

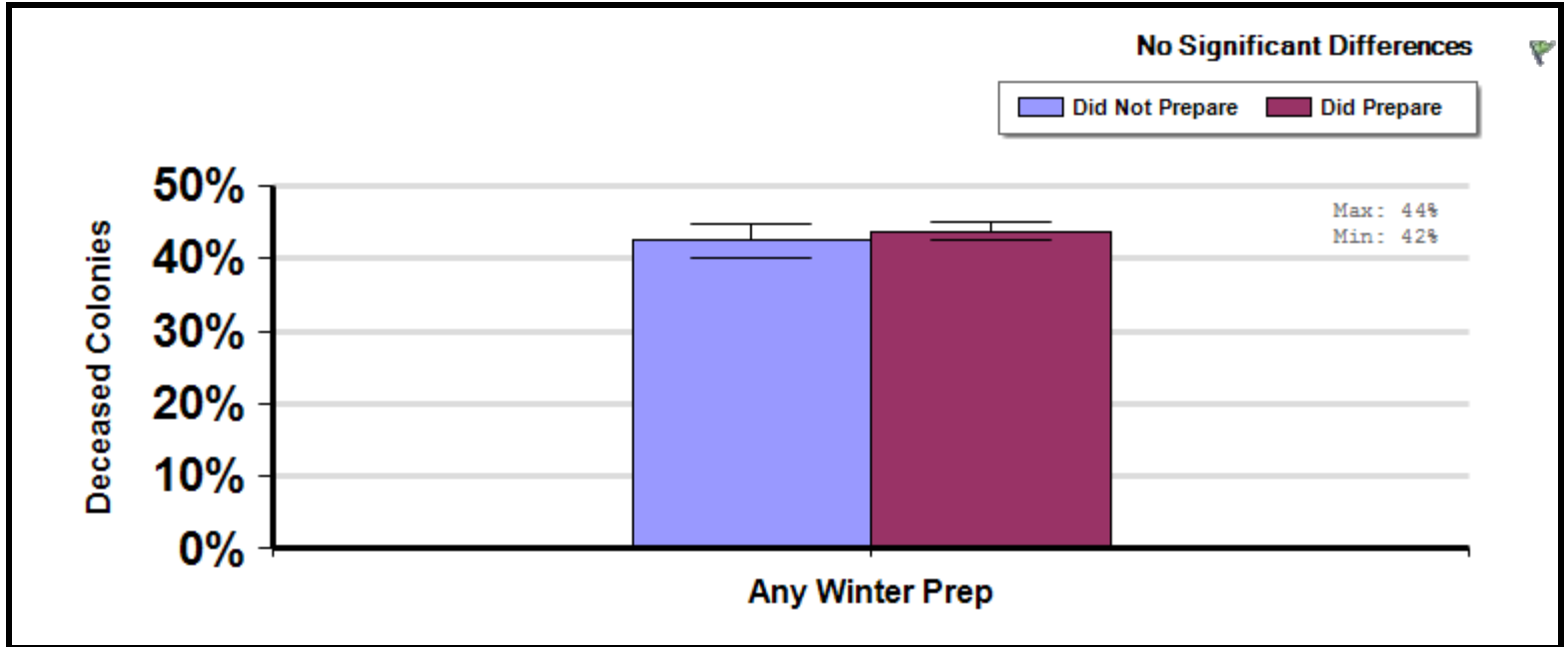


Winter Preparation

Average loss suffered by beekeepers in the United States who did and did not prepare their colonies for winter between April and March.

Winter

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Interpretation

Beekeepers who reported preparing their colonies for winter did not report losing more or less colonies than those who did not report preparing their colonies for the winter.

Survey Question

. Did you do any of the following to prepare for this last winter (2012-2013)?

- Create or engage an upper entrance
- Wrap colonies with insulation
- Wrap colonies with tar paper or wintering sleeve
- Place extra insulation on top of colony
- Equalize colony strength
- Move colonies to southern location
- Move colonies to inside wintering buildings
- I do not prepare my colonies for winter

		Total Number of Respondents Providing Valid Responses	Total Number of Colonies Managed	Average Number of Colonies Managed		Average Colony Loss
				Mean	Standard Error	Mean(%) [Lower, Upper] CI

Any Winter Prep	Did Not Prepare	996	54,568	54.8	23.5	42.5 [40.2,44.8]
	Did Prepare	2,784	467,020	167.8	33.2	43.8 [42.5,45.1]

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