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INTRODUCTION

I should start this introduction with an explanation - what does East Africa mean? Which countries belong to it? There is no simple answer to this question because different sources give different answers. For example, in The United Nations Statistics Division scheme of geographic regions, East Africa encompasses 20 countries, from Egypt in the North, to Mozambique in the South, and State-islands located in the Western part of Indian Ocean¹, Encyclopedia Britannica defines Eastern Africa as two traditionally recognized regions: East Africa, made up of only Kenya, Tanzania, and Uganda; and Horn of Africa, made up of Momalia, Djibouti, Eritrea, and Ethiopia². In this book, however, Mast Africa is identified, with some small exceptions, as East Afri-Community (EAC). EAC consists at present of 6 countries, but until 2007, its members were only Kenya, Tanzania and Uganda. In 2007 Rwanda and Burundi joined, and in 2016 South Sudan. The next member will be, probably, Somalia, which applied for unity to the organization in 2012.

Hant African Community is the fastest-growing region in Subhandaran Africa. Within the last decade, its average GDP reached marly 6%. The leaders are Kenya and Tanzania, with GDP per hand 3.4 and 3.1 thousand dollars respectively. However, it is still

United Nations Statistics Division-Standard Country and Area Codes Clas-

https://www.britannica.com/place/eastern-Africa.