



Republic of Mozambique

The Mining Cadastre in Mozambique

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MINING CADASTRE OLD SYSTEM PROBLEMS

Overlaps

Overlaps because applications was receive in Maputo and all province and was not use first came first served

Not timescales

Was not timescale on the mining regulation and to get the license was take mo than 120 days

Not transparent

There was not allowed to consultation maps or Cadastral registration

RESULT

High risk for investors

Mining Legislation

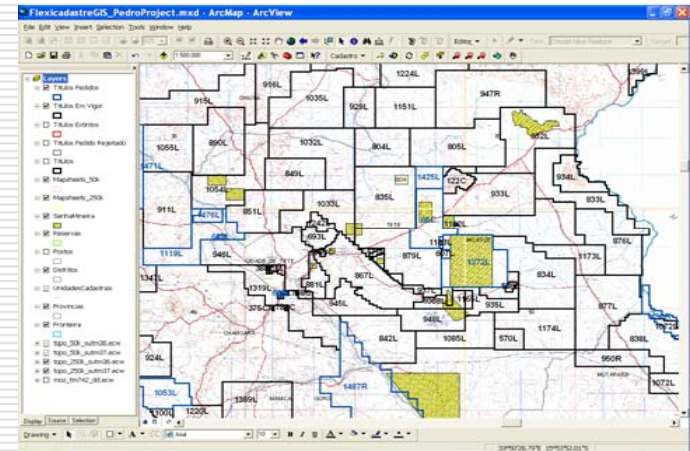
- ❑ The Mining Law n°14/2002, of June 26
- ❑ The Mining Regulation were approved through Decree n° 28/2003, of June 17, 2003
- ❑ The Environmental Regulation for the Mining Activity was approved through Decree 26/2004, of June 30
- ❑ The Fiscal Regime was approved in 1994 and is now being review

Mineral Titles under the new Mining Law n°14/2002

- ❑ Reconnaissance License valid for maximum of two years and non renewable (non exclusive)
- ❑ Exploration License, with a maximum duration of five years and renewable for a maximum of 10 years (with exclusivity)
- ❑ Mining Concession, with a maximum duration of twenty five (25) years, and renewable for a maximum of 25 years
- ❑ Mining certificate, with a duration of two years.
- ❑ A mining pass, granted for a term of twelve months and renewable for the same period. (new permit)

ADVANTAGES FOR THE INVESTORS

- To increase security of tenure and transparency in the process of awarding the mineral titles and permits.
- To Incorporate the principle of **“first come, first served”** in the awarding of the mineral titles.
- To allow issuance of Mineral titles for longer periods of time.
- To reduce discretionary powers in the issuing and revocation of the mineral titles
- To give guarantees to the investors and stability to the fiscal regime.



THE NEW MINING REGULATION

- Spells out the terms and conditions for application and granting of the mineral titles and permits
- Define Licensing procedures, taxes and general procedures

MINING CADASTRE NEW SYSTEM

PRIORITY

First come, first served (no overlaps)

Timescales

Timescales for applicant and for Government

TRANSPARENCY

Free and Public consultation of the maps and Cadastral Registration consultation (one public consultation computer, registrations and maps)

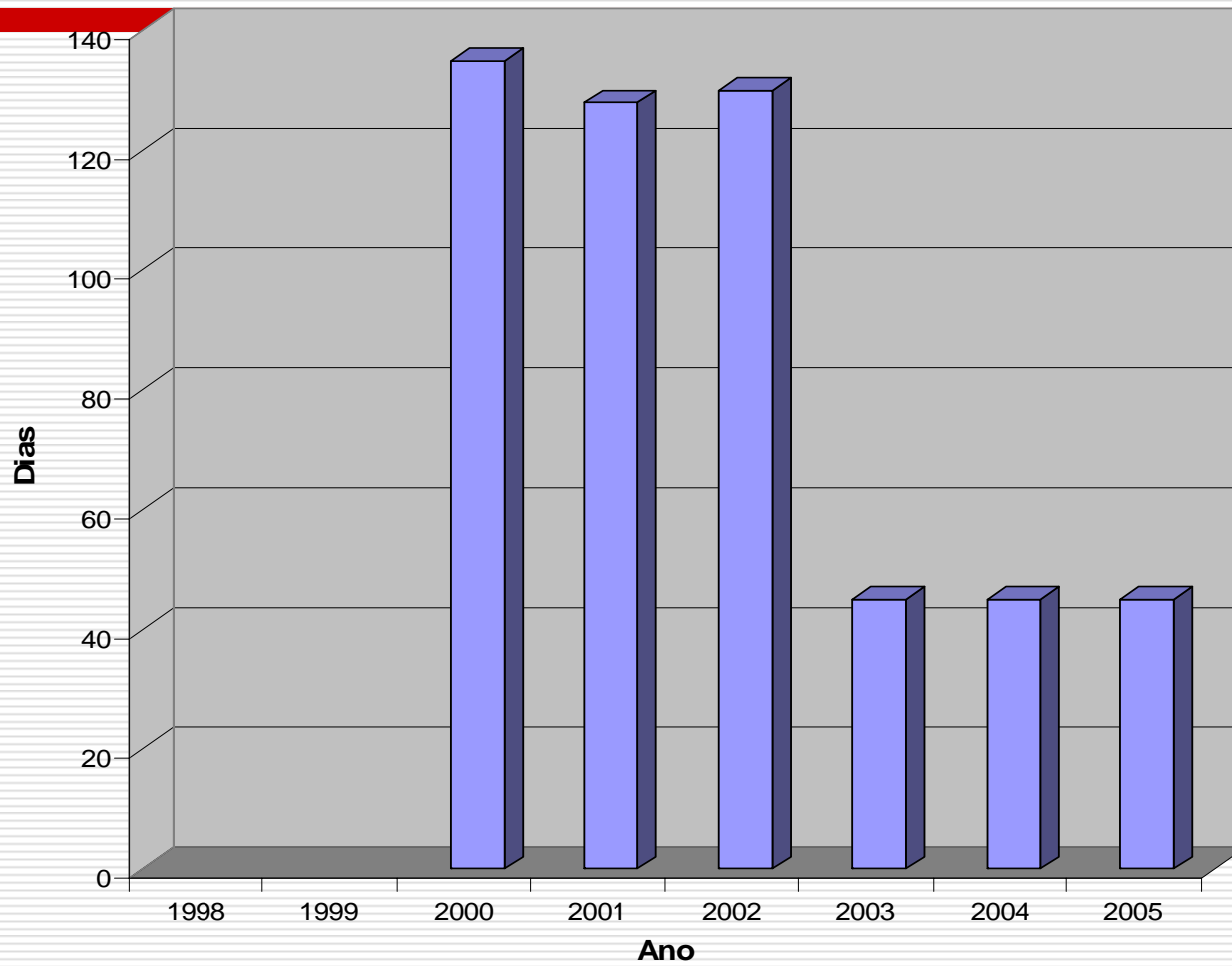
NO DISCRIMINATION

Application of the equal rules and criteria's for all people

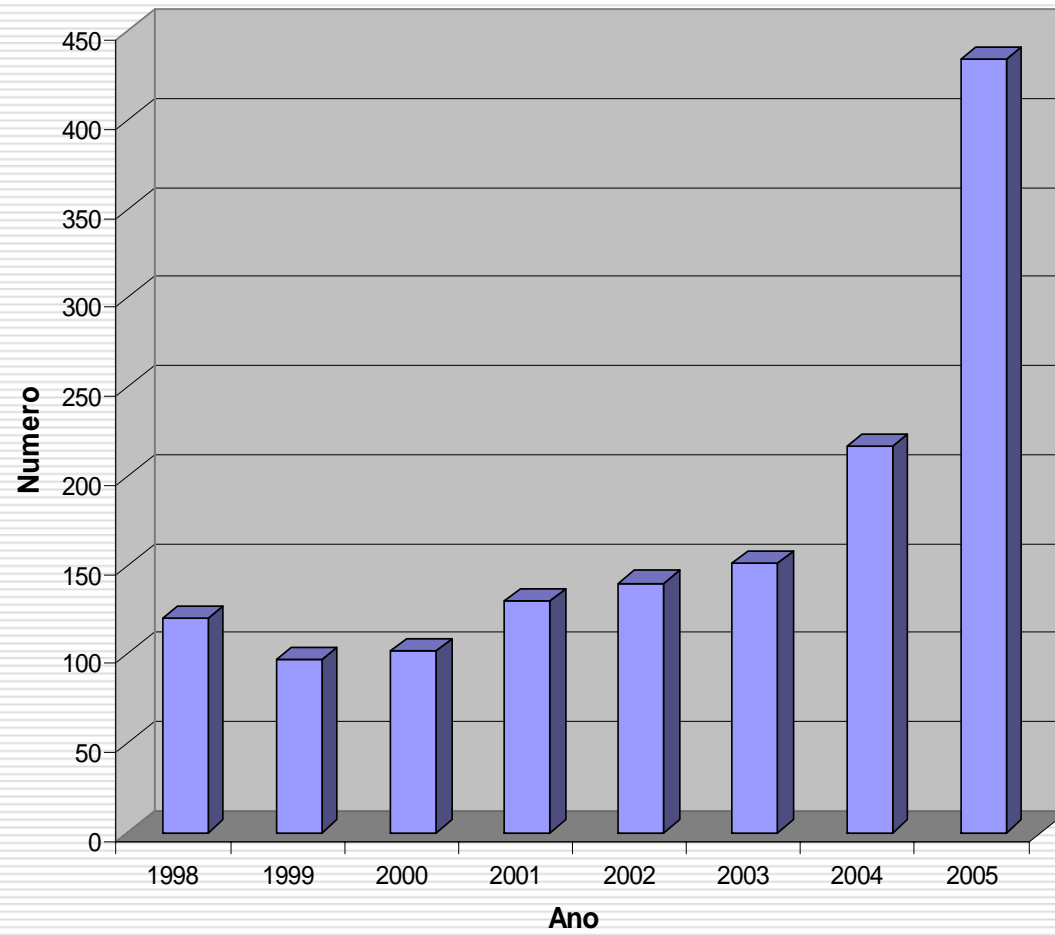
OBJECTIVITY

Without subjective criteria's of evaluation

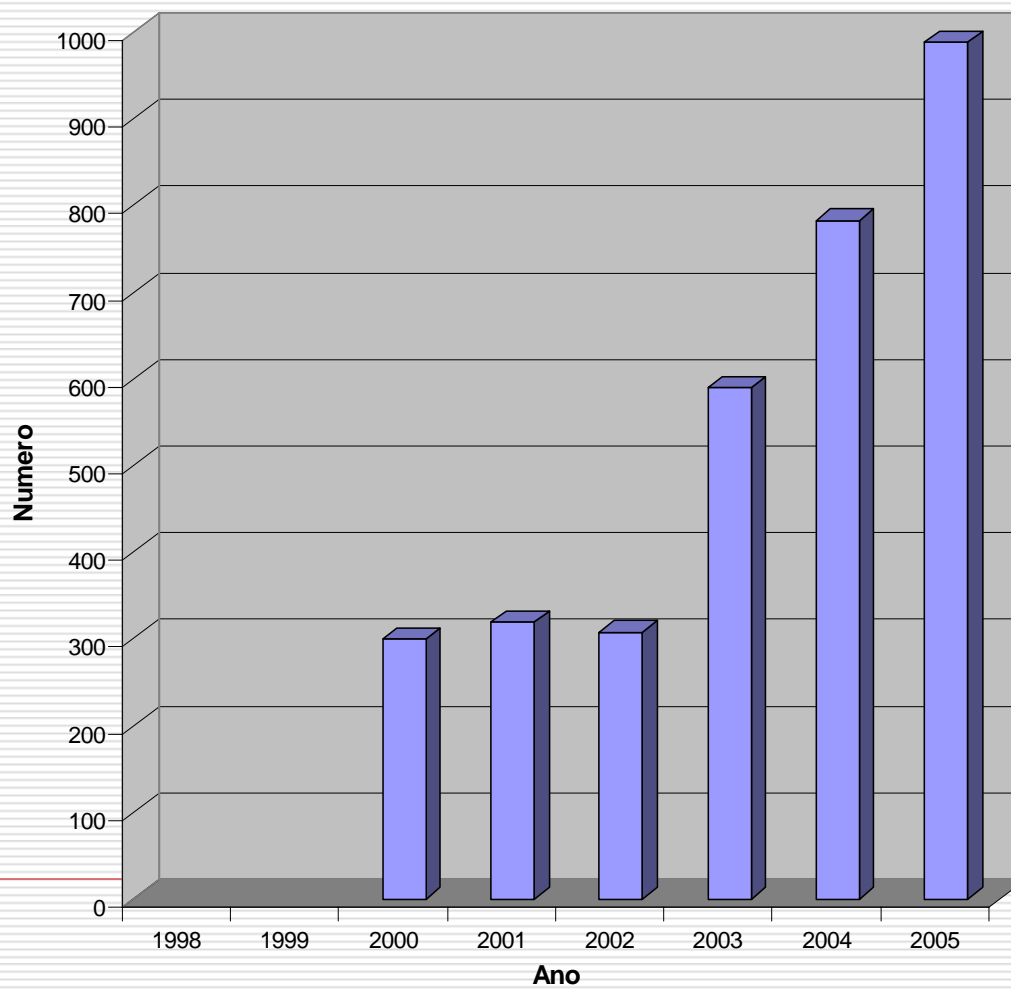
Time for License Obtention (Days)



New Applicatin (nº)



Valid License (nº)



Future Goals:

- ❑ Provide cadastral information on the Internet
- ❑ Connect regional offices centrally

