

IMPORTANCE OF SOUTH AFRICAN MARKET TO NAMIBIAN MEAT INDUSTRY

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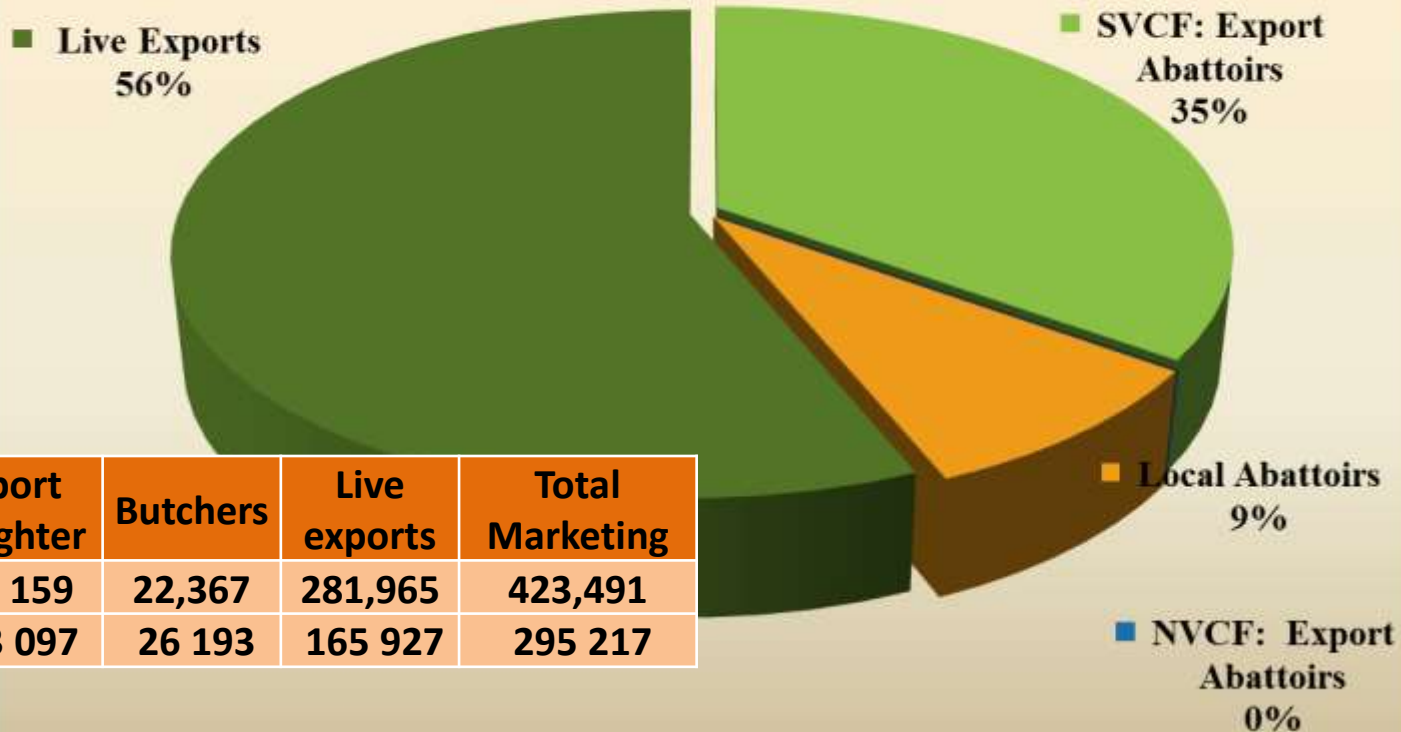
BACKGROUND

- 4/5? Dec 2013 – RSA AH communicated New Conditions – “harmonised import permits by RSA” - Implementation 1 Jan 2014
- 11 Dec 2013 - Nam DVS inform Namibian meat industry through AHCF
- Mid Jan 2014 - Postponement requested by DVS & granted 1 May 2014
- 16 Jan 2014 – RSA AH informed RSA industry of new Certificates
- 1 May 2014 – RSA implement new Certificates – Namibia exports came to standstill
- 9 May 2014 – DAFF promise SOP’s to be finalised by 31 May 2014
- 26 Aug 2014 – RSA Minister lifted embargo
- 9 Nov 2015 – DAFF notify WTO
- 16-17 Mar 2016 – Namibia raised trade concern WTO SPS committee
- 10 Jun 2016 – DAFF AH Issues notices
- 1 July 2016 – DAFF AH implemented new Animal Health Certificates



NAMIBIA EXPORT MARKETS

Cattle Market Share: 2016



	Export slaughter	Butchers	Live exports	Total Marketing
2015	119 159	22,367	281,965	423,491
2016	103 097	26 193	165 927	295 217



NAMIBIA BEEF EXPORT MARKETS

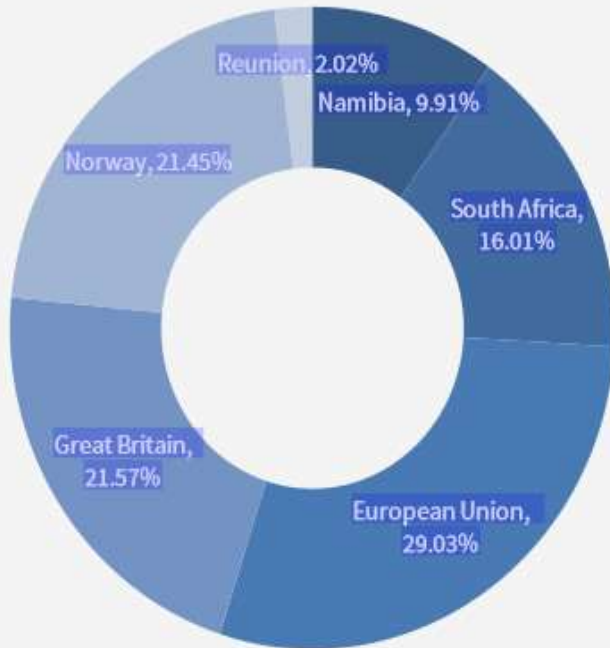


Figure 9: Actual sales distribution: 2015/16

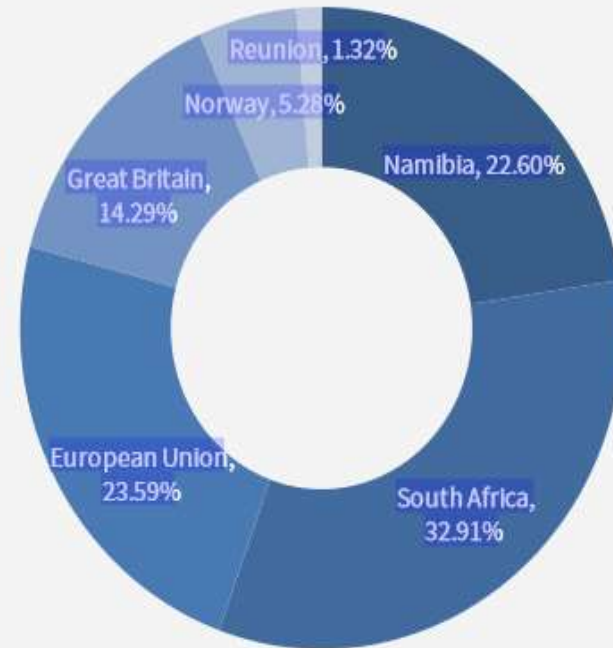


Figure 10: Actual volume distribution: 2015/16

Source: Meatco Annual Report 2015/2016



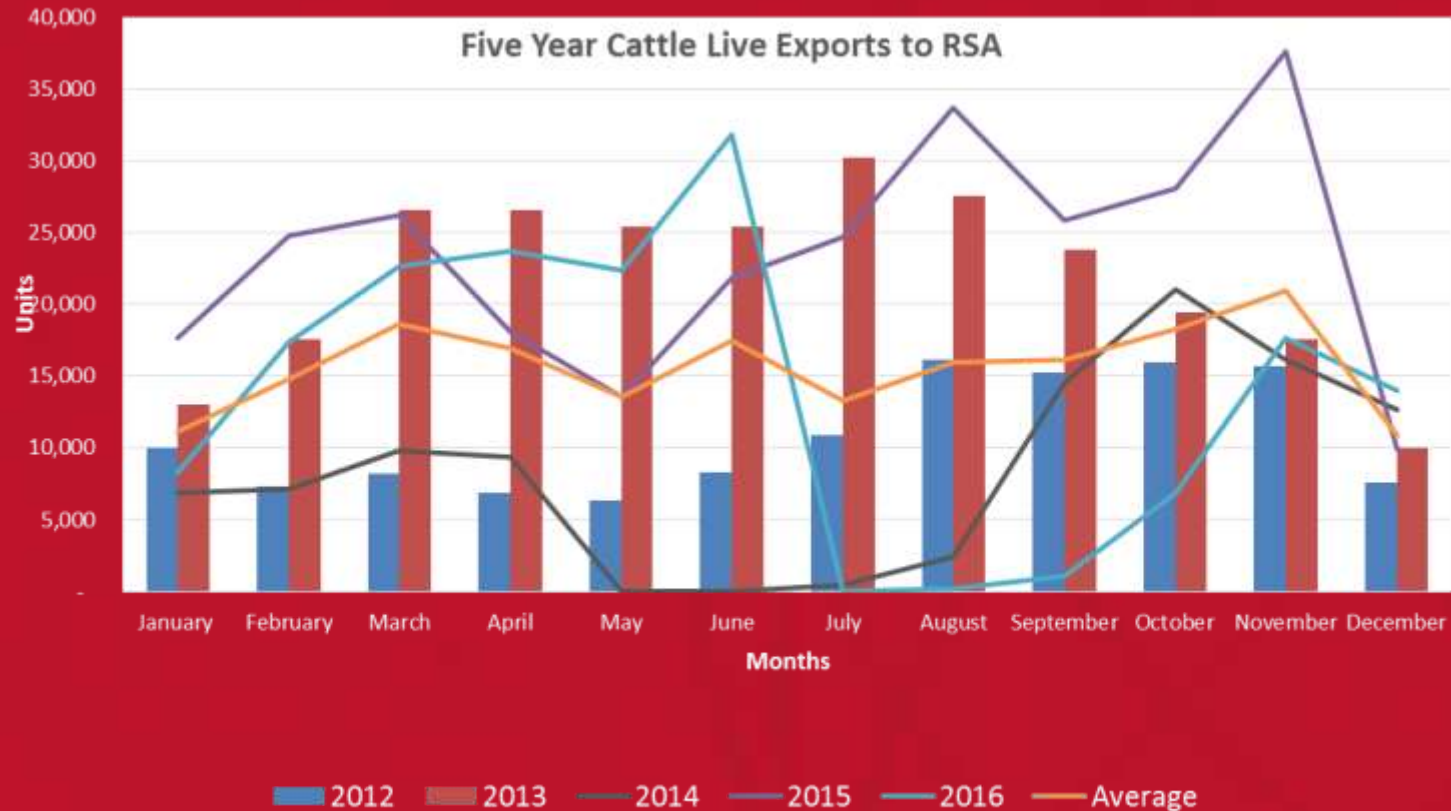
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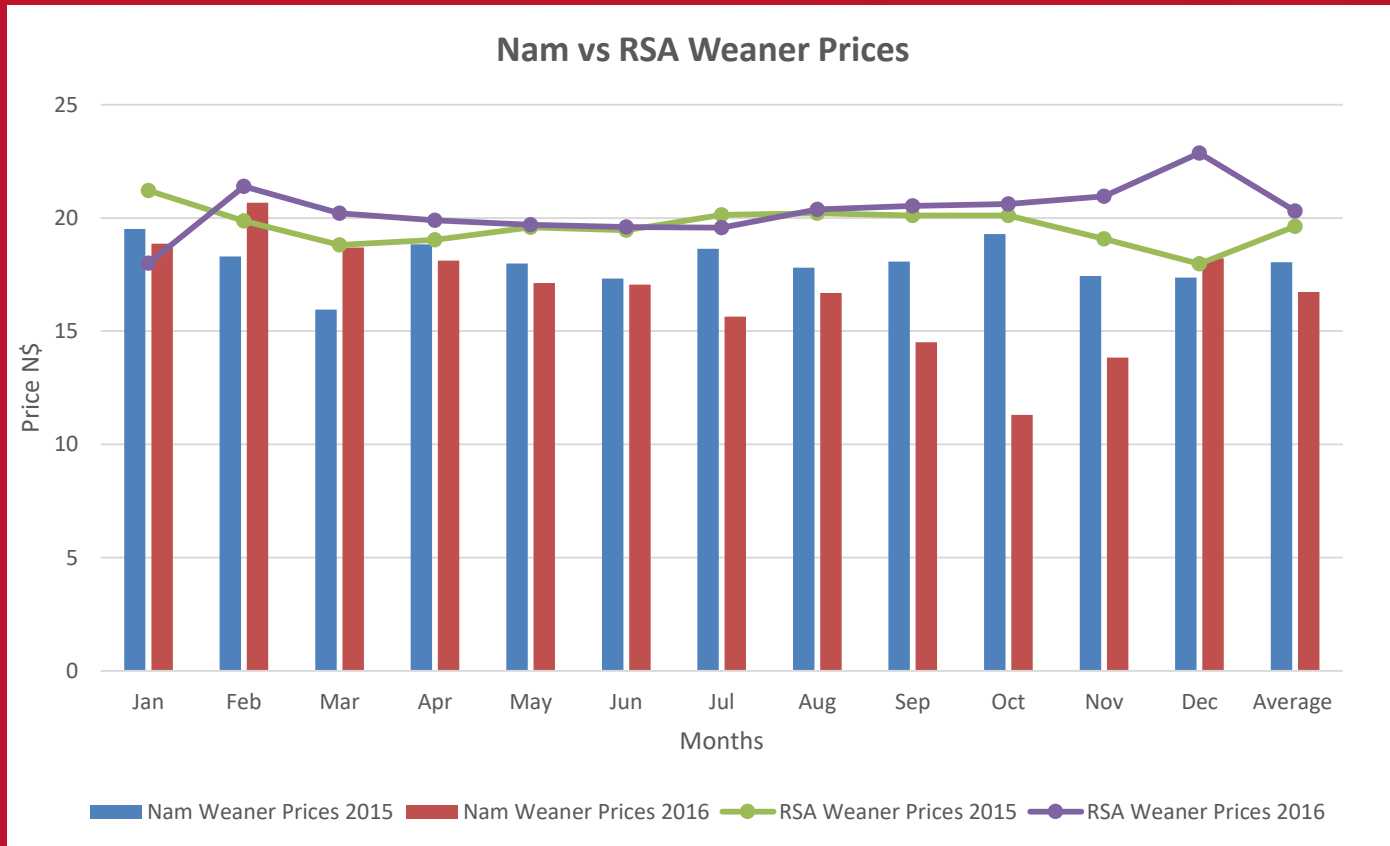
	Export slaughter	Butchers	Live exports	Total Marketing
2015	444 927	79 024	437 229	961 180
2016	321 413	68 741	290 389	680 843



TREND CATTLE EXPORT MARKET



PRICE COMPARISON RSA MARKET



TREND SHEEP EXPORT MARKET

Five Year Live Export of Sheep



NAMIBIA'S RESPONSE

- Assist Veterinary Services (DVS), Namibia in ensuring compliance to RSA Animal Health Certificates
- Supported DVS in improving the animal disease status of Namibia –
 - OIE Freedom of BSE, PPR, CBPP
- Investigating an alternative goat (meat) market –
 - Exports by sea (Markets and financial viability modelling only)
- Investigating establishment of a financially viable feedlot(s) –
 - Availability of land in Zambezi for irrigated pasture finishing
 - Use of former NCA Quarantine camps for growing weaners
 - Investigating financial viability feed production and bulk imports
 - Expansion of existing feedlots - Meatco
- Preventing further disturbance of the South African market –
 - Adherence to RSA Import Permit requirements
- Seeking alternative markets: Finalisation of SPS Certificates
 - USA; China - renegotiation; Hong Kong; Russia?



NAMIBIA EXPORT MARKETS

BREEDING LIVESTOCK ANIMAL HEALTH CERTIFICATE

- Vaccination against IBR
- Pre-export isolation
- Individual ID
- Herd tested in last 24 months for *Bovine Brucellosis* and *Bovine Tuberculosis* AND
- Individual animals tested for brucellosis and tuberculosis within 30 days prior to export
- Breeding bulls tested for *Trichomonas* and *Vibriosis*
- Anthrax vaccination
- Treatment against internal, external parasites
- Treatment against sheep scab
- Herd free from *Brucella melitensis* or individual animal tested within 30 days prior to export.
- Breeding rams tested for *Brucella ovis*.

SLAUGHTER AND FEEDLOT STOCK ANIMAL HEALTH CERTIFICATE

- Pre-export isolation
- Individual ID
- Individual animals tested for *Bovine tuberculosis* within 30 days prior to export
- Showed no clinical signs of *Bovine Brucellosis*
- Anthrax vaccination
- Visibly free from parasites
- Treatment against internal, external parasites (feedlot only)
- Treatment against sheep scab (feedlot only)
- No clinical signs of *Brucella melitensis*



RSA EXPORT DESTINATION SCHEME

- Considering reintroduction of RSA Export Destination Scheme
- It is done to protect the interest of the entire Namibian meat industry with respect to securing the future of the South African market.
- All Namibian commercial livestock exported to South Africa will be subject to the following condition added to the Meat Board Permit to Export Livestock:

“It is an express condition of this permit for the export of livestock consigned to South Africa that such livestock may only be transported to and off-loaded at the physical destination indicated on this permit: Any contravention of this condition will result in the automatic suspension of this permit and the suspension of the destination from any further exports from Namibia or appropriate action taken against the exporter, transporter and importer”.
- The MBN will conduct ad hoc audits on the respective feedlots and abattoirs in South Africa



RSA EXPORT DESTINATION SCHEME - CORRECTIVE ACTION -

- Should livestock fail to reach destination (or any other transgression) indicated on MBN Export Permit, such exporter will
 - Be informed accordingly and subjected to an investigation;
 - All permits issued to such exporter cancelled and prevented from trading any further in livestock; AND/OR
 - Prevent an export destination from receiving any Namibian livestock in future.



CONCLUSION

- RSA market / feedlot market very important to Namibia
- Bilateral Meetings Namibia DVS / RSA DAFF AH failed
- RSA Destinations intervention measures – necessary
- Namibia considering
 - National TB Surveillance Protocol
 - Brucella Free Farms Protocol
- Two RSA Import Permits (VHC) in place – confusion
- RSA SOP cumbersome/intricate difficult to enforce
- Namibia WTO SPS Committee agenda still on the cards
- **Adhere to Namibia export / South Africa import requirements**



THANK YOU FOR ATTENTION

