

Kenya's County Budget Transparency Survey 2022

Elgeyo Marakwet County Summary



The County Budget Transparency Survey (CBTS) is an annual survey that assesses the availability of ten key budget documents that, by law, each county is required to publish and publicize annually on their official county websites. Secondly, the survey evaluates the comprehensiveness of the information provided on revenue, different aspects of expenditure, budget performance and public participation, which the PFM Act requires for accountability to the public.

Disclosure of information, with disaggregation and provision of participation opportunities, enables meaningful public participation and quality decision-making. This ensures open access to information for all citizens, including the poor and marginalized, to support their engagement with government budgets and overall development. The CBTS assigns each county a transparency index based on the information it has publicly available.¹

Elgeyo Marakwet county dropped in the 2022 transparency index.



Elgeyo Marakwet county published 3 out of 10 key budget documents in CBTS 2022.

Key Budget Document	CBTS 2020	CBTS 2021	CBTS 2022
Annual Development Plan	●	●	●
Approved Programme-Based Budget	●	●	●
County Fiscal Strategy Paper	●	●	●
County Budget Review & Outlook Paper	●	●	●
Citizens Budget	●	●	●
County Quarterly Budget Implementation Report Q1	●	●	●
County Quarterly Budget Implementation Report Q2	●	●	●
County Quarterly Budget Implementation Report Q3	●	●	●
County Quarterly Budget Implementation Report Q4	●	●	●
Finance Act	●	●	●

KEY ● Available to the public ● Not published

How comprehensive is the content of budget documents that Elgeyo Marakwet makes publicly available?

Key Budget Document	CBTS 2020	CBTS 2021	CBTS 2022
Annual Development Plan	58	47	45
County Budget Review & Outlook Paper	71	88	Not Published
County Fiscal Strategy Paper	60	67	54
Approved Programme-Based Budget	46	50	48
Citizens Budget	52	50	Not Published
Finance Act	Not Published	100	Not Published
County Quarterly Budget Implementation Report	8	13	Not Published

● 81-100 (A) ● 61-80 (B) ● 41-60 (C) ● 21-40 (D) ● 0-20 (E)

Elgeyo Marakwet scored below the average National budget transparency index for 2022



Elgeyo Marakwet county scored 0 out of 100 points on the level of information provided on public participation in its' documents.

41 /100

National Average CBTS Score

27 /100

Elgeyo Marakwet CBTS Score

35th

Elgeyo Marakwet CBTS Rank

¹ For the public to make quality decisions on budgets, the counties are required to produce and publish online ten key budget documents in a timely manner. The information on budget priorities and participation, revenue, expenditure and non-financial in the key budget documents published is assessed. The ten key budget documents evaluated in CBTS 2022 are those required to be published in FY 2021/22. In CBTS 2020, CIDP, which is evaluated once in 5 years, was assessed.

Key observations in Elgeyo Marakwet county budget documents

Elgeyo Marakwet county did not publish seven key budget documents in CBTS 2022, which it previously produced and published in CBTS 2021. Comprehensively, the county provided less than half of the required information in the Annual Development Plan and approved Programme Based Budget. There is limited disaggregation in revenue, no information on recurrent development by administrative units and no budget below the departmental level. Additionally, revenue information is limited as the county lacks historical projections for at least two financial years in an approved Programme Based Budget.

The CBTS evaluates the feedback from the public, that is, the information on who was involved, input that resulted from public participation and the decisions incorporated into the final documents. Elgeyo Marakwet county provided no information on public participation in County Fiscal Strategy Paper, Annual Development Plan, and approved Programme Based Budget, which were evaluated.

Opportunities to improve Elgeyo Marakwet county budget transparency:

1 Elgeyo Marakwet county needs to be consistent in making budget documents publicly available. The county should produce, publish, and publicize all key budget documents on time, as it had done in the two previous rounds of surveys.

2 Elgeyo Marakwet county should comprehensively provide all the required details, especially missing information on revenue and expenditure, with their disaggregation in the approved Programme Based Budget and Annual Development Plan.

3 Elgeyo Marakwet County should provide the section with feedback on public participation with justifications. Outcomes of feedback should be in these categories whether a) the input is incorporated into the final budget document, and allocations made for them, this could further tell us there is an impact and decisions were influenced, b) input is considered and taken up but to be implemented in subsequent financial year(s) which could be as a result of limited resources, c) the public input acknowledged but rejected but with proper justification and d) the input is not acknowledged or considered.

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IBP Kenya's Performance Scale

- 81-100: A
- 61-80: B
- 41-60: C
- 21-40: D
- 0-20: E

MOST IMPROVED COUNTIES

1. Kwale
2. Bungoma
3. Taita Taveta
4. Lamu
5. Tharaka Nithi

LEAST TRANSPARENT COUNTIES

1. Isiolo
2. Kajiado
3. Migori
4. Wajir

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