



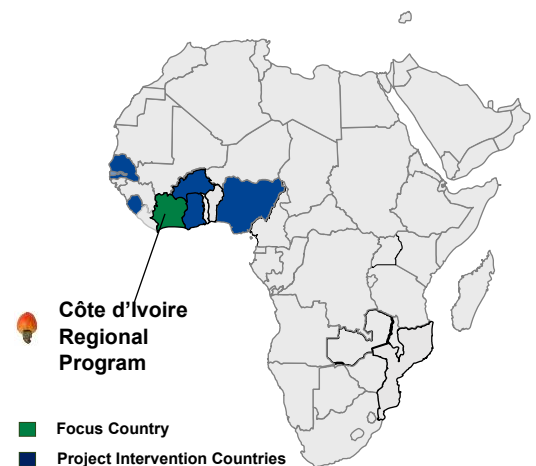
Market-Oriented Value Chains for Jobs and Growth in the ECOWAS Region (MOVE-ComCashew)

Côte d'Ivoire – 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 Côte d'Ivoire, over 1,400,000 metric tons (MT) of raw cashew nuts were produced in 2025. The country is setting an example for other West African countries by encouraging them to focus on processing nuts and apples, increasing exports of kernels and local consumption of by-products.

Source: July 2025; Conseil Coton Anacarde

2. Actors overview

No of cashew farmers	443,205
No of Processors in country	46
Cashew growing regions	Center and North region (Zanzan, Vallée du Bandama, Savanes, Denguelé, Worodougou, N'zi Comé, Lacs, Haut Sassandra, Marahoué, Bafing, Moyen Comoé)
Policy and Regulation	Subsidy to processors 400 FCFA / kg kernel processed Subsidy of 150 FCFA /kg Kernel (not peeled) Share Cost Subsidy
Lead Ministry	Council of Cotton and Cashew (CCA) Ministry of Rural Development (MinADER), Ministry of Agriculture, and Ministry of Trade, Industry and of promotion of PME
Regional Network	Consultative International Cashew Council (CICC) African Cashew Research and Development Network (REDAA)
NGOs and Projects active on Cashew Sector	Tony Blair Foundation, Nitidae, INADES, GIZ/Pro2GRN
Private Sector	Groupement des Industriels du Cajou de Côte d'Ivoire (GIC-CI), selected processors such as Cilagri-Cajou, Cashew Coast, OLAM, Southland Global Agriculture (SG Agro)

Source : Conseil Coton Anacarde

4. Facts and Figures

	2022	2023	2024	2025
National production volume of RCN – estimate (metric tons)	1,028,170	1,225,935	1,300,000	1,400,000
National processing capacity – installed (metric tons)	350,000	370,000	500,000	600,000
National processing capacity – utilized (percentage/ MT)	22%	22%	344,000	500,000 (estimated)
Productivity (kg/ha)	0.6	0.62	0.62	0.62
Number of ComCashew trained farmers (cumulative)	355,490	356,990	356,990	356,990
Cummulative Income of all farmers (Mio EUR)	553	N/A	N/A	N/A

3. Main Achievements



Out of 1344 Graduates from the Master Training Programme (MTP), 193 participants are from Cote d'Ivoire.



The **2024 Sustainability RoadShow** was successfully organised, **with four companies from Côte d'Ivoire** participating.



34 New Products developed in Cote d'Ivoire with 11 companies of which 19 are on the market.



Six companies implementing the **Cashew Matching Grant projects**.

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 Côte d'Ivoire include:

- The launch of a call for proposals for Cashew Financial Support for New Products Development;
- Business Development support for Processors;
- Collaboration with service providers on Marketing Service Packages.

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