

Pollination Census

Part 1: Questions

1. How many bee hives do you manage?

2. From what locality and state do you operate?

3. Do you rear your own queen bees?

4. If you purchase queen bees, from which locality(s) and state(s) do they come?

5. If you purchase packaged bees, from which locality(s) and state(s) do they come?

6. Do you produce packaged bees?

7. Are you a queen breeder?

8. Do you use State Forest and/or National Park sites or Crown Land?

9. Do you use private forest sites?

10. Do you use private ground flora sites?

11. Are all your hives permanently located in one place?

- *If you answered "yes" to this question, you have completed the survey, as the rest is not applicable.*

12. On average, how many times would you relocate your hives in a year? (Average number of shifts per year)

13. What do you normally use to shift your bees? (Ute, Ute and trailer, Truck, Truck and trailer, Semi, B-double)

14. How many hives can you shift in a load?

15. Do you use a net when transporting bees?

16. How far from home do you transport bees to a honey/pollen flow? (approximate kilometres)

17. What is the average number of hives you place on a honey/pollen site?

18. Do you provide bees for pollination?

19. How far do you transport hives to a paid pollination job?

20. Would your hives be located on more than one pollination job and/or honey/pollen flow at one time?

21. Would you multiply your bees to meet future honey or pollination needs?

22. Would you travel further to meet future needs for crop pollination, and why?

23. What proportion of your sites are in State Forest and/or National Parks?

24. Would you need more State Forest and/or National Park sites if the demand for hives increased?

Part 2: Calendar of hive distribution or movement

To gain a better understanding of where hives are located throughout the year a calendar has been provided for you to fill in. We realise hive movements vary from year to year and therefore ask if you could provide us with information for the years 2008 and 2009.

A sample for the month of August for a beekeeper based at Orange in NSW could be the following:

Location: Locality and State	Type of Crop/Honey/Pollination or other Activities (Package Bees, Queen Bee Rearing)	Number of Hives	Paid/Unpaid	Pollen source located on Private Land/State Forest/National Park/Crown Land
NW VIC (Robinvale)	Almond pollination	2000	Paid	
SE Coast NSW (Batemans Bay)	Spotted Gum - honey/pollen	500	Unpaid	
Mid-West NSW (Wyalong)	Canola - honey/pollen	500	Unpaid	
West NSW QLD (Hungerford)	Napunyah - honey/pollen	200	Unpaid	
Gunnedah, NSW	White Box - honey/pollen	200	Unpaid	
Home Base	Activity	Number of Hives		
Orange NSW	Queen Rearing, Care and Maintenance	100		
	Extracting honey			

January				
Location: Locality and State	Type of Crop/Honey/Pollen Flow/Activity	Number of Hives	Paid/Unpaid	Pollen Private Land/Forest State Forest/National Park
2008				
2009				
Home Base	Activity	Number of Hives		
2008				
2009				
February				
Location: Locality and State	Type of Crop/Honey/Pollen Flow/Activity	No. of Hives	Paid/Unpaid	Pollen Private Land/Forest State Forest/National Park
2008				
2009				
Home Base	Activity	Number of Hives		
2008				
2009				

March				
Location: Locality and State	Type of Crop/Honey/Pollen Flow/Activity	Number of Hives	Paid/Unpaid	Pollen Private Land/Forest State Forest/National Park
2008				
2009				
Home Base	Activity	Number of Hives		
2008				
2009				
April				
Location: Locality and State	Type of Crop/Honey/Pollen Flow/Activity	No. of Hives	Paid/Unpaid	Pollen Private Land/Forest State Forest/National Park
2008				
2009				
Home Base	Activity	Number of Hives		
2008				
2009				

May				
Location: Locality and State	Type of Crop/Honey/Pollen Flow/Activity	Number of Hives	Paid/Unpaid	Pollen Private Land/Forest State Forest/National Park
2008				
2009				
Home Base	Activity	Number of Hives		
2008				
2009				
June				
Location: Locality and State	Type of Crop/Honey/Pollen Flow/Activity	No. of Hives	Paid/Unpaid	Pollen Private Land/Forest State Forest/National Park
2008				
2009				
Home Base	Activity	Number of Hives		
2008				
2009				

July				
Location: Locality and State	Type of Crop/Honey/Pollen Flow/Activity	Number of Hives	Paid/Unpaid	Pollen Private Land/Forest State Forest/National Park
2008				
2009				
Home Base	Activity	Number of Hives		
2008				
2009				
August				
Location: Locality and State	Type of Crop/Honey/Pollen Flow/Activity	No. of Hives	Paid/Unpaid	Pollen Private Land/Forest State Forest/National Park
2008				
2009				
Home Base	Activity	Number of Hives		
2008				
2009				

September				
Location: Locality and State	Type of Crop/Honey/Pollen Flow/Activity	Number of Hives	Paid/Unpaid	Pollen Private Land/Forest State Forest/National Park
2008				
2009				
Home Base	Activity	Number of Hives		
2008				
2009				
October				
Location: Locality and State	Type of Crop/Honey/Pollen Flow/Activity	No. of Hives	Paid/Unpaid	Pollen Private Land/Forest State Forest/National Park
2008				
2009				
Home Base	Activity	Number of Hives		
2008				
2009				

November				
Location: Locality and State	Type of Crop/Honey/Pollen Flow/Activity	Number of Hives	Paid/Unpaid	Pollen Private Land/Forest State Forest/National Park
2008				
2009				
Home Base	Activity	Number of Hives		
2008				
2009				
December				
Location: Locality and State	Type of Crop/Honey/Pollen Flow/Activity	No. of Hives	Paid/Unpaid	Pollen Private Land/Forest State Forest/National Park
2008				
2009				
Home Base	Activity	Number of Hives		
2008				
2009				