

# REPUBLIC OF KENYA

**Joined Commonwealth:** 1963

**Joined Commonwealth Telecommunications Organisation:** 1983

**CTO Representative:** Kenya Posts & Telecoms Corporation

**Capital:** Nairobi

Kenya lies astride the equator, extending from the Indian Ocean in the east to Uganda in the west and from Tanzania in the south to Ethiopia and Sudan in the north. On the east and north-east it borders Somalia.

*Source:* The Commonwealth Yearbook 1998

## **Other Websites:**

[KenyaWeb - Kenya's Definitive Internet Resource](#)

[KenyaWeb - Ministry of Information, Transport and Communications](#)

[Kenya Government Information Centre >](#)

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### **Policy making authority:**

Ministry of Transport and Communications

### **Mobile cellular operators:**

none

### **Regulator:**

Kenya Posts and Telecommunications Corporation

### **CTO National Bodies:**

Kenya Post & Telecommunications Corporation

### **Fixed network operator:**

Kenya Posts and Telecommunications Corporation

- state owned national operator

Country Data	1996	1997	1998	1999
Population	30,007,400	29,500,000	29,008,000	29,549,204
Gross domestic product (GDP)	527,966,994,432	601,428,983,808	556,433,997,824	n/a
Key Telecommunications data	1996	1997	1998	
Main telephone lines in operation	260,780	271,816	n/a	
Main lines per 100 inhabitants	0.9	0.9	n/a	
% of digital main lines	58	56	n/a	
% of main lines equip. for direct int'l dialling	n/a	n/a	n/a	
Cellular mobile telephone subscribers	2,826	5,345	n/a	
Analog cellular subscribers	1,288	1,756	n/a	
Digital cellular subscribers	1,538	3,589	n/a	
Public packet data network subscribers	709	688	n/a	
Public pay phones	6,069	6,745	n/a	
International outgoing telephone traffic	26.1	20.0	20.0	

International incoming telephone traffic (million minutes)	65.3	69.5	n/a
Estimated modems in use	n/a	n/a	n/a
Number of internet hosts	273	458	686
Total telecom service revenue	18,102,040,576	18,253,459,456	n/a

Source: [International Telecommunication Union: Online Subscriptions](#); [Development Sector](#); World Telecommunication Indicators

**Liberalisation index (1998):**

Local fixed service:	Monopoly
Long distance fixed service:	Monopoly
International fixed service:	Monopoly
Leased lines:	Monopoly
Mobile cellular service, analog:	Monopoly
Mobile cellular service, digital:	Monopoly
Data service:	Competitive

Source: [International Telecommunication Union: General Trends in Telecommunication Reform 1998, Africa Volume II](#)