# Market-Oriented Value Chains for Jobs and Growth in the ECOWAS Region (MOVE-ComCashew)

# Burkina Faso – Country Report

## 1. Promoting Competitiveness of the Cashew Value Chain.

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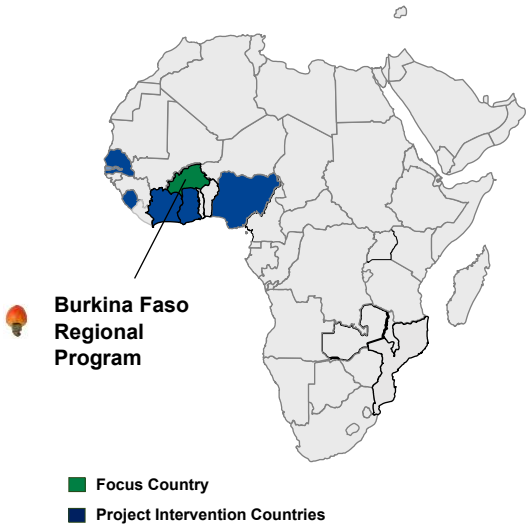
Since its inception in 2009, ComCashew recorded 712,000 new jobs in cashew production, processing, and trade, across the project intervention countries. From 2009 to 2025 over 821,000 farmers have been trained in Good Agricultural Practices and taken part in the Farmer Business School, resulting in increased productivity and diversified, higher incomes in the implementing countries.




In Burkina Faso over 243,971 households are involved in the cultivation of cashew nuts with their cultivating area stretching over a total of 340,792 hectares as of 2025.

*Source: SNDFA II (2025-2029)*

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## 2. Actors overview

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| No of cashew households | 243,971 farmers |
| No of Processors in country | 32 processors (19 operational) |
| Cashew main growing regions | Cascades, Centre-Ouest, Hauts-Bassins and Sud-Ouest |
| Policy and Regulation | Conseil Burkinabè des Filières Agropastorales et Halieutiques (CBF ex CBA) as the regulation board |
| Lead Ministry | Ministry of Agriculture, Animal and Fisheries Resources (MARAH) |
| Regional Network | Consultative International Cashew Council (CICC)<br>African Cashew Research and Development Network (REDAA) |
| NGOs and Projects active on Cashew Sector | Fairmatch Support, Nitidae, Selfhelp Africa, IRCP-Anacarde, ProMUTAB |
| Private Sector | Comité Interprofessional de l'Anacarde du Burkina Faso (CIAB)<br>Union Nationale des Producteurs d'Anacarde (UNPA);<br>Association Nationale des Transformateurs d'Anacarde (ANTA) ;<br>Union Nationale des Commerçants et Exportateurs d'Anacarde (UNCEA) ;<br>ANATRANS ; CAJUDIUM |

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## 3. Main Achievements

A total of **884** farmers **(385 women and 277 young people)** trained on Conservation Agriculture (CA).

**Two** cashew companies benefited from the **Matching Grant Fund Contract**.

**One** cashew company benefited from the **Local Subsidy Contract.**

**210** graduates from the Master Training Programme with **132** men and **78** women.

## 4. Facts and Figures

| | 2022 | 2023 | 2024 | 2025 |
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| National production volume of RCN – estimate (metric tons) | 120,000 | 140,000 | 195,477 | A survey is currently being carried out. |
| National processing capacity – installed (metric tons) | 60,000 | 65,000 | 60, 201 | A survey is currently being carried out. |
| National processing capacity – utilized (percentage) | 50% | 65% | 11,63% | A survey is currently being carried out. |
| Productivity (kg/ha) | 1 100 | 1,300 | 574 | A survey is currently being carried out. |
| Number of ComCashew trained farmers (cumulative) | 60,903 | 66,403 | N/A | A survey is currently being carried out. |
| Cummulative Income of all farmers (Mio EUR) | N/A | N/A | N/A | A survey is currently being carried out. |

## 5. Ongoing Activities

Through its intervention MOVE-ComCashew supports the development of a conducive business environment for all actors in the cashew value chain. Some activities currently ongoing in Burkina Faso include:

- Farmer Business School trainings to develop their entrepreneurial skills;
- Financial support for the development and launch of new cashew products;
- Validation of the Conservation Agriculture Manuals;
- E-Campus Tour within 10 national agricultural schools to promote cashew online trainings;
- Financial and technical support for the organization of the CBF consultation framework.

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