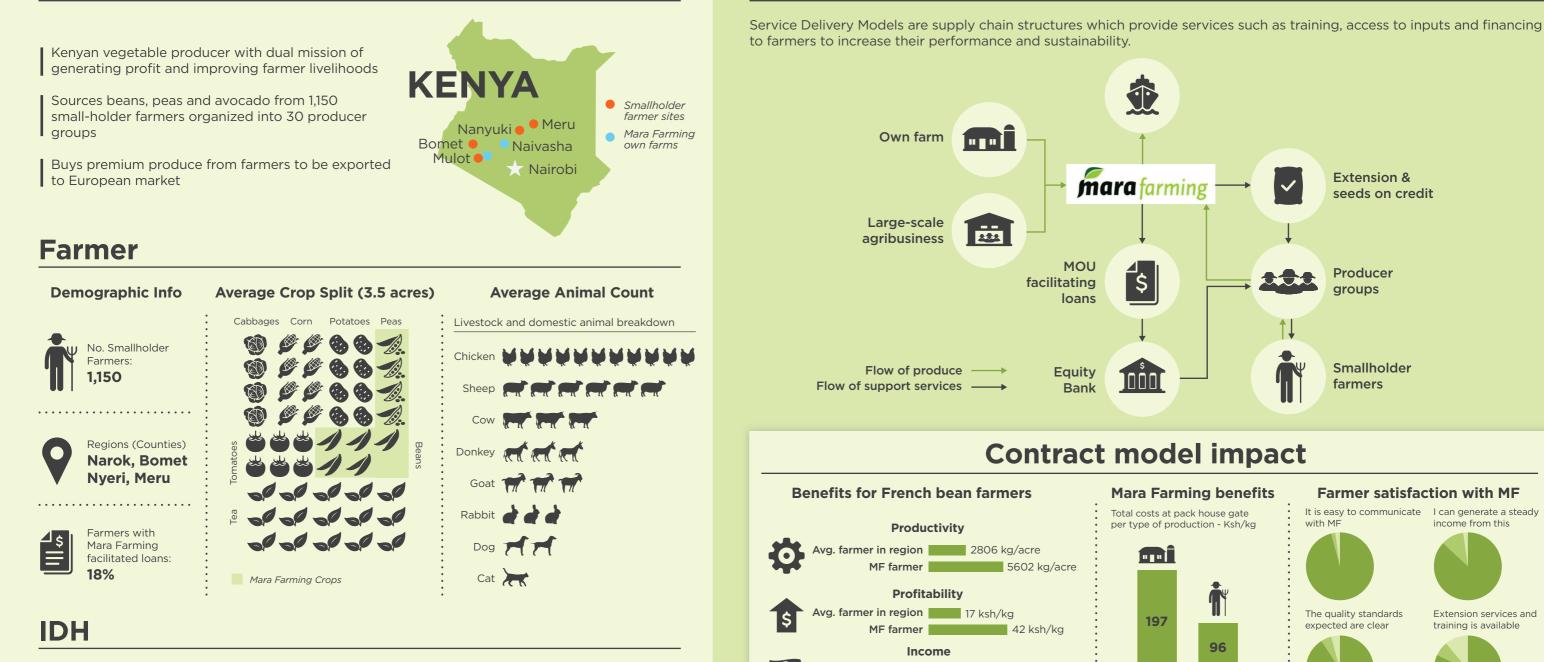


Service Delivery Model Impact Mara Farming

Service Delivery Model

Mara Farming



Most of IDH's Fresh and Ingredients program products are grown by smallholder farmers. They face issues around low productivity, sustainability (such as the use of pesticides, health and safety, working conditions, soil and water management), poverty and lack of access to service providers. To overcome these problems, the Fresh and Ingredients program will develop cost-efficient approaches, create cross-category learning and will undertake service delivery model analyses with the aim to contribute to better farmer livelihoods and to bring smallholder approaches closer to the core business of companies.

IDH has been supporting Mara Farming by implementing a Service Delivery Model, and analyzing the impact of including smallholders in their supply chain. IDH has also co-funded the Service Delivery Model project. Mara Farming would not have invested the time and money in including smallholders in their supply chain in addition to its own production in the absence of this initial financial support.

What's next?

"With these results from the Service Delivery Model, we are excited to continue working with the smallholder farmers. We are also planning to include more smallholders in Kenya, and together with IDH we will replicate the model in Ethiopia to achieve further sustainability"

Own farm

Christian Benard, CEO Mara Farming

Avg. farmer in region 99,500 ksh/kg

MF farmer

352,900 ksh/kg

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