



Welfare Assessment of Working Donkeys: The Case of Wadi Salih District, Central Darfur State, Sudan

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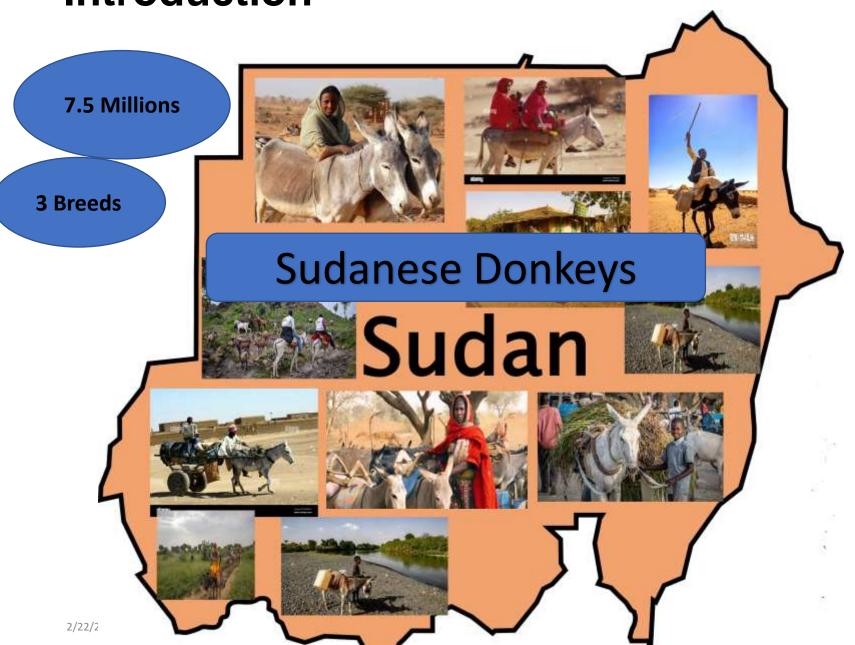
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 The donkey is an important domestic animal in all African countries.

 They play a crucial role in the economies of undeveloped countries; Sudan is no exception.

 Most people living in poor communities benefit from these working donkeys.



Working donkeys suffer from many welfare challenges associated with, for example, physical health, mental health, poor living conditions, poor management, Veterinary services, and social as well.

This is due to the tough work requirements



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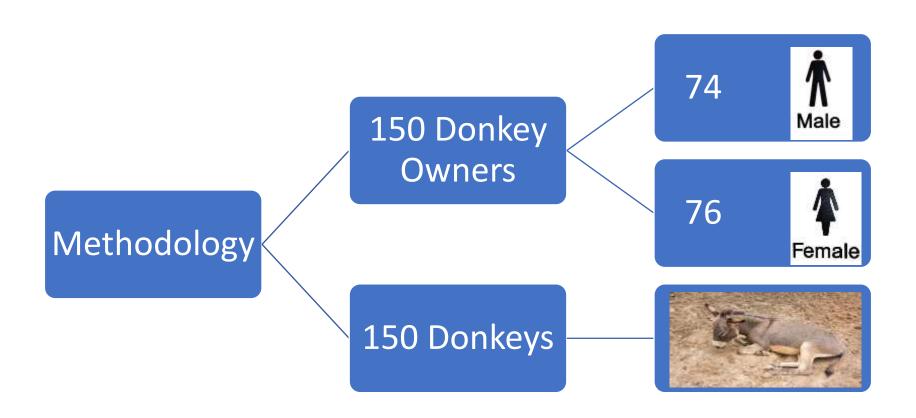
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Objectives

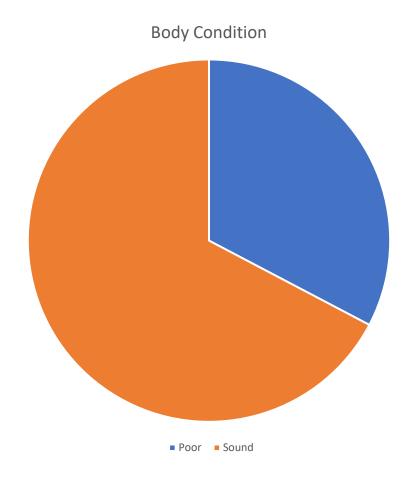
•The welfare of donkeys in Sudan is still far behind. Up to today, no information about donkey welfare in the Darfur region.

 This study aimed to evaluate the welfare of working donkeys in the Wadi Salih Province

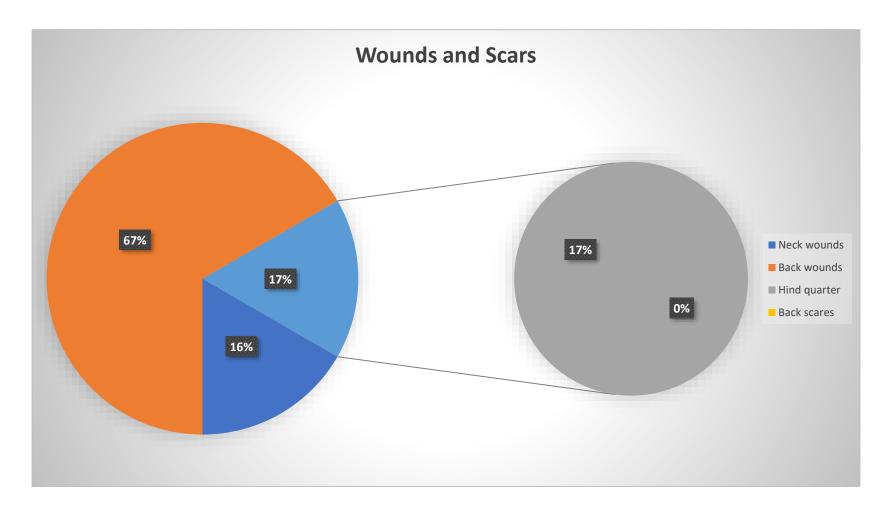
Methodology



Body condition



Animal body condition

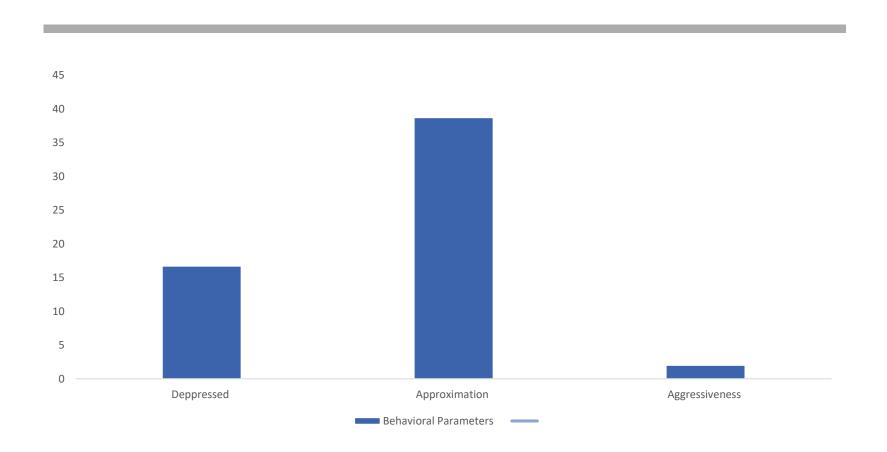


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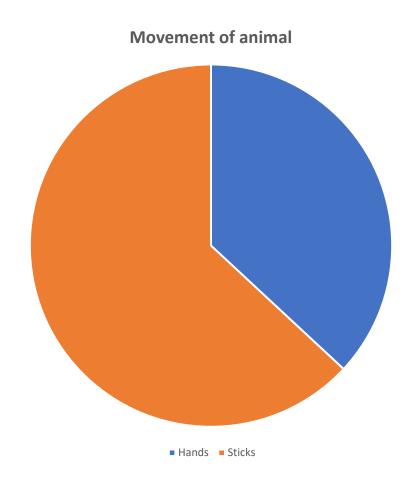




Behaviors



Beating of animal

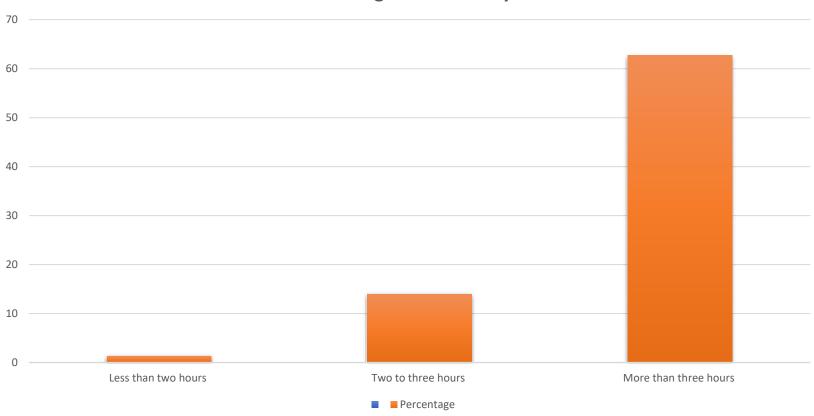


How do owners beat their animals?



Working hours

Working Hours Per day



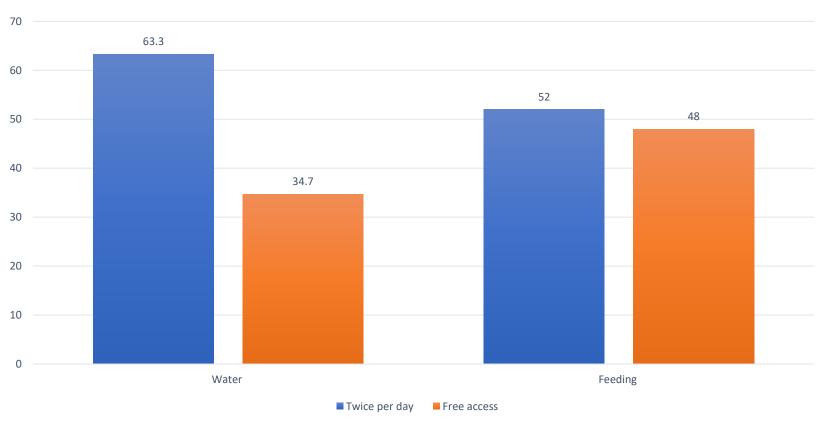
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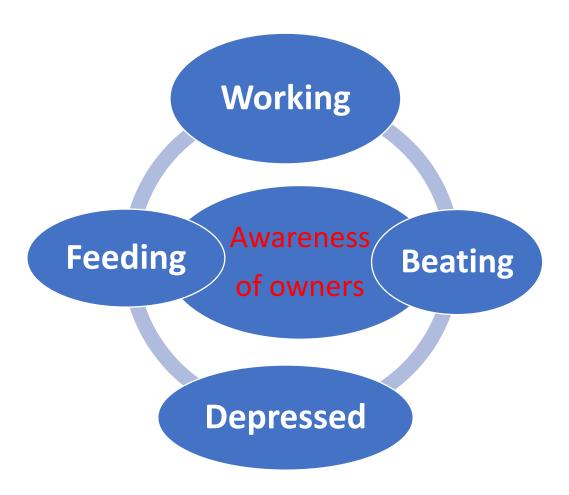
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Water and feed access

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Conclusion



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Thank you