

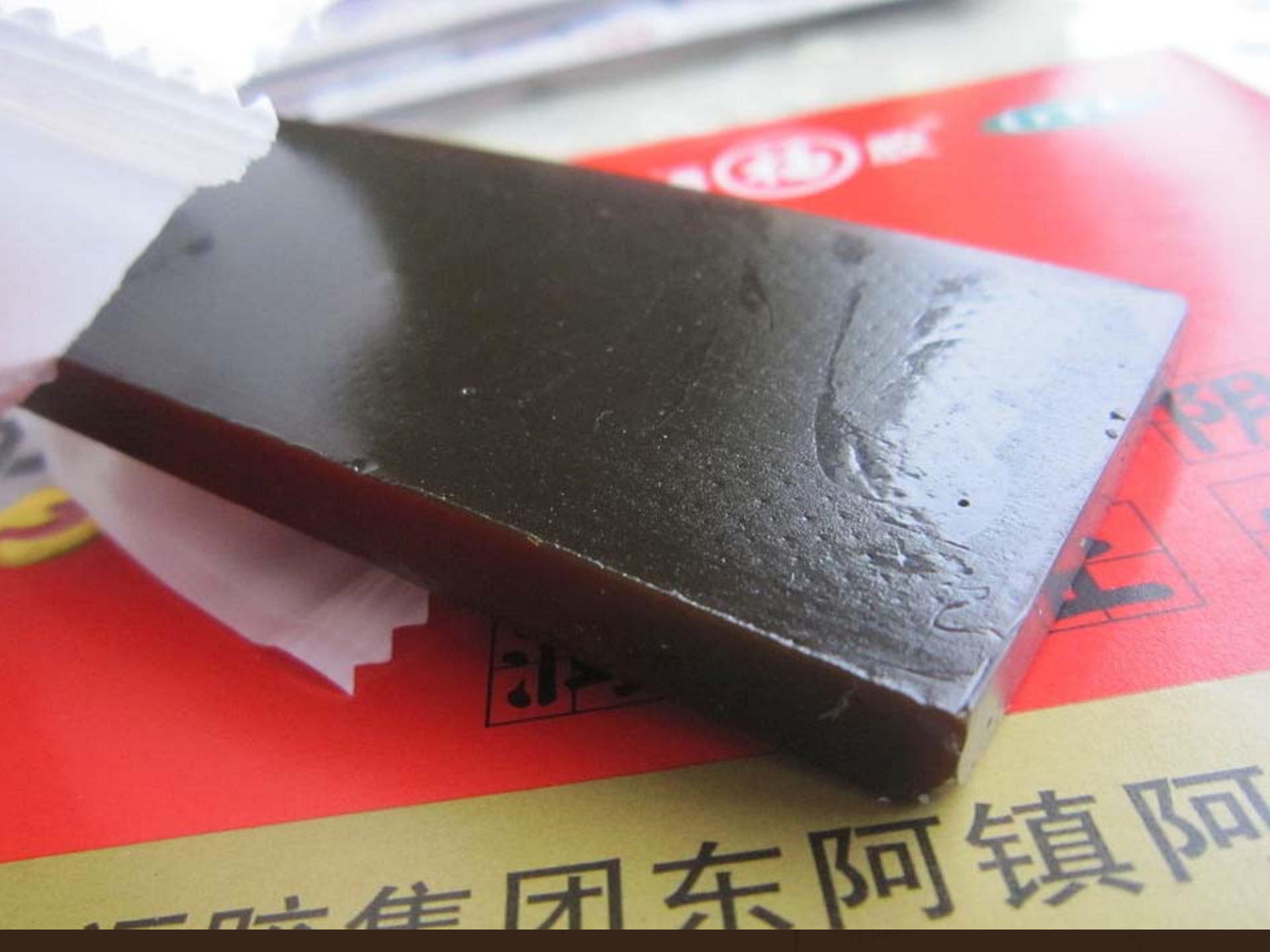


Under the Skin

The global trade in donkey skins

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DEMAND AND SUPPLY



UN Environment:

‘The unsustainable extraction of a resource, whether it’s donkeys, plants, trees or minerals, can have adverse effects on the environment and communities in distant lands.

In the case of donkeys, a valuable mode of all-weather, carbon neutral transport is removed from those most in need of transport in remote rural settings.’



ANIMAL WELFARE ISSUES



Photo courtesy of NSPCA, South Africa



Photo from Egypt Independent



Photo from Nairobiwire.com

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Sourcing

Transport





Handling



HUMAN DEVELOPMENT ISSUES



Annual net economic value of
working donkeys:

In Kenya: 🐴 = USD \$2,272

x 20 year working life

= ± USD \$40,000



Effect on Kenyan economy:

1,000 donkeys slaughtered daily

= 350,000 annually

x USD \$2,272

=

USD \$795 million

gross annual loss to rural economy



Sustainability?

Nigeria's Donkey population:
1,313,018

Gross value per skin: **USD \$150**

Aimed annual income: **\$2 Bn**

This means **13,300,000** skins would
need to be produced annually



An employment opportunity?

Daily slaughter: 2,500*

x 250 days/year = **625,000**

Number of employees: ± **5000**
Nigeria's Rural Human Population –
95 Million+



Dodoma 'farming' plan:

- **US\$3.2m** investment over **four years**
- Acquire and breed from 900 donkeys to produce 1719 donkeys
- Increase of **819** animals in 4 years at cost of nearly **US\$4,000 per donkey**

Shinyanga 'farming' plan:

- **US\$3.7m** investment over **four years**
- Acquire and breed from 296 donkeys to produce 683 donkeys
- Increase of **387** donkeys over four years at **US\$9,650 per donkey**





Sun Dry Salted Donkey Skin / Dried Salted Donkey Hides

Skinless Pangolin Bodies / Pangolin Scales for Sale

animal skins / Products

4 Products

Zebra Skins, African Rugs, Real Hides and Authentic Pelts for sale

Donkey Hides

Partial extract Zebra Skins, Real Hides and Authentic Pelts for sale

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100% DRY SALTED DONKEY

Donkey Hides

100% natur

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Pangolin Scale

Cashew Nuts

Donkey Skin

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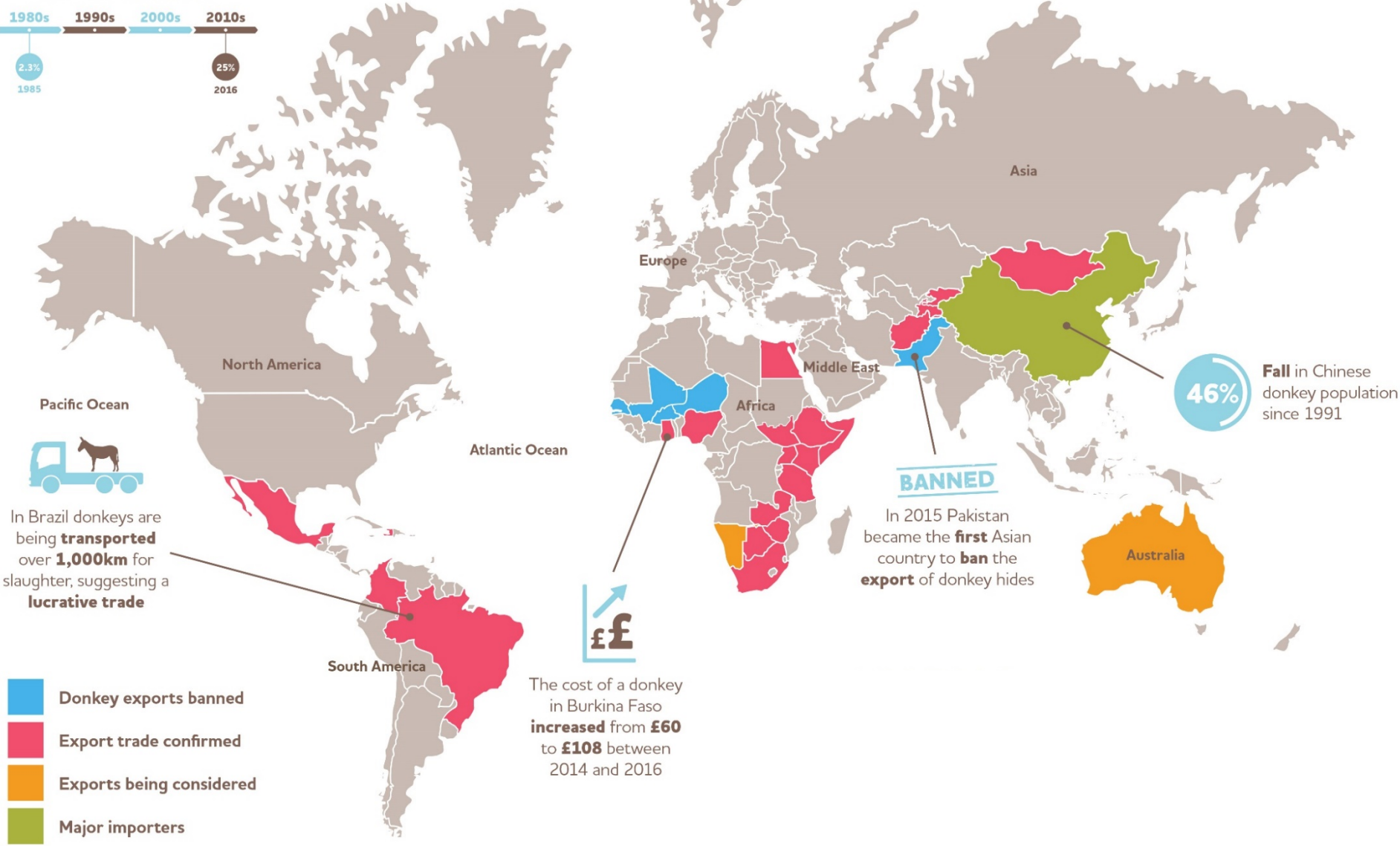
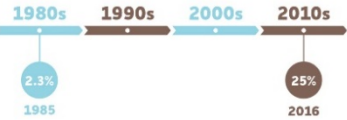
Tiger, Lion teeth, Salted Donkey Hides Dry Salted Wet

CONCLUSION AND OUR RECOMMENDATIONS



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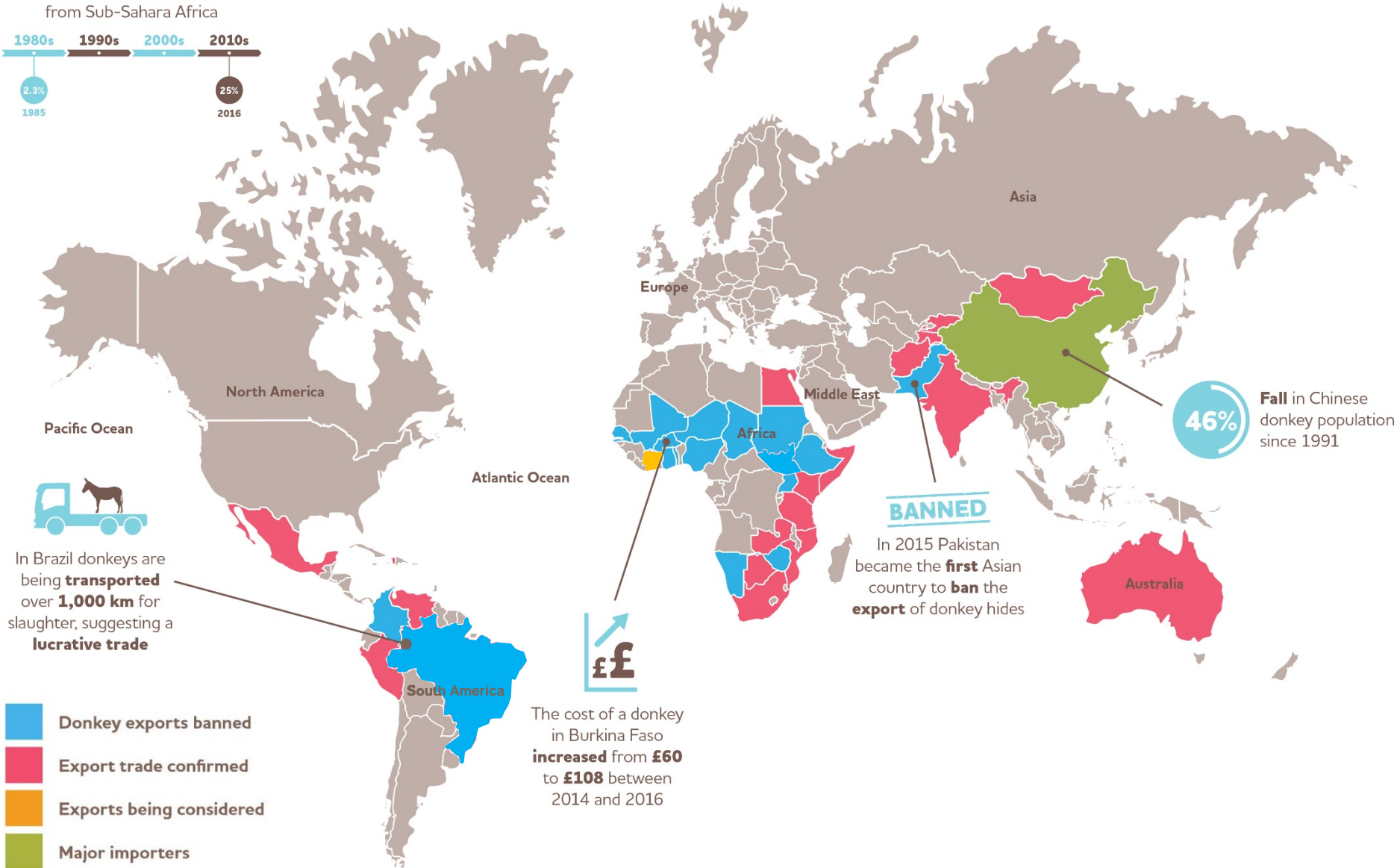
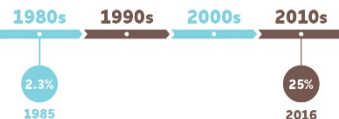
General trade to China from Sub-Saharan Africa



- Donkey exports banned
- Export trade confirmed
- Exports being considered
- Major importers

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The Donkey Sanctuary calls for a halt to the trade in donkey skins to produce ejiao until the impact of the trade can be assessed and shown to be both humane for donkeys and sustainable for the communities that depend on them.



The Donkey Sanctuary calls on governments and local authorities to join efforts to support affected communities, protecting them from the illegal trade and preventing the decimation of donkeys through the legal trade.





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