Question 1 (response = 223)

To what extent did the 2011 Conference meet your expectations?

Legend:
- Greatly Exceeded Expectations
- Exceeded Expectations
- Met Expectations
- Below Expectations
- Greatly Below Expectations

- 47.1 % (105)
- 5.4 % (12)
- 0.9 % (2)
- 8.5 % (19)
- 38.1 % (85)
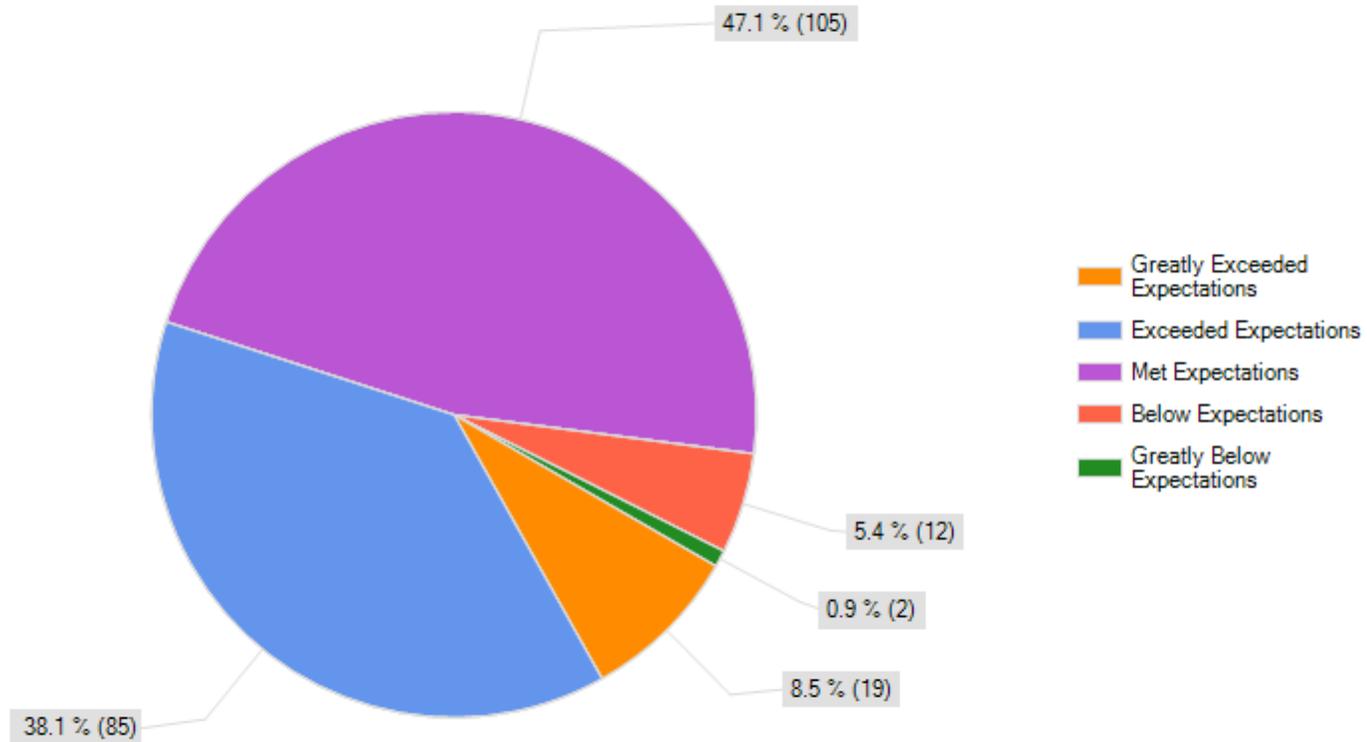
Question 2 (response = 211)

Compared to previous Conferences, overall this conference was?

46.9 % (99)

9.5 % (20)

26.5 % (56)

17.1 % (36)

Legend:
- Much Better
- Somewhat Better
- About The Same
- Somewhat Worse
- Much Worse
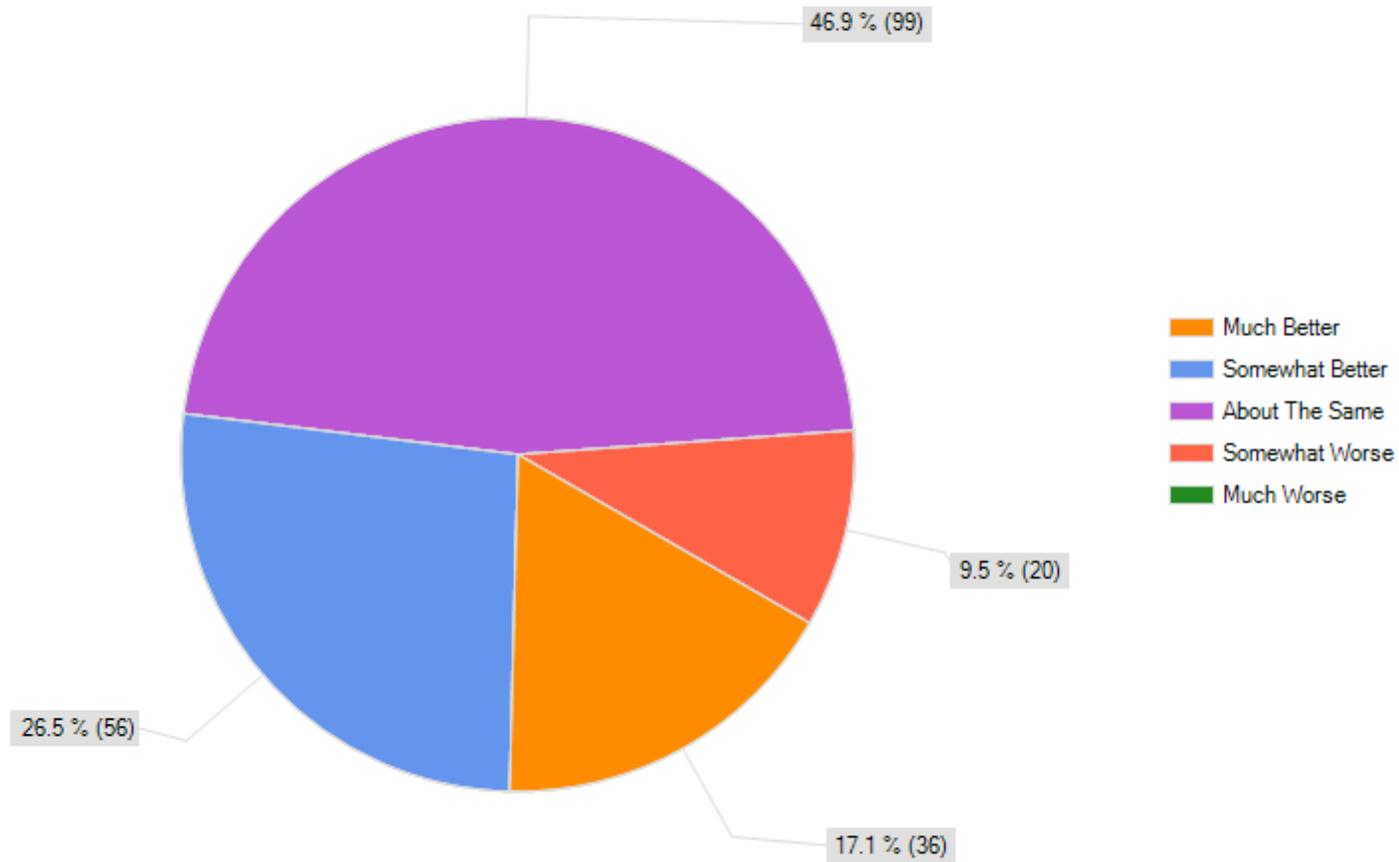
Question 3 (response = 211)

Rate the importance of each of the following features to your Conference experience.

Legend:
- Very Unimportant
- Somewhat Unimportant
- No Opinion
- Somewhat Important
- Very Important

Categories: Alternative Format Sessions, Paper Sessions, Roundtable Sessions, Symposia, Study Groups, Presidential Address, Plenary Sessions

Category	Very Important	Somewhat Important	No Opinion	Somewhat Unimportant	Very Unimportant
Alternative Format Sessions	88	64	43	6	5
Paper Sessions	150	50	6	4	
Roundtable Sessions	70	84	30	17	4
Symposia	111	73	16	5	
Study Groups	99	49	38	11	9
Presidential Address	90	77	29	12	3
Plenary Sessions	88	81	29	7	1
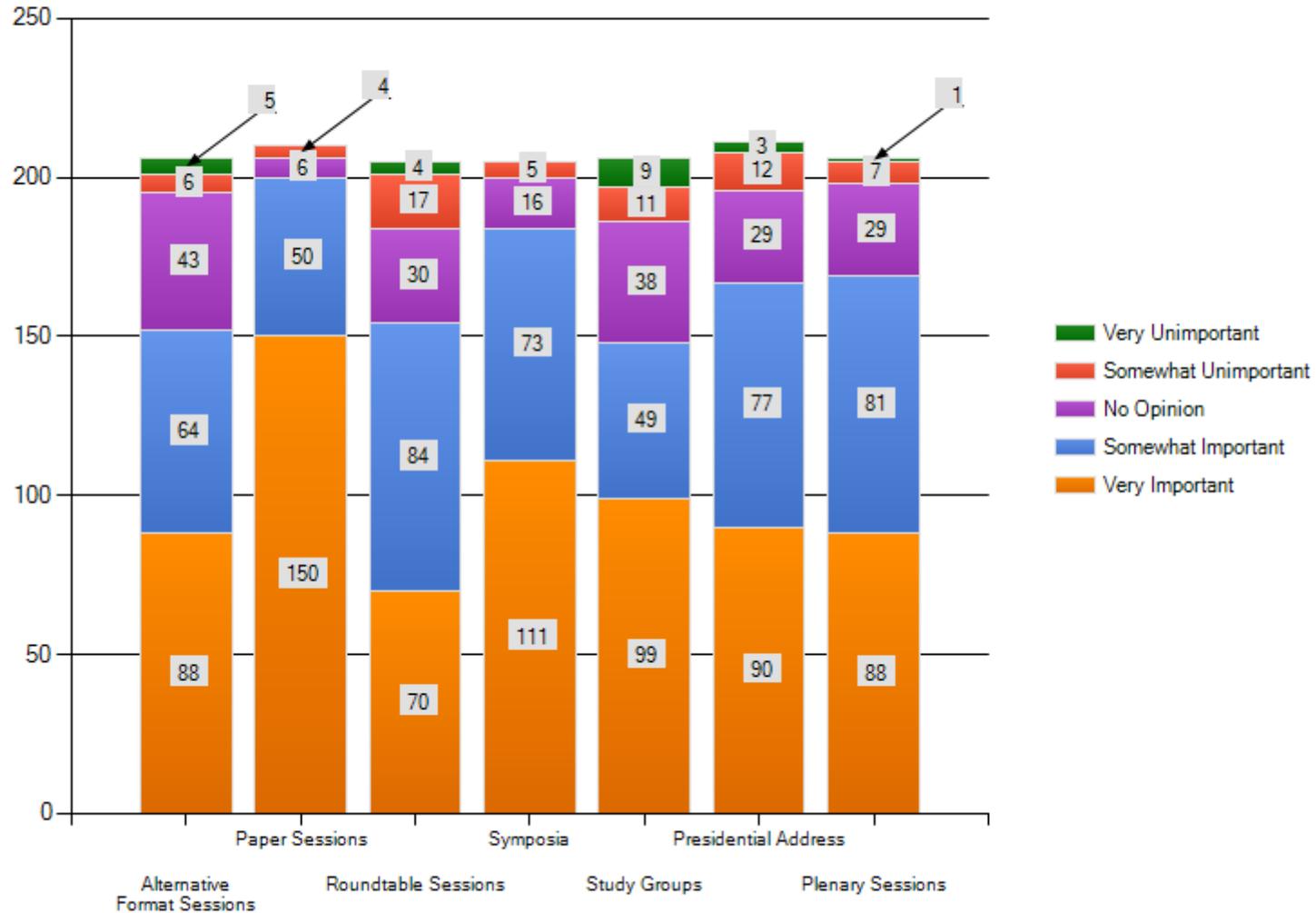
Question 4 (response = 210)

Rate the importance of each of the following features to your Conference experience.

Legend:
- Very Unimportant
- Somewhat Unimportant
- No Opinion
- Somewhat Important
- Very Important

Categories:
- Spaces to meet in small groups
- Places to meet and interact in the evening
- Social events (e.g., dance)
- Affordable restaurants nearby
- Highly rated restaurants nearby
- Shopping nearby
- Cultural opportunities nearby
- Guestroom rate under $150 per night
- Free guestroom internet access
- City with many non-stop flights
- City with low airfares
- Warm weather
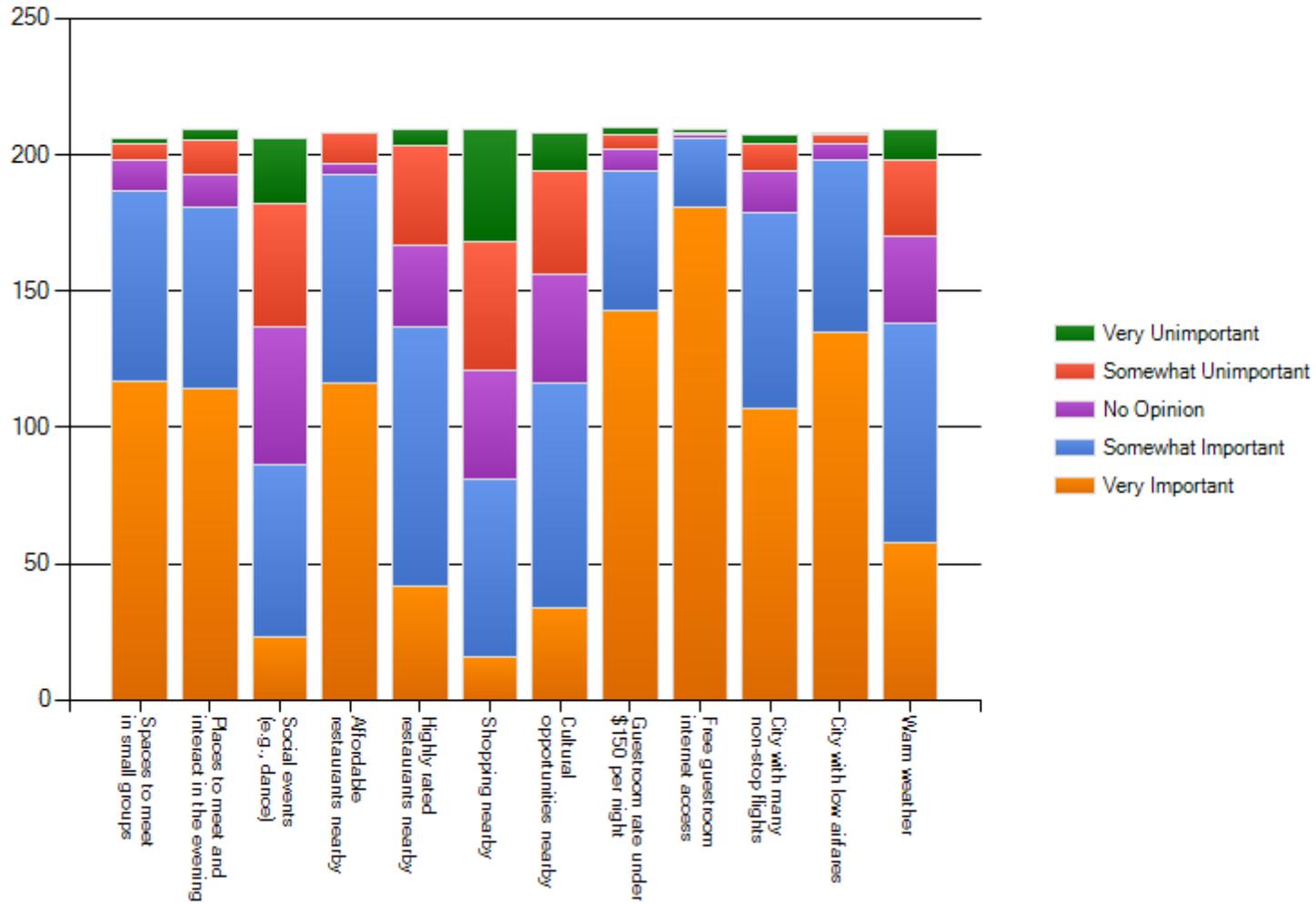
Question 5 (response = 212)

How important to your overall Conference experience is each of the following?

Legend:
- Very Unimportant
- Somewhat Unimportant
- No Opinion
- Somewhat Important
- Very Important

Categories: Conference Web Site, Printed Program Book, Exhibits, Book Display/Silent Auction, Cyber Cafe, Town Hall Meeting, Business Meeting, Presidents Reception, Newcomers/Graduate Student Lunch
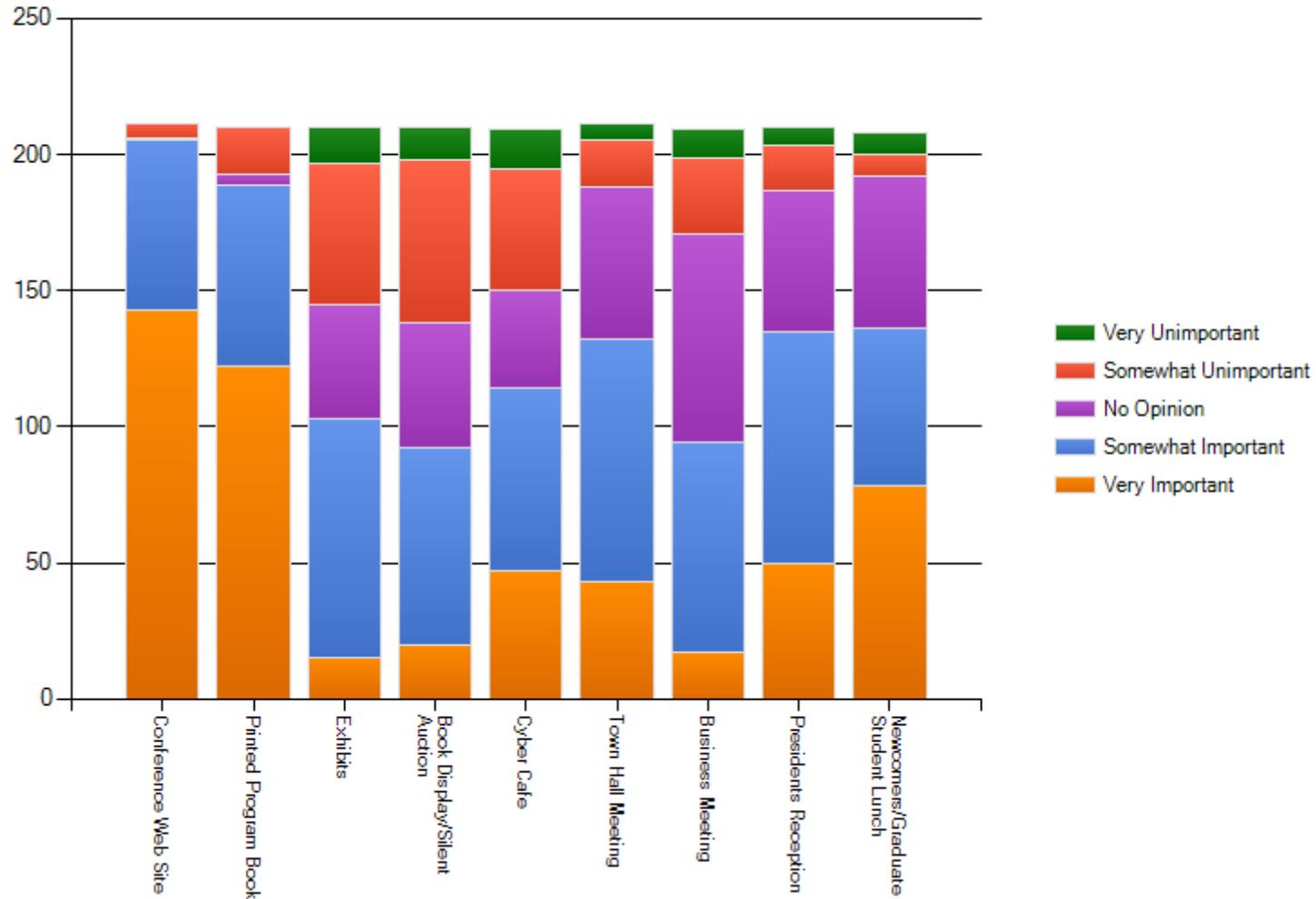
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Question 6 (response = 213)

Check any areas that, based on your first-hand experience, need improvement.		
Answer Options	Response Percent	Response Count
Proposal Submission System	13.1%	28
Advance Publicity	4.7%	10
Online Registration	6.6%	14
Conference Web Site	9.9%	21
Printed Program	2.3%	5
Digital Program	5.2%	11
On Site Registration	0.9%	2
Headquarters Staff	0.0%	0
None	71.4%	152
Please share any specific examples, suggestions for improvement, or other areas needing improvement		63
answered question		213

Question 6 Comments (response = 63)

1 system crashing and difficulty uploading

2 My comment is actually in regards to the review process. I spent quite a bit of time providing feedback on proposals and was very surprised when the sub-committee told me none had been submitted. Please attempt to improve the submission process so that reviewers receive a print out of their reviews.

3 I think that the LRA office (Chris Roper) is exceptional and quick in his responses. I think that the conference is well organized and I have really enjoyed it these many years that I have attended.

4 Overall, I thought it was a great conference.

5 Chris and his team are the best. Chris is always available and ready to serve and he always answers emails quickly. Very helpful indeed!

6 All of the above went really well.

7 Unable to add pre-pay sessions after initial registration. Would have liked to have added more. This could be fixed before next conference.

8 Was well run....

9 Internet access during the conference is essential. The free service was slow and unreliable. I suspect that this really limited the conversation on the backchannel -- which can be such a rich place for community building and discussion.

10 I suggest adding some opportunities for people who may not be there with groups of colleagues (or who just want to meet others) to go to dinner together -- perhaps a "dinner club" group - people could meet at 6:30 in the lobby and go with others they may not have met before. Reservations might not be necessary -- or maybe sign up on a list at registration desk.

11 The food service at the hotel in Florida was so slow many times I had to skip a meal in order to attend an event. No access to coffee on floors where meetings were held.

Would have liked continental breakfast and coffee in additional places close to meeting sites.

I was impressed (as I have been in the past) with the headquarters staff and the overall organization and movement of the conference. I applaud Chris Roper and all who supported him in this endeavor.

I would have liked to have more options for lunch and breakfast in the hotel or in walking distance. The Einstein's bagel store was convenient but limited.

12 The restaurant in the hotel was super slow... I had to skip lunch after ordering one day because they did not bring me my salad in time for me to make it to my next presentation. However, overall I was pleased with the conference and enjoyed it tremendously.

I did have some trouble with registration and membership renewal this time.

13 HQ staff is awesome!

14 Wi-fi wasn't always accessible throughout the conferences, and it would have been great to have this. I know it is an extra expense, but at times, I couldn't even get wi-fi in the hotel lobby or the cyber cafe; I wound up using it only in my room, which was very inconvenient at times.

I understand that the conference is also a time for friends to meet and share an evening. It was grand to see and be greeted by leaders in our field from past encounters. There still seems to be few people to mingle with in the evenings unless you have come with your own group.

15 Several years ago, there were groups interested in continuing the conversation with main speakers of the days general sessions... future trends, etc.

16 I found it hard to find things and which part of the website to go sometimes and I would like to have the integral programme, searchable, online, so not have to download pdf first.

I think multiple methodologies should be valued at this conference. I sense a very large bias against any kind of quantitative approach to research and I think that really limits people's exposure to literacy research. Of course, it is acceptable for individual researchers and presenters to align with a certain methodology, but discussants and conference affiliates should do their best to host/entertain multiple perspectives. Compared to previous years, I think

17 the 2011 conference lacked this the most.

18 It would be nice to have additional past yearbooks available online. it would be extremely helpful.

19 I would like to have sessions with similar themes spaced out more so that I can enjoy each fully--I felt that similar themed presentations were occurring simultaneously.

20 Another awesome conference! Great job, Chris...see you in San Diego! :-)

21 A quick and affordable place for breakfast and lunch "on the go" would be helpful. The concession was hit or miss this year.

22 Chris Roper and his hired guns did their usual fabulous job. Hats off to all of them and keep up the good work.

23 Make sure online modules are mobile friendly- they were not. Start offering printed program as an option so mobile users can have the option of paying less ($5?)

24 2011 was one of the best organized and most comprehensive LRA conferences I have attended. Bravo for the plenaries this year, as well as the outstanding organization before and during the conference.

25 The one thing I am experiencing difficulty with is the precis/paper location...where is it? Can members alter what they upload? I've asked other LRA members and they share my perplexity.

26 When I clicked on the link to register for the conference I was then directed to membership and thought I was paying for the conference when I was actually renewing membership. This should be made clearer on the site. I was embarrassed that I thought I had paid the registration but then was informed that I hadn't.

27 It would be nice if there was an index that listed sessions under their descriptors. For example, "If you want to hear sessions devoted to writing instruction, try x, y, z" or "If you want to hear sessions related to policy, try a, b., c". I also think there are too many sessions to choose from for any given time slot, so much so that there were rarely any sessions I attended that had more than 15 people. I'd prefer the conference was more selective than spending hours upon hours preparing a paper session for 15 people to hear.

28 Earlier online registration would assist international attendees to apply for funding to attend and finalise travel plans.

29 I didn't care for Jacksonville. The hotel was fine, but food was a challenge, particularly high quality food.

30 I thought things worked very well this year- excellent job. The only area for improvement was the shuttle service from airport to conference hotel. It was not very organized as we flew in to Jacksonville- not enough bus space.

31 selection of conference site

32 1. I would like the website to make transparent the way that papers are assigned to days and times and the way and who of grouping papers together.

2. I think the town hall is too big and intimidating for many to "take the mike". The manner in which some high profile members indicate their high status in this format is a demonstration of the priniples of implicit power posturing as well. Perhaps a combination of small groups with online postings as well as the larger one at a time format might be considered.

33 Please spread out presentations on the same general area instead of grouping them at the same time. The Writing sessions tended to be all scheduled together and I missed many presentations in my area of interest.

34 Plenary speakers (a disappointment) and content of Presidential address (this year it was thin)

35 I enjoy the research focus of LRA. I remember when we had some dedicated research methodology session and would like to see more of that. The Headquarters staff is excellent - we could not live without Chris Roper and his staff!

Please make internet available in conference rooms. If we have it in our hotel rooms, it would seem reasonable that we could expect it in the conference rooms. More and more people rely on the internet for at least some component of their presentation. This is a very important concern of mine.

36 Otherwise, I enjoyed the conference a great deal.

37 as usual. Apparently steps have been taken to address this issue.

Proposal system: The same information has to be typed in (e.g. affiliation full name etc.) then only after typing it all in are we told a person is already in the system. It makes no sense. There were also major issues uploading things.

38 Online registration: I have never been able to register all online. In the end, I always end up having to call (BTW: I'm pretty tech savvy so I'm not sure what the issue is but I don't have this problem with other conferences.)

39 I suggest we consider poster presentations

40 This is a well-run conference. I enjoy the sessions and never miss a meeting! Thank you.

41 Conference book is unnecessary since we tend to mark the session to the printed program. I would like to pay, however, to get a printed programm early enough.

42 too many sessions were scheduled at the same time so attendance at sessions was down and too many sessions of the same type were scheduled at the same time

43 It would be nice to be able to upload a proposal in one piece, instead of so many steps.

Pictures of the same well-known people are always taken at the conference.

44 Internet access and spaces to work/meet were lacking in Jacksonville. Everything else was great

45 Too many emails leading up to the conference!

46 I thought that everything was really pretty good -- I'm a newcomer to the conference, so I don't have anything to compare against, but generally I thought that submission, registration, and the programs were done reasonably well. The website and the digital program had some strange user interface choices (for instance, you have to hover over the "schedule info" tab to get to the "searchable program" option -- why not just make the whole thing searchable?)... but these were minor difficulties, and easy to use once I figured them out.

47 I would love to have an app that I can use on my iphone/ipad to upload my calendar for the conference & keep track/look for sessions I want to attend

48 Recruit or somehow invite more scholars of colors to the conference. As far as race/ethnicity of attendees, it lacked diversity.

49 The registration website was frequently down. My university's firewall system kept saying it was corrupt, and then when I ignored that and registered anyway it wouldn't let me put in the state, thereby preventing me from paying online. It was quite a hassle.

50 Study groups are such an important part of this conference/networking. However, the very early start time deters many. Particularly when people change time zones (3 hours or more), it means that a 7:30 start time is at 4:30 in the morning. This also allows for so little time to grab breakfast in the morning. Start them at 8:30 or later.

51 The availability of food for breakfast and lunch seemed to be a problem this year. The first day, there were no quick options and numerous people were late for study groups and after lunch sessions, as a result. I didn't even bother to look the second day and happened to stumble on the table the third day. A conference food venue needs to be set up and advertised starting on the first day.

52 A full list of sessions available in advance in addition to a searchable program would be useful. It is a bit annoying how the website keeps opening up new windows when clicking onto links.

It would also be good to state when some paid events (e.g. tours) will be taken off the website. E-mail notifications can also be given when events are fully

booked.

53   It would be nice if the printed program could include more specifics about the study groups (e.g., daily topics/guests).

54   Everything was fantastic!!

55   I could not register online and missed the early registration discount.

56   This is a phenomenal organization.

57   I'd like to see a mobile version/app of the digital program - much like AERA had last year in New Orleans.

Need searchable program with keywords--so that all the sessions sharing some key phrases (e.g., New Literacies) will pop up. That would help me plan my days.

Love Chris Roper...he's wonderful. Very responsive and helpful.

The proposal submission system seems to crash at the last minute pretty regularly. And, when I was an Area chair, it took a long time to go through the
58   list of reviewers and download PDFs. Lots of problems with that system.

The online registration doesn't give a full receipt for registration and is difficult to use for reimbursement.

It would be good to be able to search by date and interest on the digital program. I ended up missing the day of the conference that was most relevant to
59   my research interests.

Jacksonville was a great location in my opinion.It met all requirements for physical space and there were lots of restaurants. In addition, the setting of the
60   hotel was lovely on the water. It was a pleasure walking to a restaurant at night.

printed presentations
61   online access to presentations

62   I haven't ever sent in a proposal, so I can't comment on that, but everything else went smoothly.

63   Would it be possible to do an app of the convention program, as AERA has done?

Question 7 (response = 212)

How many past LRA Conferences have you attended?

# of Years	# of Responses
0	26
1	24
2	18
3	21
4	13
5	15
6	16
7	10
8	10
9	7
10	12
11-19	23
20-29	13
30+	4

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Question 8 (response = 212/209)

Answer Options	Presenting	Networking	Prof. Dev.	Recomm.	Quality of Program / Speakers	Professional Home / Always Attend	Location	Other	Response Count
What were the main reasons that lead you to attend the 2011 Conference?									
Primary Reason	129	13	19	7	11	31	1	1	212
Secondary Reason	26	83	44	5	25	20	5	1	209

Question 9 (response = 212)

Are you a member of LRA?

86.8 %

13.2 %

Yes

No
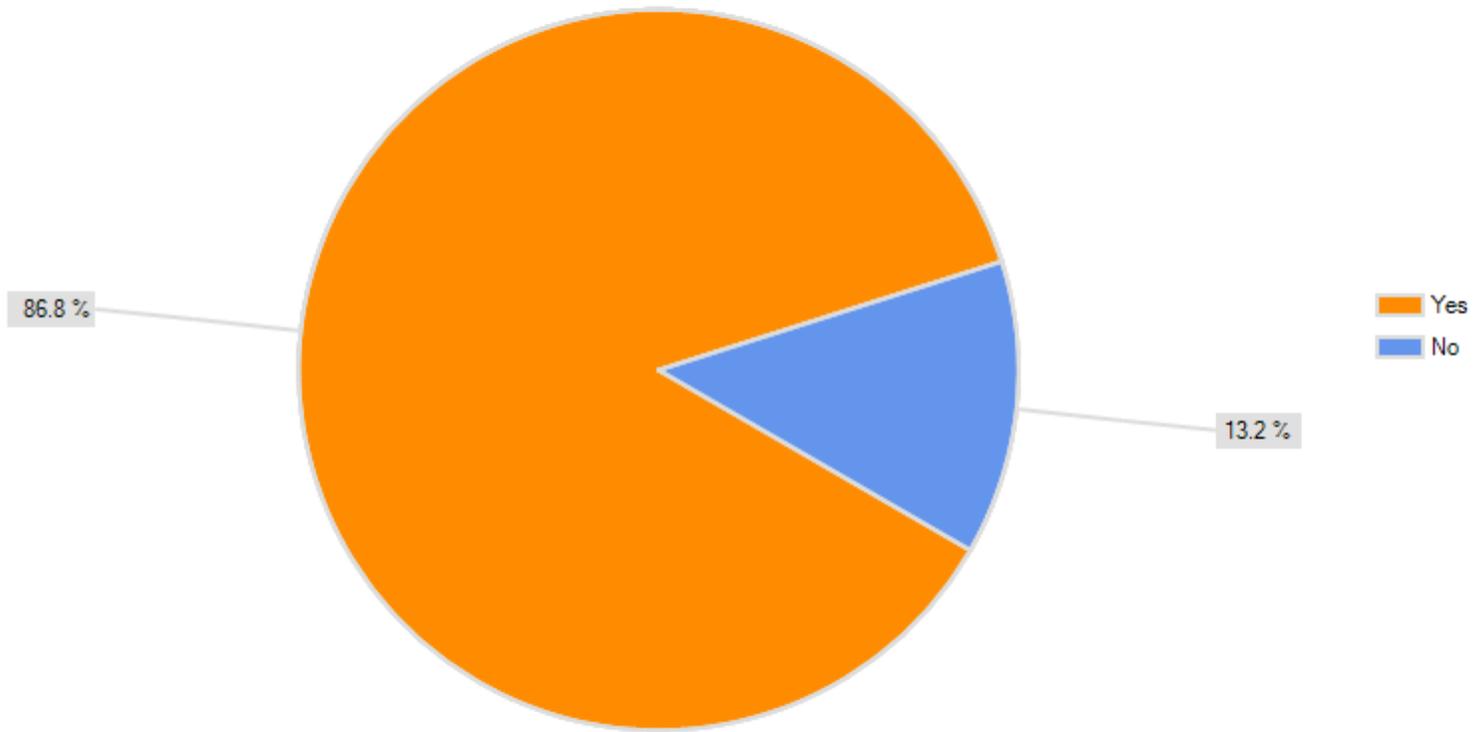
Question 10 (response = 212)

Professional Position

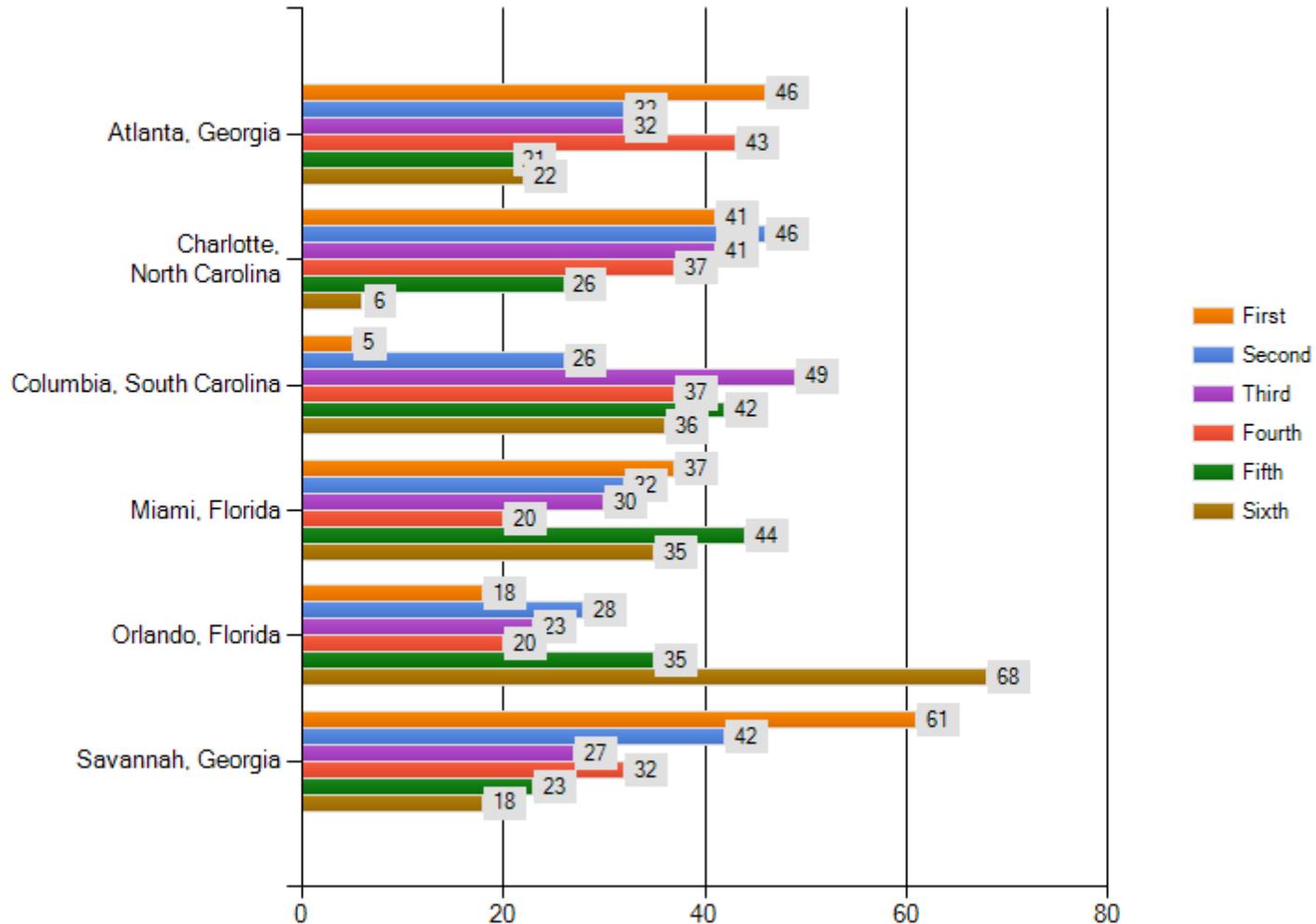| Professional Position	Percentage
Professor	17.0 %
Associate Professor	18.4 %
Assistant Professor	32.1 %
Lecturer	2.8 %
Student	21.7 %
Academic Professional	4.7 %
Other	3.3 %
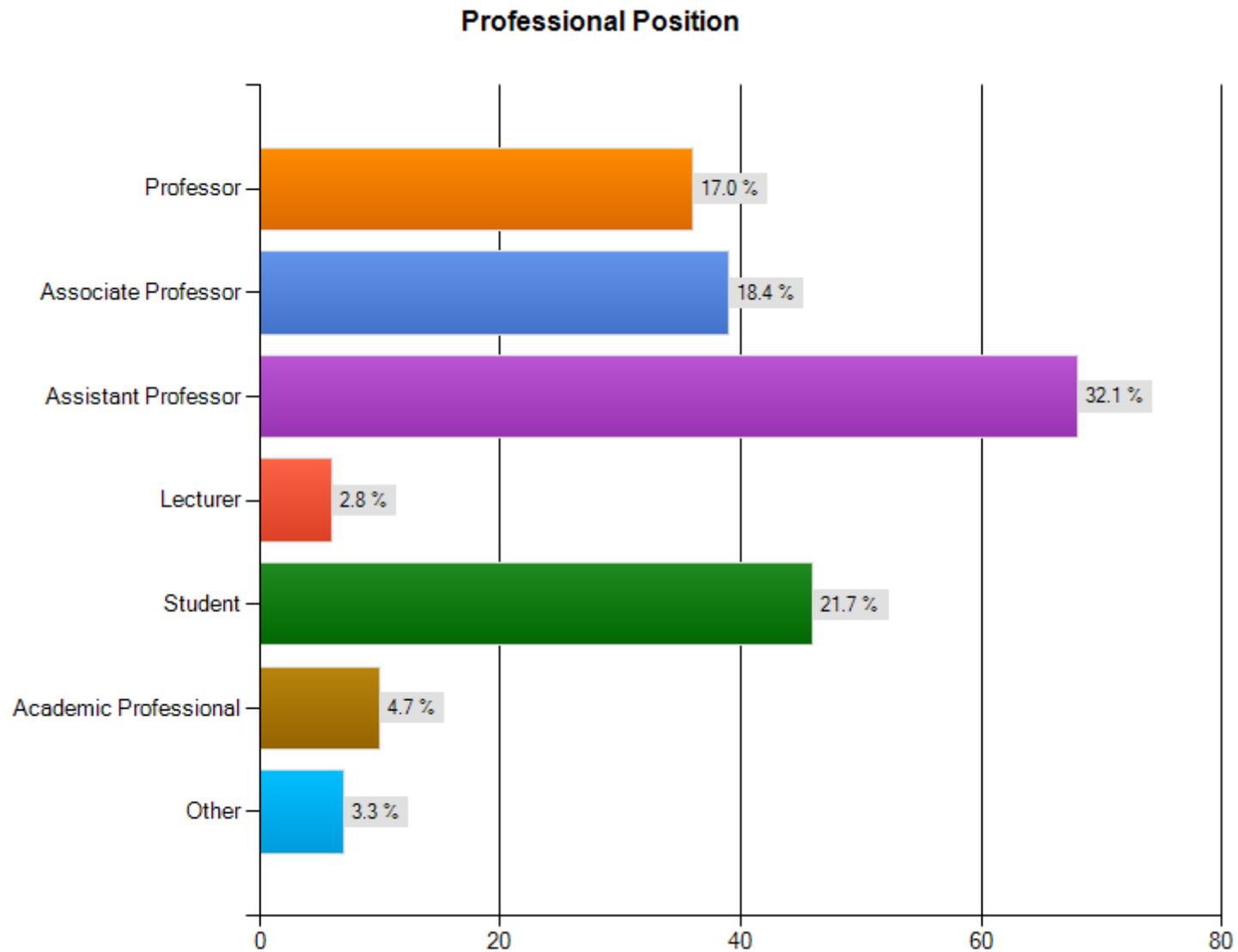
Question 11 (response = 211)

For the 2012 Conference, LRA is considering moving the time of the daily study groups. Please indicate your preference below.

Preference	Percentage
Move Study Groups to the lunch hour (Noon-1:00PM)	41.2 %
Keep the Study Groups in the morning (7:30AM-8:30AM)	14.7 %
Have Study Groups at both times	28.9 %
No preference or don't normally attend Study Groups	15.2 %
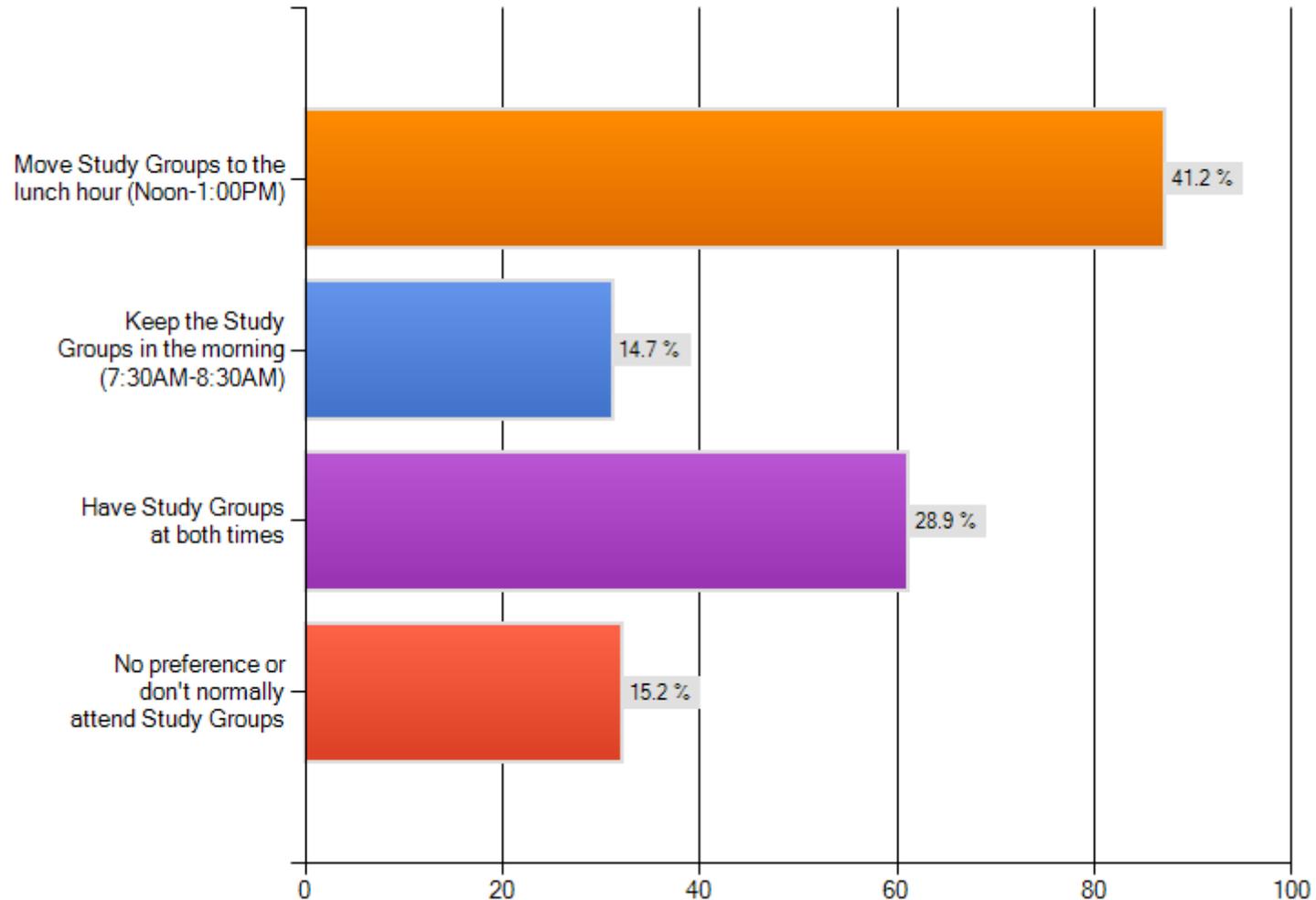
Question 12 (response = 211)

In 2014, the LRA Conference will be held in the Eastern part of the US. Please rank your preference for the location of the 2014 Conference from these cities.

Question 13 (response = 73)

What would you suggest be done to improve future Conferences?

1   keep lunchtime free for people to meet; don't have sessions at this time

2   Encourage long-time members to attend the sessions of up and coming researchers. It was very disappointing when only one person attended our symposium.

    I think that there used to be a place where notes and announcements could be posted. There was nothing this year. I'd like to see that brought back. I would also like to see more social events again, and a place where we could gather in the hotel pub where large groups of us could gather (much like the bar in Jacksonville).

3   I do like the organization of the conference; it always feels tight.

4   Needs to have more social opportunities (e.g. happy hour)

5   Not much -- this is about my favorite conference, and I would come every year except that I must do NCTE, and so the time is quite a burden. However, every time this is brought up, nothing happens.

6   No suggestions. The conferences are consistently well-organized and well-worth attending

7   I enjoy attending LRA when it is located in a warm climate. I think Atlanta still will be cold in December or February--the two dates that I heard touted at the Town Hall Meeting.

    More computers in cyber cafe with multiple printers.

    Make the bulletin board where people can post messages to colleagues visible.

8   Continue choosing hotels with free-internet.

    Move the study groups! Very unfair to have those in the AM when on the east coast. Those of us from the west who want to be fairly awake have to be there in the "middle of our night". The conference isn't long enough to switch our bodies to a new timezone.

9   KEEP up the new additions on ELL/CLAD!!! That's what will bring me back!

10   I still would like for the LRA Yearbook to be indexed in Eric searches! Why isn't it?

    as a professor in a smaller research univ LRA could provide more opp for how to be involved - board etc when my program does not have big name mentors to open these doors...have applied for several years to serve with no response....from state rep to committees...do appreciate opp to review for

11   LRA handbook

12   Again, free and fast Internet -- accessible from rooms and from the conference is critical.

13   Making certain the food service can meet demand of conference.

14   Move the conference to January or February as recommended in the town meeting. Plan more social events like we did in LA several years back. It was fun to dance and listen to one of our very own perform for us. Include more international focused presentations and invite more international scholars to present. I LOVED it when Hilary Janks presented and would welcome more globally minded individuals like her.

15   I miss Vital Issues!

    Just a note that I have not enjoyed when conferences were in Orlando. They tend to be in highly traffic areas with very little in walking distance and in shopping mall type areas. I realize it is probably easier to get cheaper hotel rates but is one of my least favorite places to have a conference.

16   Thanks!

17   Having mentoring sessions with leaders in the field or lunch with award winners/ chairs of major committees might help bring new people into the mainstream of LRA.

18   I had a really great first conference! No suggestions at this time.

19   Maybe start a twitter account, that can help participants share and find others with similar interests

    Make more readily available food options--and healthy food options--and coffee/tea--and it would be awesome to not be "gauged" by the prices either.

20   While I realize that it's a conference, I also think that conferences are taken advantage of because they know we are on tight schedules and trying to find

things on the run.

I also love to hit a grocery store while I'm there to pick up snacks for my room--in between times--so, having a grocery near by or a concierge who will know a shuttle/taxi that will take us to one without it being 30 miles away, you know?

Thanks.

21 I think the conference is amazing! I appreciate all the work that the headquarters staff does. Things run so smoothly.

22 Small-group entertainment in the evening(s) would be welcome. Also, Jacksonville had very few nearby restaurants!

23 I was very happy with the conference. Unfortunately, I can only attend when I have had a paper accepted for presentation (i.e. No funding is available, otherwise). You might want to consider accepting more papers, since others probably have the same restriction. At the same time, even though I was presenting in the same session as a literacy superstar, only the people presenting were in attendance. You might consider having all the highly attended sessions scheduled at the same time and not opposite the regular presentations.

24 Overall, I enjoyed it very much! Thank you!

25 This is one of the best organized conferences I attend. Thank you to the LRA staff, board, and area chairs for the excellent job they do preparing this conference.

26 I have been bothered for years at the disparity between our focus on socieconomic inequities and social justice issues and the excessively expensive venues where we meet for the conference. That has to be resolved.

27 The conferences are outstanding as they are! Congratulations!

28 I seemed to miss the big name presenters this year.

29 Promote Vital Issues again in a central location large enough and appealing enough so people will want to go and stay a while.

30 It would be helpful to avoid overlap of committee and ICG meetings.

31 I like the idea of changing the study groups. The thing about the study groups is that for many people they are much more helpful for learning and sharing ideas because they are thematic and can be long term. Is it possible to build time into the schedule where study groups are not a marginal experience at the conference.

What about something like this: starting the conference day at 8:00 for sessions and study groups, and having study groups at different times in the day, but remain consistent across the days--so some study groups would meet from 8-9 every morning of the conference, and others at other times. This way study groups would be an integrated part of the conference (considering their popularity and benefit), not something that had to be squeezed in the early morning or during lunch time. Just a thought.

32 Have a twitter feed, make sure the program is diverse.

33 I know it has nothing to do with the actual conference, but I wonder why it is necessary to cool the meeting rooms down, when the weather is actually comfortable outside, and no cooling where needed?

34 Continue to make spaces and opportunities for non-dominant literacies, including immigrant literacies. Consider conference sites that are not in the (U.S.) South

35 Consider holding the conference at cities with direct flights for people traveling from outside the US. Make it easier and more accessible for international audience.

36 Make sure it is held in better hotels. The place we stayed in Orlando was moldy, this year's rooms were a bit run down, and next year's is in a dreadful location and will be hard to get cabs. Someone needs to be checking with Trip Advisor before making final decisions. And there are many better options than Columbia or Charlotte.

37 They're great. I loved that there were tons of places to sit with one or more people everywhere.

38 Would love a steady supply of readily available and good coffee :-)

39 Plan dinners and activities for evenings for those new to LRA.

40 Hold the conferences at a different time of year, move from a Wednesday-Saturday to a Thursday-Sunday, increase # of policy-related presentations, add a statement that defines what literacy is for this group (so we know if this is really a place for presentations related to financial literacy, health literacy, etc.)

41 I thought things went very well. My appreciation for an excellent conference.

Most of us barely have a chance to leave the hotel, therefore the hotel selection is of prime importance and proximity to good restaurants. Hotel should be

in good condition (JAX was not) and provide nice amenities. I was pleasantly surprised by Ft Worth. It actually had all criteria for a good conference site- new hotel, excellent restaurants within walking distance and a little bit of interesting stuff to do nearby if one wanted to take an hour or two away from the conference. So glad that recently all conferences have been contained within one main hotel...that is important for networking.

Sessions--Is it possible to have a couple papers at a single roundtable for rich discussion?

Wireless Internet.

42 Overall, you're all doing an outstanding job!

43 Have the study groups at staggered times so I can attend more than 1. They are my favorite part.

44 Try to encourage more interaction between conference participants.

45 Add more research methodology sessions, please!

46 Provide internet for conference presenters in session rooms.

47 Put more emphasis on submitting papers to discussants on time and on uploading papers after conference.

48 I am always amazed at how well LRA conferences work. I think you are doing a great job.

49 May I suggest if you are looking at Orlando that you check out Shingle Creek Resort. Florida Reading Association has their annual conference there every fall.

I think sessions should be scheduled so that the same topics are not presented simultaneously. I know this must be difficult.

What happened to the free coffee that used to be offered? That was great!

A hotel with easy access to breakfast that isn't overpriced.

A hotel where the staff are prepared to handle the load of a conference. The Jacksonville hotel had very slow restaurant service at breakfast and lunchtime and made errors on room charges.

50 It would be nice to have some sort of activity where everyone could participate and get to know one another.

51 Have fewer sessions at the same time slot

52 I personally found the conference way too overloaded with qualitative research that focused on socio-cultural issues. It was hard to find rigorous quasi-experimental work or work that focused on cognitive factors of literacy. While I appreciated the effort to bring more diversity to the forefront, and was highly appreciative of having more focus on multilingual issues, I found some of the sessions, including one of the large-room invited addresses off-putting when speakers "put down" research that was focused on cognitive and/or quantitative issues. One of the invited speakers repeatedly did so in his presentation--e.g., "ANOVAs don't help us to know much of anything." If the theme was widening the circle, I would expect greater respect for all kinds of research. I also found the audience in some of the paper presentations to be less than careful about how they asked questions, which at time felt rude and more like declarations than questions.

53 This year many presentations on the same topic were happening at the same time. If you want to hear about a specific topic you need to choose between those presentations. You should spread out topics throughout the different days so if you are interested in learning about a specific area you have as many opportunities as possible to attend presentations

54 I really enjoyed LRA, learned a lot, and met some great people. The study groups really appealed to me, but the very early hours did not. I made it to one study group, but would likely have attended more if the hours were different. But, I realize that the conference is only so long and it is difficult to fit everything in.

55 I would like to see the study groups moved to the noon hour -- I really enjoyed them this year, but 7.30 is pretty difficult to maintain, especially over several days!

I would like to see the conference moved to a city that has better and close-by options for food and socializing than just the hotel. I didn't really feel like there was much within walking distance in jacksonville, so I sort of felt trapped in the hotel and jacksonville landing, both of which ended up being quite crowded.

increase diversity

volunteer opportunities for students

56 session for students to learn about job openings

57 Chris Roper is amazing. He is a vital part of the organization and should be recognized/honored in the future.

58 reduce the number of Symposia because they are usually put together by researchers who work in the same project, which they break into smaller

presentations instead of one in-depth paper presentation. It seems to me that submitting a symposium proposal is not as difficult as submitting a research paper proposal and that reviewers find it easier to accept a symposium than a paper because the symposium criteria are not as rigorous. The outcome, however, is symposia presentations of low quality.

59 Sometime similar content sessions take place at the same time. Spread out a little widely so that we can take advantage of other thematically similar sessions as well.

60 More presenters with valid and useful data.

61 Free food/snacks. Filtered water available (instead of chilled tap water) throughout the conference venue.

62 Insist that discussants receive full papers prior to the session. Receiving just a powerpoint or short precis is not sufficient to make thoughtful and constructive comments at the end of the session.

63 I recommend a program area specifically related to writing.

64 1. Get rid of the study groups. They are a waste of time with no follow through.
2. Make the selection of committee membership more transparent. LRA is extremely clubby in this regard, which is not healthy for any organization.

65 Expense is a factor. Faculty receive less support, yet conferences become more and more costly. This needs to be factored in to final decisions.

66 I like having the conferences in smaller cities--it's usually cheaper (as far as hotels and restaurants) and it is nice to experience the charms of cities that aren't the usual huge places that AERA goes to. I'm not tied to warm places as others seem to be. I think Pittsburgh would be a great place for a conference, as would the Boston area or Baltimore.
I'd also like to have a few more exhibitors if possible. I like to look at potential textbooks I could use for the classes I teach, so having other publishers there would be helpful (e.g., Stenhouse, Corwin Press, Scholastic, Heinemann, etc.).

67 Internet access in the presentation rooms.

68 It would be good to have more opportunities for funding for graduate students to attend the conference.

69 hard copies of presentations

70 More food options (e.g., vegetarian) available for on-site lunch.

71 The only thing I can think of is to perhaps have more places for small groups to meet informally.

72 I really liked having everything in one building (I did not like the conference in Alb., NM!) and very much appreciated the internet access. I was told that much food was leftover from the graduate student/newcomer lunch--too bad that food could not have been offered to other members/attendees.

73 The location of the hotel in Jacksonville, to a lesser extent, Fort Worth, and Albuquerque left a lot to be desired.
The less then desirable location, I realize, is one of the reasons the room prices are more affordable but I'd rather spend an extra $30-40 a night and be somewhere convenient.