

SWGDM Participant Survey Results

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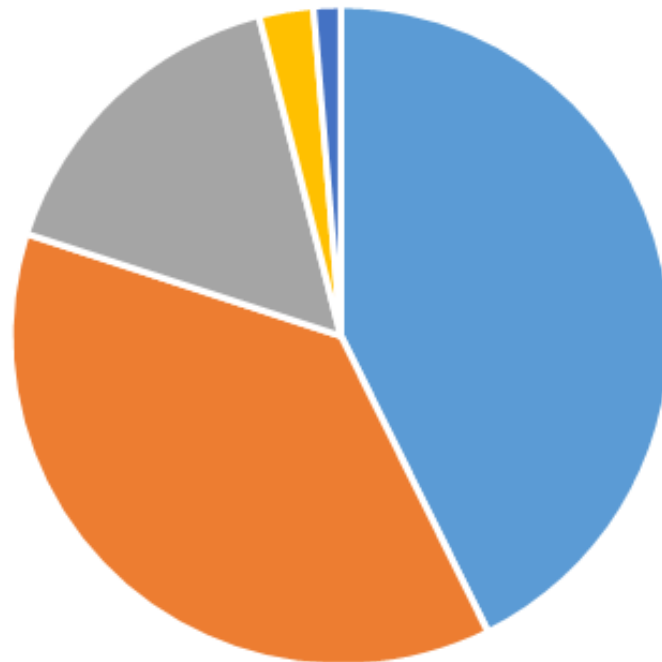
SWGDA Participant's Agency Affiliation

SWGDA Participant's Agency Affiliation	Count
State	32
Federal	28
Local	12
International	2
Academia	1

SWGDA Participant's Agency Affiliation

Count of SWGDAM Participant's Agency Affiliation

Total



SWGDA Participant's...

■ State

■ Federal

■ Local

■ International

■ Academia

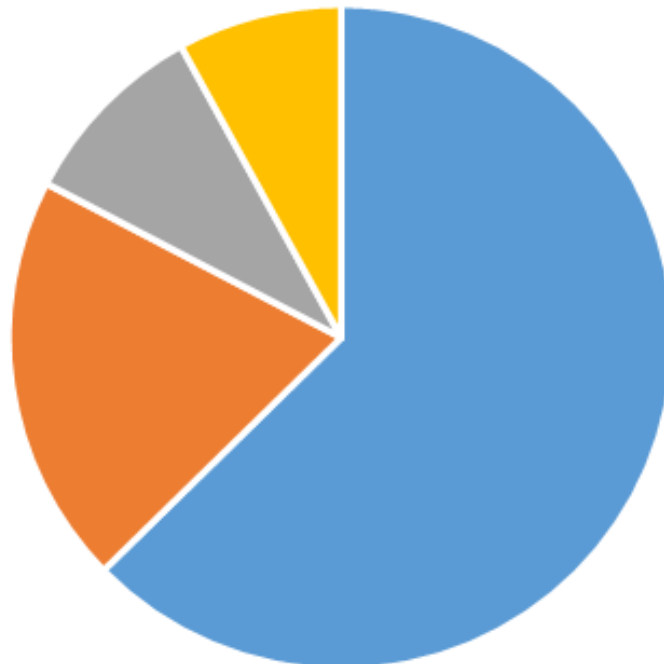
SWGDM Participant's Primary Assignment

SWGDM Participant's Primary Assignment	Count
Forensic DNA Casework Laboratory	47
DNA Databasing Laboratory	15
DNA Research Laboratory	7
Other (meaning none of the above)	6

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Count of SWGDAM Participant's Primary Assignment

Total



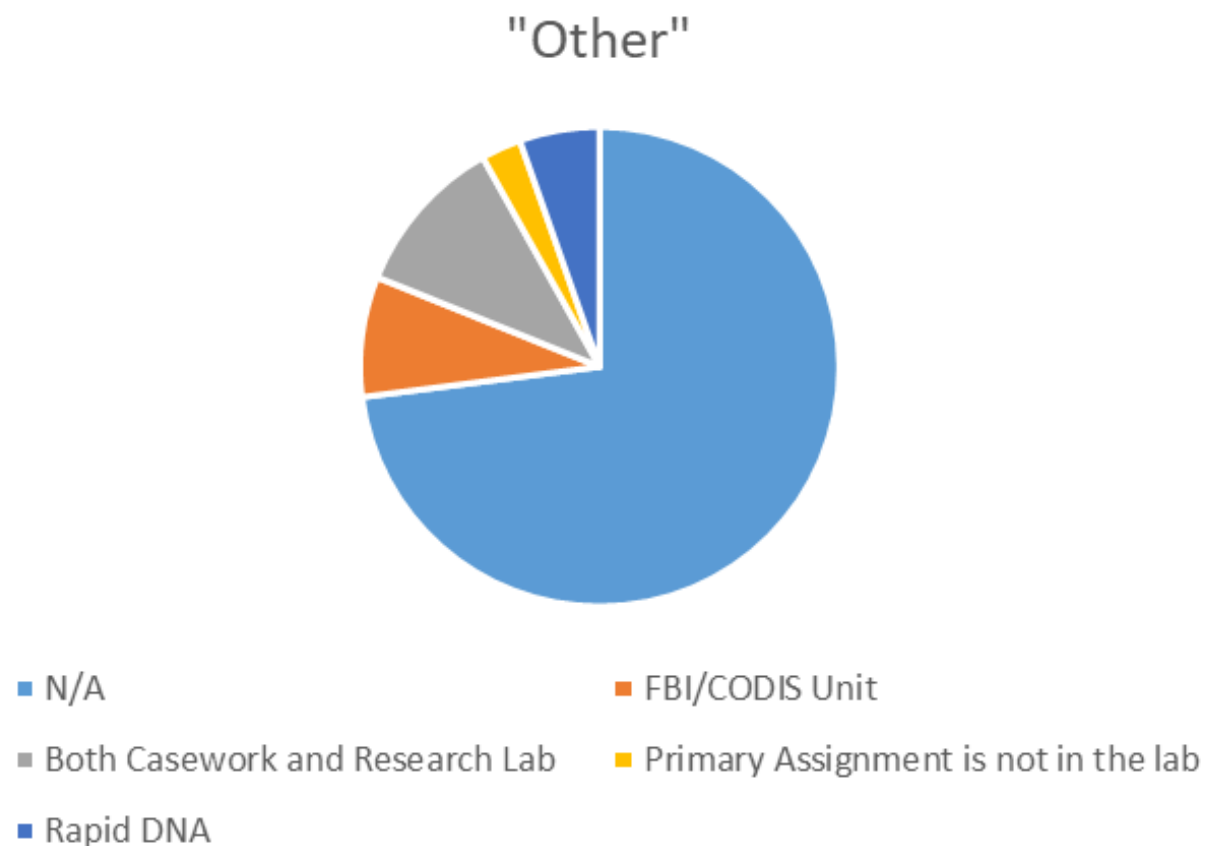
SWGDM Participant's...

- Forensic DNA Casework Laboratory
- DNA Databasing Laboratory
- DNA Research Laboratory
- Other

If you selected Other above, please specify below. Otherwise, type "N/A"

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n/a	27
CODIS Unit	1
CODIS Unit - CODIS Auditor	1
CODIS Unit Rapid DNA PM	1
TCME has a Forensic DNA Casework Laboratory. I am the Quality Manager, so my primary assignment is not in the laboratory.	1
Deputy Director of Forensics (Rapid DNA Booking and Forensic Rapid DNA programs under me)	1
Both Casework and Research Laboratory	1
QA/QC for Casework and Database Lab	1
DNA QA Support for a Forensic and Databasing Lab	1
I work in the Validation group of the FBI Laboratory. I guess that should be "DNA Research Lab"? Not sure.	1
Grand Total	36

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SWGDM Participant's Current Job Category

SWGDM Participant's Current Job Category	Count
Technical Leader	18
Laboratory Senior Leader	11
Forensic DNA Researcher	7
Forensic DNA Scientist Supervisor	6
Forensic DNA Scientist	6
CODIS Administrator	5
Quality Assurance Specialist;	5
Laboratory Director;	5
Forensic DNA Scientist; CODIS Administrator;	2
Forensic DNA Scientist; Laboratory Senior Leader; Forensic DNA Scientist Supervisor;	1
Laboratory Senior Leader;Forensic DNA Scientist;	1
Forensic DNA Scientist Supervisor; CODIS Administrator;	1
Quality Assurance Specialist; Forensic DNA Scientist Supervisor;	1
Forensic DNA Scientist Supervisor; Forensic DNA Researcher;	1
Technical Leader; Forensic DNA Researcher; Laboratory Senior Leader;	1
Forensic DNA Scientist; CODIS Administrator; Forensic DNA Scientist Supervisor;	1
Forensic DNA Scientist; Forensic DNA Scientist Supervisor; Quality Assurance Specialist;	1

SWGDAAM Participant's Current Job Category

Job Title Held



- Laboratory Senior Leader
- Technical Leader
- CODIS Administrator
- Forensic DNA Scientist Supervisor
- Quality Assurance Specialist
- Laboratory Director
- Forensic DNA Researcher
- Forensic DNA Scientist

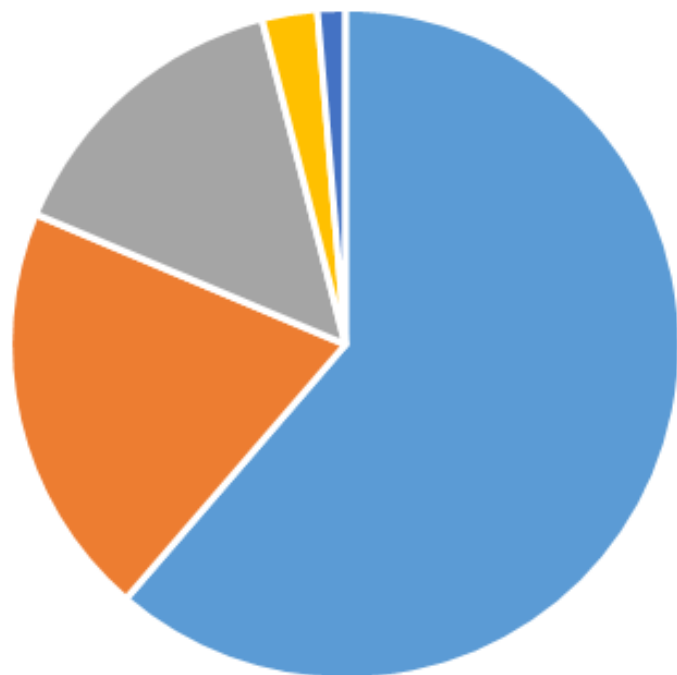
SWGDAW Participant's DNA Laboratory Experience

SWGDAW Participant's DNA Laboratory Experience	Count
20 or more years	46
15 to 19 years	15
10 to 14 years	11
1 to 4 years	2
5 to 9 years	1

SWGDA Participant's DNA Laboratory Experience

Count of SWGDAM Participant's DNA Laboratory Experience

Total



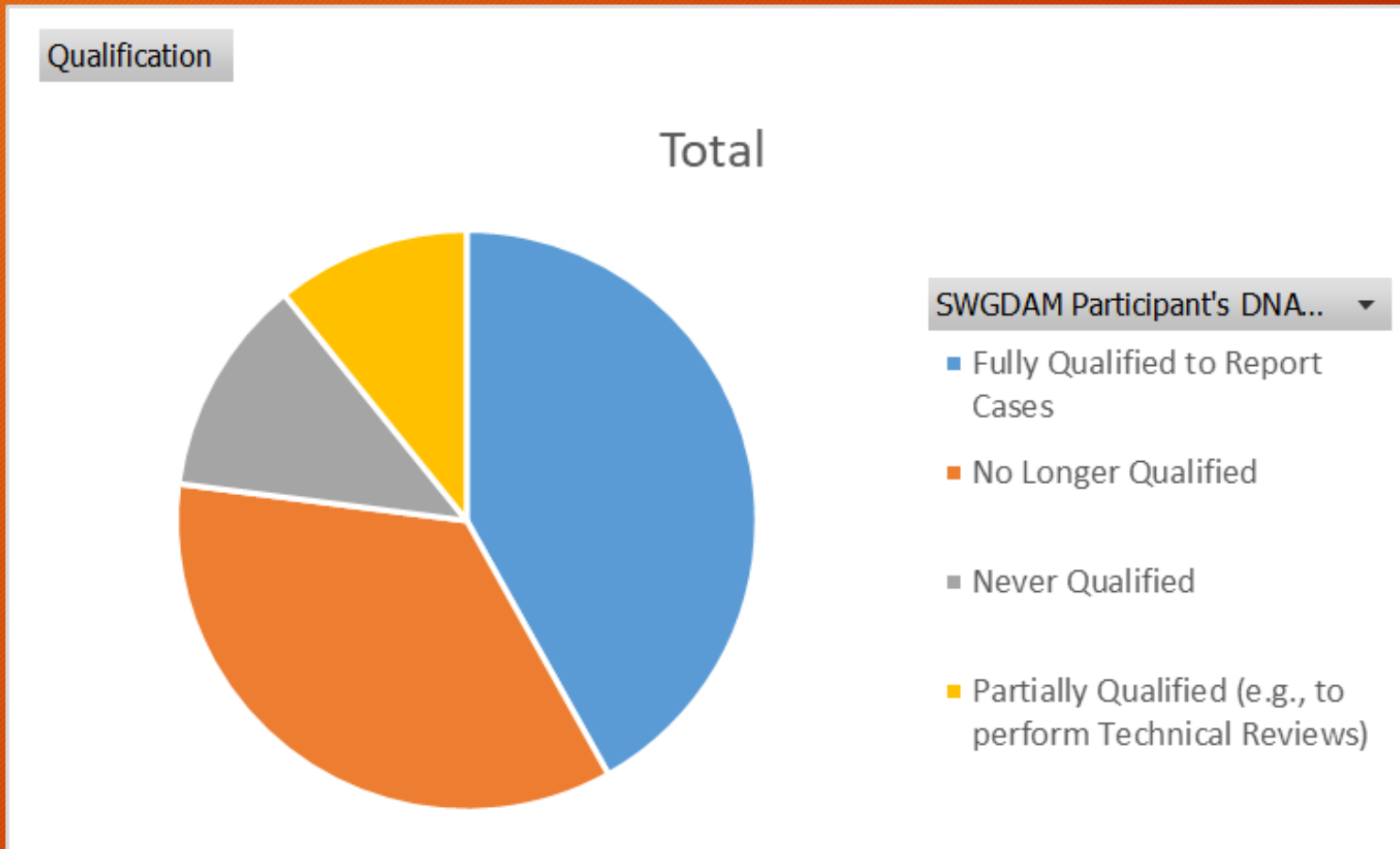
SWGDA Participant's DNA... ▼

- 20 or more years
- 15 to 19 years
- 10 to 14 years
- 1 to 4 years
- 5 to 9 years

SWGDA Participant's DNA Casework Qualification Status

SWGDA Participant's DNA Casework Qualification Status	Count
Fully Qualified to Report Cases	31
No Longer Qualified	26
Never Qualified	9
Partially Qualified (e.g., to perform Technical Reviews)	8

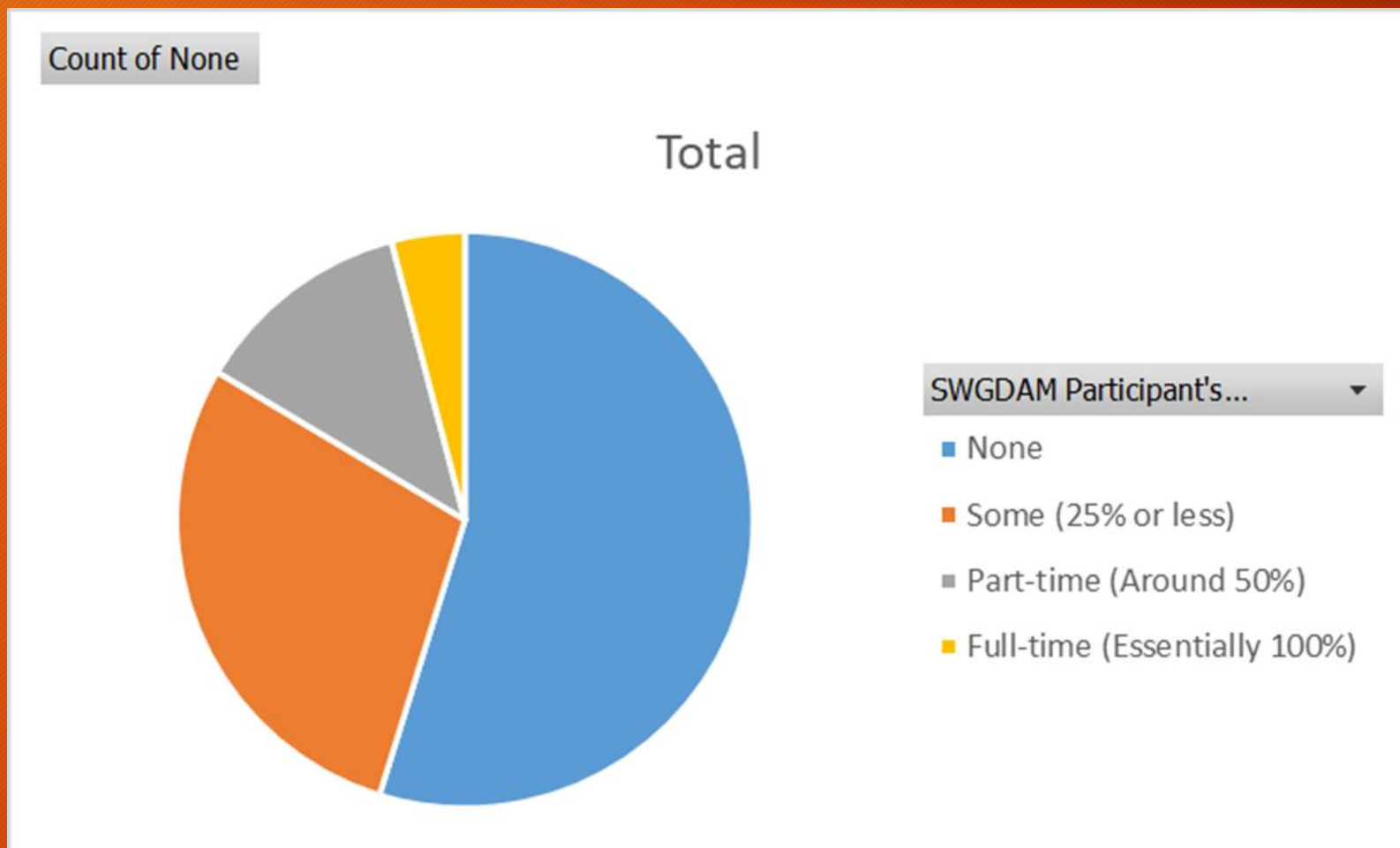
SWGDA Participant's DNA Casework Qualification Status



SWGDA Participant's Average Time Performing Casework

SWGDA Participant's Average Time Performing Casework	Count
None	40
Some (25% or less)	21
Part-time (Around 50%)	9
Full-time (Essentially 100%)	3

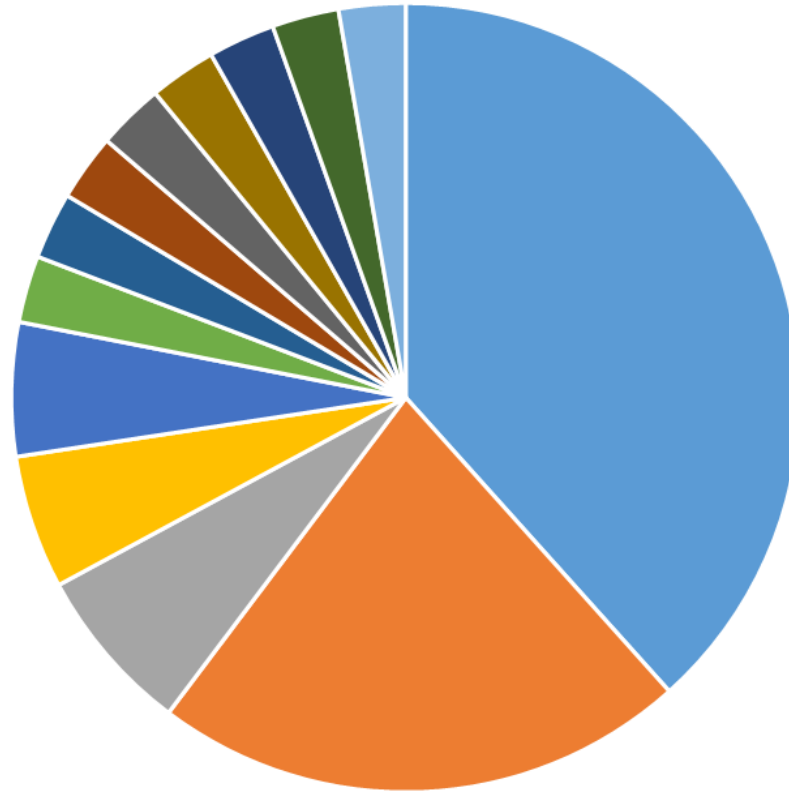
SWGDA Participant's Average Time Performing Casework



SWGDAW Participant's Experience by Technology/Platform (Please select all that Apply)

SWGDAW Participant's Experience by Technology/Platform (Please select all that Apply)	Count
Biological Screening; Autosomal STR; Y-STR;	16
Biological Screening; Autosomal STR; Y-STR; Rapid DNA;	5
Biological Screening; Autosomal STR;	4
Autosomal STR;	4
Biological Screening; RFLP; DQA1/PM; Autosomal STR; Rapid DNA;	2
Biological Screening; DQA1/PM; Autosomal STR; Y-STR;	2
Autosomal STR; Y-STR;	2
Autosomal STR; Y-STR; Rapid DNA;	2
Biological Screening; RFLP; DQA1/PM; Autosomal STR;	2
Autosomal STR; Y-STR; SNPs; Next Generation Sequencing;	2
Rapid DNA;	2
Other;	2
Grand Total	47

Amount of Tech/Platform Experience



- Variety of Unique-Combinations
- Biological Screening; Autosomal STR; Y-STR; Rapid DNA;
- Autosomal STR;
- Biological Screening; DQA1/PM; Autosomal STR; Y-STR;
- Autosomal STR; Y-STR; Rapid DNA;
- Autosomal STR; Y-STR; SNPs; Next Generation Sequencing;
- Other;
- Biological Screening; Autosomal STR; Y-STR;
- Biological Screening; Autosomal STR;
- Biological Screening; RFLP; DQA1/PM; Autosomal STR; Rapid DNA;
- Autosomal STR; Y-STR;
- Biological Screening; RFLP; DQA1/PM; Autosomal STR;
- Rapid DNA;
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N/A	65
Quantitation (qPCR, dPCR, etc)	1
D1S80	1
Experience in ASTR and YSTR are by experience at NDIS	1
I am a statistics subject matter expert.	1
PGS	1
I am fully qualified in screening and autosomal STR analysis. However, I received training to a level sufficient to be a Y-STR technical leader, and have experience in validating next generation sequencing, though my agency ultimately decided to not put NGS online.	1
XSTRs	1
I lead a method development/research group (since 2018), so my experience is varied/broad; hands-on (1993-2017) though has predominantly been auSTRs	1
Kinship	1

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Other Experience



- N/A
- Quantitation
- D1S80
- ASTR and YSTR
- Stats SME
- PGS
- Autosomal STR
- XSTRs
- Kinship
- Method Development/Research Group

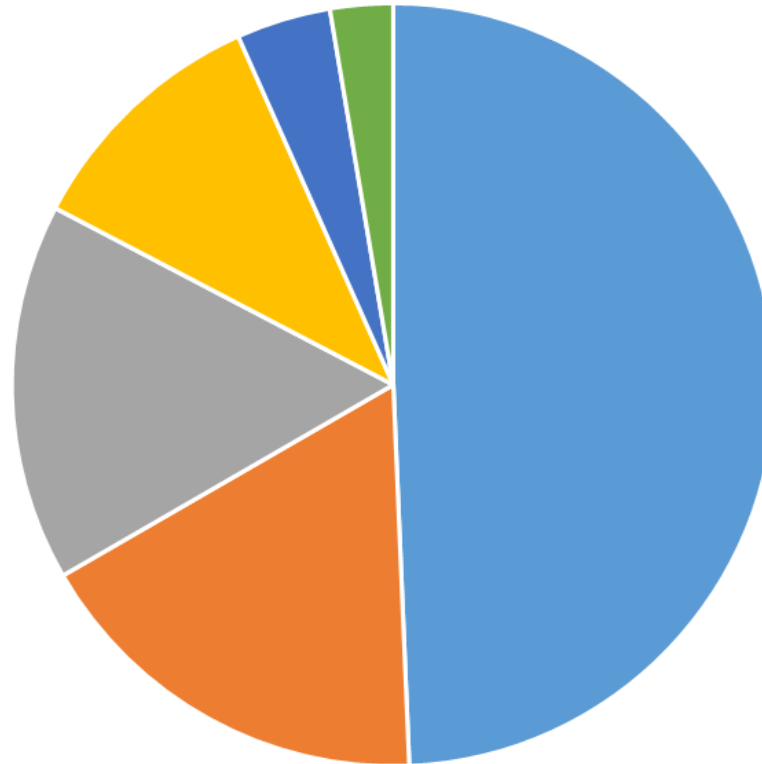
SWGDA Participant's Auditor Experience

SWGDA Participant's Auditor Experience	Count
Have performed QAS audits	37
Never performed QAS audits	13
Currently an ANAB Assessor	12
Have performed accreditation inspections	8
Never performed accreditation inspections	3
Regularly perform QAS audits (every other year or more)	2

SWGDM Participant's Auditor Experience

Count of SWGDAM Participant's Auditor Experience

Total



SWGDM Participant's Auditor Experience

- Have performed QAS audits
- Never performed QAS audits
- Currently an ANAB Assessor
- Have performed accreditation inspections
- Never performed accreditation inspections
- Regularly perform QAS audits (every other year or more)

SWGDA Participant's Rule-Making Body Experience (Please select all that apply.)

SWGDA Participant's Rule-Making Body Experience (Please select all that apply.)	Count
Other;	30
Past OSAC participant;	7
Current ASCLD participant;	6
Non-OSAC NIST group participant;	5
Current ASCLD participant;Current NITVIC participant;	4
Current NITVIC participant;	4
Current OSAC participant;	4
Past OSAC participant; Other;	2
Past OSAC participant; Current NITVIC participant;	2
Past OSAC participant; Past ASCLD participant; Current NITVIC participant; Non-OSAC NIST group participant;	2
Current OSAC participant; Non-OSAC NIST group participant;	1
Current OSAC participant; Current ASCLD participant;	1
Past OSAC participant; Non-OSAC NIST group participant;	1
Past OSAC participant;Past ASCLD participant;	1
Current NITVIC participant;Non-OSAC NIST group participant;	1
Current OSAC participant;Other;	1
Past ASCLD participant;Current NITVIC participant;	1
Past ASCLD participant;	1

SWGDAAM Participant's Rule-Making Body Experience (Please select all that apply.)

Group Participation



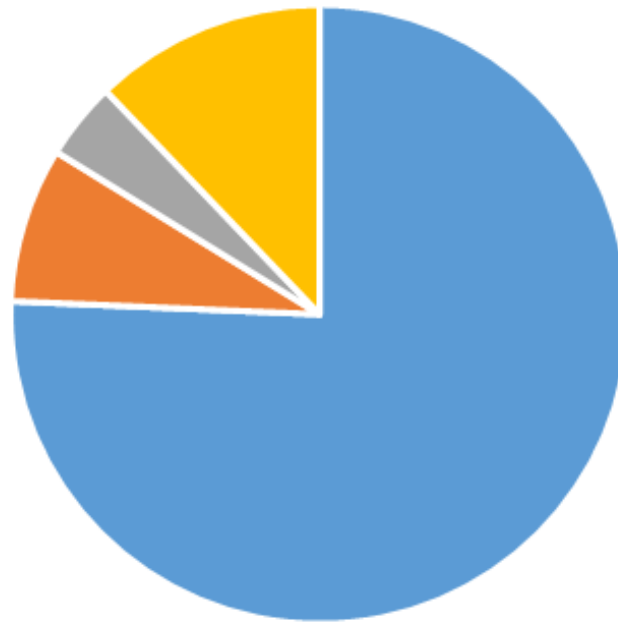
- Other
- Current ASCLD Participant
- Current NITVIC Participant
- Past ASCLD Participant
- Past OSAC Participant
- Non-OSAC NIST Group Participant
- Current OSAC Participant

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N/A	56
No Experience	6
SWGDM Only	3
Observer on ASCLD Rapid and DVI and NITVIC Rapid Group	1
Past ASB Standards Body Member	1
Member of NIST's SAKI and Mixture resource group	1
ASB	1
Attorney	1
FEPAC	1
I am an invited guest.	1
Current Invited Guest	1
AAFS Standards Board member (1-year), ASB DNA Consensus Body Working Group participant	1

If you selected Other above, please specify below. Otherwise, type "N/A"

Other Participation



■ N/A ■ No experience ■ SWGDAM Only ■ Miscellaneous