



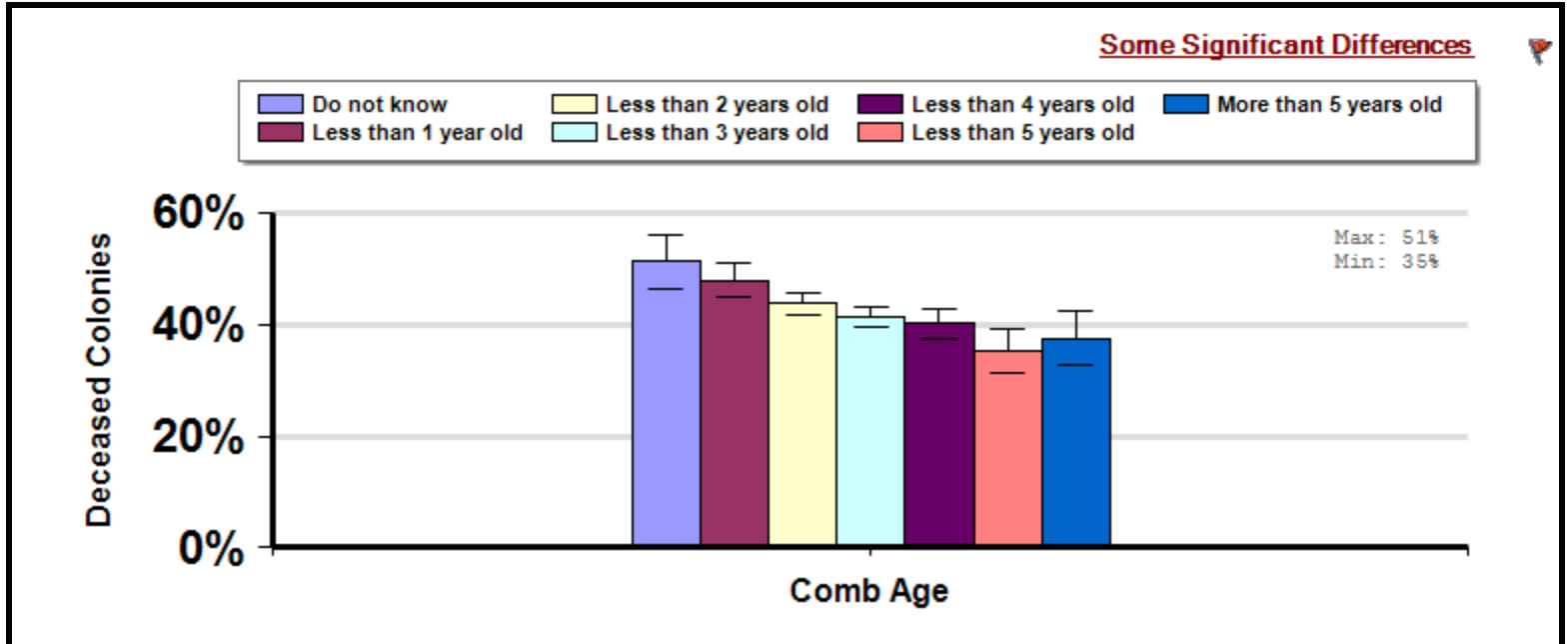
Average Brood Comb Age

Management
Survey 2014

Average winter colony mortality suffered by beekeepers who kept bees in colonies with brood comb of different ages.

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Interpretation

There are some significant differences between average ages of brood comb. Beekeepers who had brood comb less than a year old in their colonies reported losing more overwintering colonies than those beekeepers whose colonies had brood comb 2 years of age and older.

Survey Question

What proportions of your colonies brood comb fall into the following age ranges?
If you do not know just skip this question, otherwise the proportions should total 100%

- More than 5 years old
- Between 4 and 5 years old
- Between 3 and 4 years old
- Between 2 and 3 years old
- Between 1 and 2 years old
- Less than 1 year old

		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
Comb Age	Do not know	274	50,586	184.6	104.7	51.4 [46.5, 56.2]
	Less than 1 year old	821	2,876	3.5	0.3	47.9 [45.0, 50.9]
	Less than 2 years old	1,546	27,706	17.9	10.4	43.8 [41.9, 45.7]
	Less than 3 years old	1,508	38,164	25.3	5.9	41.3 [39.5, 43.1]
	Less than 4 years old	712	59,424	83.5	22.3	40.2 [37.6, 42.7]
	Less than 5 years old	256	144,226	563.4	275.8	35.3 [31.3, 39.3]
	More than 5 years old	170	188,769	1110.4	219.1	37.5 [32.7, 42.3]

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