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Implementation of the Rome Strategic Plan in 2021-2022

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Killing, Taking and Trade of Birds*

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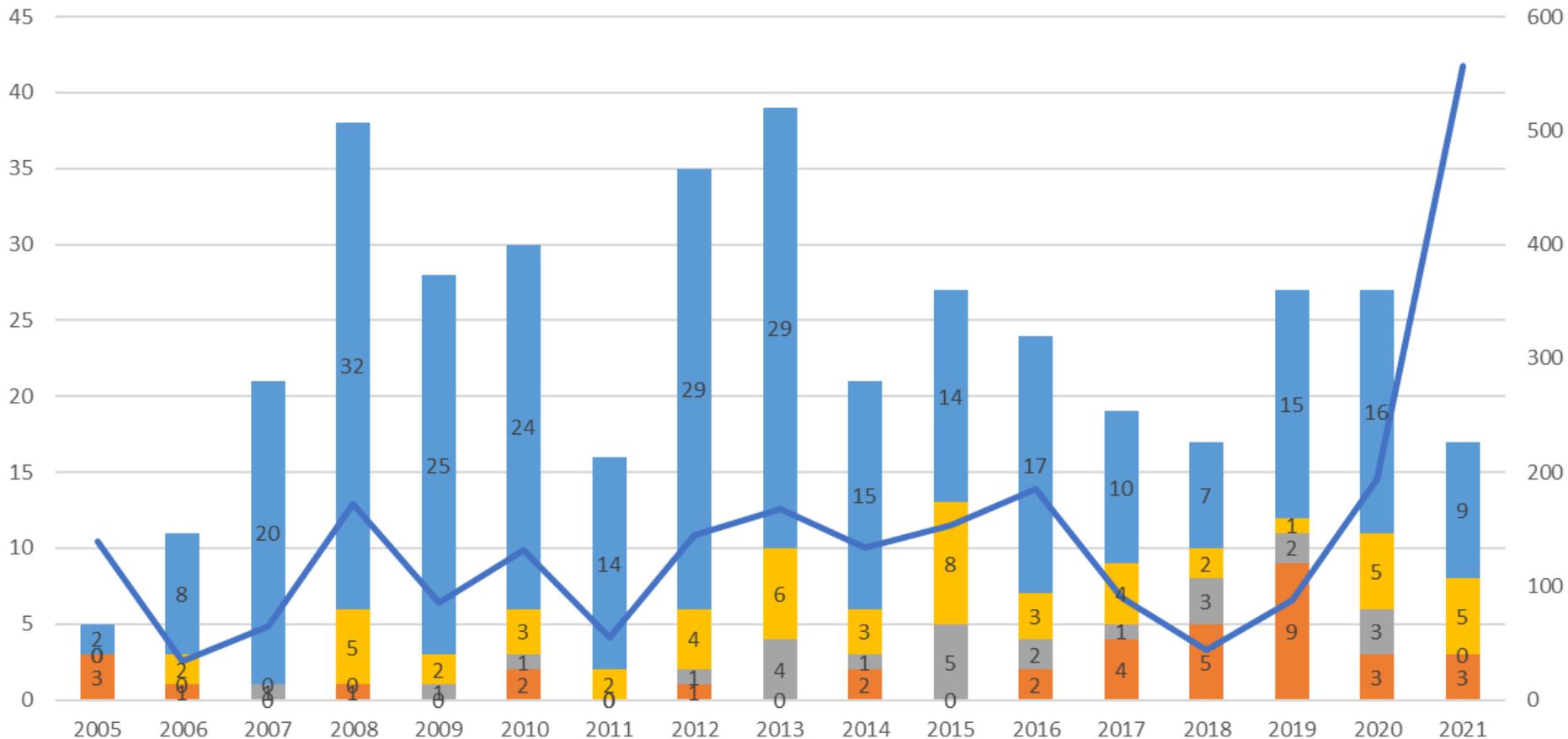




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Number of poisoning cases 2005-2021 (n=402)

- Raptor poisoning
- Unknown source
- Accidental poisoning
- Poisoning by farmer
- Number of specimen poisoned



Response and measures

- Social outrage + heavy campaign against IKB by BirdLife Hungary
- Parliament amends the Criminal Code: even more stringent penalties possible
- National Environmental Security Task Force established, led by National Bureau of Investigation, Riot Police;
- Deputy Prime Minister publicly condemns illegal poisoning and urges authorities to act
- Training of professional hunters includes topic of illegal poisoning in every county

- International conference (EMPACT) on illegal hunting and trade of songbirds

Obstacles

- Investigation of poisoning cases is very slow (lack of capacities) and has not led to prosecution in the last few years
- Verdicts were too soft even in those former cases that made it to the court

Future plans

- Training of prosecutors and possibly judges by way of National Environmental Security Task Force
- Reaching at least one exemplary penalty in a poisoning case
- Investigate if food security measures can be introduced for game meat where poisoning has occurred



Thank you for your attention!