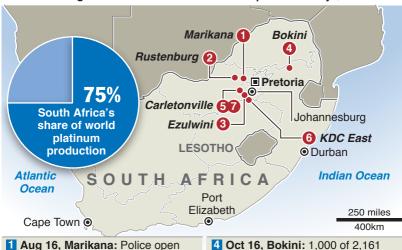
South Africa's mining strikes weakening

Strikes that started two months ago at platinum mines and spread to gold, chrome, coal and iron-ore mines have waned in the face of mass sackings. Violent labour unrest has cut production by \$1.15 billion



- I Aug 16, Marikana: Police open fire on strikers at *Lonmin* mine, killing 34 people
- Sep 18: Lonmin strike ends with pay increases of up to 22%
- 2 Oct 5, Rustenburg: Anglo American Platinum – world's biggest platinum producer – fires 12,000
- 3 Oct 9, Ezulwini: Gold One sacks 1.417 miners

striking miners

- platinum miners sacked by *Atlatsa*Resources
- 5 Oct 18, Carletonville: Gold Fields sacks 1,500 miners
- Fields sacks 1,500 miners

 6 Oct 23: KDC East: Gold Fields
- sacks further 8,500 strikers

 Oct 24, Carletonville: AngloGold

Ashanti sacks 12,000 strikers. Workers at **Harmony Gold** report for duty to avoid losing their jobs