

THE HUNTER'S CONTRIBUTION:

Part 1



CONSERVATION THROUGH SUSTAINABLE USE





“Hunter” stands for...

H - *Heritage*

U - *Upliftment*

N - *Nature*

T - *Tourism*

E - *Economy*

R - *Responsibility*





A significant contributor to an under-utilised tourism opportunity

A responsible contributor to all administrative and legal aspects related to the sector

A part of the cultural heritage of all the different peoples of this country

Hunting is...

An innovative contributor to socio-economic rural development

A responsible commitment to conservation and to related research

The main driver for the wildlife sector with a significant contribution to our economy



Facts on conservation through sustainable use

- USA -

www.nssf.org



Facts on conservation through sustainable use - USA



In USA, approximately 12 million hunters:

- contribute US\$ 7,5 million to conservation per day in hunting season;
- contribute US\$ 12,7 billion to conservation per annum;
- support 600,000 jobs per annum;
- contribute US\$ 5,9 billion to Federal taxes



In USA, hunting brought back:

Rocky Mountain
Elk
from:

41,000 in 1920
to

1,690,000 in 2015





In USA, hunting brought back:



White tailed deer
from

500,000 in 1920

to

32,300,000 in 2015



In USA, hunting brought back:

Wild Turkey
from

150,000 in 1920
to
7,060,000 in 2015





In USA, hunting brought back:



Waterfowl
from
1,000,000 in 1920
to
35,000,000 in 2015



Facts on conservation through sustainable use - UK -



www.basc.org



Facts on conservation through sustainable use - UK



Approximately 800,000 hunters in UK:

- Contribute £ 2 billion in hunting related goods per annum;
- Contribute £ 1,6 billion to the economy through hunting;
- Support 70,000 jobs per annum;
- Manage 2 million ha of land under conservation



Facts on conservation through sustainable use - UK



In 2010 19 million gamebirds were hunted in the UK.



80% were Ring necked pheasant.

93% of the hunted birds were destined for sale in restaurants and in food stores.



Facts on conservation through sustainable use - European Union -





Facts on conservation through sustainable use – EU



In the EU, 7 million Hunters are represented by The Federation of Associations for Hunting and Conservation of the EU

(FACE)

...an international non-profit NGO since 1977.





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FACE is well known for the conservation through sustainable use of migratory waterfowl all over Europe.



Facts on conservation through sustainable use – EU



In the EU hunting is worth € 16 billion per annum and an important driver of rural development.





Facts on conservation through sustainable use - South Africa -





Facts on conservation through sustainable use – South Africa



MIDDLE OF 20TH CENTURY

- Wildlife had no monetary value
- Regarded as competitors for grazing land



Facts on conservation through sustainable use – South Africa



The results were that in 1943 the
Commonly Hunted Species were
virtually shot out in South Africa



Facts on conservation through sustainable use – South Africa



1943

- 110 Bontebok,
- 2,000 Blesbok,
- 15 Mountain Zebra,
- 400 Black Wildebeest,
- 3,400 Blue Wildebeest





Facts on conservation through sustainable use – South Africa



This despite some conservation effort through government intervention...

- 1894 - through hunters' pressure – establishment of statutory game reserves
- 1926➤ Founding of Kruger, Addo, Bontebok, etc.



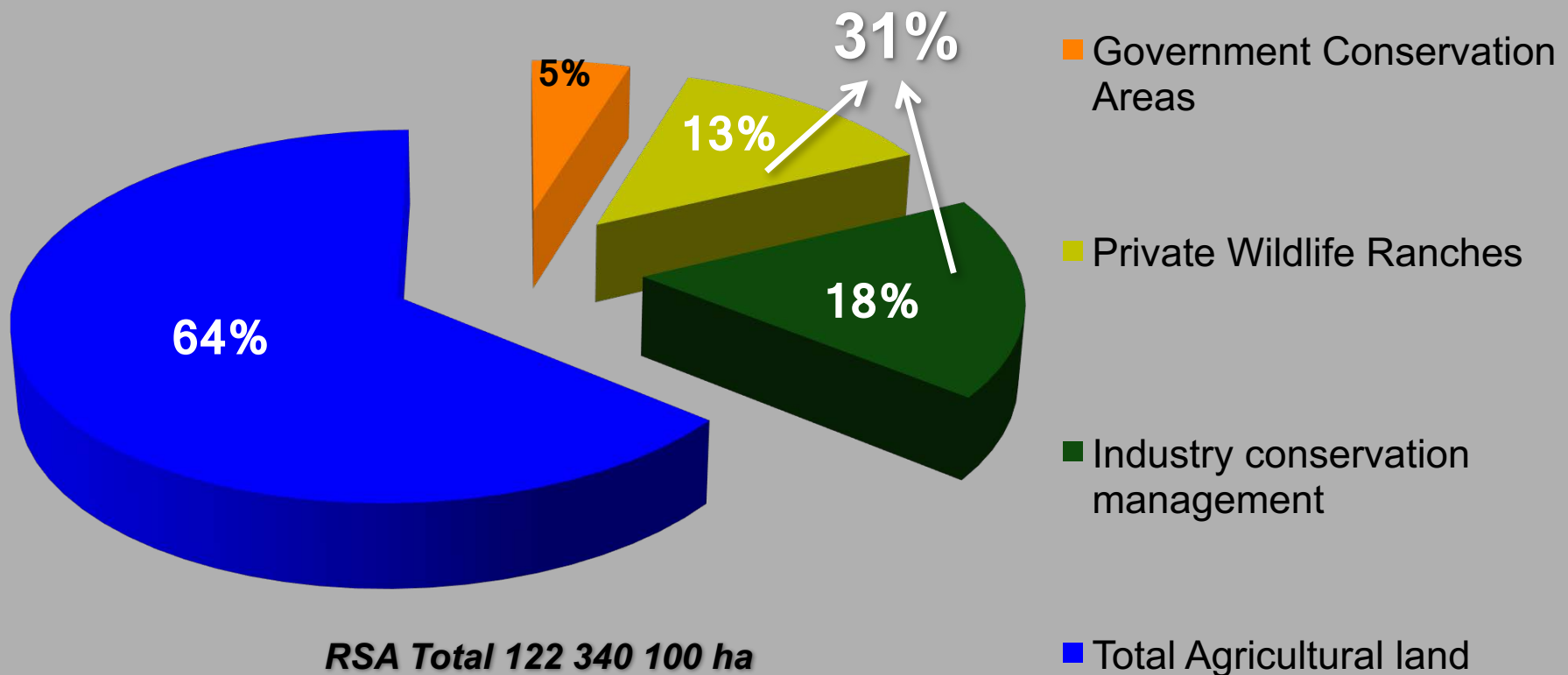
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”Rescue” really came in 1991...

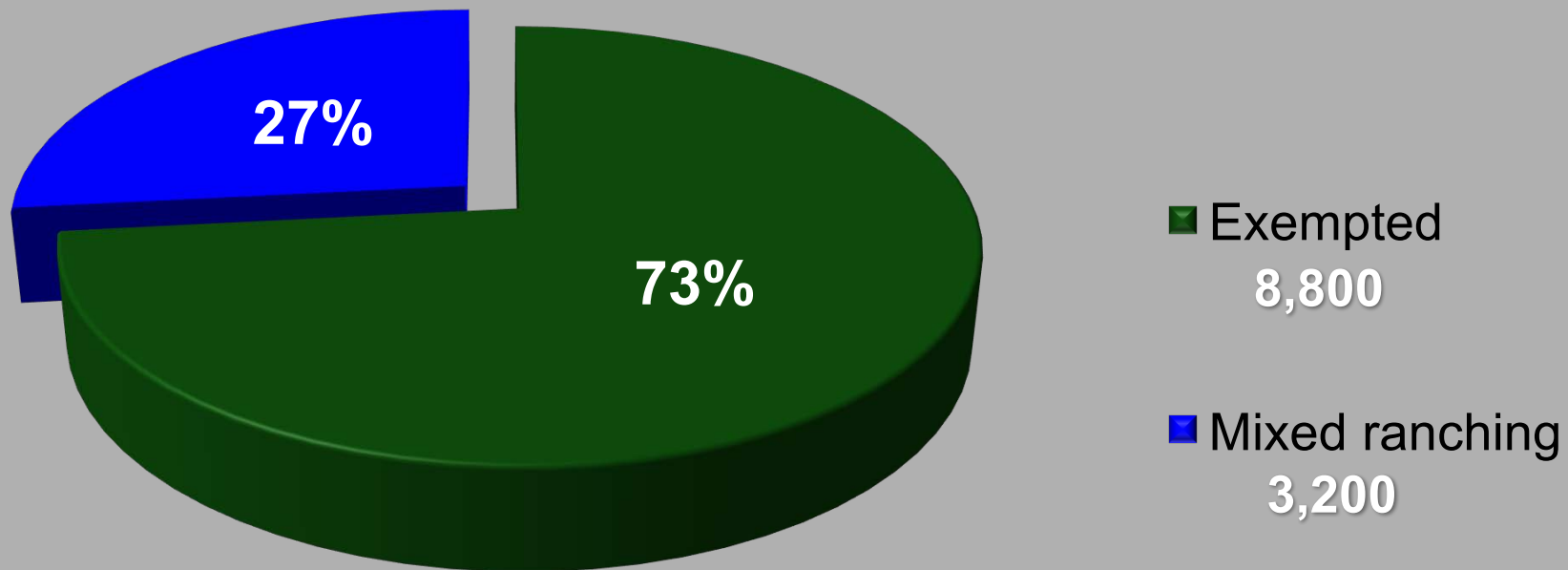
- Private ownership of game allowed under the Game Theft Act of 1991

RSA – Land Under Conservation - 2010



RSA – Game Ranching - 2010

±12,000 wildlife related ranches and farms





Wildlife Ranching RSA - Key Data Sets

- Wildlife ranching on 20 million ha of marginal land
- > 500 Top quality wildlife lodges
- Annual growth rate of 5%

Estimated 3 million head of game privately owned
Nearly 4x more than in formal state owned
conservation areas.



Wildlife Ranching RSA- Key Data Sets

The results of sustainable use - 2015

- Bontebok – from 110 to 2,956
- Blesbok – from 2,000 to 59,000
- Mountain Zebra – from 15 to 970
- Black Wildebeest – from 400 to 29,000
- Blue Wildebeest – from 3,400 to 30,000

