



# Average Loss in operations with different Beekeeping Management Philosophies

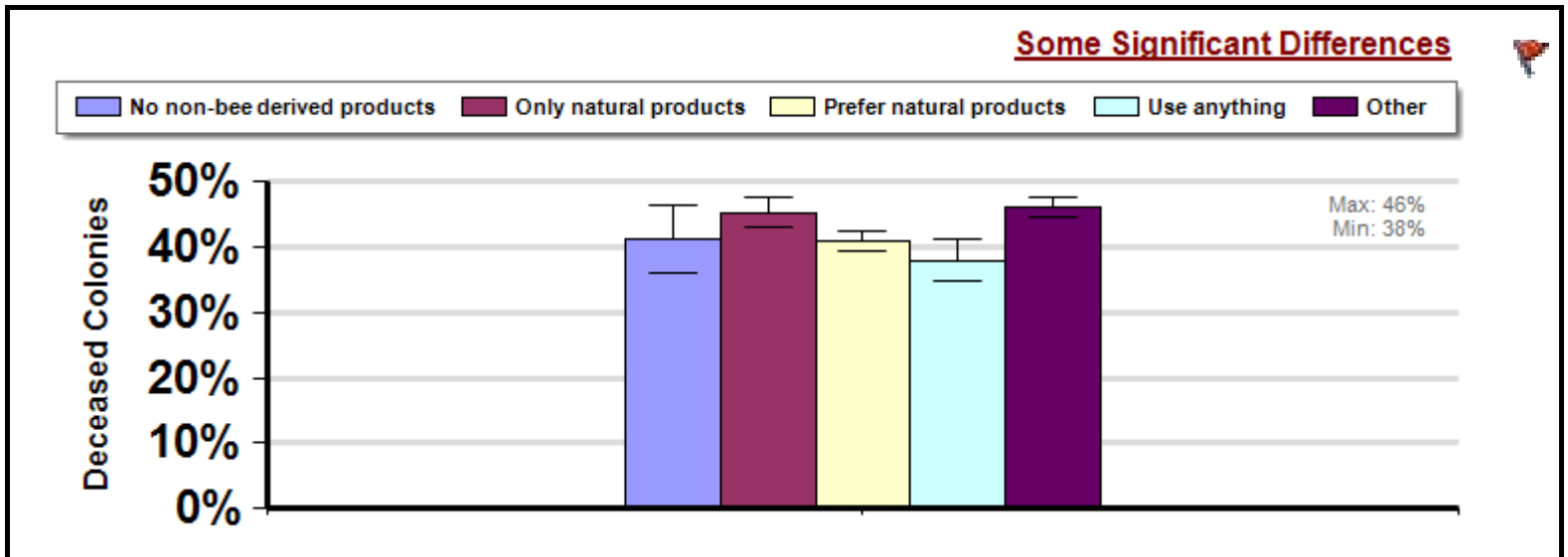
Management Survey 2015

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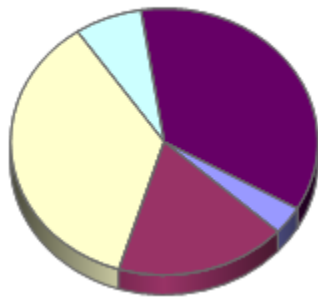
## Winter

Average winter loss suffered by beekeepers who had different beekeeping management philosophies between April and March.

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### Participant Ratio



### Interpretation

Beekeepers that chose to only use natural products in their operations lost more overwintering colonies than those who preferred to use natural products, or were willing to use anything in their colonies.

### Survey Question

|                             | Total Number of Respondents Providing Valid Responses | Total Number of Colonies Managed | Average Colony Loss       | Percentage of respondents in different operation size classifications who indicated a particular management philosophy |          |            |
|-----------------------------|---|----------------------------------|---------------------------|--|----------|------------|
|                             |   |                                  | Mean(%) [Lower, Upper] CI | Backyard   | Sideline | Commercial |
| No non-bee derived products | 211   | 1,740                            | 41% [36%, 46%]            | 3.5%   | 2.9%     | 0.0%       |
| Only natural products       | 1,113   | 11,258                           | 45% [43%, 48%]            | 18.4%  | 14.8%    | 1.1%       |
| Prefer natural products     | 2,206   | 95,658                           | 41% [39%, 42%]            | 36.1%  | 28.2%    | 27.3%      |
| Use anything                | 440   | 207,433                          | 38% [35%, 41%]            | 6.5%   | 15.3%    | 30.7%      |
| Other                       | 2,210   | 191,712                          | 46% [45%, 48%]            | 35.6%  | 38.8%    | 40.9%      |

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