Number of Slaughter houses in Kenya:
- Turkana
- Baringo
- Machakos
- Naivasha

The year by which the Kenyan donkey population is projected to be decimated if the situation stays the same.

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<th>Country</th>
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DONKEY SKIN TRADE:
A GLOBAL ISSUE AND CRISIS IN KENYA
DONKEY SKIN TRADE

1,832,519 Number of donkeys in Kenya in 2009 (KNBS)
1.04% Donkey population growth rate (between 2009 and 2018)
1,965,632 donkey population as at 2017 by Ministry of Agriculture
476 2016
2,641 2017
1,061 2018
2016 2017 2018
1,964,000 donkeys were slaughtered in three years (2016-2018)

DONKEY OWNERSHIP

58.7% 35.7% 6%
own up to 2 donkeys own between 3-5 donkeys own 6 or more donkeys

The draft National Livestock Policy (2019) donkeys categorised as emerging livestock due to inadequate information to support their production, lack of sufficient market channels, inadequate policy and legal framework or socio-cultural beliefs that preclude their utilization

INVISIBLE LIVESTOCK

DONKEYS SLAUGHTERED


829,000 934,000 1,049,000 1,164,000 1,280,000 1,415,000 1,550,000

*projection/estimate

EFFECTS OF THEFT

OF DONKEYS TO OWNERS (MULTIPLE RESPONSES)

Donkey owners have become poorer (77.7%)
Reduced income for women (19.2%)
Increased labour for women (35.6%)
Children missing school (15.8%)
Loss of source of transport (29.1%)
Prices of donkeys now Ksh 12,000

To many people, the donkey is a beast of burden, a provider, supporter and friend.

SLAUGHTERHOUSES

Abaituar (Kenya) 350 650
Goldox Kenya Ltd 350 650
Star Brilliant Ltd 150 250
Silina Ltd 100 150
Fuhai Machakos Trading 300 150
TOTAL 900 1,200

16,544 tonnes of donkey meat and skin products that were exported between 2016 and 2018

KSH 8,460 Amount earned by labourers in the donkey abattoirs earn per month

SLAUGHTERHOUSE

Donkey population growth rate (between 2009 and 2018)

Number of licensed slaughterhouses in Kenya

0 300,000 450,000 600,000

12%

Kajiado

Baringo

Nakuru

Kirinyaga

Machakos

Number of licensed slaughterhouses in Kenya

The Emerging Trade in Donkey Hide: An Opportunity or a Threat for Communities in Kenya, Agricultural Sciences (2019)
Alliance of Donkey Welfare Organizations in Kenya (FSK, KENDAT, CARITAS, KVA, SACK, APAD)
Tanzania Alliance of Donkey Welfare Organizations, led by KENPA and Inades-Formation

THE CONSTITUTION

In the 4th schedule of the Kenya constitution, part 1, section 22(b) Protection of Animals and Wildlife, 29. Agricultural Policy and 30 Veterinary Policy apply.

In article 46, 1, c, of the constitution 2010, protection of consumers health, safety and economic rights are guaranteed.

DONKEY THEFT CASES (2018)

Turkana 26%
Narok 12%
Kajiado 12%
Kirinyaga 30%
Machakos 3%

Turkana and Kajiado reported the highest donkey theft cases
BURKINA FASO

Burkina Faso stopped donkey exports after 45,000 of its donkeys were slaughtered in six months from a total population of 1.4 million.

NIGERIA

Currently discussing a bill to prohibit the killing and exportation of donkeys or its carcasses out of Nigeria.

TANZANIA

Has an active regulatory mechanism allowing slaughter of 40 donkeys per slaughter house per day.

CRISIS

The global issue of the donkey skin trade is now a crisis in Kenya.

The skins are boiled to produce a gelatine used in Traditional Chinese Medicine.

Chinese government data: China’s donkey population dropped from 11m in 1990 to 3m in 2017.

EJIAO

Donkey Slaughter Bans Across Africa

Botswana, Ethiopia, Mali, Niger, and Senegal have banned exports of donkey products.

CHINA

Donkey Smuggling Routes

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