

British Kenya (1920-1963)

Under British control from the late 19th century, a nationalist Kenyan revolution began in 1959. After years of fighting, Great Britain agreed to grant Kenyan independence, which was declared Dec. 12, 1963. During 1968-72, the government mounted a campaign against Asians with British passports, who controlled the commerce of the nation. During the 1980s and 1990s, tension between various opposing ethnic and political groups has shaken Kenyan stability.

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