



The Tourism Industry and Nature Conservation 1970s to 1980s

- ***The governance structures collapsed at National and local level***
- ***Effective management of the national parks stalled.***
- ***Tourists' arrivals ceased.***
- ***Poachers took over the national parks killing wild animals in their thousands, since now the tourism gains were no longer forthcoming***
- ***The government failed to regulate commercial hunting which resulted in the extinction of key wildlife species such as the black and white rhinos. To date, Uganda has no rhinos in the wild, although Rhino re-introduction program is already underway at the Zziwa Rhino Sanctuary.***



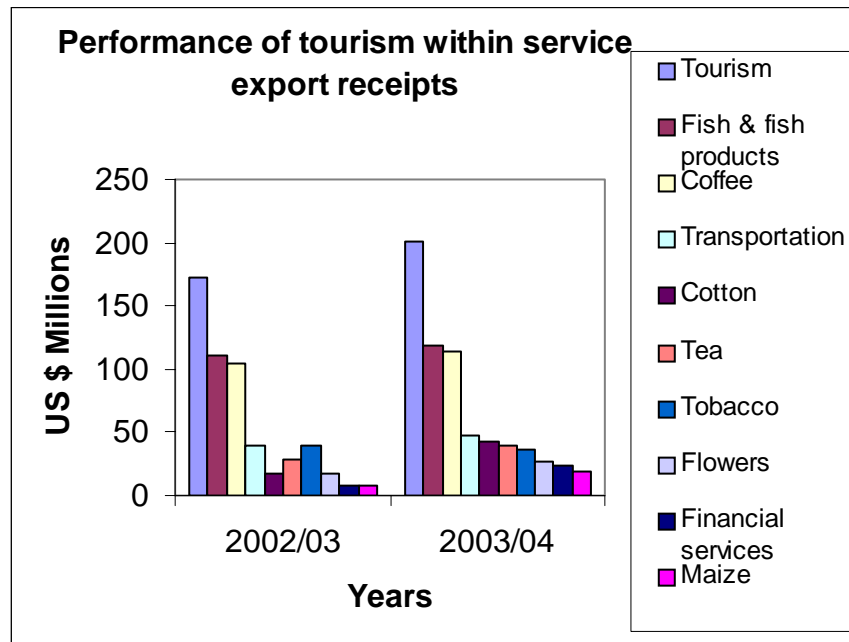
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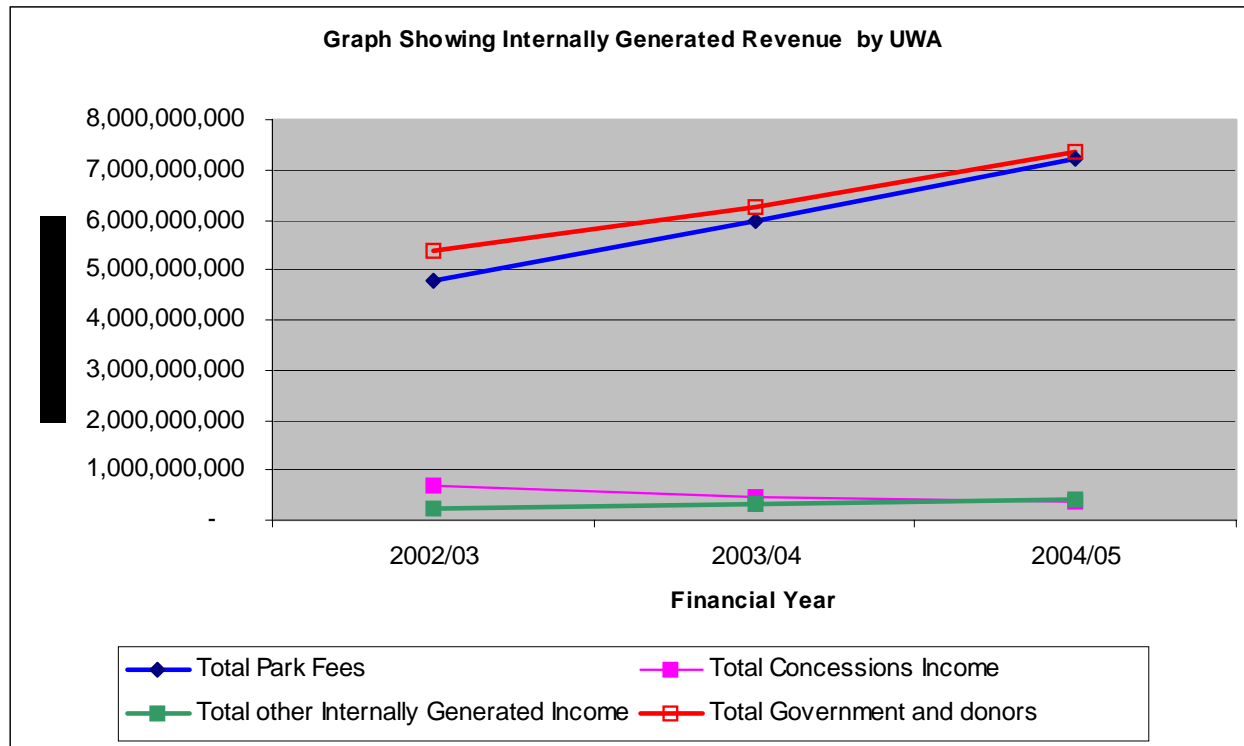
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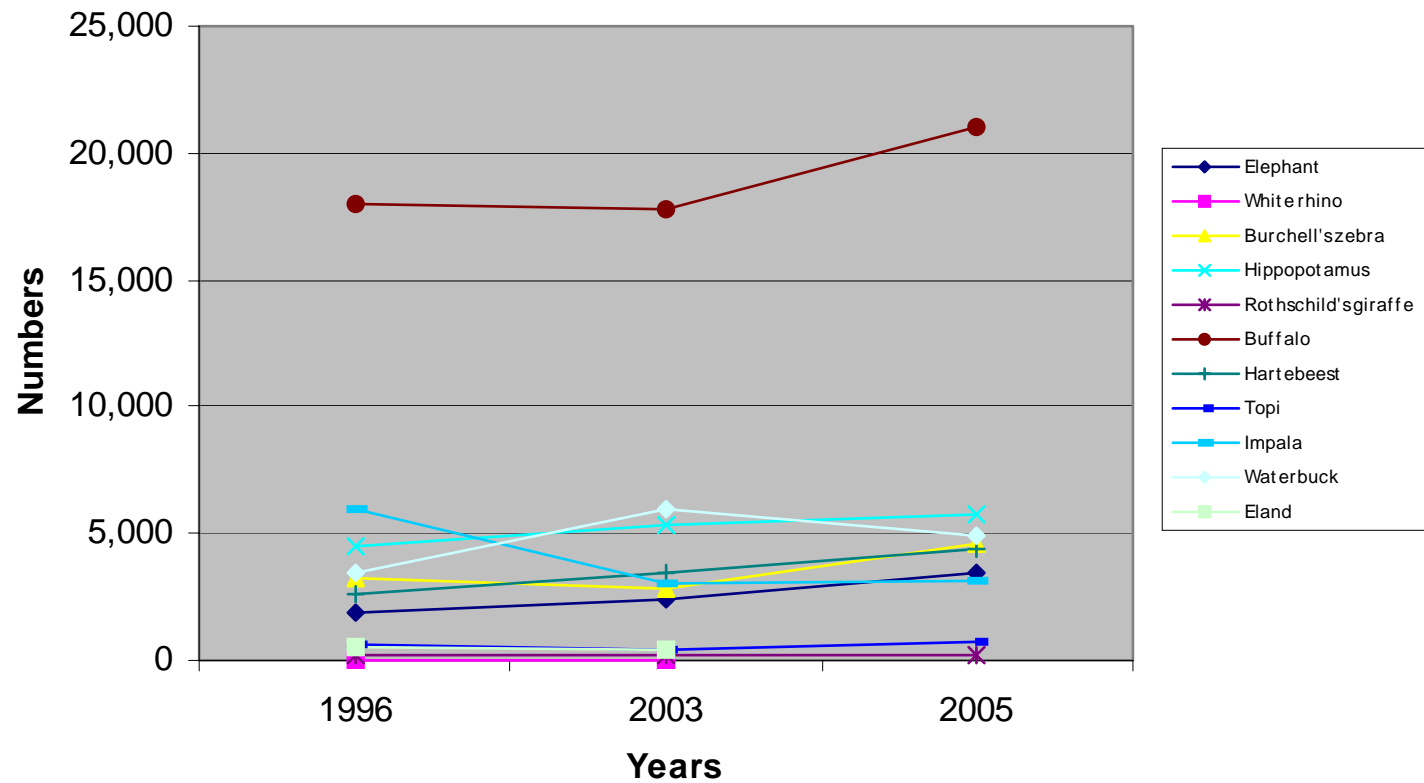


- ***Roads that have been rehabilitated and are mostly good***
- ***Telecommunications has been improved with e-mail cellophone access to most of the areas in the country***
- ***Local airlines have been re-established, although there is no national carrier.***
- ***Hotels and lodges have been rehabilitated and more are being built.***
- ***Crafts and cultural centers are being established.***





Population trends of some selected species 1996 - 2005



Graph showing visitor stastatics Jan 1995 - Dec 2005

