

NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

FOR WRITTEN REPLY**QUESTION 32**

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32. Ms Z Majazi (IFP) to ask the Minister of Police:

What total number of arrests have been made within the past two years with regard to (a) poaching of wild animals and (b) possession of animal parts?

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REPLY:

(a) and (b) Members of the Directorate for Priority Crime Investigation (DPCI) have made the following arrests, in the past two years.

Commodities	2020	2021
Abalone and Rock Lobster Traffickers	23	33
Elephant Ivory Traffickers	6	14
Lion Bone Traffickers	1	2
Pangolin Traffickers	22	16
Reptile Traffickers	1	2
Rhino horn Traffickers	9	13

(a) and (b) Members of the South African Police Service (SAPS) Division: Detective and Forensic Services have made the following arrests, in the past two years.

Province	(a) Poaching of wild animals	(b) Possession of animal parts
Eastern Cape	24	3
Free State	5	0
Gauteng	45	0
KwaZulu-Natal	278	108
Limpopo	61	107
North West	14	2
Mpumalanga	25	31
Northern Cape	52	22
Western Cape	7	0

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**MINISTER OF POLICE
GENERAL BH CELE, MP**

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