

# Kenya

**Population:** 47.5 million (2019)

**Capital City:** Nairobi

**Language:** Over 60 languages are spoken. Most people speak more than one language.

**Official Language:** Swahili; English

**Continent:** Africa

**Currency:** Kenyan shilling

**Government:** Republic

**National Day:** 12<sup>th</sup> December

**Religion:** More than 80% of Kenyans are Christian.

**Famous Kenyans:** Kip Keino, legendary Kenyan athlete; Lupita Nyong'o, actress; Deep Roy, actor; David Rudisha, athlete; Wangari Maathai, Nobel Prize winner.



**Climate:** The climate varies greatly across the country. Inland, the weather is usually dry and hot. Along the coast, the climate is tropical, with rainfall and temperatures higher during the year. In the mountains, it can be cold enough for snow. There are only two seasons (wet and dry) because Nairobi is so near the equator. The sunniest months are from December to March. The coolest months are June and July.

