and the Public Health Act (CAP 242) – neither of which is very effective.

Possible negative environmental impacts of dairy production activities include loss of vegetation through overgrazing of natural pastures, and pollution from industrial processing.

At the farm level, dairy activities are estimated to generate, for every 1 000 litres of milk produced daily, about 23 full-time jobs for the self-employed, 50 permanent full-time jobs for employees, and three full-time casual labour jobs, making a total of 77 direct farm jobs per 1 000 litres of daily production, or a total of about 841 000 full-time jobs (585 000 for full-time hired workers and 256 000 for self-employed/farm owners). In the processing sector, 13 jobs are generated for every 1 000 litres of milk handled, or a total of about 15 000 jobs. The informal sector accounts for about 70 percent of the jobs in dairy marketing and processing, generating 18 employment opportunities for every 1 000 litres of milk handled, or a total of 40 000 jobs.

Institutions involved in the dairy sector include regulators, input suppliers, service providers, market agents, research and development organizations and dairy farmers and their organizations. Regarding the regulatory framework, Vision 2030 recognizes that the agriculture sector (including dairy) has been operating under outdated colonial legislation dating back to the 1930s, which is impeding growth in the sector; the government has promised to reform this legislation and other areas that need updating.

Acronyms

ADC	Agricultural Development Corporation
AFC	Agricultural Finance Corporation
AI	artificial insemination
ASAL	arid and semi-arid land
CBO	community-based organization
DFID	Department for International Development (United Kingdom)
DANIDA	Danish International Development Agency
FAO	Food and Agriculture Organization of United Nations
GDP	gross domestic product
GHG	greenhouse gas
HSUS	Humane Society of the United States
IFAD	International Fund for Agricultural Development
ILRI	International Livestock Research Institute
KARI	Kenya Agricultural Research Institute
KNAIS	Kenya National Artificial Insemination Services
KCC	Kenya Cooperative Creameries
KDB	Kenya Dairy Board
KDMP	Kenya Dairy Master Plan
KEBS	Kenya Bureau of Standards
K Sh	Kenya shilling
LME	Liquid Milk Equivalent
MOA	Ministry of Agriculture
MOCD	Ministry of Cooperative Development
MOH	Ministry of Health
MOLD	Ministry of Livestock Development
NCC	National Consultative Committee
NDTI	Naivasha Dairy Training Institute
NGO	non-governmental organization
PCPB	Pest Control Products Board
SDP	Smallholder Dairy (Research and Development) Project
SHG	self-help group
SITE	SITE Enterprise Promotion
SME	small and medium enterprise
SNV	Netherlands Development Organization
SOW-AnGR	State of the World's Animal Genetic Resources for Food and Agriculture
TB	tuberculosis
UHT	ultra-high temperature
USAID	United States Agency for International Development
USDA	United States Department of Agriculture
VVPC	Veterinary Vaccine Production Centre

Currency equivalent, weights and measures

Currency Equivalent - April 2009

Currency Unit	-	Kenya Shillings (KES)
USD 1.00	-	KES 79.9
KES 100.00	-	USD 1.25

Weights and Measures

1 kilogramme (kg)	-	2 204 lb.
1,000 kg	-	1 metric ton (mt)
1 kilometre (km)	-	0.62 mile
1 metre (m)	-	1.09 yards
1 square metre (m ²)	-	10.76 square feet
1 acre (ac)	-	0.405 hectare (ha)
1 hectare (ha)	-	2.47 acres

Chapter 1

Introduction

Kenya has a land area of 582 646 km², most (80 percent) of which is arid and semi-arid land (ASAL) with very low potential. It has a population of more than 37 million people with 3 percent annual growth. The country has a varied climate ranging from warm and humid in the coastal area to cool temperatures in the highlands. Productivity potential can be divided into three categories: high potential, with annual rainfall of more than 858 mm; medium potential, with annual rainfall of between 735 and 858 mm; and low potential, with annual rainfall of less than 612 mm (Annex 1). Recently, rainfall has been erratic in most parts of the country, with frequent prolonged dry periods and occasional flooding.

Agriculture and forestry contribute more than 20 percent of gross domestic product (GDP), down from 27 percent in the 1990s and 22.7 percent in 2007. Livestock contributes 10 percent of total and 30 percent of agricultural GDP. Dairy products (excluding live animals) contribute 30 percent of livestock GDP and more than 22 percent of livestock gross marketed products.

Dairy's main role in Kenya's economy is its contribution to the livelihoods of the many people engaged throughout the value chain and to the nutritional well-being of many rural communities. Dairy has the potential to contribute more to national development goals, and a review of its development to date will shed light on and provide understanding of the sector's growth needs, helping to make informed decisions.

Chapter 2

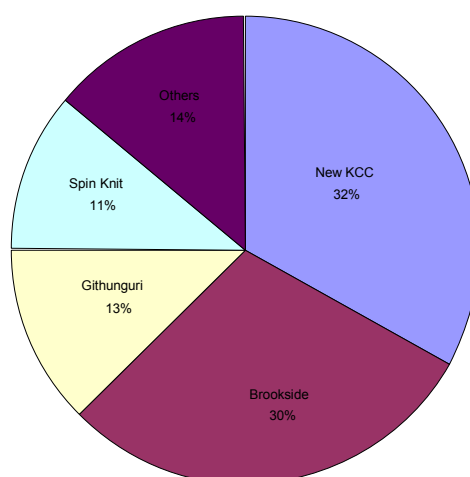
Industry Players

There are many players in the dairy sector: those offering services and inputs; industry facilitators and development partners; and the users of services/inputs.

Smallholder dairy farmers dominate the industry at the production level. There are more than 1 million smallholder dairy farmers, according to surveys done by the Smallholder Dairy (Research and Development) Project (SDP), contributing more than 70 percent of gross marketed production from farms. In general, smallholders each have 3 to 5 acres (1.2 to 2.0 ha) of land – although some have slightly more than 20 acres (8 ha) and others less than 0.5 acre (0.2 ha) – and about two to five head of cattle yielding about 5 kg of milk per cow per day. Milk sales are low, at less than 10 kg per day. The use of inputs is low, but varies depending on community traditions and the level of market orientation.

There are about 30 licensed milk processors, two of which process more than 60 percent of the total processed milk. The largest four processors combined process more than 80 percent of the total (Figure 1).

FIGURE 1
Proportions of milk intake by different processors (2008)



Source: Ministry of Livestock Development (MOLD).

Other licensed milk traders include producers, mini dairies, cottage industries and cooling plants, whose number has been increasing and is now over 1 500. Processors handle more than 80 percent of the total milk and dairy products marketed through the licensed (formal) market channel.

Other actors in dairy marketing include farmers' organizations such as cooperative societies and farmers' groups. Cooperatives (Table 1) and farmers' groups handle only about 40 percent of marketed milk production and about 20 percent of total milk (Muriuki, 2003).

Other players in milk marketing include informal traders, distributors and retailers. The existence of informal trade results from a combination of the formal system's failure or inefficiency, consumer habits/preferences, and price differences between raw and processed milk.

Input and service providers include agro-vet and other shops, breeding service providers, suppliers of breeding stock, dairy recording and stud book service providers, veterinary service providers, and extension and advisory service providers.

TABLE 1
Numbers of dairy cooperative societies and membership (2000 to 2006)

	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006
Number	337	332	332	239	241	248	252
Members in '000	350	204	204	148	144	200	254

Source: Republic of Kenya, 2007.

Consumers are major players and have an important influence on how other players perform. Despite an aggressive regulatory regime that discourages the raw milk trade, consumer demand results in only about 20 percent of marketed milk being processed.

Chapter 3

Policy and Regulatory Environment

The policy environment that has influenced dairying in Kenya can be divided into four phases: pre-independence (before 1963); the first administration after independence (1967 to 1978); the second administration after independence (1979 to 2002); and the period since 2003.

Before independence, dairy was a preserve of large-scale settler farmers and was export-oriented. After independence, policy focused mainly on including indigenous Kenyans in commercial agriculture (including market-oriented dairy). The government intervened directly in the market and with subsidized services.

The policy environment during the second post-independence administration became more haphazard, with reactionary periods intermingling with poor judgement and corruption. During this period, cooperative societies were invaded by politically powerful individuals who used them for political gain, mismanaging and stealing from them to render cooperatives very unpopular.

The current administration (since 2003) has focused on economic revival and correction of perceived failures from the previous administrations. These efforts have yielded some positive results, with the formal dairy sector almost tripling the amount of milk it handles, from about 144 million litres in 2002 to 423 million litres in 2007.

Continuing policy challenges are the ambiguity of dairy policies, the minimal stakeholder consultation in formulating the policy and legal framework, and inconsistencies between the policies/legal framework and the prevailing situation.

Chapter 4

Characterization of the Milk Production System

Milk production in Kenya is mainly from cattle (dairy, grade and zebu or indigenous breeds), camel and goats (Tables 2, 3 and 4 and Annex 2). Grade cattle are about 50 percent pure breeds (mainly Friesian, followed by Ayrshire, Jersey and Guernsey) and crosses.

4.1 POPULATION AND DISTRIBUTION

Dairy cattle contribute 70 percent of total milk production (Table 3) and almost all marketed production, but the dairy herd grew by a very modest 9 percent over the nine years from 1998 to 2007, at an annual rate of only 0.96 percent (Table 4 and Figure 3). The average national dairy cattle herd is composed of 50 percent cows, 10 percent heifers of over one year, 11 percent heifers of less than one year, 17 percent bulls and bull calves, and 12 percent steers. The dairy (grade) herd is distributed as shown in Tables 2 and 4 and Figure 2 (and Annex 2).

Camels and local (meat) goats, and to a very small extent sheep, are important in the ASALs. Camels are particularly important in North Eastern Kenya and bordering areas, where a large community of Somali and related ethnicity are more familiar with camel milk.

TABLE 2
Population of milk animals (2007)

Province	Cattle		Goats		Camels
	Dairy	Zebu	Dairy	Indigenous	
Rift Valley	1 895.1	2 791.5	28.5	5 999.5	184.7
Western	192.3	755.3	3.6	233.0	0.0
Nyanza	211.7	1 570.9	4.5	970.6	0.0
Central	852.9	105.8	81.9	269.0	0.0
Eastern	304.1	1 801.2	45.3	3 405.9	144.0
Coast	100.3	1 201.6	12.7	1 307.1	58.7
Northeastern	0.1	1 089.6	0.1	1 591.5	618.9
Nairobi	22.8	5.0	1.9	11.1	0.0
Total	3 579.4	9 320.9	178.3	13 787.7	1 006.3

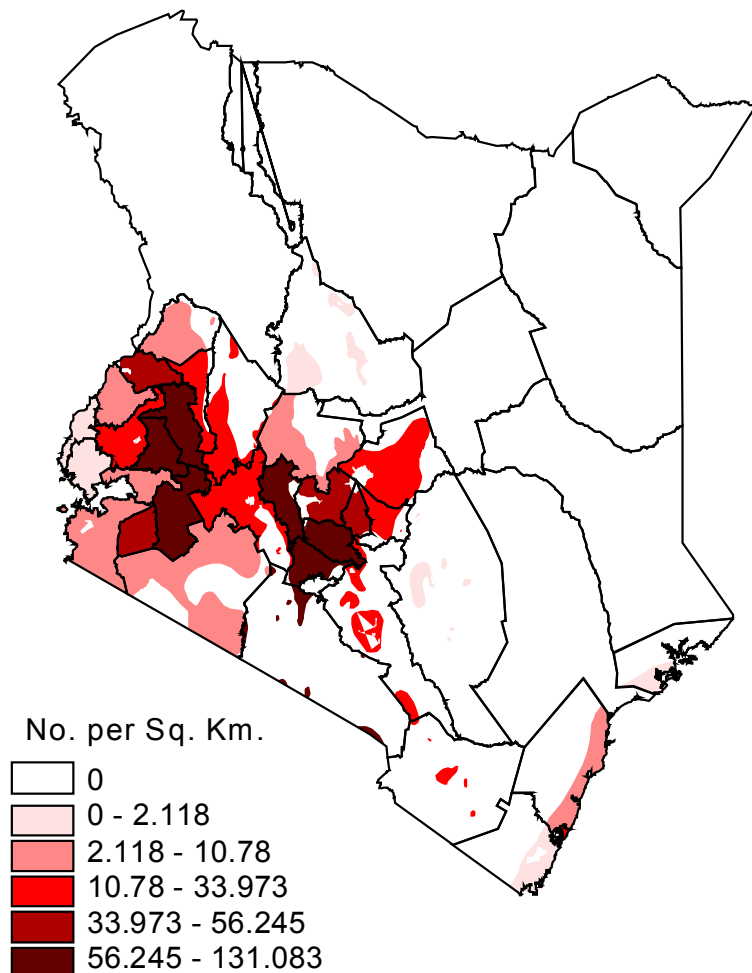
Source: Extracted from MOLD population data.

TABLE 3
Population of milk animals and percentage contributions to annual milk production (2007)

Species	Breed type	Estimated number (1000)	Estimated annual milk production (million kg)	Milk production (% contribution)
Cattle	Improved dairy type	3 580	2 174.5	70
	Zebu	9 321	490	16
Camels	Camelus dromedarius	1 006	315	10.1
Goats	Indigenous (East African)	13 788	118	3.8
	Improved dairy type	178	6.3	0.02

Source: Developed from MOLD 2007 data.

FIGURE 2
Dairy cattle distribution and density



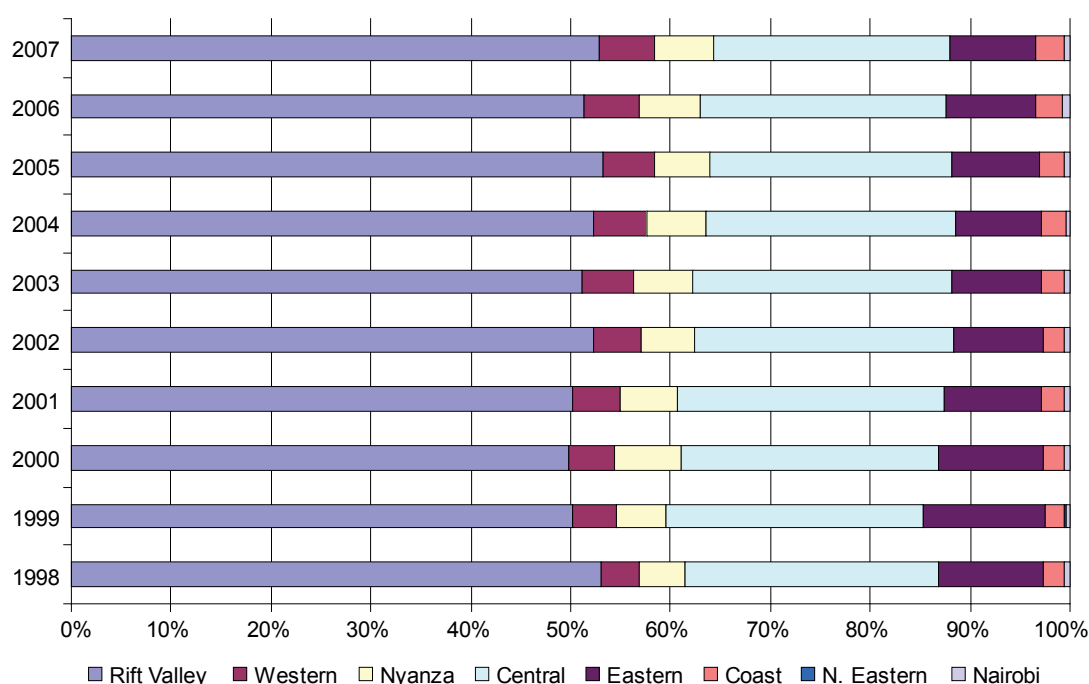
Source: Omore et al., 1999.

TABLE 4
Dairy cattle population, by province (1998 to 2007, thousands)

Province	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007
R/Valley	1 742	1 704	1 652.1	1 651.2	1 834.2	1 776.1	1 805.3	1 859.0	1 693.9	1 895.1
Western	127	145	151.7	155.8	162.8	181.0	179.9	181.7	181.7	192.3
Nyanza	151	174.6	216.5	188.1	193.6	202.2	204.6	196.1	202.5	211.7
Central	833	871	855.4	877.6	903.6	901.2	864.8	849.0	808.2	852.9
Eastern	343	413.8	344.3	321.8	314.9	313.7	291.8	301.9	301.3	304.1
Coast	69	68.82	73.39	76.1	76.9	81.0	89.8	88.1	88.1	100.3
N/Eastern	0.19	0.16	0.2	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.0	0.2	0.1
Nairobi	17	16.06	17.2	17.5	19.5	18.2	12.0	21.8	22.5	22.8
Total	3 282	3 393.6	3 310.4	3 288.3	3 505.7	3 473.4	3 448.3	3 497.6	3 298.3	3 579.4

Source: MOLD reports.

FIGURE 3
Distribution of the dairy cattle population by province (1998 to 2007)



4.2 MILK PRODUCTION SYSTEMS

Kenyan milk production systems can be divided into two general categories: large-scale and small-scale. The small-scale or smallholder dairy production system dominates.

The differences between the two dairy systems are in their sizes of operation, level of management and use of inputs. Dairy cattle in smallholdings feed mainly from forage and very small quantities of concentrate, but some smallholder dairy farmers are highly commercial and well versed in dairy production, with high-quality management.

4.3 DAIRY CATTLE BREEDING

Until the mid-1980s, a well organized dairy cattle breeding system, subsidized by the government, contributed to growth of the smallholder dairy farming system and the large national dairy population.

Artificial insemination (AI) was used effectively to accelerate the uptake of dairying by smallholder farmers through upgrading of zebus. Private AI services became available from 1993, but private providers have been slow to replace the government services, which have continuously declined (Figure 4 and Annex 3).

Locally produced semen is available at about K Sh 800 (US\$10) for one insemination (one straw and costs of inseminating the cow), while imported semen can exceed K Sh 10 000 (US\$125).

Owing to government budgetary problems in the 1980s, government AI services became inadequate, while private services remain underdeveloped. This, combined with the perceived high cost of AI services, has resulted in the frequent use of bulls of unknown breeding value throughout the country. Genetic development of the national dairy herd is therefore difficult to measure.

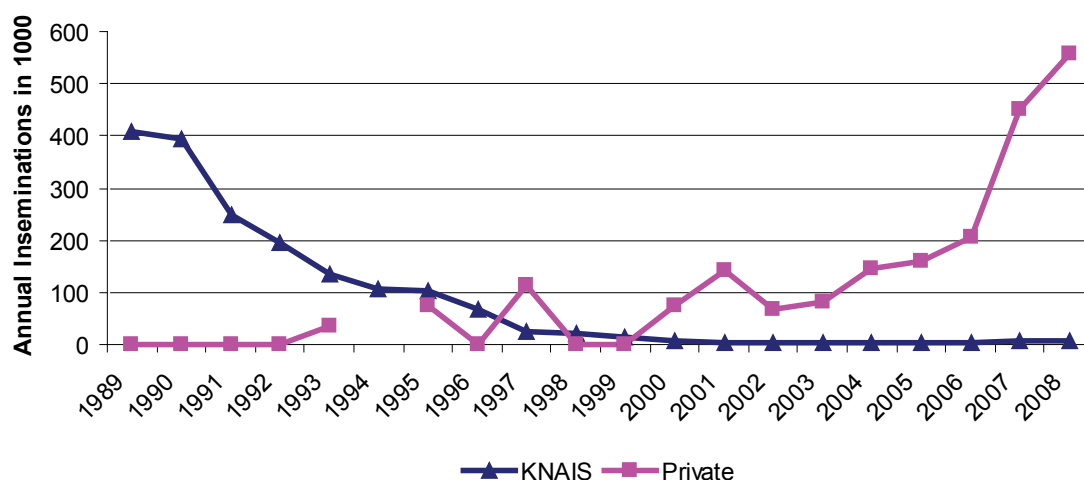
In 2007, the dairy industry was doing well – milk prices shot up from about K Sh 17 (US\$0.21) per litre to about K Sh 20 (US\$0.25) in a very short time (Figure 5 and Annex 3) and annual AI increased drastically. This was apparently due to intense competition among major milk processors as the demand for exports suddenly rose.

4.4 GENETIC DIVERSITY OF THE DAIRY HERD

According to a *State of the World's Animal Genetic Resources for Food and Agriculture* (SOW-AnGR) report prepared for FAO by the Kenyan National Consultative Committee (NCC), Kenya has large and diverse animal genetic resources, most of which are indigenous. The report estimates that 14 mammalian and avian species are used in Kenya for food and agriculture.

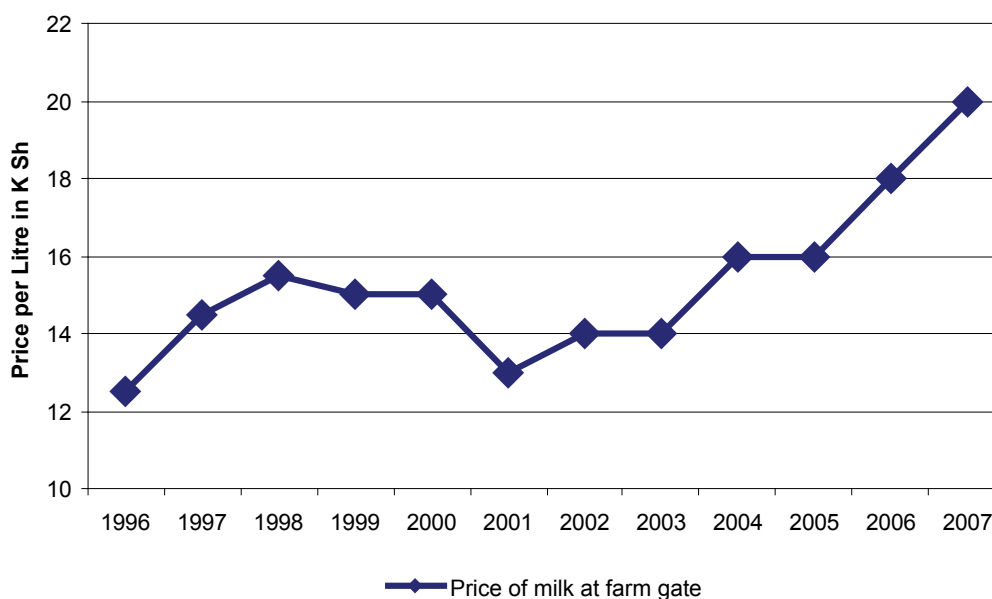
Grade cattle account for less than 30 percent of the total cattle population, but contribute about 70 percent of estimated annual milk production and almost all the formally marketed milk (about 400 million litres of milk a year) (Table 3). Local species and breeds (indigenous cattle, goats and camels) are very important and critical in ASALs, although they contribute only 30 percent (about 930 million litres) of annual milk output. Much of the production from local breeds is consumed at home and contributes to the diets and livelihoods of pastoralist communities.

FIGURE 4
AI of dairy cattle since 1989



KNAIS - Kenya National Artificial Insemination Service

FIGURE 5
Nominal price of whole milk (1996 to 2007, K Sh/litre)



Source: Republic of Kenya, 2007 (2007 price is recall).

4.5 DAIRY CATTLE FEEDING

The bulk of dairy cattle feed is natural forage, cultivated fodder and crop by-products. Napier grass is the cultivated fodder most frequently used for dairy cattle, especially in the central Kenya highlands.

Feeding constitutes the largest portion of the costs of milk production in market-oriented dairy farming. Generally, dairy animals in Kenya are underfed, resulting in low milk yields. Average annual milk production is about 1 600 kg per lactating cow (various SDP publications). The officially recorded average for the Friesian breed is about 4 200 kg over 305 days of lactation (Table 5). The low average milk yields are attributable to poor or underfeeding of lactating cows, and poor feed quality.

TABLE 5
Numbers of dairy cattle and average milk yields (2008)

Breed	Number	Average milk yield for 305 days of lactation (litres)
Friesian/Holstein	11 413	4 187
Ayrshire	4 338	3 092
Guernsey	603	2 730
Jersey	931	3 785
Sahiwal	827	1 226

Source: MOLD.

The feed/forage used by farmers includes maize stovers, poultry waste (dried), hay (usually purchased pure Lucerne, grass or Lucerne/grass mix), silages (by a few farmers), home-made rations of locally available grains and other ingredients, and grazing (the most common feed source).

Commercial dairy feeds include (Table 6 and Figure 6) dairy meal, dairy cubes, calf pullets, maize germ, maize bran, molasses, cottonseed cake, wheat pollard and wheat bran. Commercial feed production for 2007 was 500 000 tonnes (MOLD, provisional data), manufactured by about 100 feed millers with capacities ranging from 1 000 to 100 000 tonnes (estimated total installed annual capacity is approximately 800 000 tonnes).

In 2006, about 471 650 tonnes of feed were produced (Table 6), of which 36.6 percent was for cattle. Energy sources include locally produced maize and its milling by-products, while the sources of other nutrients are mainly imported. Protein sources come from the East Africa region, and are mainly sunflower/cottonseed cakes and premixes from countries such as Switzerland, the Republic of Korea, China, South Africa and Israel (MOLD).

There was a rapid increase in input prices in 2008, perhaps due to the post-election crisis and the world economic downturn. The prices of most dairy cattle feeds went up dramatically, in some cases by more than 100 percent, i.e., from about K Sh 100 per bale of hay to more than K Sh 200 (US\$1.25 to \$2.5). The price of commercial dairy meal shot up by more than 40 percent, from K Sh 1 000 (US\$12.52) to more K Sh 1 400 (US\$17.52) per 70-kg bag.

4.6 MILK UTILIZATION AND LOSSES AT THE FARM LEVEL

Annual milk production from all dairy species is estimated at about 3 billion kg. Most production – about 45 percent – is consumed at home by the household and calves.

An FAO study on post-harvest milk losses (food losses) in Kenya noted that they are highest at the farm level (Muriuki, 2003). Losses at the farm level are a result of spillage, lack of market and rejection at market. Rejection at market is a result of poor handling and the time taken to reach markets (long distances and bad roads). Rejections are higher during the wet season, when production is high and roads are impassable. In some areas, it is possible to market only the morning milk, which creates a major constraint to increasing production as producer households are forced to consume the afternoon/evening milk themselves, and in some periods part of it is wasted. Increasing competition may be reducing the forced consumption and throwing away of milk.

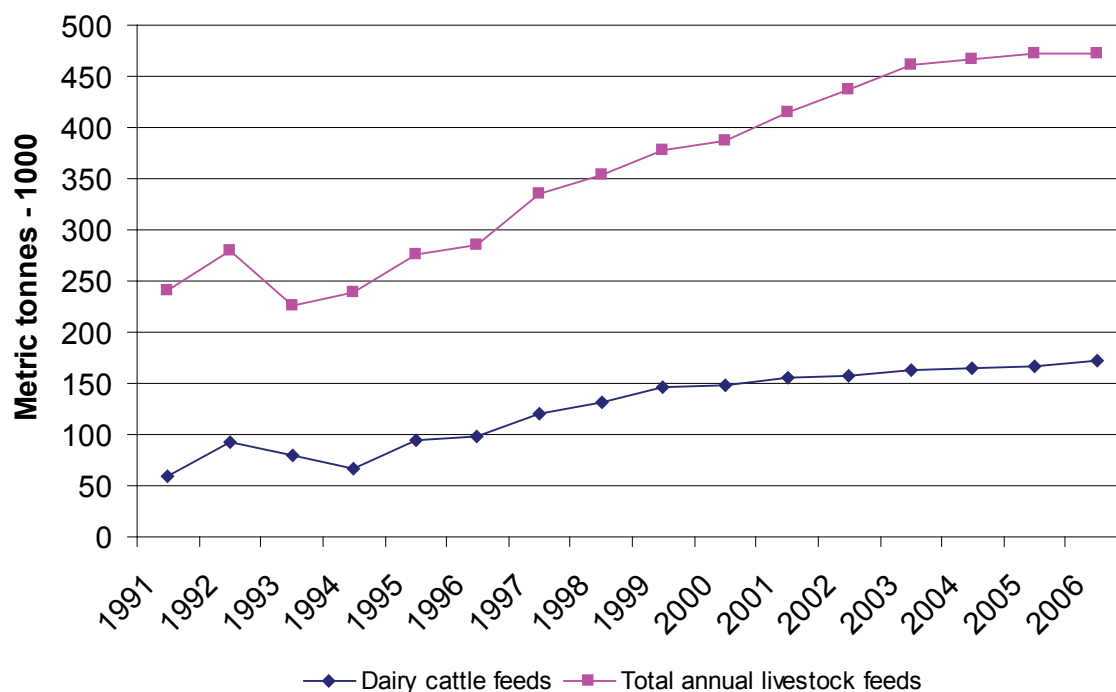
Losses at the farm level can be more than 6 percent of total production, which means that at current production levels, national annual losses may reach 60 million kg (or about US\$19 million at US\$0.31/kg).

TABLE 6
Production trend for livestock feeds (1991 to 2006, tonnes)

	Cattle feed	Poultry feed	Pig feed	Other	Total
1991	60 000	144 000	24 000	12 000	240 000
1992	92 400	154 000	25 200	8 400	280 000
1993	80 502	106 386	32 816	5 466	225 170
1994	66 918	132 381	27 744	12 118	239 161
1995	94 993	105 446	23 525	7 300	276 204
1996	98 147	146 401	28 779	7 951	285 278
1997	120 640	177 236	29 217	8 819	335 902
1998	130 613	182 320	30 304	9 701	352 938
1999	145 418	190 714	31 850	10 671	378 653
2000	148 306	198 006	29 580	12 048	387 630
2001	154 980	216 817	30 911	12 618	415 326
2002	158 011	234 535	31 077	12 991	436 614
2003	163 469	253 298	31 387	13 381	461 535
2004	165 104	255 831	31 701	13 515	466 151
2005	167 300	258 364	32 015	13649	471 328
2006	172 500	250 300	34 800	14 050	471 650

Source: MOLD, 2006 report.

FIGURE 6
Livestock and cattle feed production (thousand tonnes)



Source: MOLD.

4.7 DEMAND AND PREFERENCES FOR MILK AND DAIRY PRODUCTS

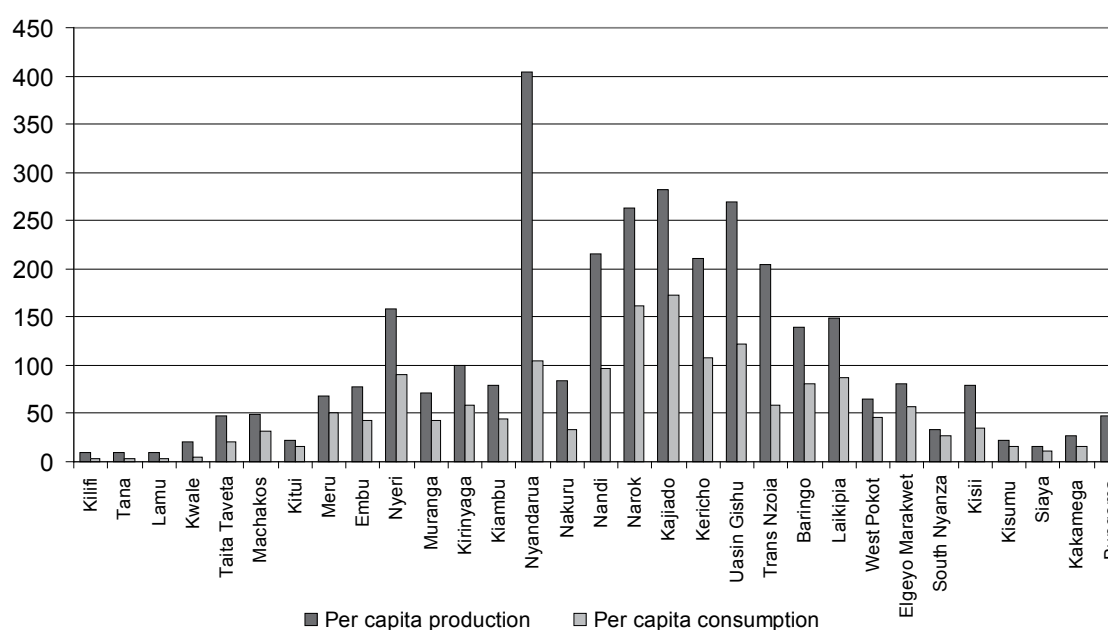
The Kenya Dairy Master Plan (KDMP) report, prepared by the Danish International Development Agency (DANIDA) for MOLD (1991), estimated the annual per capita consumption of marketed milk at 125 kg in urban and 19 kg in rural areas. The KDMP report indicates that districts with high per capita milk production also have high per capita home milk consumption (Figure 7, Annex 4). A 2002 SDP study estimated monthly per capita dairy consumption in Nairobi, Nakuru urban and Nakuru rural of being 4.8, 4.6 and 4.2 litres, respectively. This translates into annual per capita consumption of 57.6, 55.2 and 50.4 litres, respectively. The study also shows that the quantities consumed increase as incomes increase (Figure 8).

Milk consumption levels in Kenya are among the highest in the developing world according to an SDP report (SDP, 2004), with an average of 100 kg/year per capita. However, this calculation is based on availability.

There are conflicting projections of the likely future of milk supply and demand in Kenya. Some predict a possible surplus that allows exportation, while others predict a deficit.

An SDP study found that dairy products are important food budget items for many Kenyans, with households spending an average of 18 percent of their incomes on them. However, almost all dairy consumption is in the form of liquid milk. A review of the price elasticity (SDP, 2004) (Table 7) shows that milk is not very responsive to price change and is therefore a necessity.

FIGURE 7
Milk production and consumption per capita by districts (1981/1982, litres)



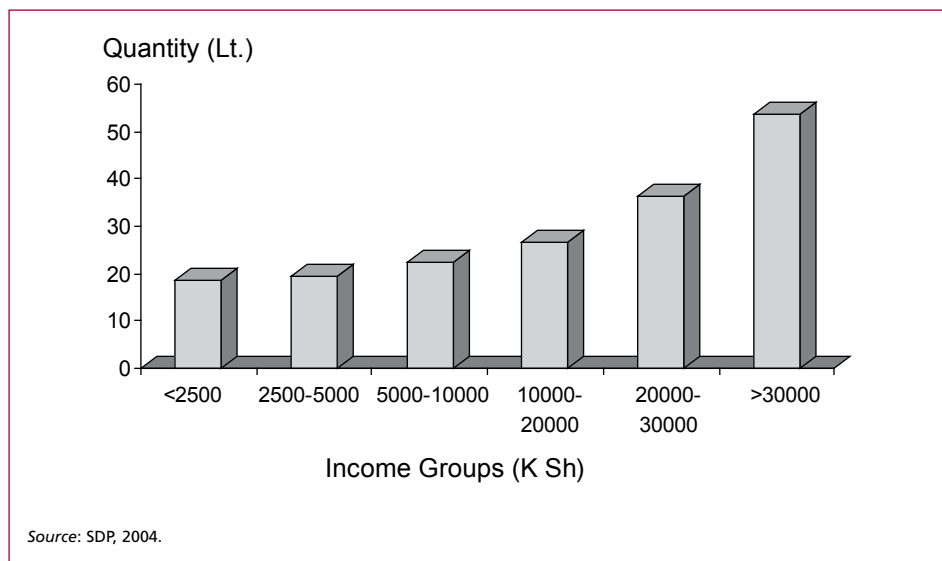
Source: Derived from MOLD, 1991.

TABLE 7
Price elasticity of raw and pasteurized milk, by income group

Commodity	Elasticity	
	Low-income group	High-income group
Raw milk	0.12	0.93
Pasteurized milk	0.70	0.21

Source: SDP, 2004.

FIGURE 8
Average consumption of dairy products per household, per month, by income group



Chapter 5

Analysis of the dairy value chain

Before liberalization of the dairy industry, Kenya Cooperative Creameries (KCC) was the dominant player in formal milk marketing. Informal trade was minimal, and trade in unprocessed milk was limited mainly to farmers' immediate neighbourhoods.

5.1 COLLECTION, BULKING AND TRANSPORTATION

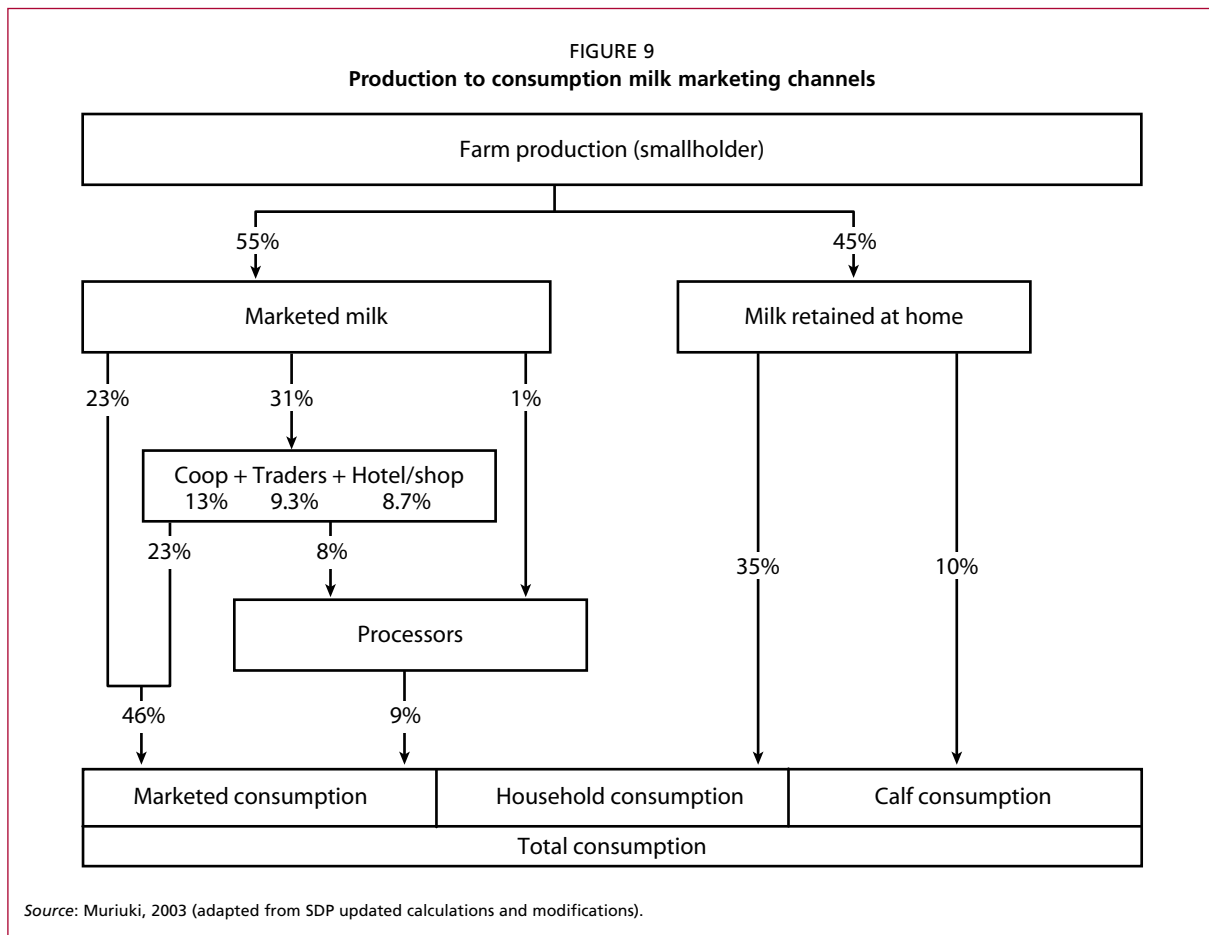
Before market liberalization in the early 1990s, there was an organized milk collection and bulking system in the formal market, with two types of milk delivery to KCC facilities: by individual dairy farmers; or by dairy cooperative societies.

With liberalization and the collapse of KCC, the collection and bulking system also collapsed. At present, collection and bulking is a complex of different systems depending on processors, intermediaries, the road network, milk sheds and many other factors.

The transportation of milk depends on the amount and the buyer. Major processors have their own collection, bulking and transportation systems. Stainless steel (seamless) cans, and occasionally plastic cans, are used for bulking milk from individual suppliers and delivering it to processors' collection, bulking and cooling centres, from where it is transported in cans or by refrigerated tanks to the main processing plants.

In some areas, powerful milk intermediaries (traders) have positioned themselves between the market and the milk producers. Their presence complicates the traceability of milk and brings a risk of cross-contamination and microbial overload.

Figure 9 shows a simplification of milk marketing pathways. Most traded milk is sold either directly from farmer to consumer (neighbour) or through unlicensed/informal traders.



5.2 UNPROCESSED MILK TRADE

Kenyans appear to prefer raw milk. Estimates from various studies indicate that about 85 percent of marketed milk is sold raw. Recently, the Kenya Dairy Board (KDB) and others in the formal milk trade have claimed that the proportion of processed milk has increased to more than 20 percent. An SDP brief provides the following as reasons for unprocessed milk being preferred:

- It is 20 to 50 percent cheaper than processed milk.
- Many people prefer the taste and high butterfat content of unprocessed milk.
- Unprocessed milk is sold in variable quantities, depending on how much money the customer has to spend.
- It is widely accessible and within the reach of many people.
- Most consumers are accustomed to consuming unprocessed milk.

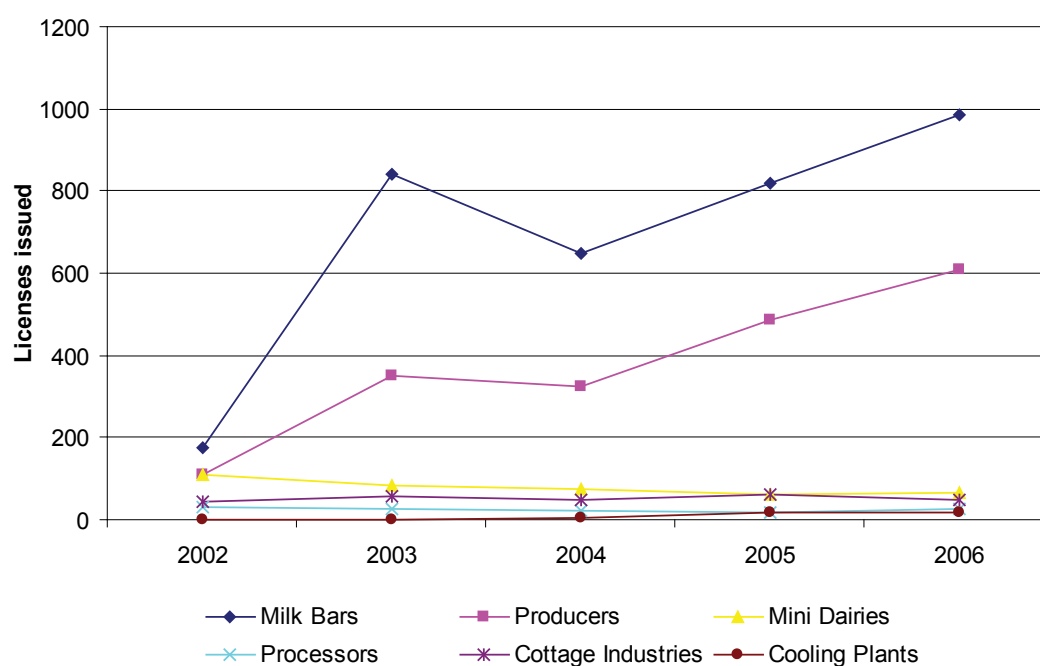
The selling of milk through the unprocessed channel is of concern because of the perceived health risk, particularly owing to its microbial load by the time it reaches the consumer.

5.3 FORMAL MILK TRADE

The formal milk trade is the market segment licensed by KDB. Licences are issued for, among others, milk bars (for up to 1 000 litres/day each), cottage industries (up to 3 000 litres/day), mini dairies (up to 5 000 litres/day), processors (up to 5 000 litres/day), producers (who process, manufacture, prepare or treat the milk for sale), and distributors (who buy for resale) (Figure 10).

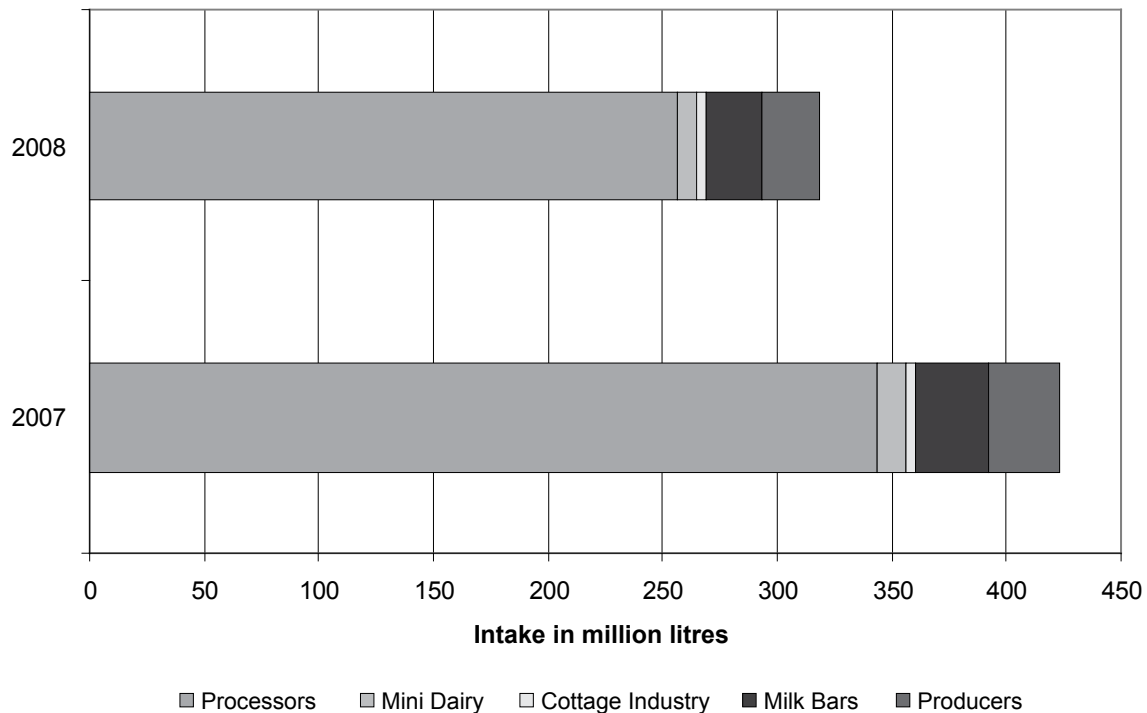
The processing sector handles about 80 percent of milk in the formal sector, i.e., about 344 million of the 423 million litres passing through the formal sector in 2007 and about 323 million of the 399 million litres in 2008 (Figure 11 and Annex 5).

FIGURE 10
Summary of KDB licences issued, by type of operator



Source: MOLD reports.

FIGURE 11
Milk intake by type of licence (2007 and 2008)



Source: MOLD reports.

Government interference in the milk market is reflected in the performance of the processing sector (Figure 12). Before 1989, when the government set up a commission and nominated a board of directors for KCC, milk deliveries were increasing. Soon after, they started to decrease, and by 1994, KCC was on the verge of collapse.

A dairy farmers' board of directors that had been disbanded before the government imposed a task force in 1995 was reconstituted in 1996, but the government continued to interfere and eventually disbanded this board, putting KCC into receivership and selling it to recover debts in 2000. Total deliveries to the formal milk market continued to decline until 2003, when the new government bought KCC (renaming it "New KCC"), with the declared intention of returning it to farmers after its revival. New KCC remains a para-statal, although the government has repeatedly expressed its intention to hand it over to dairy farmers. Milk deliveries have again been on the rise, growing at an annual rate of about 24 percent (Figure 12, Annex 5).

The problems in the formal milk market caused growth of the informal market, which penetrated the urban centres previously dominated by the formal trade.

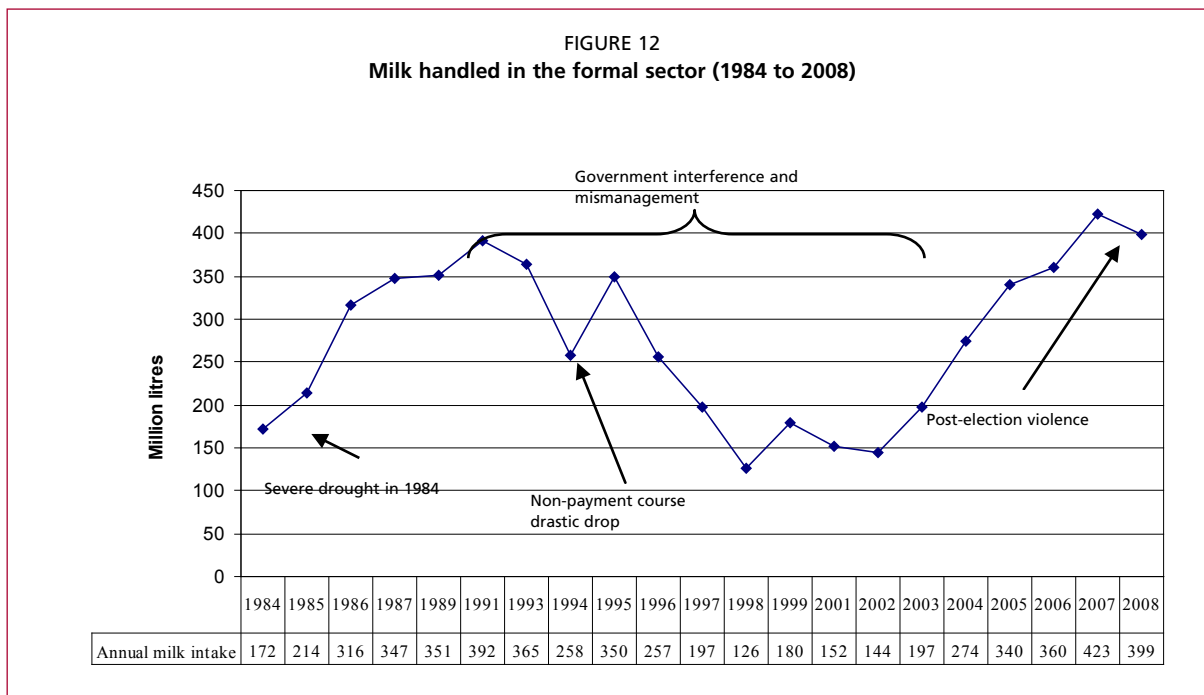
5.4 MILK DISTRIBUTION AND RETAILING

Milk reaches consumers through many channels (Figure 9). Large processors have more elaborate distribution and retail systems.

In rural and suburban areas of Kenya, consumers buy mostly unprocessed milk directly from producers, kiosks, neighbourhood shops and hotels. In urban centres, unprocessed and processed milk compete, using more or less the same retail outlets, although some, such as supermarkets, do not sell raw milk. Shops and kiosks near residential areas retail both processed (packaged) and unprocessed milk.

The prices that farmers currently obtain range from K Sh 20/kg in remote rural areas to K Sh 35/kg for peri-urban farmers (US\$0.25 to \$0.44). An insignificant number of powerful farmers around Nairobi can raise more than K Sh 60/kg (US\$0.75) from high/tourist class hotels and other elite consumers.

The retail price of processed fresh milk depends on the packaging, while for most other dairy products it depends on the type of outlet (market segmentation). Fresh milk in plastic pouches is sold across all market segments and currently retails at about K Sh 55 to 60 a litre (US\$0.69 to \$0.75). Fresh milk in tetrapaks reaches more than K Sh 70



(US\$0.87) per litre, depending on the outlet, and is sold almost exclusively in supermarkets. More than 60 percent of processed milk is sold as fresh whole/homogenized milk with different levels of butterfat. Some whole/homogenized milk is processed for long life (ultra-high temperature – UHT).

Products such as yoghurt and cheeses are available mainly in supermarkets. Yoghurt and mala (fermented milk) have gained popularity in most urban centres.

Information on the production of various dairy products is not readily available. The statistical abstract provides generalized and incomplete information (Table 8).

5.5 MILK AND DAIRY PRODUCT EXPORTS AND IMPORTS

Until the late 1970s, Kenya was a net exporter of dairy products. Since then, the country alternates between net imports and exports.

Information from KDB for 2001 to 2005 and from the Export Promotion Council shows that dairy product exports have been increasing, while imports have declined. In value terms, Kenya is now a net exporter (Figures 13 and 14).

Import and export information from various sources – KDB, statistical abstracts, the Export Promotion Council – does not compare easily because of inconsistencies in report formatting and the grouping of dairy products.

TABLE 8
Milk intakes for various processed products (1996 to 2006)

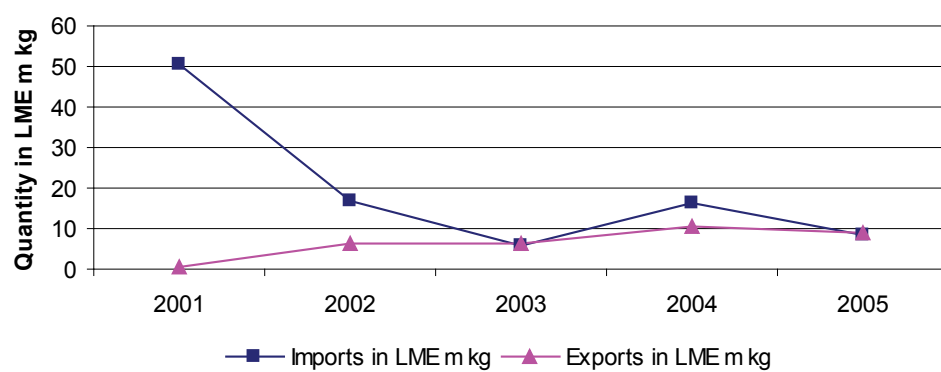
	Milk intake (million litres)*	Processed milk					Other products (tonnes)
		Whole milk & cream (million litres)*	Butter and ghee (tonnes)	Cheese (tonnes)	Dried whole milk powder (tonnes)	Dried skim- milk powder (tonnes)	
1996	257	165	1 964	426	973	2 349	349
1997	197	108	1 521	464	351	1 244	110
1998	126	83	360	342	396	434	30
1999	180	55	268	257	-	-	-
2000	137	60	113	315	139	64	-
2001	148	97	130	329	-	-	-
2002	178	128	177	448	-	-	-
2003	203	131	215	361	-	-	-
2004	274	178	563	328	-	-	-
2005	340	217	1 261	270	-	-	-
2006**	361	226	1 549	243	-	-	-

* In whole milk equivalent.

** Provisional.

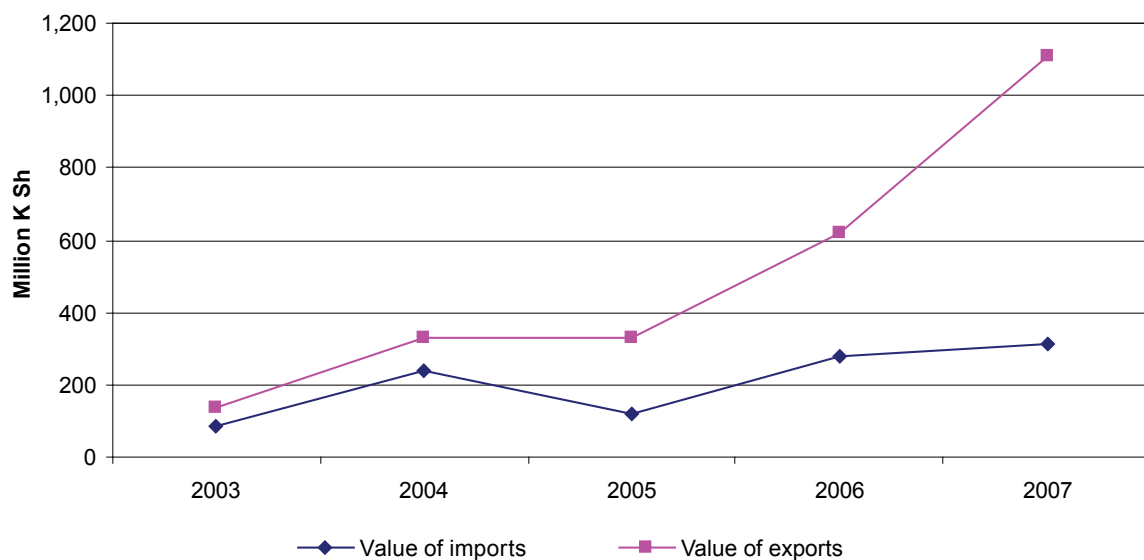
Source: Republic of Kenya, 2007.

FIGURE 13
Dairy imports and exports (2001 to 2005)



Source: KDB.

FIGURE 14
Value of dairy imports and exports (2003 to 2006, million K Sh)



Source: Export Promotion Council.

Chapter 6

Safety of Milk And Dairy Products

Owing to the large amount of milk that is marketed unprocessed, and to weak monitoring of the market, public health risks are a concern. The main public health concern is the potential risk of diseases such as brucellosis and tuberculosis (TB). Drug residues are also of concern, even in the processed milk channel. An SDP study found the bacteriological quality of informally traded milk to be low, with variable prevalence levels of brucellosis and zoonosis TB (Table 9). However, the study also noted that virtually all consumers boil the milk before consumption, so the risks of infection from bacterial health hazards are determined to be low.

Another major concern is the lack of a cooling system (cold chain), particularly in the informal market (but also in the formal sector to some degree). It is usually the extra costs incurred by cooling that discourage the use of coolers. In the past, coolers were provided to societies/groups, but their utilization was very low. Cooling is attractive where a premium price is paid for cooled milk.

Another milk safety issue that is receiving increasing attention is traceability, particularly for the export market. According to KDB, "The Kenya dairy industry does its utmost to supply products that meet all its customers' expectations, high quality, healthy and safe". This is the ideal situation, however, and only applies to the formal milk value chain, especially the processed milk channel.

Milk safety is enforced through food safety standards and regulations, the main ones of which are the Dairy Industry Act (CAP 336) and the Public Health Act (CAP 242). However there are many other laws that affect dairy activities and the milk trade (Annex 6).

Regulations include certification, licensing, permits and authorization. CAP 336 gives the minister in charge of the dairy industry powers to provide for regulation. CAP 242 also empowers the minister in charge of public health to regulate the dairy industry to ensure health safety from the consumption of dairy products. It is required that primary producers are registered, permits are obtained for conveying or transporting milk from one point to another, licences are obtained for the sale of milk and dairy products, the equipment used is of specified materials and standards, premises for milk sales are certified by public health officials, the people handling milk meet public health requirements, and dairy managers are licensed after meeting specific education standards. There are charges for permits and licenses, and cess (a levy) is charged on all marketed milk.

There are more than 20 standards for milk and dairy products in Kenya (Annex 6), and efforts are being made to harmonize standards across the East Africa region. The whole milk standard has been replaced by the raw cows' milk standard.

TABLE 9:
Proportions of unacceptable milk samples from raw milk traders

Proportion unacceptable ³	Average (%)	Min. to max. (%)
Adulteration with water	10	0–22
Poor hygiene, determined by coliform counts	52	29–70
Prevalence of brucellosis antibodies	5	0–34
Antimicrobial agents present	6	0–12

Source: SDP 2004.

³ According to national standards for whole milk set by the Kenya Bureau of Standards (KEBS) (revised).

Chapter 7

Dairy Production and the Environment

Many actors in the dairy industry are not aware of the relationship between their dairy activities and the environment. Most of the smallholder farmers and informal traders who dominate the dairy industry have little awareness of environmental issues.

A general awareness of environmental issues is being built through the national education system. According to an environmental profile of Kenya (JICA, 2002), environmental education is taught in elementary and high schools and at universities.

7.1 ENVIRONMENTAL CONCERNS IN THE DAIRY INDUSTRY

Globally, environmental concerns about dairy production include the impacts on air, climate, land, soil, water and biodiversity. Information on the impacts of dairy production on these factors is more likely to apply to developed countries. Information from developing countries is scarce and usually based on generalizations of hypothetical outcomes.

In Kenya, environmental concerns include floods and droughts; human, livestock, crop and forest diseases; soil erosion, degradation and infertility and desertification; and human activities that create or exacerbate problems such as pollution, encroachment into other land uses leading to deforestation, and negative impacts on wildlife and pastoralism.

The possible negative environmental impacts of dairy production in Kenya are loss of vegetation through overgrazing of natural pastures, and pollution from industrial processing. The issue of overgrazing was raised as early as 1991 (MOLD, 1991), when concerns were expressed that Kenya could not hold any more dairy cattle than the approximately 2.5 million head that were already in place. Today there are more than 3.5 million head. Concern about the optimal dairy cattle herd size is based on the possible pressure on land that results from larger herds.

Another concern is the possibility of environmental degradation in marginal areas as population increases push people to migrate from high-potential areas, leading to overgrazing.

The United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) points out that “[greenhouse gas] GHG emissions from livestock are inherently tied to livestock population sizes because the livestock are either directly or indirectly the source for the emissions” (HSUS Report). Population density is also of importance.

GHGs (CO₂, CH₄ and N₂O) from dairy cattle waste, milk transportation, cooling and processing in Kenya are an issue, but their magnitude and significance for the climate are debatable. The debate is based on participants’ feelings and assumptions, as credible information on the issue is lacking.

At the market level, some quantities of GHGs are produced by the transportation, cooling and processing of milk.

Although dairy production in central Kenya is intensive, the use of commercial feeds is minimal. There is sufficient demand for manure as crop fertilizer to utilize all the manure produced, without creating disposal problems.

The establishment of milk coolers and processing plants, as for other plants, must conform to the Environmental Management and Coordination Act (1999), the Waste Management Regulations (2006) and other regulations such as those for water quality. The Environmental Management and Coordination Act address environmental protection, impact assessment, monitoring and restoration. The waste management regulations aim to streamline the handling, transportation and disposal of various types of waste so as to protect human health and the environment.

One issue that has not received adequate attention is the reckless use and disposal of plastic materials for packaging milk. This inadequate attention may be due to the overwhelming use of plastics in Kenya, a lack of information about the extent to which plastics are used, or a lack of capacity to deal with the issue.

Chapter 8

Employment in the Dairy Industry

In collaboration with MOLD, the Kenya Agricultural Research Institute (KARI) and the International Livestock Research Institute (ILRI), FAO and SDP estimated the employment created by the dairy industry. At the farm level, for every 1 000 litres of milk produced daily, dairy activities generate an estimated 23 full-time jobs for the self-employed, 50 permanent full-time jobs for employees, and three full-time casual labour jobs, making a total of 77 direct farm jobs per 1 000 litres of daily milk production. This translates into a total of about 841 000 full-time jobs generated by dairying at the farm level (Staal, Pratt and Jabbar, 2008).

These estimates are based on a total of about 2 million dairy farm households and a dairy herd of 5 million head (SDP estimates); other sources give different estimates, such as MOLD's for 600 000 to 800 000 farm households and a herd of about 3.5 million head. The SDP estimates are based on random surveys carried out in dairy producing areas between 1999 and 2000, followed by ground-trusting surveys and complete census of selected locations (Staal, Pratt and Jabbar, 2008), so are regarded as the most reliable.

Based on SDP surveys, it is estimated that the dairy processing sector creates an average of 13 jobs (12 direct and one indirect) for every 1 000 litres of milk handled. This calculation is based on the assumption that the formal market segment handles about 1.6 million litres of milk a day, which is slightly higher than the 1.1 million litres reported by KDB. About 15 000 jobs are created in the formal market.

The informal sector creates far more employment than the formal, accounting for about 70 percent of total jobs in dairy marketing and processing, because it handles the bulk of traded milk. It is estimated that about 18 employment opportunities are created for every 1 000 litres of milk a day handled through this channel. Added to the SDP estimate for the formal sector, this creates a total of about 40 000 jobs.

Chapter 9

Dairy Institutions

Institutions involved in the Kenyan dairy sector include regulators, input suppliers, service providers, market agents, research and development organizations, farmers and their groups/organizations, non-governmental organizations (NGOs), community-based organizations (CBOs), and development partners.

Regulatory institutions include KDB, which plays the lead role, government ministries such as MOLD, the Ministry of Agriculture (MOA), the Ministry of Health (MOH, through the Public Health Department), the Ministry of Trade, the Ministry of Industry (through KEBS), the Ministry of Cooperative Development (MOCD), the police, KARI, the Veterinary Vaccine Production Centre (VVPC) and the Pest Control Products Board (PCPB).

KDB was established in 1958 under the Dairy Industry Act (CAP 336), to organize, regulate and develop the dairy industry in Kenya, mainly for settler farmers. Its main role was to ensure efficient production, marketing, distribution and supply of milk and dairy products, including by ensuring stable prices, improving the quality of dairy produce, and promoting market research and private enterprise in the production, processing and marketing of dairy produce. It regulates the industry through: i) regulating milk handling practices to safeguard public health; ii) issuing licenses for domestic and export trade; iii) advising government on the orderly development of the sector; and iv) levying cess⁴ from dairy producers to finance its operations.

With the liberalization and decontrol of milk prices, KDB's role in the dairy industry was re-evaluated to focus more on dairy development and promotional activities, but it still regulates. According to KDB officials, the board is mandated to develop, promote and regulate the dairy industry efficiently and sustainably and to create an enabling environment for increased private sector enterprise in milk production, processing and marketing. However, these new tasks are not backed by legislation (CAP 336), which has not been amended since liberalization and the re-evaluation of KDB's role.

KEBS sets and enforces standards for all products and services, including those in the dairy subsector. The Public Health Division, operating within both MOH and local authorities, ensures/controls the maintenance of hygiene in milk handling activities and premises.

Regulatory institutions are better known for their enthusiast collection of fees and enforcement of regulations than for their promotional activities, which are constrained by lack of personnel, equipment and other resources, although improvements have been made.

Other than government extension officers and farmers' groups, most input and service providers are motivated mainly by potential profits. There are a lot of unresolved issues in input and service provision, especially regarding quality, particularly of feeds, AI and veterinary services.

There has been concern that agricultural research (including dairy research) does not receive adequate resources, as expressed in Vision 2030. Because of this, research on dairy-related issues is weak, particularly for sector policy and productivity at the production, processing and marketing levels.

Extension services have been inadequate, especially since the World Bank/government reforms (structural adjustments) of the late 1980s and early 1990s. The extensionist to farmer ratio is low, and government budgetary provisions for extension services have dwindled. Private extension is also inadequate.

In the past, dairy cooperatives contributed significantly to the development of smallholder milk marketing and provided farm inputs and services at relatively low cost (Omiti and Muma, 2000). However, cooperatives have lost out since liberalization, owing to many factors that include competition, inability to adapt to change, poor payouts, the loss of large sums of money owed by KCC (in some cases), poor management and corruption. There have been efforts to revive cooperatives and make them more relevant to members' needs.

Soon after liberalization, the number of processors rose from three (KCC, Meru Dairy and Kitinda Dairy) to 45, but has since stabilized at about 30.

⁴ A local tax of K Sh 0.20 (US\$0.0025) per kilogram of milk.

There are few agricultural credit institutions, the main one being the Agricultural Finance Corporation (AFC), which is not the most popular. Other sources of credit include commercial banks, whose credit is usually unsuitable for farming, and micro-finance institutions, which are more popular with small and medium enterprises (SMEs), including smallholder dairy farmers. Smallholder farmers' low use of credit is due less to the unavailability of credit than to the conditions and cost of credit, collateral requirements and inadequate grace periods, among other factors.

Other relevant institutions are NGOs such as Land O'Lake, Heifer Project International, TechnoServe, SITE, Action Aid and church-based organizations. Land O'Lake, Heifer Project International and TechnoServe have become very active in dairy development in East Africa.

Development partner institutions such as FAO, DANIDA, the United States Agency for International Development (USAID), the United Kingdom's Department for International Development (DFID), the International Fund for Agricultural Development (IFAD) and the Netherlands Development Organization (SNV) are also relevant in dairy development, as sources of innovations and funds.

Vision 2030 recognizes that the agriculture sector has been operating under outdated colonial legislation dating back to the 1930s, which is impeding growth of the sector. The government has therefore promised to reform this legislation and other areas that need updating.

The institutions that dairy farmers require most are farmer-based ones such as dairy self-help groups (SHGs), cooperative societies and functional service providers/institutions for AI, veterinary services and input supplies. Good functional farmers' organizations can provide appropriate services by responding directly to farmers' needs. Such institutions can also contribute to quality and safety assurance and self-regulation of the industry.

Chapter 10

Challenges/Problems and Recommendations

Major and commonly cited challenges/constraints in the dairy industry are:

- the small size of dairy enterprises/operations, which cannot take advantage of economies of scale;
- smallholders' lack of dairy production/management skills;
- dairy farmers' failure to adopt a collective approach or organize themselves, resulting in inadequate and inefficient dairy cooperatives, groups and marketing organizations;
- the lack of influence in market, policy and legislation decisions for many industry players;
- lack of adequately trained and qualified staff at all levels of the dairy value chain;
- inefficient input supply and other service delivery to dairy farmers;
- poor-quality feeds on the market, and poor feeding regimes;
- inadequate access to breeding/AI services due to costs and poor infrastructure, leading to the widespread use of bulls of unknown genetic value;
- poor genetic makeup of the dairy herd, leading to low productivity, particularly in smallholder dairy farms;
- inadequate and high-cost animal health care;
- fluctuations in milk supply, due to reliance on fluctuating seasonal forage availability because of high dependence on rainfed agriculture;
- high consumption of unprocessed milk, even in urban centres;
- relatively high consumption of liquid milk compared with value-added processed dairy products;
- the large number of processors for the total quantity of milk produced, and lack of organization among these processors;
- inadequate enforcement of regulations on livestock movement, leading to spread of cattle diseases;
- poor rural infrastructure, inefficient transportation of raw milk and poor access to dairy markets;
- lack of quality up-to-date information/data on dairy and the poor quality of what is available;
- an unpredictable dairy policy and legal environment.

The small size of many dairy enterprises/farms prevents economies of scale, and is best overcome by building farmers' collective capacity. There is a general shortage of well-trained and updated personnel in the whole value chain. This can be addressed by establishing new or strengthening existing dairy institutions, such as Naivasha Dairy Training Institute (NDTI), to focus on capacity building in the dairy industry.

At the farm level, longstanding issues include the poor quality and high cost of inputs and services, poor terms of trade and hence low prices for milk, and poor access to information and markets.

At the market level, challenges include the quality and safety of milk, owing to the high proportion of raw milk channelled through the market; the cost of milk collection, transportation and distribution, due to poor infrastructure; and under-utilization of processors' capacity, owing to the higher demand for liquid milk than for high-value products.

All of these issues should be addressed through a combination of training, information dissemination and policy that creates an enabling environment for honest trade and robust regulations.

The quality and availability of dairy information continue to be challenges. The need for clearer policy and legal instruments is also unsatisfied, despite the many years and capital invested in developing and formulating these instruments and the government's declared commitment to reforming the regulatory environment.

Most of the challenges in the dairy industry need to be addressed – first and foremost – through a clear and enabling policy and legal environment developed through an effective consultative process. Industry stakeholders should be properly consulted and own the resulting consultative outputs.

Chapter 11

Discussion and Conclusions

Kenya's dairy industry requires a new approach to development. The challenges have remained, despite efforts to resolve them.

Before the crises of 2008, the dairy industry, particularly the formal sector, was growing, as shown in Figure 12. The main challenges remain improvement of quality, reduction of wastage and costs along the value chain, and obtaining access to the export market. The terms of trade have remained bad for dairy farmers, and worsened after the crisis, when the costs of inputs, particularly feeds and veterinary services, increased while the price of milk rose by only a small margin.

The feeding of dairy cattle has been poor for a long time. The dairy feeds available on the market are of low quality, and this, combined with their high prices, makes feed exorbitant. The feed market has no effective mechanism for ensuring quality.

Most farm inputs and services for smallholders are also of low quality, but sold at the prices for high quality. Poor AI services in most areas, combined with low conception rates, genetic regression due to the use of bulls of unknown value and production losses resulting from long calving intervals, make breeding expensive.

Owing to market failure after liberalization of the dairy industry, milk marketing now requires more attention. Production also needs attention, to improve the whole value chain.

The quality of dairy industry information remains a challenge. It is not only the availability of information, but the whole information system – generation, collection, transmission, consolidation, analysis, storage, accessibility and dissemination – that needs attention. Information may exist but is unavailable. Quality information is essential for new investors and the future development of the industry.

The reliability of available information such as cattle population is also doubtful. An SDP survey in 2003 and 2004 found that the government's cattle population statistics were largely underestimated, and that the actual population may be three times as large. Livestock census is likely to be included in the human census of 2009, but it may not be necessary to carry out a costly livestock census because properly designed scientific surveys can provide reliable information.

Although New KCC claims to lead the milk market, it is still a para-statal six years after the government first promised to hand it back to dairy farmers. It is important that New KCC is returned to the farmers.

There is need for policies that create an enabling environment for farmer-owned institutions to function efficiently and thrive and that allow efficient input and service provision. An inclusive and consultative industry-driven policy formulation process, and government commitment to implementation are essential.

In spite of the efforts made, there have been very few technological breakthroughs in dairy production and marketing. In the 1980s, a major breakthrough at the production level was the introduction of bulk fodder production and cut-and-carry feeding systems (zero grazing) to smallholder dairy farms.

It takes a long time for milk from smallholder farms to reach the market, and when it arrives part of it is already on the threshold of accepted microbial loads. Market players have used a wide range of methods, both legal and illegal, to ensure that milk is delivered to the next market level. It is known, for example, that hydrogen peroxide is often used for this. Nevertheless, there has been much resistance to the official acceptance of preservation methods other than the cold chain, which many consider too costly. The lactoperoxidase system has been resisted, mainly because the Codex Alimentarius Commission has barred milk treated with lactoperoxidase from international trade.

Despite the problems in the dairy industry, it remains one of the economic subsectors with good potential for increasing income and creating employment in rural areas. Milk production can be increased through better management, without necessarily increasing the dairy herd size. As well as generating income and employment, dairy also contributes to the nutritional well-being of many Kenyans as the most available source of animal protein.

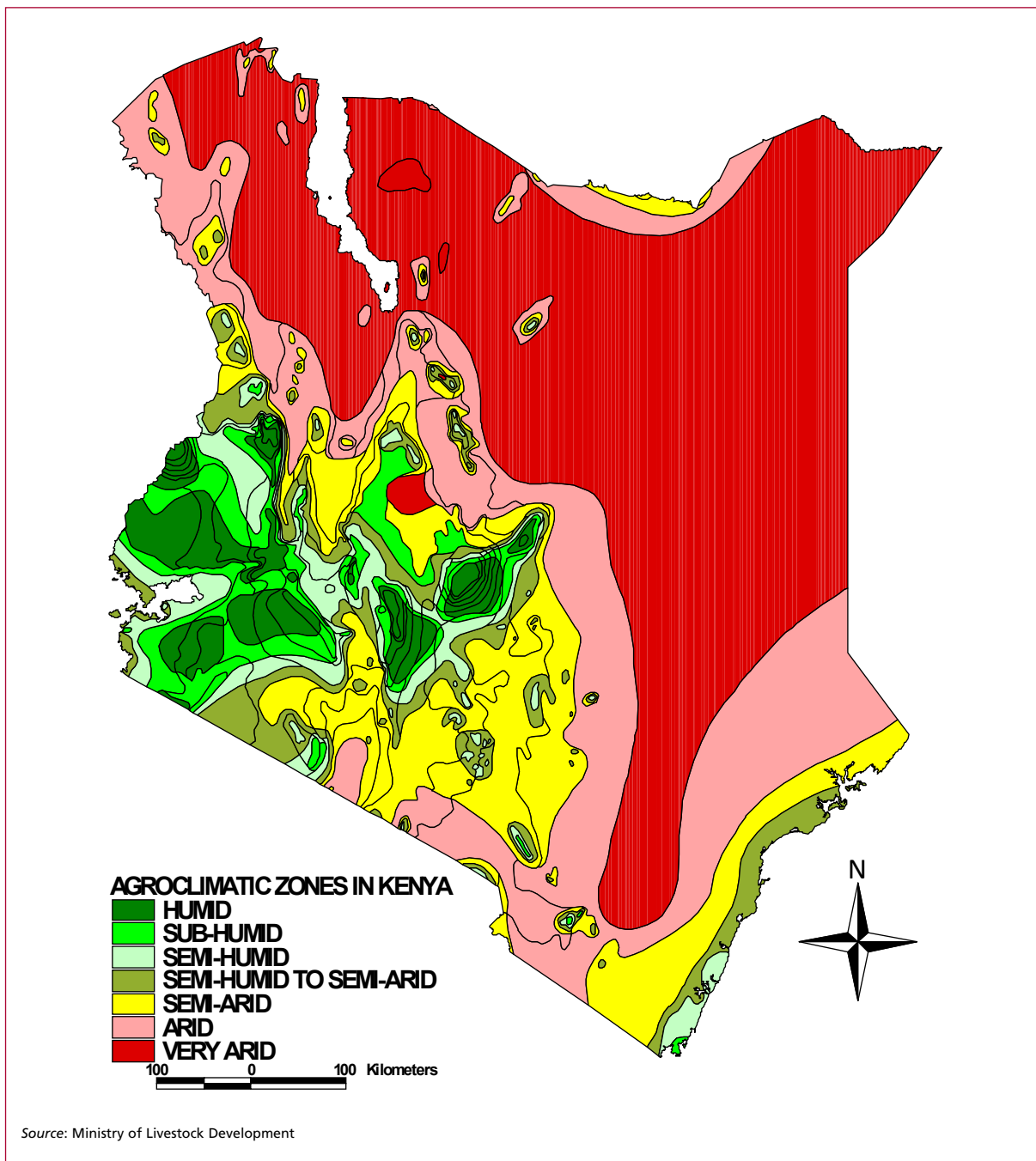
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Annex 1

Agro-climatic zones in Kenya



Annex 2

Dairy Animal population - 2001 to 2007 (in thousands)

Province	Cattle		Goats		Camel
	Dairy	Zebu	Milk	Meat	
<i>2001</i>					
R/VALLEY	1651.2	2730.3	23.7	5556.7	167.7
WESTERN	155.8	756.1	0.3	150.6	0.0
NYANZA	188.1	1331.5	0.2	824.0	0.0
CENTRAL	877.6	90.5	41.7	224.4	0.0
EASTERN	321.8	1384.9	11.3	2156.3	90.2
COAST	76.1	961.7	12.8	997.8	58.3
N/EASTERN	0.2	926.8	0.0	759.3	502.9
NAIROBI	17.5	5.8	1.1	20.1	0.0
TOTAL	3288.3	8187.5	91.1	10689.3	819.1
<i>2002</i>					
R/VALLEY	1834.2	2890.0	16.3	5877.4	172.1
WESTERN	162.8	772.8	1.0	160.3	0.0
NYANZA	193.6	1321.7	0.3	799.9	0.0
CENTRAL	903.6	107.6	47.1	224.1	0.0
EASTERN	314.9	1510.7	11.1	2464.2	95.8
COAST	76.9	810.1	15.2	900.9	58.6
N/EASTERN	0.1	1018.0	0.5	782.4	520.1
NAIROBI	19.5	3.3	1.6	17.2	0.0
TOTAL	3505.7	8434.3	93.0	11226.4	846.6
<i>2003</i>					
R/VALLEY	1776.1	3158.3	20.7	6234	174.3
WESTERN	181.0	790.5	1.0	156.6	0.0
NYANZA	202.2	1377.8	0.3	742.8	0.0
CENTRAL	901.2	120.8	60.0	246.8	0.0
EASTERN	313.7	1575.5	15.4	2628.4	115.6
COAST	81.0	974.2	20.4	967.4	59.0
N/EASTERN	0.2	1056.3	0.5	841.8	546.2
NAIROBI	18.2	4.6	0.2	9.3	0.0
TOTAL	3473.4	9057.9	118.4	11827.1	895.1

Province	Cattle		Goats		Camel
	Dairy	Zebu	Milk	Meat	
<i>2004</i>					
R/VALLEY	1805.3	3285.7	24.4	6558.9	390.0
WESTERN	179.9	837.2	0.9	212.1	0.0
NYANZA	204.6	1422.5	0.5	887.8	0.0
CENTRAL	864.8	128.6	64.4	258.5	0.0
EASTERN	291.8	1790.1	13.8	2933.8	119.1
COAST	89.8	1003.8	6.5	1105.1	103.6
N/EASTERN	0.1	1103.8	0.5	1311.2	581.0
NAIROBI	12.0	2.3	0.6	11.6	0.0
TOTAL	3448.3	9574.1	111.6	13278.9	1193.6
<i>2005</i>					
R/VALLEY	1859.0	3215.7	27.8	6543.9	212.7
WESTERN	181.7	837.5	1.3	215.6	0.0
NYANZA	196.1	1483.2	4.6	900.8	0.0
CENTRAL	849.0	94.0	79.2	244.8	0.0
EASTERN	301.9	1772.2	26.0	3302.3	138.0
COAST	88.1	1057.7	3.4	1242.8	59.8
N/EASTERN	0.0	1061.1	0.0	1272.1	520.8
NAIROBI	21.8	0.0	1.0	17.0	0.0
TOTAL	3497.6	9521.5	143.3	13739.3	931.3
<i>2006</i>					
R/VALLEY	1693.9	2983.3	29.5	3166.3	212.7
WESTERN	181.7	837.5	1.3	215.6	0.0
NYANZA	202.5	1510.4	4.7	936.6	0.0
CENTRAL	808.2	134.4	79.7	239.7	0.0
EASTERN	301.3	1646.2	32.4	2869.7	164.3
COAST	88.1	1057.7	3.4	1242.8	59.8
N/EASTERN	0.2	948.5	0.9	1372.2	621.5
NAIROBI	22.5	0.0	1.3	14.3	0.0
TOTAL	3298.3	9117.9	153.2	10057.3	1058.3
<i>2007</i>					
R/VALLEY	1895.1	2791.5	28.5	5999.5	184.7
WESTERN	192.3	755.3	3.6	233.0	0.0
NYANZA	211.7	1570.9	4.5	970.6	0.0
CENTRAL	852.9	105.8	81.9	269.0	0.0
EASTERN	304.1	1801.2	45.3	3405.9	144.0
COAST	100.3	1201.6	12.7	1307.1	58.7
N/EASTERN	0.1	1089.6	0.1	1591.5	618.9
NAIROBI	22.8	5.0	1.9	11.1	0.0
TOTAL	3579.4	9320.9	178.3	13787.7	1006.3

Source (for all the above tables): Compiled from MoLD livestock population statistics

Annex 3

AI services Data - 1948 to 2006 (in thousands) and price of whole milk at farm level (1996-2007)

Year	Inseminations		
	KNAIS*	Private	Total
1948	15	0	15
1949	29	0	29
1950	27	0	27
1951	32	0	32
1952	44	0	44
1953	23	0	23
1954	39	0	39
1955	52	0	52
1956	69	0	69
1957	81	0	81
1958	101	0	101
1959	91	0	91
1960	82	0	82
1961	73	0	73
1962	79	0	79
1963	70	0	70
1964	80	0	80
1965	110	0	110
1966	181	0	181
1967	259	0	259
1968	317	0	317
1969	214	0	214
1970	251	0	251
1971	326	0	326
1972	422	0	422
1973	473	0	473
1974	493	0	493
1975	509	0	509
1976	501	0	501
1977	520	0	520
1978	533	0	533
1979	548	0	548
1980	537	0	537
1981	542	0	542
1982	526	0	526
1983	463	0	463
1984	385	0	385

Year	Inseminations			Price of whole milk (KES) per litre
	KNAIS*	Private	Total	
1985	486	0	486	
1986	405	0	405	
1987	385	0	385	
1988	359	0	359	
1989	410	0	410	
1990	395	0	395	
1991	250	0	250	
1992	195		195	
1993	136	36	172	
1994	105		105	
1995	103	75	178	
1996	68		68	12.5
1997	24	113	137	14.5
1998	22		22	15.5
1999	13		13	15
2000	7	74	81	15
2001	5	142	142	13
2002	4	68	72	14
2003	5	82	87	14
2004	5	145	150	16
2005	4	158	162	16
2006	3	206	209	18
2007	7	452	459	20
2008	8	559	567	22

Source: Compiled from various MoLD reports and the price of milk from 1996 to 2006 from the Statistical Abstract, 2007. The 2007 is from recall information

* Kenya National Artificial Insemination Services

Annex 4

Milk production and home consumption/retention by district (litres per capita, 1981/2)

District	Production per capita	Home consumption per capita
Kilifi	8.8	2.4
Tana	9.2	2.5
Lamu	10.2	2.7
Kwale	20.6	5.0
Taita Taveta	47.5	20.2
Machakos	48.6	30.9
Kitui	21.6	16.2
Meru	67.9	50.8
Embu	77.6	43.5
Nyeri	157.7	90.1
Muranga	72.0	43.0
Kirinyaga	100.6	59.4
Kiambu	79.3	44.3
Nyandarua	404.8	103.9
Nakuru	83.9	33.7
Nandi	215.5	97.2
Narok	262.7	161.2
Kajiado	282.6	173.4
Kericho	210.5	107.9
Uasin Gishu	269.5	122.2
Trans Nzoia	204.0	57.9
Baringo	138.9	81.4
Laikipia	149.6	87.7
West Pokot	65.6	46.4
Elgeyo Marakwet	80.5	57.0
Samburu	-	-
South Nyanza	33.9	26.7
Kisii	79.2	35.3
Kisumu	22.9	15.8
Siaya	16.2	11.7
Kakamega	26.2	15.8
Bungoma	47.2	28.7
Busia	10.7	6.3

Source: MoLD, Kenya Dairy Master Plan

Annex 5

Milk intake in the formal markets
by year and category

Milk Intakes in the Formal Milk sector in Litres (2001- 2006)											
	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008			
Jan	13,597,743	11,186,656	19,010,557	22,213,341	25,843,184	28,993,210	35,997,997	28,596,999			
Feb	12,387,086	8,318,010	15,292,318	22,385,752	25,233,962	25,445,275	37,508,095	26,527,462			
Mar	12,217,529	9,561,813	12,971,936	21,503,659	24,245,260	21,142,657	34,608,329	26,885,445			
Apr	12,385,888	9,323,666	13,483,632	22,910,425	22,271,673	23,285,252	33,286,207	28,616,588			
May	14,017,781	9,718,186	17,030,854	23,208,733	25,260,095	29,773,451	30,038,560	35,017,737			
Jun	9,162,634	13,239,448	18,722,310	28,291,099	27,742,995	34,032,057	33,092,547	34,723,007			
Jul	11,777,459	13,388,853	18,697,517	25,909,050	32,972,254	33,304,057	33,147,783	34,567,874			
Aug	12,336,533	11,622,034	16,145,860	23,368,501	31,841,004	32,658,519	36,022,270	33,643,233			
Sept	12,160,772	14,789,517	16,095,780	22,248,779	30,935,673	32,159,974	35,186,438	35,535,725			
Oct	13,601,351	13,599,763	15,776,939	18,675,872	30,945,573	32,236,110	37,988,733	34,508,140			
Nov	13,834,863	14,178,395	15,521,266	20,143,902	32,229,310	33,925,921	39,840,842	39,359,860			
Dec	14,918,771	14,628,178	18,528,490	23,201,119	30,013,714	33,192,254	36,393,070	41,236,728			
Total	152,398,410	143,554,519	197,277,459	274,060,232	339,534,696	360,148,736	423,110,870	399,218,802			

Source: MoLD

Milk intakes by type of license - 2007

	Producers	Milk bars	Cottage	Mini Dairy	Processors	Total (LTRS)
Jan	2,899,392	3,044,915	321,803	1,133,150	28,598,737	35,997,997
Feb	2,328,645	2,102,275	396,918	1,505,969	31,174,288	37,508,095
Mar	2,736,226	2,864,786	343,337	1,063,308	27,600,672	34,608,329
Apr	2,198,056	2,229,768	333,549	1,036,805	27,488,029	33,286,207
May	2,605,649	2,854,089	282,993	1,193,507	23,102,322	30,038,560
Jun	2,876,059	2,368,559	229,387	1,032,654	26,585,888	33,092,547
Jul	2,333,802	2,493,282	288,289	1,130,414	26,901,997	33,147,783
Aug	2,948,557	2,667,980	375,021	1,067,429	28,963,283	36,022,270
Sep	2,642,726	2,736,007	483,343	1,166,711	28,157,651	35,186,438
Oct	3,060,583	3,154,730	351,962	937,065	30,484,393	37,988,733
Nov	2,430,467	2,958,994	321,929	830,839	33,298,613	39,840,842
Dec	2,043,846	2,197,590	432,839	572,414	31,146,381	36,393,070
Total	31,104,007	31,672,975	4,161,370	12,670,264	343,502,254	423,110,870

Milk intakes by type of license - 2008

	Producers	Milk bars	Cottage	Mini Dairy	Processors	Total (LTRS)
Jan	2,031,660	2,470,172	490,648	410,569	23,193,950	28,596,999
Feb	2,349,120	2,517,416	309,305	447,204	20,904,418	26,527,463
Mar	2,791,410	1,915,192	448,022	1,160,979	20,569,842	26,885,445
Apr	2,647,317	2,634,731	321,154	697,539	22,315,847	28,616,588
May	2,720,721	2,706,774	274,831	814,983	28,500,428	35,017,737
Jun	2,827,845	2,819,673	363,956	872,328	27,839,206	34,723,008
Jul	2,529,933	2,604,820	352,580	2,604,820	26,475,721	34,567,874
Aug	2,800,363	2,588,142	326,790	790,823	27,137,115	33,643,233
Sep	2,773,356	2,599,419	440,139	800,246	28,922,566	35,535,726
Oct	1,668,717	1,863,320	263,761	440,353	30,271,989	34,508,140
Nov	2,627,527	2,556,316	298,053	841,689	33,036,275	39,359,860
Dec	2,606,475	2,992,179	260,579	1,114,794	34,262,702	41,236,728
Total	25,140,442	24,719,659	3,591,186	9,039,844	256,131,082	399,218,801

Source: MoLD

Annex 6

Milk safety related legislation and standards

Legislations that are related to the dairy industry include (there has been attempts to revise/replace the ACTs):

- The Dairy Industry Act (CAP 336);
- The Standards Act (CAP 496);
- The Public Health Act (CAP 242);
- The Food, Drugs and Chemical Substances Act (CAP 254);
- The Animal Diseases Act (CAP 364);
- The Veterinary Surgeons Act (CAP 366);
- The Pharmacy and Poisons act (CAP 244);
- The Fertilizers and Animal Foodstuffs Act (CAP 345);
- The Agriculture Act (CAP 318);
- The Co-operative Societies Act (CAP 490);
- The Land Act (CAP 280);
- The Factories Act (CAP 514);
- The Weights and Measures Act (CAP 513);
- Customs and Excise Act (CAP 472);
- Value Added Tax Act (CAP 476);
- Income Tax Act (CAP 470);
- The Companies Act (CAP 486);
- The Trade and Licensing Act (CAP 497); and
- The Environmental Management Act; among others

Milk and dairy products standards in Kenya (to be replaced by East Africa standards):

- Specification for unprocessed whole milk (First Revision) (KS 05-10: 1992) (Currently under revision);
- Specification for butter (First Revision) (KS 05-27);
- Specification for cheese, Part 1: General standard for cheese (First Revision) (KS 05-28: 1999);
- Specification for cheese, Part 2: Specification for Kenya cheddar cheese (First Revision) (KS 05-28: 1999);
- Specification for cheese, Part 3: Specification for Gouda cheese (First Revision) (KS 05-28: 1999);
- Specification for cheese, Part 4: Specification for Tilster cheese (First Revision) (KS 05-28: 1999);
- Specification for cheese, Part 5: Specification for Cottage cheese (First Revision) (KS 05-28: 1999);
- Specification for cheese, Part 6: Specification for Cream cheese (First Revision) (KS 05-28: 1999);
- Specification for milk and cream powders (Second Revision) (KS 05-29: 2001);
- Specification for pasteurized liquid milk (Second Revision) (KS 05-30: 2002);
- Specification for yoghurts (Second Revision) (KS 05-34: 2001);
- Specification for dairy cream for direct consumption (KS 05-35: 1999);
- Specification for dairy ice cream and milk ice (Second Revision) (KS 05-36: 1999);
- Code of hygiene practice in the dairy industry for milk carriers (KS 05-37: 1999);
- Specification for Condensed milk (Ks 05-56: 1978);
- Specification for UHT (Second Revision) (KS 05-283: 2002);
- Specification for Pasteurized reconstituted/recombined milk (KS 05-703: 1993);
- Specification for fermented (cultured) milks (KS 05-941);
- Specification for edible ices and ice mixes (KS 05-1517: 1999);
- Code of hygienic practice for production, handling and distribution of milk and milk products (KS 05-1552: 2000);
- Specification for flavoured milk (KS 05-1756: 2001)

Summary of whole milk (KS 05-10), Raw cow milk specification (EAS) and code of Hygienic Practice for Production, Handling, and Distribution of milk and milk products (KS 05-1552) standards

A. Unprocessed Whole Milk (KS 05-10: 1992) (replaced by East Africa Raw cow milk standard below)

Unprocessed whole milk – the normal, clean and fresh secretions obtained by practically emptying the udder of healthy cow, properly fed and kept, but excluding that got during first seven days after calving.

Basis of the standards

International Standards:

Guide to Codex recommendations concerning pesticide residues: Part 2. Maximum limits for pesticide residue
Indian Standards Institute (ISI) Handbook of food analysis (Volume VI): Dairy Products

Other:

Developed by the Dairy Products Technical Committee of KEBS in reference to Codex and other literature

1. Principal composition requirements

Chemical	Specification
Milk fat	Not less than 3.3%
Milk solids non-fat	Not less than 8.50%
Added water, preservatives, or other added substances	None of these should be in the milk
Natural constituents	100%
Density	Of milk of 200C shall be within the following range: 1.026-1.032g/ml
Freezing point depression of milk	Approximately 0.5450C; but not less than 0.5250C
Rapid Platform Tests on quality (applied on unprocessed milk)	Organoleptic test at room temperature Determination of insoluble matter Determinants of PH Clot-on-boiling (c.o.b) test Alcohol test Alizarin-alcohol test Ten-minute resazurin test Half-hour methylene blue reduction (m.b.r) test
Bacteriological grades	
a. Total plate count	
Plate incubation period	48 hours at 320C
Graded as follows:	
Quality	Counts (per mL)
b. Very good	0-1,000,000
c. Good	1,000,000-2,000,000
d. Bad	2,000,000-5,000,000
e. Very bad	5,000,000 and over
Being revised to:	
Quality	Counts (per mL)
f. Very good	0-500,000
g. Good	500,000-1,000,000
h. Bad	1,000,000-200,000
i. Very bad	200,000 and over
Coliform plate count	
Plate incubation period	24 hours at 370C

Quality	Counts (per mL)
a. Very good	0-1,000
b. Good	1,000-50,000
c. Bad	50,000-500,000
d. Very bad	500,000 and over

2. Pesticides and antibiotics

i. Pesticide residue in milk

Pesticide	Max. limit (mg/kg) on whole milk basis
a. Aldrin and dieldrin (total)	0.006
b. Heptachlor and Heptachlorepoide (total)	0.006
c. DDT and its analogues	0.05
d. Lindane	0.01
e. SHC+HCH	0.01
f. Endrin	0.01

ii. antibiotics

Antibiotics in milk	NIL
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3. Milk packaging

Packaging material	Sanitized containers made of approved materials
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B. Raw Cow Milk specification (East Africa)

Definition

For the purpose of this East African Standard, milk means the normal, clean and fresh secretions extracted from the udder of a healthy cow, properly fed and kept, but excluding that got during the first seven days after calving.

Principal compositional requirements

Chemical

Milk shall contain not less than 3.25 % milk fat and not less than 8.50 % milk solids not fat. It shall not contain added water, preservatives, or other added substances, nor shall any proportion of a natural constituent be removed.

Density of milk at 20 °C shall be within the range of 1.028 g/ml – 1.036 g/ml

The freezing point depression of milk shall be not less than 0.525 °C and not more than 0.550 °C.

When tested in accordance with the appropriate method in Annexes A to J, milk shall:

- have a characteristic creamy – white color, free from off flavours and taints
- be free of objectionable matter
- not coagulate in the clot on boiling test
- test negative to the alcohol test
- have no more than 0.17% titratable lactic acid
- test negative to peroxidase test.

Microbiological limits

Grade	Counts (per ml)
I	< 200 000
II	>200 000 ¾ 1 000 000
III	>1 000 000 ¾ 2 000 000

Bacteriological Grades

Milk shall conform to the following microbiological limits:

Coliform limits

S/N	Quality	Counts (per ml)
a)	Very good	0 – 1000
b)	Good	1000 - 50000

Total plate count

The plate shall be incubated for 48 h at 32 °C. The counts shall be graded as follows:

Coliform plate count

The plate shall be incubated for 24 h at 37 °C. The counts shall be graded as follows:

Pesticide limits in milk

S/N	Pesticide	Maximum limit (mg/kg) on whole milk basis
a)	Aldrin and dieldrin (total)	0.006
b)	Heptachlor and heptachlor-epoxide (total)	0.006
c)	DDT and its analogues	0.05
d)	Lindane	0.01
e)	SHC + HCH	0.01
f)	Endrin	0.01

Somatic cell count

Somatic cell count shall not exceed 300 000 per ml when tested in accordance with ISO 13366.

Pesticides and antibiotics

Milk shall conform to the maximum limits of pesticide residues as in Table 1 and Codes standards.

Veterinary drugs and chemical residues

When analyzed in accordance with appropriate methods of test milk shall conform to the maximum tolerable residue limits for antibiotics and other veterinary drugs set by the Codex Alimentarius Commission.

Hygiene

Milk shall be produced, processed and handled in accordance with CAC/RCP 57.

C. Code of Hygienic Practice for Production, Handling and Distribution of milk and milk products (KS 1552: 2000)

Basis of the Standards

International Standards:

- CAC/RCP 1 – 1969 Rev. 3 1997 Codex Standard Code of Practice – General Principles of Food Hygiene
- Alinorm 99/11 Appendix II Draft General Standard for the use of Dairy Terms

The code of practice aim to guide and streamline hygienic practices in: primary production, handling, processing and distribution of milk and dairy products

Operation level	Area of Hygienic Standards Focus
Primary production	<p>Environmental Hygiene – water, waste, dust</p> <p>Hygienic production of raw milk – premises, animal health, general hygienic practices, hygienic milking</p> <p>Handling, storage and transport of milk – milking equipment, storage equipment, premises, milk collection, milk handling, milk transport, containers</p>
Establishment (Design & facilities)	According to KS05-1500 clause 9
Establishment (Hygienic requirement)	<p>According to KS05-1500 clause 10</p> <p>Milk control on reception – test for incoming milk</p> <p>Microbiological & other specification – raw milk, end product</p> <p>Preservation control methods – raw milk</p> <p>Cross contamination</p> <p>Reclaimed water – risk considerations, distribution, monitoring</p>
Establishment (Maintenance & Sanitation)	<p>According to KS05-1500 clause 4</p> <p>Maintenance and cleaning</p> <p>Cleaning programs</p> <p>Clean –in- Place (CIP) systems – CIP systems</p> <p>Waste Disposal</p>
Establishment (Personal Hygiene)	<p>According to KS05-1500</p> <p>Medical fitness</p> <p>Personal hygiene and cleanliness</p>
Distribution	<p>Person – registered & certified</p> <p>Transport – vehicle to be inscribed with registered name, address, etc. of distributor</p> <p>Cooling in distribution – reach consumer at temperatures of not more than 100C, pasteurized to be sold within 24hrs, refrigeration or cooling facilities be provided for long distances, milk not exposed to direct sunlight</p> <p>Service containers</p> <p>Bulk dispensing of dairy products – milk is maintained at 4-70C</p> <p>Retailing of milk – only pasteurized packaged milk shall be sold in municipalities, direct sale of milk by farmers or other bulk distributors only when restricted to a fixed time and distance and by registered farmers</p>
Records	<p>Milk production</p> <p>Collection and processing plants</p>
Packaging	Materials
Product information and consumer awareness	
Training	

Other:

- Developed by the Dairy Products Technical Committee of KEBS in reference to Codex, other KEBS standard and literature review
- KS05-1500: 1998 Kenya Standard Code of Hygienic Practice in the Food and Drink manufacturing Industry
- KS05-37: 1977 Kenya Standard Code of Hygienic Practice in the Dairy Industry for milk carriers

Annex 7

Milk value chain actors

