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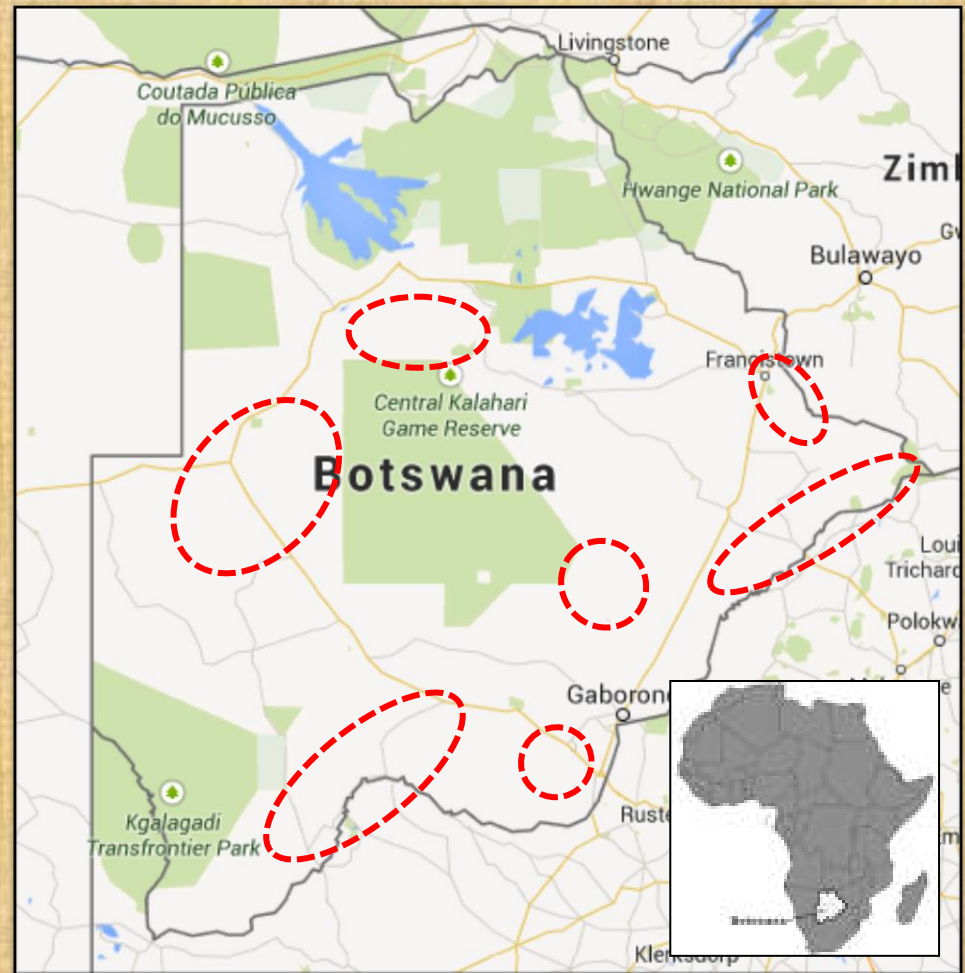
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**Botswana is slightly
smaller than Texas**

**Over 108 registered Game
Ranches**

**33% of country, Wildlife
Management Area's**



Botswana – Forms of Land Tenure



Combined area of Ranches over 1 million hectares
Average ranch sizes – 8974 hectares
Most Southern African Plains Game Species
Malaria Free
Safest country in Africa
Family Friendly
Easy Access from abroad



Game Ranches offers mainly the following species:

- Cape Eland
- Gemsbok (Oryx)
- Blue Wildebeest
- Waterbuck
- Giraffe
- Greater Kudu
- Hartebeest
- Tsetsebe
- Impala

- Sable Antelope
- Roan Antelope
- Bushbuck
- Springbuck
- Warthog
- Zebra
- Steenbuck
- Duiker
- Baboon



108 Registered Game Ranches

Average size 8,974 Ha

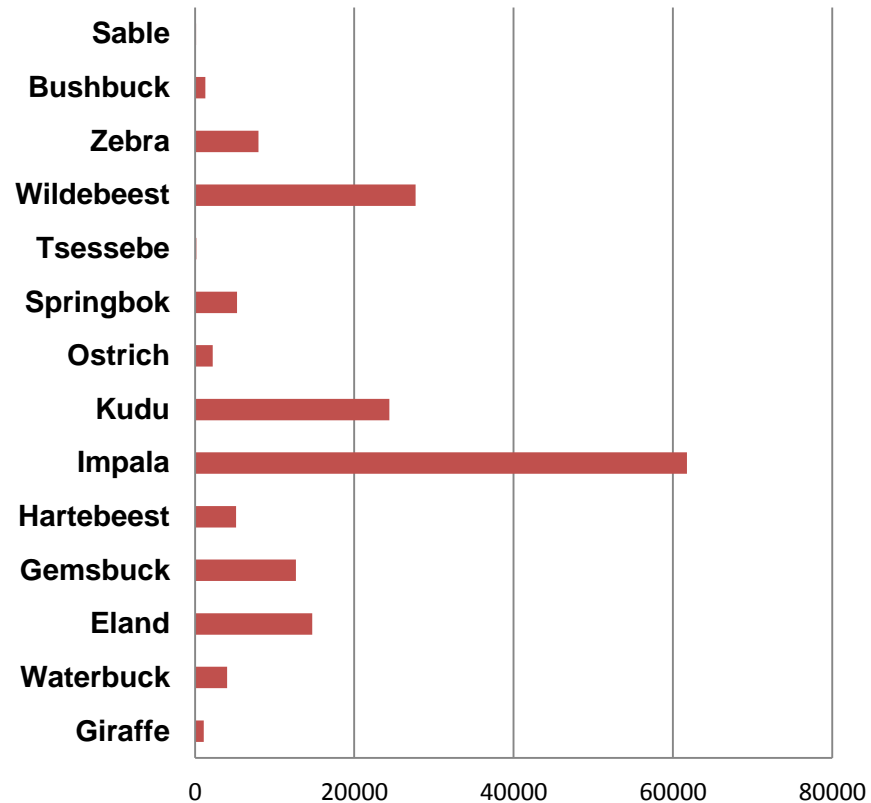
	Hectares	Percentage of Area
Botswana (Country)	50,8 million	
Protected Area's	10,4 million	17.9%
Game Ranches	0,9 million	1.6%

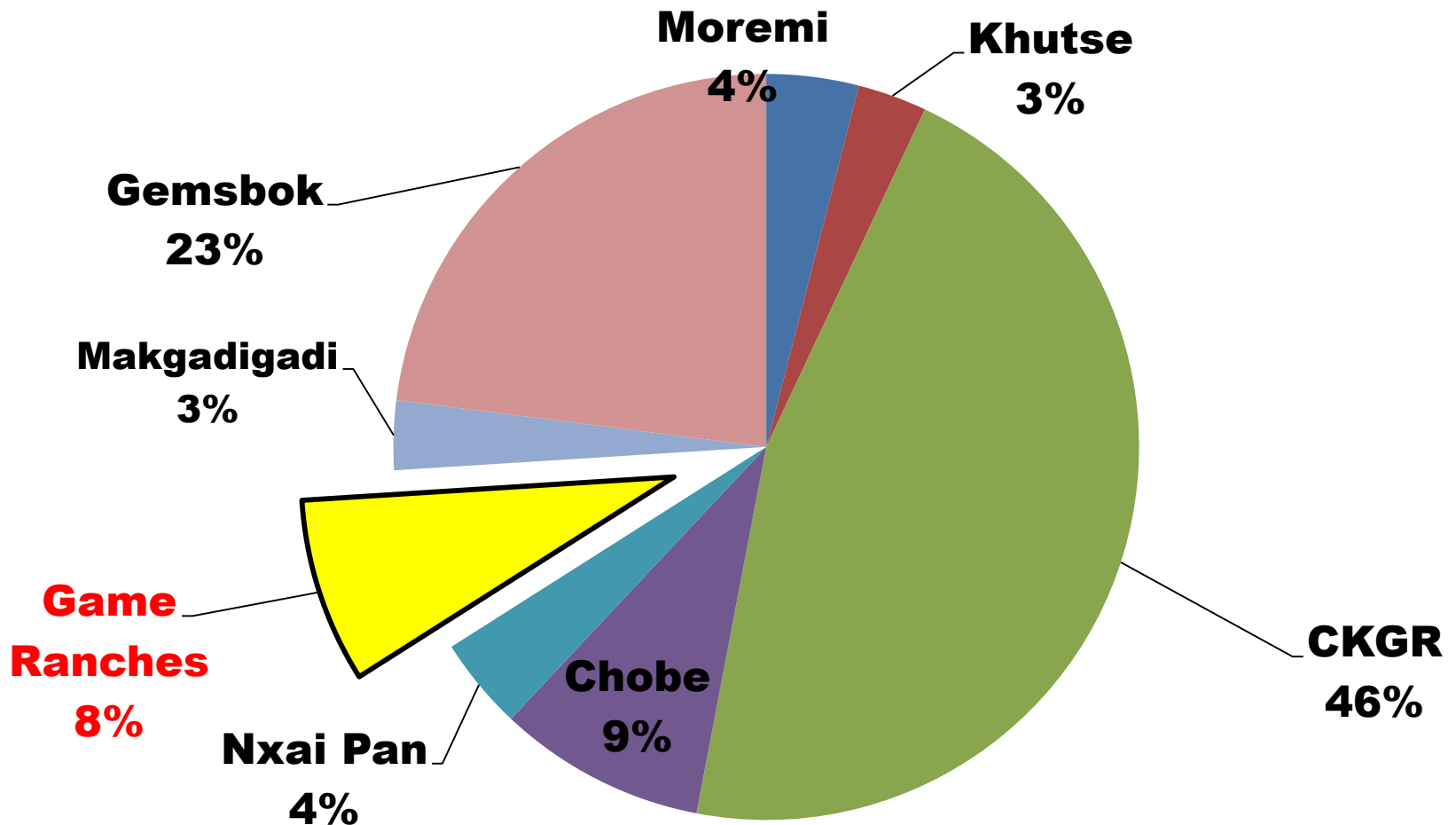


Game Numbers on Registered Ranches 2014

Giraffe	1,094.00
Waterbuck	4,046.00
Eland	14,704.00
Gemsbok	12,677.00
Hartebeest	5,154.00
Impala	61,765.00
Kudu	24,404.00
Ostrich	2,228.00
Springbok	5,269.00
Tsessebe	174.00
Wildebeest	27,679.00
Zebra	7,971.00

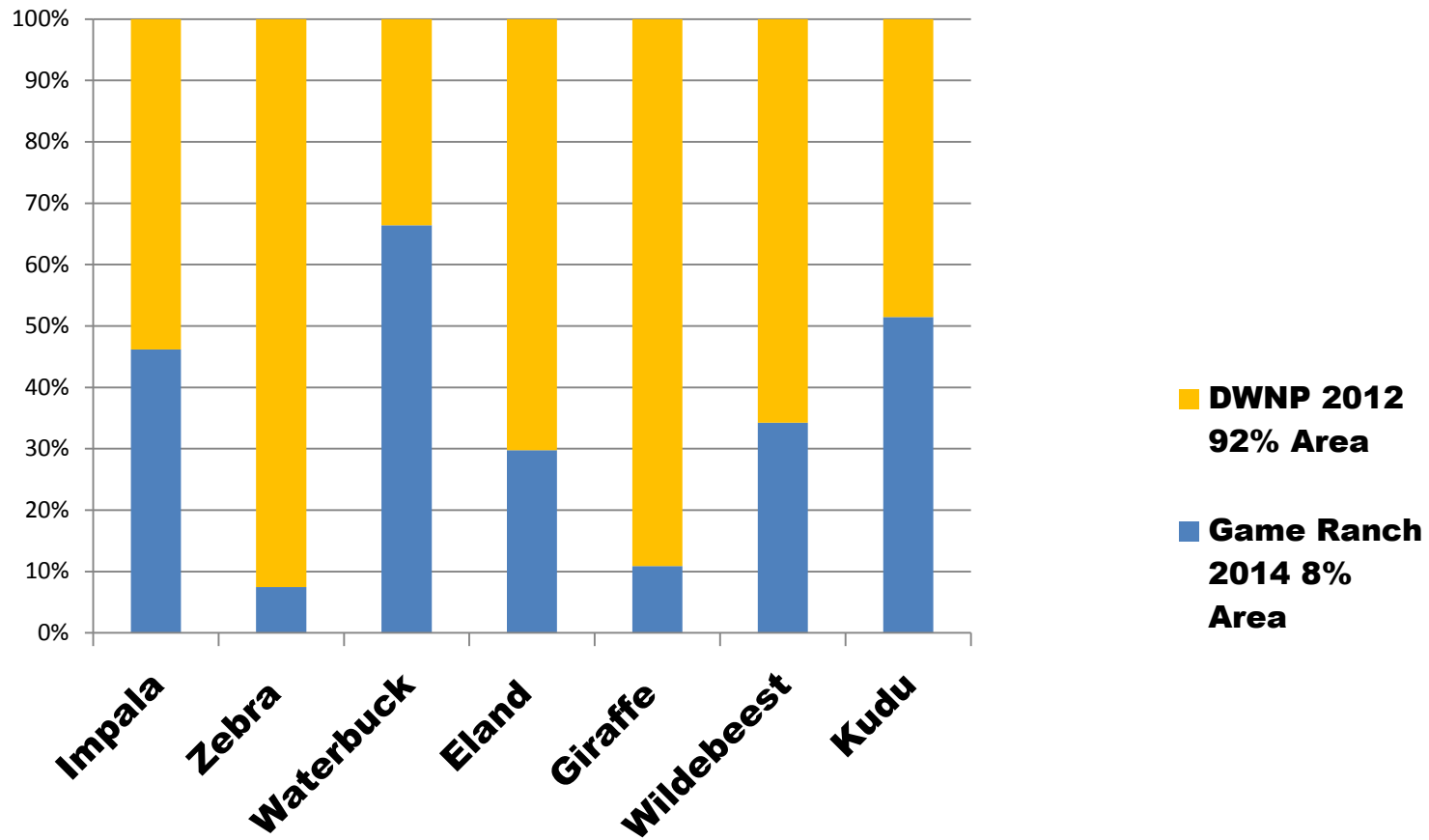
Total 160,000 Animals





Game Ranch Area Contribution to Conservation





Game Contribution by Registered Game Ranches



Auctions & Export of Game Animals

Benefits to Botswana:

- **Foreign money into Botswana**
- **Since 2014 also ban on export of live animals, only allowed if you donate 20% of the export**
- **Stimulate regional game industry**
- **Better management on Game Ranches**
- **Increase export potential (Huge demand in Namibia & RSA)**
- **Renewable resource that's got huge local growth potential**



Consequences of ban on hunting

- **Unilateral decision to ban hunting on concession areas in 2012**
- **Ban was enforced in 2013 without consultation with the industry**
- **The game ranches suffered a lot because of the downstream effect**
- **There is also a perception globally that there is no hunting in Botswana at all.**
- **The Ministry wants to promote a non consumptive tourism market**

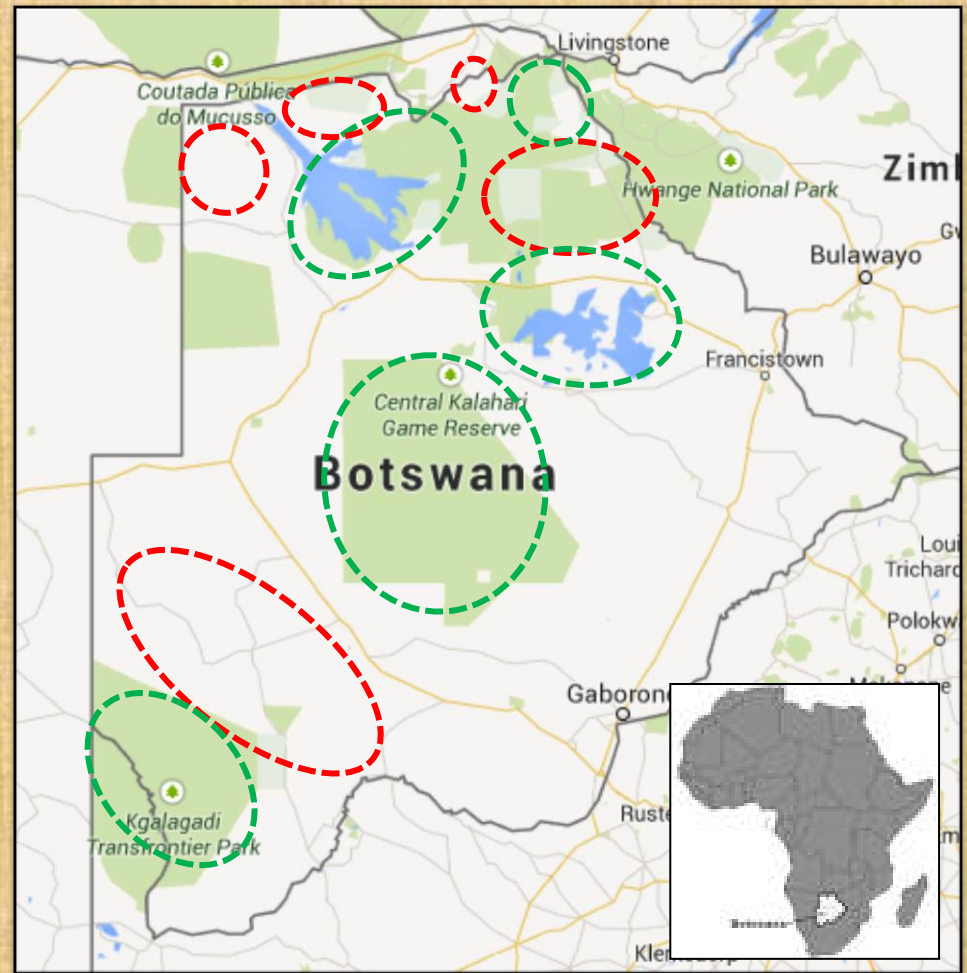


**Potential big game
hunting areas**

RED

Photographic areas

GREEN



BWPA



Consequances of ban on hunting

- **Agree certain areas do have huge photographic potential**
- **Huge areas that are unsuitable for photographic tourism**
- **Some communities was also effected a lot**
- **Animal and human conflict on the rise**
- **Farmers are killing huge number a predators illegally, because they have no choice**
- **Marginal areas which was good for hunting are vacated and infrastructure like boreholes etc is gone.**
- **Poaching is on the increase because of lack of presence of hunting outfitters**



Botswana – The Way Forward

- Botswana - Kenya Scenario
- MUST RETURN HUNTING ON CERTAIN CONCESSION AREAS
- MUST ALLOW FREE TRADE OF LIVE ANIMALS
- South Africa , Namibia Scenario
 - Biggest reestablishment of wildlife in Human memory
- If it pays it stays
- Encourage mix farming
- Natural buffer zones to prevent disease spread
- CEE
- Protection of environment (Grazing & browsing habits)

