

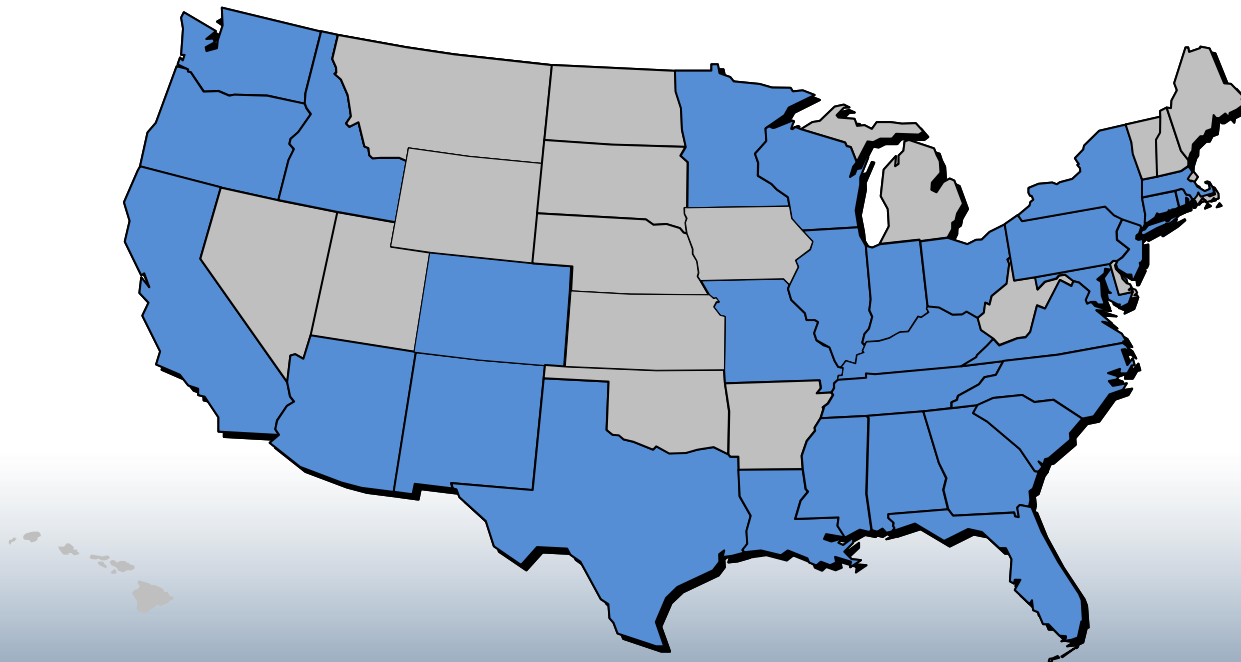


Citizens for Space Exploration

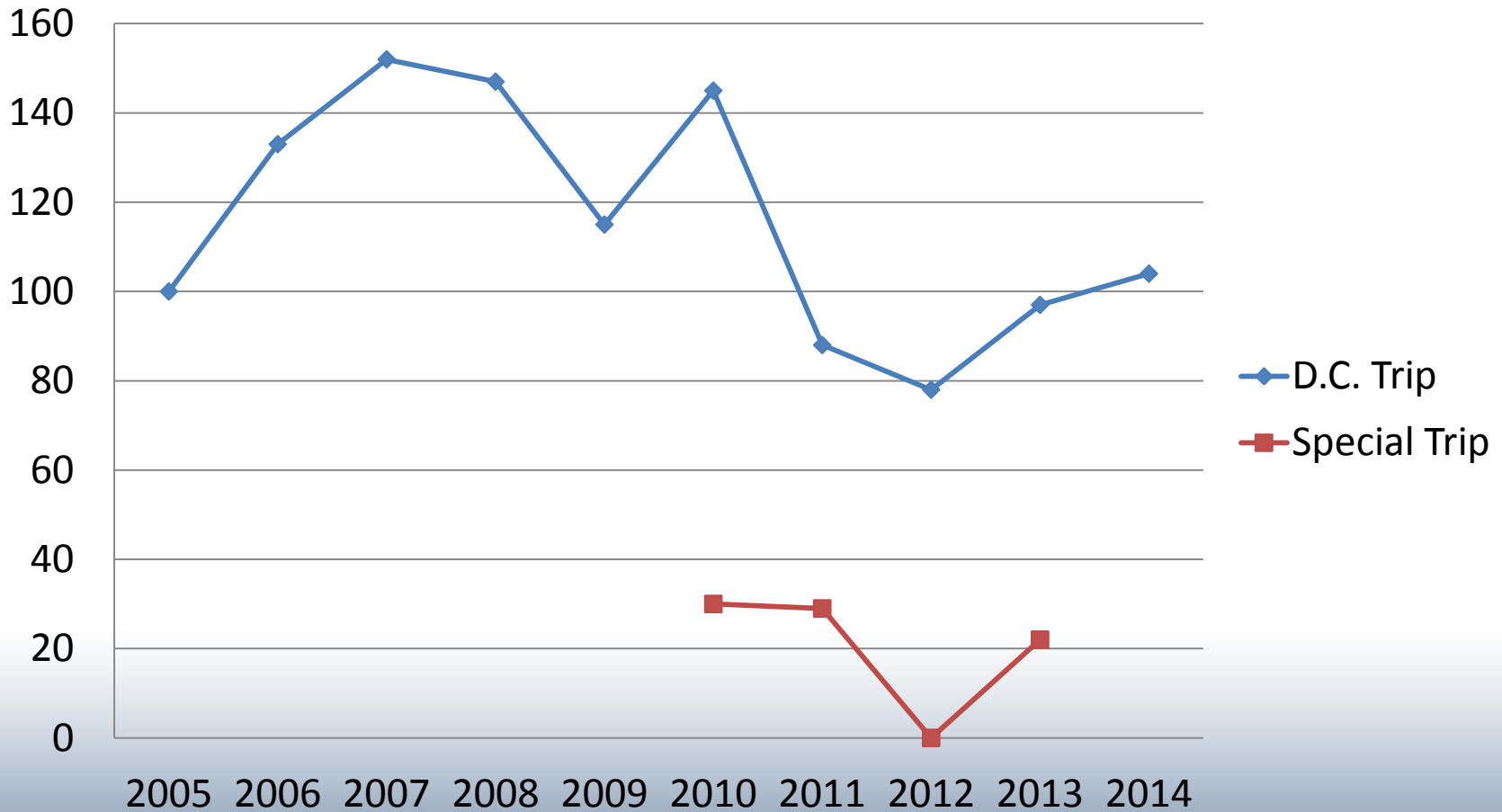
2014 D.C. Trip Report

Trip Information

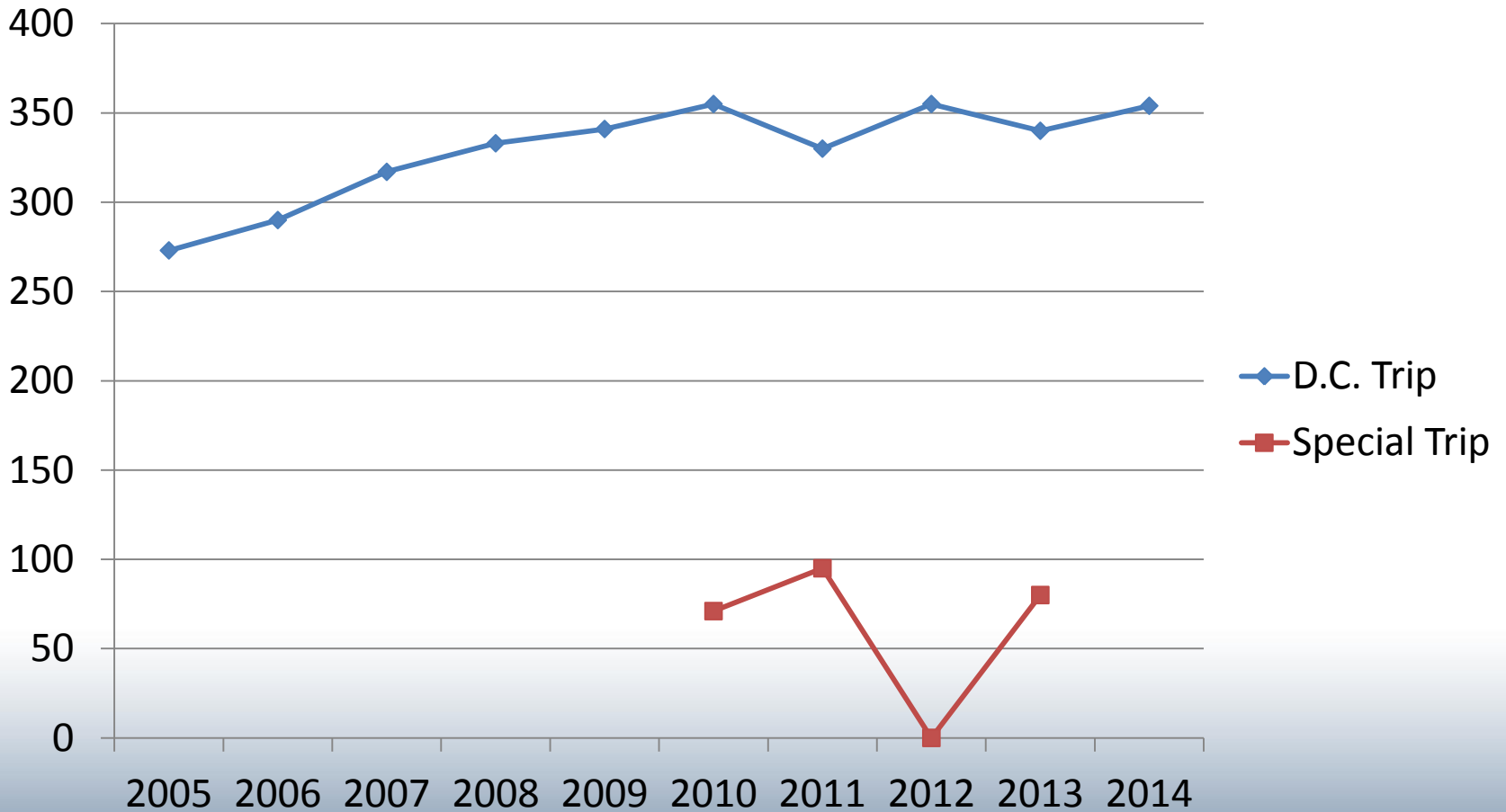
- 23rd Annual Trip
- 104 Travelers
- Representation from 31 States and Puerto Rico



Traveler History

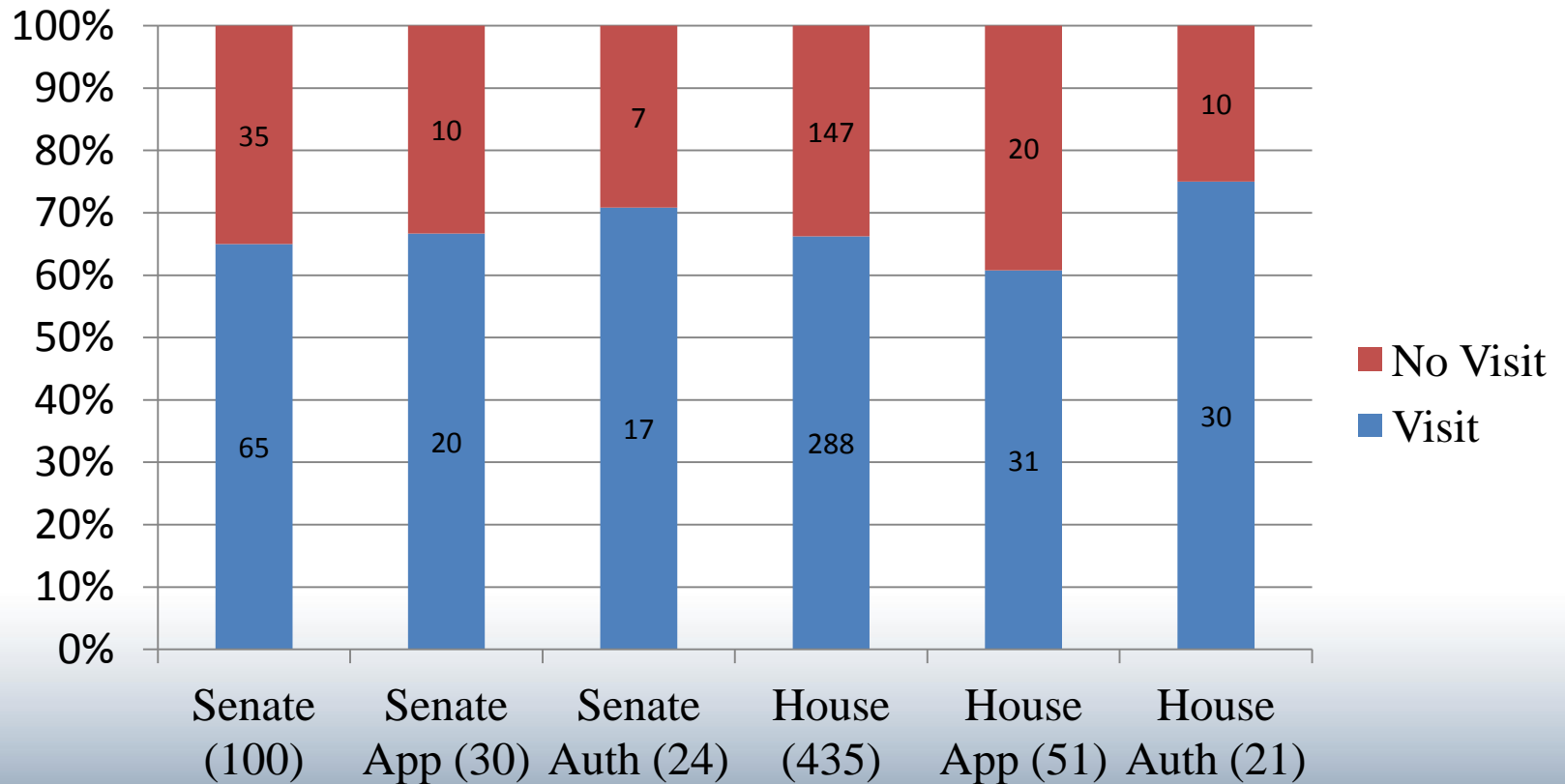


Visit History



Congressional Meetings

- 354 scheduled meetings



Events

- Traveler's Briefing
 - Hill Update: Richard-Duane Chambers, Senate Commerce Committee
 - Keynote: Dan Tani, U.S. Astronaut (Ret.)
- Congressional Reception
 - 9 Members attended, 8 spoke to the audience: Steve Stockman (R-TX-36), Pete Olson (R-TX-22), Gene Green (D-TX-29), Sheila Jackson Lee (D-TX-18), Alan Nunnelee (R-MS-1), Bill Posey (R-FL-8), Ami Bera (D-CA-7), Steven Palazzo (R-MS-4), Doug Lamborn (R-CO-5)



Student Travelers

- 34 University Students / Educators
- Message: Space Exploration promotes STEM Education and Technical Careers
- Special recognition at the Congressional Reception
- Students Tweeted pictures and messages throughout the trip



Survey Data

- 91% were “very engaged” in the meeting.
- 83 staffers had visited a NASA center and /or seen a launch.
- 74% of staffers were “very knowledgeable” or “somewhat knowledgeable” about NASA’s exploration programs.
- 82% of staffers were “very knowledgeable” or “somewhat knowledgeable” about the benefits derived from the space program – Education was mentioned in 71% of meetings, economic benefits in 51%, spinoffs in 41%, and defense in 31%.
- Major concerns discussed were competing budget demands and geopolitical issues (Russia and China).
- 57% of visits were considered “very supportive” and 30% “somewhat supportive” of human space exploration.
- Very few expressed a preference between an asteroid or lunar approach to a Mars mission.

Survey Feedback

- Strong bipartisan support for NASA. There was more understanding of NASA's space exploration programs than in previous years.
- Response to our platform of ISS, Orion, SLS, and Commercial Crew/Cargo was very positive.
- Continued interest in NASA's Commercial Crew and Cargo efforts in low earth orbit and the associated companies.
- Generally agreed that Mars was the ultimate destination for human exploration; did not state a definitive preference for lunar vs. asteroid mission options for accomplishing this long-term objective.
- The budget is always a challenge.
- NASA and industry will have to continuously make the case for the value of spaceflight.
- Recognition of the importance of Space Launch System and Orion to support deep-space exploration.

Survey Discussion

- www.surveymonkey.com
- www.surveymonkey.com/s/cfse2014

Special Thanks

- BAHEP Aerospace Advisory Committee
- Reception Sponsors
 - Boeing
 - BAHEP AAC
 - Colorado Space Business Roundtable
 - Huntsville / Madison Chamber
 - Partners for Stennis
 - Cocoa Beach Regional Chamber
- Student Sponsors
 - Aerospace Advisory Committee
 - The Boeing Company
 - Cocoa Beach Regional Chamber of Commerce's Business Resource Council
 - Colorado Space Business Roundtable
 - Colorado Space Coalition
 - Craig Technologies
 - Florida Power & Light
 - Florida Space Day Committee
 - Huntsville/Madison County Chamber of Commerce Foundation
 - Jacobs
 - J&P Technologies
 - Lockheed Martin
 - National Space Club – Huntsville Chapter
 - San Jacinto College District
 - Stinger Ghaffarian Technologies (SGT)

Special Thanks

Robin and Stephen Mayer



Save the Date

Next year's trip is scheduled for May 19-22, 2015





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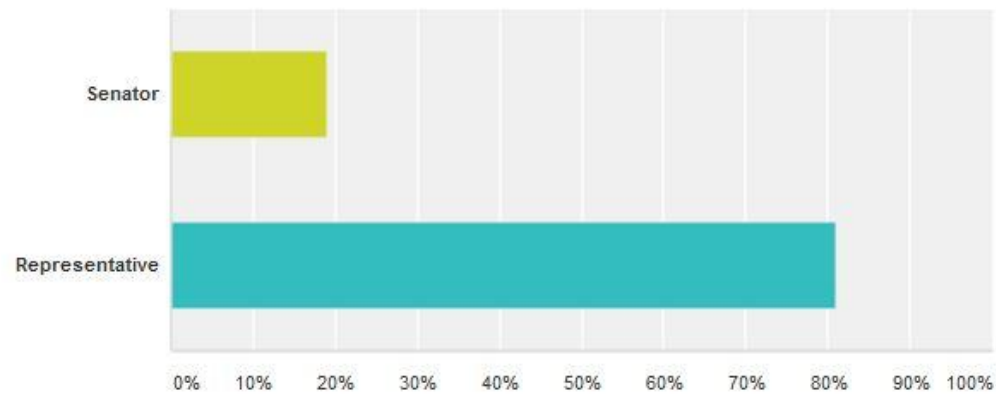
Q3

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Senator or Representative? Member's name (Last, First)?

Answered: 354 Skipped: 1



Answer Choices	Responses
▾ Senator	18.93% 67
▾ Representative	81.07% 287
Total	354

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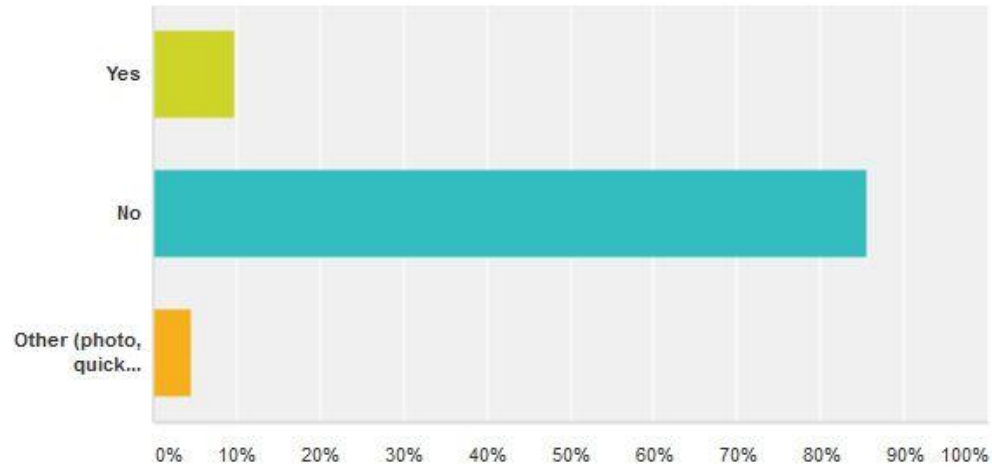
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Did the Member attend the meeting?

Answered: 354 Skipped: 1



Answer Choices	Responses
Yes	9.89% 35
No	85.59% 303
Other (photo, quick introduction, etc)	4.52% 16
Total	354

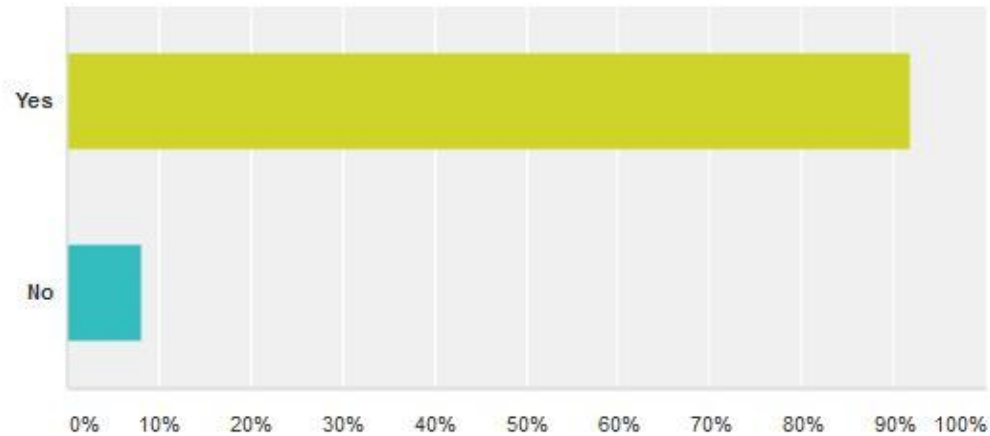
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Did they ask questions / act engaged during the discussion?

Answered: 353 Skipped: 2



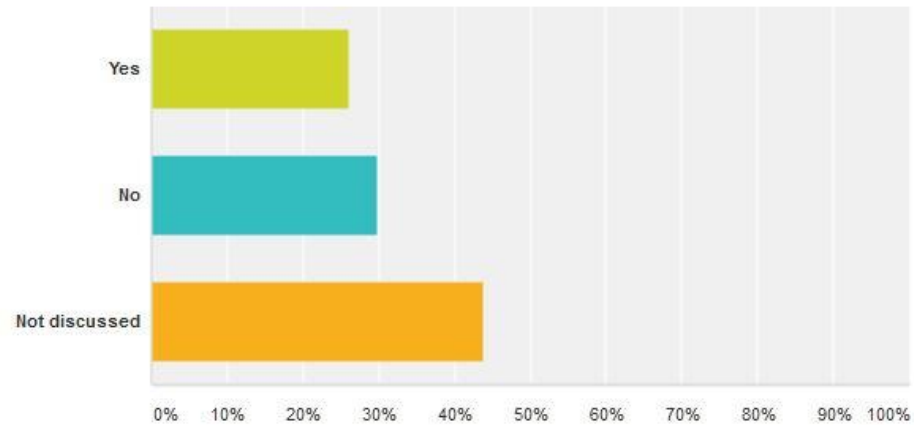
Answer Choices	Responses
Yes	91.78% 324
No	8.22% 29
Total	353

Q10

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Have they ever visited a NASA center or seen a launch?

Answered: 352 Skipped: 3



Answer Choices	Responses
Yes	26.14% 92
No	29.83% 105
Not discussed	43.75% 154
Total	352

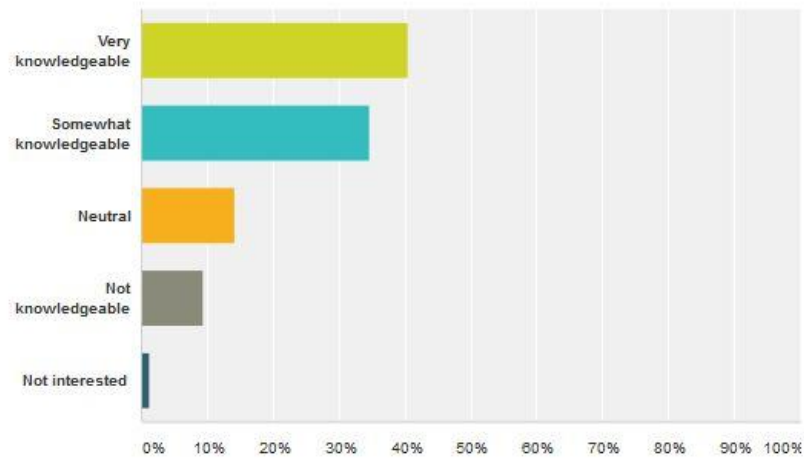
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How knowledgeable was the Member/staff concerning the program elements of the Space Exploration program (e.g. ISS, SLS, Orion, Commercial...)?

Answered: 343 Skipped: 12



Answer Choices	Responses
Very knowledgeable	40.52% 139
Somewhat knowledgeable	34.69% 119
Neutral	14.29% 49
Not knowledgeable	9.33% 32
Not interested	1.17% 4
Total	343

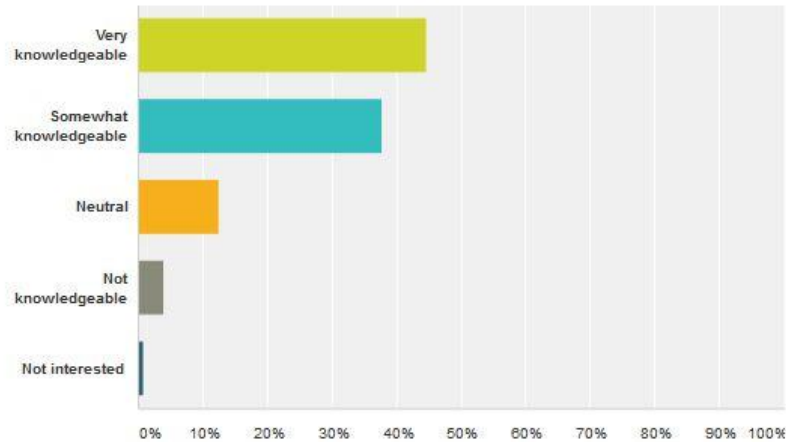
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How knowledgeable was the Member/staff concerning the benefits derived from the space program?

Answered: 344 Skipped: 11



Answer Choices	Responses
Very knowledgeable	44.77% 154
Somewhat knowledgeable	37.79% 130
Neutral	12.50% 43
Not knowledgeable	4.07% 14
Not interested	0.87% 3
Total	344

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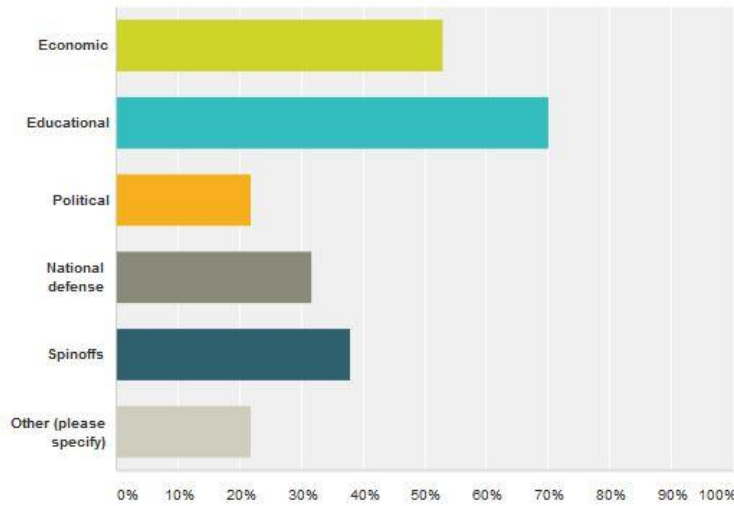
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Did they mention any specific benefits? Or were there any that resonated particularly well?

Answered: 315 Skipped: 40



Answer Choices	Responses
Economic	53.02% 167
Educational	70.16% 221
Political	21.90% 69
National defense	31.75% 100
Spinoffs	38.10% 120
Other (please specify)	21.90% 69

Total Respondents: 315

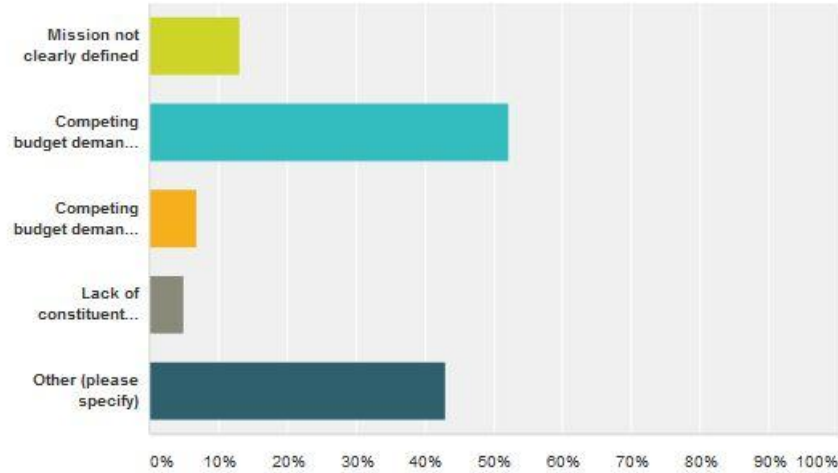
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What concerns/barriers does the Member/staff have with funding NASA space programs?

Answered: 305 Skipped: 50



Answer Choices	Responses
Mission not clearly defined	13.11% 40
Competing budget demands for non-space programs	52.13% 159
Competing budget demands for other NASA programs	6.89% 21
Lack of constituent support from district/state	4.92% 15
Other (please specify)	42.95% 131

Total Respondents: 305

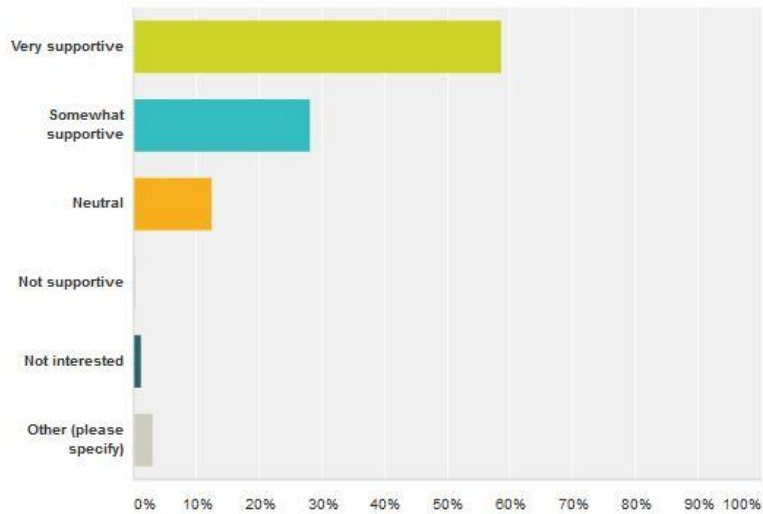
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What's your overall assessment of the Member's/staff's level of support for Human Space Exploration?

Answered: 343 Skipped: 12



Answer Choices	Responses
Very supportive	58.60% 201
Somewhat supportive	28.28% 97
Neutral	12.54% 43
Not supportive	0.29% 1
Not interested	1.17% 4
Other (please specify)	3.21% 11

Total Respondents: 343

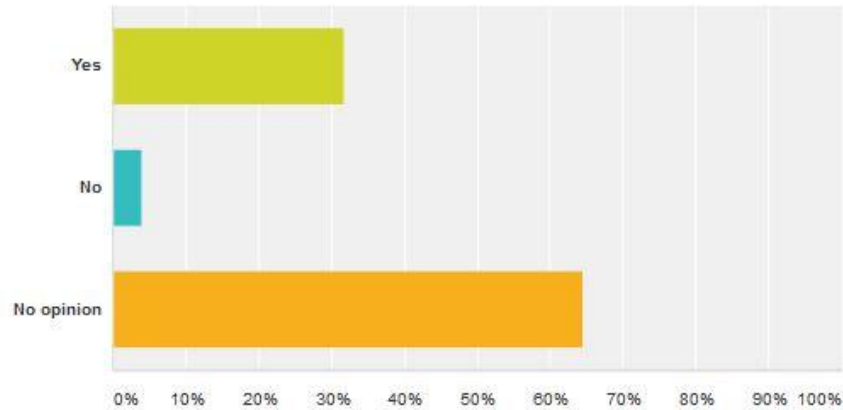
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Did the Member/staff agree that the ultimate objective of America's space exploration program is humans on Mars?

Answered: 335 Skipped: 20



Answer Choices	Responses
Yes	31.64% 106
No	3.88% 13
No opinion	64.48% 216
Total	335

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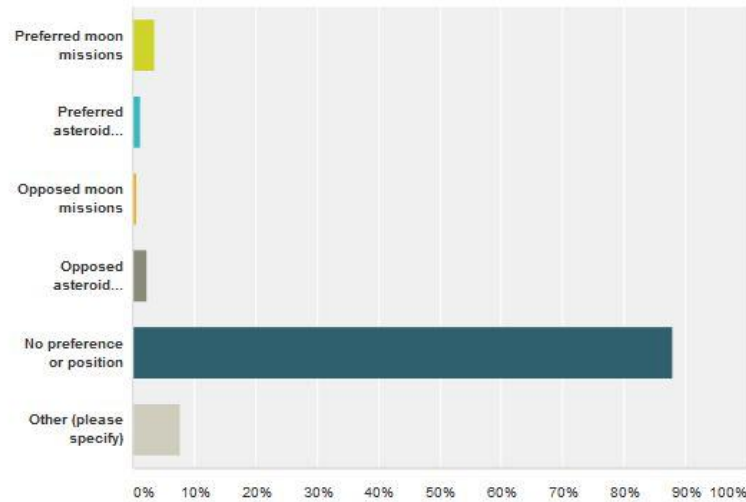
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Did the Member/staff indicate a preference (or opposition) to the moon or asteroid missions as first steps toward the ultimate goal of putting humans on Mars?

Answered: 340 Skipped: 15



Answer Choices	Responses
▼ Preferred moon missions	3.53% 12
▼ Preferred asteroid missions	1.18% 4
▼ Opposed moon missions	0.59% 2
▼ Opposed asteroid missions	2.35% 8
▼ No preference or position	87.94% 299
▼ Other (please specify)	7.65% 26

Total Respondents: 340