

# the state of COMMUNITY CONSERVATION in Namibia 2016



## SUCCESSSES

### CONSERVATION

82 conservancies  
19.6% of Namibia  
584 game guards

### WILDLIFE

Elephant population tripled  
Lion population expanding  
Game recovering from drought

### WOMEN'S EMPOWERMENT

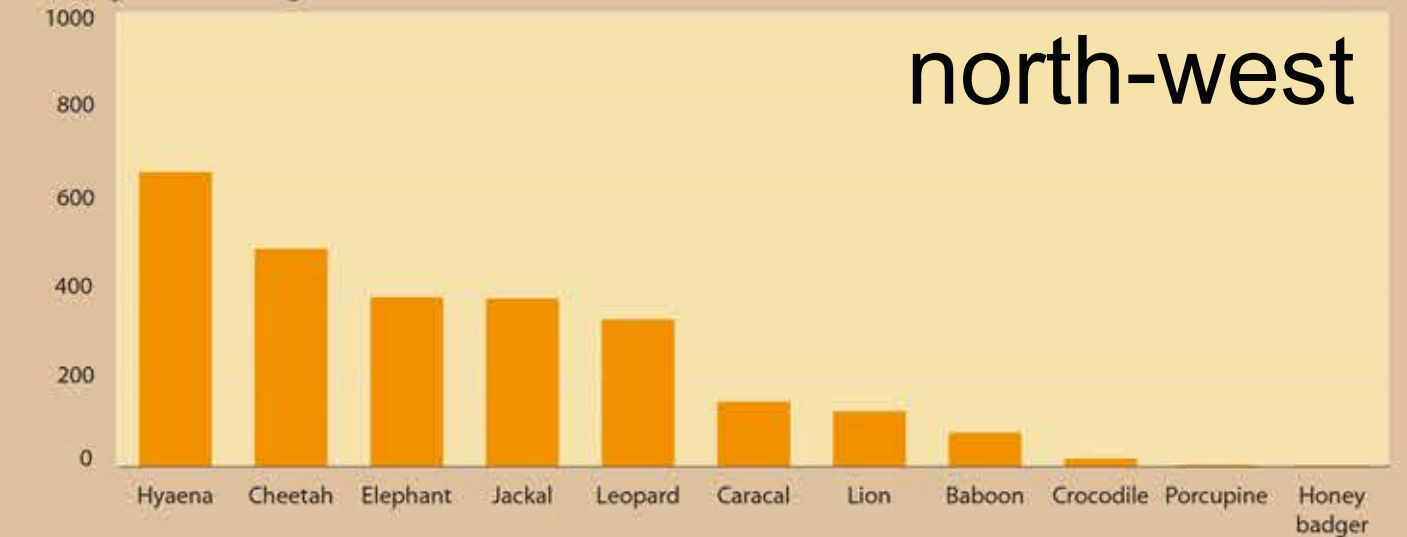
Chairpersons: 15%  
Treasurers: 41%  
Committee members: 39%  
Staff members: 29%

### FINANCIAL BENEFITS

Conservancies and private sector partners  
generated N\$ 111,232,053 in returns and benefits  
Meat received by communities was 523,448 kg  
Full and part time jobs were 5,147 in 2016

## and the challenge of human-wildlife conflict

In Erongo and Kunene regions



Number of incidents in Zambezi Region



The orange graphs indicate the number of conflict incidents per species in the Zambezi Region and Erongo-Kunene during 2016.

The number of elephant incidents dropped by 50% in Zambezi Region from 2015 to 2016.

Elephants range freely between Botswana and Namibia, making the number of human-wildlife incidents unpredictable.

The key strategy for dealing with human-wildlife conflict is prevention.

Elephant-proof water points have been built in Kunene and lion-proof kraals have been constructed in Zambezi.

