



A Political History of the Akamba Community of Kenya

As told through their elected representatives, 1957-2021



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Kamba Political History

A history of Kamba MPs

The Kamba community are defined here as the group of Bantu Kikamba-speakers living mostly east of Nairobi and predominantly living within the boundaries of Kitui and Machakos districts at independence (universally known as “Ukambani”). The southern part of Machakos (later known as Makueni district) was lightly settled. Differentiation and sub-ethnic politics (“clannism”) were limited in the Kamba, but there were historical differences between the Kamba of Kitui and of Masaku (Machakos).

Additionally, a smaller community of Kamba had settled on the Coast around Mombasa during the colonial era. A substantial number of Kamba had also moved to neighbouring Nairobi to work. Many men had taken up roles in the Colonial army and police.

Most of Kitui is semi-arid but parts of Machakos are fertile and lands close to Nairobi had been alienated for white settlement. The area bounded Kikuyu Central Province to the north-west, Nairobi to the west, Kajiado (Maasailand) to the south-west, Taita-Taveta to the south and south-east and the old Northern Frontier District to the north and east.

Machakos is traversed by the Nairobi-Mombasa railway and main road, which in the north runs along the old district border with the Maasai.

All elected MPs and above since 1959 elected in Ukambani have been Kamba, without exception. Ethnic Kamba MPs have also been elected in various periods in Nairobi, Taveta and Mombasa

Kamba Political History

A history of Kamba MPs

Colonial
Kenya

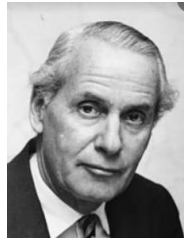
1957

James
Muimi

Akamba

Paul
Ngei

“Kapenguria Six”
in detention

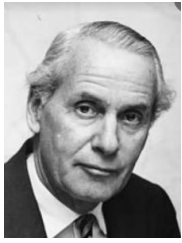


Governor
Renison

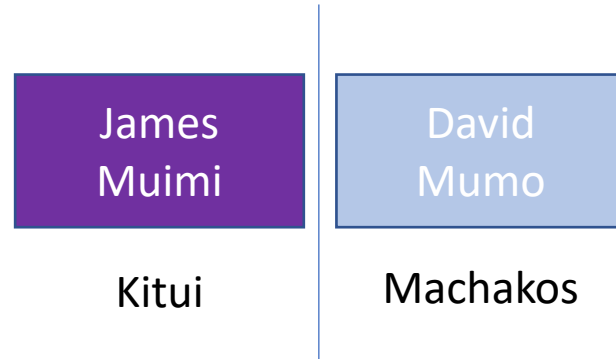
In 1957, the African constituency of “Akamba”, covering Kitui and Machakos Districts (all Kikamba speaking) is created and won by 40-year-old teacher James Muimi. Meanwhile, Kamba KAU member Paul Ngei, ex-soldier and one of the “Kapenguria six” jailed with Kenyatta for Mau Mau activity, is in prison with him in northern Kenya.

Kamba Political History

1958: LegCo Enlarged



Governor
Renison



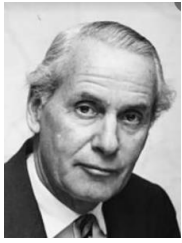
Paul
Ngei
Detention



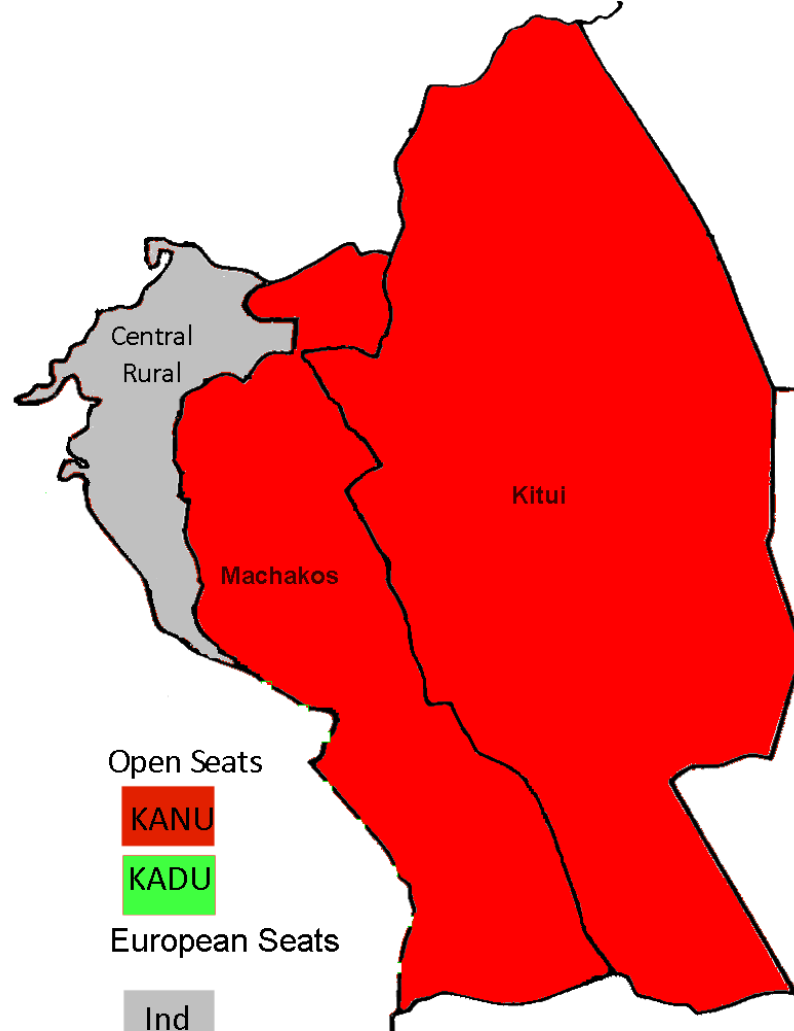
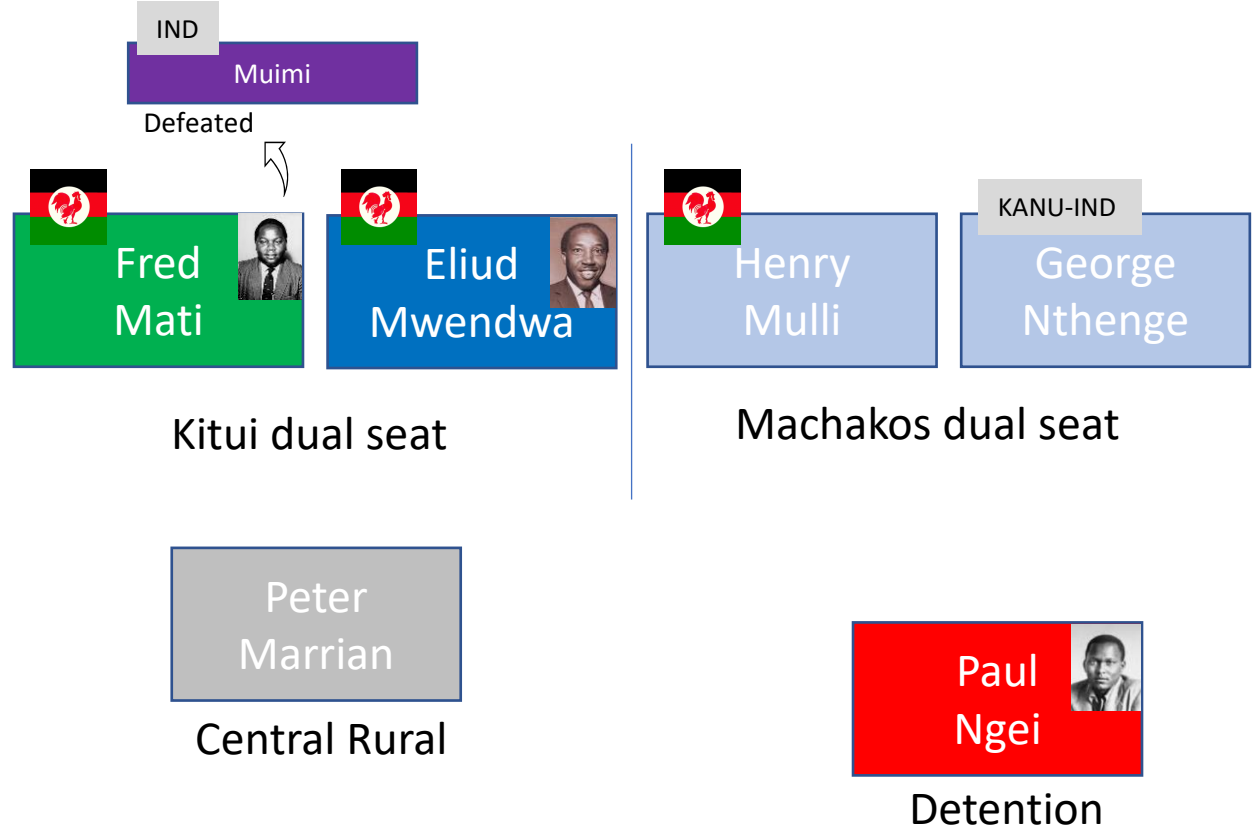
In 1958, six more constituencies are carved out for African Legislative Council members and the Akamba consistency is split into two, matching the two districts of Machakos and Kitui. 38-year-old teacher David Mumo is elected for Kitui

Kamba Political History

Feb 1961: The Kenyatta Election



Governor Ronald Renison
Ronald Ngala (KADU)



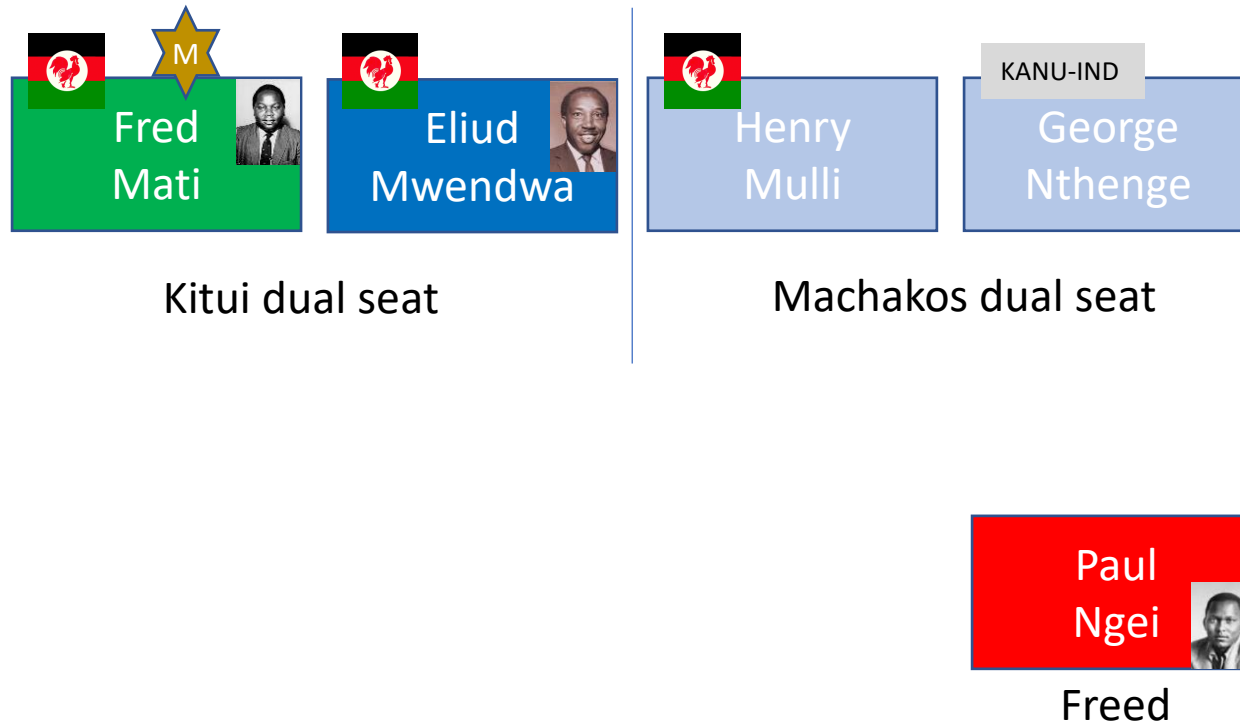
KANU decisively wins the 1961 “Kenyatta election” in Ukambani, with newcomers including 31-year-old ex-teacher Fred Mati and 38-year-old ex-teacher Eliud Mwendwa in Kitui. Parts of northern Machakos are part of the reserved Central Rural seat which is represented by white farmers leader Peter Marrian. KADU is irrelevant in Ukambani but forms a minority government.



Kamba Political History

Apr 1962: Coalition Government

Governor Ronald Ngala
Renison (KADU)



In May 1961, Ngei is freed. In April 1962, Mati becomes a minister in the KANU-KADU coalition government.



Kamba Political History

1963: For Self-Government

Thomas Malinda



Ngei (APP)

Ngala (KADU)

Governor Macdonald

Kenyatta, Odinga, Mboya (KANU)

Machakos

Specially Elected

APP **R**
Fred Mati

Kitui North

APP **M**
Eliud Mwendwa

Kitui Central

APP
Thomas Mwalwa

Kitui East

APP
Philip Mbai

Kitui South

APP
Parmenas Munyasia

Kitui Senate

Kamba elsewhere
APP
J.D. Kali
Nairobi East

APP
Paul Ngei

Machakos North

APP
David Kiamba

Machakos Central

APP
Mathew Mutiso-Muyu

Machakos West

APP
Gideon Mutiso

Yatta

APP
Simeon Kioko

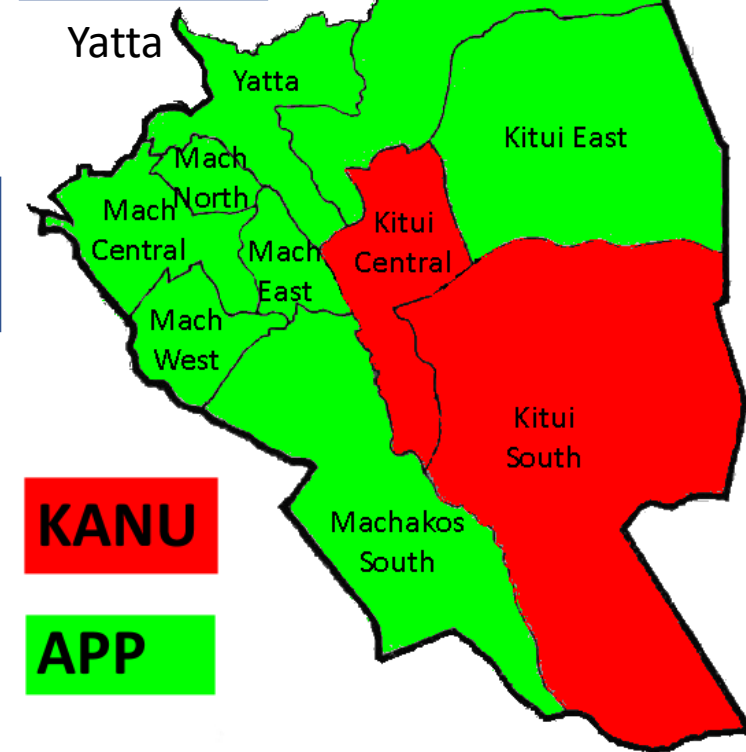
Machakos East

APP
Julius Ndile

Machakos South

APP
Joseph Nthula

Machakos Senate



Before the elections, Ngei leads a mass Kamba defection from KANU to form the African People's Party (APP). Mati resigns to join him. APP – loosely allied with KADU - wins all Machakos, but honours are split in Kitui. Limited in choices, Kenyatta selects KANU's Mwendwa as sole Kamba minister. At independence, part of south Machakos are transferred to Taita-Taveta

Kamba Political History

Sept 1963: APP joins KANU



Kenyatta, Odinga, Mboya (KANU)



Specially Elected



Ngala (KADU)

Kitui



Kitui North



Kitui Central



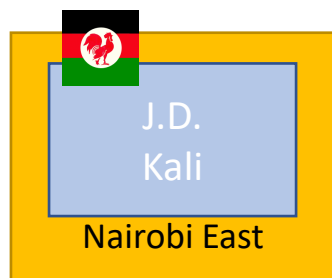
Kitui East



Kitui South



Kitui Senate



Nairobi East

Machakos



Machakos North



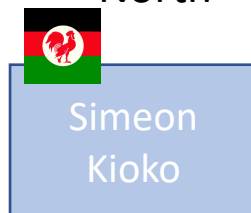
Machakos Central



Machakos West



Yatta



Machakos East



Machakos South



Machakos Senate

In September 1963, Ngei does a deal and leads the APP into KANU, giving KANU close to a 2/3 majority in both houses.

Kamba Political History

Dec 1964: Republican Constitution

Thomas Malinda

Specially Elected



One Party State
(Part 1):
1964-66

Kitui

Machakos

Fred
Mati



Kitui North

M

Eliud
Mwendwa



Kitui Central

Thomas
Mwalwa

Kitui East

Philip
Mbai

Kitui South

Parmenas
Munyasia

Kitui Senate

J.D.
Kali

Nairobi East

Paul
Ngei



Machakos
North

David
Kiamba

Machakos
Central

By-election

William
Malu

Machakos
West

Gideon
Mutiso

Yatta

Simeon
Kioko

Machakos
East

Julius
Ndile

Machakos
South

Joseph
Nthula

Machakos
Senate

Ngei's opponent and KANU branch chair William Malu is elected Machakos West MP in May 1964 after Mutiso-Muyu dies. KADU folds and join KANU. In December 1964, the Republic is established with Kenyatta as President and regionalism ends. Ngei joins Mwendwa as the second ("Machakos") Kamba minister

Kamba Political History

1966: Little General Election - KPU vs KANU




Thomas Malinda

Specially Elected



Kitui


Machakos





Fred Mati





Eliud Mwendwa



Thomas Mwalwa

Paul Ngei



David Kiamba



Asst Treasurer & Chief Whip

William Malu



Gideon Mutiso

Kitui North

Kitui Central

Kitui East

Machakos North

Machakos Central

Machakos West


Yatta



Philip Mbai



Parmenas Munyasia



KPU

Kali



Simeon Kioko



Julius Ndile



KPU

Joseph Nthula

Kitui South

Kitui Senate

Defeated

Nairobi East

Machakos East



Machakos South

Machakos Senate

The 1966 KPU rebellion follows years of growing conflict between left and right. In the 1966 'little general election', KANU forces their opponents to go back to the people after defecting to the KPU. Ngei, suspended from office for corruption, is close to joining Odinga but eventually stays silent and his ministerial seat is restored. But two allies join KPU and are re-elected, while Kali loses in Nairobi. Malu, Mboya's point man, is now Assistant National Treasurer & KANU Chief Whip

Kamba Political History

1966-68





Thomas Malinda


Specially Elected

Kitui

Machakos



Fred Mati



Kitui North




Eliud Mwendwa



Kitui Central



Parmenas Munyasia

Kitui West



Thomas Mwalwa

Kitui East



Philip Mbai

Kitui South




Paul Ngei



Kangundo



David Kiamba

Iveti North



Julius Ndile

Iveti South



Gideon Mutiso



Yatta



William Malu


Kilungu



Defects & re-elected

Simeon Kioko

Mbooni



KPU

Joseph Nthula

Makueni



Kitili Mwendwa

Chief Justice



Joseph Ndolo

Army Commander

Joseph Ndolo (Kamba) is appointed Army Commander Dec 1966. 1967 boundary redistribution following abolition of the Senate renames Machakos seats and creates one more MP seat in each district for the senator. One by-election as Kioko defects to KANU and is re-elected. Malu is purged as KANU Chief Whip for closeness to Mboya. Kitili Mwendwa (brother of Eliud) becomes Chief Justice 1968

Kamba Political History

1969 General Election



One Party State
(Part 2):
1969-82



Kitui

Fred Mati

Kitui North

James Kitonga

Kitui East

Eliud Mwendwa

Kitui Central

Philip Mbai

Kitui South

Parmenas Munyasia

Kitui West

Kali

Prison

Samuel Kivuitu

David Kioko

Parklands

Mombasa West

Machakos

Paul Ngei

Kangundo

Mathew Mutiso-Muyu

Kilungu

Aaron Mutunga

Iveti North

Simeon Kioko

Mbooni

George Nthenge

Iveti South

Nthula

Prison

Jackson Mulwa

Makueni

Gideon Mutiso

Yatta

Kitili Mwendwa

Jackson Mulinge

Joseph Ndolo

Chief Justice

Army Commander

Chief of General Staff

KPU banned, return of one-party state. Nthula detained without trial. In the 1969 elections, Ngei and Mwendwa re-elected and reappointed as Kitui and Machakos ministers. Samuel Kivuitu (from Machakos) is elected in Nairobi. Jackson Mulinge appointed Army Commander and Ndolo promoted to Chief of General Staff.

Kamba Political History

1970-71 By-Elections



One Party State
(Part 2):
1969-82



Kitui

Mati

Elected speaker



Eliud Mwendwa



Parmenas Munyasia

Kitui North

Kitui Central

Kitui West

James Kitonga

Kitui East

Philip Mbai

Kitui South

Machakos

Mutiso

Prison



Paul Ngei



Aaron Mutunga

Iveti North

George Nthenge

Iveti South

Simon Kiilu

Yatta

Mathew Mutiso-Muyu

Kilungu

Simeon Kioko

Mbooni

Jackson Mulwa

Makueni

K. Mwendwa

Resigned

Ndolo

Retired

Samuel Kivuitu



Parklands

David Kioko

Mombasa West

Fred Mati



Speaker of NA

James Wicks (GB)

Chief Justice

Jackson Mulinge



Army Commander

Vacant 7 years

Chief of General Staff

Mati is elected Speaker of the National Assembly in 1970. In 1971, Yatta MP Gideon Mutiso is jailed 9 years for participation in the abortive coup plot. Ndolo (implicated) retires and Justice Mwendwa is forced to resign

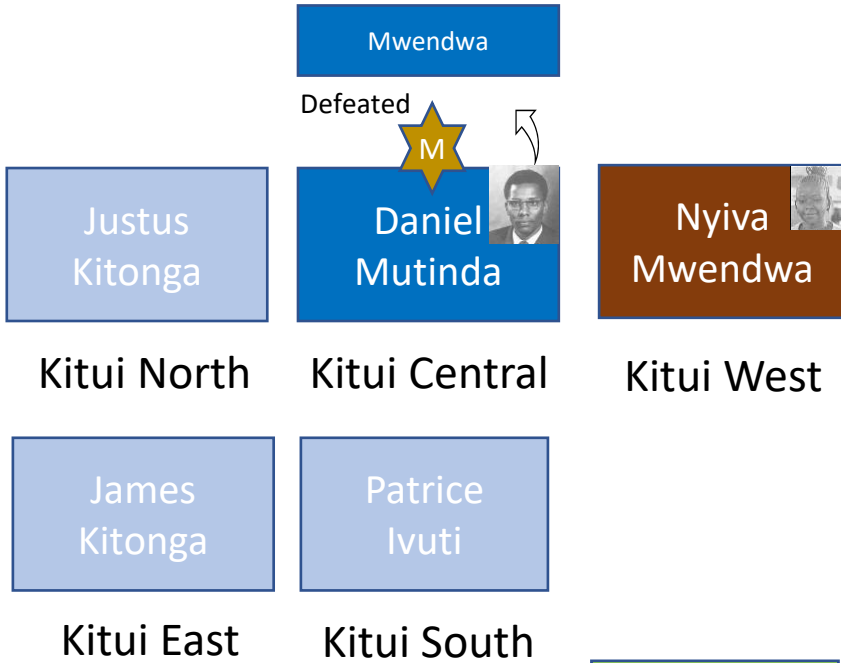
Kamba Political History

1974 General Election

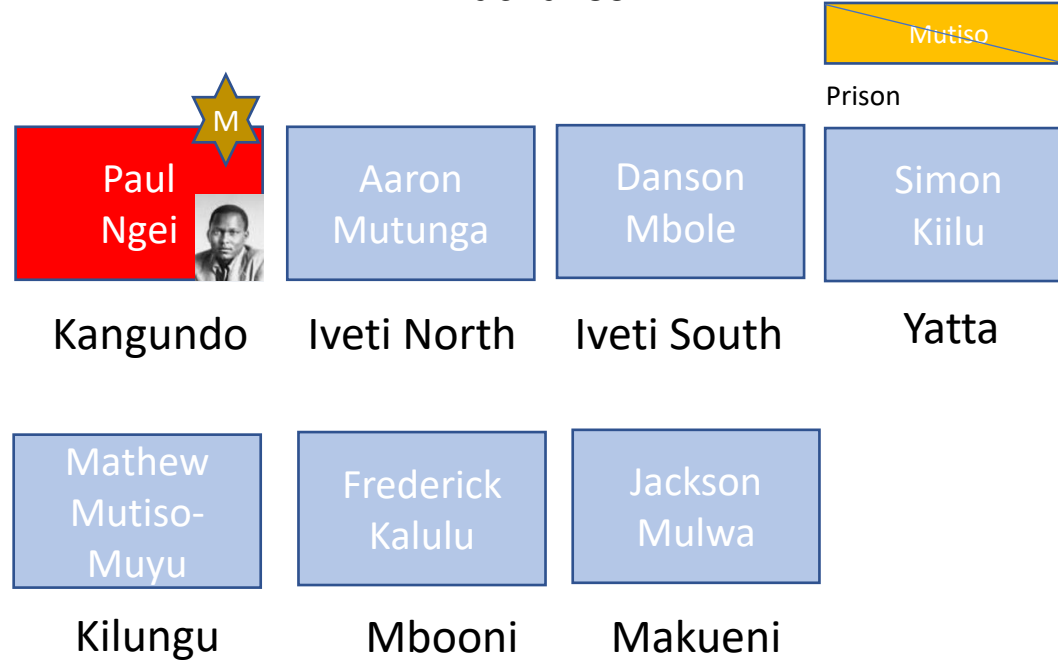


One Party State
(Part 2):
1969-82

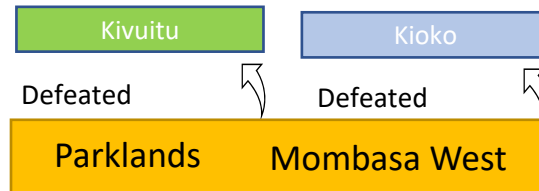
Kitui



Machakos



Prison



Nominated MP
(New Akamba Union)



Ngei is re-elected unopposed, partly by force. Mwenda defeated and his successor Daniel Mutinda is appointed Kitui minister. Nyiva Mwenda, wife of Kitili and Ukambani's first female MP, elected as MP. New Akamba Union Chair Mulu Mutisya is nominated to Parliament



Kamba Political History

1975-6: Slipping is not falling



One Party State
(Part 2):
1969-82

Kitui

Justus Kitonga

Kitui North

James Kitonga

Kitui East

M
Daniel Mutinda

Kitui Central

Patrice Ivuti

Kitui South

Nyiva Mwendwa

Kitui West

Machakos

Nullified, barred,
pardoned, re-elected

M
Paul Ngei

Kangundo

Mathew Mutiso-Muyu

Kilungu

Aaron Mutunga

Iveti North

Kalulu
Nullified & Barred
Joseph Munyao

Mbooni

Danson Mbole

Iveti South

Jackson Mulwa

Makueni

Kiilu

Nullified & Barred

J.D. Kali

Yatta

Mulu Mutisya

Nominated MP

Fred Mati
Speaker of NA

Jackson Mulinge
Army Commander

Ngei's election is nullified, barred. Constitution is changed on Kenyatta's orders to allow him to be pardoned. Re-elected in same seat, reappointed as minister. Two other MPs also nullified and barred and replaced in by-elections. Newcomers include 36-year-old Joseph Munyao in Mbooni and JD Kali returns.

Kamba Political History

1979 General Election



Kitui



Kitui North



Kitui Central



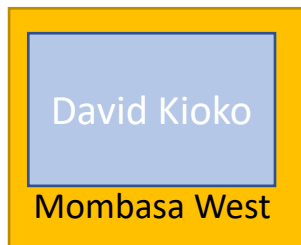
Kitui West



Kitui East



Kitui South



David Kioko
Mombasa West

Machakos



Kangundo



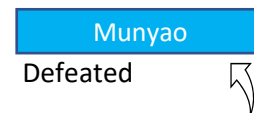
Iveti North



Iveti South



Yatta



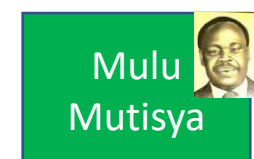
Kilungu



Mbooni



Makueni



Nominated MP



Speaker of NA Army Commander Chief of General Staff

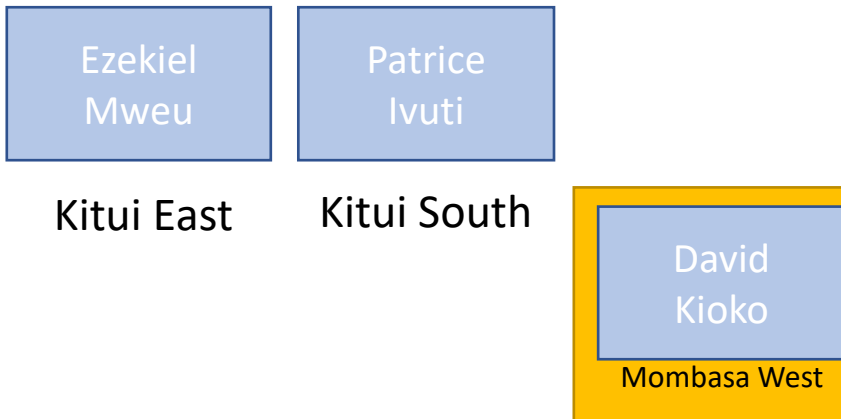
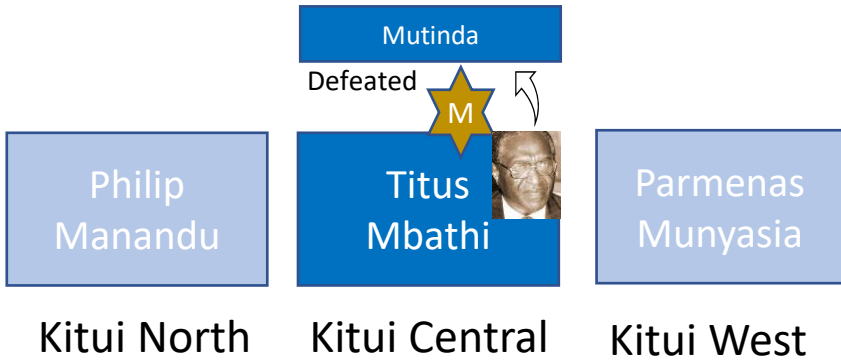
Moi's new broom sweeps away most MPs but both ministers survive and reappointed. Kamba David Kioka elected in Mombasa. Mulinge appointed Chief of General Staff and JK Nzioka Army Commander in 1978, but Nzioka dies soon after.



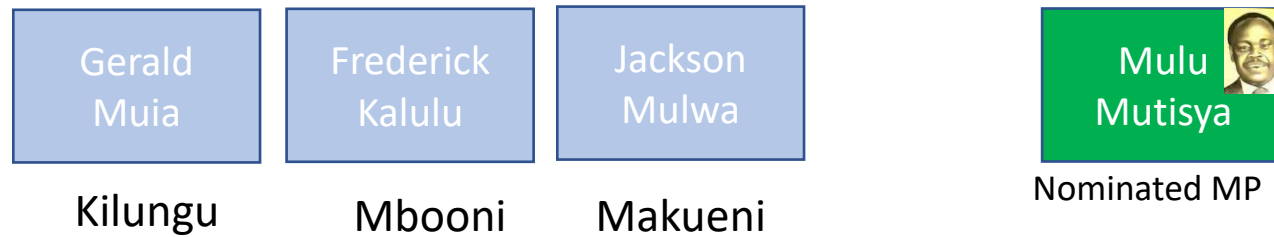
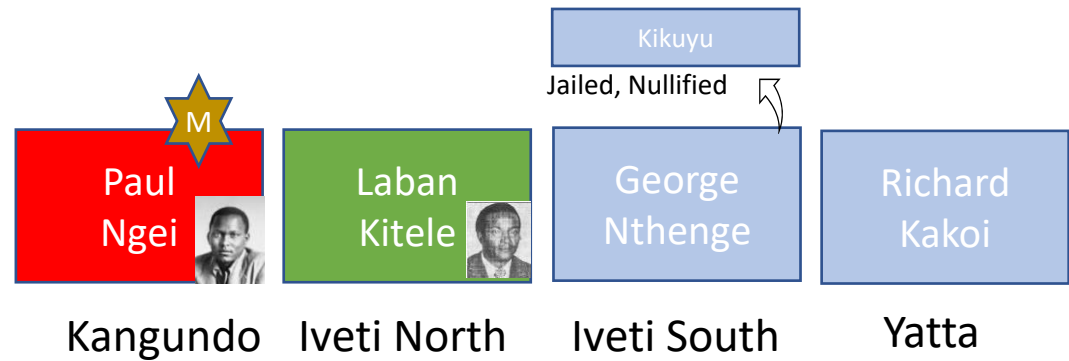
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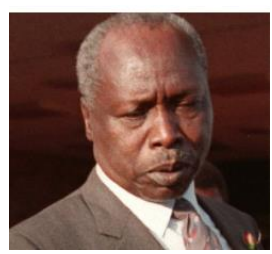
Kitui



Machakos



1980 Mutinda's election is nullified in an election petition. Titus Mbathi succeeds him and is also appointed a minister. JM Kikuyu jailed for commenting that Kibaki would one day become President



Kamba Political History

1983: Snap General Election



One Party State
(Part 3): De Jure
1982-91

Kitui

Mbathi

Defeated



Philip
Manandu

Kitui North

John
Mutinda

Kitui Central

Parmenas
Munyasia

Kitui West

Ezekiel
Mweu

Kitui East

Patrice
Ivuti

Kitui South

Samuel
Kivuitu

Parklands

Norman
Lukindo

Taveta

Kennedy
Kiliku

Mombasa West

Machakos

Paul
Ngei

Kangundo

Laban
Kitele

Iveti North

Jonesmus
Kikuyu

Iveti South

Gideon
Mutiso

Yatta

Gerald
Muia

Kilungu

Joseph
Munyao

Mbooni

Paul
Sumbi

Makueni

Mulu
Mutisya

Nominated MP

David
Musila

PC Central

Mathew
Muli

Attorney-General

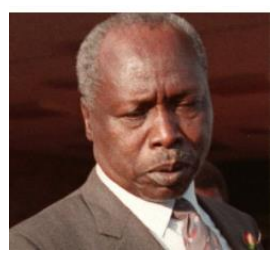
Fred
Mati

Speaker

Jackson
Mulinge

COGS

Mbathi is defeated (due to his Njonjo links) by Mutinda's brother John. Ngei is now only Kamba minister. Kitui in the cold. Gideon Munyao, freed from prison, returns to parliament. Mathew Muli (from Machakos) appointed Attorney General just before election



Kamba Political History

1984: By-Election



One Party State
(Part 3): De Jure
1982-91

Kitui

Munyasia
Nullified & barred

Philip Manandu
Kitui North

John Mutinda
Kitui Central

Kitili Mwendwa
Kitui West

Ezekiel Mweu
Kitui East

Patrice Ivuti
Kitui South

Samuel Kivuitu
Parklands

Norman Lukindo
Taveta

Kennedy Kiliku
Mombasa West

Machakos

Paul Ngei
Kangundo

Laban Kitele
Iveti North

Jonesmus Kikuyu
Iveti South

Gideon Mutiso
Yatta

Gerald Muia
Kilungu

Joseph Munyao
Mbooni

Paul Sumbi
Makueni

Mulu Mutisya
Nominated MP

David Musila
PC Central

Mathew Muli
Attorney-General

Fred Mati
Speaker

Jackson Mulinge
COGS

Kitui West MP's election nullified and ex-chief Justice Kitili Mwendwa returns



Kamba Political History

1985: By-Elections



One Party State
(Part 3): De Jure
1982-91

Kitui

Manandu

Murdered

Kalonzo
Musyoka

Kitui North

Ezekiel
Mweu

Kitui East

John
Mutinda

Kitui Central

Patrice
Ivuti

Kitui South

Mwendwa

Car crash

Kyale
Mwendwa

Kitui West

Samuel
Kivuitu

Parklands

Norman
Lukindo

Taveta

Kennedy
Kiliku

Mombasa West

Machakos

Paul
Ngei

Kangundo

Gerald
Muia

Kilungu

Laban
Kitele

Iveti North

Joseph
Munyao

Mbooni

Jonesmus
Kikuyu

Iveti South

Paul
Sumbi

Makueni

Gideon
Mutiso

Yatta

Mulu
Mutisya

Nominated MP

David
Musila

Mathew
Muli

Fred
Mati

Jackson
Mulinge

PC Central Attorney-General Speaker COGS

Kitili killed in car crash, replaced by his brother Kyale, appointed a minister. Kitui North MP murdered and replaced by young lawyer Kalonzo Musyoka, protégé of Mulu Mutisya. 1987 Laban Kitele appointed Minister alongside Ngei

Kamba Political History

1988 (Public Queue Voting)



One Party State
(Part 3): De Jure
1982-91



Kitui

Machakos

NOS

Kalonzo Musyoka

Kitui North

George Ndoto

Kitui Central

Kyale Mwendwa

Kitui West

Simon Kiilu

Masinga

Gideon Mutiso

Yatta

Paul Ngei

Mulinge Stands & loses

Kangundo

Gervaise Maingi

Kilome

Johnstone Makau

Mbooni

Ezekiel Mweu

Mutito

Philip Mbai

Mutomo

Laban Kitele

Kathiani

John Kyalo

Machakos Tn

Gideon Wambua

Mwala

Stephen Kyonda

Makueni

Agnes Ndeti

Kibwezi

Kivuitu

Defeated

Parklands

Kennedy Kiliku

Taveta

Changamwe

Mulu Mutisya

Nominated MP

Mathew Muli

Retires

Attorney-General

Mati

Retires & enters Pol

Speaker of NA

Mulinge

Chief of General Staff

Boundary redistribution gives three more seats, all to Machakos. Ngei beats retired general Mulinge, Kyale Mwendwa elected but dropped, replaced as Kitui minister by newcomer George Ndoto while Ngei somehow endures in Machakos, alongside Kitele. Mati retires. Musyoka elected Deputy Speaker and KANU National Organising Secretary.

Kamba Political History

1989-90: reshuffles



One Party State
(Part 3): De Jure
1982-91

Kitui

NOS

 Kalonzo Musyoka	 George Ndoto	 Kyale Mwendwa
Kitui North	Kitui Central	Kitui West

Ezekiel Mweu	Philip Mbai
Mutito	Mutomo

Kennedy Kiliku
Changamwe

Machakos

Simon Kiilu	Gideon Mutiso	 Paul Ngei	Gervaise Maingi	 Johnstone Makau
Masinga	Yatta	Kangundo	Kilome	Mbooni
 Laban Kitele	 John Kyalo	Gideon Wambua	Stephen Kyonda	Agnes Ndeti
Kathiani	Machakos Tn	Mwala	Makueni	Kibwezi

Mulu Mutisya
Nominated MP

Mathew Muli
Attorney-General

Kitele fired 1989. Makau appointed third Kamba minister then also sacked 1990, replaced by John Kyalo.

Kamba Political History

1990-91: Ngei declared Bankrupt



One Party State
(Part 3): De Jure
1982-91



Kitui

NOS

Kalonzo Musyoka

Kitui North

Ezekiel Mweu

Mutito

George Ndotto

Kitui Central

Philip Mbai

Mutomo

Kyale Mwendwa

Kitui West

Kennedy Kiliku

Changamwe

Simon Kiilu

Masinga

Laban Kitele

Kathiani

Gideon Mutiso

Yatta

John Kyalo

Machakos Tn

Mulu Mutisya

Nominated MP

Ngei

Loses Seat

Joseph Ngutu

Kangundo

Gideon Wambua

Mwala

Gervaise Maingi

Kilome

Stephen Kyonda

Makueni

Johnstone Makau

Mbooni

Agnes Ndeti

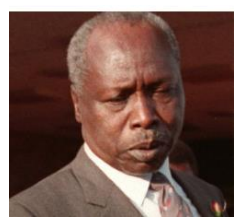
Kibwezi

Muli

Sacked

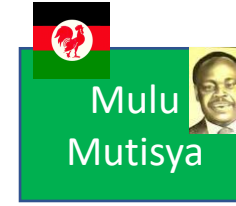
Attorney-General

1991, Ngei finally declared bankrupt. Replacement Joseph Ngutu also made minister. Muli sacked mid-91 as multi-party impetus grows



Kamba Political History

Late 1992: Multi-Partyism



Nominated MP



Kitui

NOS

Kalonzo Musyoka

Kitui North

George Ndoto

Kitui Central

Mwendwa

Vacant

Kitui West

Ezekiel Mweu

Mutito

Philip Mbai

Mutomo

Kennedy Kiliku

Changamwe

Machakos

Simon Kiilu

Masinga

Gideon Mutiso

Yatta

Laban Kitele

Kathiani

Joseph Ngutu

Kangundo

John Kyalo

Machakos Tn

Gideon Wambua

Mwala

Makueni

Gervaise Maingi

Kilome

Defected, returned

Johnstone Makau

Mbooni

Stephen Kyonda

Makueni

Agnes Ndeti

Kibwezi

Peter Kiilu

PC Nyanza

Queue voting is abolished 1991. Multi-party democracy returns Dec 1991. Makueni district created. As FORD and the DP emerge, a few MPs defect, the first group including Mwendwa losing their seats. But the Kamba remain a swing community. Many of the 'class of 88' remain loyal

Kamba Political History

December 1992: Multi-party General Elections



Kitui

NOS **M**

Kalonzo Musyoka

Kitui North

Ndotto

Defeated

Charity Ngilu

Kitui Central

Nyiva Mwendwa

Kitui West

Mutinda Ndambuki

Mutito

Isaac Muoki

Mutomo

FORD-A

George Nthenge

Kamukunji

Kennedy Kiliku

Changamwe

Machakos

Ronald Kiluta

Masinga

Gideon Mutiso

Yatta

Kitele

Defeated

Jackson Mulinge

Kathiani

Joseph Mulusya

Kangundo

M

John Kyalo

Machakos Tn

Peter Kavisi

Mwala

Makueni

Tony Ndilinge

Kilome

Johnstone Makau

Mbooni

Peter Maundu

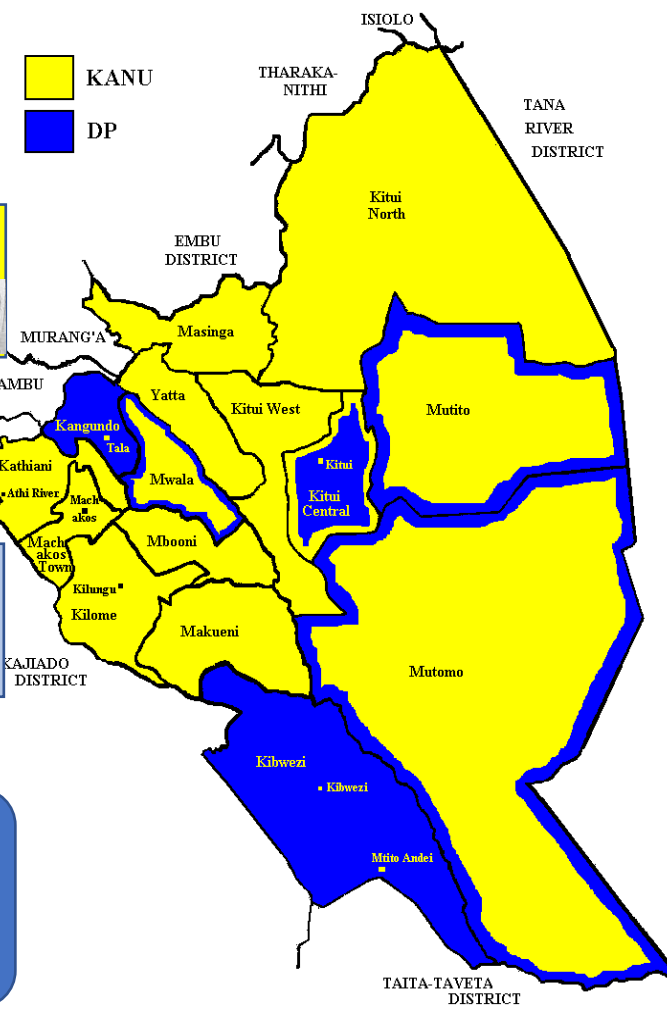
Makueni

Agnes Ndeti

Kibwezi

Peter Kiilu

PC Nyanza



Dec 1992 elections KANU wins most seats, but many changes of members. Three KANU ministers ousted. Moi dominates in presidency but Kibaki wins five seats. In parliament, DP wins only three, some rigging against them. FORD-Asili and FORD-Kenya are invisible. Newcomers include Charity Ngilu in Kitui. Uniquely, Moi appoints four ministers from the region, including Musyoka and Mulinge. Mulu Mutisya retires.



Kamba Political History

1995-6: By-elections and defections



Kitui

NOS

Kalonzo Musyoka
Kitui North

Charity Ngilu
Kitui Central

Nyiva Mwendwa
Kitui West

Mutinda Ndambuki
Mutito

Isaac Muoki
Mutomo

nullified & reelected

FORD-A

George Nthenge
Kamukunji

Kennedy Kiliku
Changamwe

Machakos

Ronald Kiluta
Masinga

Gideon Mutiso
Yatta

Jackson Mulinge
Kathiani

Joseph Mulusya
Kangundo

Kyalo

Alphonse Musyoki
Machakos Tn

Peter Kavisi
Mwala

Died

Makueni

Tony Ndilinge
Kilome

Johnstone Makau
Mbooni

Peter Maundu
Makueni

Agnes Ndeti
Kibwezi

Defected & reelected

Peter Kiilu
PC Western

Kyalo dies 1995, replace as Minister by Nyiva Mwendwa, Ukambani's first ever female minister.

Kamba Political History

Dec 1997 General Election



Nthenge	Kiliku
Defeated	Defeated
Kamukunji	Changamwe



Mwingi

NOS

Kalonzo Musyoka

Mwingi N

David Musila

Mwingi S

Machakos

Ronald Kiluta

Masinga

Francis Wambua

Yatta

Makueni

Tony Ndilinge

Kilome

Defeated

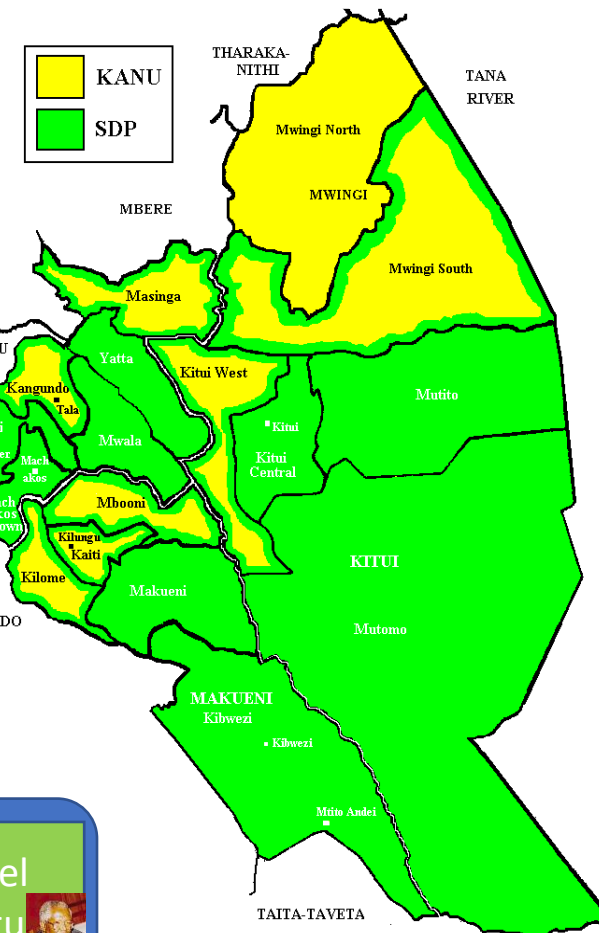
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Mbooni

Makueni

Gideon Ndambuki

Kaiti



Kitui

Charity Ngilu

Kitui Central

Mwendwa

Francis Nyenze

Kitui West

James Kitonga

Mutito

Samuel Kiminza

Kitui South

Machakos Tn

Defeated

Peter Kaindi

Kathiani

Joseph Ngutu

Kangundo

John Katuku

Mwala

Makueni

Paul Sumbi

Makueni

Onesmus Mboko

Kibwezi

Peter Kiilu **Samuel Kivuitu**

PC Western ECK Head

Joseph Munyao

DP nominee




Boundary redistribution adds one seat to Makueni and one to Kitui. Mwingi district created. Kivuitu appointed Electoral Commission Chair. Ngilu si first serious Kamba presidential candidate. Moi beats divided opposition again but no majority in parliament. Ngilu and SDP (the "clock") dominate Ukambani in presidency and parliament and evidence of pro-KANU rigging in several MPs seats. Again 4 KANU Kamba ministers (one per district). David Musila (Ex-PC) joins Kalonzo in Mwingi

Kamba Political History

1999-2001: By-elections-death and defection





Mwingi

NOS   

Kalonzo Musyoka



Mwingi N

David Musila




Mwingi S

Kitui



Charity Ngilu

Kitui Central



Francis Nyanze

Kitui West

James Kitonga



Mutito

Samuel Kiminza



Kitui South

Machakos



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Masinga




Francis Wambua

Yatta



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Kathiani



Joseph Ngutu

Kangundo

Jonesmus Kikuyu



Machakos Tn

John Katuku



Mwala

Makueni




John Mutiso

Kilome



Frederick Kalulu

Mbooni



Gideon Ndambuki

Kaiti



Peter Maundu

Makueni



Onesmus Mboko

Kibwezi

Joseph Munyao

DP nominee

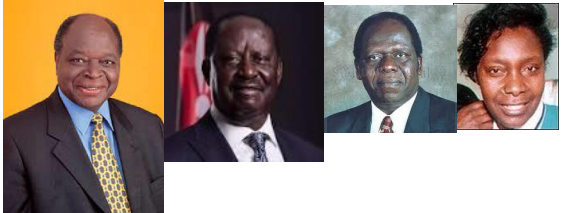
Peter Kiilu **Samuel Kivuitu**

PC Western ECK Head

KANU strengthens in alliance with Raila Odinga's NDP. KANU wins two by-elections after deaths and defections

Kamba Political History

2002: Moi's Retirement, Kibaki Elected



Mwingi

Mwingi N
Kalonzo Musyoka

Mwingi S
David Musila

Kitui

Kitui Central
Charity Ngilu

Kitui West
Nyenze
Defeated
Nyiva Mwendwa

Mutito
Kiema Kilonzo

Kitui South
Patrice Ivuti

Machakos

Masinga
Benson Mbai

Yatta
James Mutiso

Kathiani
Peter Kaindi

Kangundo
Sisi
Moffat Maitha

Machakos Tn
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Mwala
John Katuku

Makueni

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Mbooni
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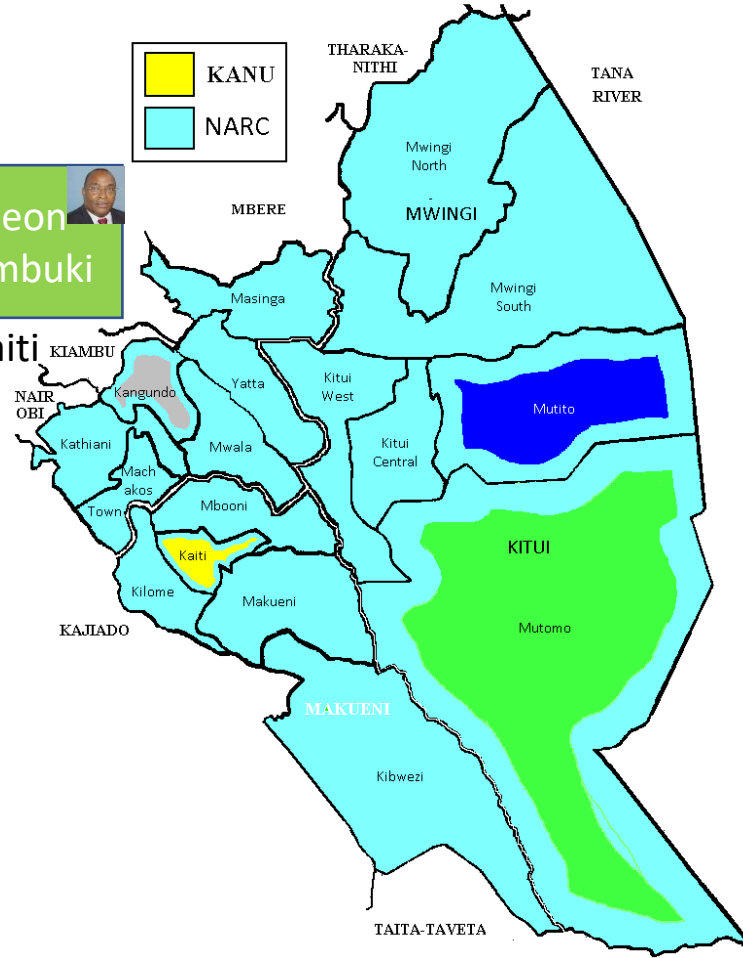
Makueni
Kivutha Kibwana

Kibwezi
Kalembe Ndile

Makueni
Gideon Ndambuki

PC Western
Peter Kiilu

ECK Head
Samuel Kivuitu



NARC is formed and most local politicians join up including Kalonzo. Kibaki, backed locally by both Ngilu and Kalonzo, defeats Uhuru Kenyatta. NARC wins Ukambani overwhelmingly, with only one KANU MP surviving. Musyoka and Ngilu both made ministers in Kibaki's 'slimline' cabinet.



Kamba Political History

2003: One by-election, new minister



Mwingi

Kalonzo Musyoka

Mwingi N

David Musila

Mwingi S

Machakos

Benson Mbai

Masinga

Charles Kilonzo

Yatta

Makueni

John Mutiso

Kilome

Joseph Munyao

Mbooni

Gideon Ndambuki

Kaiti

Kitui

Charity Ngilu

Kitui Central

Nyiva Mwendwa

Kitui West

Kiema Kilonzo

Mutito

Patrice Ivuti

Kitui South

Peter Kaindi

Kathiani

Moffat Maitha

Kangundo

Frederick Daudi

Machakos Tn

John Katuku

Mwala

Kivutha Kibwana

Makueni

Kalembe Ndile

Kibwezi

Samuel Kivuitu
ECK Head

NARC government starts well but soon enters choppy political waters. 2003 Munyao appointed minister



Kamba Political History

Nov-Dec 2005: Govt Reconstruction



Mwingi

Kalonzo Musyoka

Mwingi N

David Musila

Mwingi S

Machakos

Benson Mbai

Masinga

Charles Kilonzo

Yatta

Makueni

John Mutiso

Kilome

Joseph Munyao

Mbooni

Gideon Ndambuki

Kaiti

Kitui

Charity Ngilu

Kitui Central

Nyiva Mwendwa

Kitui West

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Mutito

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Moffat Maitha

Kangundo

Kivutha Kibwana

Makueni

Kalembe Ndile

Kibwezi

Frederick Daudi

Machakos Tn

John Katuku

Mwala

Samuel Kivuitu
ECK Head

Wako referendum rejected nationwide and in Ukambani, which votes no ("Orange") in every constituency. Collapse of first Kibaki government. Musyoka amongst many orange leaders dropped as minister. Katuku (Ngilu ally) and Kibwana replace him. Ngilu remains in government until late 2007

Kamba Political History

2007: General Election and Subsequent Chaos



Def as Pres

Mwingi



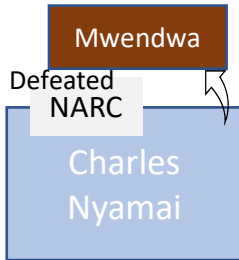
Kalonzo Musyoka

Mwingi N



David Musila

Mwingi S



Mwendwa

Charles Nyamai

Kitui West



Julius Kilonzo

Mutito



NARC

Charity Ngilu

Kitui Central



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Kitui South

Machakos



Benson Mbai

Masinga



Wavinya Ndeti

Kathiani



Victor Munyaka

Machakos Tn



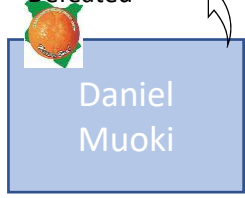
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Yatta



Johnstone Muthama

Kangundo



Daniel Muoki

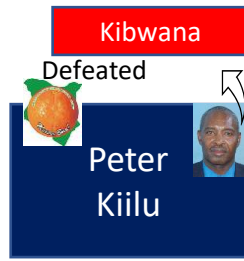
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Makueni



Mutula Kilonzo

Mbooni



Kibwana

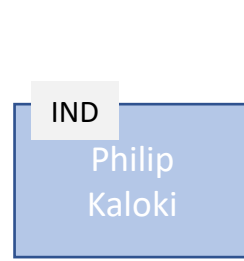
Peter Kiilu

Makueni



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Kaiti



Philip Kaloki

Kibwezi



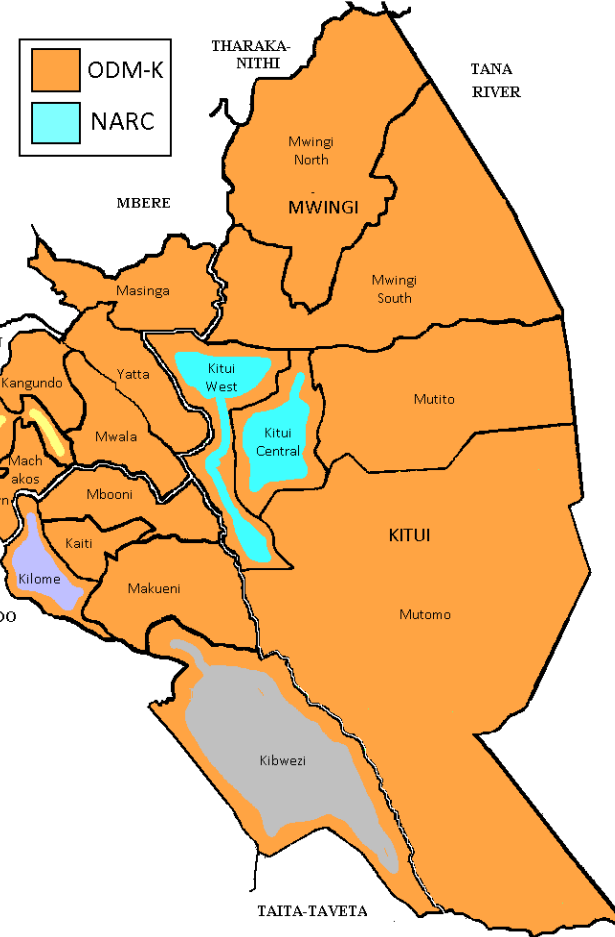
Samuel Kivuitu

ECK Head



Harun Mwau

Kilome



After an acrimonious split with Odinga, Musyoka goes it alone and in the December 2007 elections, he and his ODM-Kenya party wins every seat in Ukambani in the presidency and most parliamentary seats, but not much more. Newcomers include Wavinya Ndeti in Kathiani, Moi's old lawyer Mutula Kilonzo in Mbooni, wealthy gemstones dealer Johnstone Muthama in Kangundo and ex-PC Peter Kiilu in Makueni. Pro-Kibaki ministers Katuku, Kibwana defeated. Ngilu wins as NARC. Kenya burns. Musyoka joins Kibaki in a first brief coalition as his VP.

Kamba Political History

2008: Grand Coalition



Mwingi

VP

Kalonzo Musyoka

David Musila

Mwingi N

Mwingi S

Kitui

NARC

Charles Nyamai

NARC

M

Charity Ngilu

Kitui West

Kitui C

Julius Kilonzo

Isaac Muoki

Mutito

Kitui South

Machakos

Benson Mbai

Charles Kilonzo

Masinga

Yatta

CCU

Wavinya Ndeti

Johnstone Muthama

Kathiani

Kangundo

Victor Munyaka

Daniel Muoki

Machakos Tn

Mwala

Makueni

M

Mutula Kilonzo

Gideon Ndambuki

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Harun Mwau

Mbooni

Kaiti

Kilome

Peter Kiilu

IND

Philip Kaloki

Makueni

Kibwezi

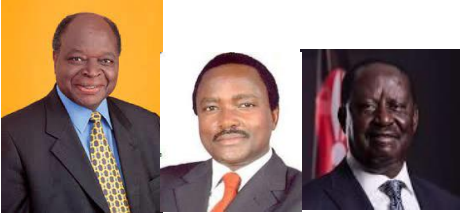
Samuel Kivuitu

ECK Head




Mutula Kilonzo (ODM-Kenya) and Ngilu (NARC) appointed ministers in the Kibaki-Odinga grand coalition alongside VP Musyoka

Kamba Political History



2011: ODM-K rebrands to Wiper Democratic Movement



Mwingi

Kalonzo Musyoka








David Musila



Mwingi N

Mwingi S

Kitui



Charles Nyamai



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Kitui C

Julius Kilonzo






Isaac Muoki



Mutito

Kitui South

Machakos




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Charles Kilonzo

Masinga

Yatta


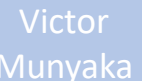
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Daniel Muoki



Machakos Tn

Mwala



Makueni

Mutula Kilonzo

Gideon Ndambuki






Harun Mwau



Mbooni

Kaiti

Kilome

Peter Kiilu

Philip Kaloki

Makueni

Kibwezi

Kivuitu

ECK Abolished ↶

ECK Head

ODM-Kenya rebrands to Wiper Democratic Movement. The Electoral Commission is abolished and Kivuitu retires. 2012 Nyamai d



Charity Ngilu
Cabinet Sec

Kamba Political History

2013: New Constitution - Kitui

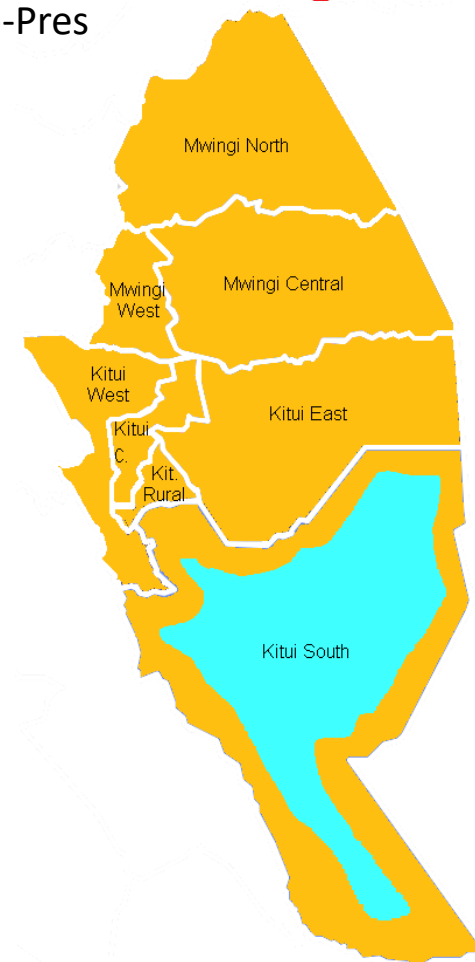
DP
Kalonzo Musyoka



Def Dep-Pres

Kitui

 Munuve Mate Mwingi Nth	 Joe Mutambu Mwingi C	 Bernard Kitungi Mwingi West	 Marcus Muluve Kitui East	NARC Rachel Nyamai Kitui South	 Francis Nyenze Kitui West
 Benson Makali Kitui Central	 Charles Nyamai Kitui Rural	 Julius Malombe Governor	 David Musila Senator	Ngilu Nyiva Mwendwa Women's Rep	



TNA
Mike Sonko
Nairobi Senator

TNA
Mutava Musyimi
Mbeere South

All Kamba elsewhere

New constitution, new boundaries, bicameral parliament, Governors. Two new seats for a reunited Kitui. Ministers (Cab Secs) no longer elected MPs. TNA and URP in alliance win the election. Musyoka allies with Raila as his Deputy President but loses and is out of office entirely. Kitui votes overwhelmingly for Odinga, Kalonzo and Wiper. Newcomer Malombe takes the governorship, Musila moves to the senate (beating Ngilu) and Nyiva Mwendwa becomes the first women's rep. But Ngilu's deal with Uhuru and Ruto is delivered and she gets a cabinet position. Mike Sonko, whose family is from Ukambani (though he was born in Mombasa) becomes Nairobi senator

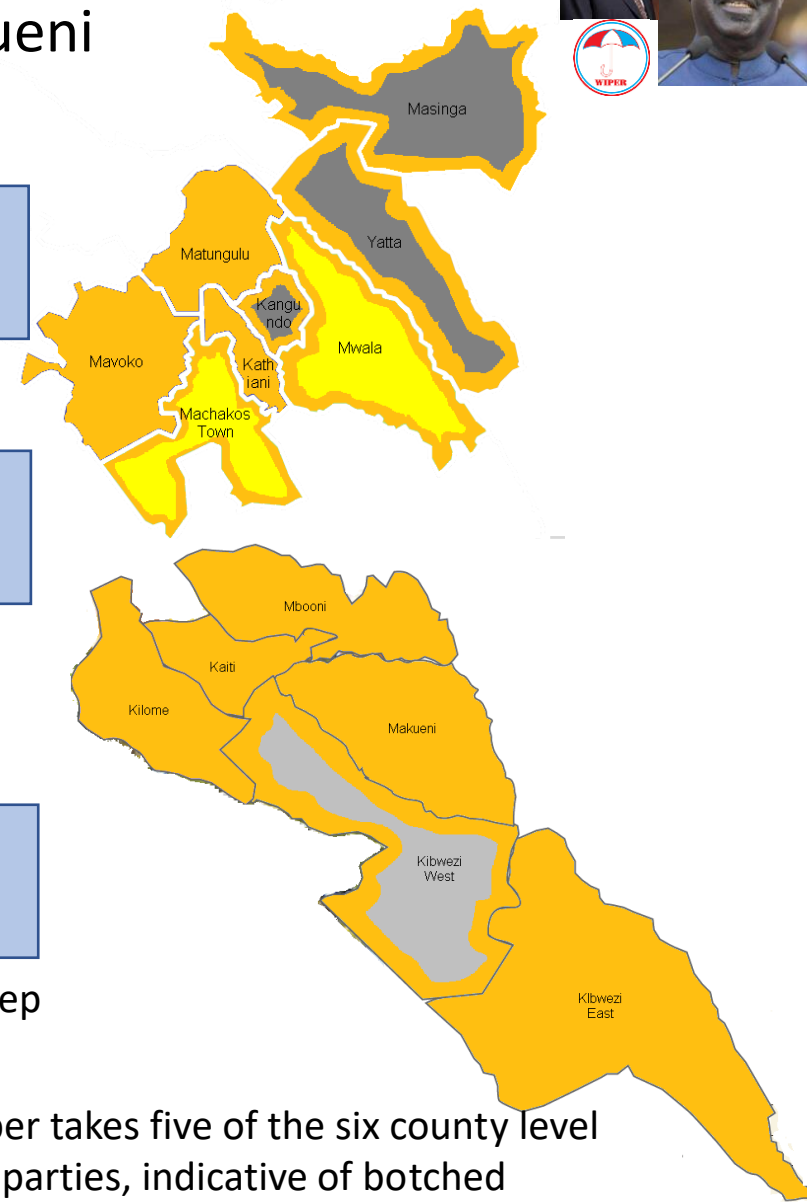
Kamba Political History

2013: New Constitution - Machakos & Makueni



Machakos

Makueni



FORD-P

Muungano



TIP

Benson Mbai

Charles Kilonzo

Stephen Mule

Kyengo Maweu



Michael Kisoi

Richard Makenga

Regina Muia

Masinga

Yatta

Matungulu

Kangundo

Mbooni

Kaiti

Kilome



Robert Mbui

Patrick King'ola

Victor Munyaka

Vincent Musau

Dan Maanzo

Patrick Musimba

Jessica Mbalu

Kathiani

Mavoko

Machakos Tn

Mwala

Makueni

Kibwezi W

Kibwezi E



Ndeti

Alfred Mutua



Johnstone Muthama



Susan Musyoka

Governor

Senator

Women's Rep

Muungano

Kivutha Kibwana

Governor



Mutula Kilonzo

Senator

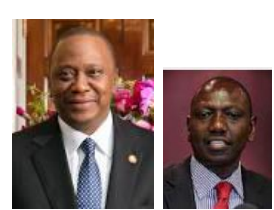


Rose Museo

Women's Rep

Ndambuki Lost primaries

Like Kitui, Machakos and Makueni vote Odinga, Kalonzo and Wiper. Odinga wins every seat and Wiper takes five of the six county level positions (Kivutha Kibwana being the exception, on a personal vote), but six MP seats go to smaller parties, indicative of botched primaries. Newcomer Alfred Mutua becomes Machakos Governor and Muthama the Senator, as does Mutula Kilonzo in Makueni.



Charity Ngilu
Cabinet Sec

Kamba Political History

2013: By-elections

Mike Sonko
Nairobi Senator

Mutavu Musyimi
Mbeere South

Kitui

Munuve Mate

Joe Mutambu

Bernard Kitungi

Mwingi N

Mwingi C

Mwingi W

Francis Nyenze

Charles Nyamai

Benson Makali

Kitui West

Kitui R

Kitui C

Marcus Muluve

Rachel Nyamai

Kitui East

Kitui South

Julius Malombe

David Musila

Nyiva Mwendwa

Governor Senator Women's Rep

Machakos

FORD-P

Muungano

TIP

Benson Mbai

Charles Kilonzo

Kyengo Maweu

Masinga

Yatta

Kangundo

Stephen Mule

Robert Mbui

Patrick King'ola

Matungulu

Kathiani

Mavoko

CCU

CCU

Victor Munyaka

Vincent Musau

Machakos Tn

Mwala

Alfred Mutua

Johnstone Muthama

Susan Musyoka

Governor Senator Women's Rep

Makueni

Michael Kisoi

Richard Makenga

Regina Muia

Mbooni

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Makueni

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Muungano

Kilonzo

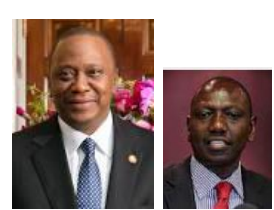
Kivutha Kibwana

Mutula Kilonzo Jr

Rose Museo

Governor Senator Women's Rep

Kilonzo died, replaced by his son (also Wiper) in a by-election. Wiper wins two more by-elections after results nullified by courts



Cleophas Mailu Cab Sec 2015-18

Kamba Political History

2015: new CS

TNA Mike Sonko Nairobi Senator
TNA Mutavu Musyimi Mbeere South



Kitui

Munuve Mate
 Joe Mutambu
 Bernard Kitungi

Mwingi N Mwingi C Mwingi W
 Francis Nyenze
 Charles Nyamai
 Benson Makali

Kitui West Kitui R Kitui C
 Marcus Muluve
 Rachel Nyamai

Kitui East Kitui South
 Julius Malombe
 David Musila
 Nyiva Mwendwa

Governor Senator Women's Rep

Machakos

FORD-P Muungano TIP
 Benson Mbai
 Charles Kilonzo
 Kyengo Maweu

Masinga Yatta Kangundo
 Stephen Mule
 Robert Mbui
 Patrick King'ola

Matungulu Kathiani Mavoko
 Victor Munyaka
 Vincent Musau

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 Susan Musyoka

Governor Senator Women's Rep

Makueni

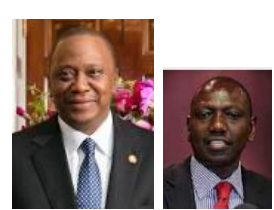
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 Richard Makenga
 Regina Muia

Mbooni Kaiti Kilome
 Dan Maanzo
 Patrick Musimba
 Jessica Mbalu

Makueni Kibwezi W Kibwezi E
 Kivutha Kibwana
 Mutula Kilonzo Jnr
 Rose Museo

Governor Senator Women's Rep

Ngilu sacked for corruption. Cleophas Mailu, from Makueni, replaces her as Cabinet Secretary. Mutua forms own party MCC and abandons Kalonzo



Monica Juma
Cab Sec
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Kamba Political History

2017: Gen Elections - Kitui

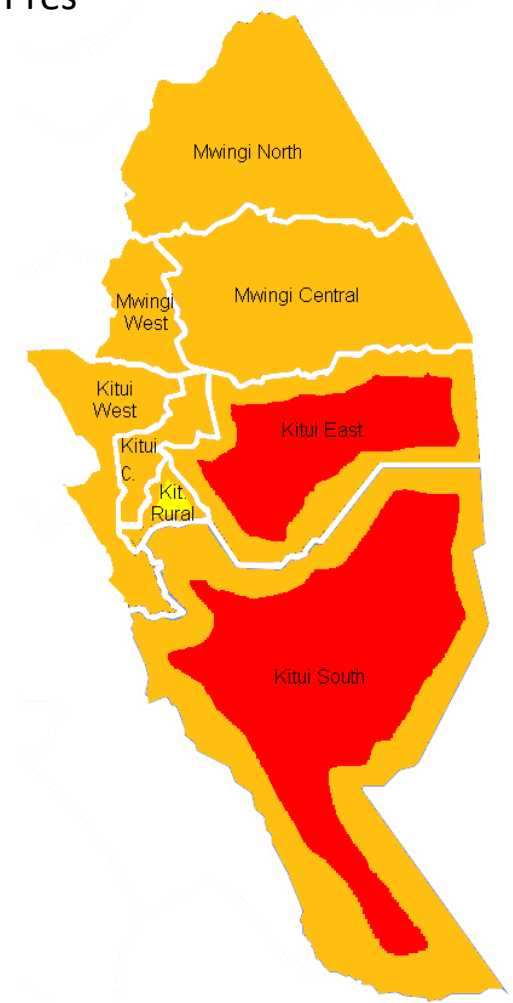


Def Dep-Pres

Kitui

 Paul Ngenzu Mwingi N	 Gideon Mulyungi Mwingi C	 Charles Nguna Mwingi W	 Nimrod Mbai Kitui East	 Rachel Nyamai Kitui South	 Francis Nyenze Kitui West
 David Mboni Kitui R	 Benson Makali Kitui C	 Musila Charity Ngilu Governor	 Enoch Wambua Senator	 Irene Kasalu Women's Rep	

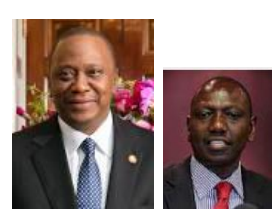
 Mike Sonko Nairobi Governor	 Julius Mawathe Embakasi South
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Wiper rejoins ODM in NASA but loses to the Jubilee alliance (of TNA and URP). Wiper wins most Kitui seats but in the governorship, Musila is denied the Wiper nomination for Malombe, stands as an independent and Ngilu is elected on a three-way split. Jubilee candidates win two seats in Kitui. Monica Juma (from Kitui) becomes CS once the repeat presidential polls are completed. Sonko wins Nairobi governorship

Kamba Political History

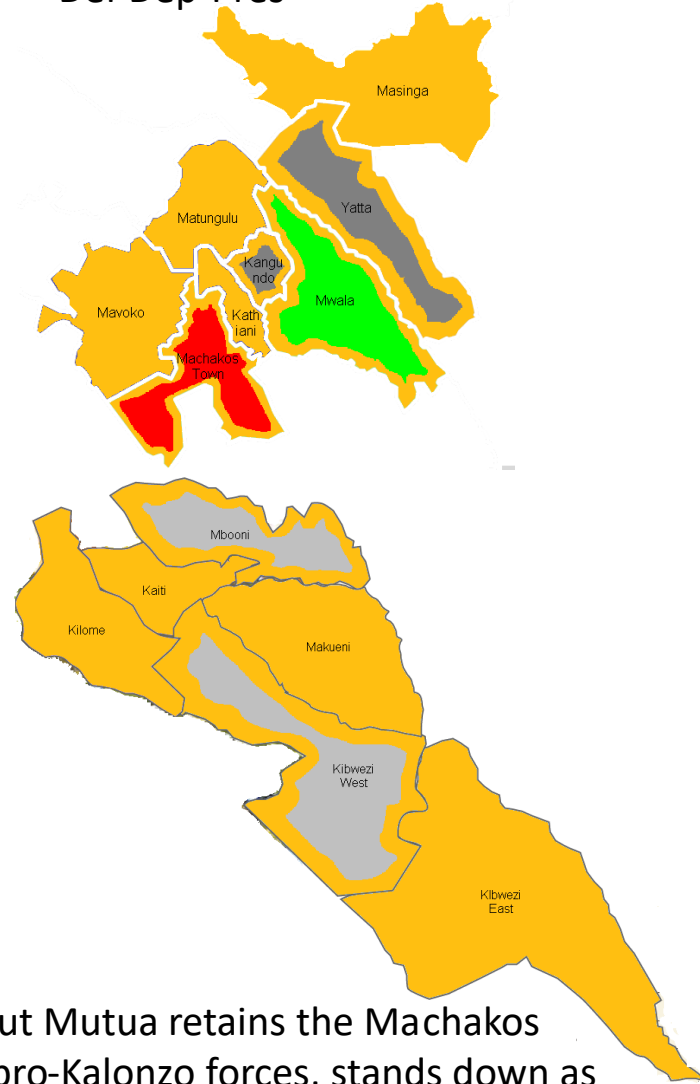
2017: Second Gen Elections



Def Dep-Pres

Machakos

Makueni



Joshua Mwalyo	IND Charles Kilonzo	Stephen Mule	Muongano Fabian Mule
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New Dems Erastus Nzioka	Joshu Kimilu	Thaddeus Nambia
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Masinga Robert Mbui	Yatta Patrick King'ola	Matungulu Victor Munyaka	MCC Kangundo Vincent Musau
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Mbooni Dan Maanzo	IND Kaiti Patrick Musimba	Kilome Jessica Mbalu
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MCC Ndeti Alfred Mutua	CCU Muthama stood down Boniface Kabaka	Machakos Tn Joyce Kasimbi	Mwala
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Makueni Kivutha Kibwana	Kibwezi W Mutula Kilonzo Jnr	Kibwezi E Rose Museo
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Governor Senator Women's Rep

Governor Senator Women's Rep

Raila and Kalonzo win all seats in the presidency. Wiper wins most other Machakos and Makueni seats, but Mutua retains the Machakos governorship, now for MCC. Kibwana is also re-elected, now for Wiper. Muthama, under pressure from pro-Kalonzo forces, stands down as Senator in protest.



Monica Juma Cab Sec



Kamba Political History

2018-22: Handshake, Divorce, By-Elections

Sonko
Nairobi Governor

Julius Mawathe
Embakasi South



Kitui

WIPER Paul Ngenzu

WIPER Gideon Mulyungi

WIPER Charles Nguna

Mwingi N Francis died

WIPER Edith Nyenze

Mwingi C CCU David Mboni

Mwingi W Benson Makali

Kitui West UDA Nimrod Mbai

Kitui R Jubilee Rachel Nyamai

Kitui C UDA Victor Munyaka

Kitui East Jubilee Charity Ngilu

Kitui South WIPER Enock Wambua

WIPER Irene Kasalu

Governor Senator Women's Rep

Machakos

WIPER Joshua Mwalyo

IND Charles Kilonzo

Muongano Fabian Mule

Masinga WIPER Stephen Mule

Yatta WIPER Robert Mbui

Kangundo WIPER Patrick King'ola

Matungulu UDA Victor Munyaka

Kathiani UDA Vincent Musau

Mavoko UDA Vincent Musau

Machakos Tn MCC Alfred Mutua

Mwala WIPER Agnes Muthama

WIPER Joyce Kasimbi

Governor Senator Women's Rep

Makueni

New Dems Erastus Nzioka

WIPER Joshu Kimilu

WIPER Thaddeus Nambia

Mbooni WIPER Dan Maanzo

Kaiti UDA Patrick Musimba

Kilome WIPER Jessica Mbalu

Makueni Jubilee Kivutha Kibwana

Kibwezi W WIPER Mutula Kilonzo Jr

Kibwezi E WIPER Rose Museo

Governor Senator Women's Rep

Kalonzo, aligned with neither Ruto nor Odinga and his new ally Kenyatta, drifts politically but remains in control of most of the Kamba vote. Sonko, friendly with Ruto, is impeached. Machakos Senator Kabaka dies and is replaced by Muthama's ex-wife Agnes. Muthama, now allied with Ruto, is defeated. Francis Nyenze also dies and is replaced by his wife Edith. Several Kamba MPs defect informally to UDA, while Ngilu and Kibwana both turn away from Kalonzo and join the Azimio bandwagon.



Kamba Political History

2022: Ruto's Revenge

Peninah Malonza
Cab Sec

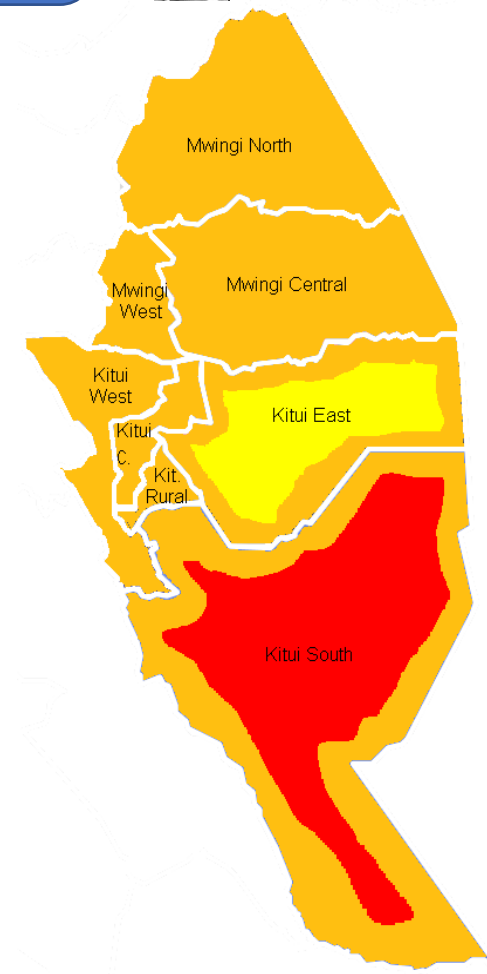


Kitui

 Paul Ngenzu Mwingi N	 Gideon Mulyungi Mwingi C	 Charles Nguna Mwingi W	 Nimrod Mbai Kitui East	 Rachel Nyamai Kitui South	 Edith Nyenze Kitui West
 David Mboni Kitui R	 Benson Makali Kitui C	Ngilu Julius Malombe Governor	 Enoch Wambua Senator	 Irene Kasalu Women's Rep	

Julius Mawathe
 Embakasi South

Monica Juma
 National Security Advisor




Wiper eventually and grudgingly joins Azimio, but Kalonzo is no longer the deputy presidential candidate, as that must go to a Kikuyu (Karua). Sonko is barred from standing for Wiper in Mombasa. Ngilu stands down for Malombe for Wiper, promised a job again. No Wiper primaries. All MPs renominated without contest permitted and most are reelected. With Kalonzo without a seat at the table, Kitui still votes Odinga but with less enthusiasm (roughly 3-1). But Wiper sweeps every seat bar one, which UDA wins on a personal vote, and Nyamai who retains her seat for Jubilee. Juma stays on, now National Security Advisor (of cabinet rank) with little known CS Peninah Malonza (also from Kitui) now joining her.



Kamba Political History

2022: Ruto's Revenge

Alfred Mutua
Cab Sec




Machakos

IND: Joshua Mwalyo
 Wiper: Robert Basil
 Wiper: Stephen Mule
 GDDP: Fabian Mule

Masinga: Robert Mbui
 Yatta: Patrick King'ola
 Matungulu: Caleb Mule
 Kangundo: Vincent Musau (UDA)

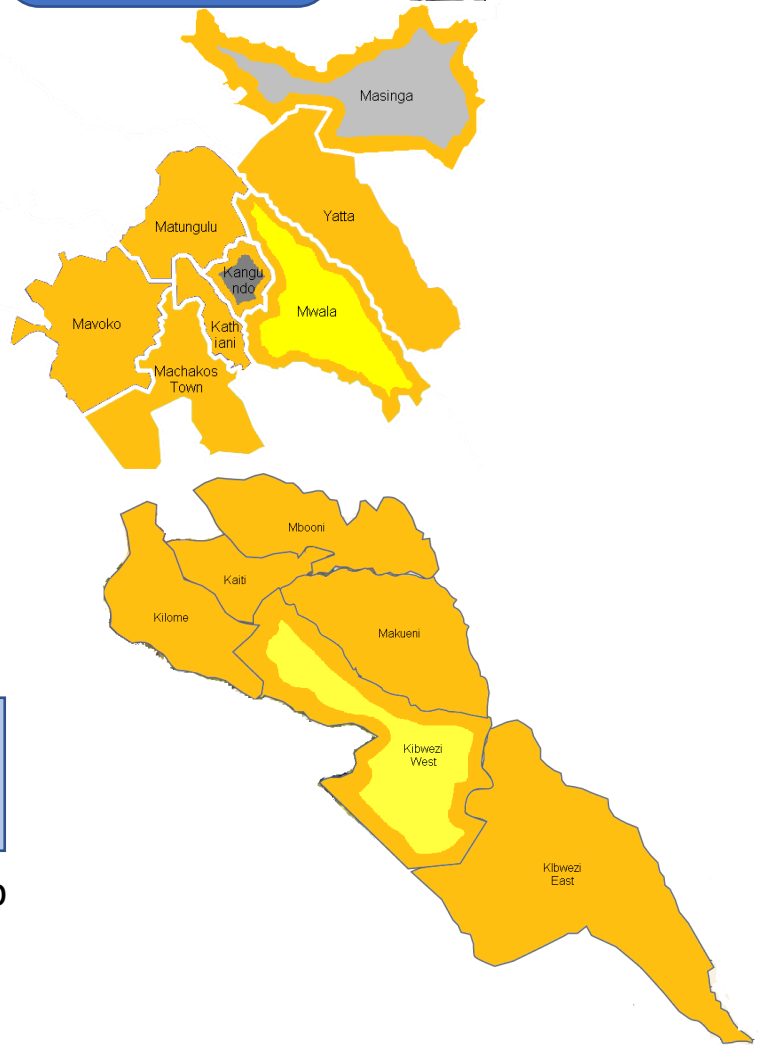
Kathiani: Wavinya Ndeti (Wiper) - Governor
 Mavoko: Agnes Muthama (Wiper) - Senator
 Machakos Tn: Jpyce Kasimbi (Wiper) - Women's Rep
 Mwala: (Wiper)

Makueni

Wiper: Erastus Nzioka
 Wiper: Joshua Kimilu
 Wiper: Thaddeus Nzambia

Mbooni: Susan Kiamba (Wiper)
 Kaiti: Ectomas Mutuse (MCC)
 Kilome: Jessica Mbalu (Wiper)

Makueni: Mutula Kilonzo Jnr (Wiper) - Governor
 Kibwezi W: Dan Maanzo (Wiper) - Senator
 Kibwezi E: Rose Museo (Wiper) - Women's Rep



Azimio/Wiper sweep again. Odinga beats Ruto 3-1 in the presidency as in Kitui. Ndeti wins Governor of Machakos and Mutula Kilonzo Junior moves from Senator to Makueni governor. Mutua's MCC wins only one seat, but after Ruto's narrow victory, Mutua gets the Cabinet Secretary seat he was promised. Muthama, easily defeated by Ndeti, does not. One UDA MPs elected on a personal vote.