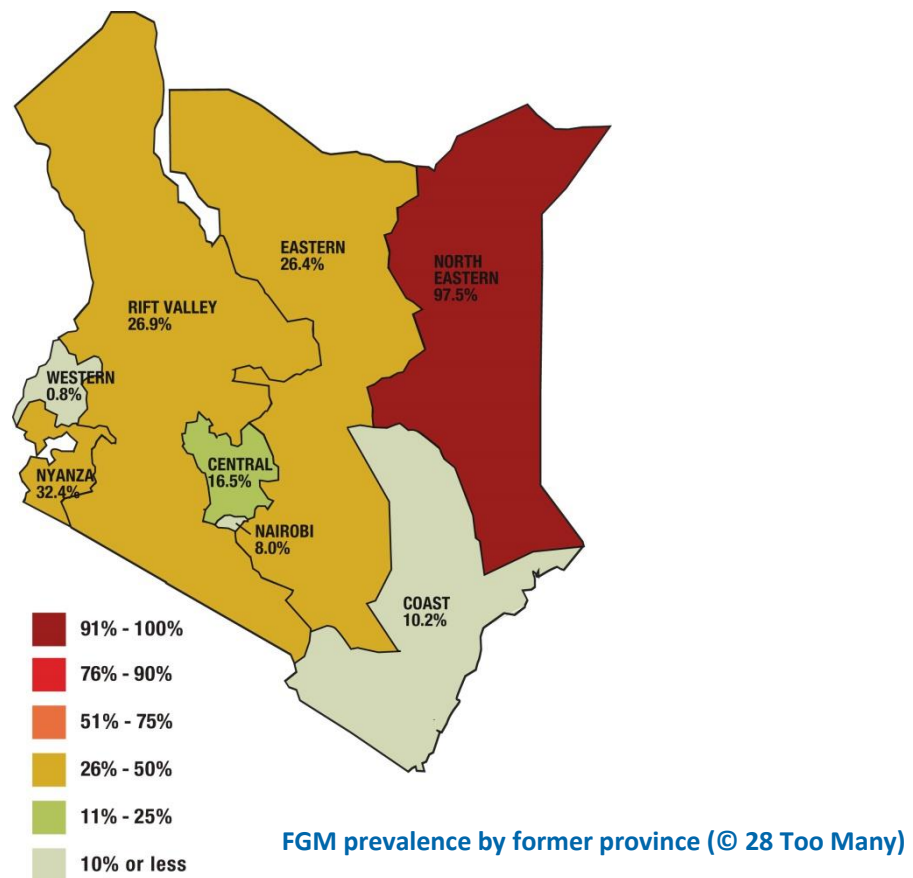


## KENYA – KEY COUNTRY STATISTICS



## FGM PREVALENCE

The estimated prevalence of FGM in women aged 15 to 49 is 21% (DHS 2014, p.333). There has been a steady reduction in prevalence since 1998, when it was 37.6% (DHS 1998, p.168).

Figures suggest a 12% difference in FGM prevalence between women (aged 15 to 49) who live in urban areas and women who live in rural areas, at 13.8% and 25.9% respectively (DHS 2014, p.333).

Most people across all ethnic groups have heard of FGM, although frequency of knowledge increases with better education and greater wealth. Those aged 15 to 19 are the least likely to have heard of it. Approximately 40% of people with 'no education' believe that FGM should continue, but this number falls dramatically as education level increases. Overall, 6.2% of women and 9.3% of men who have heard of FGM believe it should continue (DHS 2014, pp.331-3, 340-3). For many, culture and tradition override the law when it comes to FGM and other harmful traditional practices, and the implementation of the law is a problem.

The most prevalent type of FGM practised in Kenya is 'cut, flesh removed' (87.2%). 1.6% have been 'cut, no flesh removed' and 9.3% have been 'sewn closed' (Type III/infibulated) (DHS 2014, p.333).

The Prohibition of Female Genital Mutilation Act (passed in 2011; revised in 2012) criminalises all forms of FGM, regardless of the age or status of the girl or woman, as well as the stigmatisation of women who have not been cut.

## POPULATION

Approx. 47,800,000 (Country Meters, 28 November 2016)

Median age: 19.5 years

Growth rate: 1.81% (2016 est.)

## HUMAN DEVELOPMENT INDEX

Rank: 147 out of 156 in 2013

## HEALTH

Life expectancy at birth (years): 64

Infant mortality rate (per 1,000 live births): 38.3 deaths

Maternal mortality rate: 510 deaths/100,000 live births (2015 est.)

Fertility rate, total (births per women): 3.14 (2016 est.)

HIV/AIDS – adult prevalence: 5.91% (2015 est.)

HIV/AIDS – people living with HIV/AIDS: 1,517,700 (2015 est.); country comparison to the world: 8

HIV/AIDS – deaths: 35,800 (2015 est.); country comparison to the world: 9

## LITERACY

Total population: 78%

Female: 74.9%; Male: 81.1% (2015 est.)

Youth (15-24 years): 82%

Female – 83%; Male – 82% (World Bank, 2014, p.2)

## GDP (IN US DOLLARS)

GDP (official exchange rate): \$61.41 billion (2015 est.)

GDP per capita (PPP): \$3,200 (2015 est.)

GDP (real growth rate): 5.4% (2015 est.)

## URBANISATION

Urban population: 25.6%

Rate of urbanisation: 4.34% annually (2010-15 est.)

## ETHNIC GROUPS

Embu, Kalenjin, Kamba, Kikuyu, Kisii, Kuria, Luhya, Luo, Maasai, Meru, Mijikenda/Swahili, Samburu, Somali, Taita/Taveta, Turkana, other African, non-African (Asian, European, and Arab)

## RELIGIONS

Christian 83% (Protestant 47.7%, Catholic 23.4%, other Christian 11.9%), Muslim 11.2%, Traditionalists 1.7%, other 1.6%, none 2.4%, unspecified 0.2% (2009 est.)

## LANGUAGES

English (official), Kiswahili (official), numerous indigenous languages

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