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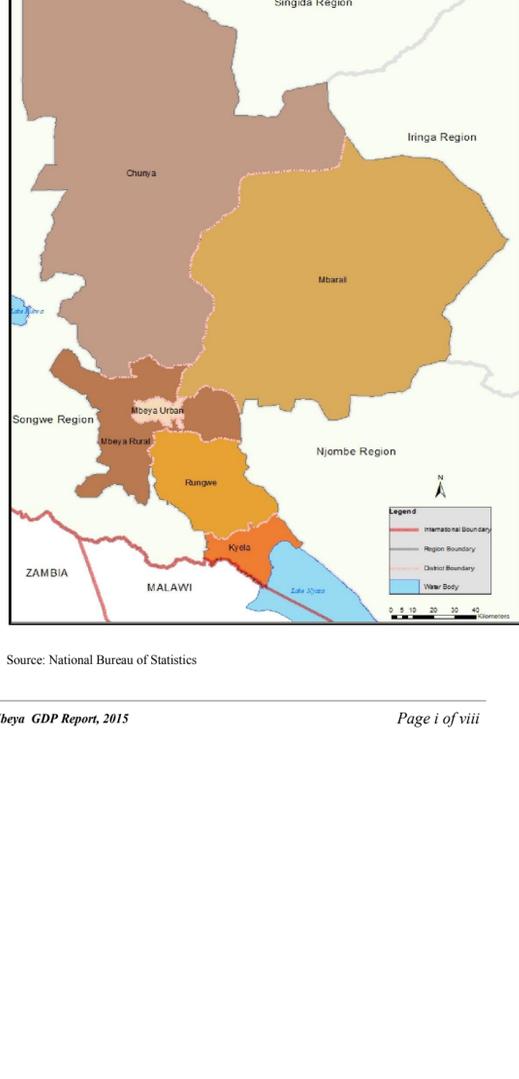


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Abbreviations

DC	District Council
DED	District Executive Director
ECA	Economic Commission for Africa
FYDP	Five Years Development Plan
GDP	Gross Domestic Product
Govt	Government
HQ	Head Quarter
NBS	National Bureau of Statistics
RAS	Regional Administrative Secretary
RC	Regional Commissioner
RCC	Regional Consultative Committee
RGDP	Regional Gross Domestic Product
SDGs	Sustainable Development Goals
SNA	Systems of National Accounts
TC	Town Council
CC	City Council

Preface

This report on Mbeya Regional Gross Domestic Product (RGDP) highlights the trend of the region in terms of the Gross Domestic Product. The compiled report is a benchmark for future compilation of Mbeya RGDP. The report culminates the teamwork between the Office of RAS Mbeya region and the National Bureau of Statistics (NBS). It also presents the results of Mbeya RGDP at two levels namely districts and regional levels by activities. The Mbeya RGDP has been compiled for the years 2013, 2014 and 2015 at current prices.

Data collection was supervised by the office of RAS which assigned the regional professionals in various activities while the National Bureau of Statistics provided the experts for the compilation of the RGDP.

The compilation of RGDP approach used is consistent with international best practice. The methodology has been peer reviewed and endorsed by Economic Commission for Africa (ECA).

The Mbeya RDGP was compiled with the objective of providing a valuable stock of information on Regional GDP to the stakeholders that portrays the economic activities in the region.

The report proposes areas for improvements which stand as challenges to the Office of RAS in Mbeya region and the National Bureau of Statistics in improving quality of the estimates. It is expected that the Report will be a useful reference material for all stakeholders.

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1.0 Introduction and Background

The Mbeya Regional Gross Domestic Product report is the outcome of the teamwork between the National Bureau of Statistics and the office of RAS, Mbeya Region. The process of compiling the report started in November, 2016 with a training workshop on the compilation methodology, data collection techniques and work plan in Mbeya. The working arrangement was as follows:

- Regional Administrative Secretary's Office had the responsibility to coordinate and supervise data collection exercise on all sectors of the regional economy; and
- The National Bureau of Statistics had the responsibility to prepare the questionnaires for data collection, to develop sampling frame and draw a representative sample for the survey as well as offering technical expertise on the GDP compilation.

2.0 Main Objective

The main objective of Mbeya Region GDP estimates is to provide a vital economic indicator that can be used as an input in planning for the regional development programs. It is anticipated that, the compiled Mbeya regional GDP will improve the Regional and District planning processes and evidence based decision making.

2.1 The Specific Objectives

The specific objectives for the compilation of Mbeya Regional GDP estimates were:

- (a) To compile Mbeya Regional GDP estimates by economic activity; and
- (b) To calculate per capita GDP at regional and district level.

3.0 Benefits of the Mbeya Regional GDP

The Regional GDP compilation activity provides data which are essential to regional development policy because they:

- a) Help to achieve a greater understanding of the growth and innovation of the regional performance;
- b) Provide a sound basis for monitoring and evaluation of economic development trends;
- c) Support central government's ability to target regional development programmes, including further development and implementation of FYDP and SDGs at both regional and district levels;
- d) Provide a more robust basis for economic decision-making by region, districts and the private sectors;
- e) Provide effective information base for public debate and community understanding of regional economic development;
- f) Provide benchmark data that will help to address specific issues such as poverty reduction and industrialization (processing units of agricultural products into integrated producer schemes);
- g) The data will explore and serve as a catalyst in scarce resource allocation and investment at regional and district levels; and
- h) Open up economic ventures by sectors and draw attention for technical know-how, movements and integrated industrialization process in the region.

4.0 Scope and Coverage

Mbeya regional and council's administrative boundaries have been treated as an economic territory for the regional and district GDP estimates within which transactions of goods and services take place.

Mbeya Regional GDP estimates are on an annual basis covering the years 2013, 2014 and 2015. The time frame for future production of the series has to be established between the NBS and the Mbeya Regional Secretariat.

Mbeya Regional GDP was compiled by economic activity. Eighteen economic activities are available, based on the national accounts activity classification. Due to the application of confidentiality rules, it is often difficult to provide estimates at a greater level of detail. The eighteen economic activities in the regional GDP estimates are:

- a) Agriculture, Hunting Forestry and Fishing:
 - i. Crops;
 - ii. Livestock;
 - iii. Forestry and Hunting;
 - iv. Fishing;
- b) Mining and quarrying;
- c) Manufacturing;
- d) Electricity;
- e) Water;
- f) Construction;
- g) Wholesale and Retail Trade; Repairs, Accommodation and Food services;
- h) Transport, Storage and Communication;
- i) Finance and Insurance;
- j) Real Estate;

- k) Business Services;
- l) Public Administration;
- m) Education;
- n) Human Health and Social Work; and
- o) Other Social and personal services.

5.0 Methodology

5.1 Regional GDP measurement approaches

This section discusses the broad methodology used to derive the regional GDP estimates.

The internationally preferred approach for regional GDP compilation is to directly measure the local activity of enterprises, and build up regional accounts from this information. The enterprise-level compilation approach is preferred, as it directly measures value-added. This approach is also useful analytically since it clearly links the activities of enterprises within a region. The Mbeya Regional GDP estimates are based on this approach where possible, and it has been used for most activities.

Mbeya Regional GDP estimates were compiled using national accounting concepts. NBS aspires to produce regional estimates that are consistent with the published national accounts. In other words, the sum of the regional GDP equals national level GDP.

5.2 Bottom-up Approach

The method of building up regional estimates from local enterprise data is known as the ‘bottom-up’ approach. The bottom-up approach requires detailed data on the activities undertaken. The Office of RAS Mbeya region organized data collection undertaking to produce the required data for compilation of RGDP estimates as outlined in Table 4.

5.3 Top-down Approach

The ‘top-down’ approach is an alternative method which is used for allocation of national level GDP estimates to regions by using the derived weights from respective regions. This approach is used if the bottom-up approach cannot be implemented for economic activities. This is usually due to lack of survey data from respective activities.

5.4 Compilation Procedure

The compilation of the estimates was done in accordance with the recommended procedures in the System of National Accounts (SNA); the administrative demarcated area called “Mbeya Region” is the economic territory for the compilation of the regional GDP estimates.

5.5 Measuring Gross Domestic Product

This section discusses the concept of GDP and how it is applied in Mbeya Regional GDP estimates. The technical terms used are contained in Concepts and Definition (Annex 1), including all definitions of components of GDP, and terms such as value-added etc.

5.6 Regional GDP is compiled by Economic Activity.

The overall regional GDP estimates is based on activity estimates for value-added (the value of output after the cost of bought-in materials and services have been deducted). The output is valued inclusive of taxes on production and subsidies consistent with the national accounts concepts. The treatment of GDP at district and regional level is also consistent with the national approach.

The components of the alternative approach of measuring GDP include:

- a) Compensation of employees;
- b) Consumption of fixed capital;

- c) Gross operating surplus;
- d) Subsidies; and
- e) Taxes on production.

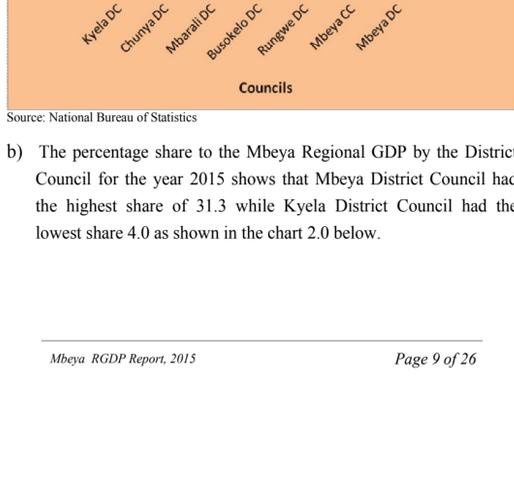
6.0 Key findings and Analysis

6.1 Key findings of the Mbeya Regional GDP

The overall Regional GDP at Current Prices for 2015 was TZS. 5,561.6 billion;

- a) The Mbeya Regional GDP for the year 2015 shows that Mbeya District Council had the highest GDP of TZS. 1,741.8 billion while Kyela District Council had the lowest GDP in the region of TZS. 221.2 billion.

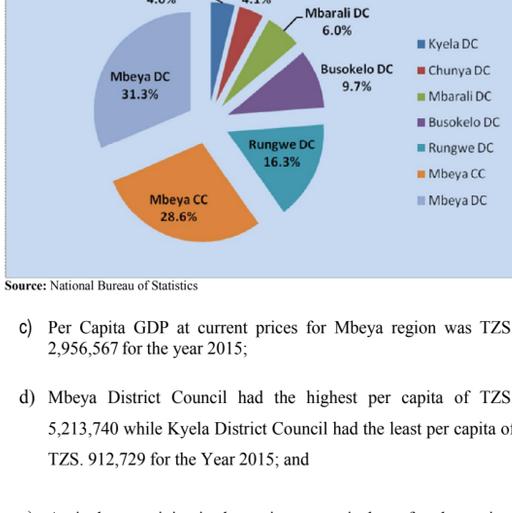
Chart 1: Mbeya Regional GDP in Billion at Current Prices by District Council for the year 2015



Source: National Bureau of Statistics

- b) The percentage share to the Mbeya Regional GDP by the District Council for the year 2015 shows that Mbeya District Council had the highest share of 31.3 while Kyela District Council had the lowest share 4.0 as shown in the chart 2.0 below.

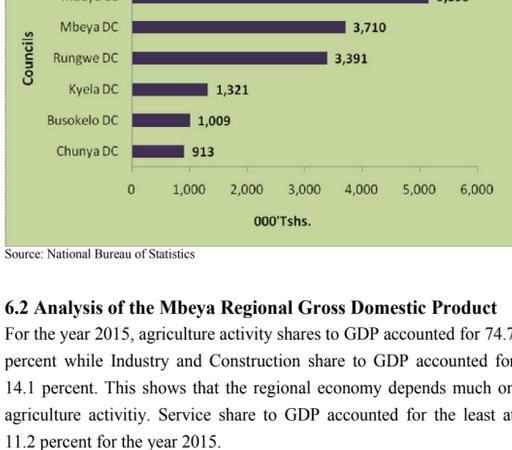
Chart 2: Percentage Share to the Mbeya Regional GDP by District Council for the year 2015



Source: National Bureau of Statistics

- c) Per Capita GDP at current prices for Mbeya region was TZS. 2,956,567 for the year 2015;
- d) Mbeya District Council had the highest per capita of TZS. 5,213,740 while Kyela District Council had the least per capita of TZS. 912,729 for the Year 2015; and
- e) Agriculture activity is the main economic base for the region. Agriculture contribution to Mbeya regional GDP was 74.7 percent followed by Industry and Construction activity with 14.1 percent for the year 2015.

Chart 3: Mbeya Region Per Capita GDP at Current Prices by District Council for the year 2015 in Tanzanian Shillings

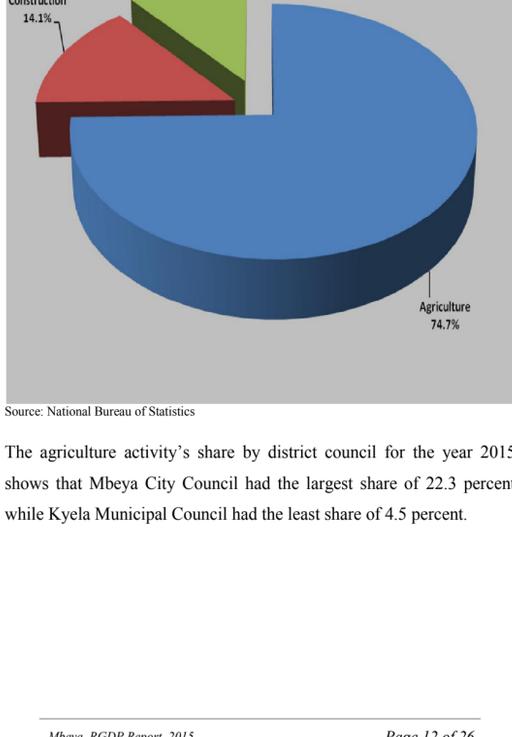


Source: National Bureau of Statistics

6.2 Analysis of the Mbeya Regional Gross Domestic Product

For the year 2015, agriculture activity shares to GDP accounted for 74.7 percent while Industry and Construction share to GDP accounted for 14.1 percent. This shows that the regional economy depends much on agriculture activity. Service share to GDP accounted for the least at 11.2 percent for the year 2015.

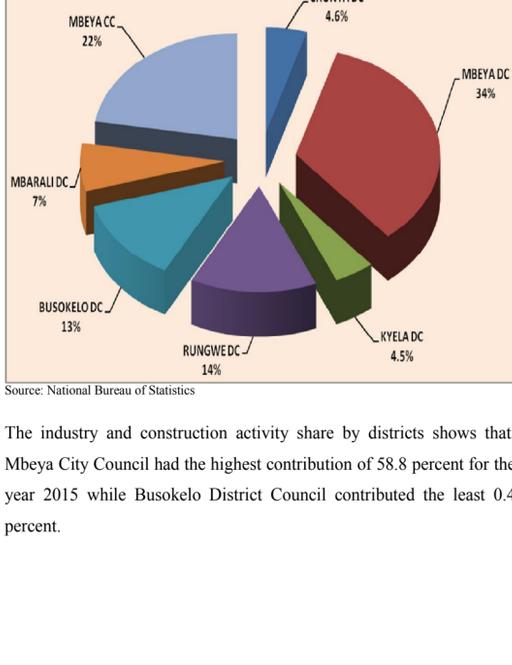
Chart 4: Percentage Share to GDP By Major Economic Activities Year 2015



Source: National Bureau of Statistics

The agriculture activity's share by district council for the year 2015 shows that Mbeya City Council had the largest share of 22.3 percent while Kyela Municipal Council had the least share of 4.5 percent.

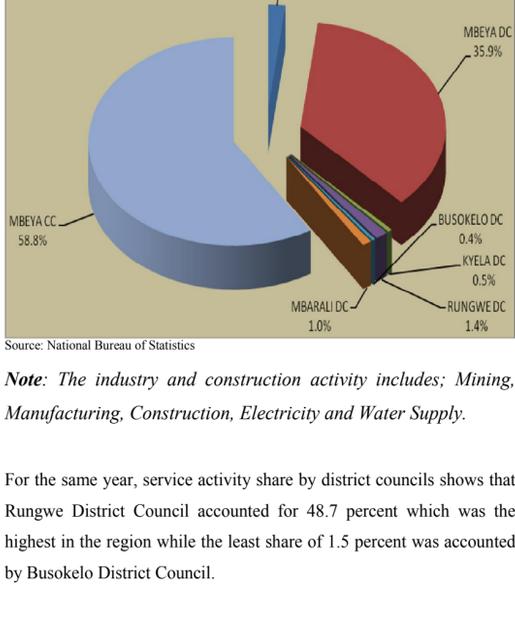
Chart 5: Agriculture Activity Share by District Council, 2015



Source: National Bureau of Statistics

The industry and construction activity share by districts shows that, Mbeya City Council had the highest contribution of 58.8 percent for the year 2015 while Busokelo District Council contributed the least 0.4 percent.

Chart 6: Industry and Construction Activity Contribution by District Council, 2015

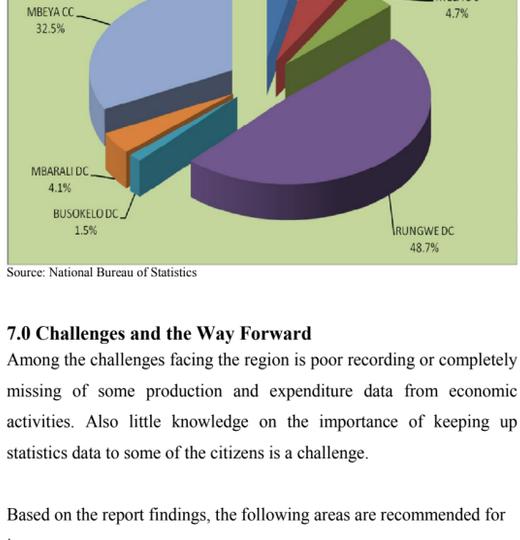


Source: National Bureau of Statistics

Note: The industry and construction activity includes; Mining, Manufacturing, Construction, Electricity and Water Supply.

For the same year, service activity share by district councils shows that Rungwe District Council accounted for 48.7 percent which was the highest in the region while the least share of 1.5 percent was accounted by Busokelo District Council.

Chart 7: Distribution of Service Activity Contribution by District Council, 2015



Source: National Bureau of Statistics

7.0 Challenges and the Way Forward

Among the challenges facing the region is poor recording or completely missing of some production and expenditure data from economic activities. Also little knowledge on the importance of keeping up statistics data to some of the citizens is a challenge.

Based on the report findings, the following areas are recommended for improvements:

- a) It is important for the Mbeya Regional GDP trend to be explained by numerous factors, such as business relocation, the type of activities within region/districts and relative performance of the

activities within a region compared to the same activity in other regions/districts;

- b) Many districts, especially the less diversified ones can be highly affected by short-term events such as price increase and climatic conditions. To identify which district is growing faster than the rest, a much longer-term time series would be required before any such conclusion could be reached;
- c) The GDP at current prices for the region need to be investigated more in terms of prices used;
- d) The dissemination of the findings is vital for incorporating comments for improving regional GDP;
- e) Initiation of statute merger ventures whereby district councils having statutory obligation in forming economic partnerships through shares with/and/or stakeholders/villages in liberalization of subsistence economy, opening up employment opportunities; and thereby raising contribution to the general economic growth; and
- f) Quality of data should be maintained for sound socio-economic planning and sustainable development.

Annex 1: Concept and Definitions

National Accounts definitions

Basic price

The amount receivable by the producer from the purchaser for a unit of a good or service produced as output minus any tax payable, and plus any subsidy receivable. It excludes any transport charges invoiced separately by the producer.

Compensation of employees

This is total remuneration, in cash or in kind, payable by enterprises to employees. Includes contributions paid on employees' superannuation funds, private pension schemes, the Accident Compensation Corporation, casualty and life insurance schemes, and other fringe benefits.

Consumption of fixed capital

This represents the reduction in the value of the fixed assets used in production during the accounting period resulting from physical deterioration, normal obsolescence or accidental damage. It is valued at replacement cost.

Gross Domestic Product (GDP)

The total market value of goods and services produced after deducting the cost of goods and services utilised in the process of production, but before deducting allowances for the consumption of fixed capital.

Gross operating surplus

This residual item is output at producer's values, less the sum of intermediate consumption, compensation of employees, and taxes on production and

imports net of subsidies. It is approximately equal to accounting profit before the deduction of depreciation, direct taxes, dividends, and interest paid and bad debts, and before the addition of interest and dividends received.

Intermediate consumption

This is the value of non-durable goods and services used in production. Valuation is at purchaser's values.

Output

Output consists of goods and services produced within an establishment that become available for use outside that establishment, plus any goods and services produced for own final use.

Producer values

The equivalent of purchaser values (see below), reduced by the trade and transport margins for delivering the items from producer to purchaser. This effectively gives the market sales value for the producer at the factory door, farm gate, mine head, and so on. For services, the producer value is the same as the purchaser value, as services are produced and consumed at the same time.

Purchaser values

This is the costs in the market of goods and services on delivery to the purchaser. For services, the purchaser value is the same as the producer value, as services are produced and consumed at the same time.

Subsidies

Current unrequited payments made by governments to enterprises on the basis of the levels of their production activities or the quantities or values of the goods and services they produce, sell or import.

Taxes on production and imports

Taxes assessed on producers in respect of the production, sale, purchase and use of goods and services, and which add to the market prices of those goods and services. This includes sales tax, local authority rates, import and excise duties, fringe benefits tax, and also registration fees, such as motor vehicle registration, paid by producers.

Value-added

The value added to goods and services by the contributions of capital and labour (i.e. after the costs of bought-in materials and services have been deducted from the total value of output).

Annex 2: Tables**Table 1: Mbeya Region GDP by Council**

Million TZS

District	2013	2014	2015
Chunya DC	138,208	273,336	228,538
Mbeya DC	1,490,773	1,612,053	1,741,791
Kyela DC	261,448	262,543	221,226
Rungwe DC	526,397	723,698	905,076
Busokelo DC	362,877	97,402	539,809
Mbarali DC	324,638	385,719	334,118
Mbeya CC	1,499,424	1,564,183	1,591,035

Table 2: Mbeya Region Population by Council

Number

District	2013	2014	2015
Chunya DC	161,623	167,385	172,952
Mbeya DC	312,535	323,181	334,077
Kyela DC	228,508	235,367	242,379
Rungwe DC	250,972	258,286	266,928
Busokelo DC	98,665	101,712	104,724
Mbarali DC	309,935	320,224	331,145
Mbeya CC	401,788	415,285	428,893

Table 3: Mbeya per Capita GDP by Council

TZS.

District	2013	2014	2015
Chunya DC	855,123	1,632,976	1,321,395
Mbeya DC	4,769,939	4,988,081	5,213,740
Kyela DC	1,144,152	1,115,462	912,729
Rungwe DC	2,097,432	2,801,924	3,390,713
Busokelo DC	3,677,873	957,621	5,154,585
Mbarali DC	1,047,440	1,204,529	1,008,977
Mbeya CC	3,731,878	3,766,529	3,709,631

Table 4: Data Sources by Activity

No.	Economic Activity	Data Sources
1	Agriculture	Regional/District : Crop; Agriculture Officers and Agriculture Extension Officers Forestry and Hunting; Natural Resources Livestock; Extension Officers, Fisheries; Fishing Department
2	Mining & Quarrying	Regional Mining Office
3	Manufacturing	Selected Small and Medium Manufacturing Industries
4	Construction	Local Govt. Accounts, Selected Construction Companies, including TANROADS and Private Household Construction
5	Electricity	TANESCO
6	Water	Urban/Rural Water Authorities
7	Transport	Selected Air/Rail/Road Operators (Private & Public)
8	Posts & Telecommunication	Posts and Telecommunication Operators (Private & Public)
9	Finance & Insurance	Banks, Bureau de Changes Insurance Companies and Brokers, Funds Institutions & Credit Societies
10	Real Estate	Selected Rented Houses, Local Government Accounts
11	Whole sale & Retail Trade	Selected Whole Sellers and Retail Traders
12	Business Services	Selected Accountants/Auditors, Lawyers, Consultants, etc.
13	Other Services	Selected Hair Dressing/Cutting Saloons, Sports clubs, Watch repairs, Shoe shiner/ Repair etc.
14	Public Admin.	Local Government Accounts, Sub-Treasury
15	Education	Selected Education Service providers (Govt. & Private)
16	Health	Selected Health Service providers (Govt. & Private)

Table 5: Gross Domestic Product at Current Prices - Mbeya Region

Million TZS

Economic Activity	2013	2014	2015
Agriculture	3,296,661	3,633,323	4,157,170
Crops	3,152,359	3,349,010	3,852,558
Livestock	104,178	122,070	157,486
Forestry and Hunting	27,347	139,522	141,063
Fishing	12,777	22,722	6,064
Industry and Construction	928,766	826,220	781,894
Mining and Quarrying	71,383	55,170	72,458
Manufacturing	599,515	650,418	574,842
Electricity	239,775	100,099	104,098
Water	7,170	8,636	9,467
Construction	10,924	11,897	21,029
Services	378,337	459,390	622,529
Wholesale and retail trade; Repairs	12,436	13,138	14,042
Transport and storage	144,222	104,212	196,286
Hotel and Restaurants	3,604	4,557	4,711
Communication	66,909	91,628	98,526
Finance and Insurance	1,383	1,341	1,813
Real Estate	18,475	33,420	30,209
Business Services	84	65	110
Public Administration	26,829	100,180	137,241
Education	91,530	93,143	119,352
Health	12,523	17,386	19,952
Other services	342	320	287
Total GDP	4,603,764	4,918,933	5,561,592

Table 6: Gross Domestic Product at Current Prices - Mbeya Region for the Year 2013 Million TZS

Economic Activity	Chunya DC	Mbeya DC	Kyela DC	Rungwe DC	Busokelo DC	Mbarali DC	Mbeya CC
Agriculture	118,616	1,103,558	192,343	382,933	352,099	297,329	849,784
Crops	113,423	1,079,616	149,501	374,012	326,952	285,211	823,643
Livestock	3,003	21,914	28,618	7,710	9,674	12,117	21,141
Forestry and Hunting	786	2,028	2,857	1,205	15,471	0	5,000
Fishing	1,404	0	11,367	5	1	0	0
Industry and Construction	4,601	363,869	48,076	11,761	5,632	6,373	488,454
Mining and Quarrying	2,261	1,165	44,685	0	0	272	23,000
Manufacturing	84	318,148	56	2,960	261	1,062	276,943
Electricity	1,568	43,611	2,591	7,960	5,184	3,993	174,868
Water	509	699	621	687	151	860	3,643
Construction	179	247	122	153	36	186	10,000
Services	14,991	23,345	21,029	131,703	5,146	20,937	161,186
Wholesale and retail trade; Repairs	1,129	1,012	488	5,771	374	2,377	1,285
Transport and storage	0	247	3,788	87,904	0	0	52,284
Hotel and Restaurants	25	153	538	15	14	383	2,477
Communication	4	325	14	0	0	0	66,566
Finance and Insurance	72	12	0	0	0	0	1,300
Real Estate	917	1,701	1,516	991	393	2,336	10,621
Business Services	0	0	39	0	0	0	45
Public Administration	1,187	1,534	1,721	17,670	441	2,008	2,268
Education	9,588	17,223	10,333	18,943	3,515	11,045	20,884
Health	2,010	1,139	2,573	410	410	2,704	3,277
Other services	58	0	20	0	0	84	180
Total GDP	138,208	1,490,773	261,448	526,397	362,877	324,638	1,499,424

Table 7: Gross Domestic Product at Current Prices - Mbeya Region for the Year 2014 Million TZS

Economic Activity	Chunya DC	Mbeya DC	Kyela DC	Rungwe DC	Busokelo DC	Mbarali DC	Mbeya CC
Agriculture	237,400	1,193,081	233,336	508,143	93,133	355,732	1,012,498
Crops	124,112	1,158,204	190,526	497,740	63,663	340,031	974,734
Livestock	2,932	32,432	19,055	8,906	12,281	15,700	30,764
Forestry and Hunting	108,586	2,445	2,818	1,483	17,189	0	7,000
Fishing	1,770	0	20,937	14	1	0	0
Industry and Construction	17,825	388,924	6,555	7,388	2,349	6,868	396,311
Mining and Quarrying	14,991	1,992	2,627	434	0	125	35,000
Manufacturing	98	329,722	215	2,894	272	1,042	316,174
Electricity	2,035	56,121	2,879	3,047	1,911	4,436	29,670
Water	465	841	741	871	165	1,085	4,466
Construction	237	248	92	142	0	180	11,000
Services	18,110	30,048	22,652	208,167	1,919	23,119	155,375
Wholesale and retail trade; Repairs	1,287	1,469	469	5,806	795	2,283	1,029
Transport and storage	0	566	3,858	87,904	0	0	11,885
Hotel and Restaurants	805	177	520	17	18	478	2,542
Communication	3	336	12	0	0	0	91,276
Finance and Insurance	68	16	0	0	1	0	1,256
Real Estate	1,659	3,077	2,742	1,793	711	4,225	19,212
Business Services	0	0	24	0	0	0	41
Public Administration	1,183	1,942	1,789	90,158	329	2,219	2,560
Education	11,028	19,226	11,167	18,286	37	11,776	21,623
Health	2,050	3,239	2,050	4,203	28	2,050	3,765
Other services	28	0	20	0	0	88	185
Total GDP	273,336	1,612,053	262,543	723,698	97,402	385,719	1,564,183

Table 8: Gross Domestic Product at Current Prices - Mbeya Region for the Year 2015 Million TZS

Economic Activity	Chunya DC	Mbeya DC	Kyela DC	Rungwe DC	Busokelo DC	Mbarali DC	Mbeya CC
Agriculture	192,024	1,430,078	187,906	590,740	527,343	300,364	928,715
Crops	86,019	1,378,898	156,568	578,559	482,584	283,562	886,369
Livestock	4,211	48,482	25,120	10,830	18,695	16,802	33,346
Forestry and Hunting	100,319	2,698	1,653	1,329	26,062	0	9,000
Fishing	1,474	0	4,565	22	2	0	0
Industry and Construction	14,921	280,819	3,808	10,973	3,047	8,190	460,137
Mining and Quarrying	12,214	0	0	2,738	3	1,554	55,950
Manufacturing	125	221,153	85	2,983	303	955	349,238
Electricity	1,883	58,484	2,777	3,932	2,449	4,280	30,293
Water	465	932	801	1,181	232	1,201	4,656
Construction	234	250	144	139	61	201	20,000
Services	21,593	30,894	29,513	303,364	9,419	25,564	202,183
Wholesale and retail trade; Repairs	1,824	1,492	518	5,861	932	2,075	1,340
Transport and storage	0	791	3,815	143,840	0	0	47,840
Hotel and Restaurants	810	204	486	18	21	458	2,714
Communication	3	211	12	0	0	0	98,300
Finance and Insurance	65	17	0	0	3	0	1,728
Real Estate	1,500	2,781	2,479	1,621	643	3,819	17,366
Business Services	0	0	53	0	0	0	57
Public Administration	1,329	1,662	2,685	125,438	673	2,827	2,626
Education	13,775	20,496	17,170	21,768	6,226	14,015	25,902
Health	2,270	3,239	2,270	4,818	921	2,270	4,166
Other services	18	0	25	0	0	100	144
Total GDP	228,538	1,741,791	221,226	905,076	539,809	334,118	1,591,035

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