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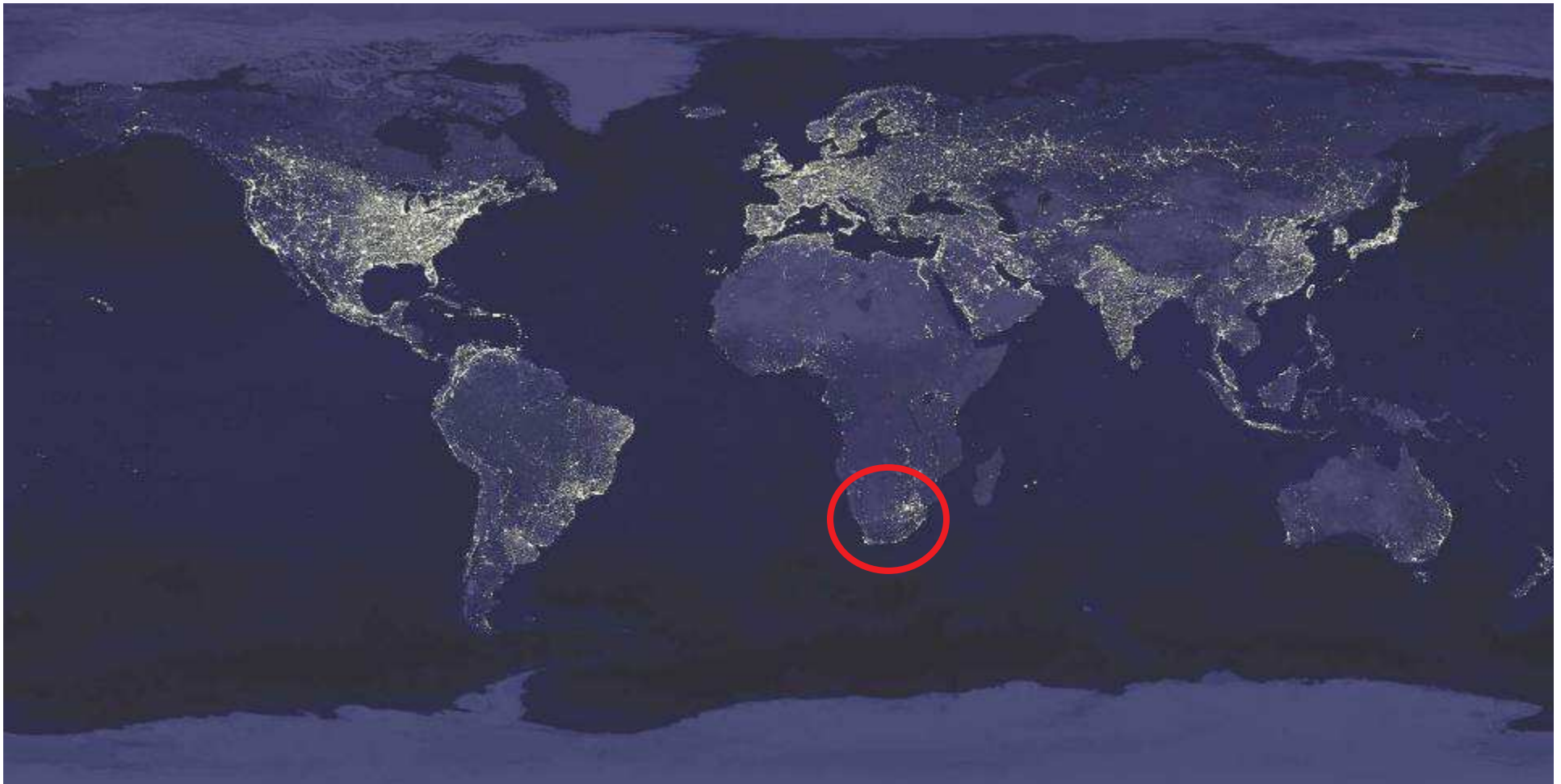


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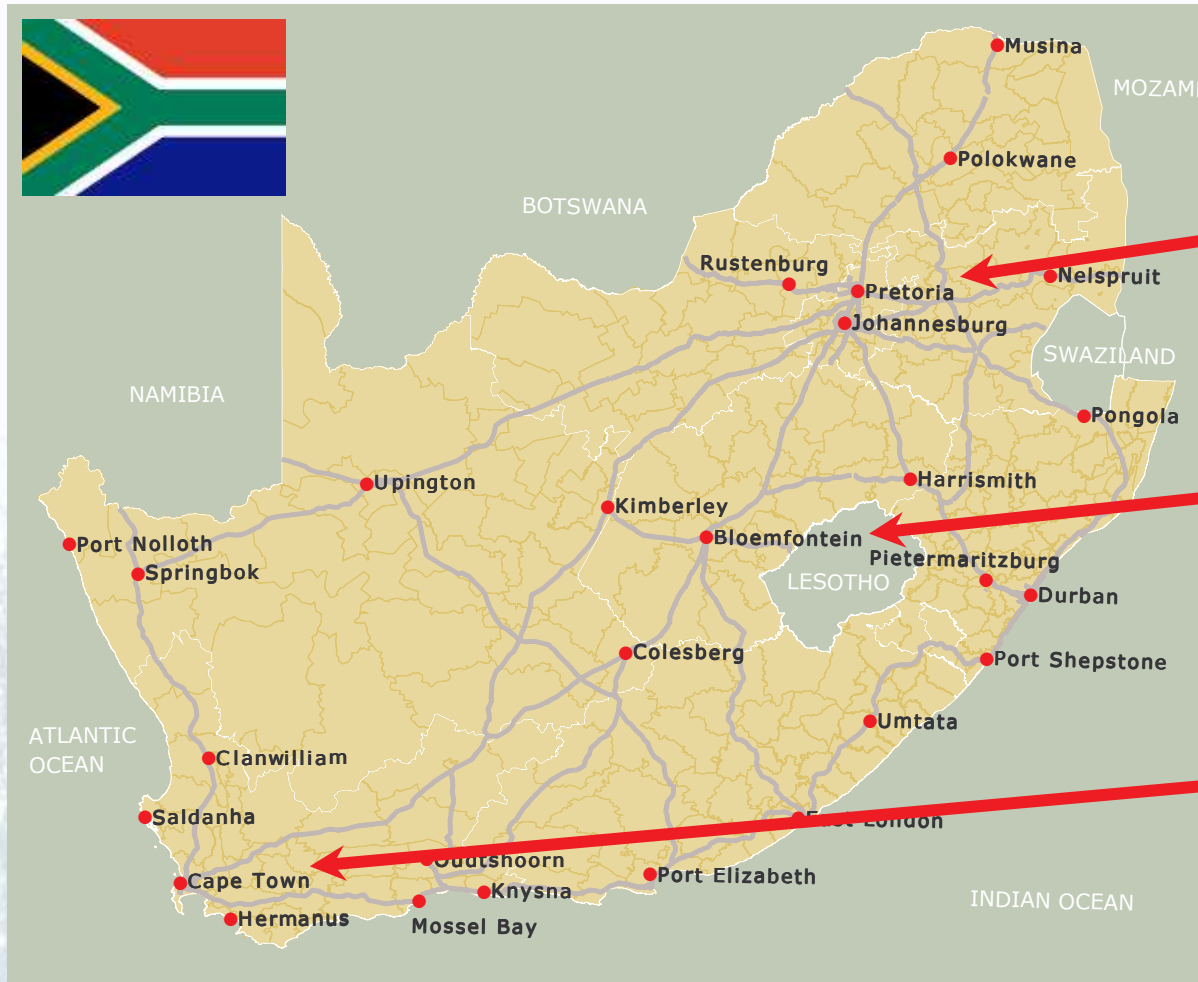
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South Africa



Capitals:

**Pretoria
(executive)**

**Bloemfontein
(judicial)**

**Cape Town
(legislative)**



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South Africa, a *Rainbow Nation*

Eleven Official Languages

Afrikaans
English
IsiZulu
IsiXhosa
SiSwati
Ndebele
Southern Sotho
Northern Sotho
Tsonga
SeTswana
Venda





South Africa

47.9 million people (mid-2007 estimate by Statistics SA)

9 provinces

262 municipalities

6 metropolitan municipalities

±11 million households (Census 2001)

with access to piped water: 66,1% in 2002 to 71,3% in 2006

living in informal structures (shacks): 12,7% in 2002 and 14,5% in 2006

7 million land parcels

±500,000 sectional title properties

Largest address database: 3.6 million





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Overview

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- 4. Perceived disadvantages of addresses**
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I. South African addresses

No official address register

Many sources of address-related data

Surveyor General

- One integrated digital cadastre for the whole country

Registrar of Deeds

- Property ownership

Chief Directorate Surveys and Mapping

- Topographical maps

Municipalities

- Address allocation, property taxes

South African Post Office (SAPO)

- Postal delivery

South African Geographical Names Council

- Standardized geographical names; Redress, correct and transform geographical naming system

Utilities for service delivery such as electricity and telecomms

- Service delivery points



I. South African addresses

Surveyor General ERF

Description:

Town: PRETORIUS PARK EXT 8
Major Region: JR
Erf: 686
Portion: 0
SG Code:
T0JR02050000067600000

Deeds Office ERF Description:

Proclaimed Town: Pretorius Park
Ext 8
Erf: 686,0
Deeds Office: Pretoria (T)

Street Address:

14 Glenvista Street
Woodhill
Pretoria
(City of Tshwane)
Gauteng

Building:

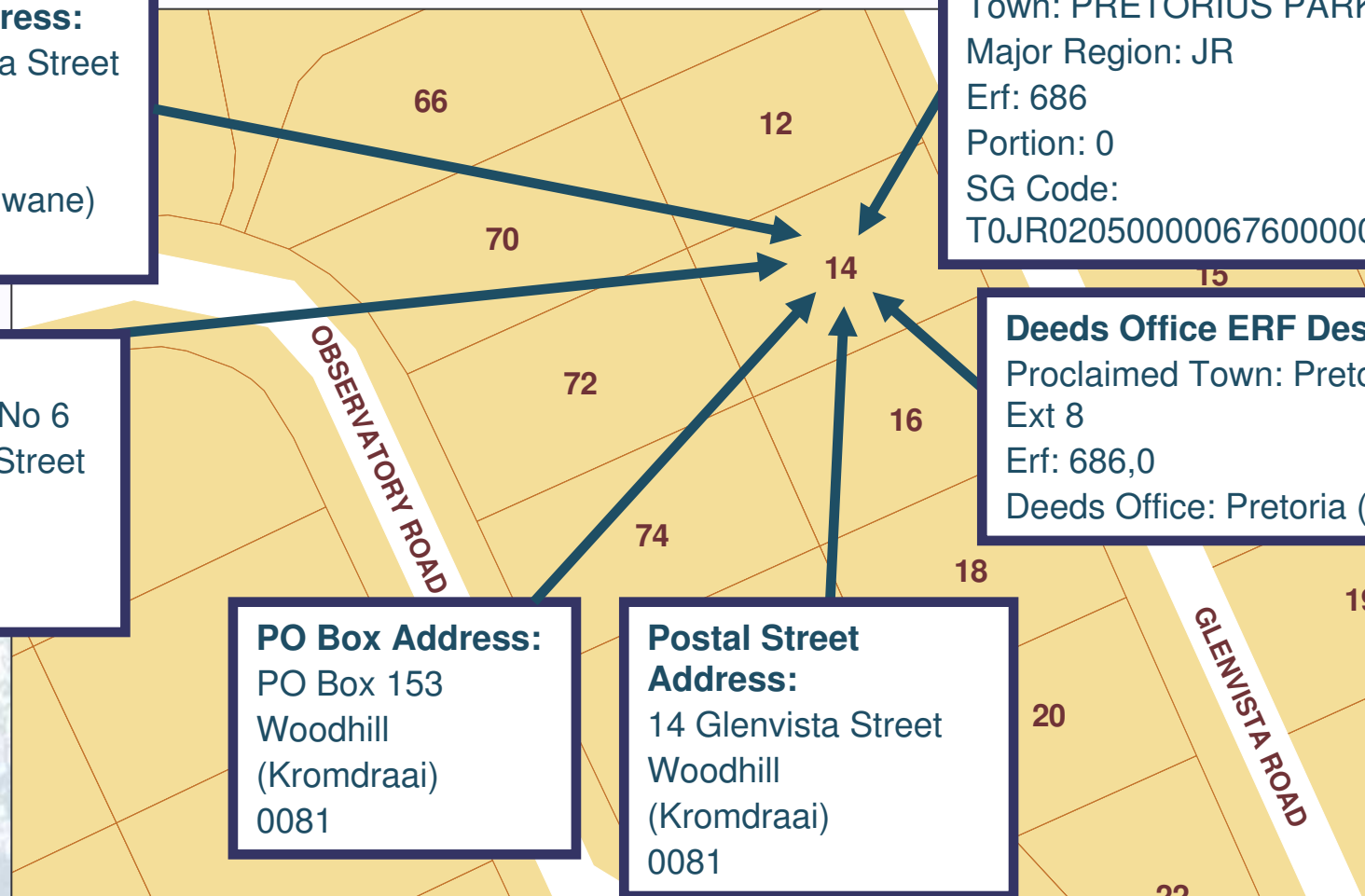
Glen Hills No 6
Glenvista Street
Woodhill
Pretoria
Gauteng

PO Box Address:

PO Box 153
Woodhill
(Kromdraai)
0081

Postal Street Address:

14 Glenvista Street
Woodhill
(Kromdraai)
0081





I. South African addresses

Urbanization

Informal settlements

- Initially no individual cadastral properties
- Some of the settlements are acknowledged legally
 - Services are delivered in informal settlements
 - Plan is to replace them with formal housing
 - » Formalizing the informal cadastre
- Dynamic dwelling demarcation
 - e.g. after fires



I. South African addresses

Apartheid legacy

Transformation of naming system

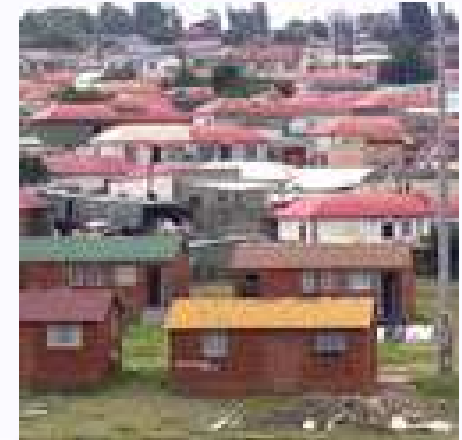
- Controversial, e.g. Pretoria vs Tshwane

Historically black townships

- Wide variety of addressing systems
- Many areas with house numbers only, no street names
- Assigning street names is a long process

Tribal areas

- Communal lands
- Single cadastral land parcel per tribe





2. SA Address Standard

South African National Standard (SANS)

SANS 1883-1, *Geographic Information – Address Standard, Part 1: Data format of addresses*

SANS 1883-2, *Geographic Information – Address Standard, Part 2: Guidelines for addresses in databases, data transfer, exchange and interoperability*

SANS 1883-3, *Geographic Information – Address Standard, Part 3: Guidelines for address allocation and updates*





2. SA Address Standard

Address

An address unambiguously specifies a point of service delivery

Point of service delivery

Actual location where a service could be provided

Examples of services

Postal mail

Utilities: electricity, water, telecomms, sewerage

Emergency services

Proof of residence for financial transactions

Elections

Household surveys





2. SA Address Standard

Traditional formalized:

Street Address

*Dr Lategan Road, Groenkloof
1736 Pretorius Street, Arcadia, 0083*



Intersection Address

Corner of Kings and Richmond Roads, Mowbray



Site Address

*25436 Soshanguve CC
Portion 938 Mooikloof*





2. SA Address Standard

Composite:

Landmark Address

Parliament, Cape Town

Voortrekker Monument, Pretoria



Building Address

Election House, 260 Walker Street, Sunnyside

2nd Floor, Celtis Plaza, Schoeman Street, Hatfield





2. SA Address Standard

SA Post Office:

SA Post Office-Type Rural Village Address

012151 Ngxingxolo, Mooiplaas, 5228

SA Post Office Box Address

PO Box 2947, Hatfield, 0028, ZA

Private Bag X2438, Glenstantia, 0010

SA Post Office Street Address

477 Chopin Street, Glenstantia, 0181

SAPO Poste Restante Address

Poste Restante, Hazyview, 3928





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2. SA Address Standard

Descriptive:

Farm Address

Tabakskuur, Grootgelukplaas, Kimberley Road, Bloemfontein

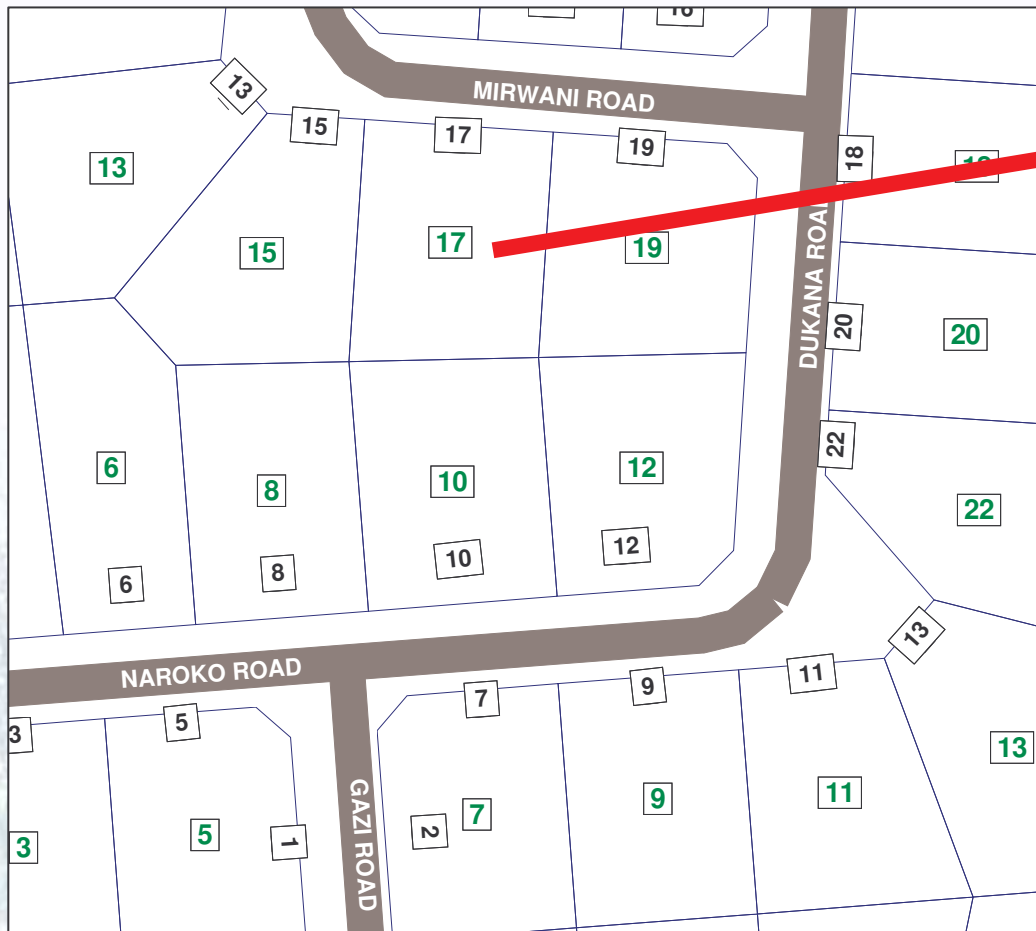
Informal Address

Opposite the butcher shop, Tsamaya Street, Mamelodi





2. SA Address Standard



ID	190
Longitude	28073662
Latitude	26028239
AddressID	188844
StreetNumber	17
StreetName	MIRWANI
StreetType	ROAD
UsedName	
RegisteredName	SUNNINGHILL EXT.2
XCoordinate	28.073662
YCoordinate	26.028239
PointOfObservation	Centre of land parcel
AddressType	Street Address
LifeCycleStage	Active
OfficialStatus	Official
DataProvider	City of Joburg
DataSource	City of Joburg
STR_CODE	07303
STATUS	P
LENGTH	3.000
SG_ID	TOIR0642002000004380000000
STR_CD	030941
ERR1	0
ADDED BY	
ADDED ON	
SHAPE_LEN	3.00003378355



3. Benefits of addresses

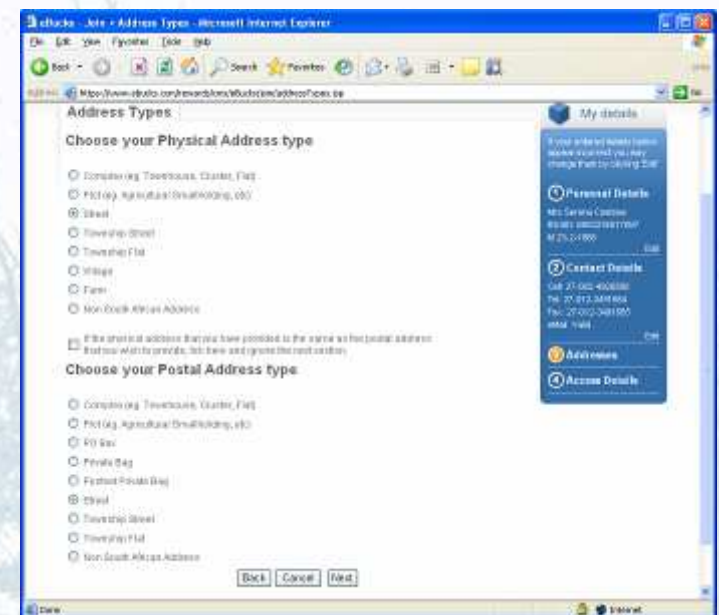
Economy

Retail outlet planning

- Provide outlets close to customers

Capturing details of customers

Collating a national address database





3. Benefits of addresses

Society

Social status

- Sense of identity
- Being recognized as a full citizen

Providing proof of residential address

- Opening bank accounts and buying on credit

Emergency services

- Routing and providing assistance during disaster management

Connecting households to utilities

- Water, sewerage, telecommunications and electricity

Finding your friends and family!





3. Benefits of addresses

Governance

- **Elections**
 - Facilitating participation by all eligible voters
 - Ensuring accessibility to voting stations
- **Census and household surveys**
 - Ensuring inclusion of all targeted households
 - Planning and monitoring execution
- **Data sharing**
 - Financial Intelligence Centre Act (FICA)
 - Combat money laundering
 - Exchange of data between local, provincial and national authorities
 - Coordinating planning of service delivery



The Star, 28 April, 1994



3. Benefits of addresses



SAPO rural addresses

Government policy is to provide every citizen with mail delivery
to their place of residence

2006/2007 Roll-out

- Target: 1,645,678 new addresses
- Actually assigned: 1,819,211 addresses



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4. Perceived Disadvantages

Rates and taxes

Serving of summons and other legal notices

Being tracked down by police

Bills and debt collection





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