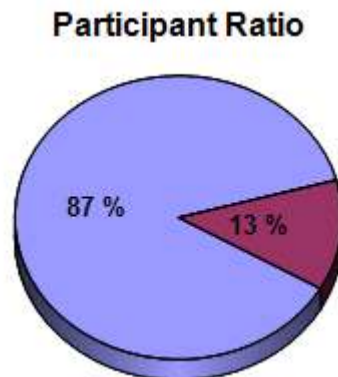
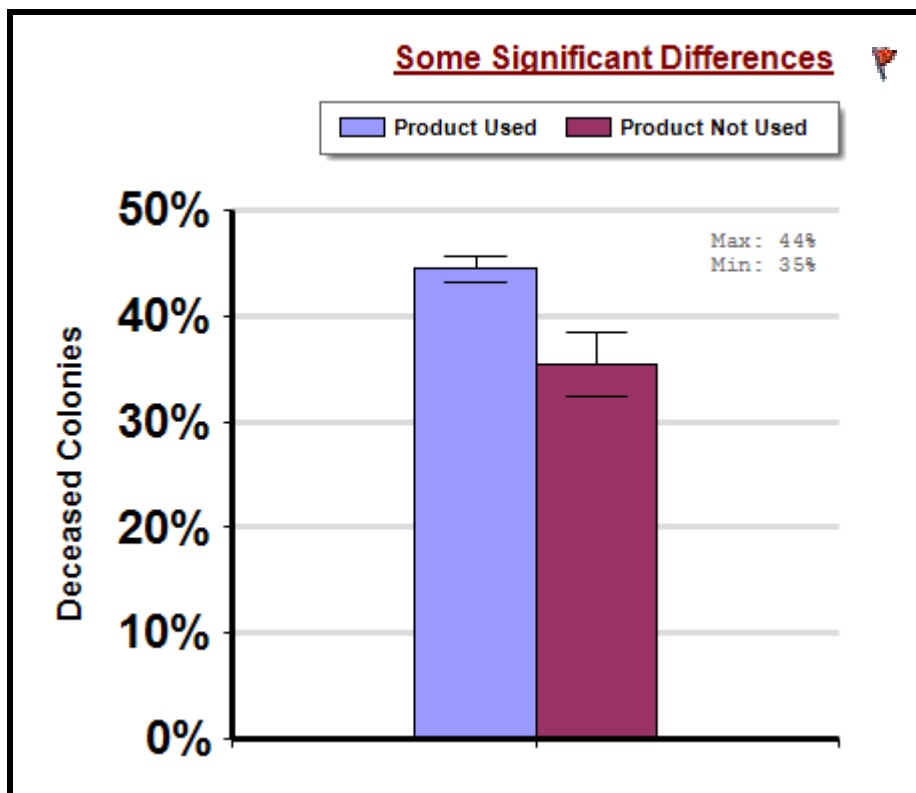




A comparison of average winter colony mortality among beekeepers who did or did not feed carbohydrates to a majority of their colonies, at least once, between April and March.

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Interpretation

Beekeepers who reported feeding with carbohydrates reported 9 more overwintering colony deaths per 100 managed colonies than those who did not report feeding their colonies with carbohydrates. In other words, beekeepers who reported feeding with carbohydrates lost 20.2% more colonies than those who did not report feeding with carbohydrates.

Survey Question

Which, if any of the following, did you apply to a majority of your colonies between April 1, 2012 and March, 2013?

- Candy
- Dry sugar
- High Fructose Corn Syrup (HFCS)
- Honey
- Sugar syrup
- Wet supers

		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
	Product Not	477	116,028	243.2	68.8	35.5 [32.5, 38.5]

	Used					
	Product Used	3,307	441,151	133.4	27.4	44.5 [43.3, 45.7]

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Relevant Links, References, and Citations



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