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Summary of Game Auction Results: November 2024

20 November 2024

A zebra is shown in profile, facing left, in a lush green savanna. The background features various green bushes and trees under a clear sky. A semi-transparent grey box is centered over the zebra's body, containing the word "INDEMNITY" in bold, black, uppercase letters.

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Some interesting facts up to end of November 2024

- 11 game auctions during October & November (same number as last year)
- 2024 realised 161 auctions that sold game (Last year was a record 166)
- Total of 50 978 animals sold (-6,1% less than 2023's record total)
- Gross turnover R623,7 million (-3,8% less than 2023 turnover)
- Colour variants 📍 12,7% of sales (in terms of numbers)

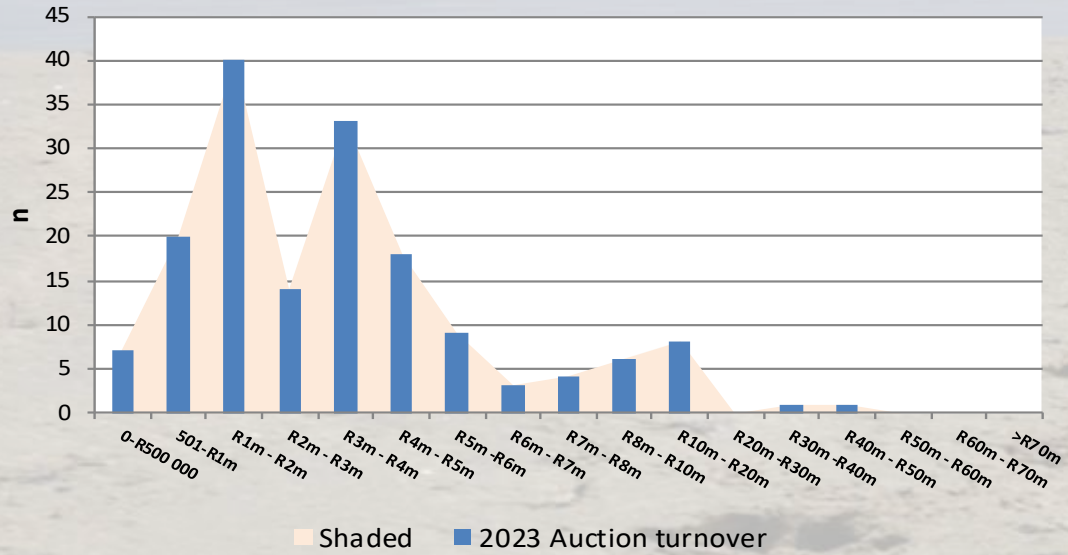
Observations:

- Large numbers sold compared to previous years:
 - Fallow deer
 - Tsessebe
 - Roan antelope
 - Lechwe
 - Nearly 10 500 impala, 7 300 blesbok and 5 800 blue wildebeest sold
 - Decline in weighted prices
 - Western Zambian sable bulls (-59,9%)
 - Healthy price increases:
 - Impala, saddleback rams (+81,6%)
 - Roan antelope bulls (+46,6%)
 - Tsessebe bulls (+49,0%)
 - Oryx, common bulls (+43,5%)
- * Removed outlier

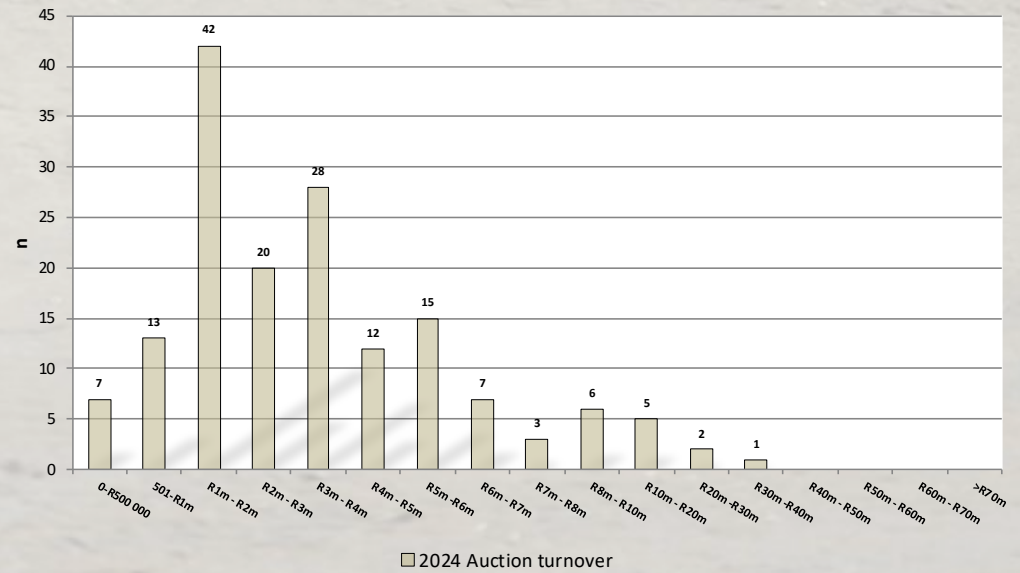
Table 1: Summary of game auction industry: 2020 - 2024

Data below focusses on actual animal (game) sales and excludes hunting, livestock and other tourism sales						
	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	% Change
Number of Auctions	112	147	152	166	161	-3,0%
Gross Turnover	R254 636 216	R353 301 286	R500 851 810	R648 314 475	R623 745 600	-3,8%
Total head of game sold	28 567	38 283	49 512	54 296	50 978	-6,1%
Average Auction Turnover	R2 273 538	R2 403 410	R3 295 078	R3 905 509	R3 874 196	-0,8%
Average Auction Turnover: Quarter 1	R3 302 027	R2 448 305	R3 029 833	R5 432 184	R4 214 207	
Average Auction Turnover: Quarter 2	R1 316 507	R2 286 830	R3 164 143	R3 344 303	R3 659 163	
Average Auction Turnover: Quarter 3	R2 351 865	R2 611 000	R3 766 443	R4 041 855	R4 334 866	
Average Auction Turnover: Quarter 4	R2 210 074	R1 716 930	R2 217 770	R1 744 941	R1 852 768	
Average Number of game per auction sold	255	260	326	327	317	-3,2%
Average head of game sold: Quarter 1	283	233	315	354	288	
Average head of game sold: Quarter 2	232	300	382	350	374	
Average head of game sold: Quarter 3	253	229	282	302	278	
Average head of game sold: Quarter 4	298	300	263	250	255	
Average percentage of animals sold per auction	85,8%	89,9%	88,8%	92,0%	90,4%	
Average number of lots on offer	85	83	90	86	86	
Percentage of lots on offer sold	81,2%	87,8%	87,5%	91,1%	90,7%	
Colour variants sold as % of total	9,2%	9,9%	11,4%	12,0%	12,7%	
Average price per head sold: Quarter 1	R11 681	R10 492	R9 608	R15 337	R14 650	
Average price per head sold: Quarter 2	R5 683	R7 611	R8 288	R9 552	R9 779	
Average price per head sold: Quarter 3	R9 312	R11 383	R13 335	R13 364	R15 569	
Average price per head sold: Quarter 4	R7 478	R5 731	R8 423	R6 970	R7 258	
Analysis of <i>Timed vs Live</i> auctions:	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	
Share in Gross Turnover per year:						
- Timed Auctions (%)	67,0%	38,3%	20,6%	19,4%	19,5%	
- Live Auctions (%)	33,0%	61,7%	79,4%	80,6%	80,5%	
Rand/animal:						
- Timed Auctions	R25 818	R24 815	R35 968	R27 365	R24 769	
- Live Auctions	R8 205	R16 327	R19 381	R15 745	R17 186	
Number of animals/auction:						
- Timed Auctions	219	212	143	195	195	
- Live Auctions	283	286	392	361	357	

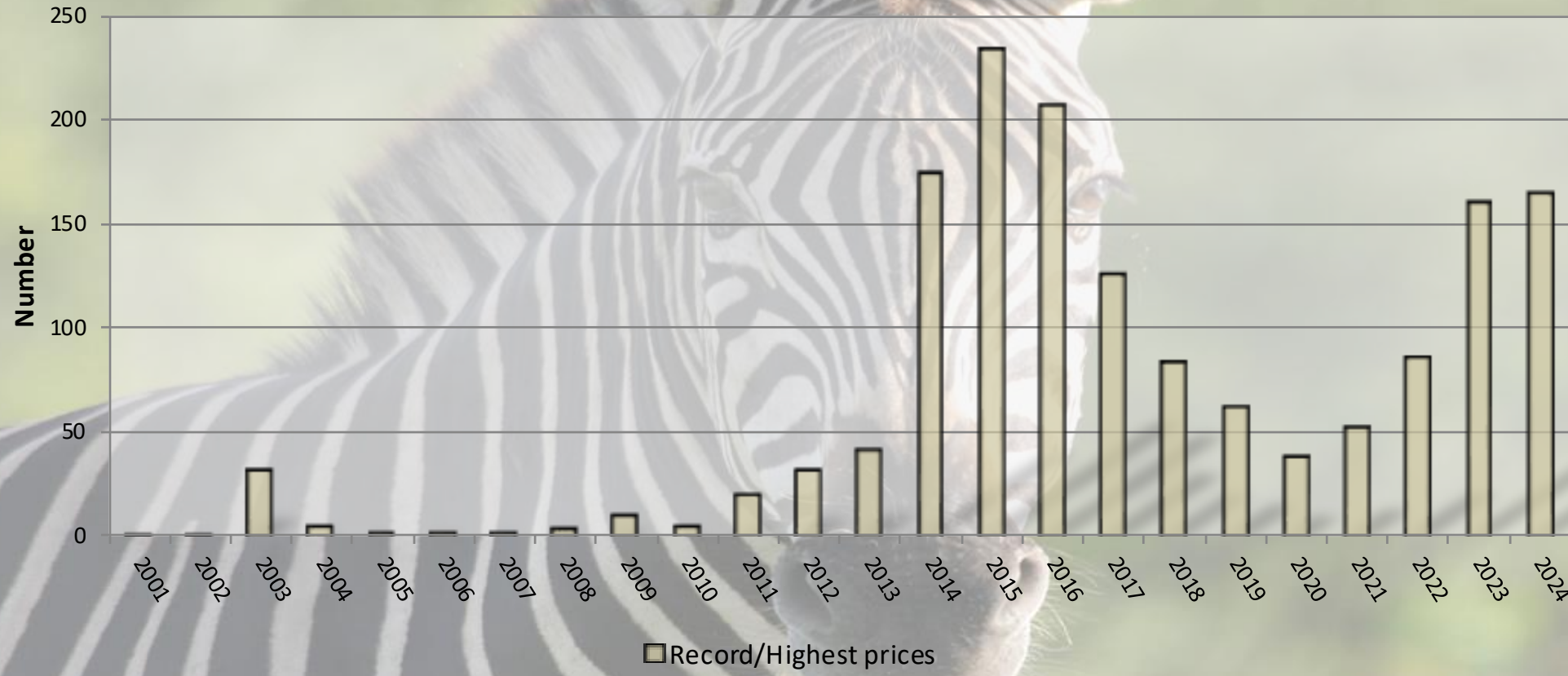
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Highest/Record Prices



Deviation of annual numbers from last 13 year game numbers on auctions (2012 - 2024)

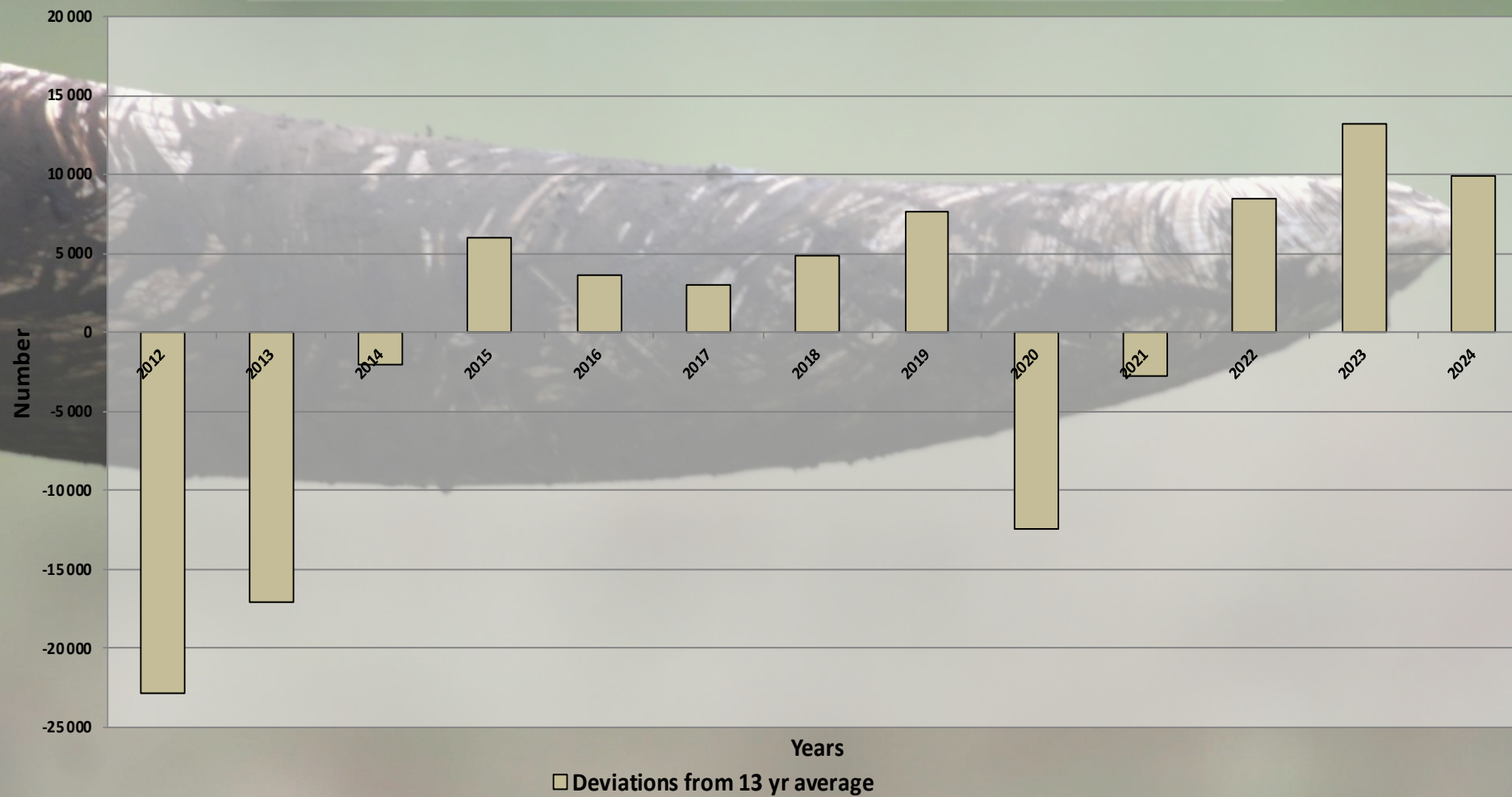
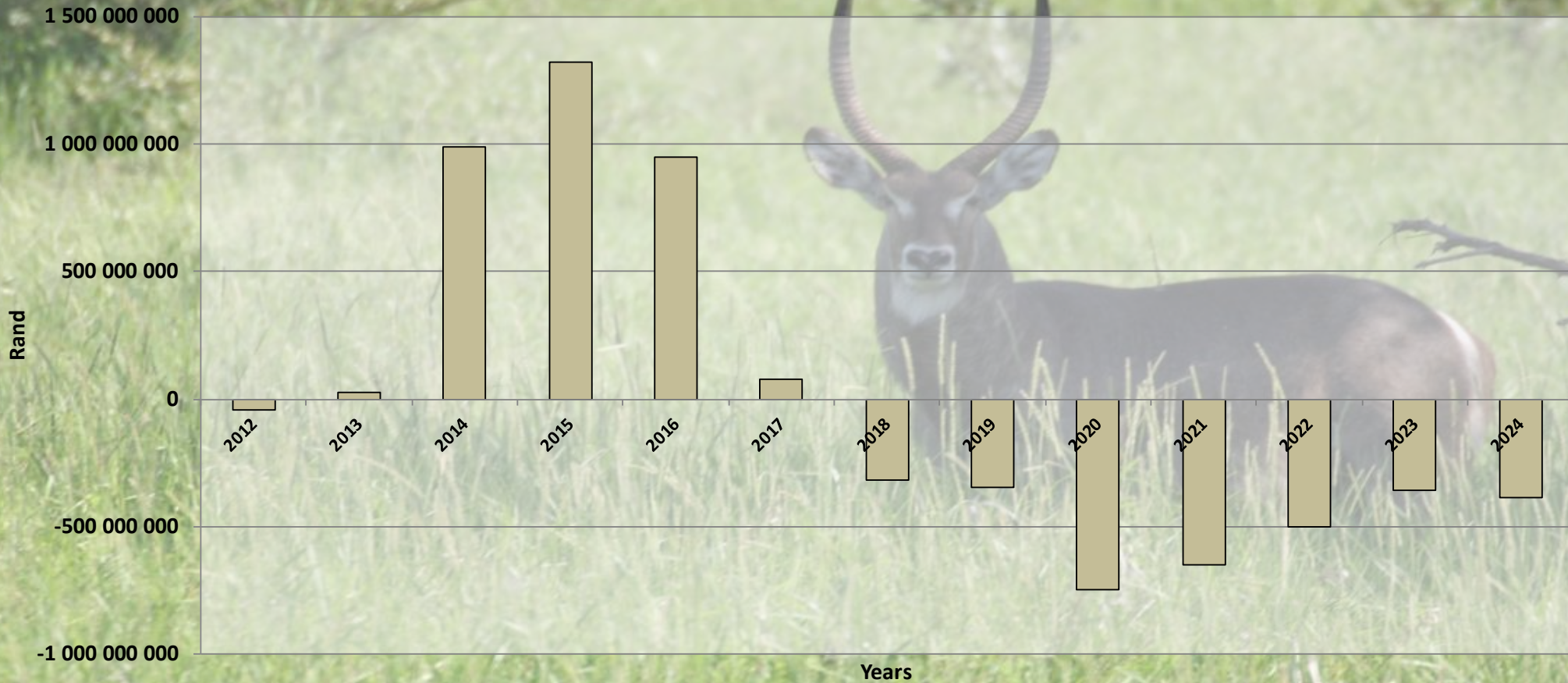


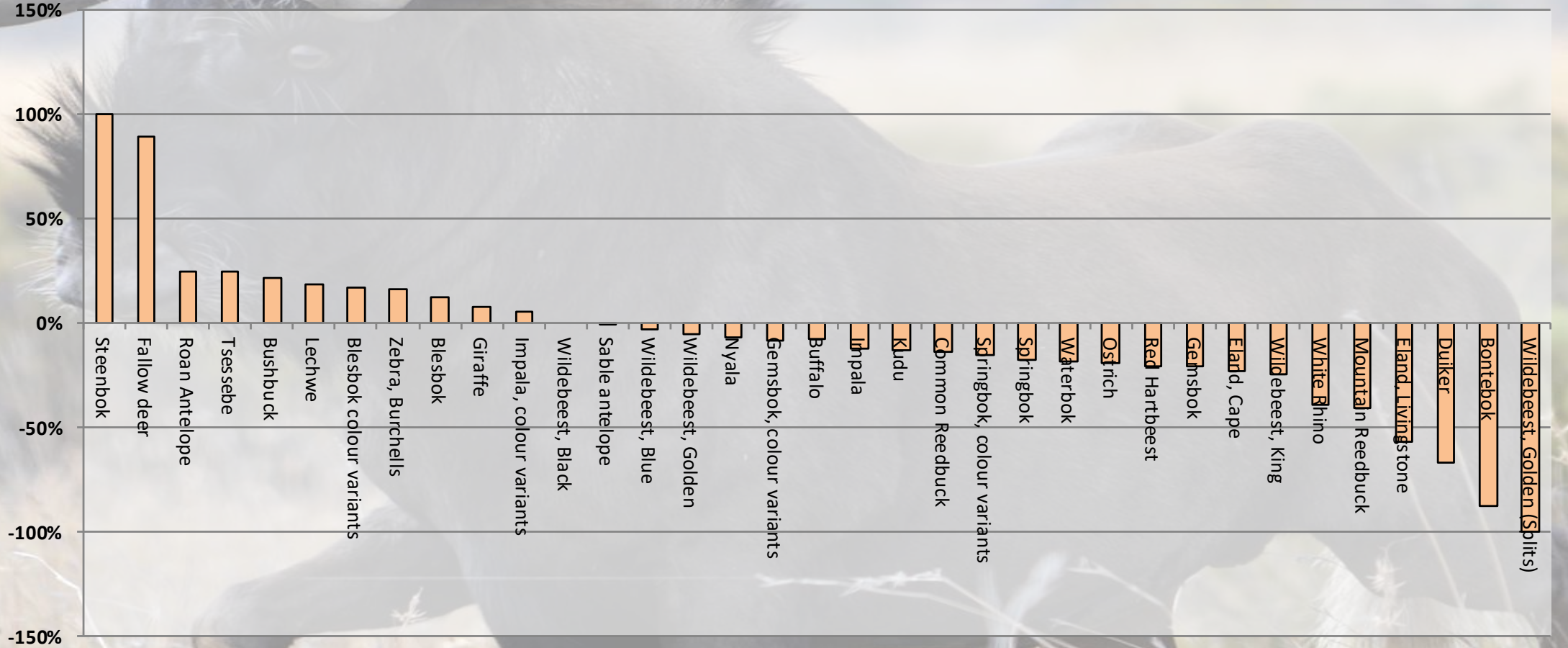
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Deviation of annual turnover from 13 year average annual turnover on auctions (2012 - 2024)

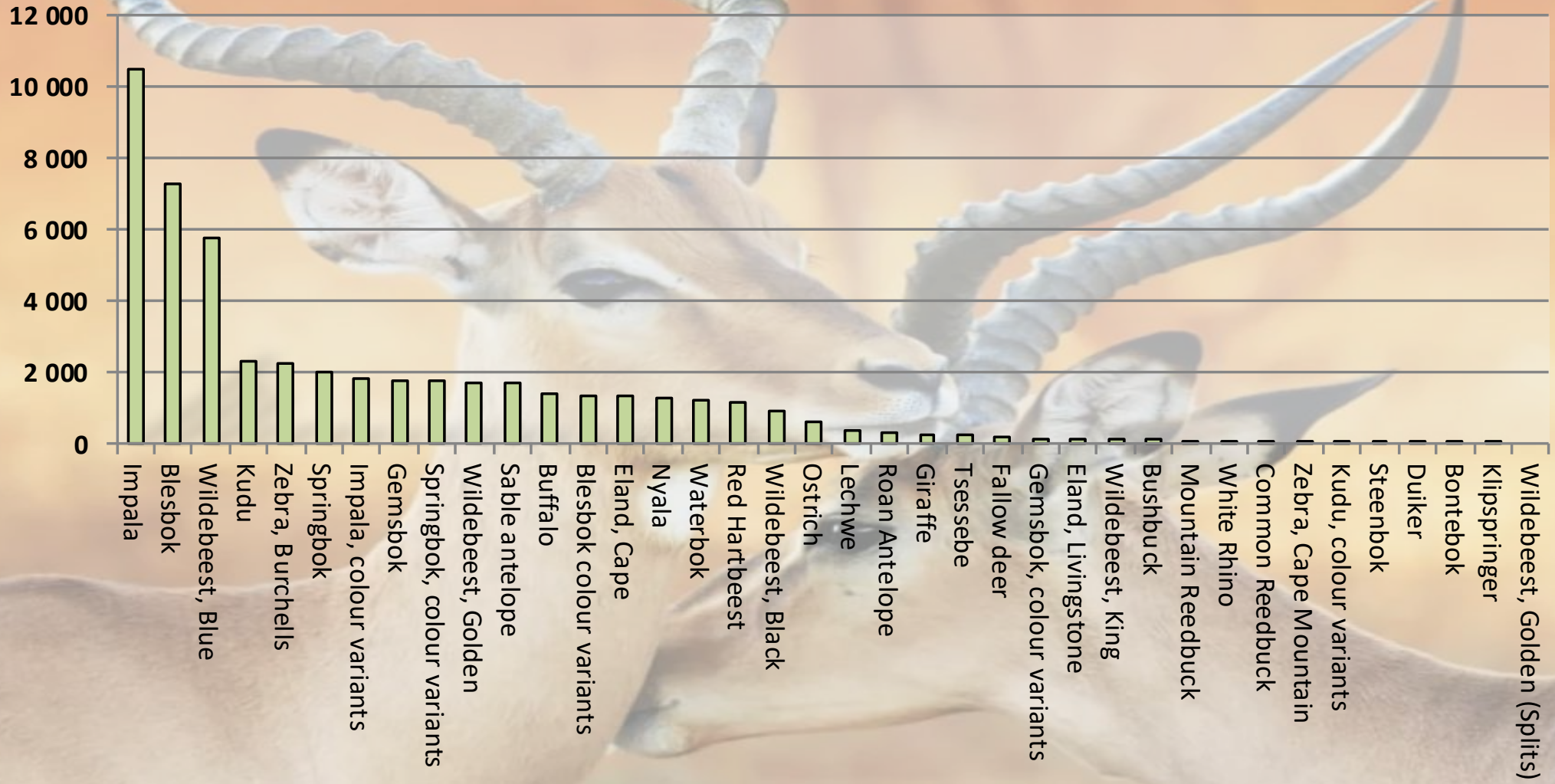


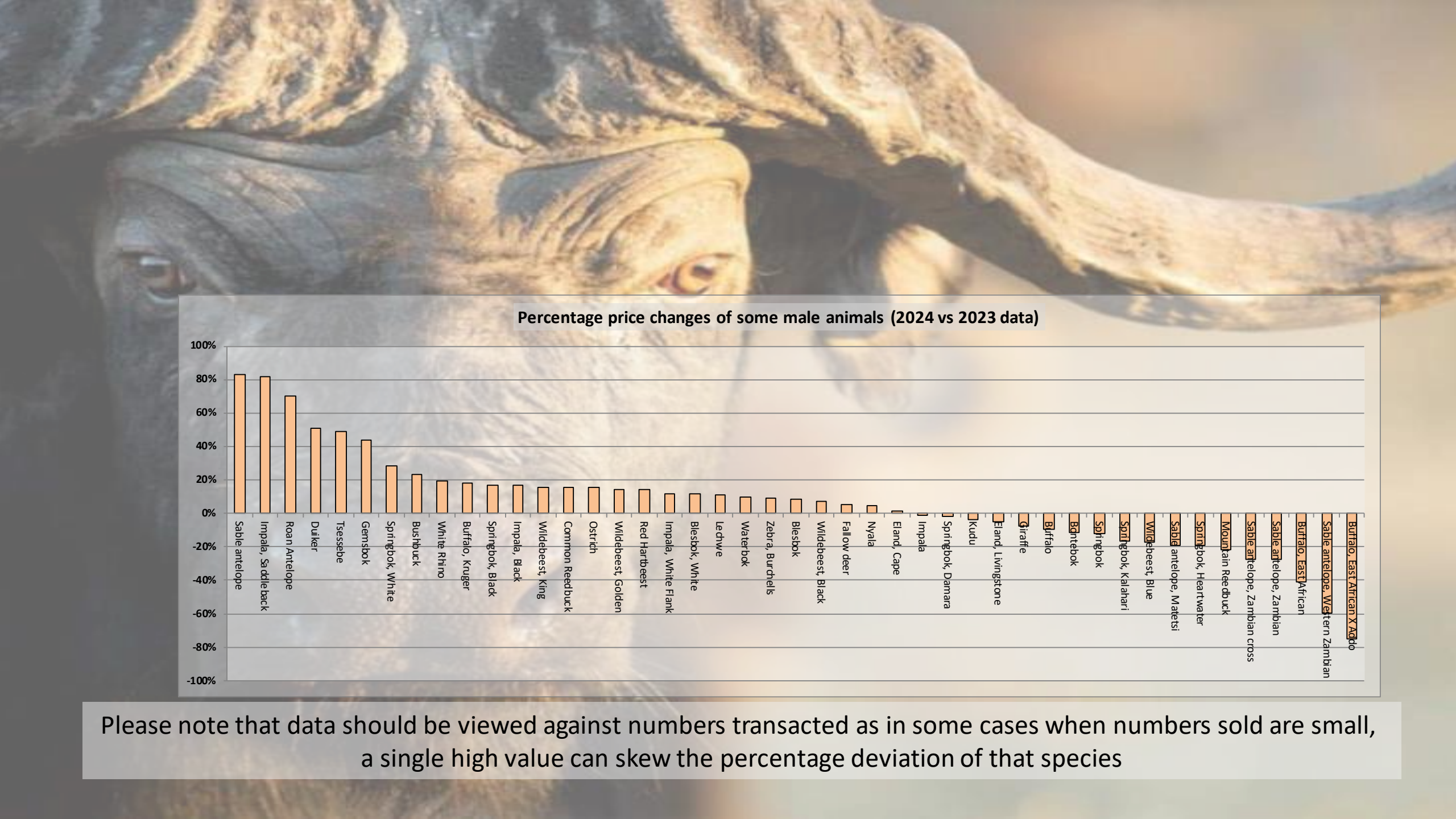
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Species' percentage sales growth in numbers (2024 vs 2023 data)

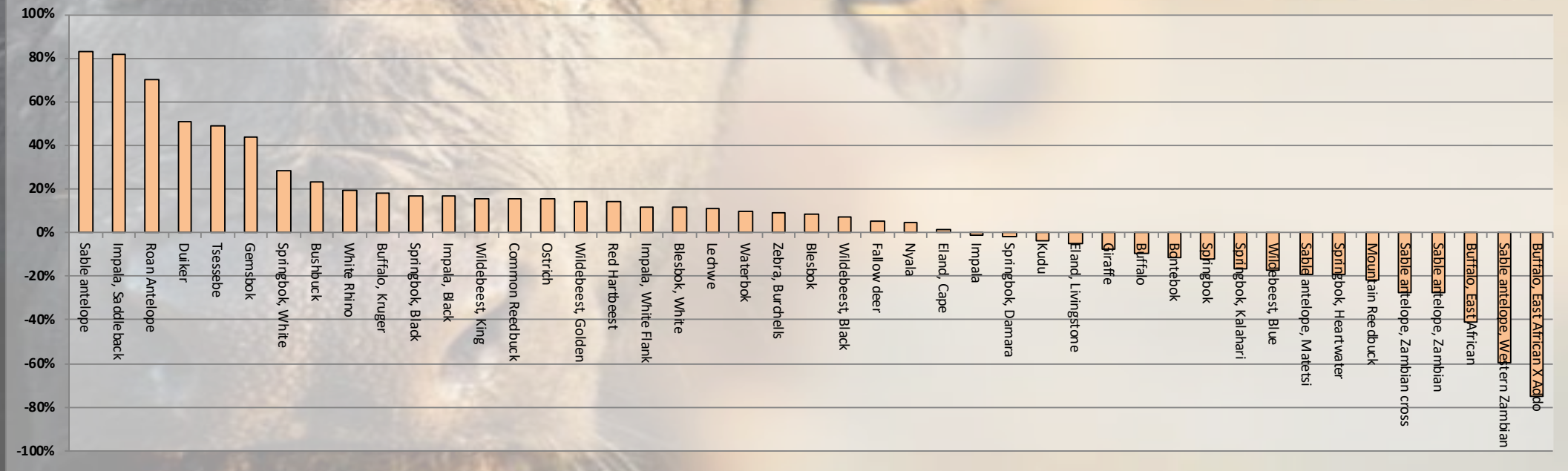


Number of animals per species sold during 2024





Percentage price changes of some male animals (2024 vs 2023 data)



Please note that data should be viewed against numbers transacted as in some cases when numbers sold are small, a single high value can skew the percentage deviation of that species

Thank you

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