

Goose damages in Belgium (Flanders) (2009 – 2020)

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Introduction

Numbers 2009 - 2020

→ new wildlife damage legislation

 \rightarrow introduction of online application system

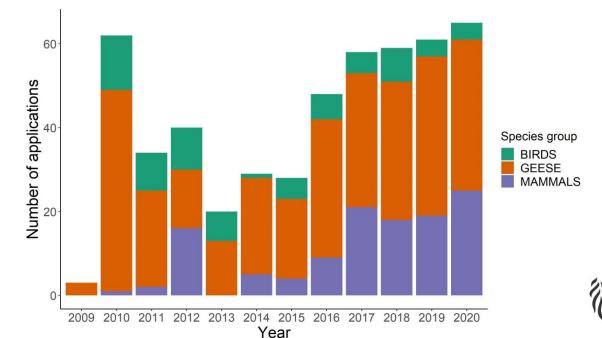


Flanders

State of the Art

▶ 507 cases

→ Geese (62%, 315), birds (14%, 72), mammals (24%, 120)

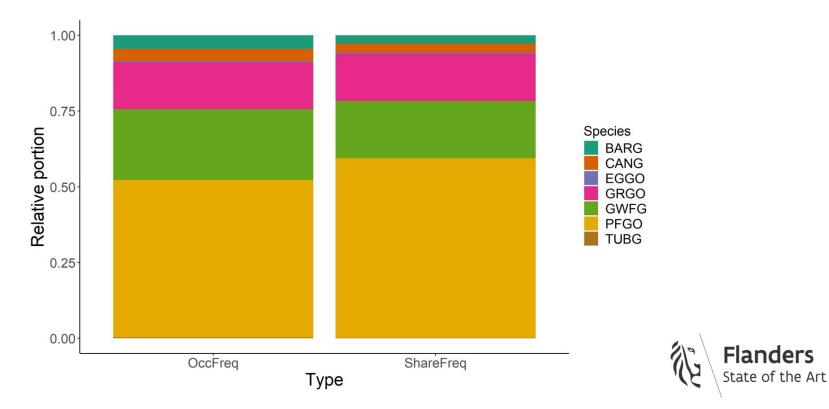


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Goose damages – Who?

315 cases, 217 eligible for compensation

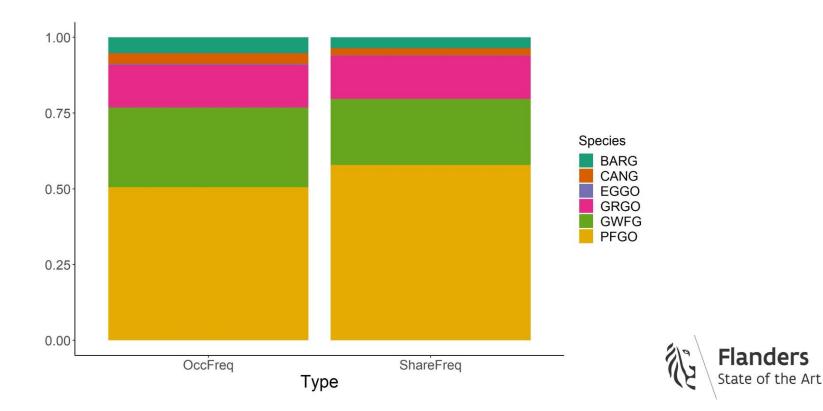
Occurrence and portion of damage per species → All cases



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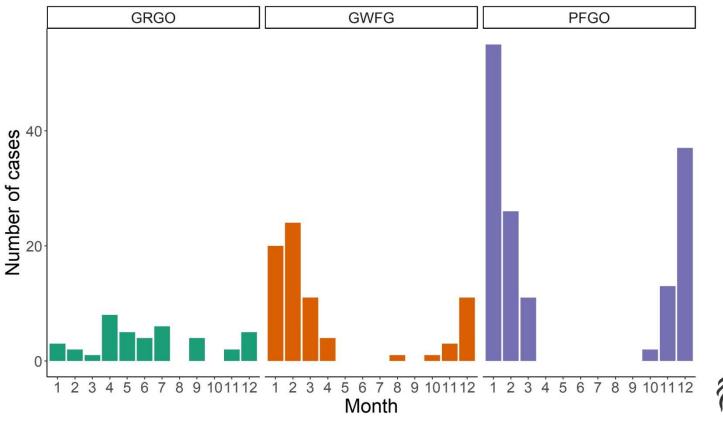
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Occurrence and portion of damage per species → Eligible cases



Goose damages – When?

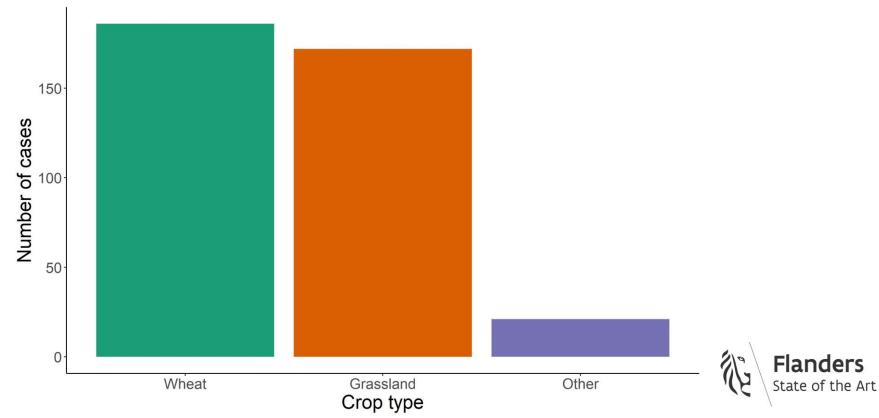
- ▶ 3 main species, eligible cases
- By month





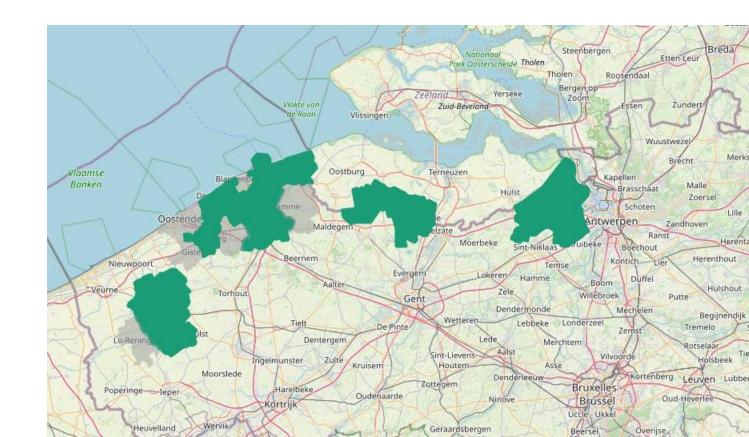
Goose damages – What?

- ▶ 3 main species, eligible cases
- By crop type
 - \rightarrow Wheat, grasslands, other



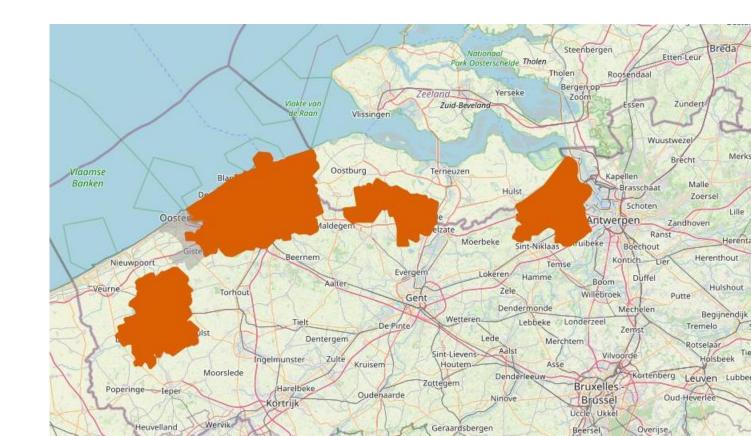
Goose damages – Where?

- ▶ 3 main species, eligible cases
- Greylag goose



Goose damages – Where?

- ▶ 3 main species, eligible cases
- Greater white fronted goose



Goose damages – Where?

- ▶ 3 main species, eligible cases
- Pink footed goose



Goose damages – What more?

Damage estimates

Amount paid

→ Geese, all years = €1.062.644

Further breakdown

- → Species, year, month, crop type, damage
- → But: PFGO(GWFG), mid-winter, wheat!

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