# Colorado's ERP Program: Self-certification For SQGs And Dry Cleaners

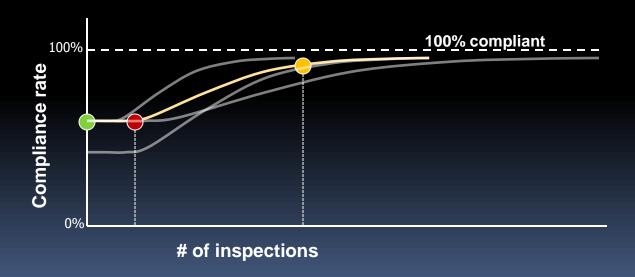
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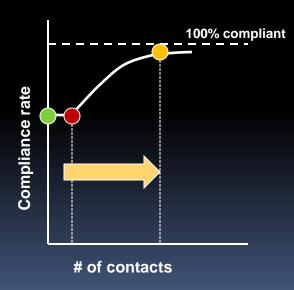
# Improving Compliance Rates

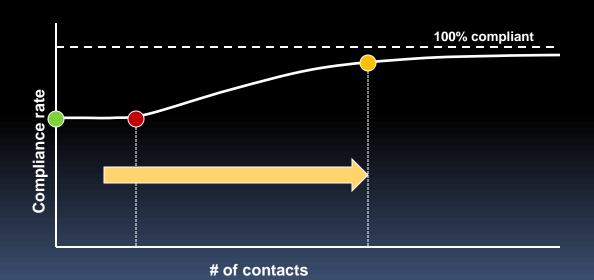
- Traditional Method
  - Compliance rate = fn (inspection frequency)
    - as desired compliance rate 1, # of inspections must 1



## Improving Compliance Rates

- Traditional Method
  - Effects of group size
    - As group size 1, # of contacts must 1 to get same compliance rate





**Small Group** 

**Large Group** 

## The Odd Couple



#### Oscar & Felix

#### <u> Large Quantity Generators (LQGs)</u>



- 115 in Colorado
- Generate ~75,000 tons of hw/yr
  - Without top 5 LQGs, generate ~10,000 tons/yr
- ~Larger companies
  - More sophisticated compliance programs
  - More stable env. staff
- ~40 inspections/yr
  - ~35%/yr
  - 100% in 3 yrs
- ~1 FTE
- Measurable increases in compliance rates

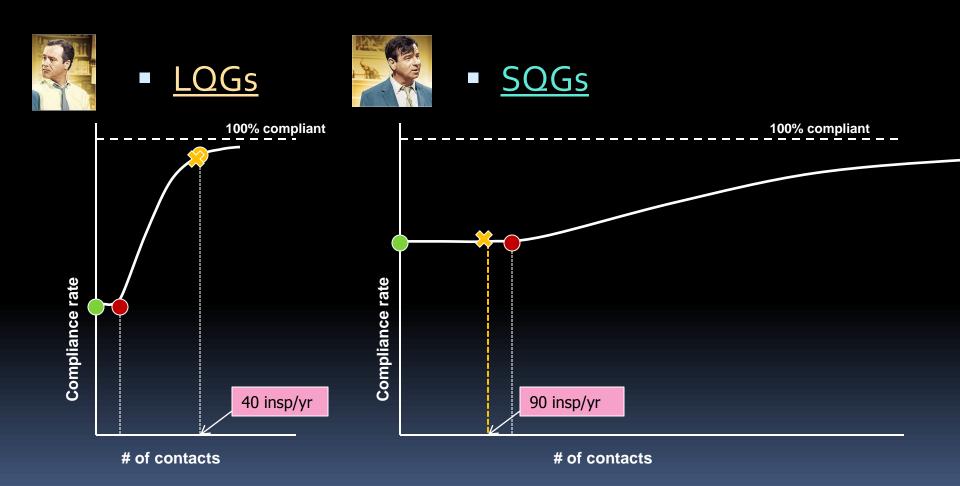
#### Small Quantity Generators (SQGs)



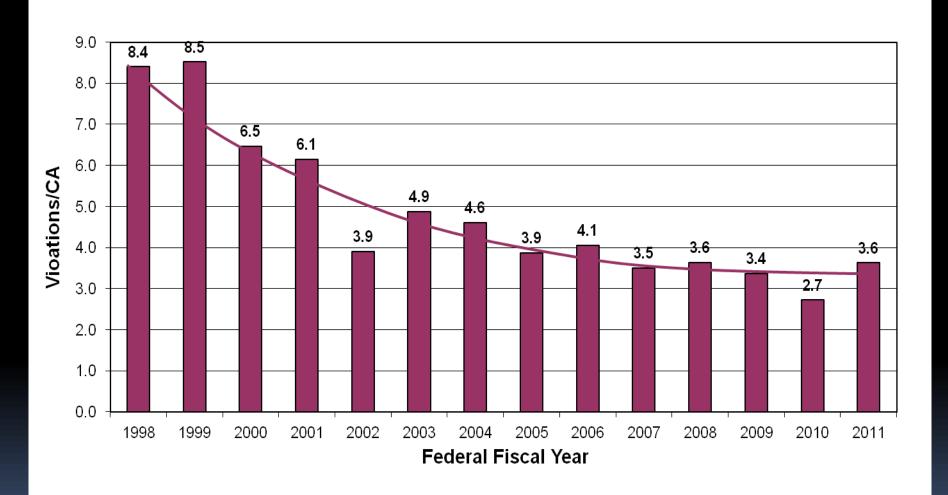
- ~650 in Colorado
- Generate ~8,000 tons of hw/yr
  - ~80% of LQG generation without considering top 5 LQGs
- ~Smaller companies
  - Almost no sophistication in compliance programs
  - High env. staff turnover
- ~90 inspections/yr
  - ~15%/yr
  - 100% in 7 yrs
- ~2 FTE
- No measurable increases in compliance rates

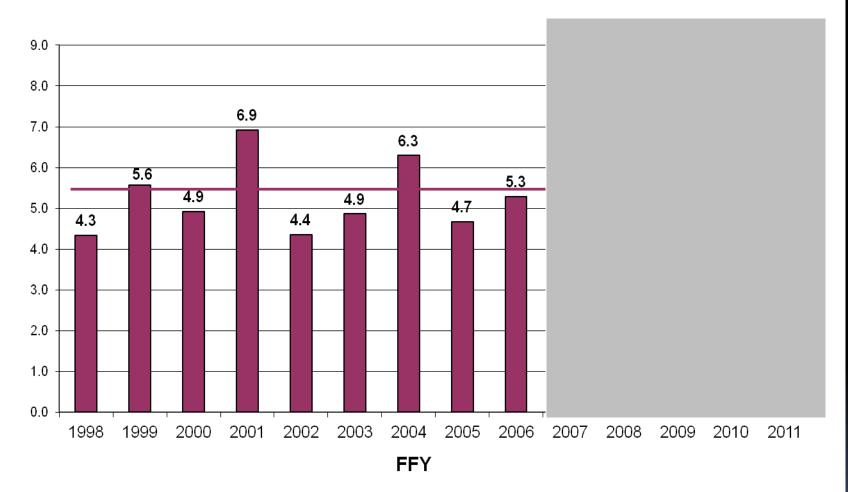
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#### **LQGs - # of Violations Per Compliance Advisory**





## There had to be a Better Way

- To <u>increase</u> SQG compliance rates, we needed to:
  - Increase inspection rate
  - Increase regulatory sophistication in SQG universe
    - Awareness of regulatory requirements
    - Awareness of non-compliance consequences
    - High relative importance of compliance in larger realm of what small businessmen must do
    - Awareness of cost/benefit of compliance and "beyond compliance"
  - Compensate for high staff turn-over at SQGs
- .... Without increasing our resources (much)

## **Options**





Self-Certification

We tried this, measured this, and it failed miserably

We have been doing this - popular w/ business, but no measured compliance rate improvement

## Self-Certification

- Compliance checklist sent to every sector member each year
  - w/ Instruction booklet/guidance document
- Each facility <u>required</u> to complete checklist and submit (2007 – regulatory requirement)
  - Electronically or hard-copy
- HW inspectors choose statistically significant # of random facilities to inspect using the <u>same</u> checklist
- Results compared and evaluated

# Self-Certification

#### § 262.43 Additional reporting.

- (a) The Department, as deemed necessary, may require generators to furnish additional reports concerning:
  - (1) compliance with the regulatory requirements of 6 CCR 1007-3; and
  - (2) the quantities and disposition of wastes identified or listed in Part 261.
- (b) (1) Any generator of hazardous waste who receives a Self-Certification Checklist from the Department shall complete and return the checklist within the time specified in the instructions provided by the Department.
  - (2) The Department shall provide generators a reasonable amount of time to complete and return a checklist. At a minimum, the generator shall have 14 days from the date of receipt to return the checklist. A checklist is deemed returned on the date it is received by the Department. The Department may provide an extension of time to complete and return a checklist upon request.
  - (3) The self-certification checklist shall contain a certification in substantially the following form, which must be signed by an authorized representative of the generator:
    - "I, the undersigned facility representative, certify that:
      - i. I have personally examined and am familiar with the information contained in this submittal;
      - ii. the information contained in this submittal is to the best of my knowledge, true, accurate, and complete in all respects; and
      - iii. I am fully authorized to make this certification on behalf of this facility.

I am aware that there are significant penalties including, but not limited to, possible fines and imprisonment for willfully submitting false, inaccurate, or incomplete information."

#### Checklist:

#### SMALL QUANTITY GENERATOR (SQG) 2009 HAZARDOUS WASTE COMPLIANCE SELF-CERTIFICATION CHECKLIST

5.	If you answered "NO" to any of the questions listed in Section C, please indicate and explain how and by what date you plan to return to compliance.	the item (	for examp	ole C.2.)
D.	Hazardous Waste Container Management For more information, go to the Guidance Document Link to Section D	YES	NO	N/A
1.	Are all containers used to store hazardous waste labeled with the words "Hazardous Waste"?	0	0	0
2.	Are all hazardous waste containers, except satellite accumulation containers, marked with the date when the first drop of hazardous waste is added to the container?	0	0	0
3.	Are all containers used to store hazardous waste in good condition (not rusted, dented, bulging or leaking)?	0	0	0
4.	Are all containers used to store hazardous waste kept closed except when adding or removing waste?	0	0	0
5.	Do you inspect weekly, and correct any issues noted, all containers that are used to store hazardous waste and look for: containers in poor condition, leaking containers, compatibility of wastes, hazardous waste labels, accumulation start dates, and ensure that the containers are closed?	0	0	0
б.	Are incompatible wastes segregated from each other? For example, are acids and bases stored separately?	0	0	0
7.	Are containers shipped to an appropriate treatment, storage, and disposal facility (TSD) within 180 days (or 270 days if the TSD is more than 200 miles away)?	0	0	0
8.	If you answered "NO" to any of the questions listed in Section D, please indicate and explain how and by what date you plan to return to compliance.	the item (i	or examp	le D.2.)
E.	Off-Site Shipment of Hazardous Waste For more information, go to the Guidance Document Link to Section E	YES	NO	N/A
1.	Are off-site shipments of hazardous wastes that are not covered by a reclamation agreement accompanied by a hazardous waste manifest?	0	0	0
2.	Are all hazardous waste manifests completed accurately?	0	0	0

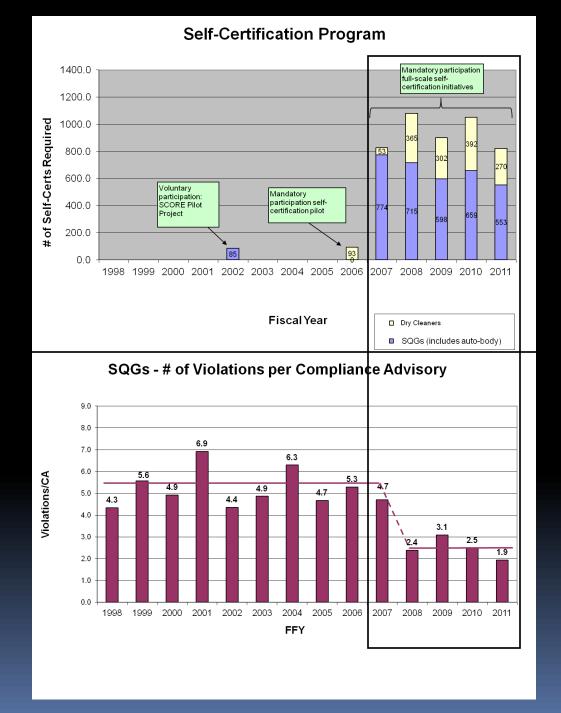
#### <u>Data</u> <u>Pairs:</u>

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Anheuser-Busch Inc,	Yes		Yes		Yes		Yes		Yes	
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ARCHITECTURAL DOORS & WINDOWS LLC	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	N/A	N/A	Yes	Yes
Arthur's Auto Collision & Paint, Inc.	Yes		Yes		Yes		N/A		Yes	
ARVADA SQUARE AUTO	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Ashland Distribution	Yes		Yes		Yes		Yes		Yes	
Aspen Technologies	Yes		Yes		Yes		Yes		Yes	
Aurora Public Schools	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Auto Truck Service	Yes		Yes		Yes		N/A		N/A	
Autocrafters of Colorado	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes <	Yes	No
AVX Corp.	Yes		Yes		Yes		Yes		Yes	
Bach Composite Colorado Inc.	Yes		Yes		Yes		Yes		Yes	
BAE Systems	Yes	Yes <	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Barber-Nichols Inc	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes

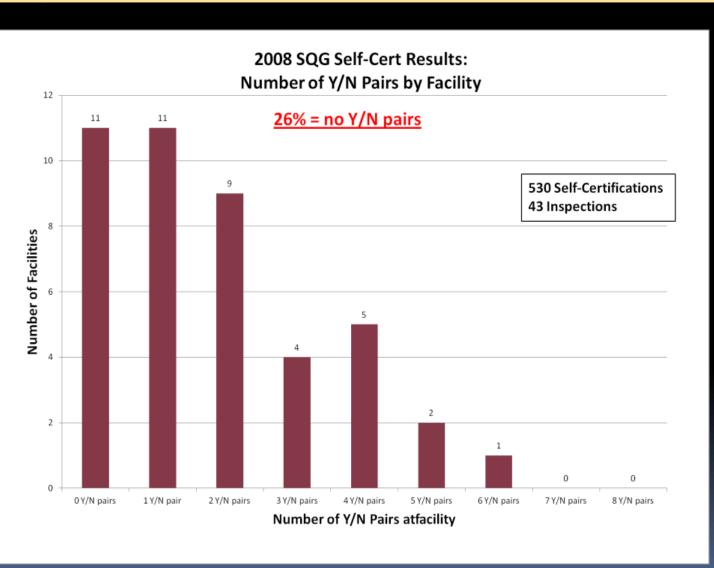
Possible data pairs:									
	Facility answer	Inspector answer		# in 2008					
	Yes	Yes	GOOD!	997					
	Yes	No	BAD!	77					
	Yes	NA	ok, but						
	No	Yes	ok, but						
	No	No	bad, and						
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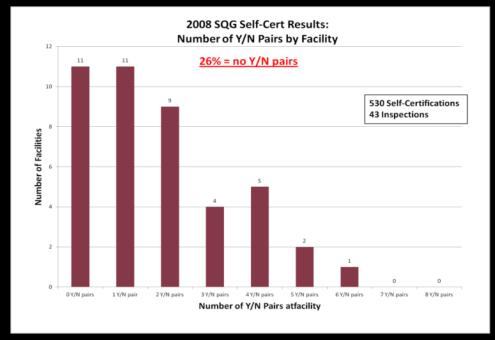
# History of Self-Certification





#### Compliance Rate Across SQG Sector

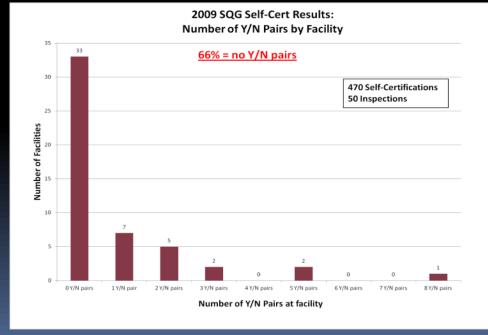




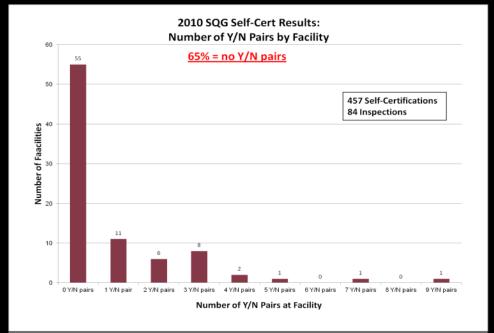
# Compliance Rate by Group (SQGs):

SQG compliance rate =  $\frac{26\%}{}$ 

2009

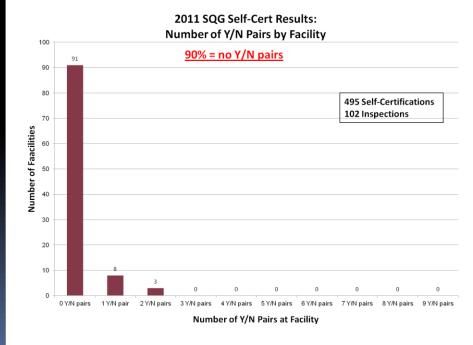


SQG compliance rate = 66%



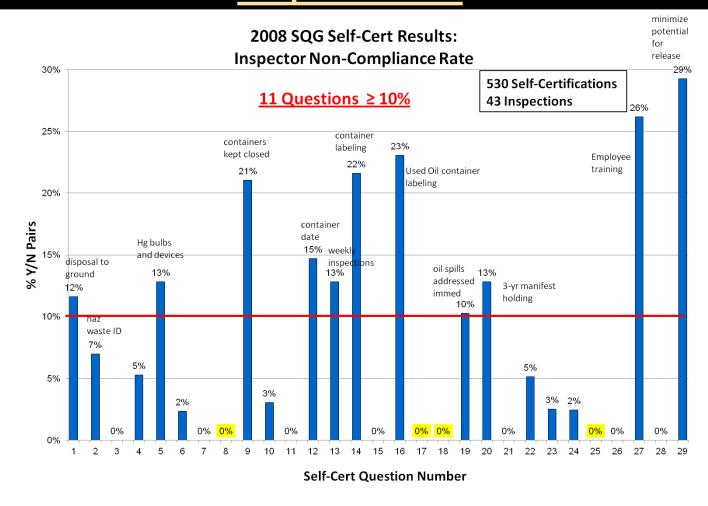
SQG compliance rate = 65%

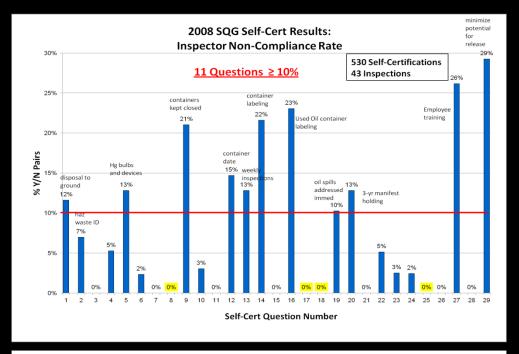
2011

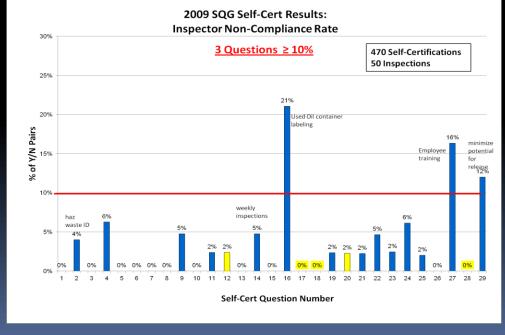


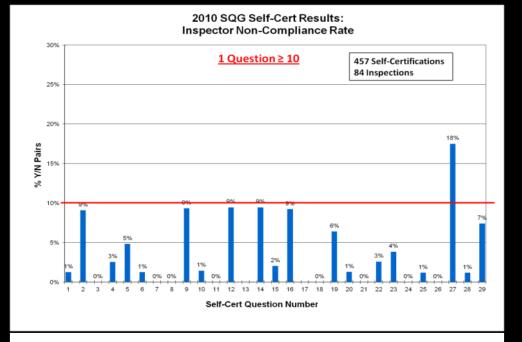
SQG compliance rate = 90%

# SQG Compliance Rate by Regulatory Requirement







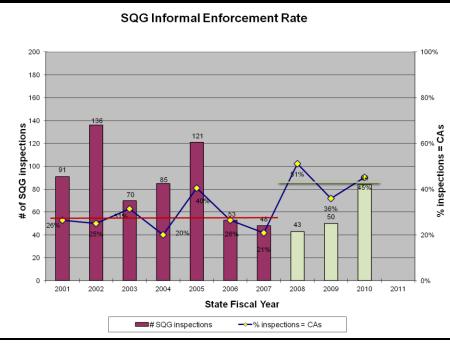


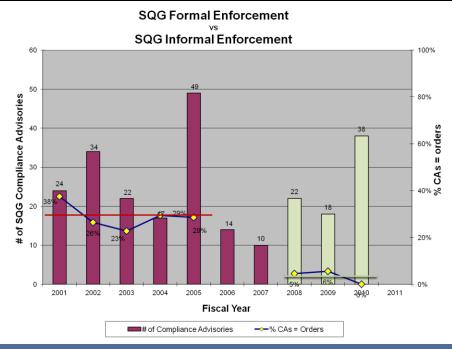


#### **SQG Informal Enforcement Rate** 200 100% 180 160 80% # of SQG inspections = CAs 121 % inspections 20% 20 0% 2001 2002 2003 2004 2005 2006 2007 2008 2009 2010 2011 State Fiscal Year # SQG inspections →- % inspections = CAs

### Effects on SQG Enforcement

Increase in Compliance Advisories





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Increase in Compliance Advisories

Big Decrease in Compliance Orders

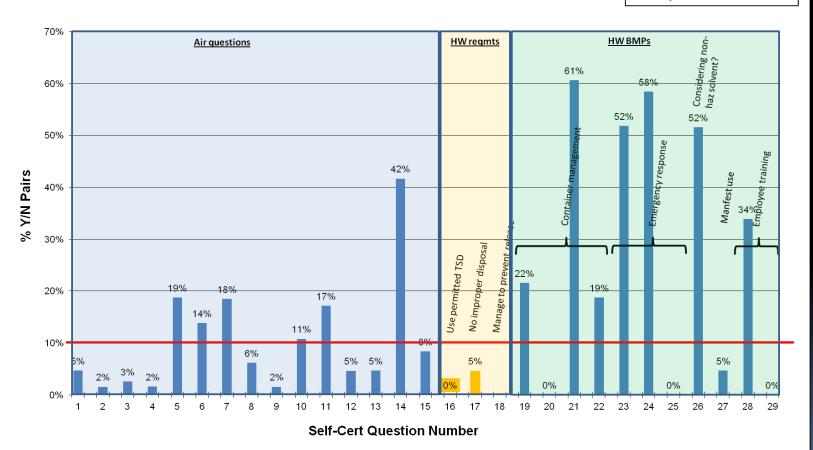
## Dry Cleaners

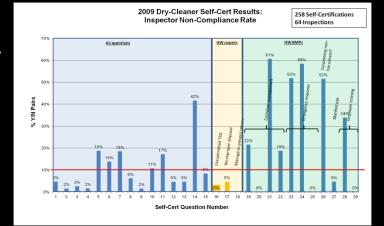
- Includes <u>ALL</u> Dry Cleaners SQGs and CESQGs
- All SQG Dry Cleaners have been subtracted from the SQG data

# Dry Cleaner Compliance Rate by Regulatory Requirement

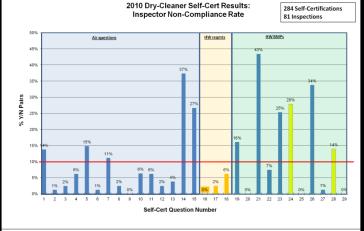
2009 Dry-Cleaner Self-Cert Results: Inspector Non-Compliance Rate

258 Self-Certifications 64 Inspections

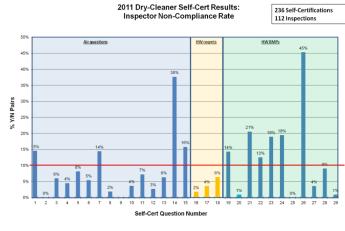




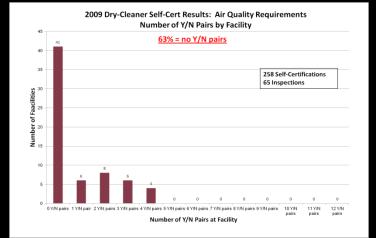
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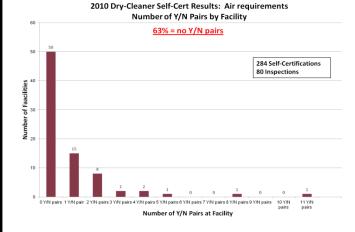
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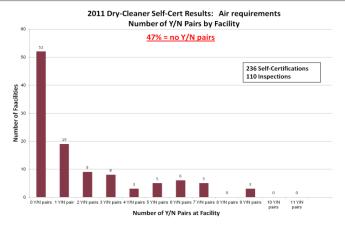
#### <u>Compliance Rate by</u> <u>Requirement (Dry Cleaners):</u>



2010



2011

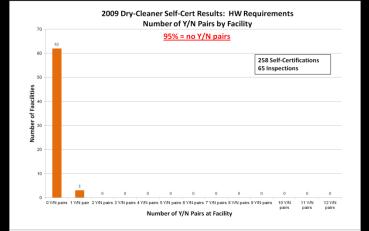


# Compliance Rate by Group (Dry Cleaners – Air Requirements):

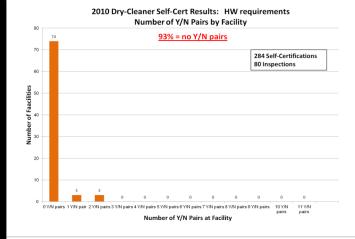
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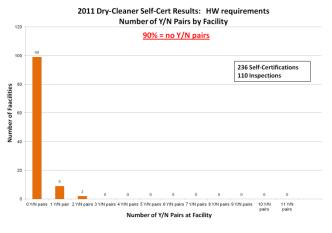
DC compliance rate =  $\frac{47\%}{}$ 



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<u> 2011</u>



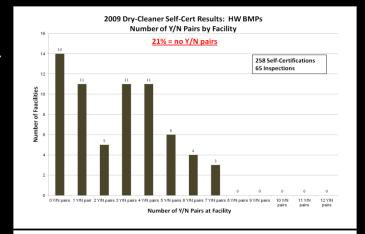
# Compliance Rate by Group (Dry Cleaners – HW Requirements):

DC compliance rate = 95%

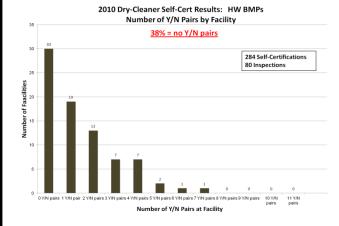
DC compliance rate = 93%

DC compliance rate = 90%

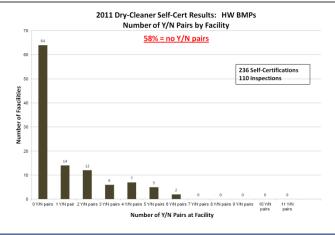
<u> 2009</u>



2010



<u> 2011</u>



# <u>Compliance Rate by Group (Dry Cleaners – HW BMPs):</u>

DC "compliance rate" = 21%

DC "compliance rate" = 38%

DC "compliance rate" = 58%

# Self-Certification

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  - Increase inspection rate (from 15% to 100%/yr)
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# THE END!