





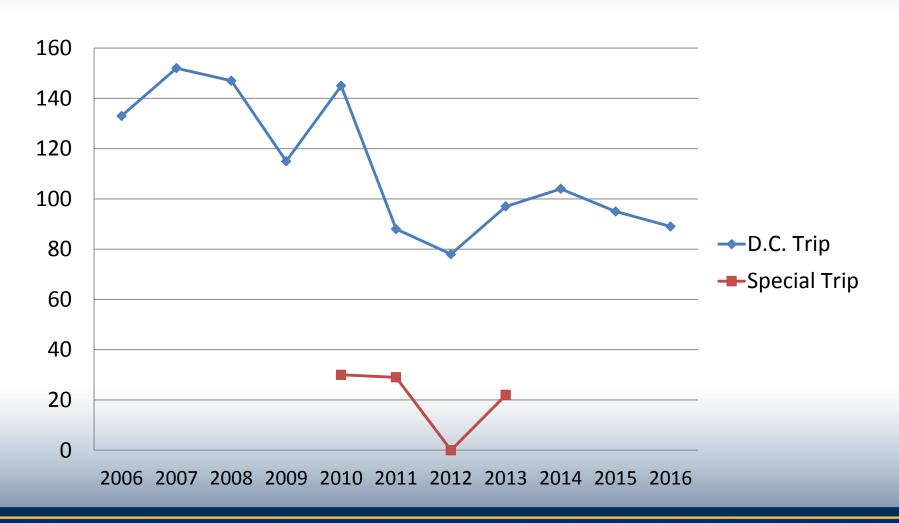
Citizens for Space Exploration 2015 D.C. Trip Report

Trip Information

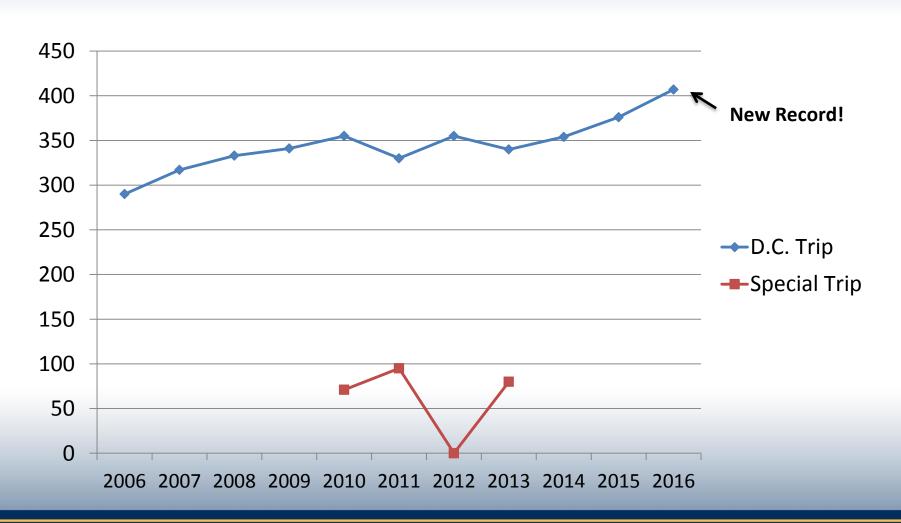
- 24th Annual Trip
- 89 Travelers
- Representation from 24 States



Traveler History



Visit History



Congressional Meetings

376 scheduled meetings

Total Appts.: 407 77

Senate:	100/77	77%
SAC:	30/20	67%
Sci.Subcom:	17/10	59%
SCC:	24/21	88%
Space Sub.	11/9	82%
Freshmen:	n/a	
Senate REP:	54/37	69%
Senate DEM:	44/38	86%
Senate IND.:	2	

HOUSE

330

House: (1 vac.)	434/330	76%
HAC:	52/41	79%
Sci.Subcom:	11/9	82%
HSC:	37/33	89%
Space Sub.:	15/15	100%
Freshmen:	n/a	
House REP:	241/192	80%
House DEM:	193/138	72%

Events

- Traveler's Briefing
 - Hill Update: Nick Cummings, Senate Commerce Committee
 - Space Industry Update: Mary Lynne Dittmar, Coalition for Deep Space Exploration
 - Keynote: Robert Lightfoot, NASA Associate Administrator
- Congressional Reception
 - 4 elected officialsattended and spoke to the audience:
 - Mo Brooks (R-AL-5)
 - Sheila Jackson Lee (D-TX-18)
 - Robert Aderholt (R-AL-4)
 - Mike Coffman (R-CO-6)

Student Travelers

- 38 University Students
- Message: Space Exploration inspires young people to go into STEM Education and Technical Careers
- Special recognition at the Congressional Reception
- Students Tweeted pictures and messages throughout the trip



Survey Data

- 82% House visits, 18% Senate. Members were present at 17% of the meetings.
- 77% were "very engaged" in the meeting.
- 149 staffers had visited a NASA center.
- 81% were "very knowledgeable" or "somewhat knowledgeable" about NASA's exploration programs.
- 85% of staffers were "very knowledgeable" or "somewhat knowledgeable" about the benefits derived from the space program
 - Education was mentioned in 72% of meetings, economic benefits in 40%, spinoffs in 45%, and exploration/discovery in 36%.
- 71% of visits were considered "very supportive" and 22% "somewhat supportive" of human space exploration.
- Specific concerns focused around funding and budgets in the future and potential changes after the election.

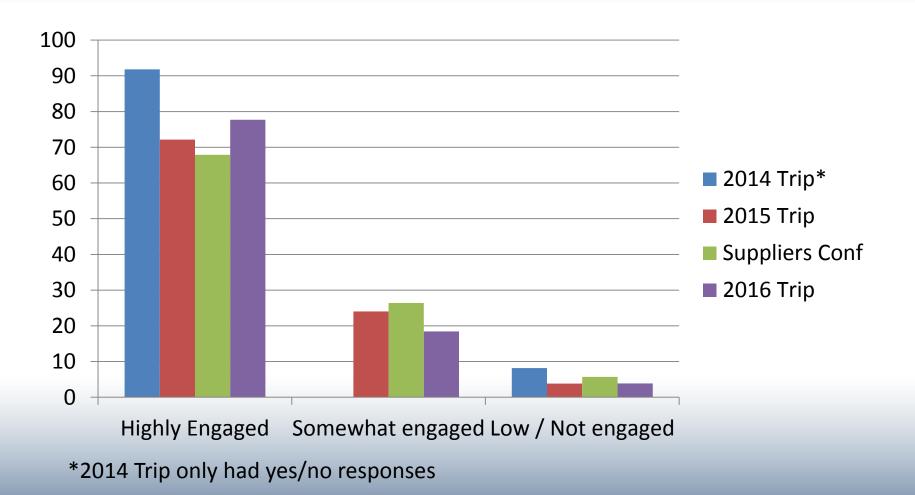
Survey Feedback

- Strong bipartisan support for NASA. There was more understanding of NASA's space exploration programs than in previous years and support for Mars as the ultimate destination.
- There was strong interest in lunar related missions as the next step to Mars.
- There was strong support for NASA to stay the course on the human space programs, especially into the new administration.
- There is increase awareness overall of the elements of NASA's exploration programs.
- Less evidence of tension between the commercial and government elements of human space exploration and growing recognition of mutual benefits derived from those programs.
- Recognition of the benefits resulting from the space program including areas of STEM education, work force development and general contributions to local economies across the country (including small businesses).
- Response to our platform of ISS, Orion, SLS, and Commercial Crew/Cargo was very positive.
- The budget is always a challenge.
- NASA and industry will have to continuously make the case for the value of spaceflight.
- Many staffers asked to be contacted when a specific vote or action was needed

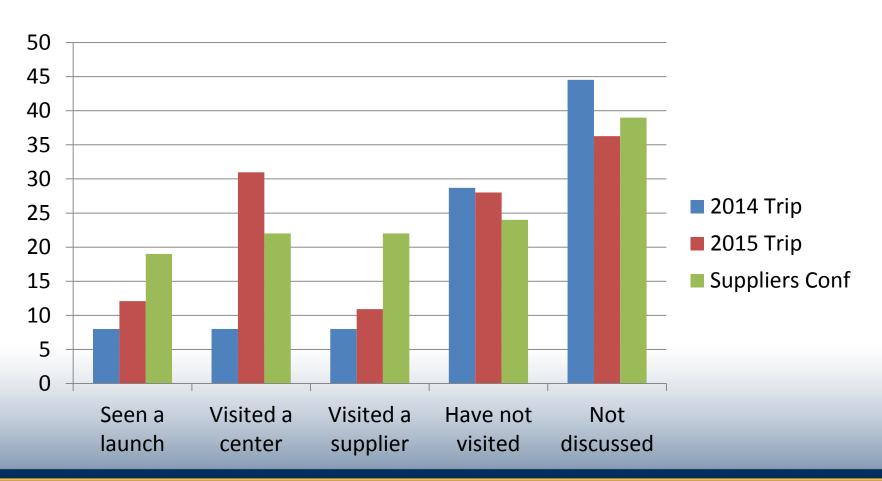
Survey Data

All tables are in percentages

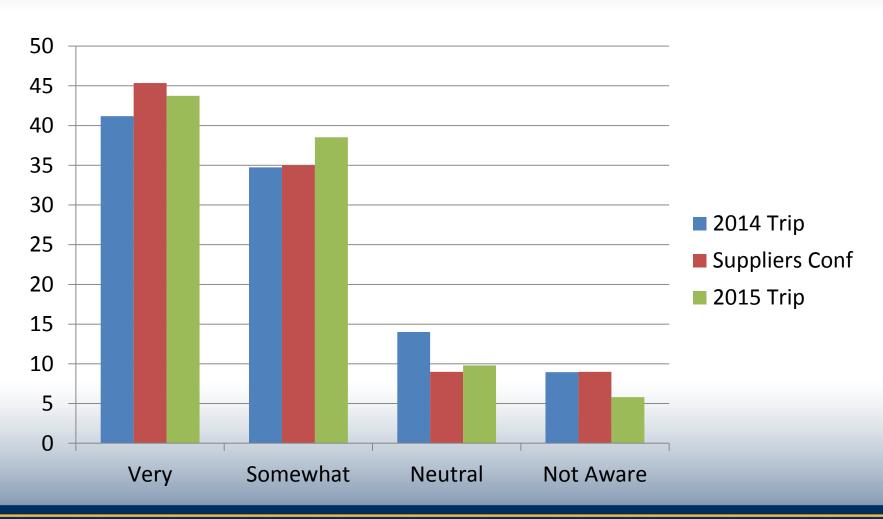
Was the Member or Staffer engaged in the discussion?



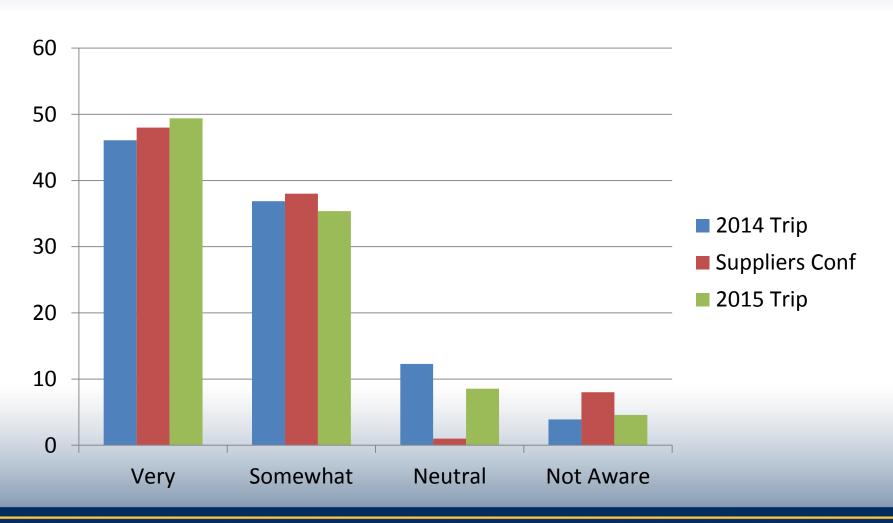
Have they seen a launch, visited a center, or visited a supplier?



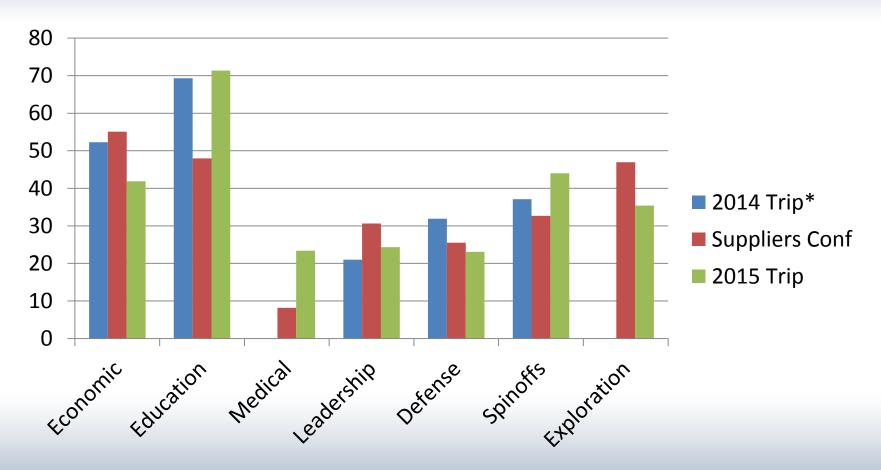
How aware of the HSF portfolio?



How aware of the benefits from the space program?

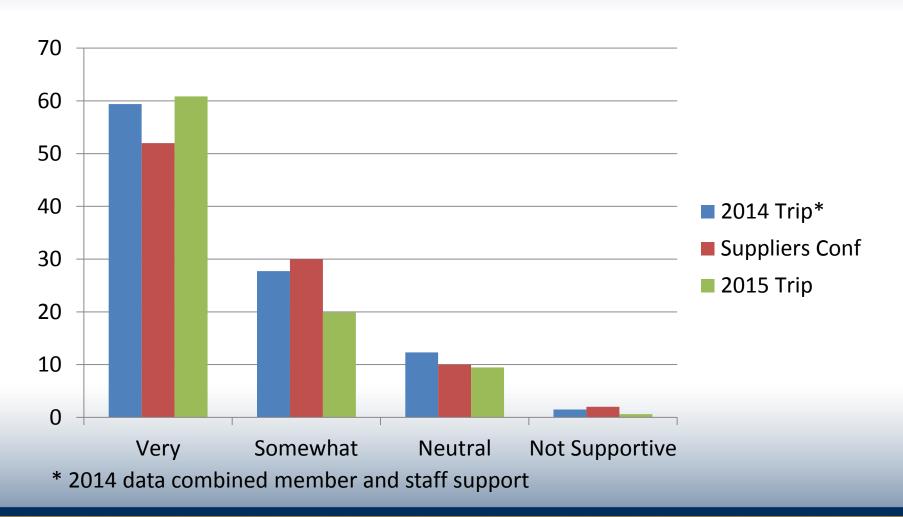


Benefits that resonated well?

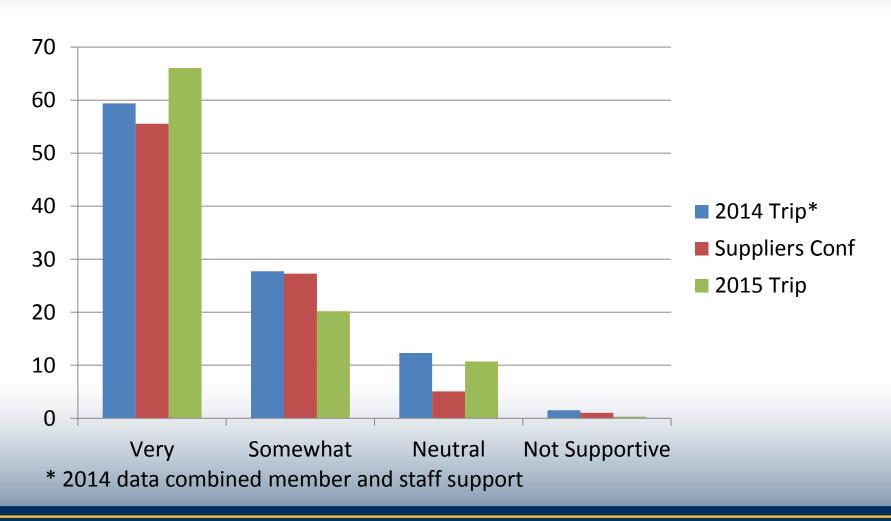


^{* 2014} trip had fewer options to choose from

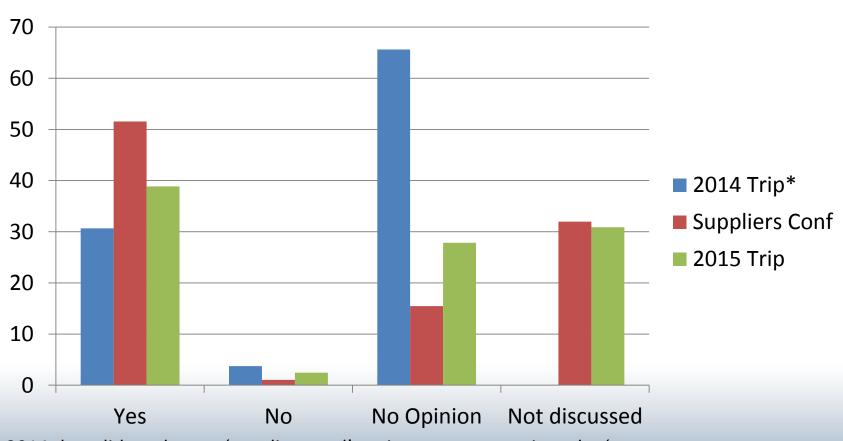
Member's overall level of support?



Staffer's overall level of support?



Is the ultimate goal Mars?



^{* 2014} data did not have a 'not discussed' option, so most put into the 'no opinion' option

Special Thanks

- BAHEP Aerospace Advisory Committee
- Reception Sponsors
 The Boeing Corporation
 BAHEP AAC
 Colorado Space Business Roundtable
 Huntsville / Madison Chamber
 Partners for Stennis
 Cocoa Beach Regional Chamber
- Thursday Evening Tour
 - David Brandt-Lockheed Martin "Space Experience Center"

- 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
- Griffin Partners
- J&P Technologies
- Jacobs
- Stephan &Yvette Jones
- Lockheed Martin
- Melbourne Regional Chamber of Commerce
- National Space Club Huntsville Chapter
- Denise Navarro- Logical Innovation
- San Jacinto College District
- Stinger Ghaffarian Technologies (SGT)
- Titusville Chamber of Commerce

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Save the Date

Next year's trip is scheduled for May 24-26, 2016



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