update from the African Raptor Databank for January 2016:

We are now 37 months into our 60 month data gathering period and up to 125637 records at the end of January 2016. 2116 records were added to the database this month by the following raptor observers:

observers	record count
Andre Botha	777
John Davies	308
Mark Dixon, Amanda Judson	170
Jacqui Badenhorst	157
Crystelle Wilson	105
Rob Thomson	104
Holger Kolberg	92
Richard Reading	90
Dirk Human	61
Claire Kolberg, Holger Kolberg	50
Andy Branfield	34
bruce wardsmith	33
Jaco Smith	32
Dawie de Swardt	24
Steven Evans	19
Mark Brown	16
Washington Wachira	15
Rob Simmons, marlei Martins	10
David Pretorius	9
Pierre duToit	2
Rob Simmons	2
Calvin Harris	1
Dr Rob Simmons	1
Marlei Martins	1
Marlei Martins, Dr Rob Simmons	1
Rob Simmons, julia Simmons	1
Walter Jubber	1

Thank you so much for all these new records. Some monthly highlights include: a fantastic total of 777 sightings by Andre Botha; a very significant road trip up through under-recorded Mozambique to Malawi by John Davies; some further Mozambique records by Andy Branfield; considerable data from all parts of South Africa and Namibia by many of the above e.g. Rob Thompson for Cape coastal region; Mara raptor records from Richard Reading with Munir Virani.

Best wishes, Rob and ARDB team



