

Makueni County

In Makueni survey was conducted in Kilome area (01 58 S; 37 20'E) at 1387 m, Makuyuni (01 45 S; 37 27' E) at 1388 m, Kawala (01 56 S; 37 34'E) at 1212 m and Masongareli (02 19S; 38 08'E) at 780 m. The widely grown varieties of mango are Apple and Ngowe. In Kilome, in addition to those two varieties, farmers have Haden, Kent, Sabine, Tommy Atkins, Van Dyke and Zill. However, there is higher market demand for apple followed by Ngowe. A summary of the varieties and their totals are given Table 1 as was summarized by ADB (2011). The two varieties are mainly purchased by large scale brokers that prepare them for export. Commercial farming of mango in Makueni also involves the use of fungicides and pesticide against powdery mildew, anthracnose, fruit fly mango weevil, mealy bugs, mango gall fly, respectively.