

# Assessment of Innovation & Culture at the Dept. of Commerce - Fiscal Year 2023

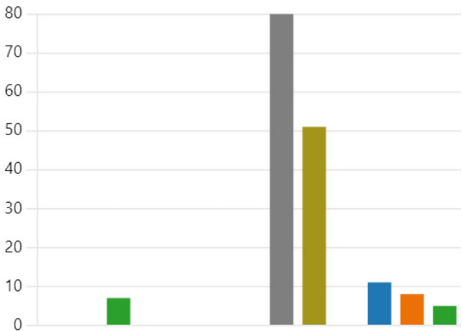
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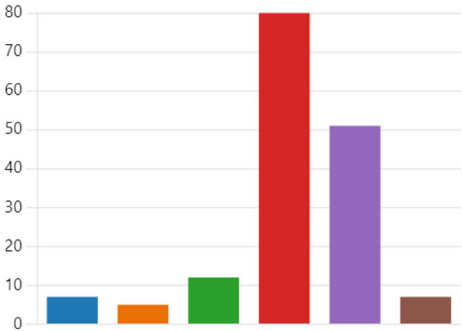
## 1. Please identify your DOC Bureau/Component

<div></div> Bureau of Economic Analysis (B...	0
<div></div> Bureau of Industry and Security ...	0
<div></div> U.S. Census Bureau	7
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<div></div> National Institute of Standards a...	80
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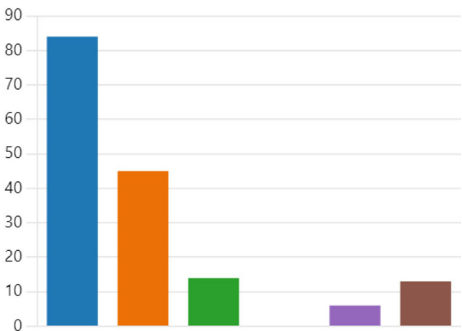
## 2. Please identify your cognizant contracting organization

<div></div> U.S. Census Bureau	7
<div></div> Enterprise Services – Acquisition...	5
<div></div> FirstNet Authority	12
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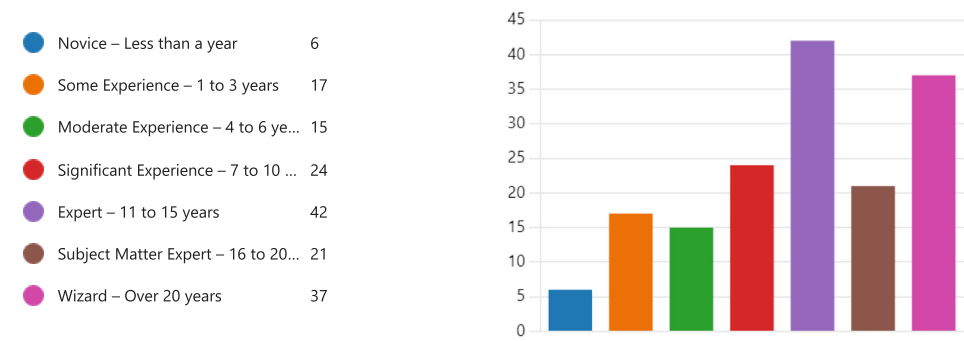


## 3. Please select your acquisition career field.

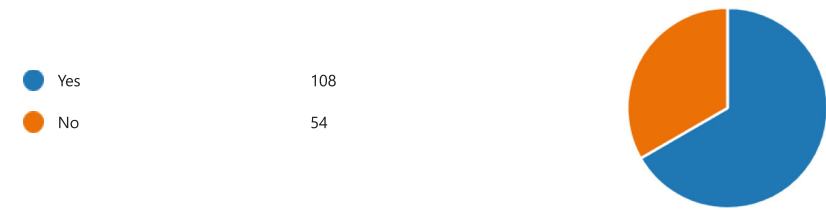
<div></div> Contract Specialist/Contracting ...	84
<div></div> Contracting Officer Representati...	45
<div></div> Program/Project Management	14
<div></div> Procurement Attorney	0
<div></div> Policy/Oversight	6
<div></div> Other	13



4. How many years of experience do you have in your career field?



5. Do you have a Federal Acquisition Certification in Contracting (FAC-C) (Professional)?



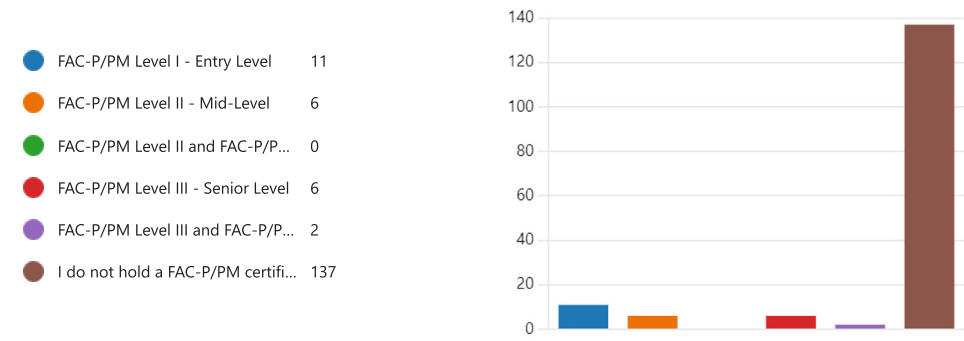
6. Do you have a Contracting Officer Warrant?



7. Do you have a Federal Acquisition Certification for Contracting Officer’s Representative (FAC-COR)

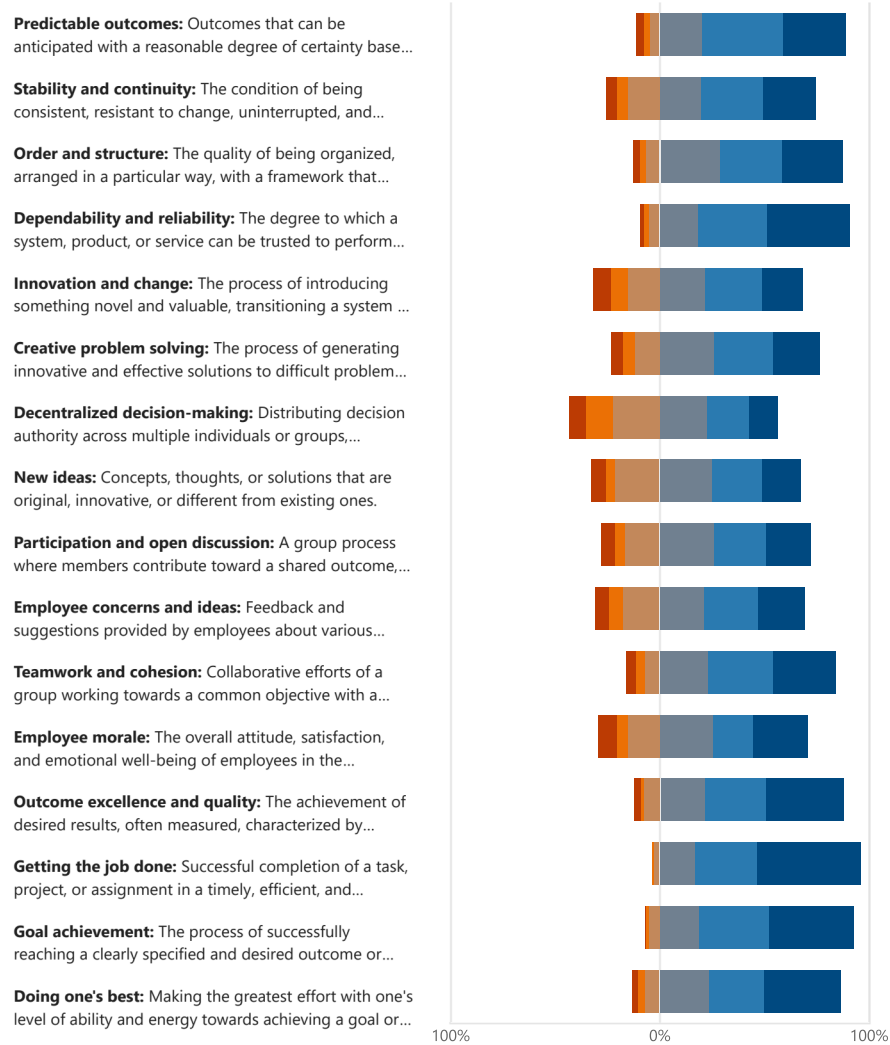


8. Do you have a Federal Acquisition Certification for Program and Project Managers (FAC-P/PM)



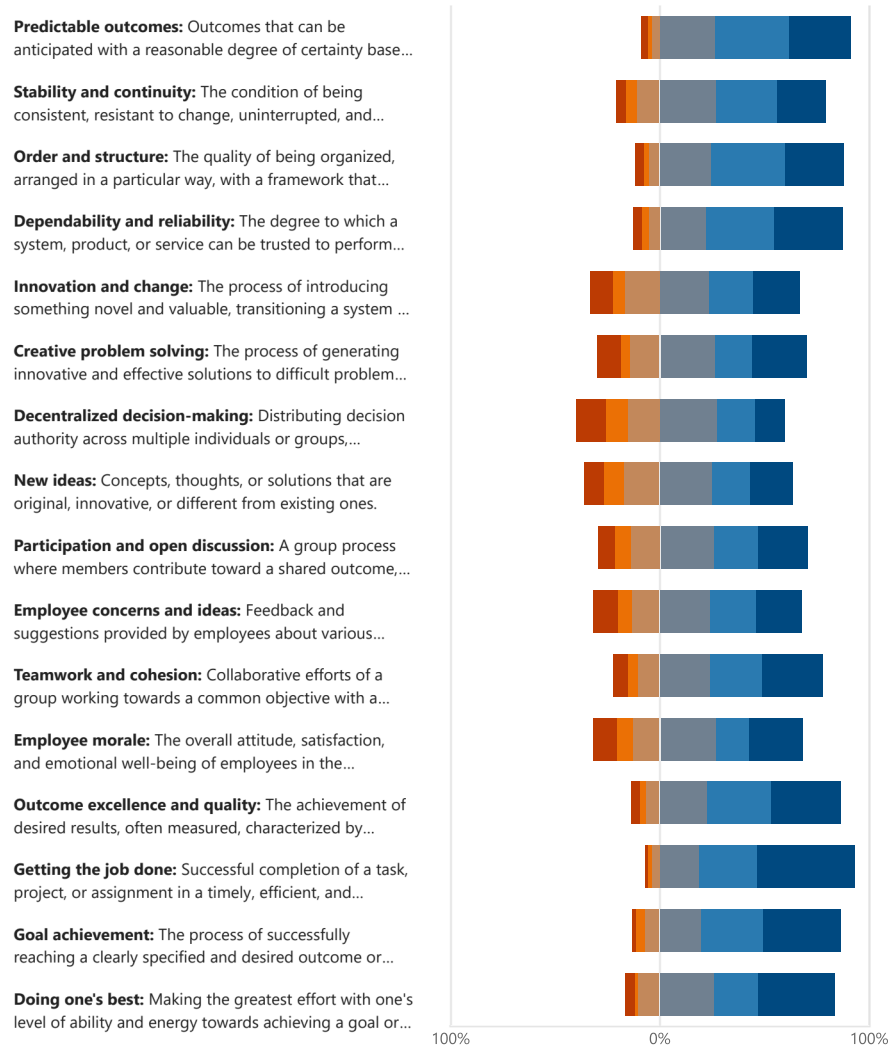
9. Please rate the degree to which the below organizational traits are valued (prioritized) in YOUR OVERALL BUREAU/COMPONENT.

■ Much less valued   ■ Somewhat less valued   ■ Slightly less valued   ■ Slightly more valued   ■ Somewhat more valued  
■ Much more valued



10. Please rate the degree to which the below organizational traits are valued (prioritized) in the CONTRACTING ORGANIZATION supporting your Bureau/Component.

Much less valued
 Somewhat less valued
 Slightly less valued
 Slightly more valued
 Somewhat more valued
 Much more valued

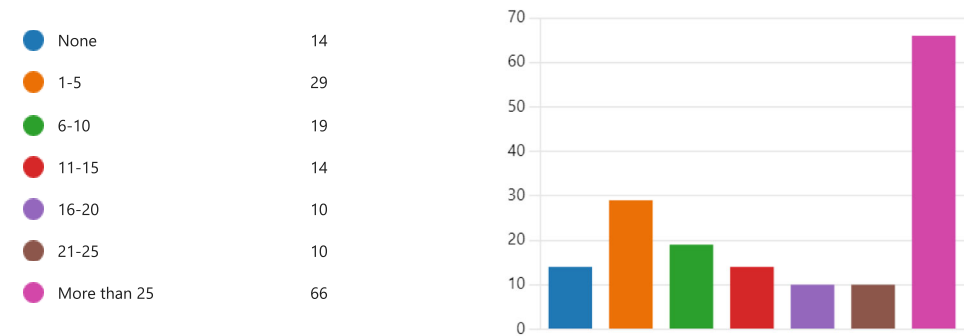


11. Please add any additional comments about the values/priorities of your contracting organization and/or your Bureau/Component. Please specify the value to which you are referring.

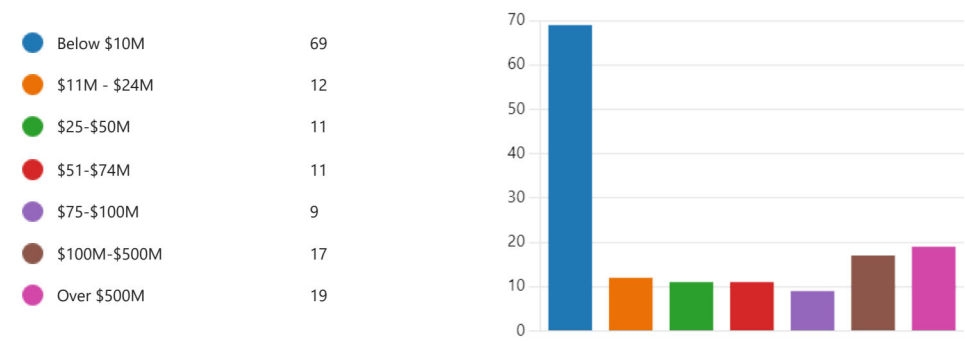
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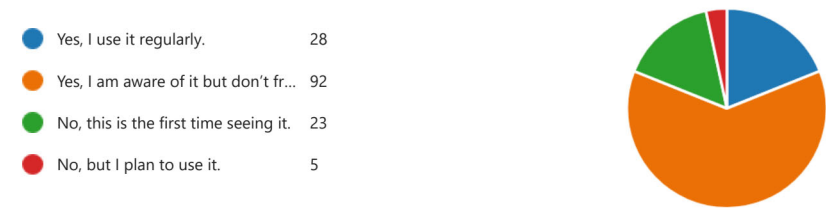
12. Please specify the approximate number of procurements you were responsible for, or supported, within the past year. (If you select None, then press the Next button at the bottom of the page to advance you to the final page of the assessment).



13. What is the dollar value of the largest procurement you supported in the past year?



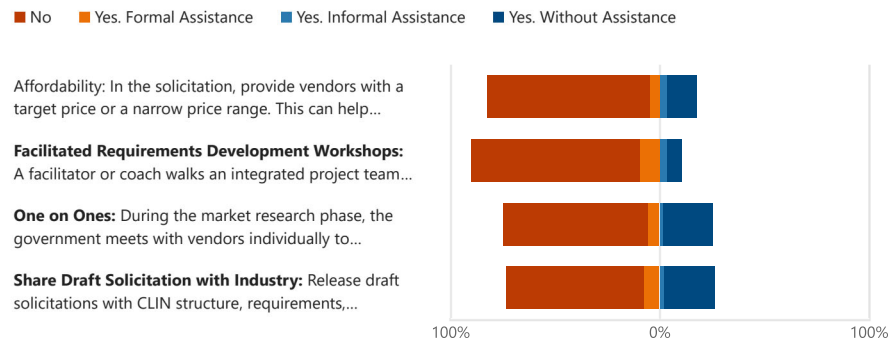
14. Are you familiar with the techniques found in the Periodic Table of Acquisition Innovations at <https://acquisitiongateway.gov/periodic-table>? The website was recently updated, so it may look different than it did in prior fiscal years.



15. If you implemented, or were part of an acquisition team that implemented, any of the innovative procurement techniques found on the Periodic Table of Acquisition Innovations for **Market Research**, then please indicate all levels of assistance from The Lab utilized for each technique.

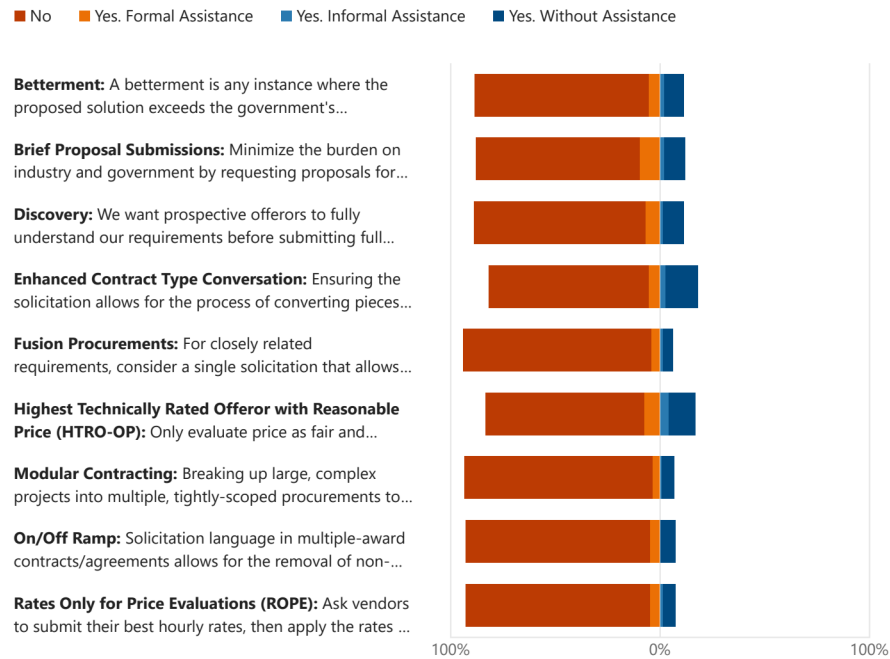
- **Formal assistance** means you had a formal coaching arrangement with The Lab.
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\*If you did not use the technique in FY23 in any way, then please select only the NO option.\*



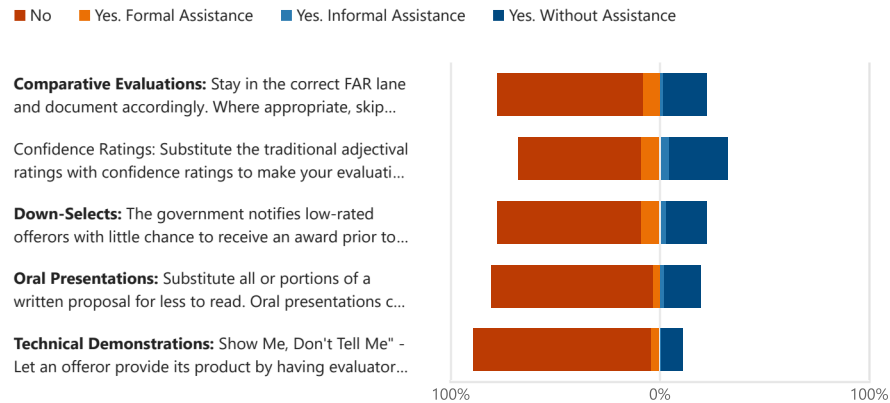
16. If you implemented, or were part of an acquisition team that implemented, any of the innovative procurement techniques found on the Periodic Table of Acquisition Innovations for **Solicitation**, then please indicate all levels of assistance from The Lab utilized for each technique.
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17. If you implemented, or were part of an acquisition team that implemented, any of the innovative procurement techniques found on the Periodic Table of Acquisition Innovations for **Evaluation**, then please indicate all levels of assistance from The Lab utilized for each technique.
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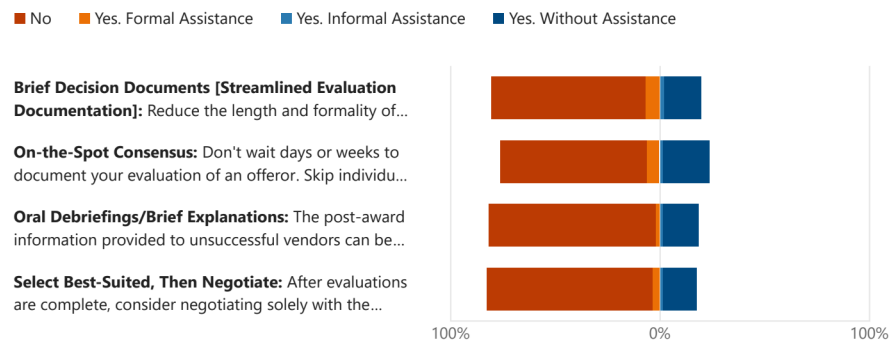
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18. If you implemented, or were part of an acquisition team that implemented, any of the innovative procurement techniques found on the Periodic Table of Acquisition Innovations for **Award** then please indicate all levels of assistance from The Lab utilized for each technique.

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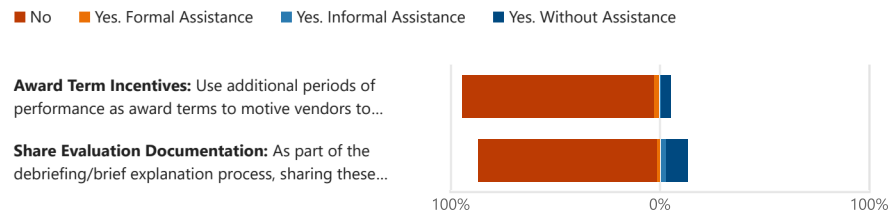
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19. If you implemented, or were part of an acquisition team that implemented, any of the innovative procurement techniques found on the Periodic Table of Acquisition Innovations for **Post-Award**, then please indicate all levels of assistance from The Lab utilized for each technique.

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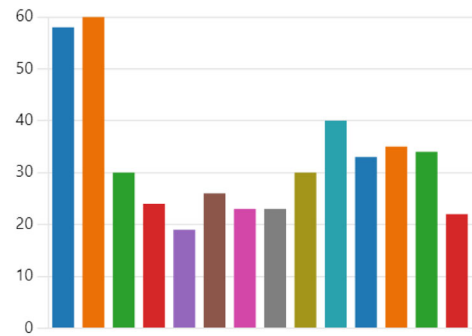


20. Please provide any feedback you may have experienced implementing any of the above innovative procurement techniques in the text field below. Please specify one, or multiple, techniques to which you are referring.

21. The same ideas that fueled innovation in acquisition is important to the function of program/project management. Please share your techniques, process improvements, best practices, or anything you have found to streamline or better the function of program management within the acquisition lifecycle.

22. Please identify barriers you have encountered when trying to use innovative acquisition techniques. (Select all that apply)

Lack of training on how to apply...	58
Lack of understanding of the te...	60
Leadership resistance	30
Lack of an executive champion	24
Lack of support from legal	19
Lack of support from program o...	26
Lack of support from procurem...	23
Requires additional approvals	23
Takes more time	30
Fear of change	40
Fear of failure	33
Fear of protest	35
None	34
Other	22



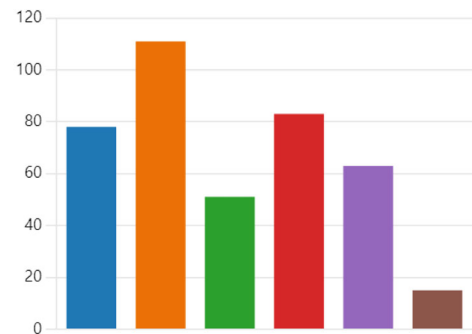
23. Elaborate on your response above as needed. If you are leaving a response in the text field below, please refer to the **barrier** you selected.

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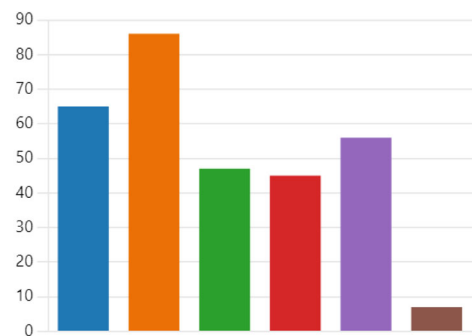
24. I would like to see more of the following from The Lab to help increase my knowledge and awareness of innovative acquisition and program management techniques. (Select all that apply)

Guidebooks	78
Templates	111
Events	51
Webinars	83
Video Micro-Trainings or Podca...	63
Other	15



25. How would you like to hear about innovation updates, training, and other available resources from The Lab? (Select all that apply)

Newsletter	65
Email Blasts	86
Website	47
Bureau Innovation Advocate	45
Presentation	56
Other	7



26. Each Bureau/Component within the Department is supported by a Contracting Organization (covered in question #2). Thus, all Bureaus/Components are represented in the Department's Innovation Council by one or more Bureau Innovation Advocates (BIAs). Do you know your BIA? Answer below prior to finding the answer in this link: <https://www.commerce.gov/oam/lab/about-the-lab> (scroll to the bottom of the link).

Yes, I have reached out to them!	40
Yes, but I have not interacted wi...	36
No, but I am excited to connect!	52
No, this information is not relev...	34



27. The Lab has a website, built to provide guidance and resources to a public facing audience: <https://www.commerce.gov/oam/lab/>. This website is undergoing a redesign to provide more resources and support to its stakeholders, but prior to seeing this link here, were you aware of the website as a resource?

\*Use the "other" option to provide recommendations on what resources you would like on the website.\*

<div></div> Yes, I was aware.	78
<div></div> Yes, and I visit it frequently.	7
<div></div> No, but I am glad I now know!	56
<div></div> No, this information is not relev...	18
<div></div> Other	3

