

...bed bugs are *STILL* biting!

*2011 Bed Bug Survey:  
State Lead Agency Response*

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# 2011 Bed Bug Survey

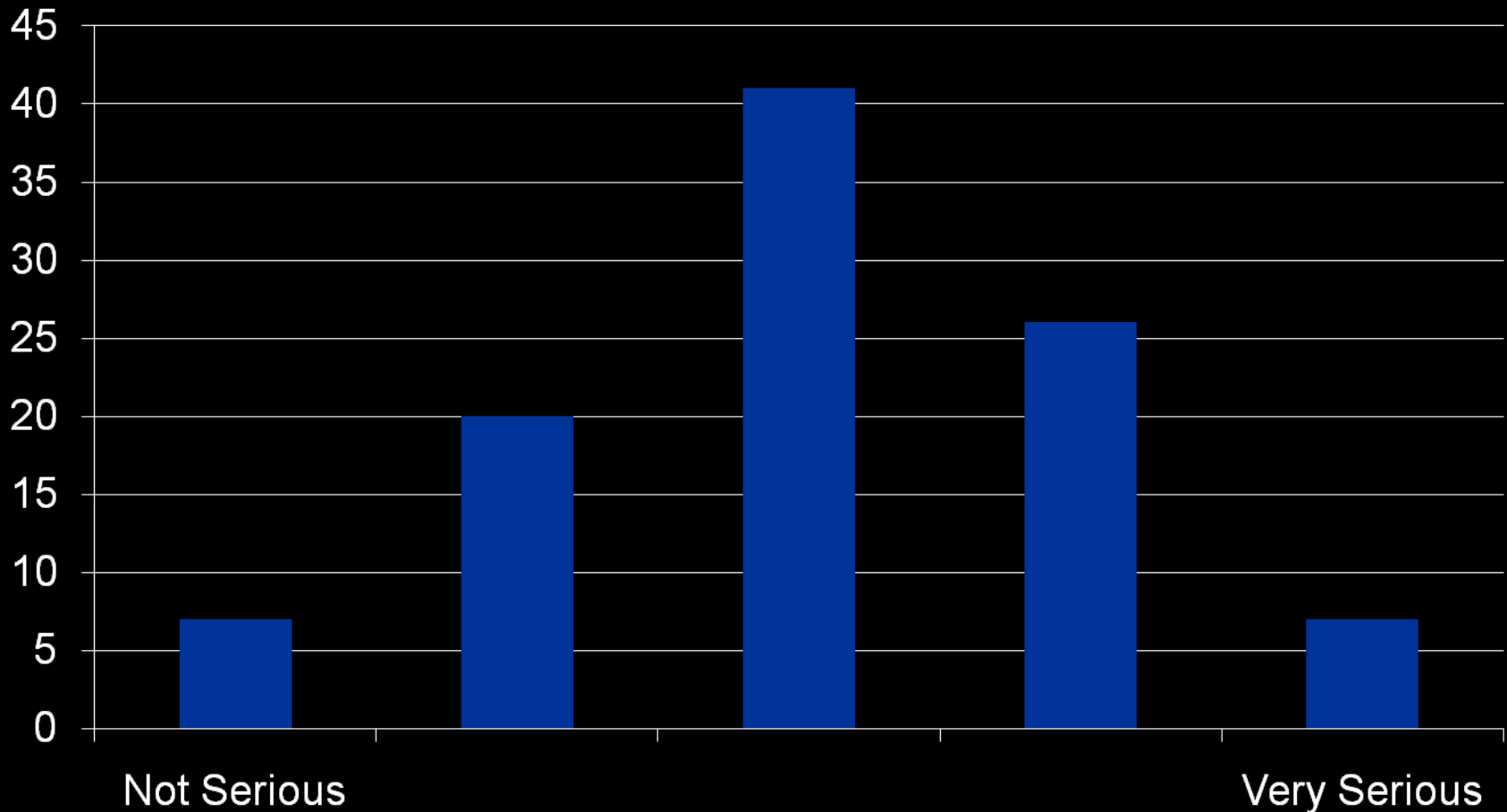
- Developed by ASPCRO's Bed Bug Committee
  - identify current State issues and activities;
  - assess the needs of Member States;
  - determine how ASPCRO can assist Members States; and
  - facilitate the exchange of information among numerous stakeholders including state and federal governments and the regulated industry
- Comments
  - Boards of ASPCRO and AAPCO (including SFIREG Environmental Quality Issues Working Committee)
  - Federal Bed Bug Workgroup
- Phased surveys
- Released on June 27, 2011 with a closing date of July 15, 2011

# Survey Says....



- 42 Responses / 84% Response Rate
- 98% indicated willingness to participate in future surveys

# *Extent of the “bed bug” problem in your State?*



# *Severity of “Bed Bug” Problem?*

- TOP

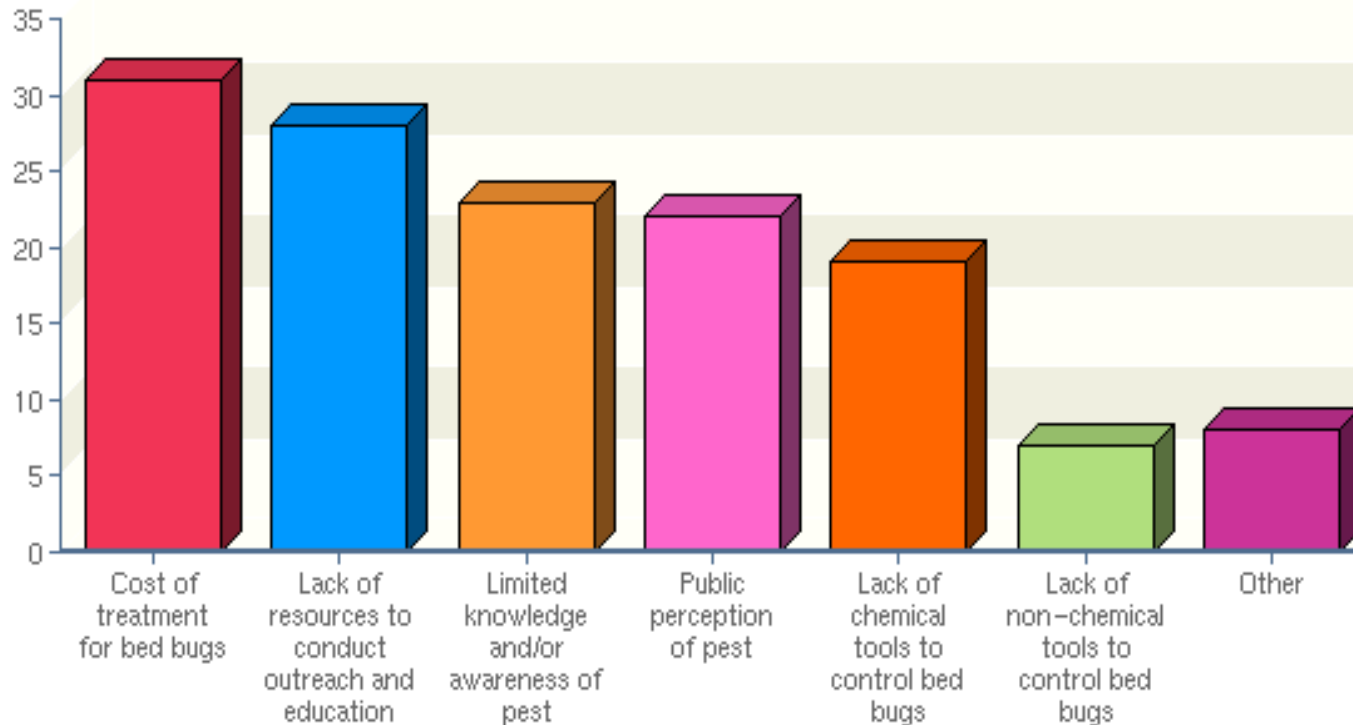
- Overnight paid lodging
- Multi-family units
- Homeless shelters

- BOTTOM

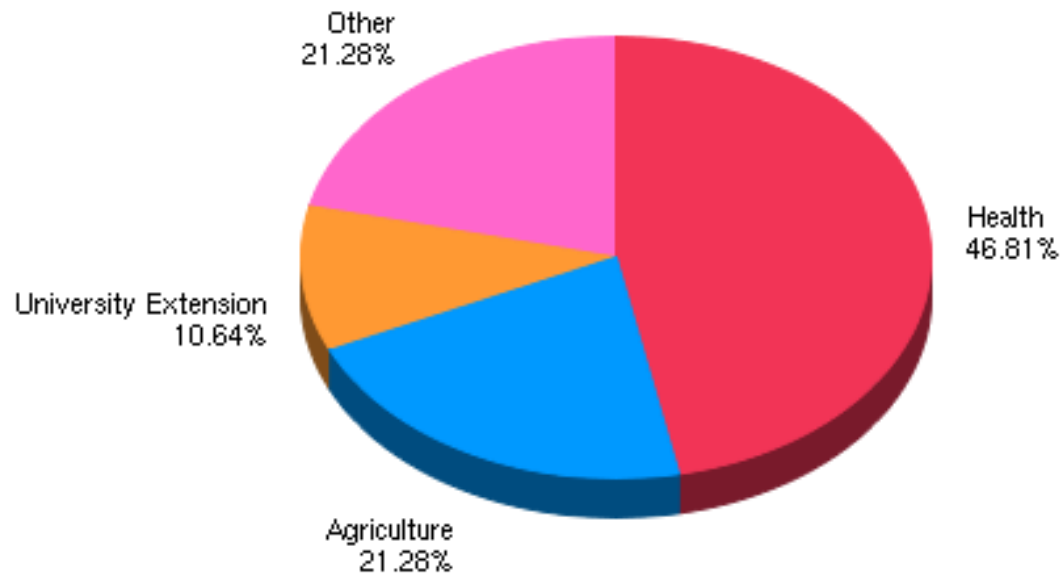
- Offices
- Public Spaces
- Hospitals



# *Key Issues Dealing With Resurgence of Bed Bugs?*



# *Who is Leading the Charge?*



# *Partners in Crime?*

- Pest Management Associations ~71%
- Other State Agencies ~69%
- City Government ~40%
- Apartment Associations ~36%
- County Government ~ 27%
- Hotel and Lodging Association ~27%



# *What Are We Regulating?*

- Chemical Treatments
- Certification
  - 55% General Pest Category
  - 32% Structural Pest Category
  - 13% Other
- Non –Chemical Treatments
  - 71% NO
  - 29% YES
    - 93% Heat
    - 86% Cold
    - 79% Inspection
    - 64% Canine Scent Detection
    - 64% Vacuuming
    - 7% Other

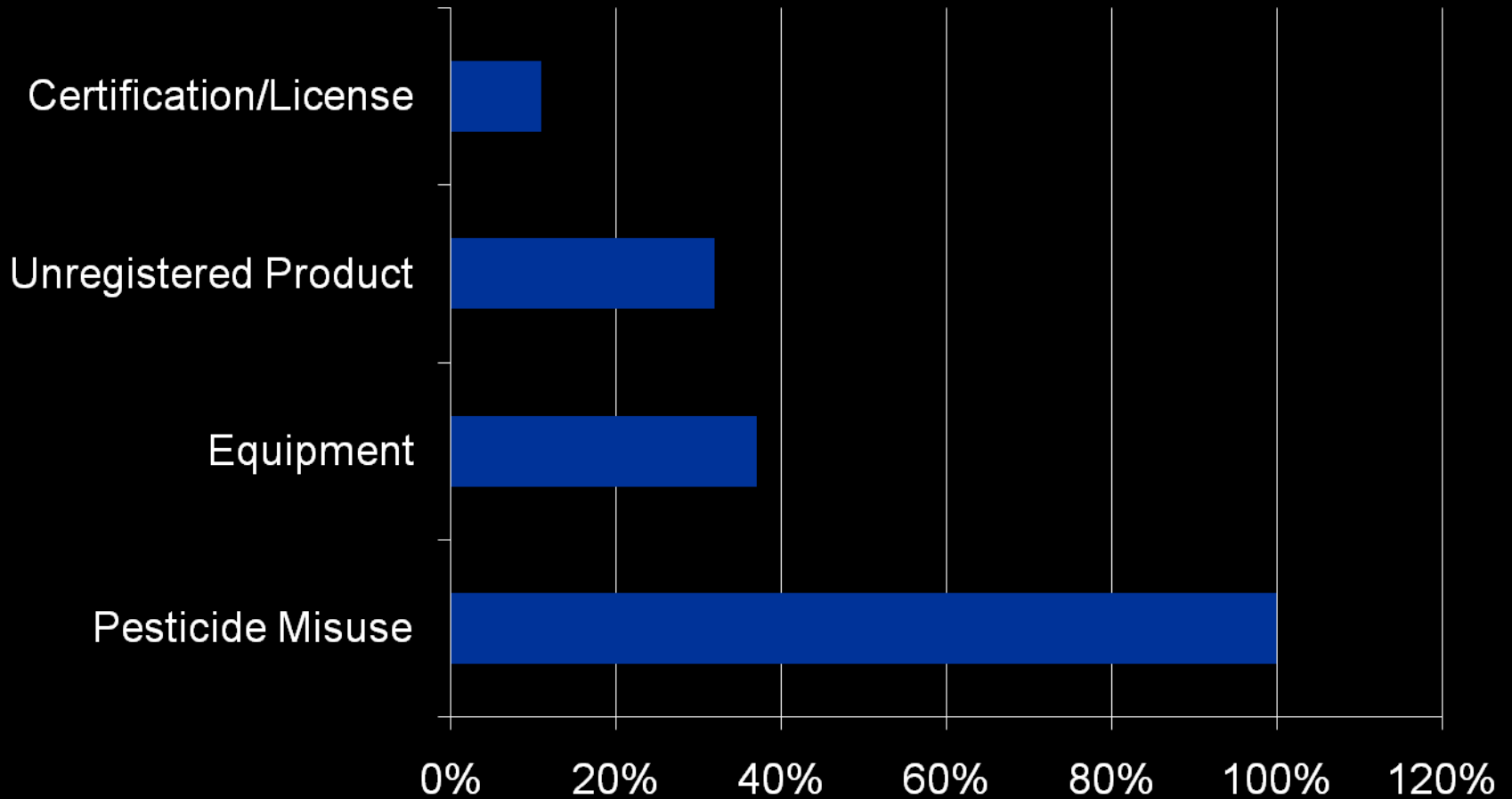
# *Additional Requirements?*

- Credentialing Programs
  - 90% No
  - 10% Yes
    - 80% Mandatory
    - 20% Voluntary
- Bed Bug Category
  - 91% No
  - 9% Yes

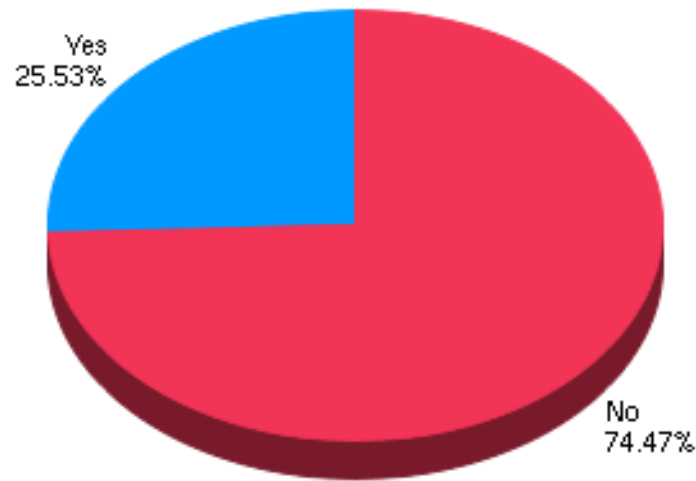
# *Who is Looking at Efficacy?*

- 15 % Evaluate Efficacy of 25(b)
- 4% Evaluate Efficacy of Non Chemical Treatments
- 2% Evaluate Efficacy of Inspection Devices

# *Enforcement Actions?*



# *Verified Reports of Adverse Effects?*



# *Resources & Communication?*

- Current
  - PowerPoint Presentations
  - Fact Sheets
  - Pamphlets
- Future
  - Videos
  - Posters
  - Website

***Considerations: Limited English Proficiency & Literacy***

## *What Would Assist Your State?*

- Outreach and education materials
- Funding for bed bug related activities
- Training for PMPs
- Training for Staff

# ASPCRO:

## Looking Down the Bed Bug Highway

- Analyze survey data and share with SLAs, EPA and other interested parties
  - Phase 2 Survey
- Compile resources from SLAs on website including contact information
- Joint ASPCRO/NPMA Bed Bug Efficacy Workgroup
  - Resource for States and Industry