Figure 1. The study sites in Gabon. Libreville is the national capital city and Makokou and Tchibanga are provincial capitals. Hunters were interviewed in the villages (shown as black dots) supplying these two provincial town markets. Villages in Gabon are generally situated along the road network, in similar densities to those shown around the two provincial towns studied.

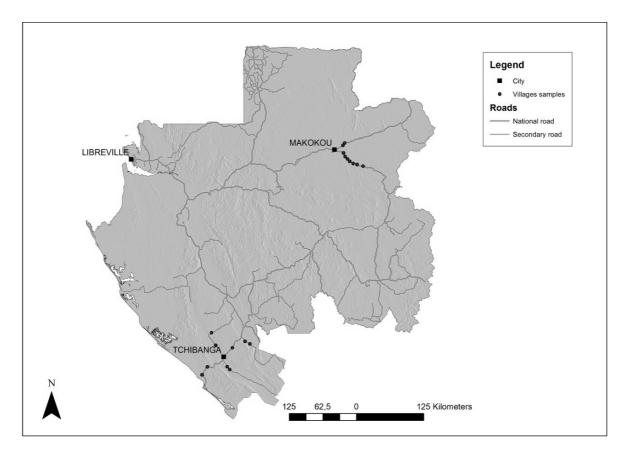


Figure 2. Requests received from locally based Asian industrial workers between May and July 2014 by hunters from surveyed Ogooué-Ivindo villages, for supply of particular species (N=34 specific requests recorded).

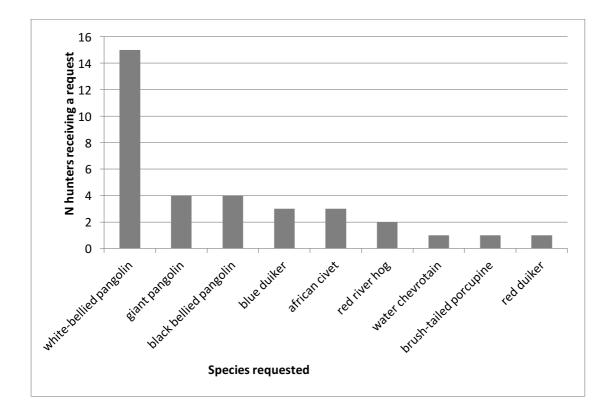


Figure 3. Mean price per kg FCFA (\$1USD = 555 FCFA) for species sold by hunters at the forestgate in 2014 (N sales). Error bars represent the SE of prices. Bodyweights were taken from empirical data for weighed carcasses in Gabon (Coad, 2007 & Abernethy & Ndong Obiang, 2010). At equal meat value, by bodyweight, giant pangolins would be expected to sell for a similar price to red duikers and red river hog, approximately half their actual sale price. The bar for the mean of all species is shown in white and bars for pangolin species in brown.

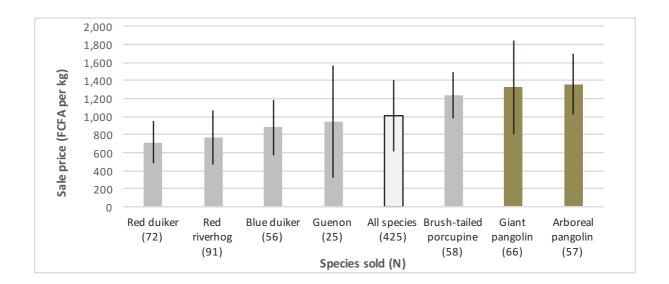


Figure 4. Percentage (of earlier price) rise in mean price between 2002-2003 and 2014 for whole animal sales of a) most commonly sold taxa under 5 kg (palm civet, blue duiker, brushtailed porcupine, arboreal pangolins and guenons) b) arboreal pangolins c) Giant pangolins recorded from forestgate villages, Makokou town and in Libreville's largest market (Mont Bouët).

