



American Association of Pesticide Safety Educators (AAPSE) Report

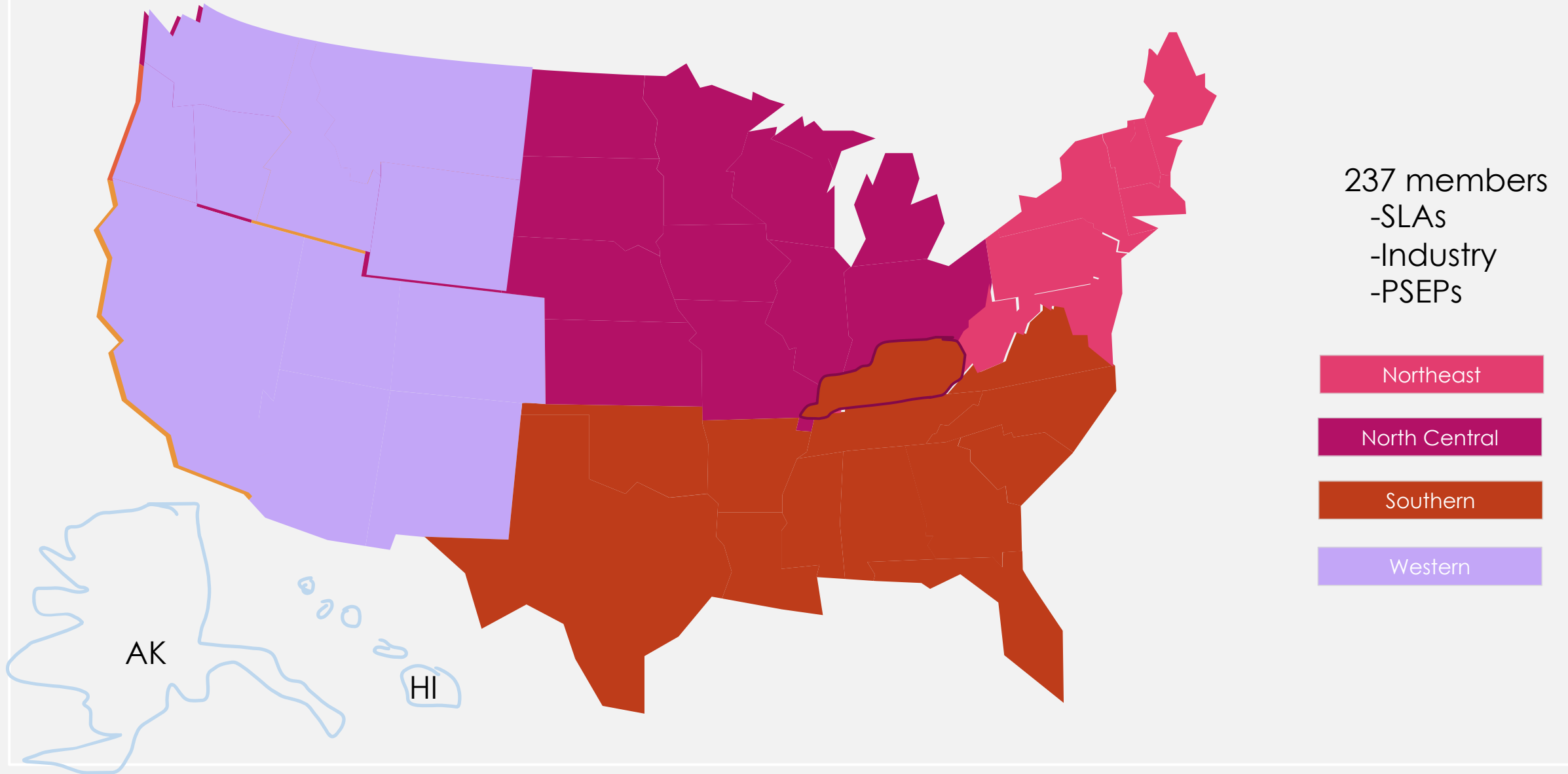
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Current Executive Committee 2023-24

– *New officer installation July 2024*

- President: Amanda Bachmann
- President-Elect: Gene Merkl
- Secretary: Franny Miller
- Treasurer: Sonja Thomas
- Past President: Jolene Warnke
- Webmaster: Sarah Kingsley-Richards

AAPSE Regions



The Journal of Pesticide Safety Education (JPSE)

-Online

-Open-Access

-Peer-Reviewed

-Publishes annually

Mike Weaver - Editor-in-Chief

Professor Emeritus of Entomology; retired director of VT Pesticide Programs, Virginia Tech

Fred Whitford - Associate Editor

Clinical Engagement Professor & Director of Purdue Pesticide Programs, Purdue University

Susan Terwilliger - Assistant Editor

Retired publications manager & editor, VT Pesticide Programs, Virginia Tech

Dean Herzfeld - Contributing (Legacy) Editor - AAPSE Legacies and History

Collaboration Team & Education Facilitator, National Pesticide Safety Education Center; retired PSEP Coordinator, University of Minnesota

Dan Wixted - Contributing (Article) Editor - Short Commentaries and Non-Research Articles

Extension Support Specialist, Cornell University

Jennifer Weisbrod - Contributing (Education) Editor - Articles for Educators and Communicators including photography

PSEP Coordinator, University of Nebraska at Lincoln

Jason Ferrell - Contributing (Review) Editor - Book and Media Reviews

Director, Center for Aquatic and Invasive Plants/Pesticide Information Office, University of Florida

Andrew Martin - Contributing (Science) Editor of Science and Research-Based Articles

Exam Development Specialist, Office of Indiana State Chemist, Purdue University



Professional Development

- Exam Development Webinars
- Exam Development Workshop
- Drone Safety Webinar

NEW INVOLVEMENT!

- Certification and Training Leaders (CATL)
- Comprised of PSEPs and SLA leaders
- Open Forum
- Discussion of C&T Issues with EPA
- Study Manual Survey

Public comments for 2023-24

- ▶ National Farmworker Training & Education
- ▶ Bilingual pesticide labeling
- ▶ Herbicide Strategy for ESA
- ▶ Healthcare Provider Training Program



Upcoming Events

- ▶ **Annual Membership Meeting and Conference**

Laramie, Wyoming July 23-25, 2024

- ▶ **Regional meetings**

North Central Region-April 30-May 2, 2024

Southern Region – June 3-6, 2024

- ▶ **Webinars**

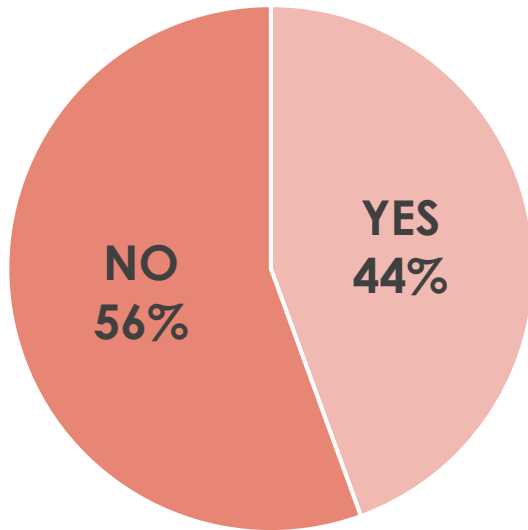
Exam Development Workshop-May 29, June 12, June 26, 2024

Certification and Training Leaders Group (CATL)

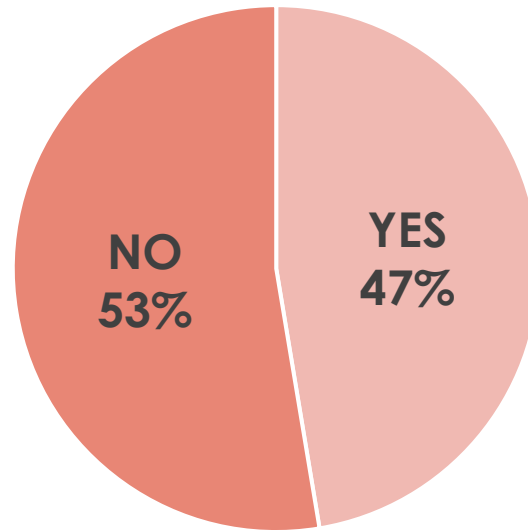
-Study manual survey initial results (18 responses)

Where do programs stand at this moment related to study manual revisions specific to meeting C&T implementation requirements

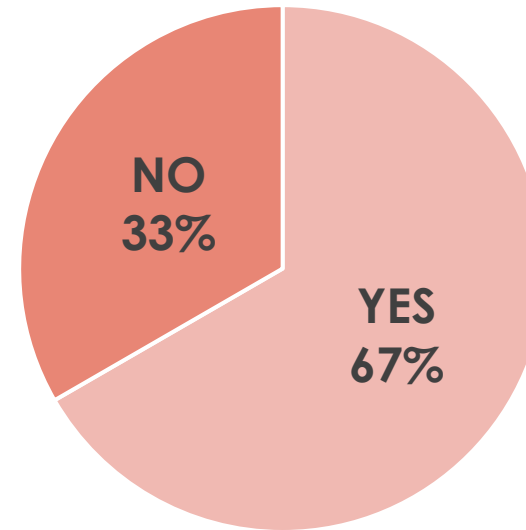
Already Revised
Study Manuals



Currently Revising
Study Manuals



Plan to Revise Within
12-18 Months



- Most programs reported they can share study manual materials for other programs to use
- Some are using other programs' existing manuals to update their own
- Lots of work ahead in a limited time for study manual revisions!



Vision for 2025 and Beyond

- ▶ **Affirm AAPSE's Leadership in Certification and Training Programs**
- ▶ **Optimize Collaboration to secure PSEP funding**
- ▶ **Expand AAPSE Influence with Stakeholders**
- ▶ **Provide Permanent Hosting / Administration for CTAG**



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