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Impact of crime on agriculture

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“Criminal activity on farms is causing substantial financial loss to the sector while also undermining the confidence, pride and dignity of farmers and the broader rural community.

Relevant authorities, political and community leaders should play an overt and active role in opposing the alarming increase in such activity which amounts to a creeping invasion and subversion of the rights of law abiding citizens.”

Introduction

- Losses due to Crime
- Stock theft
- Creeping Invasion
- Arson
- Subversion of rights
- Challenges
- Closing statement
- Way forward



Census of Commercial Agriculture 2007

Losses during the financial year 2007

	SOUTH AFRICA
ABSENCE ARISING FROM INJURY OR CONSEQUENCES OF CRIME	R65,373
BURGLARY	R43,873,000
LIFTING & STEALING OF TOOLS	R159,878 ,000
PILFERING & STEALING OF CROPS	R65,307,000
SECURITY SERVICES	R211,725

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Source: Statistics SA Census of Agriculture 2007 (preliminary) release P1101

Stock Theft 2008/2009

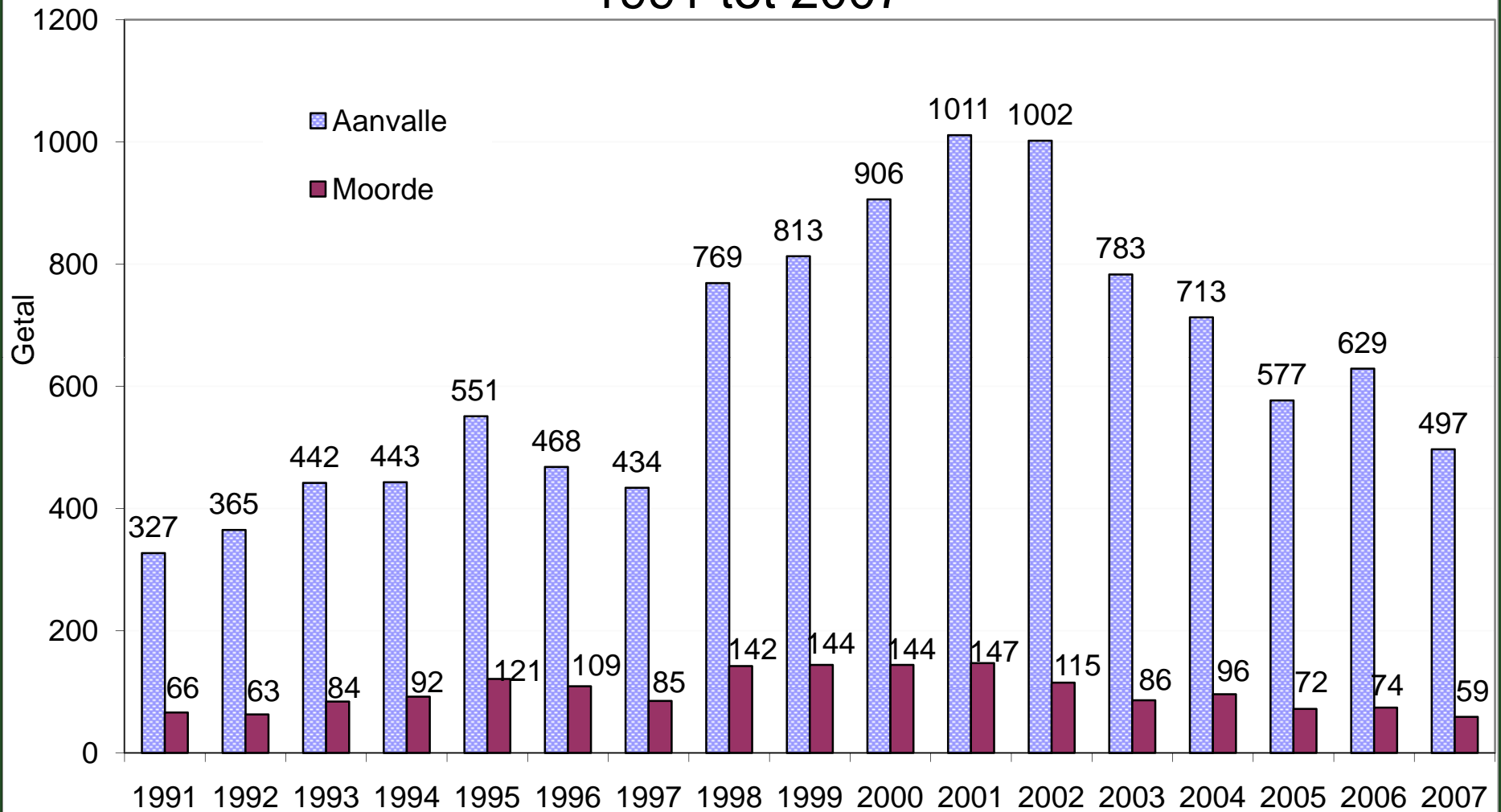
	RSA	R VALUE
CATTLE		
•STOLEN	59432	R445,740,000
•RECOVERED	25461	<u>R190,957,500</u>
•LOSS	33971	<u>R254,782,500</u>
SHEEP		
•STOLEN	77472	R 92,966,400
•RECOVERED	17973	<u>R 21,567,600</u>
•LOSS	59499	<u>R 71,398,800</u>
GOATS		
•STOLEN	38927	R 54 497 800
•RECOVERED	10576	<u>R 14 806 400</u>
•LOSS	28351	<u>R 39 691 400</u>
TOTAL LOSSES		<u>R365,872,700</u>



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Losses during the financial year 2007
and Stock Theft 2008/2009

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TOTAL	<u>R635,207,798</u>

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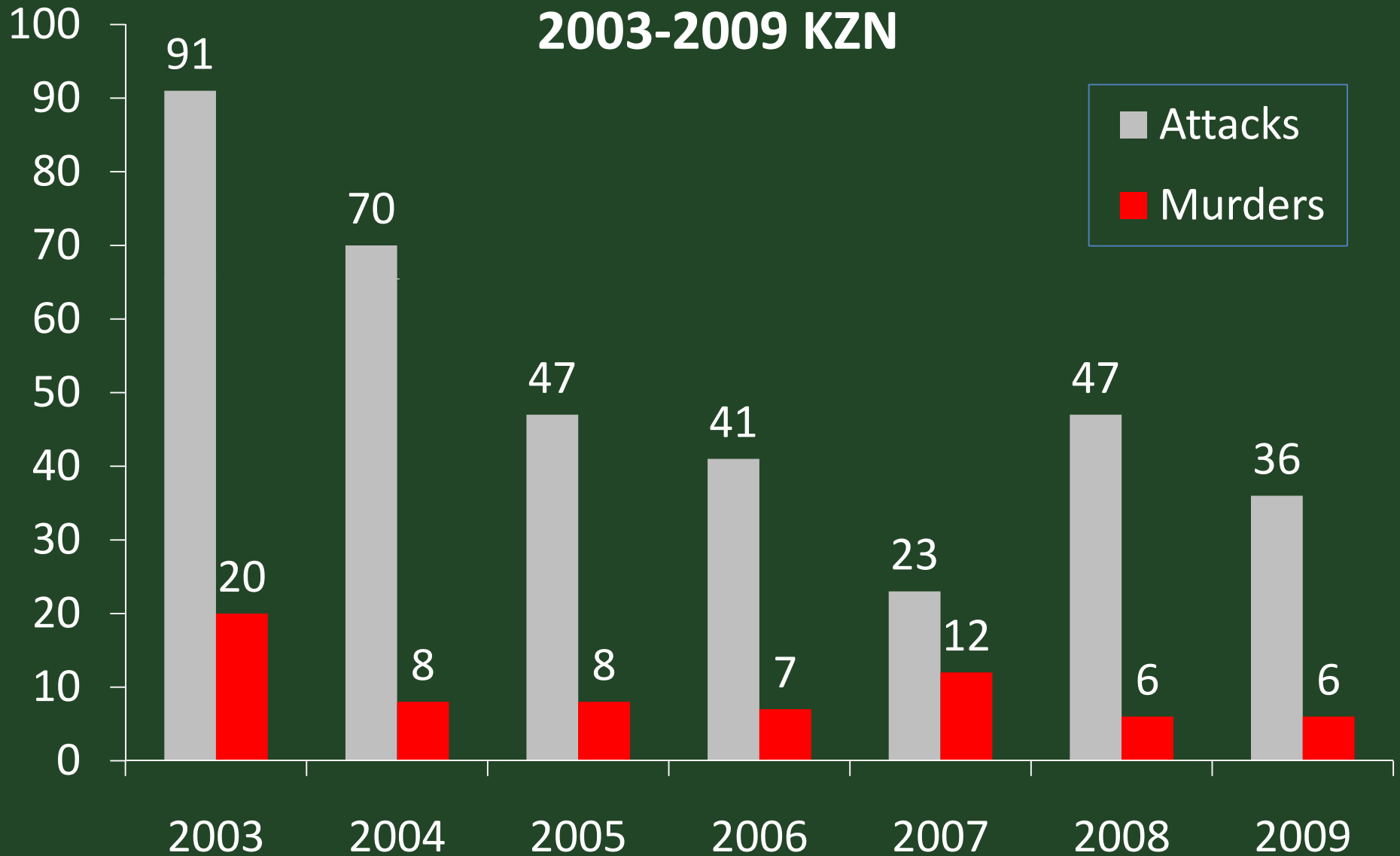


Onderstaande statistieke met betrekking tot die 2007 jaar is nog nie amptelike syfers nie en is onderhewig aan verandering. Die syfers word slegs vir bestuursdoeleindes beskikbaar gestel en mag nie vir media doeleindes gebruik word nie.

Kwanalu Statistics

Farm Murders & Attacks

2003-2009 KZN





What is the value of human life?

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- How are these losses absorbed into a farming business or,
- How do these losses get recovered
- What about the intellectual property
- The challenge of 2050 – double output using same resources

FARMING UNITS IN RSA	YEAR
57980	1993
45818	2002
39982	2007

Cattle invasion August 2009



Invasion



Invasion



Invasion



Arson



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







Challenges

- Crime is high
- Affects the ability to conduct business
- Subversion of the rights of citizens
- Moratorium on the recruiting of reservists
- SAPS priority cases /workload
- Sector policing is not effective enough

- SAPS are under resourced
- Court rolls are overloaded with cases
- Cases take too long to appear in court
- Prisons are full
- Lenient / Easy bail and parole is granted
- Victims /complainants don't report all crime
- The true commercial value is not captured
- etc.

What impact does crime have on the Objectives of the Strategic Plan for Agriculture?

Desired Outcomes of Strategy (9)	Impact of Crime
Increased wealth creation in agriculture and rural areas	
Increased sustainable employment in agriculture	
Increased incomes and increased foreign exchange earnings	
Reduced poverty and inequalities in land / enterprise ownership	
Improved farming efficiency	
Improved national and household food security	
Stable and safe rural communities / sustainable rural dev.	
Improved investor confidence and greater domestic and foreign investment in agricultural activities and rural areas	
Pride and dignity in agriculture as an occupation and sector	

The Question is: where to from here?

- How do the challenges get turned around
- Security of tenure for present and future participants
- How does the agricultural sector get protected in order to:
 - Ensure food security
 - Address poverty
 - Contribute to employment

Strategic Plan for SA
Agriculture
Vision

*A united and
prosperous
agricultural
sector.*

