

Kenya's County Budget Transparency Survey 2022

Turkana 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

Turkana county dropped in the 2022 transparency index.



Turkana County published 8 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 Turkana County makes publicly available?

Key Budget Document	CBTS 2020	CBTS 2021	CBTS 2022
Annual Development Plan	60	55	42
County Budget Review & Outlook Paper	79	89	83
County Fiscal Strategy Paper	68	47	Not Published
Approved Programme-Based Budget	49	52	67
Citizens Budget	36	40	60
Finance Act	Not Published	30	27
County Quarterly Budget Implementation Report	36	43	28

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

Turkana scored above the above National budget transparency index for 2022



Turkana 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

56/100

TurkanaCB TS Score

13th

Turkana CBTS Rank

¹ For 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 Turkana County budget documents

Turkana county is one of the counties that have remained transparent by publishing a majority of its budget documents. However, in the CBTS 2022, the county did not publish its County Fiscal Strategy Paper and quarter four budget implementation report, which it previously published in CBTS 2021.

Turkana county's Annual Development Plan does not provide information on revenue projections for the coming year. Further, there is no information on expenditure at the programme and sub-programme level in the County Budget Review and Outlook Paper. The county also lacks most of the details in its implementation report. For example, it lacks capital project details and no information on the programme and sub-programme, including expenditure performance and non-financial achievements.

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. Turkana county provided no information on public participation in County Fiscal Strategy Paper, Annual Development Plan, and approved Programme Based Budget, which were evaluated.

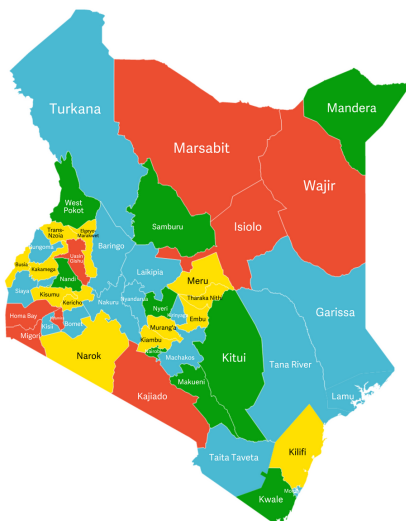
Opportunities to improve Turkana County budget transparency:

1 Turkana county stopped publishing the 4th quarter budget implementation report and County Fiscal Strategy Paper in CBTS 2022. The county should consistently produce, publish, and publicize all the key budget documents on time.

2 Turkana county should provide all the required details, especially missing information on revenue and expenditure, with their disaggregation. Further, non-financial information and capital project details should be provided in its key budget documents, which it makes available to the public.

3 Turkana 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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