

Supplementary Table 1: Annual SUDI cases per mortuary.

Year	Eden district					Central Karoo district		Total
	George	Oudtshoorn	Knysna	Mossel Bay	Riversdale	Beaufort West	Laingsburg	
2012	36	21	9	9	5	18	1	99
2013	28	12	22	8	1	8	0	79
2014	33	6	11	12	0	5	4	71
2015	24	27	12	6	2	13	2	86
2016	21	18	11	3	1	12	0	66
Total	142	84	65	38	9	56	7	401

Supplementary Table 2: Infant mortality rate (IMR) and SUDI rates for each district and in total, from 2012 to 2016.

Year	Garden Route District			Central Karoo District			Districts Combined		
	IMR	SUDI% of all infant deaths	SUDI rate	IMR	SUDI% of all infant deaths	SUDI rate	IMR	SUDI% of all infant deaths	SUDI rate
2012	20.59	43.48%	8.95	33.33	51.35%	17.12	22.00	44.80%	9.85
2013	20.54	36.79%	7.56	23.52	29.63%	6.97	20.86	35.91%	7.49
2014	20.42	34.07%	6.96	27.40	28.13%	7.71	21.23	33.18%	7.04
2015	20.90	38.17%	7.98	31.57	37.5%	11.84	22.23	38.05%	8.46
2016	16.20	39.42%	6.38	19.40	55.55%	10.58	16.57	51.51%	6.88
Total	19.73	38.32%	7.58	27.12	39.87%	10.81	20.62	38.56%	7.95