



Average Loss By Reason Responding Beekeepers Indicated they Kept Bees

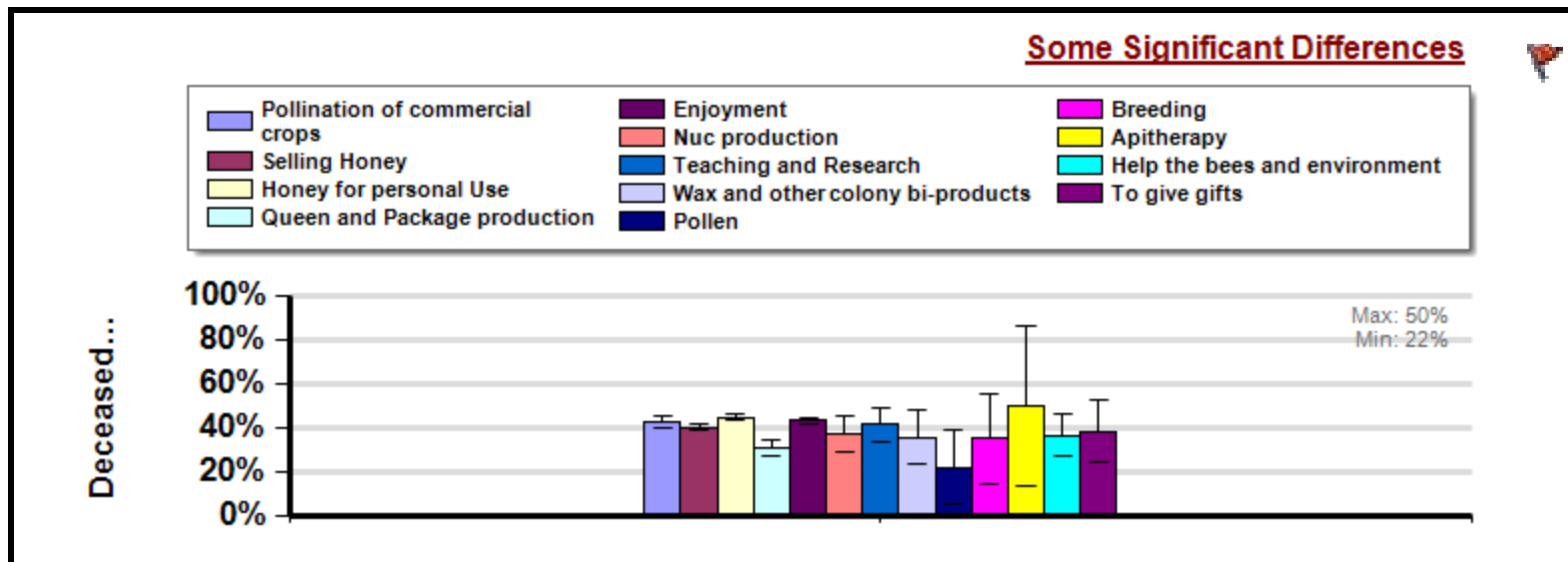
Management Survey 2013

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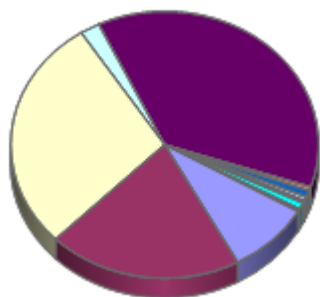
Winter

Average loss suffered by beekeepers who indicated the reason or reasons they kept bees between April and March.

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Participant Ratio



Interpretation

Beekeepers who kept bees for queen and package production lost fewer overwintering colonies than those who kept bees for enjoyment, for pollination of commercial crops, to produce honey for personal use or to sell honey for profit.

Survey Question

	Total Number of Respondents Providing Valid Responses	Total Number of Colonies Managed	Average Colony Loss	Percentage of responding beekeepers in each operations size classification who indicated a particular reason they kept bees. Respondents could indicate more than one reason.		
			Mean(%) [Lower, Upper] CI	Backyard	Sideline	Commercial
Pollination of commercial crops	679	456,511	43% [40%, 45%]	14.8%	44.4%	84.8%
Selling Honey	1,567	498,700	41% [39%, 42%]	37.7%	88.9%	93.9%
Honey for personal Use	2,184	36,814	45% [44%, 47%]	61.1%	22.2%	10.1%

Queen and Package production	160	145,451	31% [27%, 35%]	2.6%	25.6%	25.3%
Enjoyment	2,864	71,831	43% [42%, 45%]	79.7%	40.0%	11.1%
Nuc production	37	17,880	37% [29%, 46%]	0.6%	7.2%	3.0%
Teaching and Research	62	961	42% [34%, 50%]	1.7%	2.2%	0.0%
Wax and other colony bi-products	37	1,630	36% [24%, 48%]	1.0%	1.1%	1.0%
Pollen	9	2,343	22% [6%, 39%]	0.2%	0.0%	2.0%
Breeding	9	4,268	35% [15%, 56%]	0.2%	0.0%	2.0%
Apitherapy	6	1,192	50% [14%, 87%]	0.1%	0.0%	1.0%
Help the bees and environment	62	320	37% [27%, 46%]	1.8%	0.0%	0.0%
To give gifts	25	122	39% [25%, 53%]	0.7%	0.0%	0.0%

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