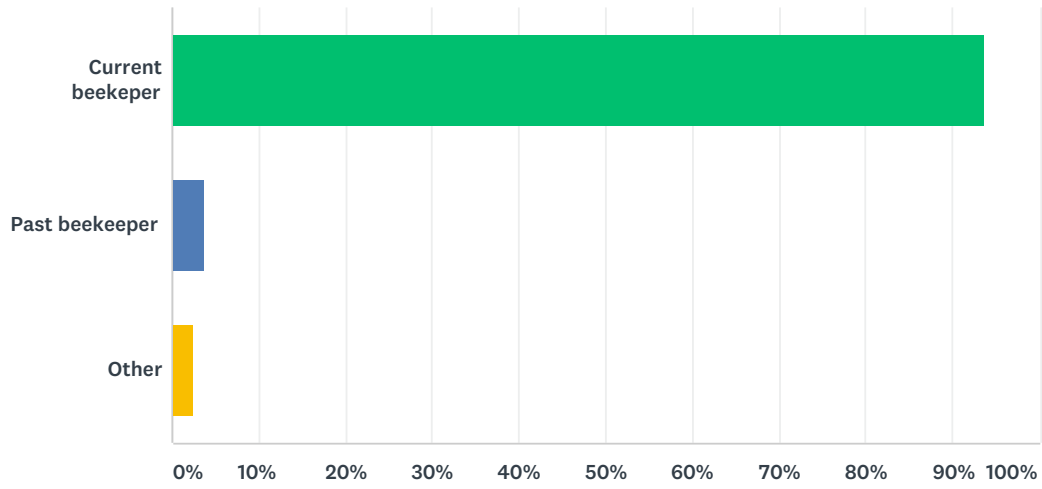


# Q1 What best describes you?

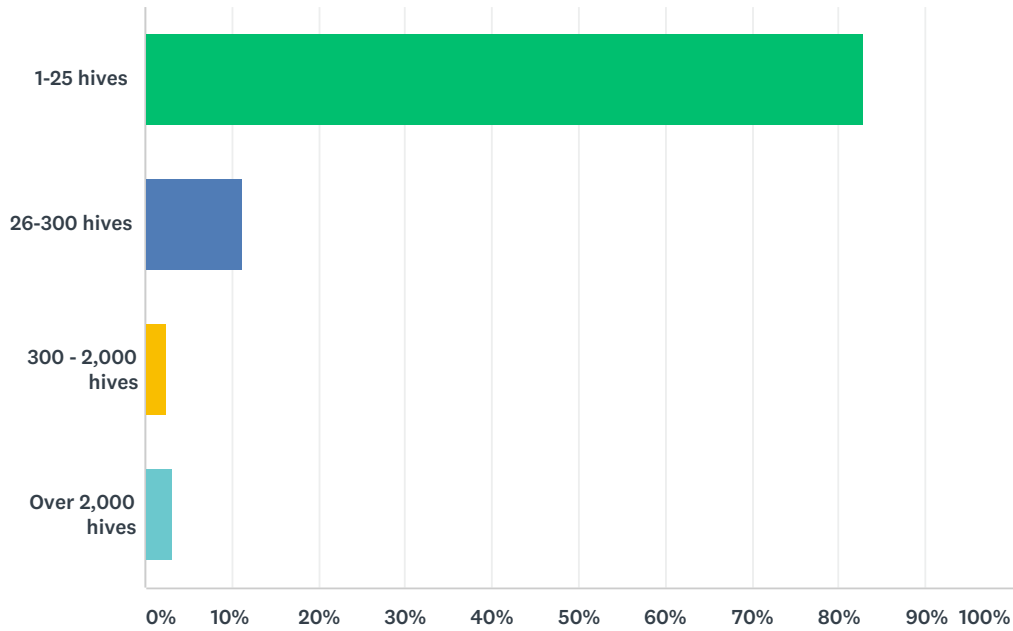
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Current beekeeper	93.75%	150
Past beekeeper	3.75%	6
Other	2.50%	4
TOTAL		160

## Q2 What size operation do you have (or did you have, if you used to have bees)?

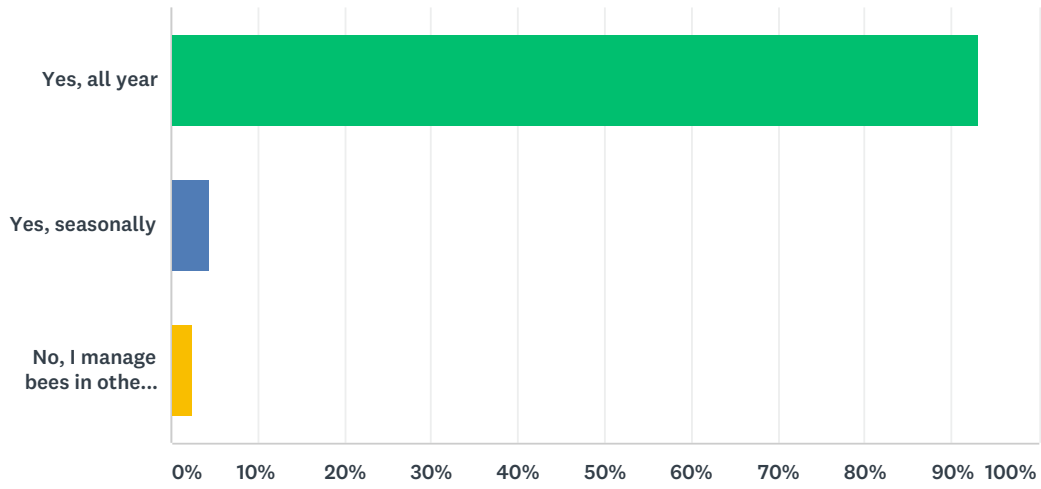
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
1-25 hives	82.91%	131
26-300 hives	11.39%	18
300 - 2,000 hives	2.53%	4
Over 2,000 hives	3.16%	5
TOTAL		158

### Q3 Do you manage hives in Texas for some or all of the year?

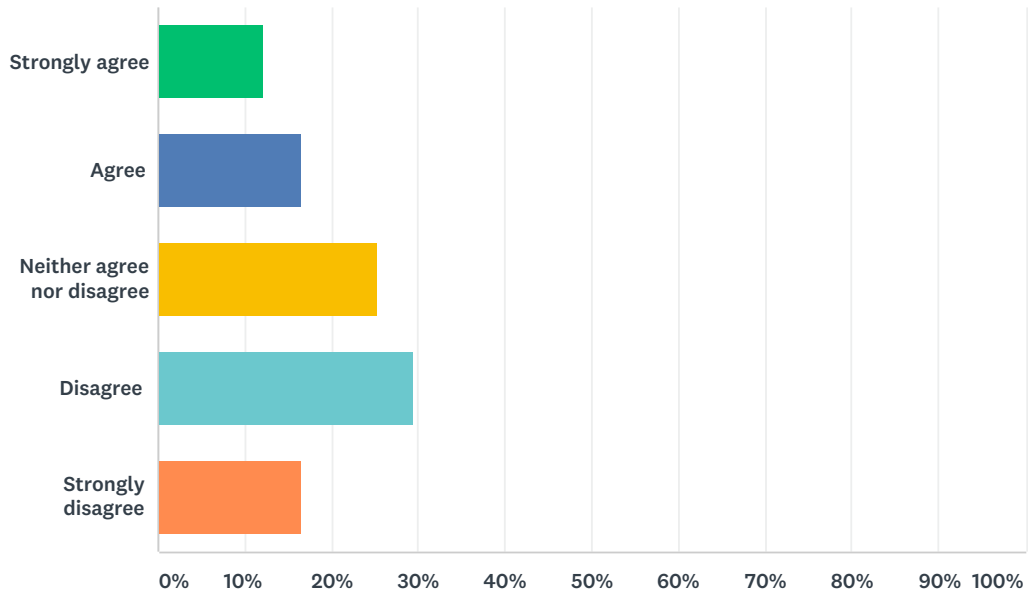
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Yes, all year	93.04%	147
Yes, seasonally	4.43%	7
No, I manage bees in other states	2.53%	4
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>158</b>

## Q4 No changes should be made to the CAI's current authority

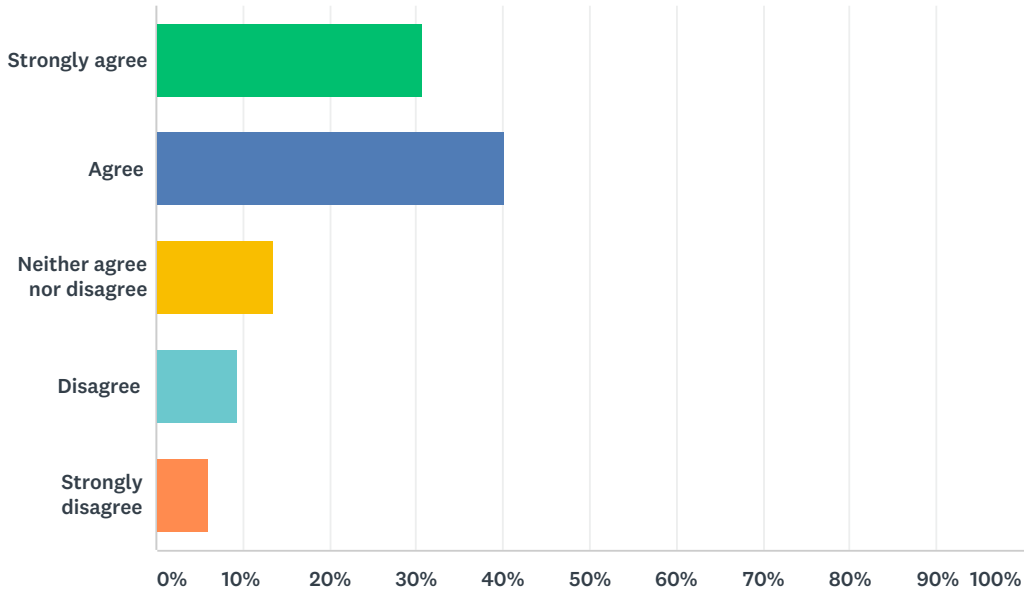
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Strongly agree	12.17%	14
Agree	16.52%	19
Neither agree nor disagree	25.22%	29
Disagree	29.57%	34
Strongly disagree	16.52%	19
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>115</b>

Q5 The definition of disease should be amended so that the CAI may only address American Foulbrood as well as diseases and new pests “that pose a threat to the beekeeping industry.”

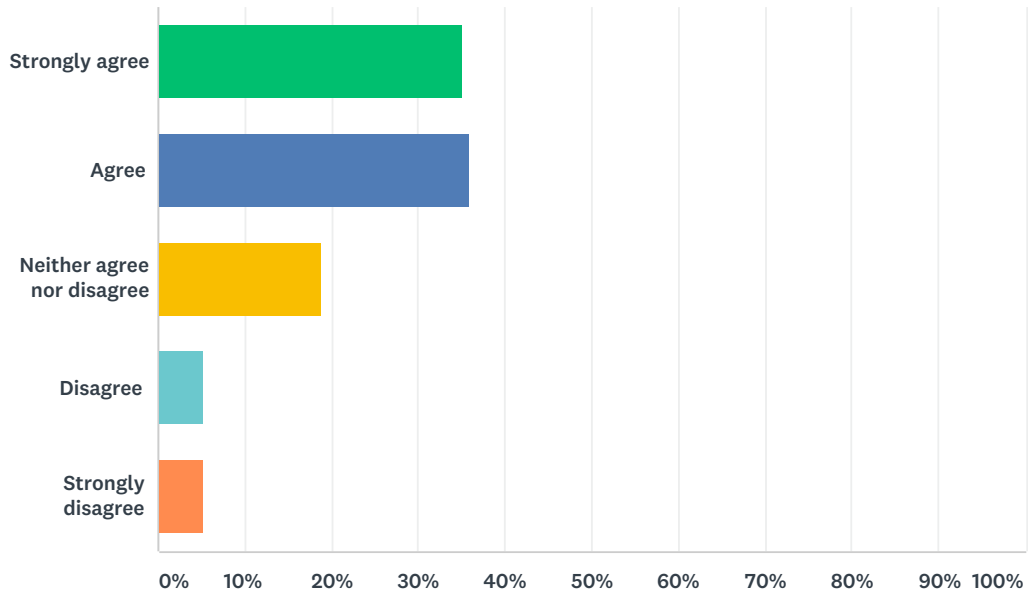
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Strongly agree	30.77%	36
Agree	40.17%	47
Neither agree nor disagree	13.68%	16
Disagree	9.40%	11
Strongly disagree	5.98%	7
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>117</b>

## Q6 The CAI should be forbidden from classifying a subspecies or group of bees as a pest

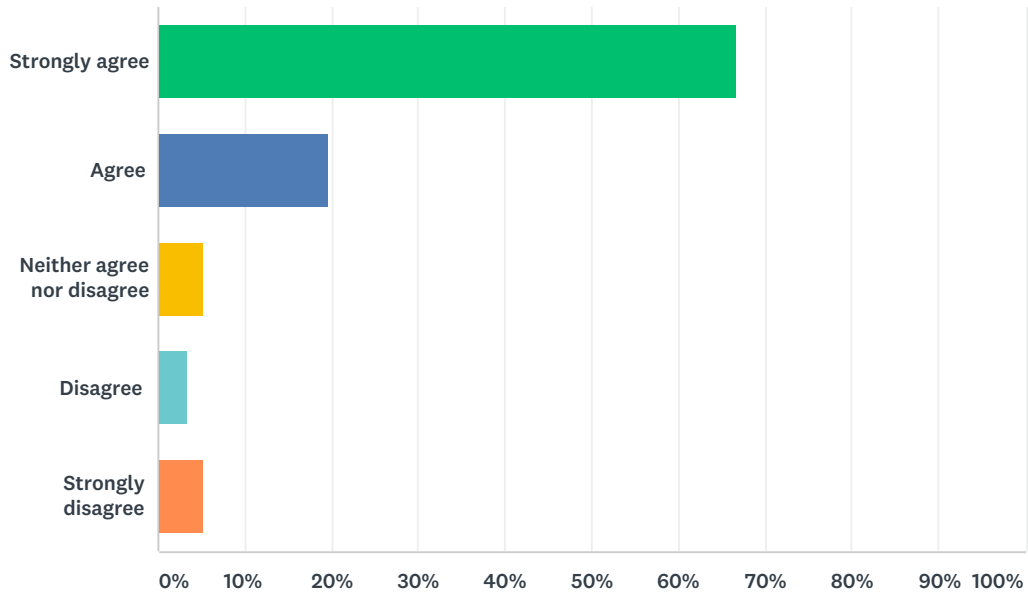
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Strongly agree	35.04%	41
Agree	35.90%	42
Neither agree nor disagree	18.80%	22
Disagree	5.13%	6
Strongly disagree	5.13%	6
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>117</b>

### Q7 The CAI should not be allowed to charge the beekeeper for the costs of destroying the bees.

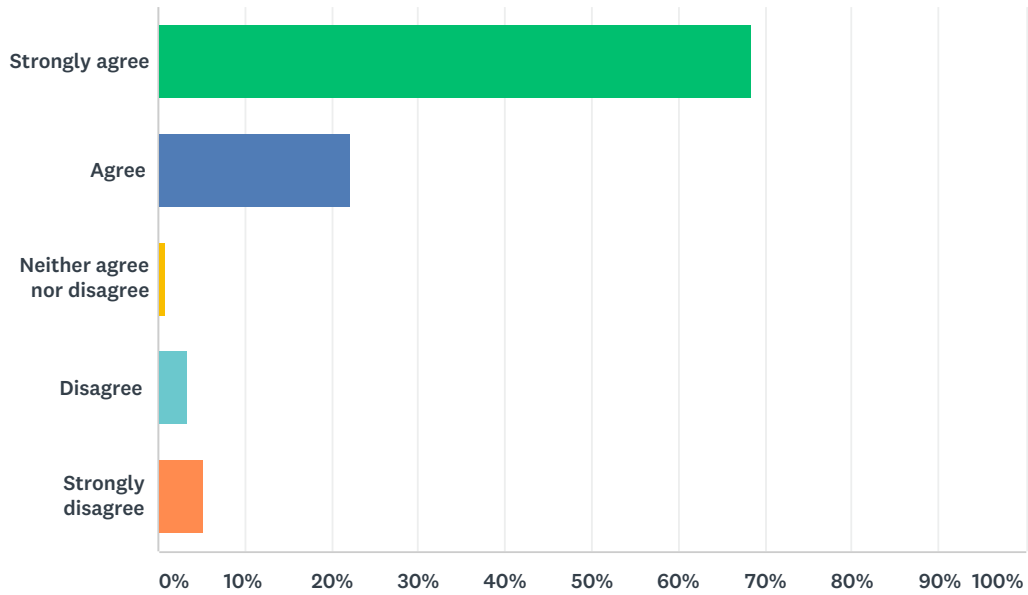
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Strongly agree	66.67%	78
Agree	19.66%	23
Neither agree nor disagree	5.13%	6
Disagree	3.42%	4
Strongly disagree	5.13%	6
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>117</b>

## Q8 An Appeals Committee should be created to hear beekeepers' appeals and to review rules proposed by the CAI

Answered: 117 Skipped: 43

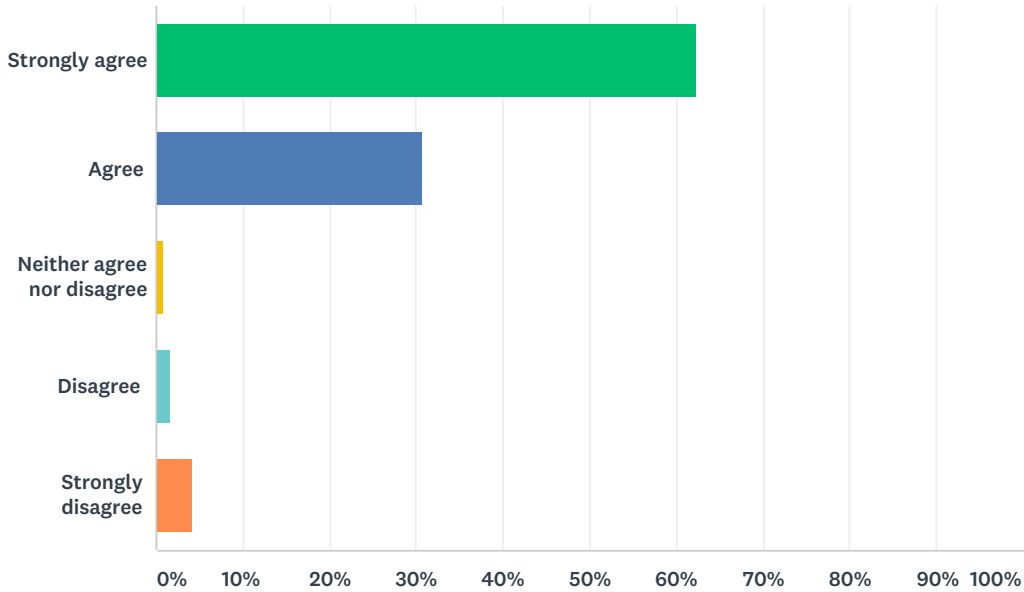


ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Strongly agree	68.38%	80
Agree	22.22%	26
Neither agree nor disagree	0.85%	1
Disagree	3.42%	4
Strongly disagree	5.13%	6
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>117</b>



### Q9 The statute should list factors that the CAI must consider in determining whether a disease or pest poses a threat and/or before imposing a quarantine

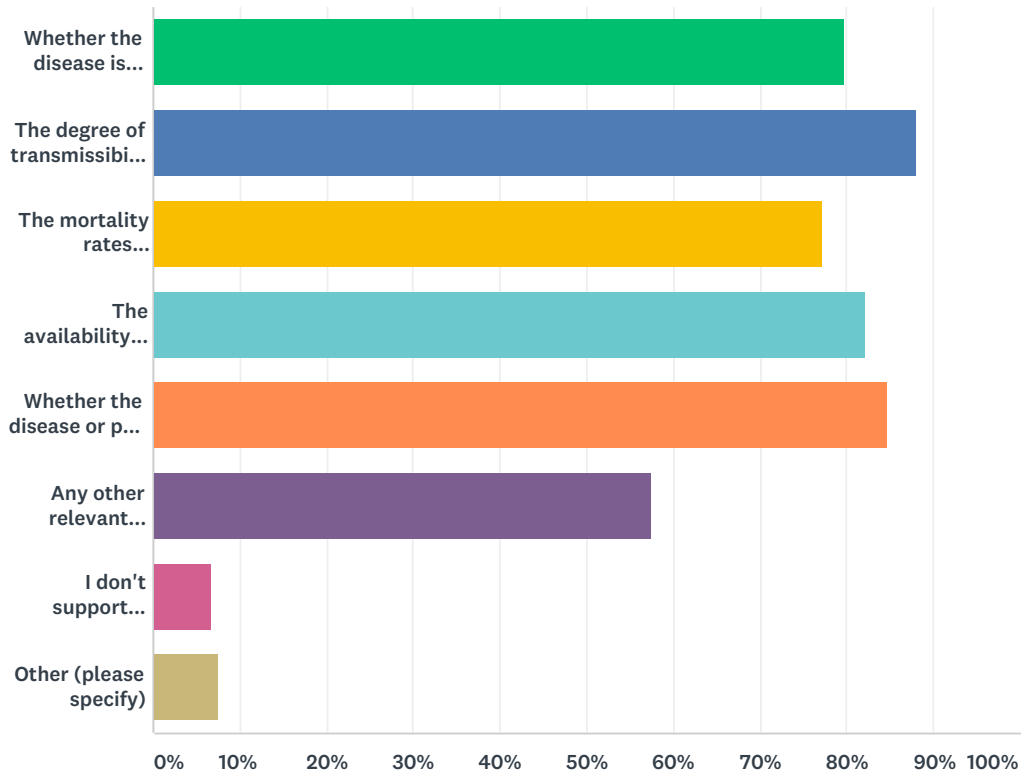
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Strongly agree	62.39%	73
Agree	30.77%	36
Neither agree nor disagree	0.85%	1
Disagree	1.71%	2
Strongly disagree	4.27%	5
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>117</b>

## Q10 Please select all the factors below that you think the CAI should be required to consider

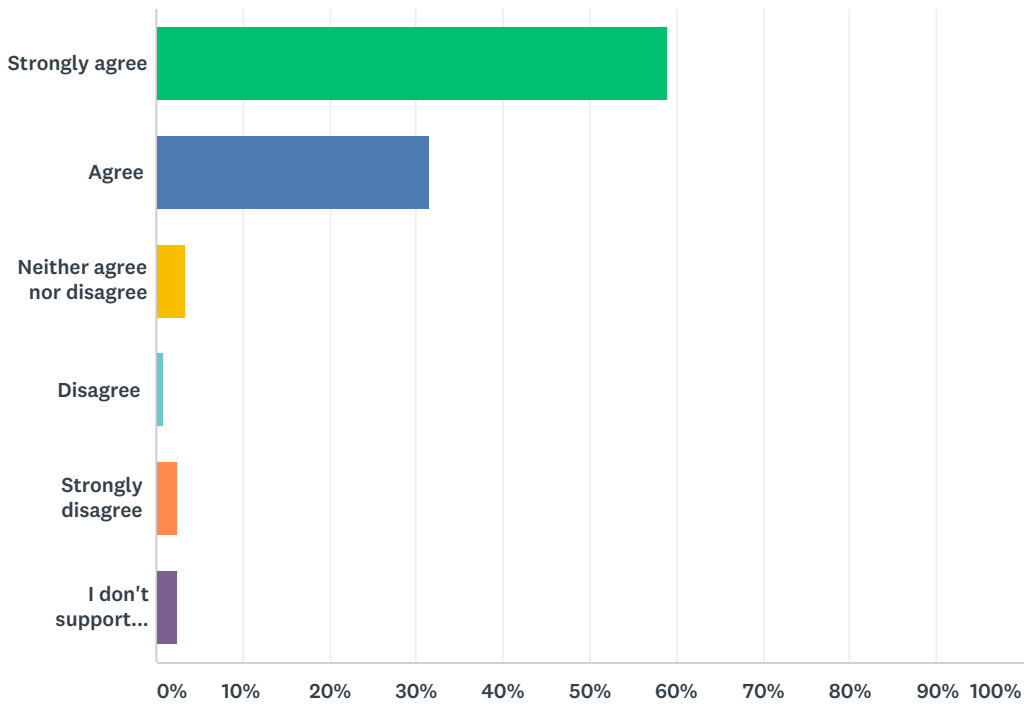
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Whether the disease is already widespread within the state	79.66%	94
The degree of transmissibility of the disease or pest	88.14%	104
The mortality rates attributable to the disease or pest	77.12%	91
The availability and effectiveness of treatment methods	82.20%	97
Whether the disease or pest can be transmitted by feral bees or other vectors not under the control of beekeepers	84.75%	100
Any other relevant factors	57.63%	68
I don't support requiring the CAI to consider specific factors	6.78%	8
Other (please specify)	7.63%	9
Total Respondents: 118		

### Q11 The CAI should be required to consult with experts to address any gaps in the data on the required factors.

Answered: 117 Skipped: 43



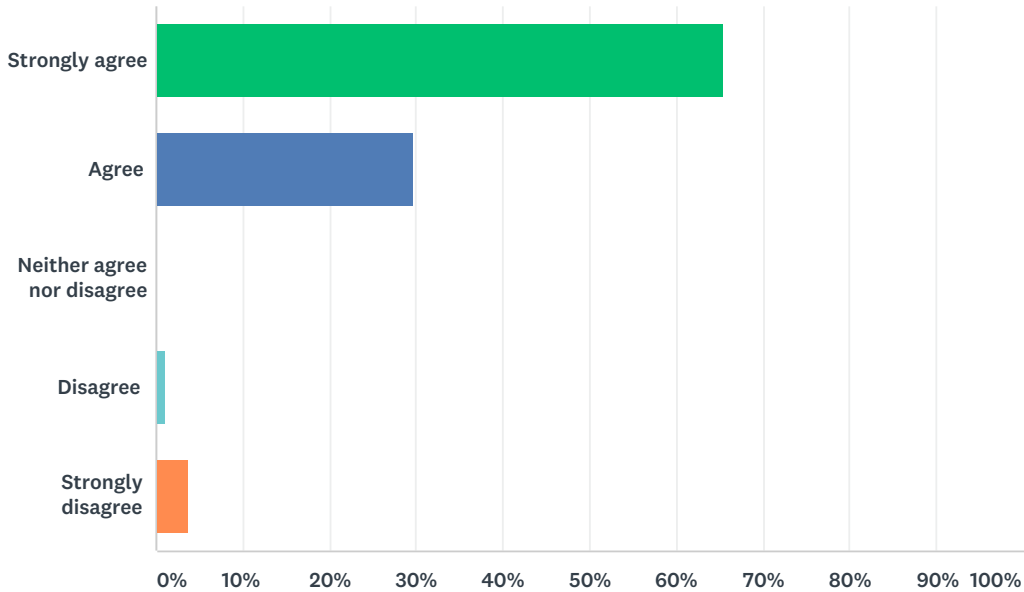
ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Strongly agree	58.97%	69
Agree	31.62%	37
Neither agree nor disagree	3.42%	4
Disagree	0.85%	1
Strongly disagree	2.56%	3
I don't support requiring the CAI to consider specific factors	2.56%	3
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>117</b>

## Q12 Any additional comments?

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**Q13 An Appeals Committee should hear appeals by individual beekeepers of CAI actions or orders that directly impact that beekeeper (such as a mandatory treatment order, quarantine, or seizure/destruction).**

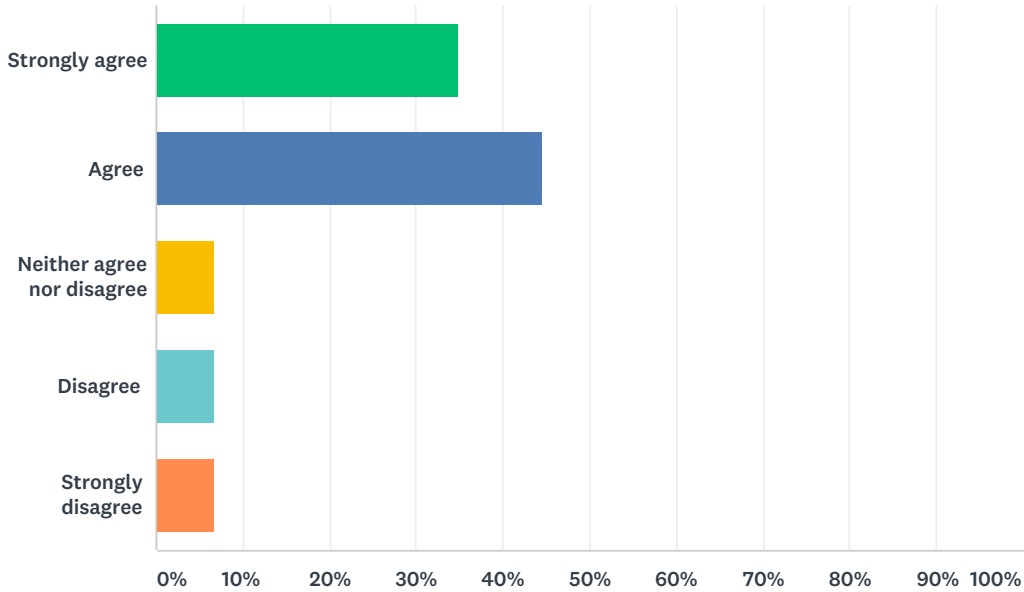
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Strongly agree	65.38%	68
Agree	29.81%	31
Neither agree nor disagree	0.00%	0
Disagree	0.96%	1
Strongly disagree	3.85%	4
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>104</b>

**Q14 An Appeals Committee should review rules proposed by CAI and either approve or disapprove them. The CAI would retain the power to propose rules and make them effective during such a review.**

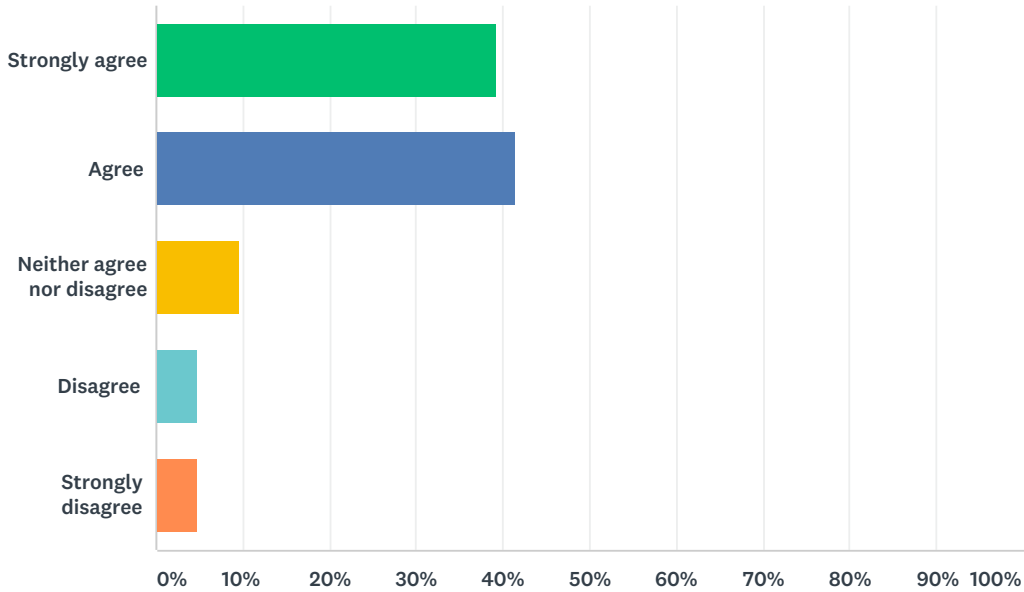
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Strongly agree	34.95%	36
Agree	44.66%	46
Neither agree nor disagree	6.80%	7
Disagree	6.80%	7
Strongly disagree	6.80%	7
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>103</b>

**Q15 An order by the CAI to require treatment of a beekeeper’s hives should not go into effect until either reviewed by the Appeals Committee or a pre-determined amount of time if the Committee fails to act.**

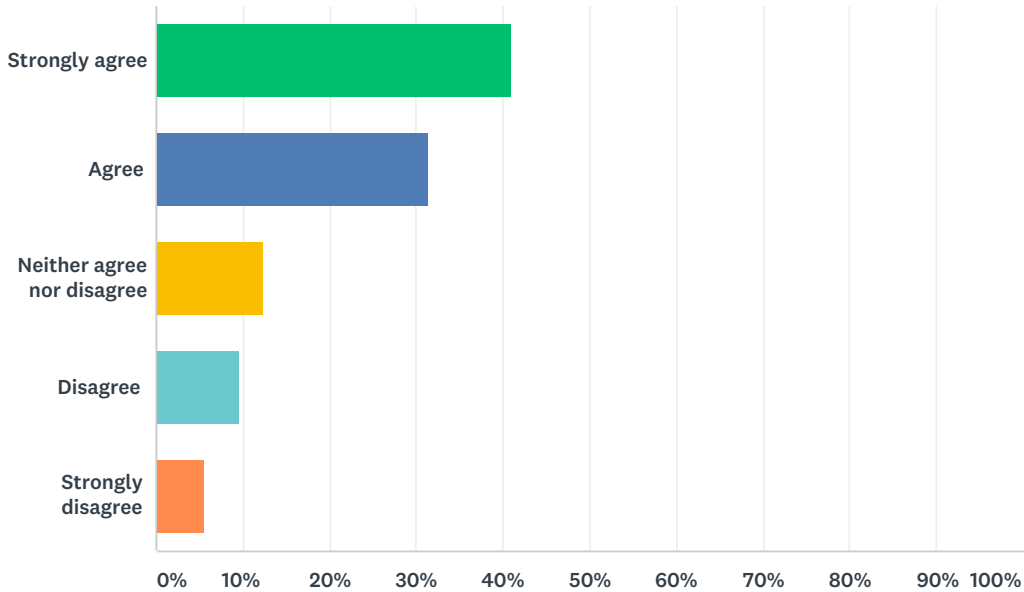
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Strongly agree	39.42%	41
Agree	41.35%	43
Neither agree nor disagree	9.62%	10
Disagree	4.81%	5
Strongly disagree	4.81%	5
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>104</b>

**Q16 An order by the CAI to require a quarantine of a beekeeper’s hives should not go into into effect until either reviewed by the Appeals Committee or a pre-determined amount of time if the Committee fails to act.**

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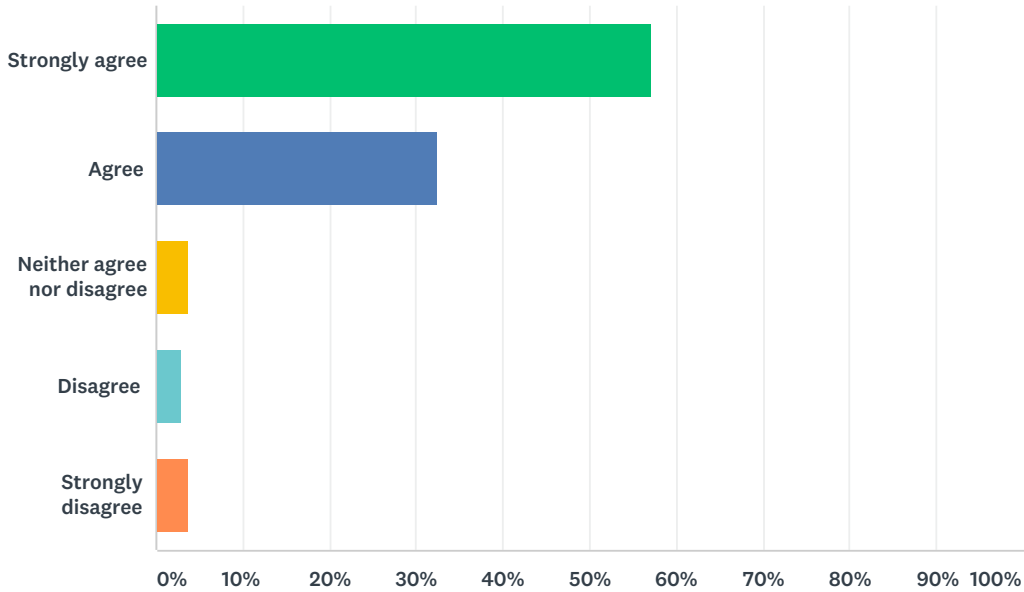


ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Strongly agree	40.95%	43
Agree	31.43%	33
Neither agree nor disagree	12.38%	13
Disagree	9.52%	10
Strongly disagree	5.71%	6
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>105</b>



**Q17 An order by the CAI to require destruction of a beekeeper’s hives should not go into effect until either reviewed by the Appeals Committee or a pre-determined amount of time if the Committee fails to act.**

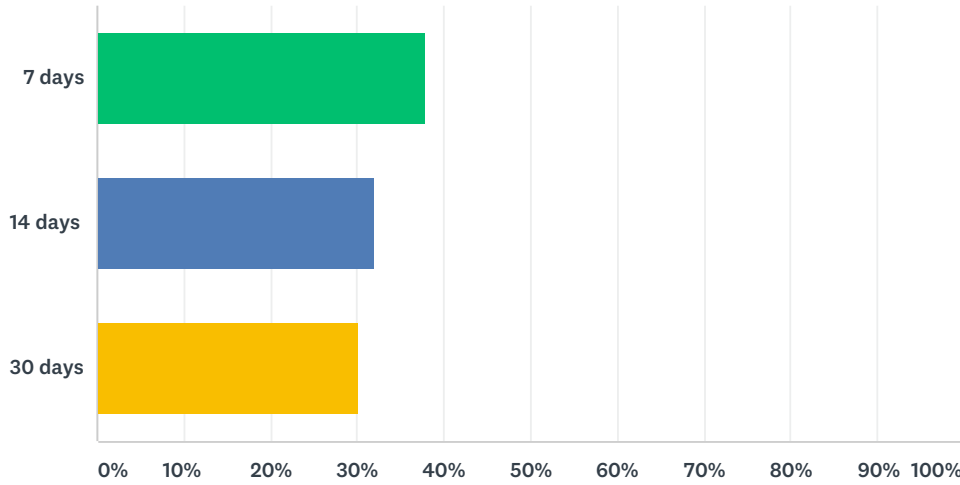
Answered: 105 Skipped: 55



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Strongly agree	57.14%	60
Agree	32.38%	34
Neither agree nor disagree	3.81%	4
Disagree	2.86%	3
Strongly disagree	3.81%	4
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>105</b>

Q18 What is the minimum amount of time that the Appeals Committee should be given in order to hear appeals of mandatory treatment, quarantines, or destruction? (Select one)

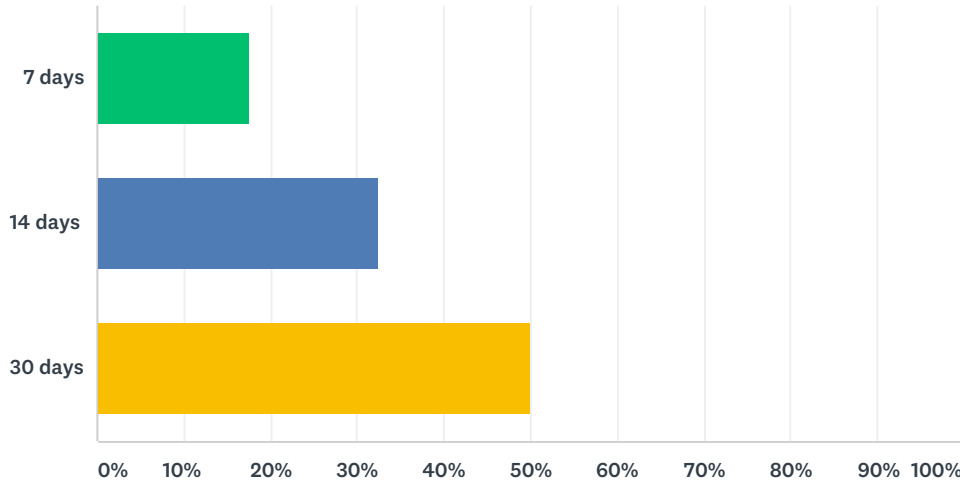
Answered: 103 Skipped: 57



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
7 days	37.86%	39
14 days	32.04%	33
30 days	30.10%	31
TOTAL		103

Q19 What is the maximum amount of time that the Appeals Committee should be given in order to hear appeals of mandatory treatment, quarantines, or destruction? (Select one)

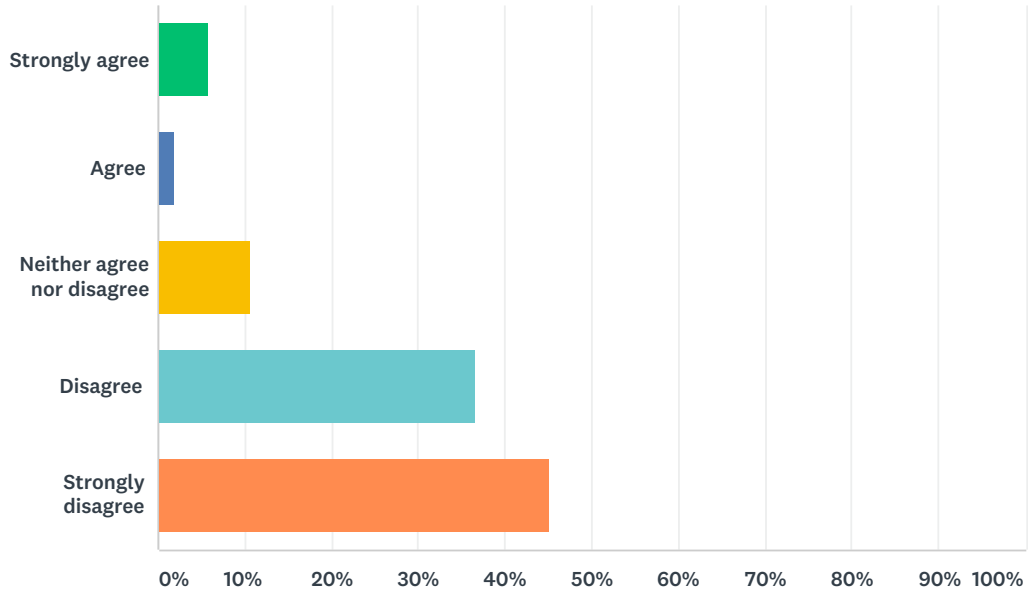
Answered: 102 Skipped: 58



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
7 days	17.65%	18
14 days	32.35%	33
30 days	50.00%	51
TOTAL		102

## Q20 No Appeals Committee should be formed

Answered: 104 Skipped: 56



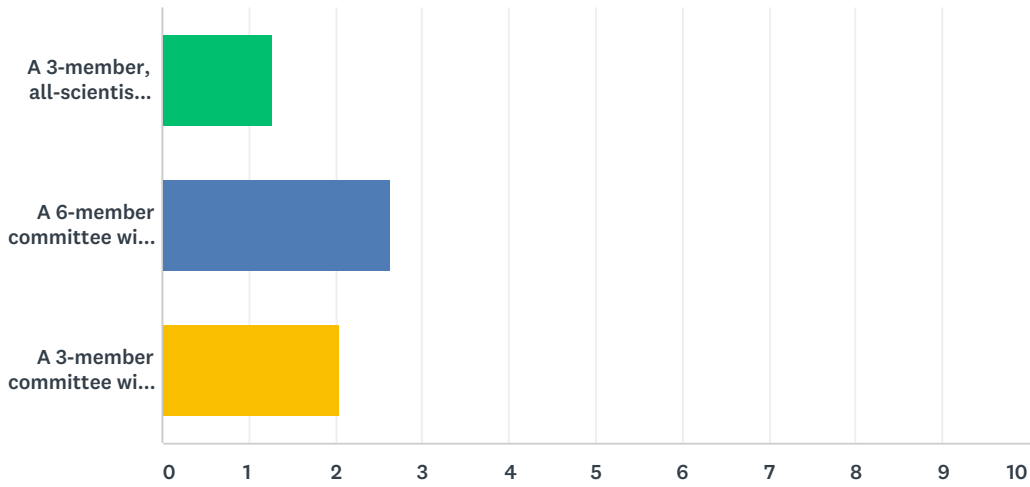
ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Strongly agree	5.77%	6
Agree	1.92%	2
Neither agree nor disagree	10.58%	11
Disagree	36.54%	38
Strongly disagree	45.19%	47
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>104</b>

## Q21 Additional comments

Answered: 8 Skipped: 152

## Q22 Please rank, in order of your preference, the following options

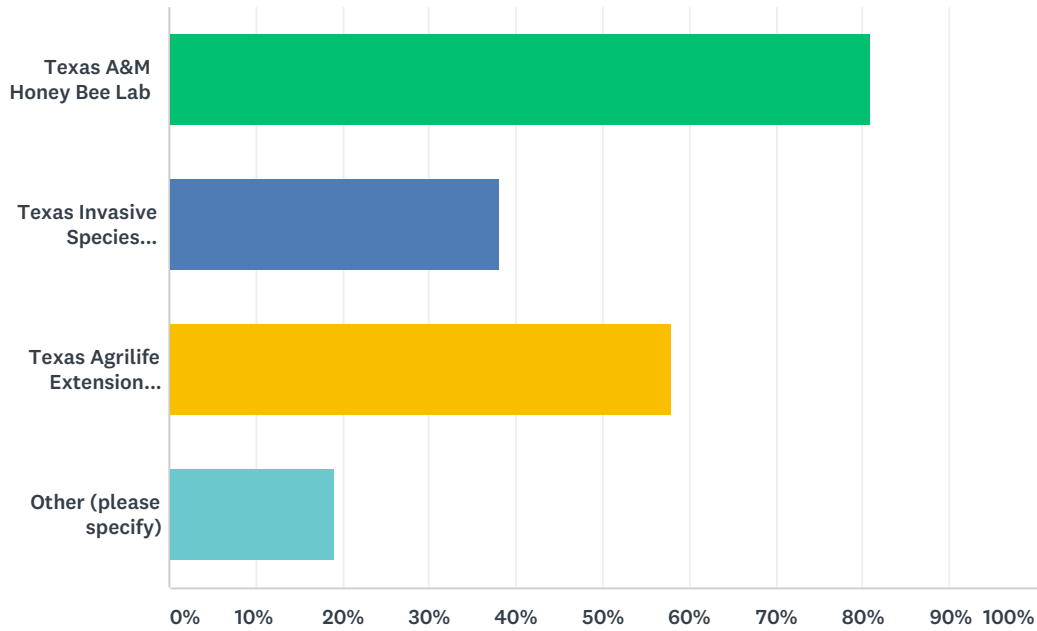
Answered: 100 Skipped: 60



	1	2	3	TOTAL	SCORE
A 3-member, all-scientist committee	7.61% 7	11.96% 11	80.43% 74	92	1.27
A 6-member committee with 3 scientists, and 1 beekeeper from each of the following classifications: hobby, sidelines, and commercial (3 beekeepers total)	73.47% 72	17.35% 17	9.18% 9	98	2.64
A 3-member committee with 2 scientists and 1 beekeeper	17.02% 16	70.21% 66	12.77% 12	94	2.04

Q23 For the scientist members of the Committee, who should be able to nominate the members? Please select all that you would support?

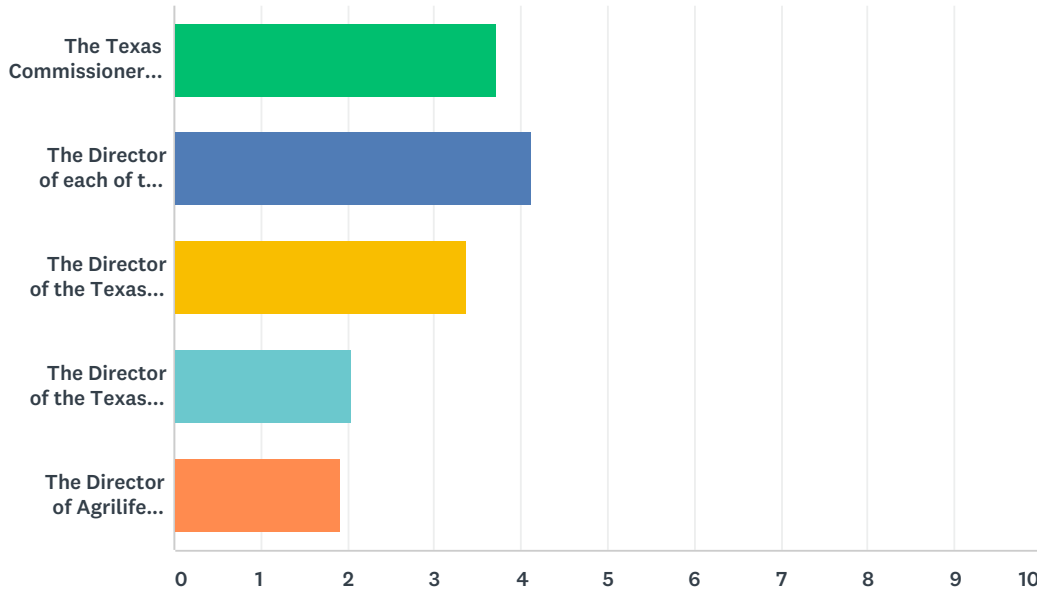
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Texas A&M Honey Bee Lab	81.00%	81
Texas Invasive Species Institute	38.00%	38
Texas Agrilife Extension Service	58.00%	58
Other (please specify)	19.00%	19
Total Respondents: 100		

### Q24 For the scientist members of the Committee, who should appoint the members from among the nominees? Please rank, in order of your preference

Answered: 95 Skipped: 65

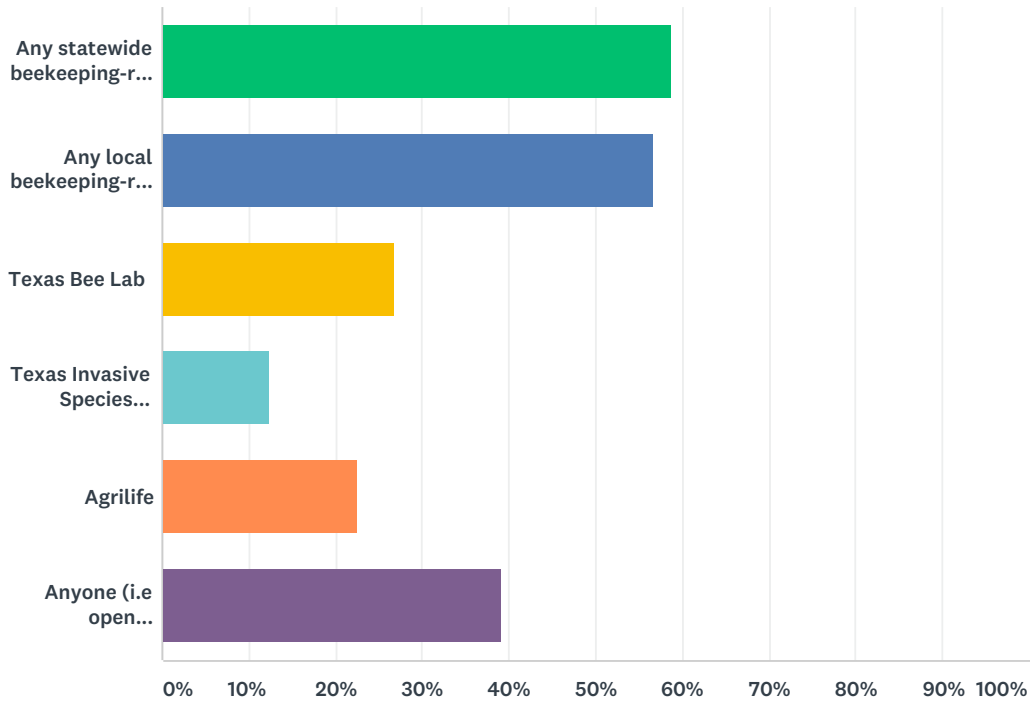


	1	2	3	4	5	TOTAL	SCORE
The Texas Commissioner of Agriculture appoints all scientists members from among the nominations made by the Texas Bee Lab, Texas Invasive Species Institute, and Agrilife (or whichever scientific bodies are selected based on the question above)	41.18% 35	23.53% 20	16.47% 14	3.53% 3	15.29% 13	85	3.72
The Director of each of the entities that makes a nomination should make their own appointment (i.e. Texas Bee Lab appoints one member, Texas Invasive Species Institute appoints one member, and Agrilife appoints one member)	40.45% 36	42.70% 38	10.11% 9	3.37% 3	3.37% 3	89	4.13
The Director of the Texas Bee Lab appoints all three scientist members	19.77% 17	16.28% 14	48.84% 42	10.47% 9	4.65% 4	86	3.36
The Director of the Texas Invasive Species Institute appoints all three scientist members	3.57% 3	8.33% 7	9.52% 8	47.62% 40	30.95% 26	84	2.06
The Director of Agrilife appoints all three scientist members	4.71% 4	4.71% 4	12.94% 11	32.94% 28	44.71% 38	85	1.92



Q25 For the beekeeper members of the Committee, who should be able to nominate the members? Please select all that you would support:

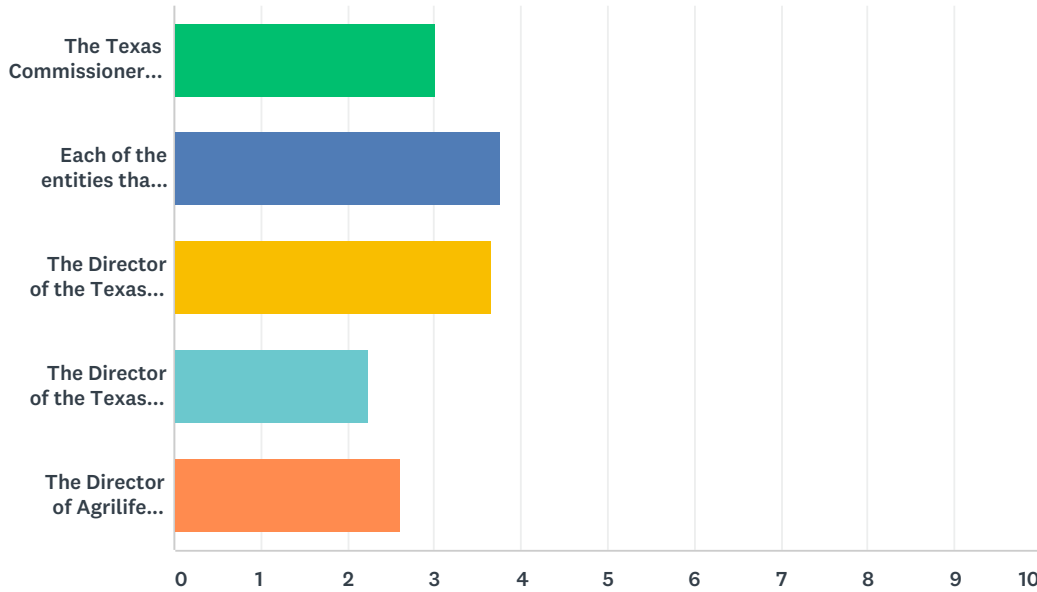
Answered: 97 Skipped: 63



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Any statewide beekeeping-related association	58.76%	57
Any local beekeeping-related association	56.70%	55
Texas Bee Lab	26.80%	26
Texas Invasive Species Institute	12.37%	12
Agrilife	22.68%	22
Anyone (i.e. open nominations, including individuals self-nominating)	39.18%	38
Total Respondents: 97		

**Q26 For the beekeeper members of the Committee, who should appoint the members from among the nominees? Please rank, in order of your preference:**

Answered: 90 Skipped: 70



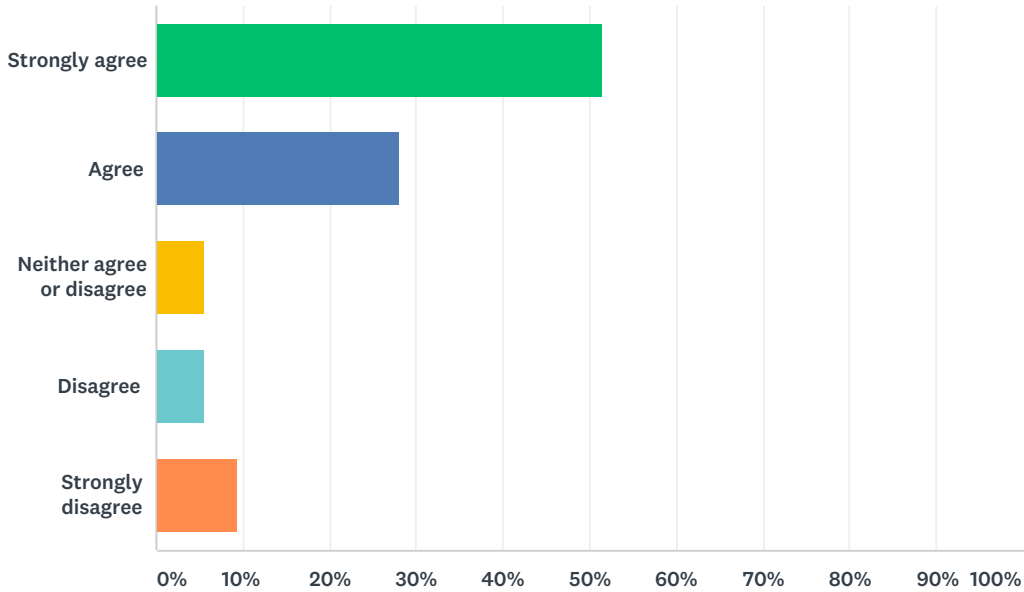
	1	2	3	4	5	TOTAL	SCORE
The Texas Commissioner of Agriculture	29.63% 24	16.05% 13	8.64% 7	18.52% 15	27.16% 22	81	3.02
Each of the entities that nominates a scientist member also appoints a beekeeper member	43.04% 34	20.25% 16	12.66% 10	18.99% 15	5.06% 4	79	3.77
The Director of the Texas Bee Lab appoints all three beekeeper members	25.00% 20	32.50% 26	31.25% 25	6.25% 5	5.00% 4	80	3.66
The Director of the Texas Invasive Species Institute appoints all three beekeeper members	5.33% 4	13.33% 10	14.67% 11	32.00% 24	34.67% 26	75	2.23
The Director of Agrilife appoints all three beekeeper members	7.59% 6	18.99% 15	26.58% 21	21.52% 17	25.32% 20	79	2.62

## Q27 Additional comments?

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Q28 Chapter 131 currently requires a permit to transport bees across county lines. Do you support removing that requirement, so that no permit is required to move bees within the state of Texas?

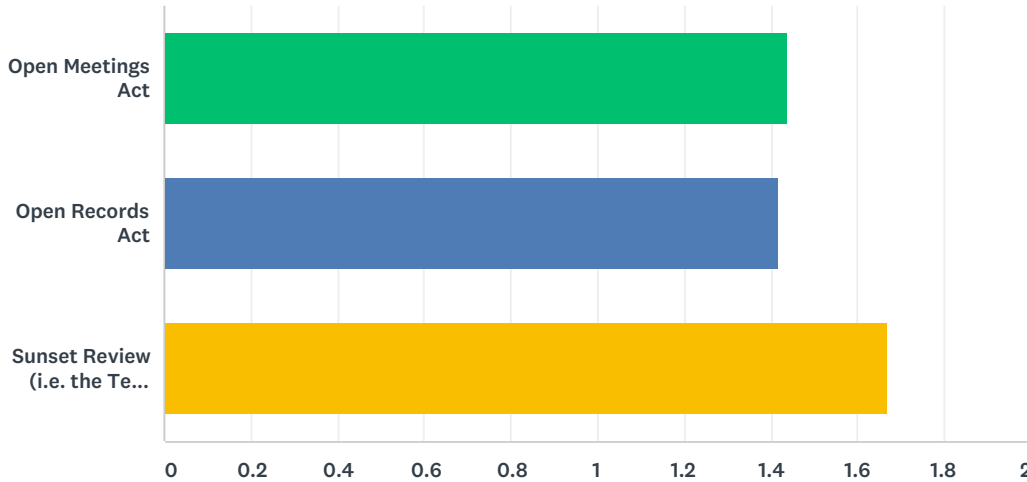
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Strongly agree	51.40%	55
Agree	28.04%	30
Neither agree or disagree	5.61%	6
Disagree	5.61%	6
Strongly disagree	9.35%	10
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>107</b>

## Q29 Do you support making the following provisions applicable to the Texas Apiary Inspection Service (including the Appeals Committee if formed)?

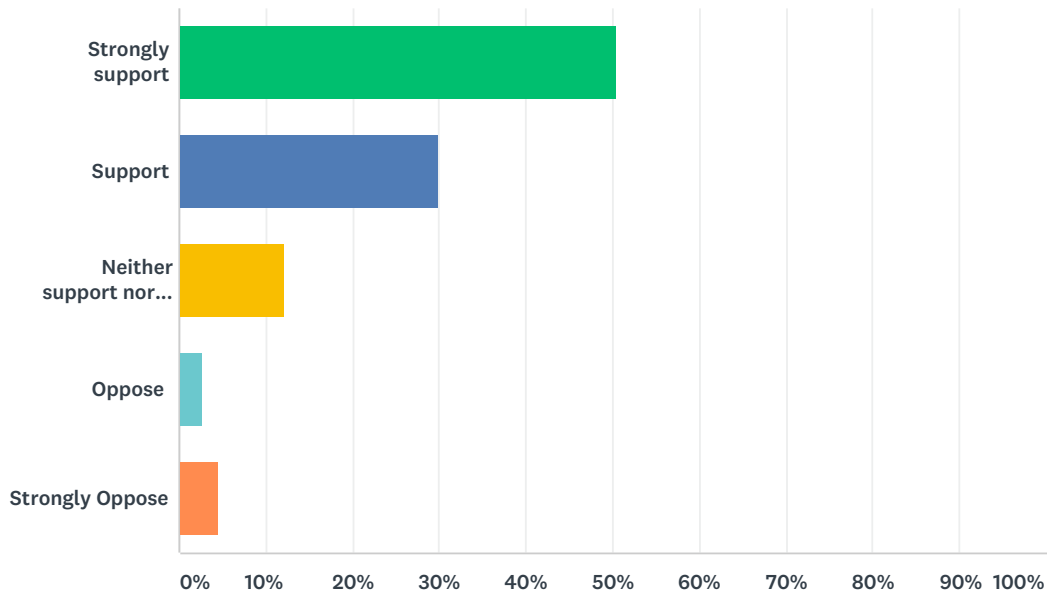
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	STRONGLY SUPPORT	SUPPORT	NEITHER SUPPORT NOR OPPOSE	OPPOSE	STRONGLY OPPOSE	TOTAL	WEIGHTED AVERAGE
Open Meetings Act	66.34% 67	27.72% 28	3.96% 4	0.00% 0	1.98% 2	101	1.44
Open Records Act	67.62% 71	25.71% 27	4.76% 5	0.95% 1	0.95% 1	105	1.42
Sunset Review (i.e. the Texas Legislature periodically reviews the performance of agencies)	53.00% 53	34.00% 34	9.00% 9	1.00% 1	3.00% 3	100	1.67

Q30 Under Chapter 131, each hive must be individually marked. Do you support changing the requirement so that the beekeeper can choose whether to mark individual hives or identify the beeyard as a whole with signage?

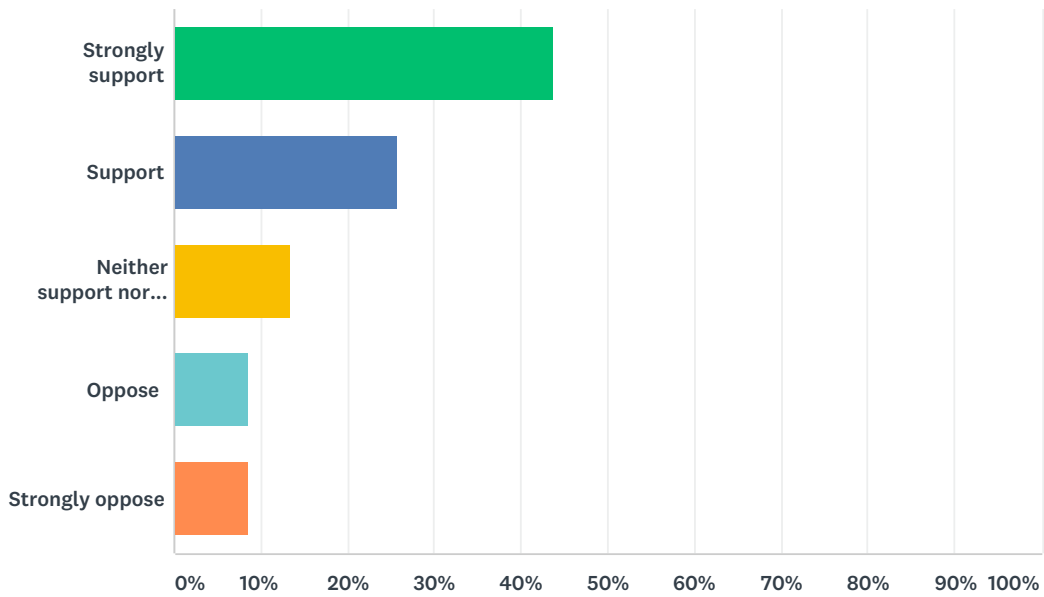
Answered: 107 Skipped: 53



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Strongly support	50.47%	54
Support	29.91%	32
Neither support nor oppose	12.15%	13
Oppose	2.80%	3
Strongly Oppose	4.67%	5
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>107</b>

### Q31 Do you support or oppose requiring the state to compensate beekeepers if the state orders the destruction of their hives?

Answered: 105 Skipped: 55



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Strongly support	43.81%	46
Support	25.71%	27
Neither support nor oppose	13.33%	14
Oppose	8.57%	9
Strongly oppose	8.57%	9
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>105</b>

**Q32 Please add any comments you have related to the questions in this survey**

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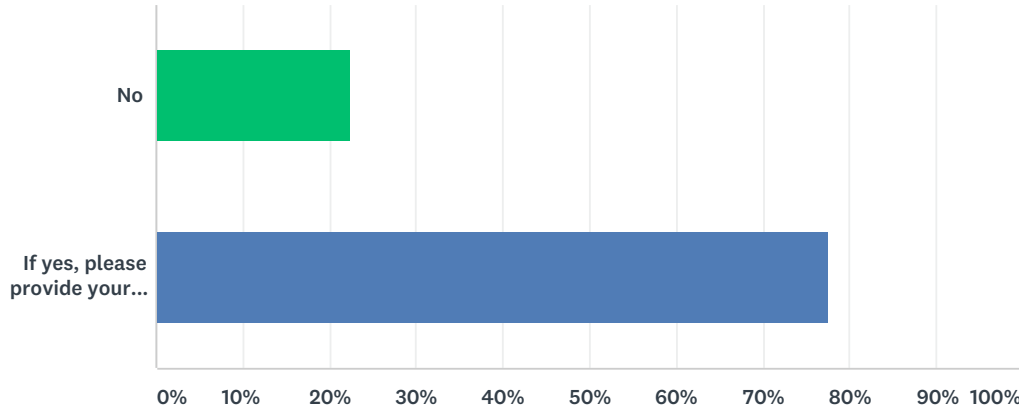


**Q33 Are there any other issues in Chapter 131 that you think should be addressed? Note that we may not be able to address everything in one bill, but we will consider all responses**

Answered: 20 Skipped: 140

### Q34 Would you like to stay informed on possible bills to amend Chapter 131 and the regulations governing beekeepers?

Answered: 89 Skipped: 71



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
No	22.47%	20
If yes, please provide your email address	77.53%	69
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>89</b>

## Q35 Optional: Your name

Answered: 36 Skipped: 124