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Direct equine exports from South Africa

Progress update on the reinstatement of direct equine exports from the AHS free zone and the role of the partnership between Government and SAEHP



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Introductory remarks and the current political status of reinstatement of direct equine exports



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Structure, role and efforts of
Government to re-establish direct
trade from South Africa

Legal mandate

- **Animal Diseases Act 35 of 84**
 - and its regulations

- **The Constitution**

Schedule 4 (part A) lists “animal control and diseases” as functional area of concurrent National and Provincial Legislative competence.



International Obligations



- **World Trade Organisation**
- **World Organisation for Animal Health – OIE**
 - Zoning and compartmentalization
 - HHP concept
- **Trade partner requirements**
 - Commission Decision 2008/698/EC: *on the temporary admission and imports into the Community of registered horses from South Africa*

Structure of Competent Authority (CA)



- **Competent Authority**

- CCA = National Department of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries (DAFF).
- PCA = 9 Provinces

- **PVS evaluation**

- Fundamental component 3: *Interaction with Stakeholders*

- **Technical Item: 85th GS**

- Public-Private Partnerships: expectations of private sector partners for international animal health and livestock sector development programmes and the implications for the OIE

Partnerships



- **Industry Bodies**
 - Animal Health Forum
 - **South African Equine Health and Protocols**
 - Poultry Association
 - Pork Producers Association
- **Authorizations of industry vets to perform certain duties**

Disease monitoring

- **Diagnostic Facilities**
 - SANAS Accredited and DAFF Approved
- **Surveillance**
 - Passive and Active
- **Research support**



Disease reporting



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Controlled Diseases

AHS (zoned)

Contagious Equine
Metritis (2017)

Dourine

Equine Infectious
Anaemia (1955)

Equine Influenza (2003)

Equine Viral Arteritis
(1998)

Glanders (1945)

Rabies

Anthrax

Notifiable Diseases

Strangles





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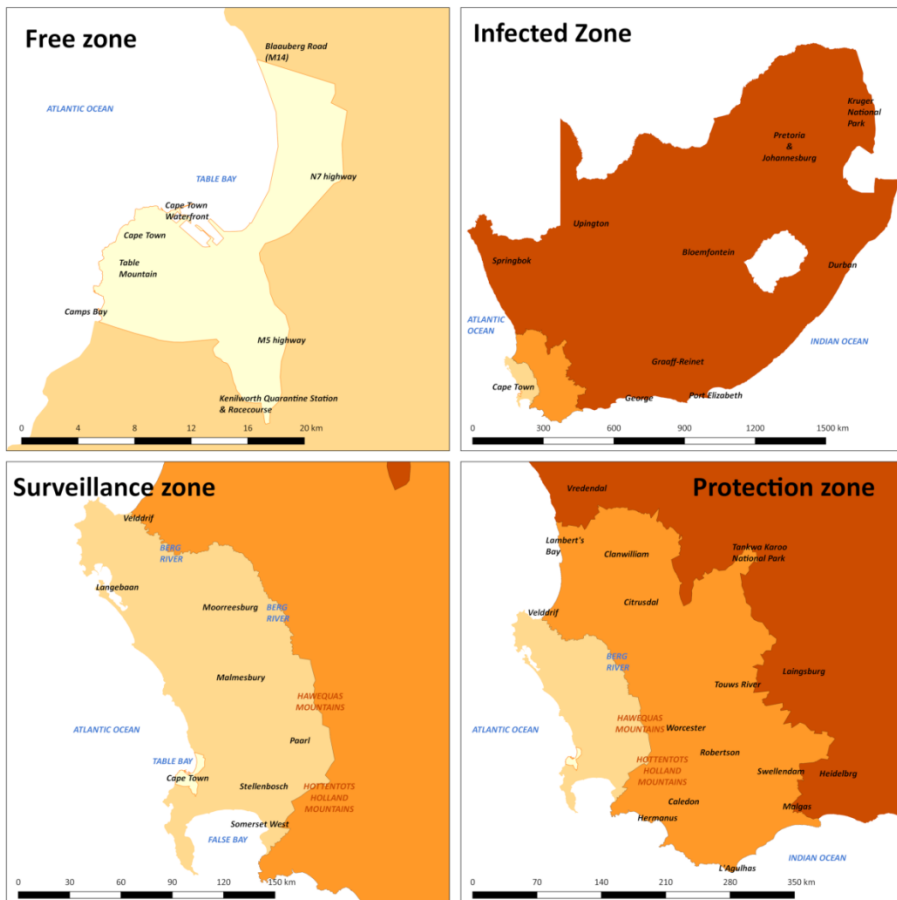
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Technical progress and efforts regarding in-country control to ensure risk-mitigated and sustainable trade

EU 2008/698: Principles of zoning/regionalisation



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**African horse sickness zones
South Africa**

- AHS free zone
- AHS surveillance zone
- AHS protection zone
- AHS infected zone (rest of South Africa)

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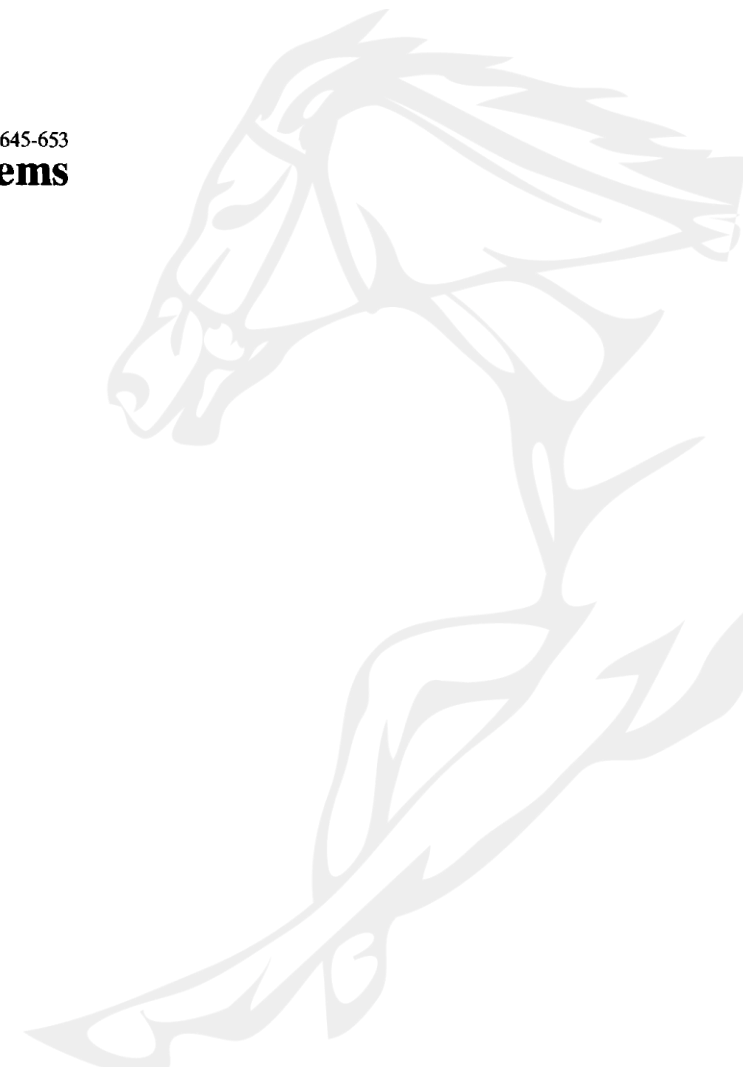
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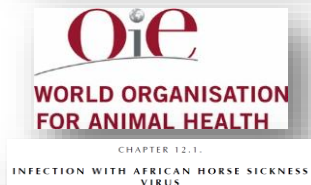


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In-country control

Movement



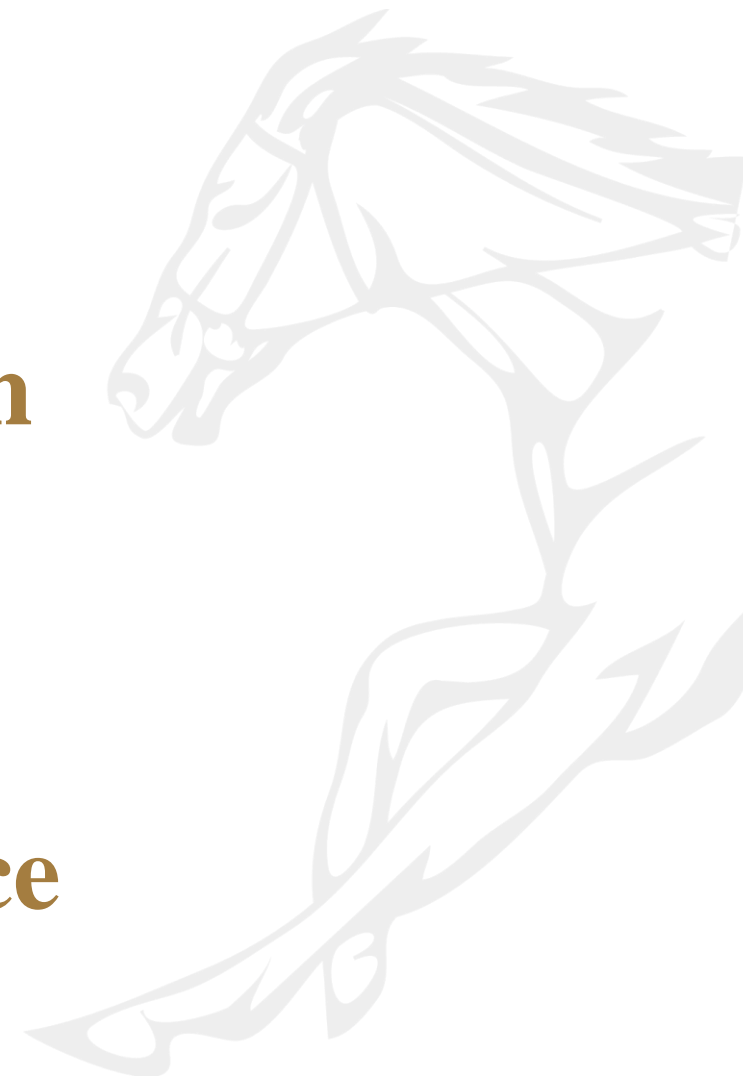
Vaccination



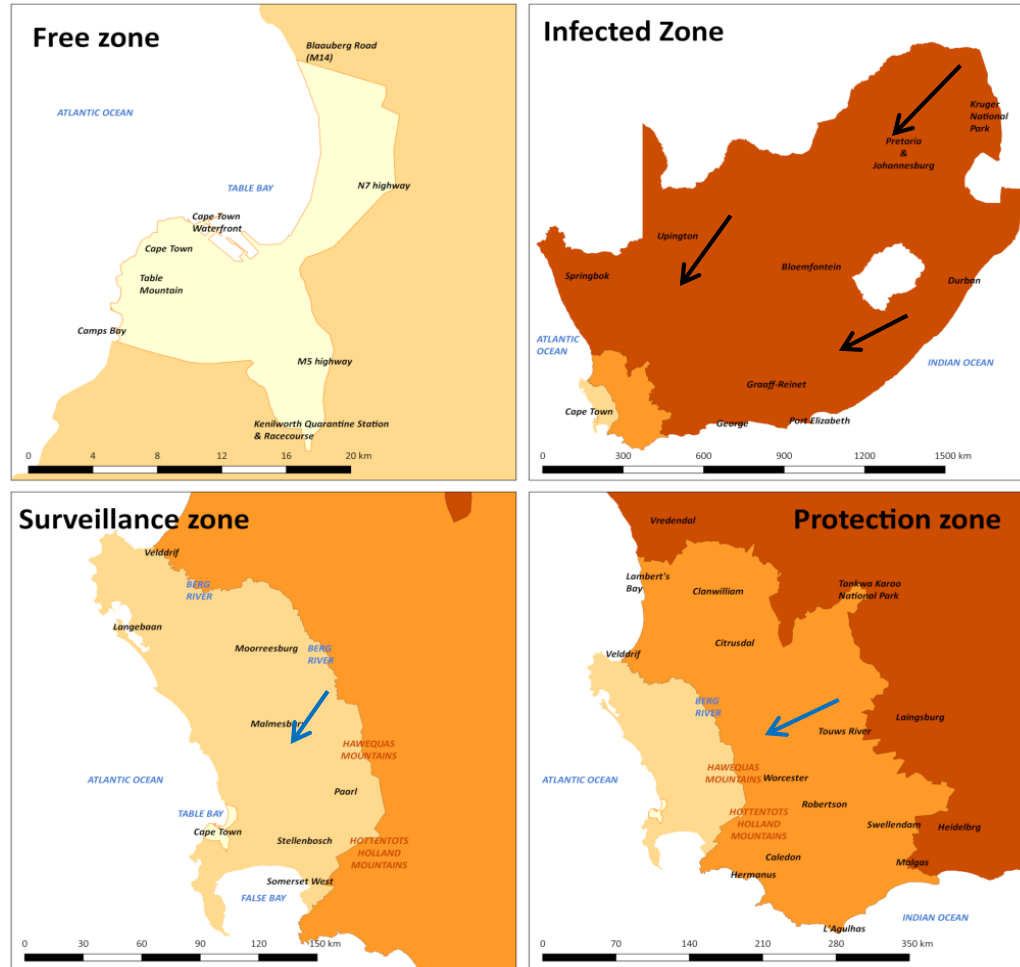
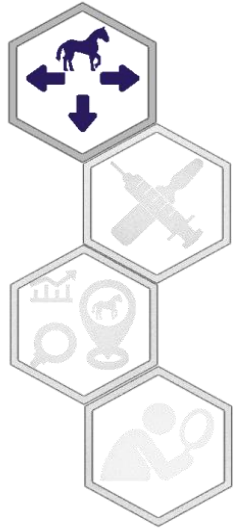
Census



Surveillance



In-country control - Movement

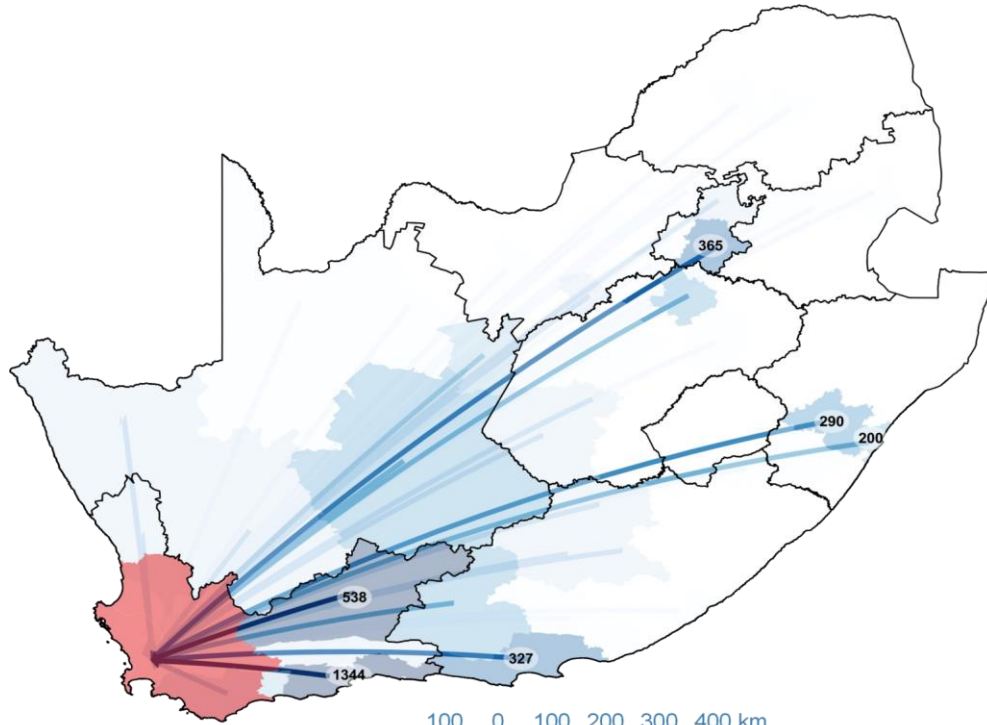
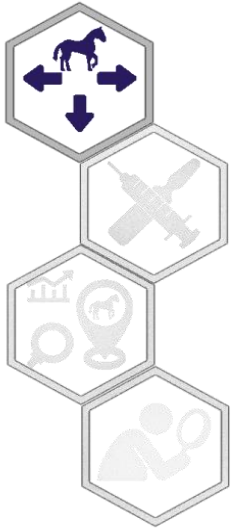


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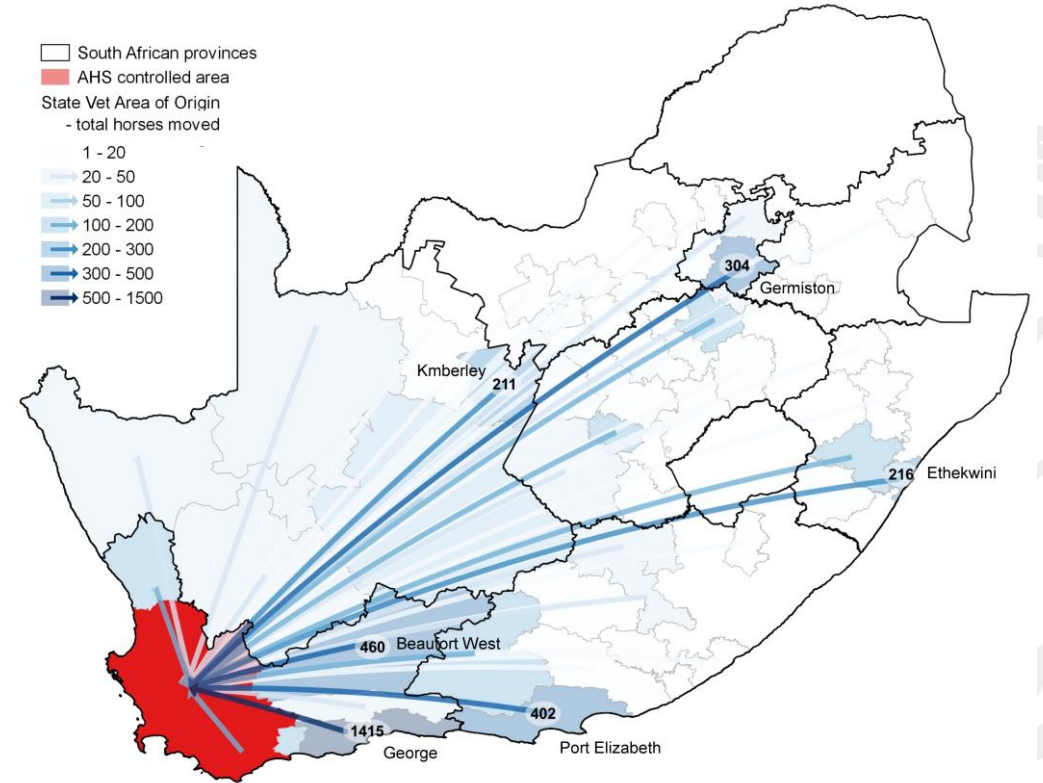
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In-country control - Movement



2017/2018



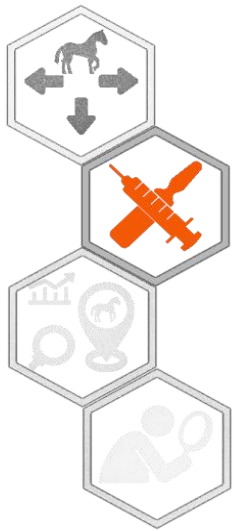
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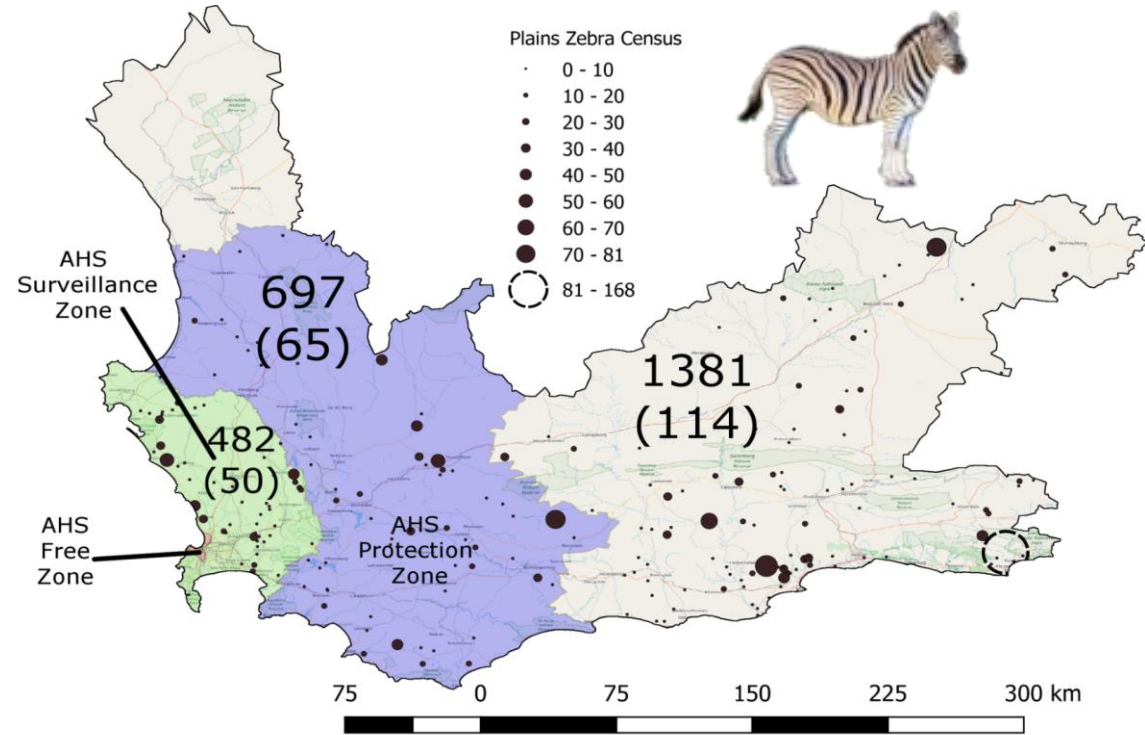
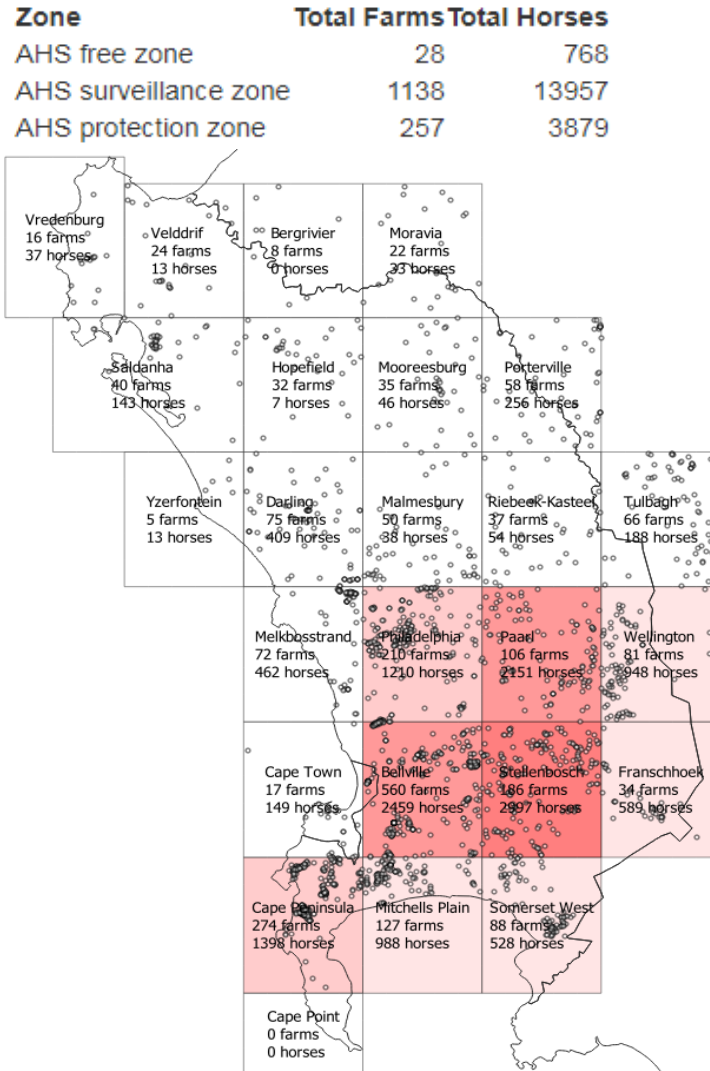
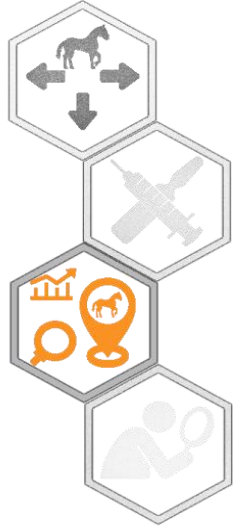


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Year	Applications received/Associated holdings	Total horses applied for	Total horses granted
2017	1078/647	7183	6893 (96%)
2018	1117/606	7277	7058 (97%)
2019	1108/610	7330	7044 (96%)



In-country control – Census/Registration



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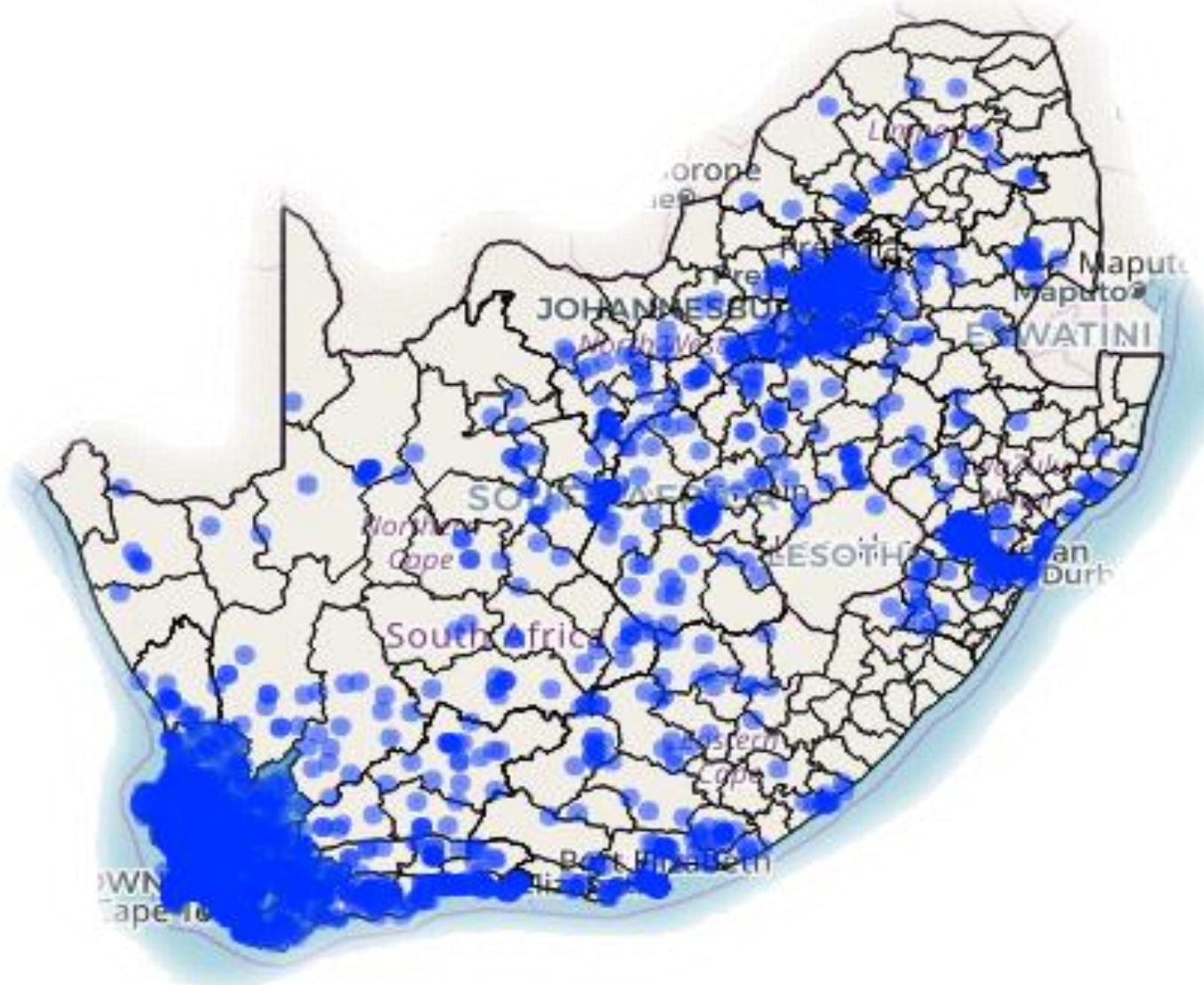
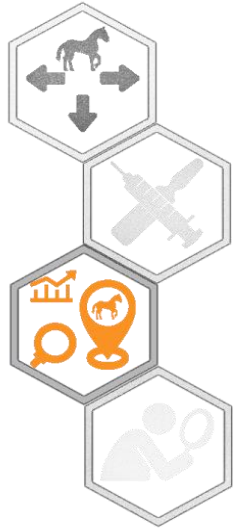
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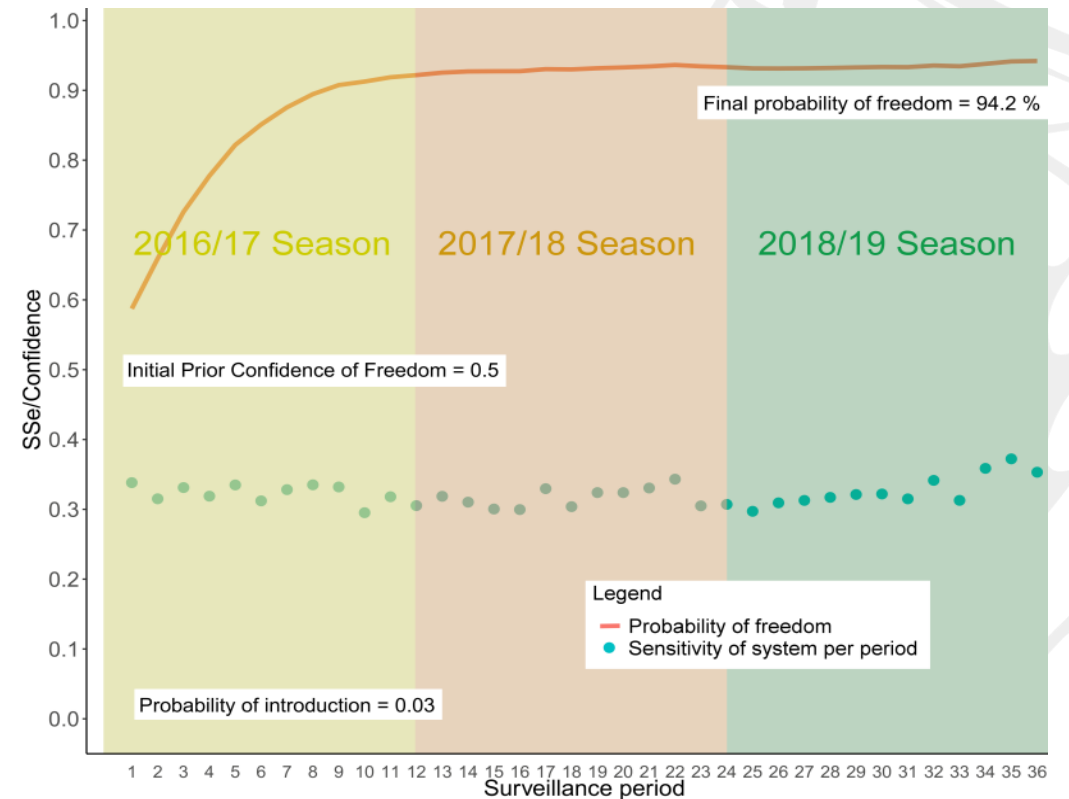
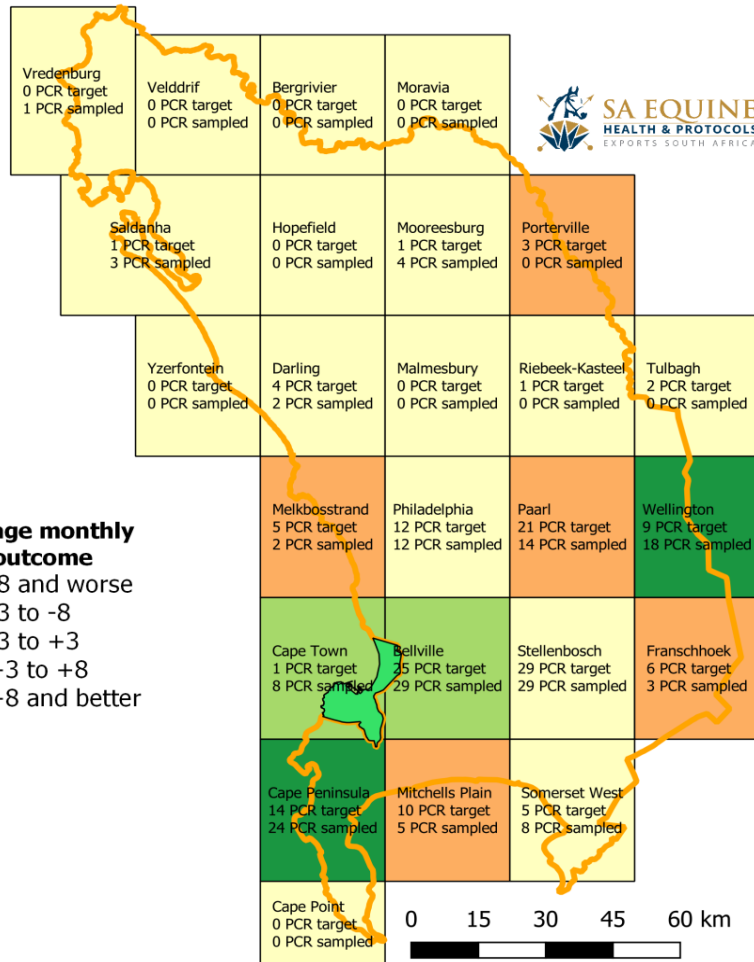
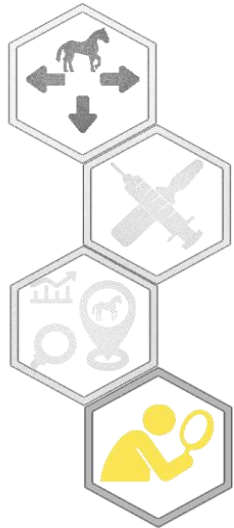
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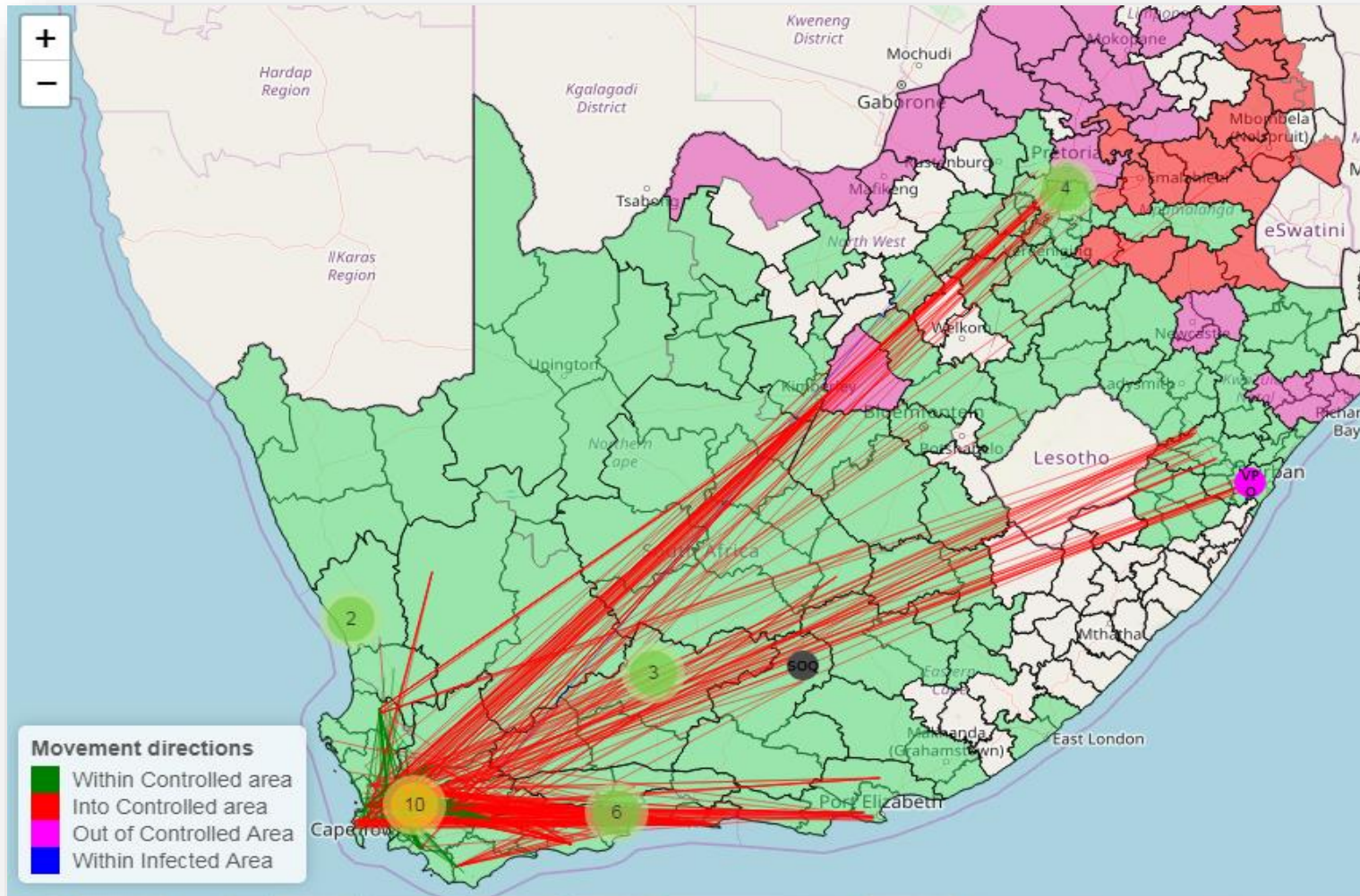
In-country control – Surveillance



Innovation and Progress – Audits & Area Status Declarations



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**RSA's
progress that
meets and
exceeds that
which the
current export
protocols
require**

Discussion



3 years 8 months since the last case of AHS in the AHS controlled area – incorporating 3 full AHS seasons



Integrated systems allow much better and detailed understanding of the dynamics associated with control



They also provide a foundation for demonstration of risk-mitigation measures



We have a better understanding of the epidemiology of AHS and the relevant and required control measures now compared to 1996/7 when the initial protocol was developed



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