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## KENYA'S DAIRY SECTOR

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The Kenya Dairy Board, tasked with regulating, developing, and promoting the industry, oversees the sector. commercialization of farming has greatly contributed to the sector's growth, creating employment opportunities across the value chain. In 2023, processed milk production reached 811 million liters, valued at Ksh. 40.45 billion, a growth attributed to industry development and favorable weather. Kenya also boasts the highest per capita milk consumption in Sub-Saharan Africa, at approximately 110 liters per person, which drives domestic demand. Additionally, value addition in milk products has spurred export demand for ghee, ice cream, UHT milk, whey, butter, and cheese.

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