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Purpose



Natis & Related areas



Disciplinary action and work done with other law enforcement agencies



Impoundment and Notice to Discontinue



Illegally converted minibus vehicles



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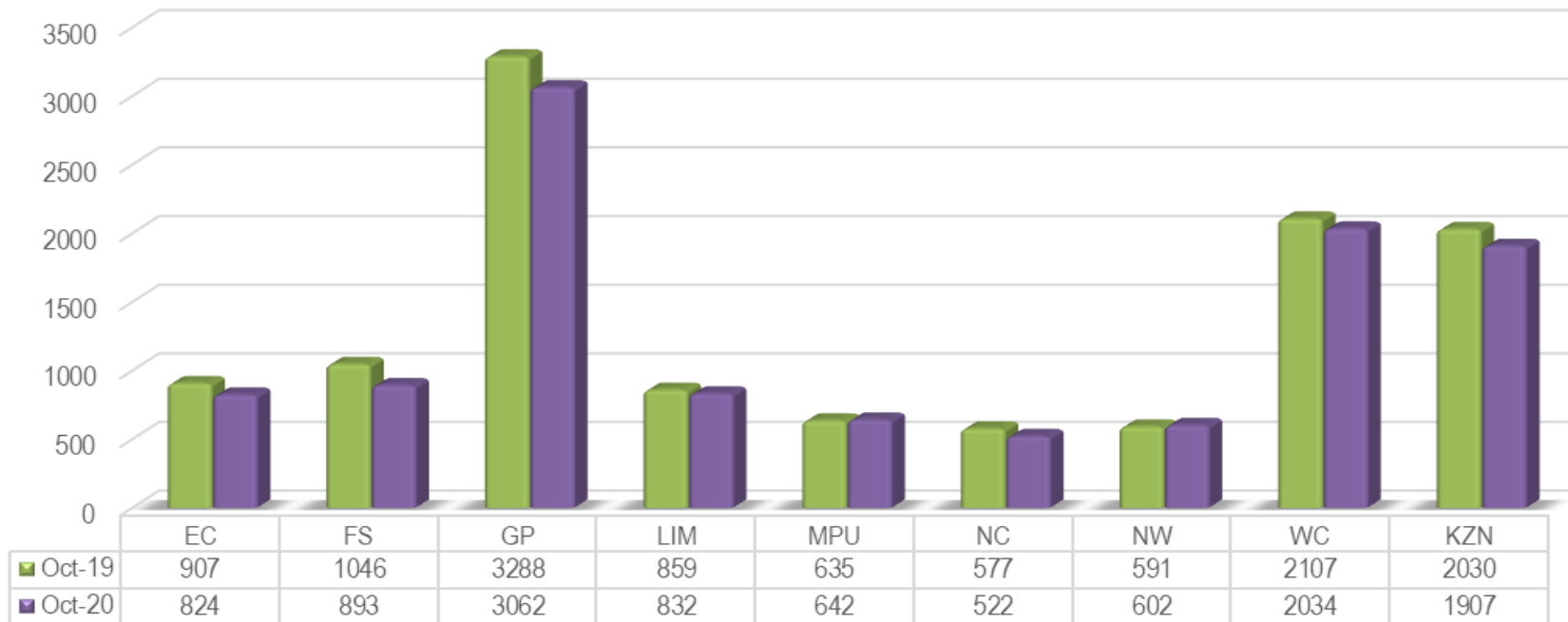
NaTIS Related Areas

NaTIS Users



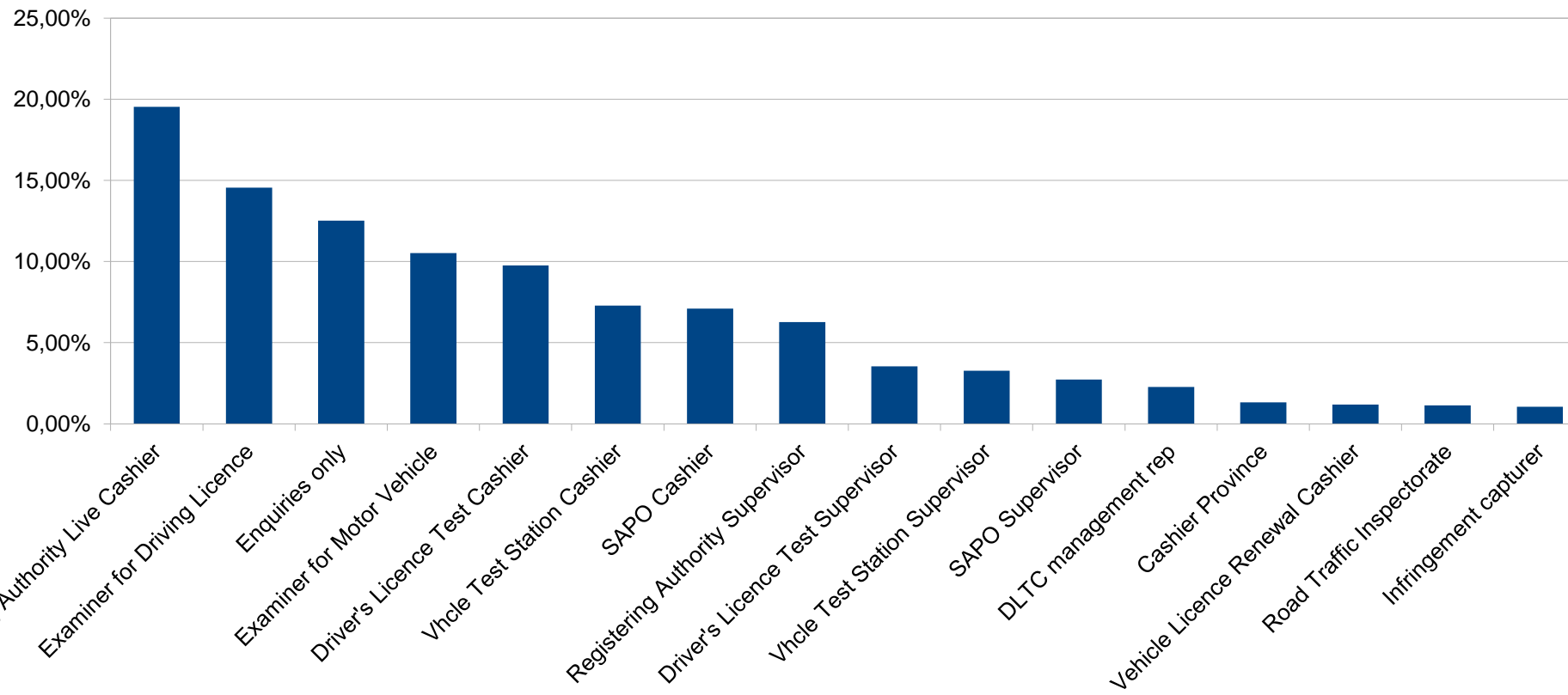
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Active Users October 2019/2020 (YoY)



11 318 Active NaTIS Users

NaTIS Users



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- System makes provision for Supervisors across all functions
- Segregation of duties exist both laterally (different users to conclude a process) and vertically (users and Supervisor to conclude a process)

Loss of Information

- No NaTIS information has been lost since the RTMC took control on 05 April 2017
- The information is backed up to two sites in near real-time as per the business continuity plan for NaTIS



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Access to Information – Non State Institutions

- **Registered Manufacturers, Importers and Builders** approved by the Province concerned has access to introduce vehicle records and also can update records before they are sold and registered
- **Motor Vehicle Finance Institutions and Insurance Companies** have access to confirm vehicle and ownership particulars (i.e. cannot update records)
 - Latest Model number of the vehicle is supplied
- **New services** envisaged but are subject to publication of legislation in this regard
- Matter is currently under discussion with Departments of Transport and Finance



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Access to Information – Vehicle Testing Stations

- Vehicle Testing Stations have access to the minimum vehicle information to determine the minimum standards for the testing of a vehicle
- Proposal to enhance information to display multiple model numbers is currently underway
 - Engagement with NRCS and related stakeholders on the information to be captured



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NaTIS ability to flag vehicles

- The system caters for administration marks that restrict the ability to transact on person or vehicle records
- Administration marks can be set at registering authority (local), Provincial and National Level
 - Only a Provincial entity can modify administration marks loaded at Provincial level
 - Only the Critical Transaction Centre (CTC) can modify administration marks loaded at National level
- Administration marks were not used for illegal modifications until 2017 where DOT requested RTMC to update the vehicles identified in Public Protector Report



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Minimum requirements to record a change to Make, Model and Series

The required documents are contained in the Minimum Requirements for Sensitive Transactions:

- Appropriate identification of the applicant
- Change/Notice of Particulars iro. Vehicle form (CNV or RIM)
- Copy of Manufacturer, Importer or Builder (MIB) Certificate
- Copy of Request for Police Clearance (If modified by non-MIB)
- Letter of Authority (LOA) if modified by non-MIB
- Mass Measuring Certificate (MMC)
- Confirmation letter from Examiner of Vehicles

Sensitive Transactions are reserved for Provincial and National Helpdesk



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Disciplinary and Investigation



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Province	Investigation details
Mpumalanga Standerton	<p>Seventy-five (75) officials from Standerton Licensing Department were Implicated in the illegal registration of vehicles to bogus dealerships and dumping of licensing of fees. These officials changed unlawfully changed the motor vehicle description on the system to avoid paying the full licensing fee.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Nine (9) officials were arrested, and 66 officials are still to be arrested pending assigning of prosecutors due to cases cutting across provinces.• One (1) official resigned• One (1) official was an intern and the had contract expired when she was arrested.• Two (2) officials were dismissed departmentally• Five (5) officials are still going through the disciplinary process. <p>The state was defrauded 48 million by these officials, truck owners and vehicle dealers.</p>

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Province	Investigation details
Mpumalanga Nelspruit	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Five (5) officials from Mpumalanga Community Safety were departmentally charged for defrauding 60 million for a period of six months.• All officials resigned after they were charged. <p>Arrests are still pending subject to the finalisation of the criminal investigation.</p>



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Province	Investigation details
Eastern Cape	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• A total of five hundred and ten (510) were seized in Eastern Cape after the vehicles were registered illegally into the NaTIS system.• Twenty-eight (28) criminal cases of fraud and corruption were registered at Komga• Seventeen (17) suspects were arrested are appearing in court, including five (5) officials from department of Transport, two (2) SAPS officials, four (4) private roadworthy centre officials, one (1) immigration official and five (5) suspects who registered the vehicles.• All officials were suspended, and their departmental processes are still on-going. <p>The criminal cases are in court.</p>

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Province	Investigation details
Limpopo	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Thirty-five (35) officials were arrested across the province for fraudulently issuing Certificate of Roadworthiness to vehicles that were not subjected to the prescribed test.• ID documents of unsuspecting individuals were used for the application of roadworthy for vehicles unknown to them.• Vehicles in excess of five thousand (5000) were issued with fraudulent certificates of roadworthiness.• A submission to request the Limpopo Department of Transport and National Department of Transport to suspend officials and close these Vehicle Testing Stations (VTS) is being processed. <p>All criminal cases are going through court processes.</p>

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Province	Investigation details
Free State	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• 8 Examiner and 1 clerk were arrested in Harrismith and Bethlehem for fraud and corruption at driving licences centres.• Disciplinary action has been initiated <p>The matter is pending in court</p>





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Law Enforcement steps undertaken to scrap/ and or impound vehicles identified as illegally converted vehicles

Impoundment

Offences that can get your vehicle impounded:

parking offence
causing obstruction.

Any vehicle deemed
to be abandoned on
a public road.

A vehicle not
displaying any form
of identification

Buses and taxis can
also be impounded
for not having a
permit or operating
contrary to a permit.



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Traffic regulations



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The national government has a number of traffic laws that govern the **country's roads**, but each **Province is able to create their own regulations for their regions**, which may sometimes differ from the **rest of the country**.

E.g: Western Cape Government put forward a proposal to repeal the National Road Safety Act of 1972 and replace it with their **own traffic laws for impounding cars**, which allowed the provincial minister to set new regulations and penalties for serious traffic offences.

Impoundment

Other offences that may cause your car to be towed include:

- Parking in a tow-away zone, ambulance or emergency service area.
- Parking on a red line or no-parking area.
- Vehicles impounded at roadblocks.
- Unroadworthy vehicles.
- Drunk driving.
- Illegal street racing.
- Vehicles with missing or false number plates.
- Driving a motor vehicle without a valid drivers licence.



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Scrapping of Vehicles

National Road Traffic Act 93, Act 93 of 1996: Particular procedure to follow if your motor vehicle becomes permanently unfit for use:

- a) Notify the vehicle's titleholder.
- b) (At an appropriate registering authority, complete form CNP or MVR1A, within 3-months, to indicate that the motor vehicle has become permanently unfit for use.
- c) Submit the vehicle's registration certificate, to the relevant registering authority.

The act is however not clear on scrapping of vehicles due to illegal conversions.



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Systematic Constraints



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- With tied up seat belts, taxis can 'load more passengers.'
- Most converted panel vans are not even fitted with these seat belts.



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Illegal TRP Administration Marks and other Conversions

Public Protector report on illegal conversions

- Administration marks were placed on 2168 vehicles for illegal conversions
- The administration marks restricts all transactions except licensing
 - When the vehicle is licensed a disc is not printed



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MV State	Number
Deregistered by default	1
Deregistered by request	835
Exported while exempt from licensing	2
Exported while licensed	27
Licensed	1154
Pending (Notified of stolen/scrapped/demolished)	28
Pending (Sale of used MV)	23
Registered (Exempt from licensing)	88
Registered (Liable for licensing)	10
Total Result	2168

Conversions cont'd

- Over 42 000 vehicles in the live vehicle population were introduced to NaTIS as Panel Vans



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PROVINCE	CURRENT_DESCRIPTION					Total Result
	Ambulance	Bus (single deck)	Combi / Micro bus	Rescue vehicle	Station wagon	
EC	155	2213	957	1	105	3431
FS	431	1701	400	5	20	2557
GP	668	8960	5168	22	676	15494
L	200	2950	613		47	3810
MP	157	3801	722	3	65	4748
NC	46	802	141		9	998
NW	75	1642	635	2	62	2416
WP	487	2089	1790	3	138	4507
ZN	628	3025	1262	2	88	5005
Total Result	2847	27183	11688	38	1210	42966

It is not possible to determine which conversions are illegal as model certificates are provided for the vehicles



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