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The impact of the  
**“Use It or Lose It”**  
principles of the MPRDA on the  
sustainability of the platinum  
mining sector in South Africa.

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## *Marikana Massacre (2012)*



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## ***5-Month Strike (2014)***



***1.3 Million ounces of Pt.***



***US \$1.9 Billion***



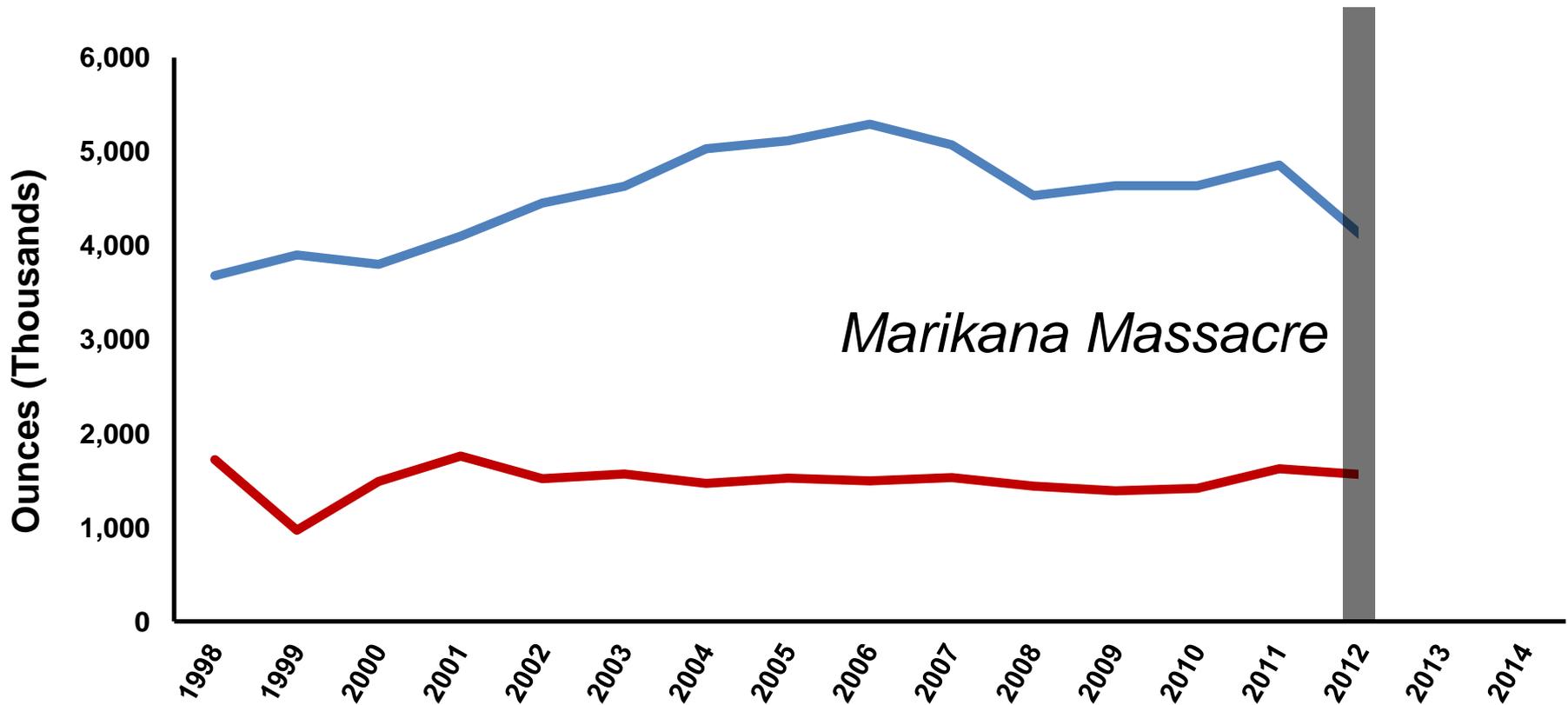
***73% of World Production***



***95% of World PGM Reserves***

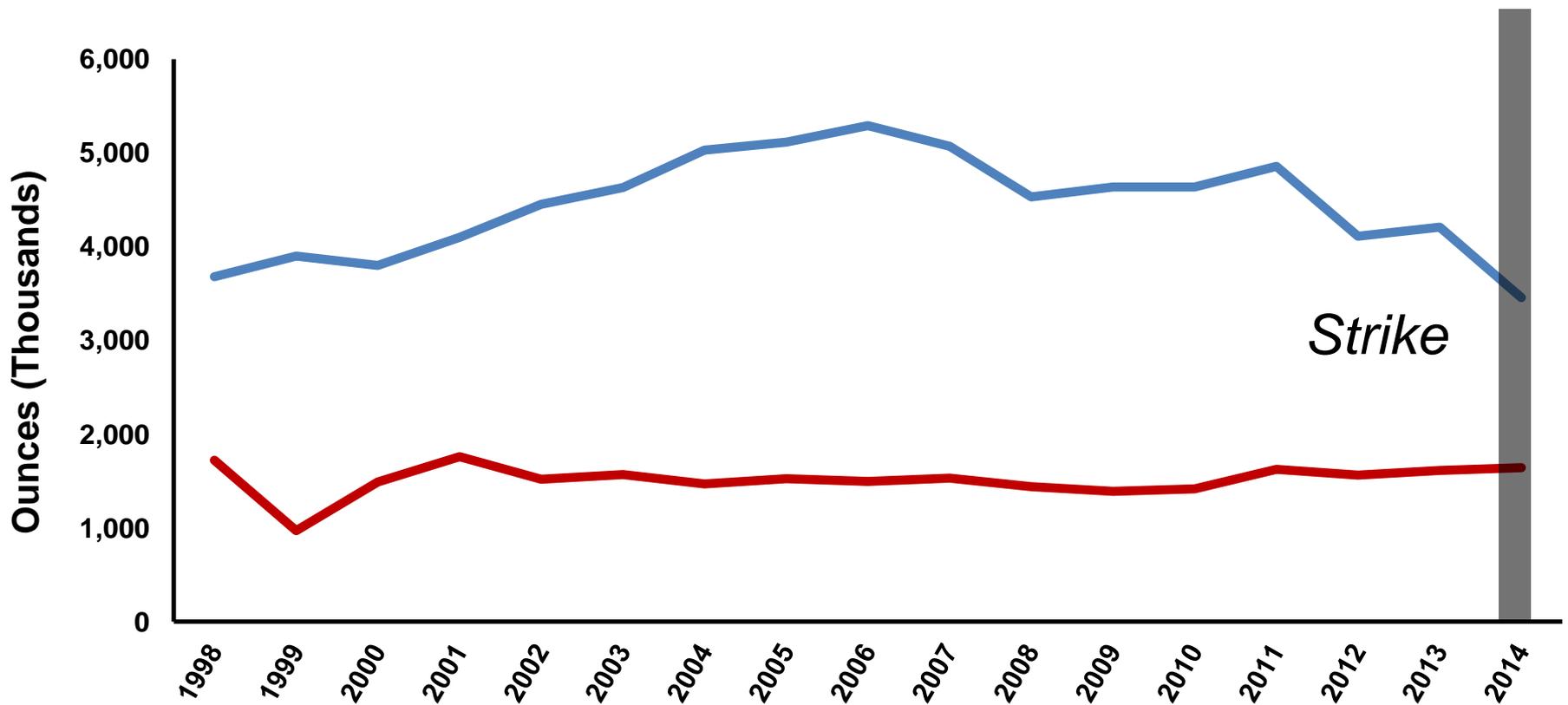
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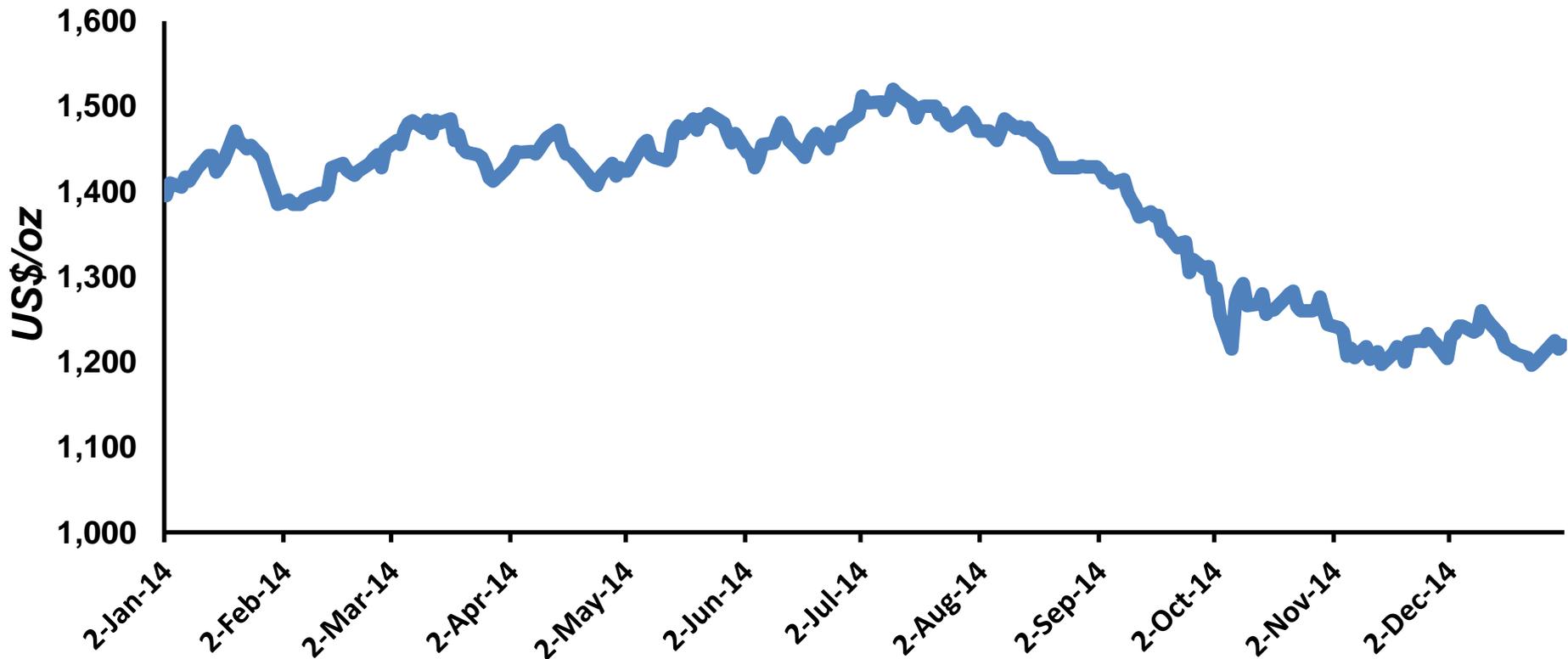
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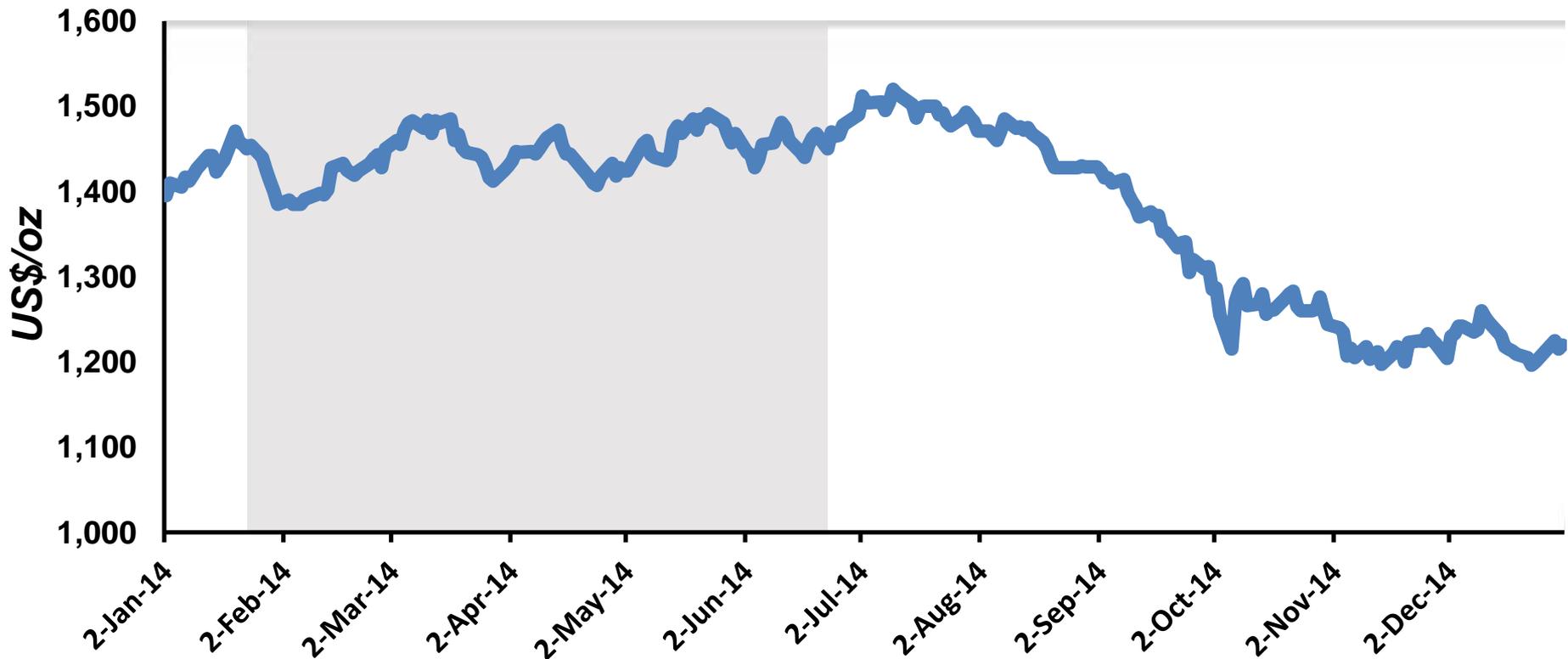
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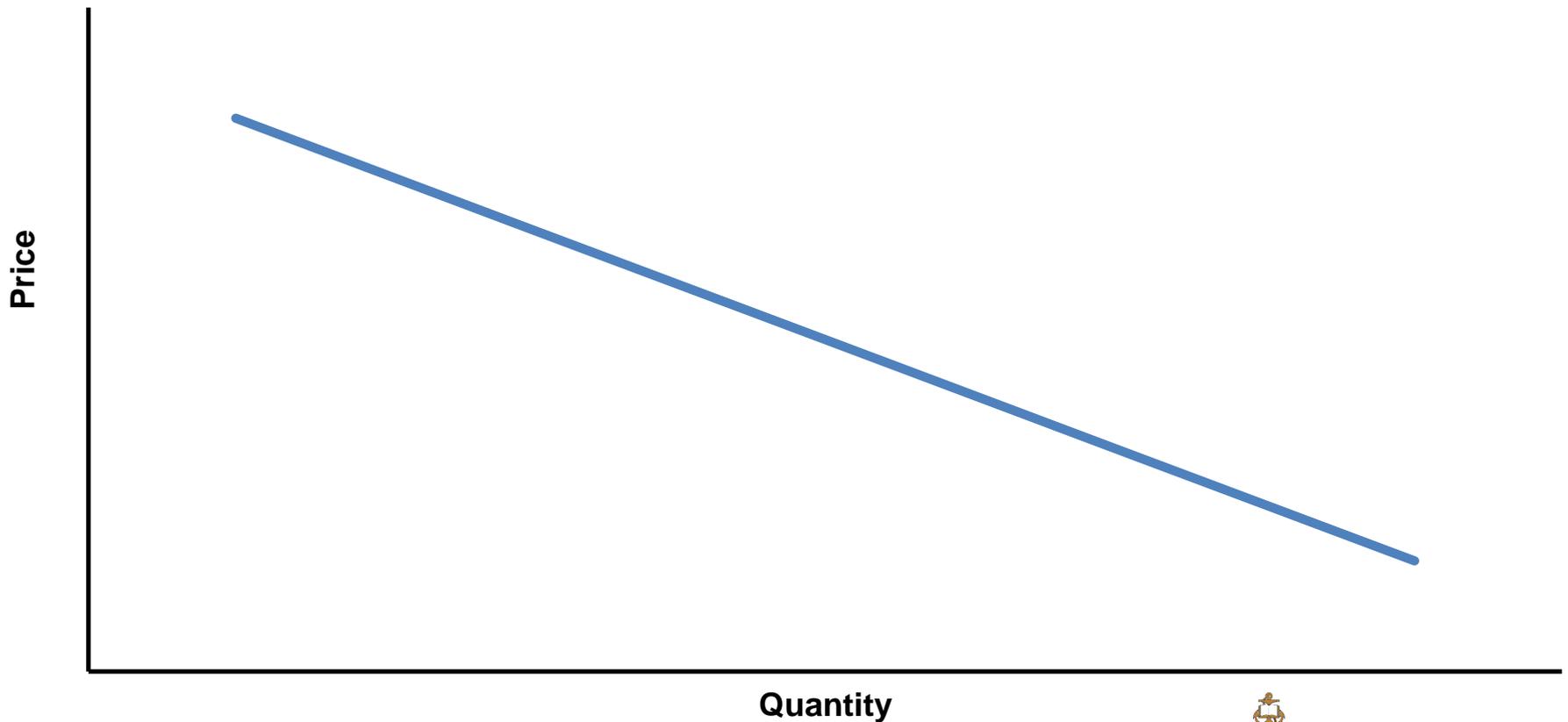
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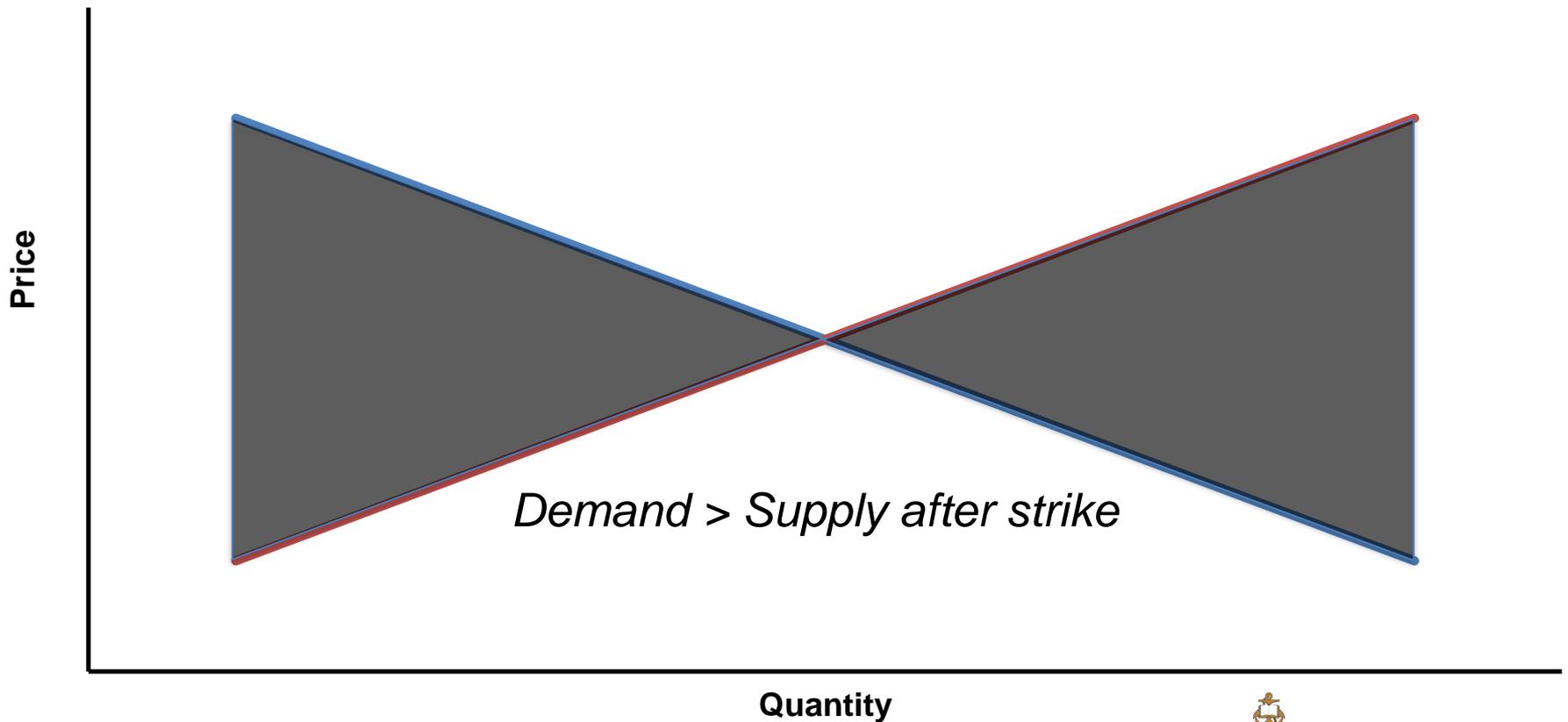
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## Demand vs. **Supply**





# *Why is the Platinum price falling?*



**1994**

# New Direction

- Transformation
  - Mineral and Petroleum Resources Development Act of 2002 (MPRDA)
- Prospect of losing mineral rights



# Ownership of Mineral rights prior the MPRDA

## Common law principles

- Owner of land
- Mineral rights
- State owned 1/3 of mineral rights

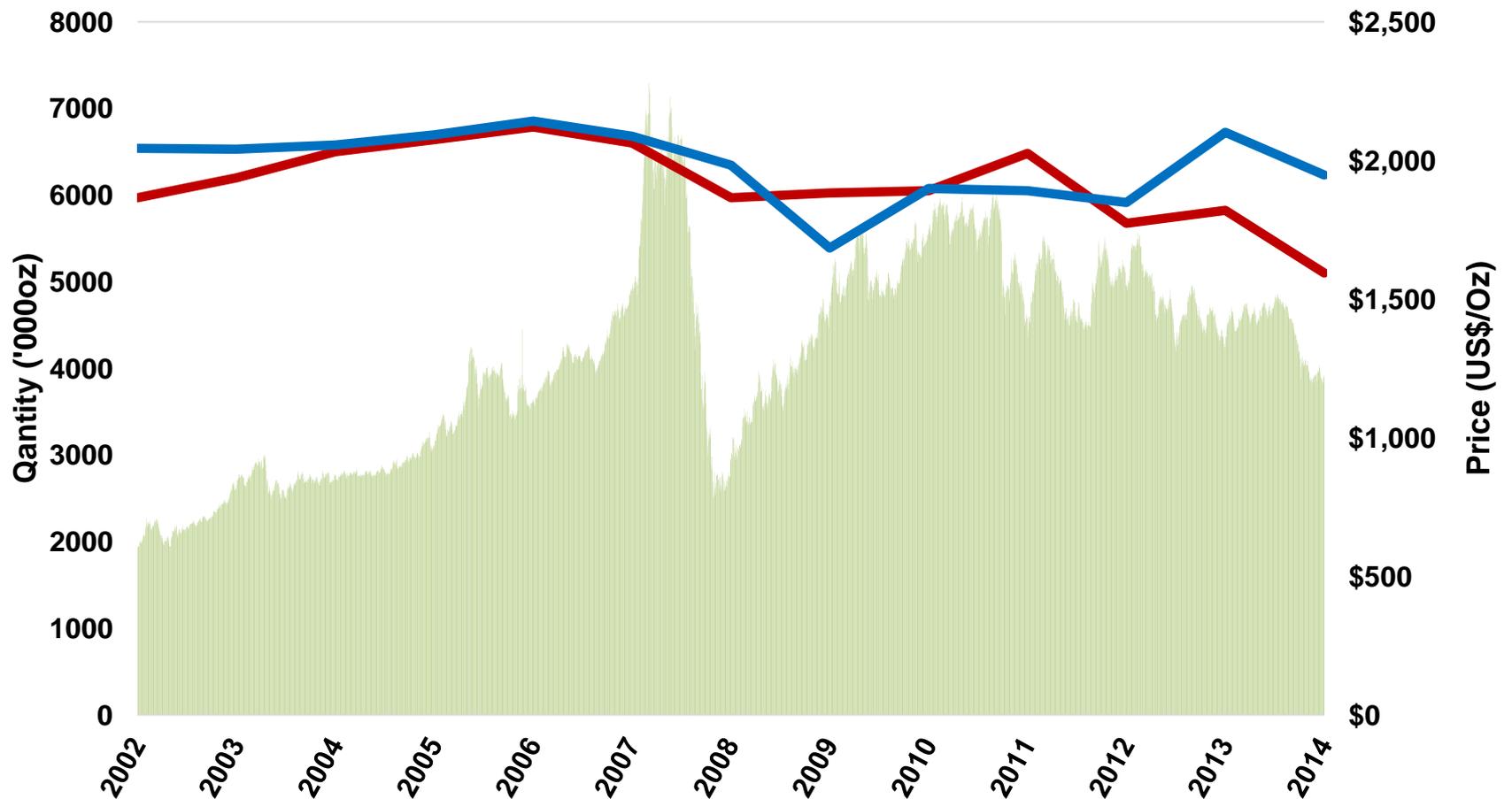


# Ownership of Mineral rights under the MPRDA

Mineral and petroleum resources belong to all South Africans, with the State as custodian thereof.

- State has power over all mineral rights
- Old-order rights
- New-order rights
- “Use it or lose it” policy of MPRDA

# Platinum Supply & Demand



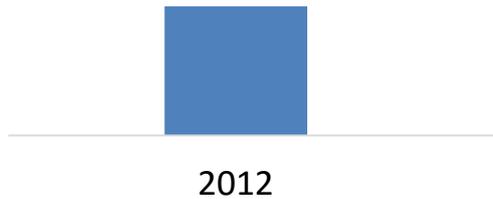


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# ***Above Ground Platinum Stocks***

# Platinum Stocks



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Quantities unpublished & unknown

**TOP SECRET**

# Platinum Stocks



- After financial crises
  - 2009 by 635koz
  - 2011 by 430koz

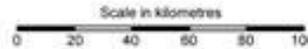
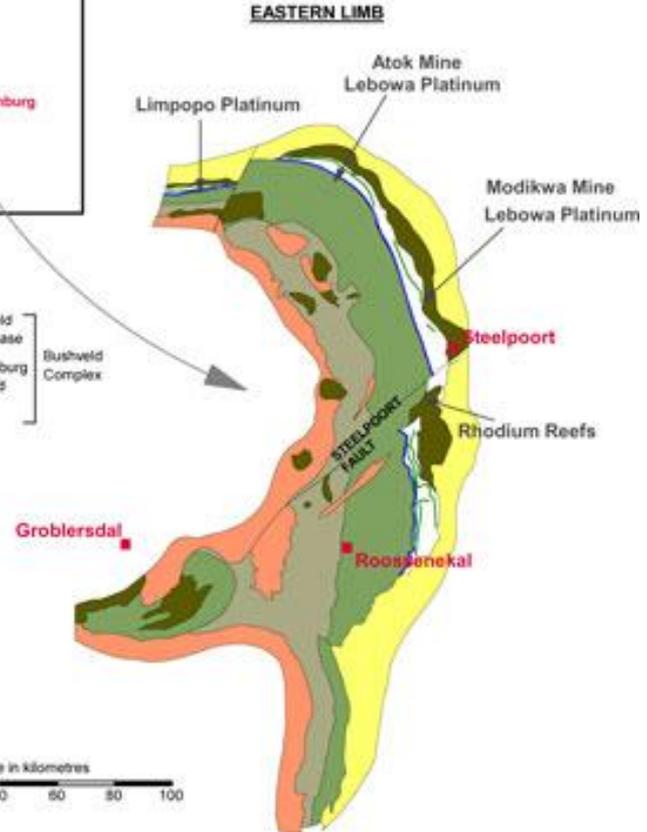
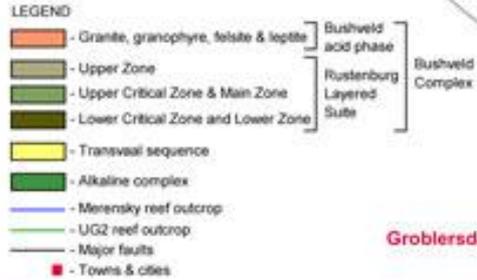
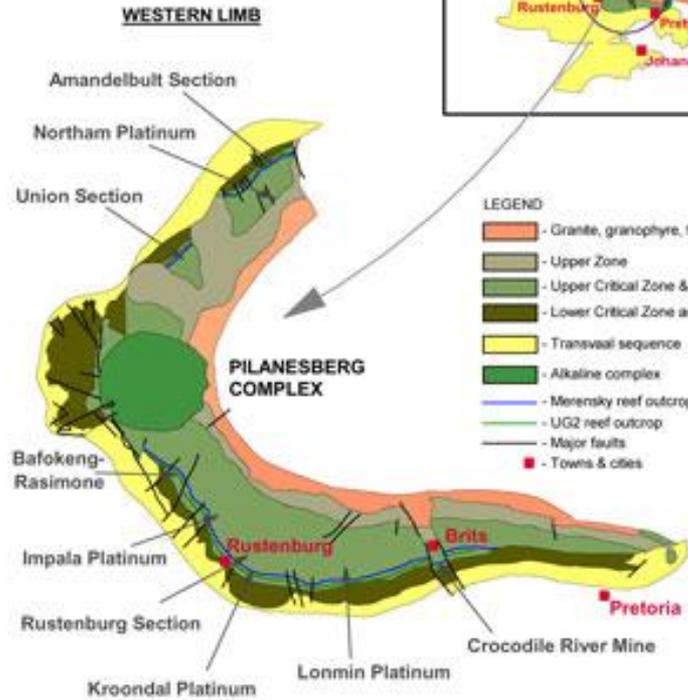
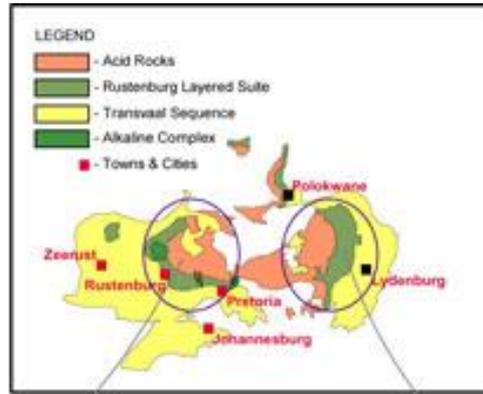


# MPRDA Contribution?

2008 2010 2012 2014 2016

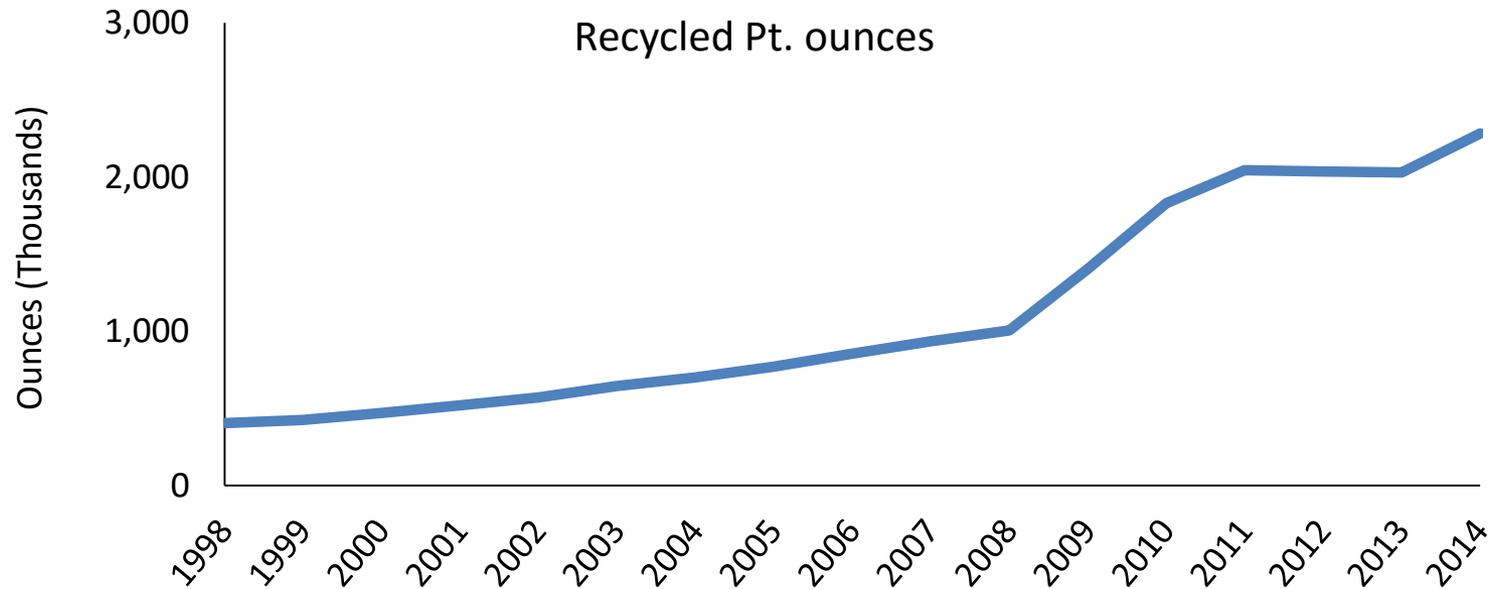


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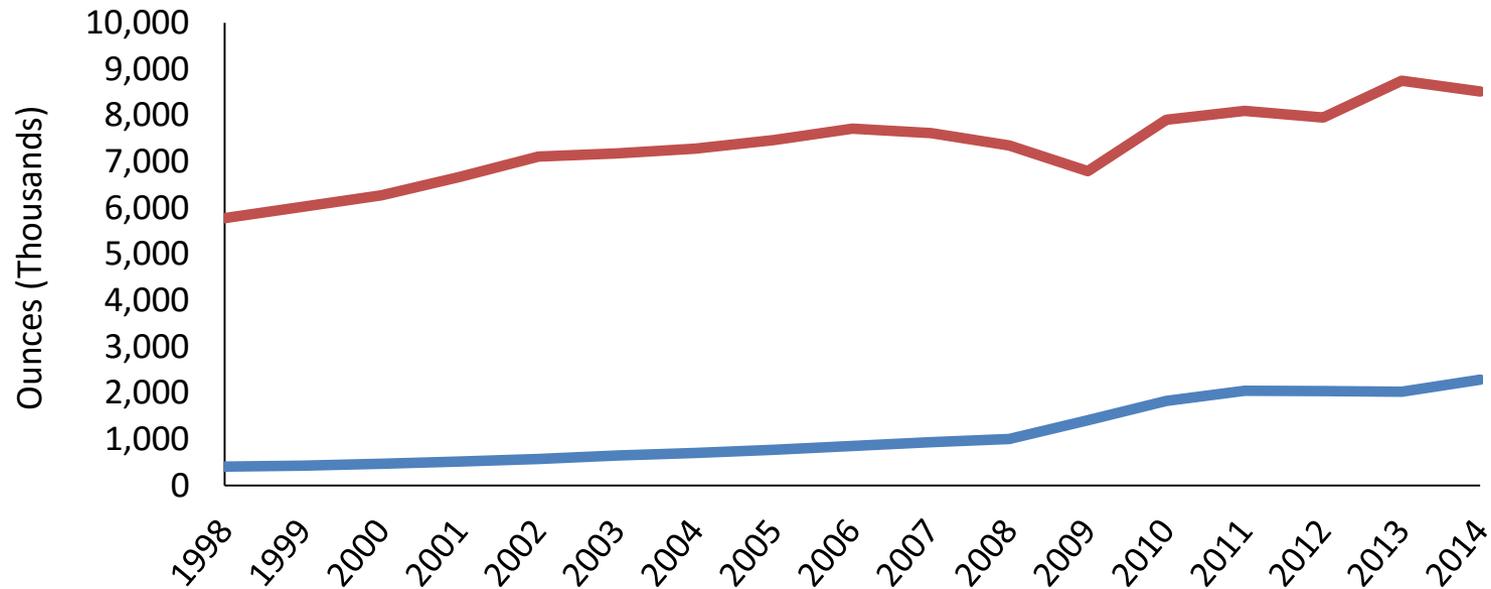


# Bushveld Complex +500Mil oz of Pt

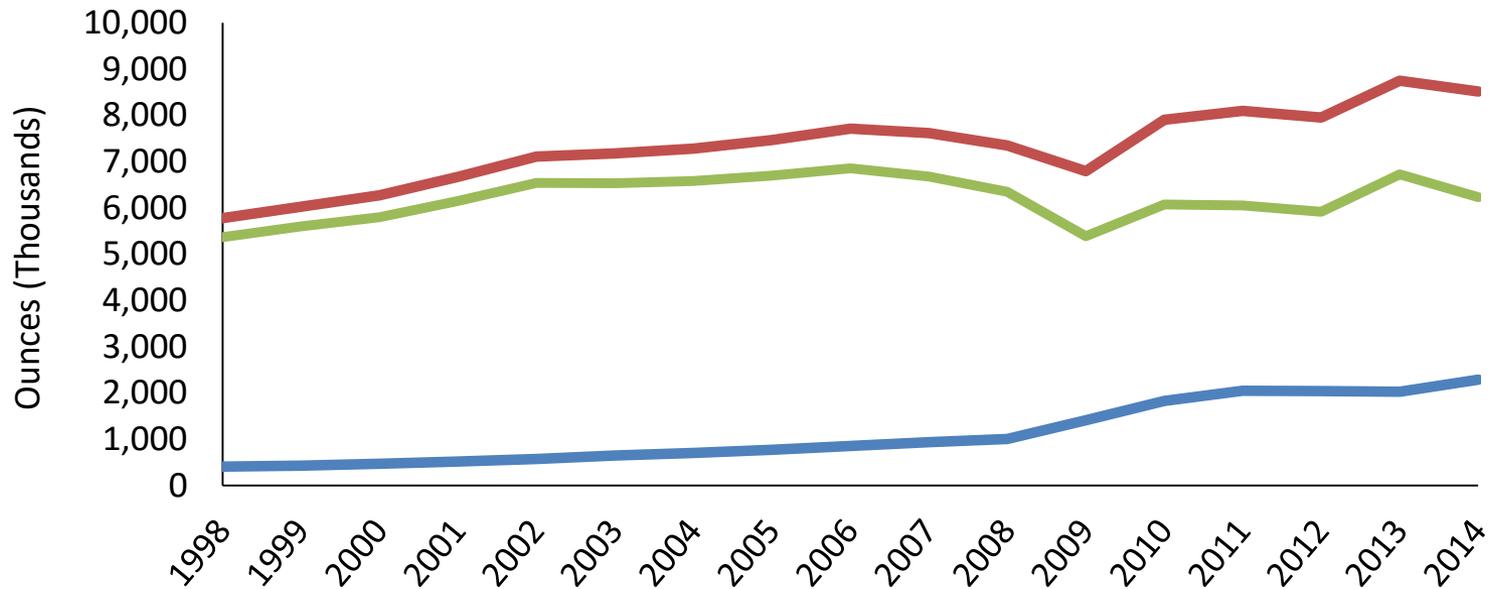
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- 2002
  - 8% of demand - 570 000 ounces
- 2014
  - 25% of demand - 2 284 000 ounces

# Sustainability of Production

Performance of JSE-listed platinum stocks over 1 year to 17 March 2015



**-33.18%**

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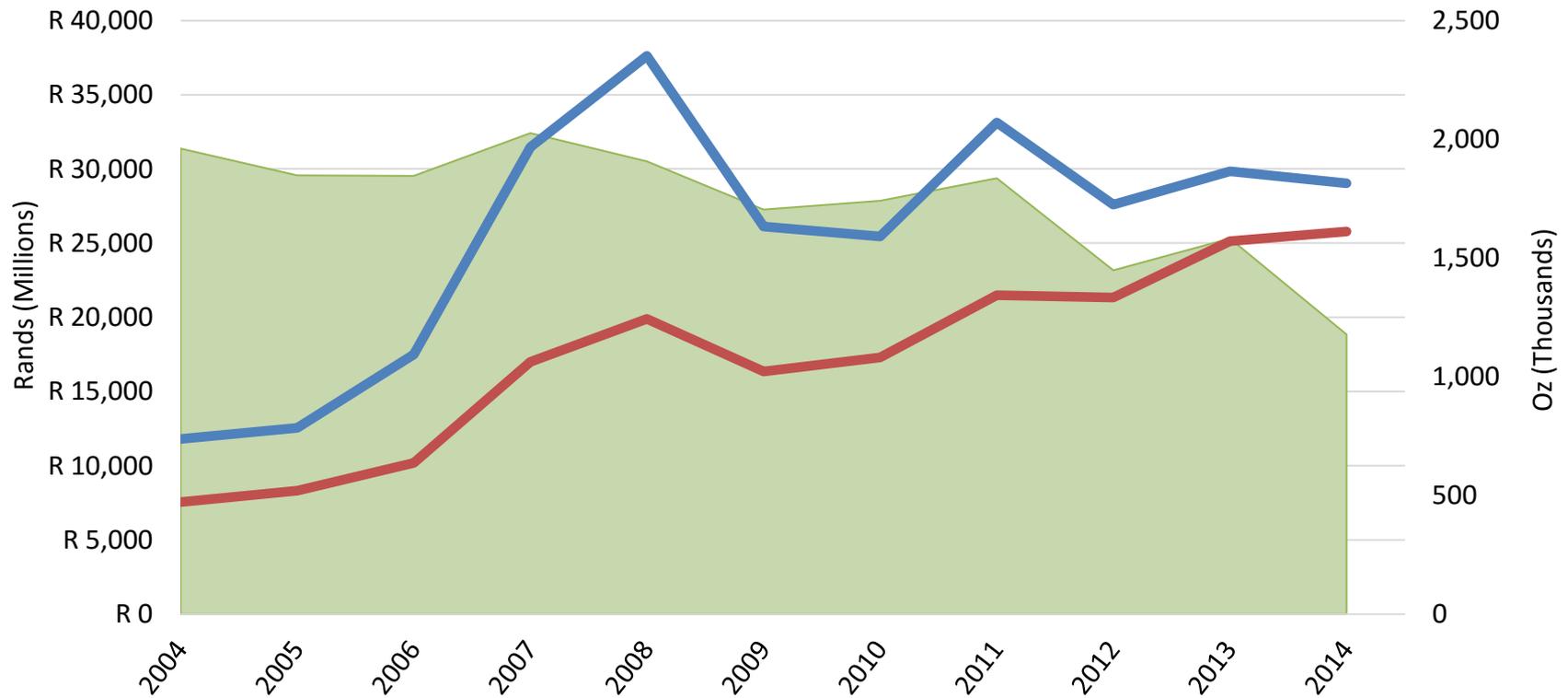
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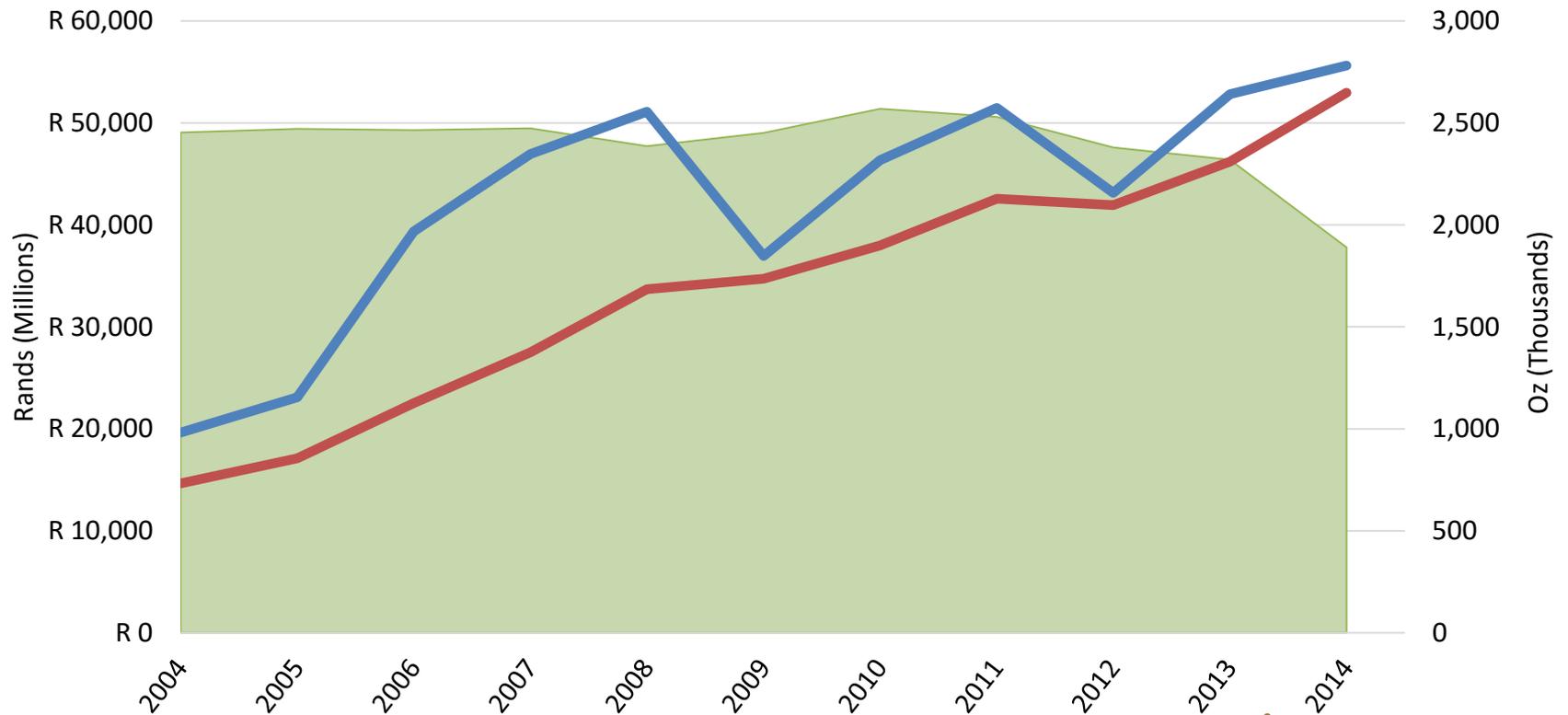
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-60.92%

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**“Cost of digging platinum out the ground is set in South Africa.”**

**“If the price remains where it is, it will not incentivize new production.”**

Jan van Niekerk - CEO of Regarding Capital Management

# Concluding Remarks

## MPRDA Objectives

- *Equitable access to minerals* ✓
- *Expand opportunities for historically disadvantaged* ✓
- *Promote economic growth* ?
- *Development Mineral and petroleum resources*
  - *Orderly and ecologically sustainable* ✓
  - *Promoting social and economic development* ?
- *Promote employment* ?
- *Provide for security of tenure* ?
- *Ensure that holders of mineral rights contribute towards the socio-economic development* ?











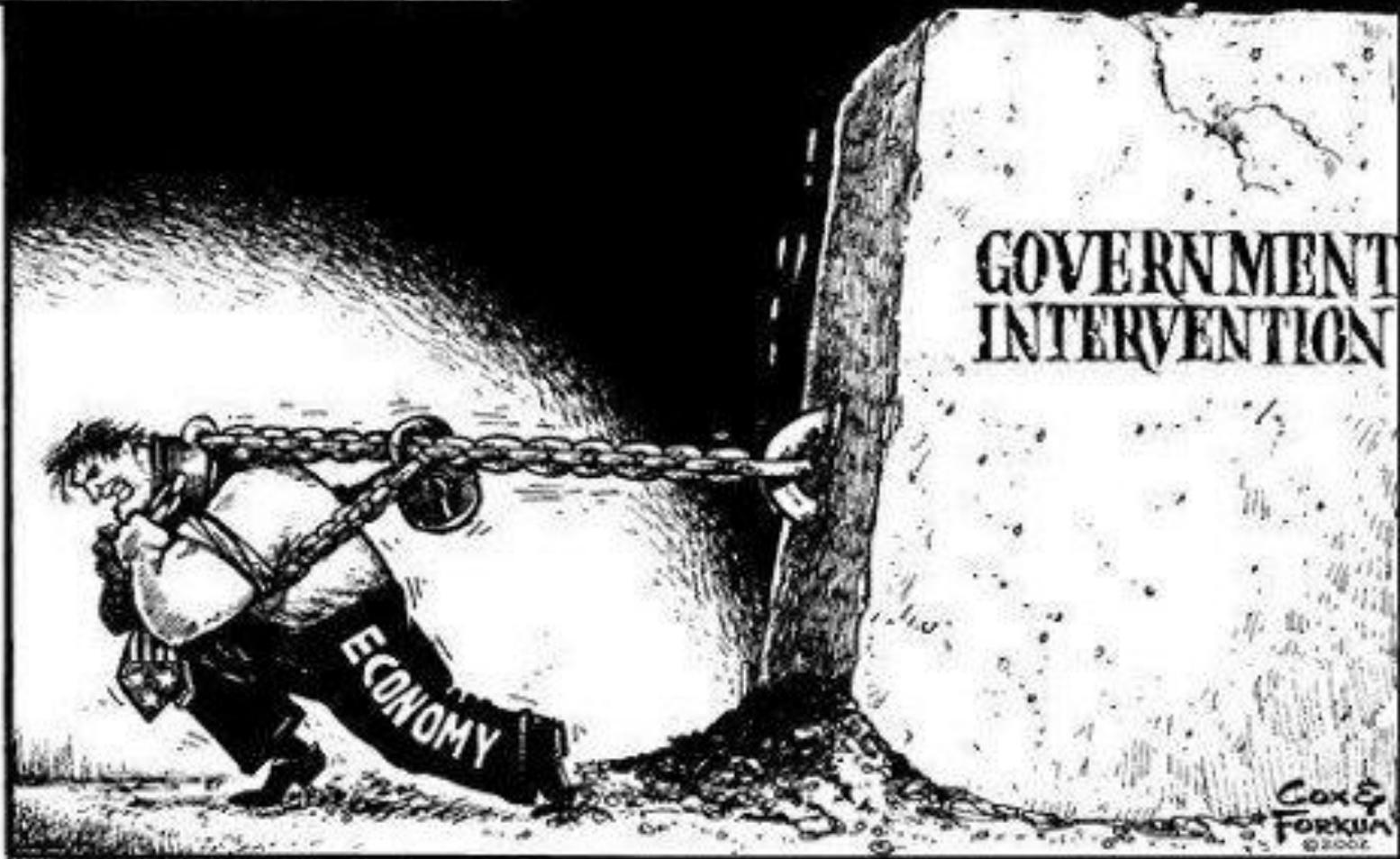


# Recommendations

- Review and adjust policy
  - Strategic vs. non-strategic minerals
  - Adjust time
- Remove policy



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