

Feed the Future Kenya

Accelerated Value Chain Development Program

Livestock component

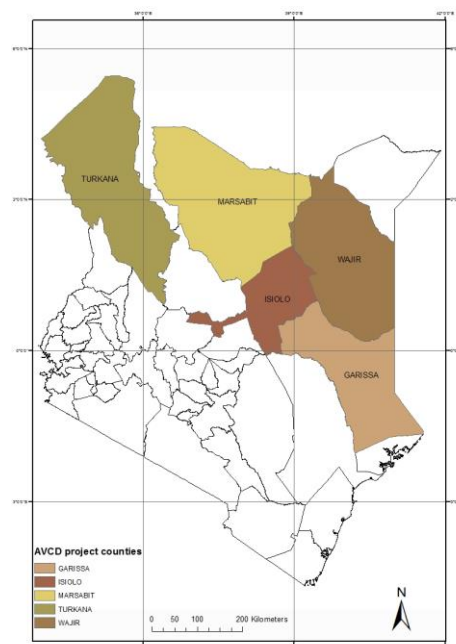
Overview

The main goal of Feed the Future Kenya Accelerated Value Chain Development (AVCD) program is to sustainably reduce poverty and hunger in the Feed the Future zones of influence. Focusing on the livestock, dairy, staple root crops and staple drought tolerant crops value chains in 23 counties in Kenya, AVCD seeks to widely apply technologies and innovations to competitively and sustainably increase productivity, contributing to inclusive agricultural growth, nutrition and food security in the country, lifting 317,000 households out of poverty, making them food secure and enabling their transition from subsistence to market-orientated farming.

Focusing on semi- and arid counties, of Isiolo, Garissa, Marsabit, Turkana and Wajir, the livestock value chain component of the program seeks to accelerate the development of livestock production, mainly small ruminants, to improve the incomes and nutritional status of 60,000 households by: increasing by 50% the value of livestock sales, increasing access to improved grazing areas; providing support to at least 15 additional livestock marketing associations and 15 private sector enterprises, and applying improved livestock management practices.

Objectives

- **Objective 1:** Enhance market access for 50,000 pastoralists, ex-pastoralists, and smaller traders.
- **Objective 2:** Increase livestock productivity for 30,000 producers.
- **Objective 3:** Enhance the enabling environment for 20 markets and 30 communities.
- **Objective 4:** Improve nutrition of women and children in 50,000 households.



Counties in Kenya in which the program operates

Activities and expected outputs/results

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- For **objective 1:** Provide assistance to existing livestock marketing associations and markets; stimulate demand for fodder by promoting a value-chain approach to livestock development, making use of innovation platforms to support five well-defined fodder value chains linked to 10 markets; strengthen and expand market information system; support women and young entrepreneurs; train producers in proper livestock fattening; train feedlot managers in business development; establish improved animal-grading schemes in livestock markets; support community-managed fattening schemes; identify constraints to traders; support advocacy groups in overcoming trade barriers.
- For **objective 2:** Enhance community-managed grazing and land-use planning; facilitate the establishment and expansion fodder production enterprises through the provision of business development services; support the establishment and use of public-private sector networks providing veterinary inputs (drugs) and services; train producers in disease recognition and monitoring; develop systems to support the targeted deployment of rapid responses across the livestock value chain component counties; establish objective quality grading measures for livestock desired by markets, tag and monitor which animals are marketed or used for breeding; and establish long-term herd productivity monitoring and recording.

- For **objective 3**: Support the development of county policies for livestock market governance, and the formulation and implementation of appropriate land and water management policies, including appropriate forums for dialogue.
- For **objective 4**: Train women in improved feeding practices to increase milk yields; and as livestock productivity and production increase, support behavioural change interventions promoting the consumption of animal-sourced foods by women of childbearing age and children under five.

Expected outputs/results

- Improved market governance through adoption of co-management models, increased market participation through provision of market services, increased prevalence and use of appropriate market information systems.
- Increased value of animals through support to fattening schemes, improved animal health through market interventions, improved availability of and access to fodder, improved surveillance of disease outbreaks.
- Improved productivity through facilitating community-based herd management initiatives, enhanced enabling environment for grazing management and livestock market governance, and brokering the establishment of revenue-sharing agreements.
- Increased home consumption of milk, with a 10% increase in the number of children regularly consuming milk throughout the year, improved consumption of nutrient-rich foods by women of reproductive age.

Partners

ILRI is implementing activities in conjunction with the Kenya Livestock Marketing Council, the Northern Rangelands Trust, and the University of Nairobi's Africa Dryland Institute of Sustainability. In addition to specific technical expertise, ILRI is also contributing to knowledge management and synthesis of evidence to prioritize interventions and successfully scale them out to new locations and greater numbers of beneficiaries. The implementation of the livestock component of AVCD will be undertaken in partnership with county livestock marketing councils, livestock marketing associations, the Ministry of Agriculture and Livestock and Fisheries, and the Kenya National Drought Management Authority.

AVCD LVC budget and duration: USD7.7 million for three years (October 2015–2018)

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