

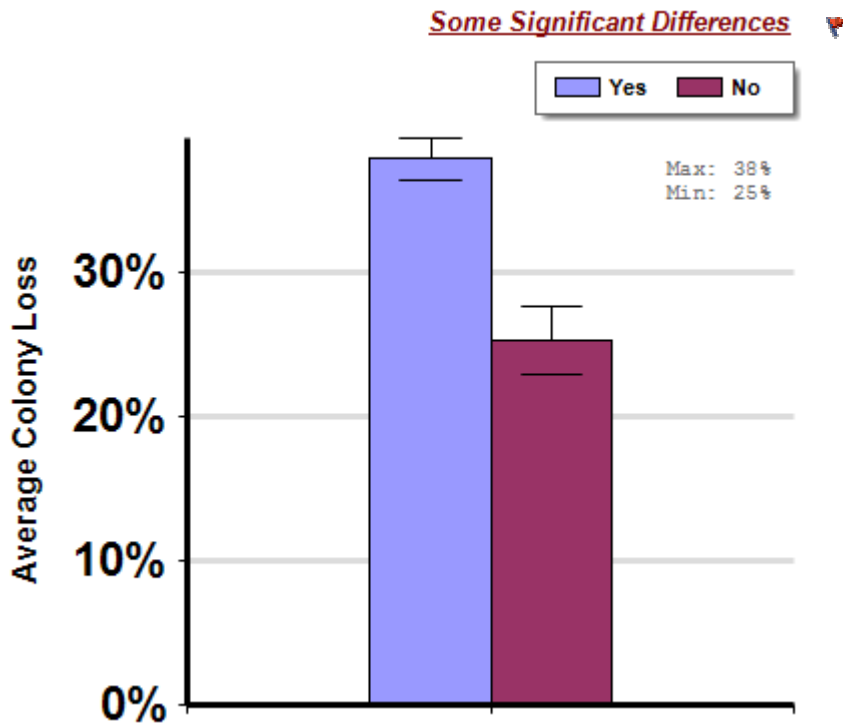


Brood Comb Reuse

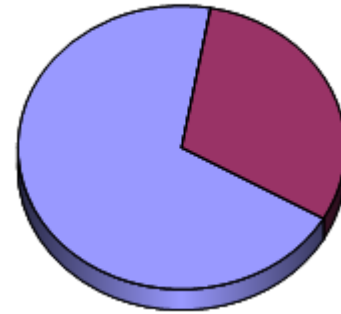
Average winter colony mortality suffered by beekeepers who did or did not re-use any old brood comb in their colonies.

Winter

Report ID: 71



Respondent Ratio



Interpretation

Beekeepers who reported reusing old brood comb in their colonies reported losing on average 12.6 more colonies per 100 (49.5% more) than beekeepers who did not report reusing brood comb that had been taken out of production or purchased.

Survey Question

45. Between 1 April 2010 and 1 April 2011, before you re-used brood comb that you had taken out of production or purchased did you? Check all that apply.

	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 95% CI	Upper 95% CI
Yes	2,110	265,614	125.9	43.0	37.9	36.4	39.4
No	926	4,439	4.8	0.4	25.3	23.0	27.7

Comments About This Data

We did not collect data on what proportion of the colonies within operations received reused combs, nor did we collect data on why beekeepers re-used comb.

Relevant Links, References, and Citations

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