



# Midwife obstetric units

- ‘ 12 Midwife obstetric units (MOUs)
- ‘ Also provide antenatal care
- ‘ 21 406 deliveries in 2002
- ‘ 76 - 87 deliveries per nurse per year
- ‘ About 55 % of patients are delivered in hospital

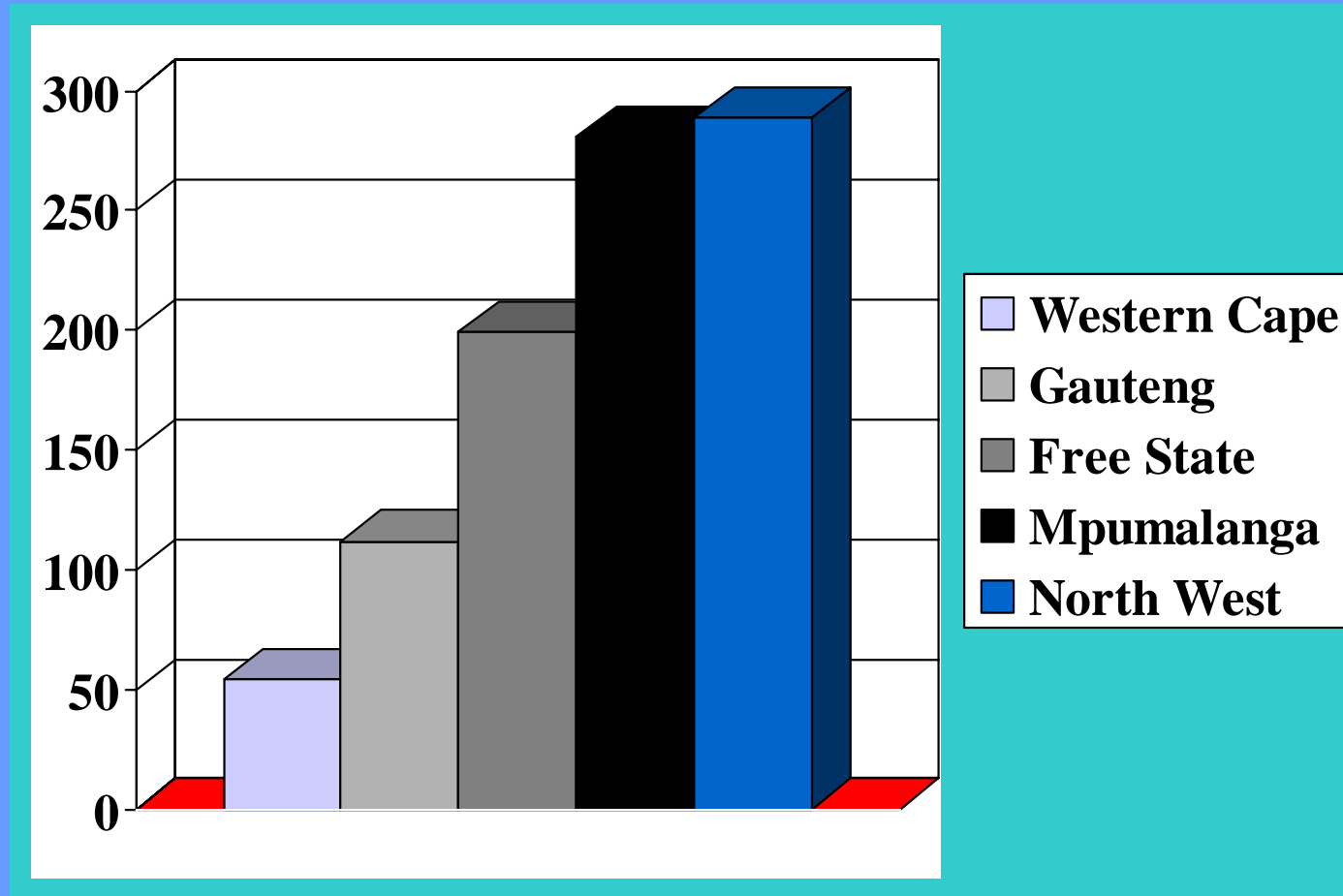
# Private sector

- ‘ Obstetricians in private practice
- ‘ Different private hospitals
- ‘ Low perinatal mortality rate
- ‘ High Caesarean section rate

# Maternal mortality rates in South Africa

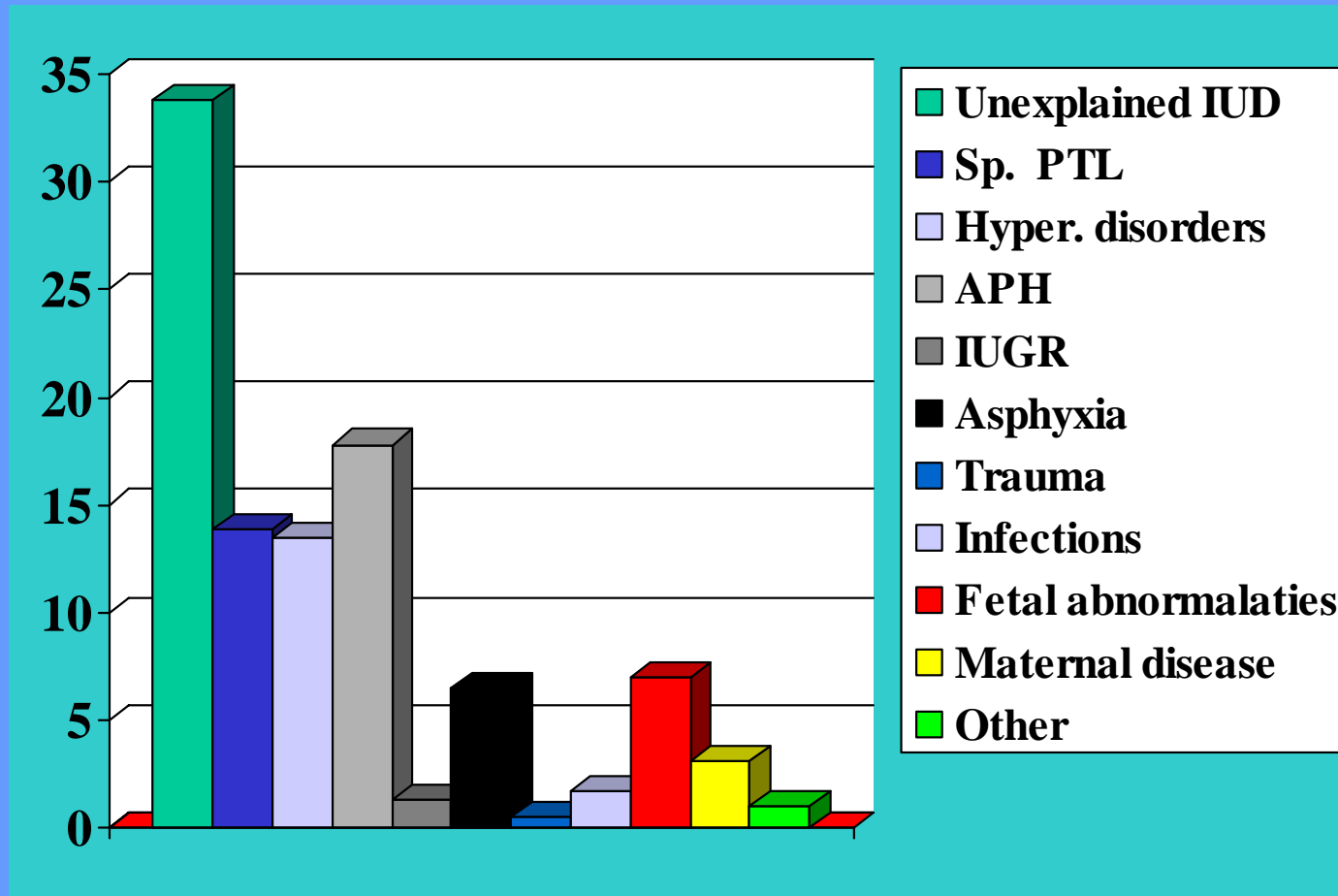
for different provinces - 1999-2001

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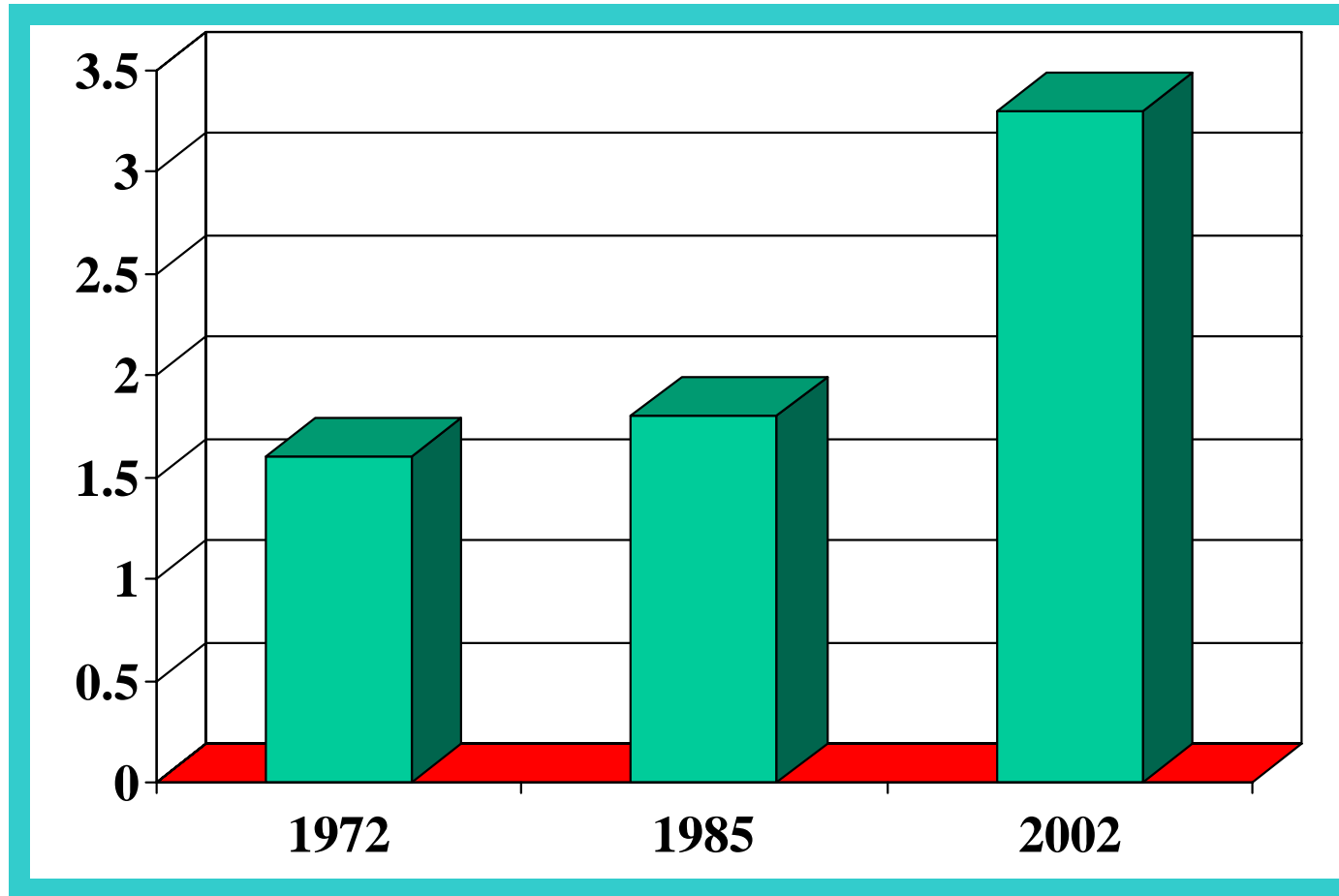
According to confidential inquiries into maternal deaths

# Primary causes of PNM in South Africa for births of 1000 g and more - 2001



According to perinatal problem identification programme (PPIP)

# IUD/NND Ratio at Tygerberg hospital



# Metropolitan region

Perinatal deaths	905
From abruptio placentae (26 %)	253
Odds ratio from smoking (4.01)	84

At least 84 perinatal deaths in 2002 from abruptio placentae, were caused by cigarette smoking