



# Started or Obtained New Colonies by Method (Northeast)

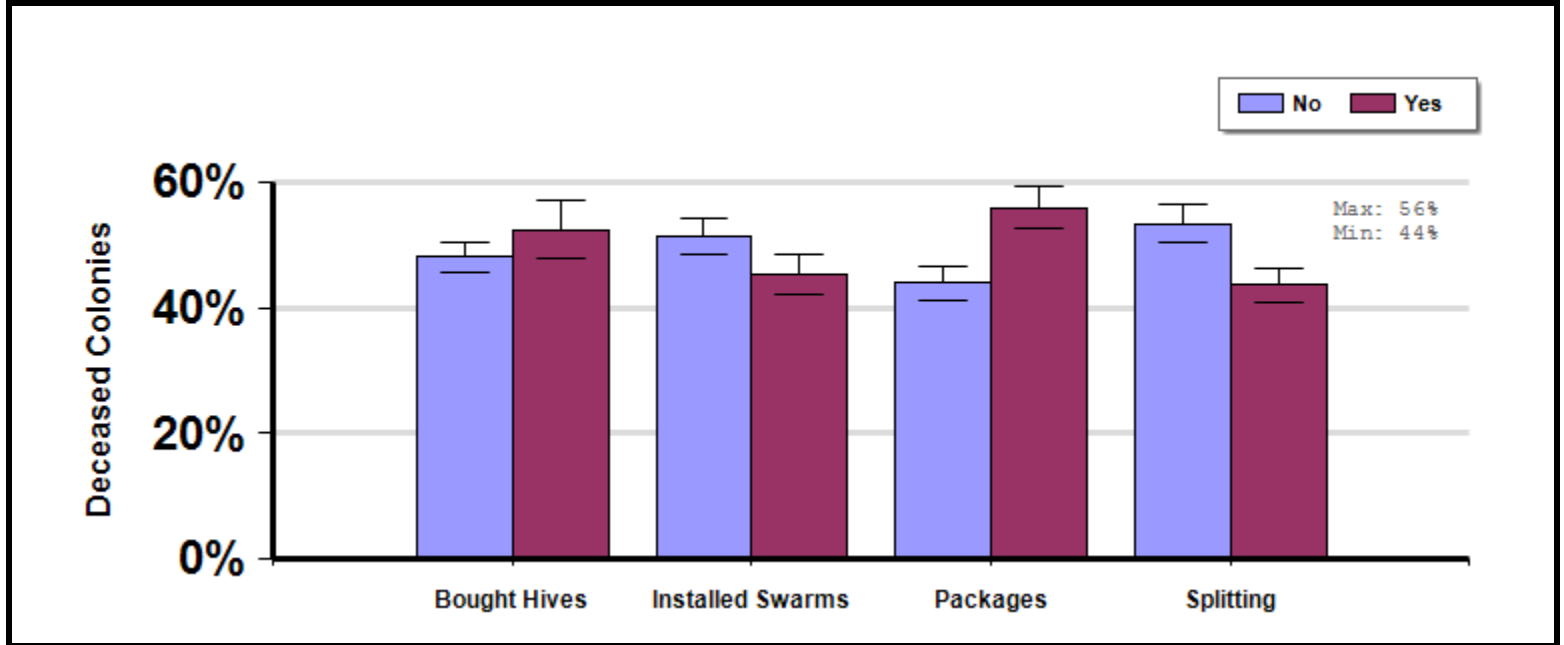
Management Survey 2013

( Filtered by: Northeast )

Average winter colony mortality reported by beekeepers who reported starting or obtaining new colonies, between April and March by different methods.

## Winter

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## Survey Question

How did you start or obtain new colonies over the last year?

- Made increases by splitting strong colonies
- Bought and installed packages
- Caught and installed swarms
- Bought hives and/or nucs from another beekeeper

|              |     | 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 |
| Bought Hives | No  | 771   | 83,117                           | 107.8                              | 43.6           | 48.1 [45.7, 50.6]         |
|              | Yes | 223   | 4,246                            | 19.0                               | 5.3            | 52.4 [47.8, 57.0]         |
| Installed    | No  | 610   | 80,883                           | 132.6                              | 55.1           | 51.4 [48.5, 54.4]         |

|           |     |     |        |       |      |                  |
|-----------|-----|-----|--------|-------|------|------------------|
| Swarms    | Yes | 384 | 6,480  | 16.9  | 1.9  | 45.3 [42.2,48.4] |
|           | No  | 568 | 81,465 | 143.4 | 59.1 | 43.9 [41.2,46.7] |
| Packages  | Yes | 426 | 5,898  | 13.8  | 3.0  | 55.9 [52.6,59.3] |
|           | No  | 552 | 4,386  | 7.9   | 2.0  | 53.4 [50.3,56.6] |
| Splitting | Yes | 442 | 82,977 | 187.7 | 75.8 | 43.6 [40.8,46.5] |

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## Comments About This Data

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## Relevant Links, References, and Citations

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