

POTENTIAL COTTON GROWING COUNTIES/REGIONS IN KENYA

REGION	COUNTY	AEZS	ALTITUDE msl	RAINFALL mm	Potential Counties
Central	Kirinyaga	LM3	1220-1280	900-1200	1 Kirinyaga
		LM4	1090-1220	800-950	2 Kiambu
	Kiambu	LM4	1200-1360	800-900	3 Muranga
		LM3	1160-1340	900-1000	4 Baringo
	Muranga	LM4	1060-1160	890-1000	5 Kericho
Rift Valley	Baringo	LM4	1060-1550	800-950	6 West Pokot
		LM3	1140-1450	1000-1400	Elgeyo
	Kericho	LM3	1140-1450	1000-1400	7 Marakwet
	West Pokot	LM4	1100-1400	880-950	Kajiado-South
	Elgeyo Marakwet	LM4	1120-1500	680-1800	8 East
	Kajiado-South East	LM4	980-1420	650-850	9 Turkana
	Turkana			Irrigation	10 Embu
	Embu	LM3	1070-1280	900-1100	11 Meru
	Meru	LM4	980-1220	780-900	12 Machakos
		LM3		1000-1600	13 Kitui
Eastern	Machakos	LM4	1160-1300	750-900	14 Makueni
		LM3	1160-1280	700-850	15 Tharaka Nithi
	Kitui	LM4	760-1280	720-1000	16 Bungoma
		LM3	760-1280	720-1000	17 Busia
	Makueni	LM4	1160-1300	750-900	18 Kakamega
LM3		1160-1280	700-850	19 Kisumu	
Western	Tharaka Nithi	LM4		1000-1600	20 Migori
		LM3		800-1200	21 Siaya
	Bungoma	LM4	1200-1400	1200-1500	22 Homa Bay
		LM3	1120-1250	1000-1420	23 Kilifi
	Busia	LM4	1135-1200	900-1100	24 Kwale
		LM3	1120-1250	1000-1420	25 Lamu
	Nyanza	Kakamega	LM4	1135-1200	900-1100
LM3			1140-1450	1000-1400	27 Taita Taveta
Kisumu		LM4	1140-1450	1000-1100	
		LM3	1140-1450	900-1500	
Migori		LM3	1140-1450	900-1500	
Coast	Siaya	LM3	1140-1250	1000-1450	
		LM4	1135-1200	800-1000	
	Homa Bay	LM3			
Coast	Kilifi	LM4			
		L3	1-450	1000-1230	
		L4	1-300	780-1100	

	Kwale	L3	1-450	970-1350
		L4	1-250	850-1200
	Lamu	L4	1-100	580-920
	Tana River	Hola/Bura		Irrigation
	Taita Taveta	LM4	910-1 220	650-850
North Eastern	Garissa	LM 4 & 5	50-750	250 – 1250

Source: Kenya Agriculture and Livestock Research Organization (KALRO)