

Welfare Indicators  
Meatu DC(\*)  
Results of CWIQ-Survey

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PRIME MINISTER'S OFFICE, REGIONAL ADMINISTRATION AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT

In **December 2006** survey teams from EDI visited **Meatu** District. They were commissioned by the Prime Minister's Office - Regional Administration and Local Government and facilitated by the Office of the District Executive Director. The teams administered a Core Welfare Indicators Questionnaire to 450 randomly selected households in the district. The responses are summarised in a full report available free of charge on the internet at [www.edi-africa.com/research/cwiq](http://www.edi-africa.com/research/cwiq). This brochure presents some highlights.

**POPULATION CHARACTERISTICS**

After the introductory part in chapter 1, chapter 2 of the report provides an overview of the district's household and population characteristics, including employment, educational level, and marital status of the household head, foster and orphan status of children under 18 years old, relationship to the head of household, and number of household members. Some key statistics are given below.

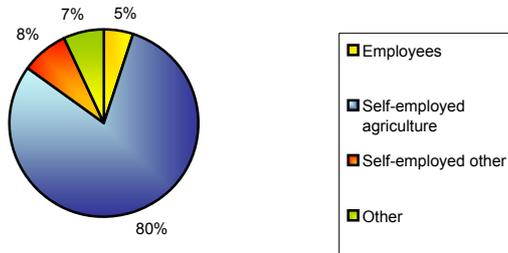
**General Population Characteristics**

The mean household size in the district is **6.1** members.  
The dependency ratio in the district is **1.2** dependants (aged under 15 or over 60) for each working-age adult (between 15 and 59 years old).  
**18%** of the households are headed by females.

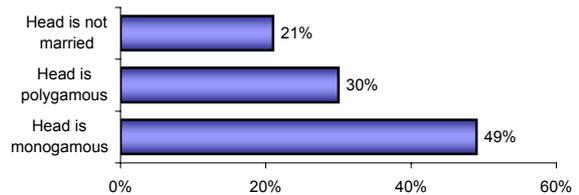
**Orphan and Foster Status**

**1%** of children under 18 years of age lost both parents, **7%** lost their father only, and **2%** lost their mother only.  
**13%** of children under 18 years of age were living with neither their father or mother, **13%** were living with their mother only, and **2%** were living with their father only.

**Socio-Economic Group of the Household**



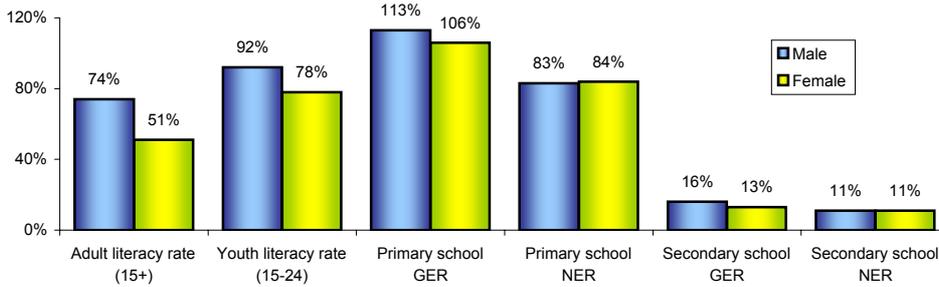
**Marital Status of the Household Head**



**EDUCATION**

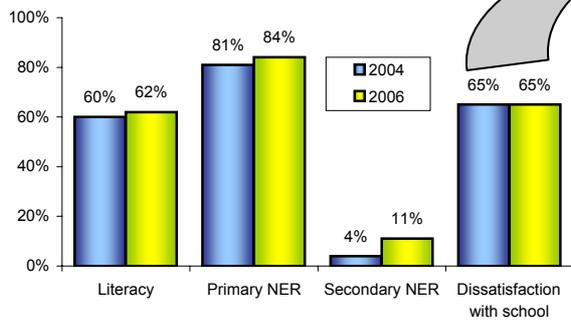
The CWIQ questionnaire collects data on education for each household member, including literacy, attendance rates, dissatisfaction rates with school and the reasons for it, access to primary and secondary school, disaggregated by gender, age, socio-economic group, poverty status, among other variables. Chapter 3 in the CWIQ report summarises this information. Some highlights are given below.

**Education Indicators and Gender**



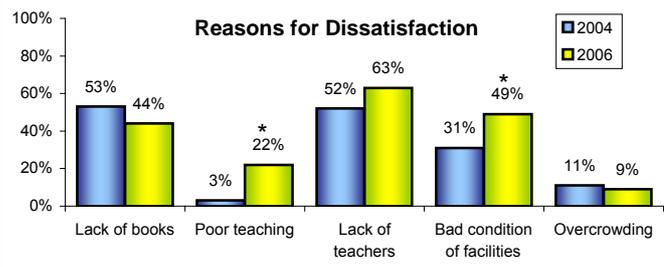
- **62%** of children of primary school-age live within 30 minutes from a primary school, while the figure for secondary school is **7%**.
- For all school pupils, the CWIQ asks what problems they face. For primary school **35%** report facing no problems, while for secondary school this figure is **22%**. The graph below shows the main reasons for dissatisfaction with schooling in 2004 and 2006.

**Changes in Selected Education Indicators**



**NER (Net Enrolment Rate):** school-aged population attending school over the total school-aged population.  
**GER (Gross Enrolment Rate):** population attending school over the school-aged population.  
**Literacy** is self-reported

**Reasons for Dissatisfaction**



In the comparisons between 2004 and 2006, a "\*" symbol above or next to the figure for 2006 indicates that the change is statistically significant at the 95% level. No "\*" symbol above or next to the figure for 2006 means that the change is not statistically significant at the 95% level.

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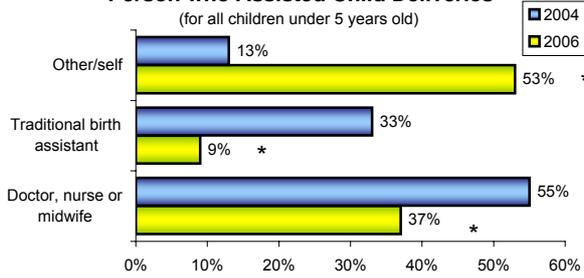
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### HEALTH

Chapter 4 in the report includes information on the main health indicators, such as access to health facilities, use, measures taken against malaria, maternal health, reasons for dissatisfaction with healthcare facilities plus indicators on child nutrition, among others. Some highlights are presented below.

#### Person who Assisted Child Deliveries

(for all children under 5 years old)

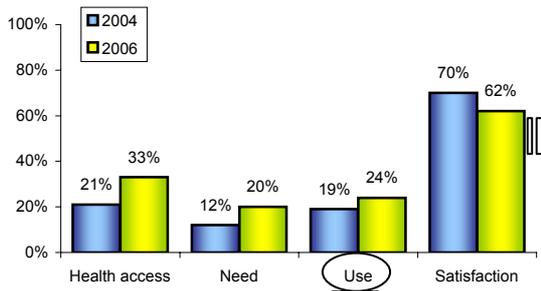


#### Child Nutrition Indicators (all children under 5 years old)

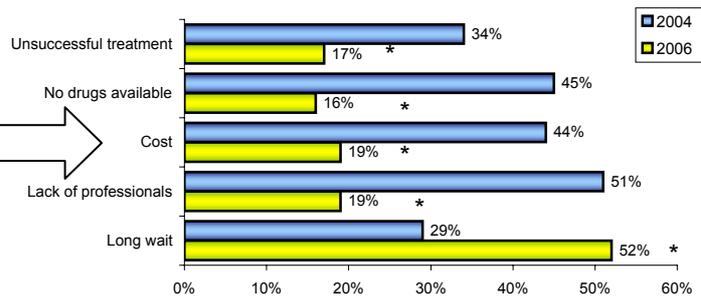
	2004	2006	Is the change statistically significant (95%)?
<b>Children too short for their age (long-term malnutrition):</b>			
Stunted	35%	18%	Yes
Severely Stunted	14%	6%	Yes
<b>Children too light for their height (short-term malnutrition):</b>			
Wasted	6%	1%	Yes
Severely wasted	2%	1%	No

**STUNTED (SEVERELY STUNTED):** under minus 2 (3) standard deviations of the median height-for-age of the United States National Centre for Health Statistics reference population.  
**WASTED (SEVERELY WASTED):** under minus 2 (3) standard deviations of the median weight-for-height of the same reference population.

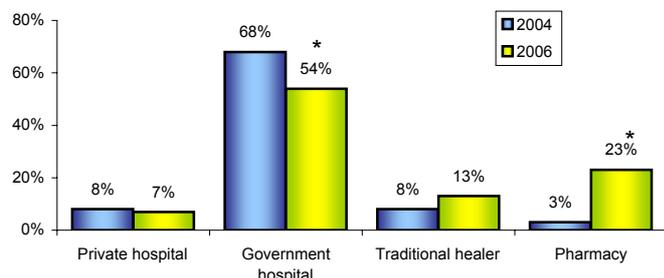
#### Healthcare Indicators



#### Reasons for Dissatisfaction



#### Facilities Used



#### Anti-Malaria Measures

**60%** of households report using mosquito nets (at least one) to prevent malaria (any type of net), and **56%** of households specifically report using insecticide-treated mosquito nets (at least one).

#### Definitions

**Health access:** % of households located within 30 minutes of a healthcare facility.

**Need:** % of people who reported any sickness or injury in the 4 weeks preceding the survey.

**Use:** % of people who consulted a health practitioner.

**Satisfaction:** % of users who reported no problems with health services.

### HOUSEHOLD INFRASTRUCTURE

The report includes a chapter with detailed information on household infrastructure, such as main material on the walls, roof, and floor; household amenities, as type of water sources, type of fuel used for cooking and lighting; and distance to facilities as roads, schools, food market, and public transportation.

Households with property title or rent contract	4%
Households within 30 minutes of a source of drinking water	77%
Households with safe water sources (pipes, bore holes, hand pumps, or protected wells)	49%
Households with safe sanitation (flush to sewerage or septic tank, or covered pit latrine)	4%
Households with improved waste disposal	26%
Households that use kerosene or paraffin as their main fuel for lighting	91%
Households that use firewood as their main fuel for cooking	89%
Households that have concrete or tiles as main material on the floor	9%
Households that have burnt bricks as main material on the walls	5%
Households that have mud or mud bricks as main material on the walls	95%
Households that have iron sheets as main material on the roof	40%

#### Ownership of IT/ Communications equipment

The share of households owning a fixed line phone is **1%**, but **12%** of households own a mobile phone.

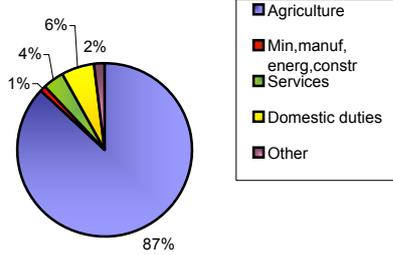
Only **3%** of households in the district own a television set, but **47%** own a radio set.

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## EMPLOYMENT

The report includes a chapter with detailed information on the employment of the household members above the age of 5, for the last 7 days as well as for the last 12 months. The questionnaire includes information on employment status, main economic activity, type of employer, underemployment, unemployment, and main tasks undertaken in the household.

### Sector of Employment

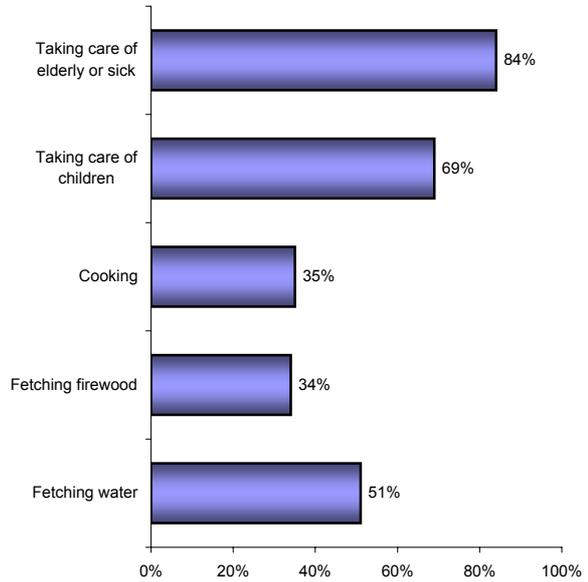


### Type of Employer

37% of the working population worked for a private employer, 61% for the household, and 2% for the government, NGOs, or other employers.  
**Child Labour**  
 57% of the children between the ages of 5 and 14 work. Of this group, 60% work mainly in household tasks and 40% in agriculture.

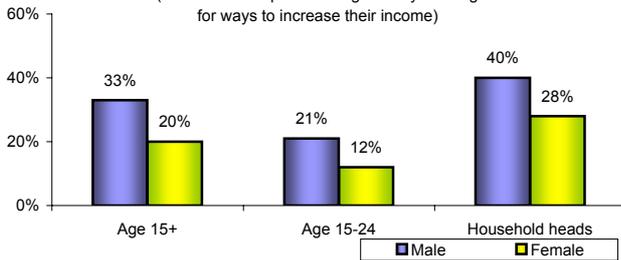
### Percentage of Children Performing Household Tasks

(all children aged 5 to 14)



### Underemployment

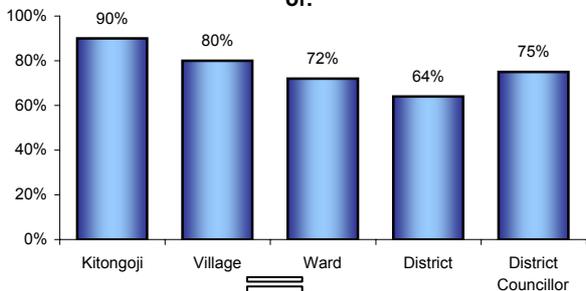
(workers who reported being actively seeking for ways to increase their income)



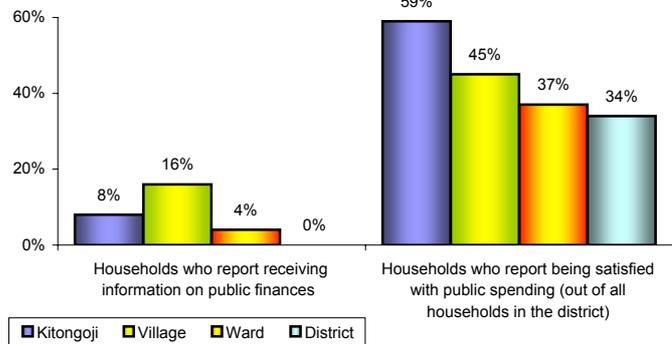
## GOVERNANCE

One of the novelties of the report is a chapter dedicated to governance. The CWIQ report includes answers regarding attendance at meetings, satisfaction with leaders, and the main reasons for dissatisfaction. It also informs on the percentage of households that receive information on public finances, and probes for causes for dissatisfaction at different levels of government.

### Respondents who Reported being Satisfied with the Work of their Leaders at the level of:

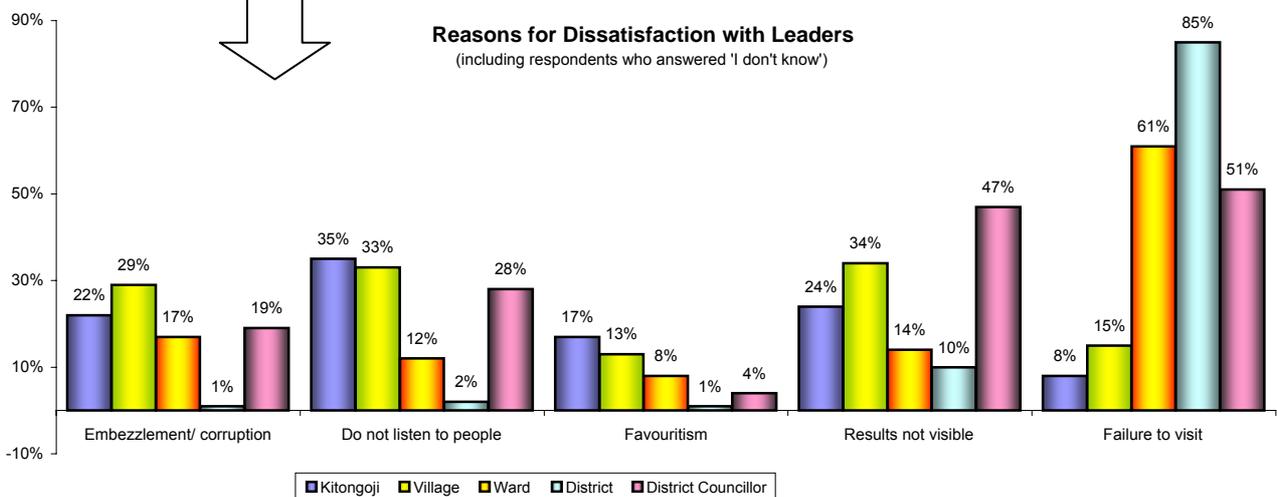


### Public Finances



### Reasons for Dissatisfaction with Leaders

(including respondents who answered 'I don't know')



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### WELFARE

The CWIQ includes information on several indicators on welfare, as well as on changes with respect to the previous year. The former include difficulties satisfying several household needs, cattle ownership, landholding, asset ownership, perceptions on the economic situation of the household and the community, and on the safety situation in the community. Some highlights are presented below.

#### Changes

(compared to the year preceding the survey)

##### Economic Situation

**38%** of households reported that their economic situation had deteriorated, and **36%** reported that it had improved.

**23%** of households reported that the economic situation of their community had deteriorated, and **47%** reported that it had improved.

##### Crime and Security Situation

**10%** of households reported that the crime and security situation of the community had deteriorated, and **41%** reported that it had improved.

##### Cattle Ownership

**25%** of households reported owning less cattle, and **7%** report owning more cattle than in the year preceding the survey

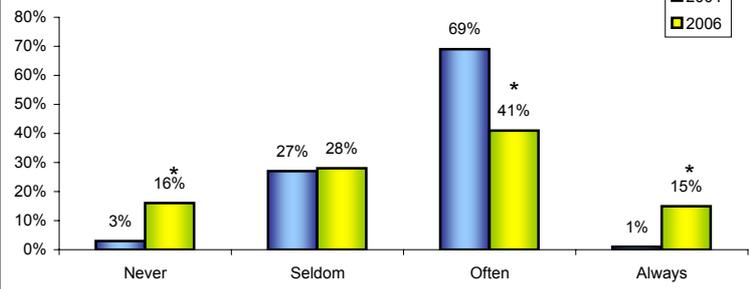
##### Difficulties satisfying healthcare needs

**34%** of households reported having frequent (often or always) difficulties satisfying healthcare needs.

##### Landholding

The mean landholding was reported at **6.9** acres per household in 2004, and at **6.6** acres per household in 2006. The difference is **not** statistically significant.

#### Difficulties Satisfying Food Needs



#### Asset Ownership

##### Transport

**1%** of households own a car or truck, **2%** own a motorcycle, and **61%** own a bicycle

##### Other assets

**17%** of households own a wheelbarrow and **5%** own a sewing machine

##### Agricultural Inputs

**73%** of households reported using extra agricultural inputs. Of them, **37%** of households use fertilizer, **79%** use improved seedlings, **71%** use insecticides, and the shares using fingerlings, hooks and nets or other extra agricultural inputs are negligible.

### THE DISTRICT IN PERSPECTIVE

#### Comparison to the 28 CWIQ Districts and MKUKUTA Goals for 2010

	Meatu DC	28 CWIQ Districts*		Meatu DC	28 CWIQ Districts*
Dependency ratio	1.2	1.0	Percentage of satisfied users of healthcare	62%	77%
Members per household	6.1	4.9	Households owning a mobile phone	12%	19%
Female-headed households	18%	19%	Underemployment rate	25%	22%
Polygamous heads of household	30%	12%	Workers self-employed in agriculture	33%	39%
Double orphaned children	1%	2%	Households who use extra agricultural inputs	73%	33%
Children who lost father only	7%	7%	Mean livestock	5.7	3.7
Children who lost mother only	2%	2%	Mean landholding (acres)	6.6	4.5
Fostered children	13%	29%	Households who have property titles to their land	2%	9%
Children living with mother only	13%	13%	Households within 30 minutes of a water source	77%	84%
Children living with father only	2%	4%	Households who use bednets to prevent malaria	60%	30%
Students dissatisfied with school (and reasons)	65%	47%	Households who report having difficulties paying for healthcare often/always in the last year	34%	23%
Lack of books	44%	41%	Satisfaction with kitongoji leader (rural districts)	90%	87%
Poor teaching	22%	17%	Satisfaction with village/mitaa leader	80%	80%
Lack of teachers	63%	55%	Satisfaction with ward leader	72%	72%
Bad condition of the facilities	49%	37%	Satisfaction with district leader	64%	64%
Overcrowding	9%	19%	Satisfaction with district councillor	75%	66%
Children living within 30 minutes of a primary school	62%	69%	Households who report that their economic situation deteriorated in the last year	38%	51%
Households located within 30 minutes of healthcare facilities	34%	41%	Households who report deterioration in the security situation	10%	21%

\* 28 CWIQ Districts refers to the figures computed using the 28 districts that were selected for the 2006/2007 CWIQ: Bariadi DC, Bukoba Rural DC, Bukombe DC, Bunda DC, Chamwino DC, Dodoma MC, Hanang DC, Kahama DC, Karagwe DC, Kasulu DC, Kibondo DC, Kigoma DC, Kishapu DC, Korogwe DC, Maswa DC, Meatu DC, Mpwapa DC, Muheza DC, Musoma DC, Ngara DC, Ngorongoro DC, Rufiji DC, Shinyanga MC, Singida DC, Kilosa DC, Morogoro DC, Tanga MC, and Temeke MC.

