2013 American **Homebrewers** Association **Industry Workshop** 







## Agenda

- 1:00 Introduction
- 1:15 Shop Survey Results
- 2:00 Retailing Like A Retailer
- 3:00 Break
- 3:15 Retailer Panel
- 4:00 Wholesaler/Supplier Panel
- 5:00 7:00 Social Hour at the Field House

#### Antitrust Guidelines for Meetings

We cannot discuss any of the following topics:

- Prices, pricing procedures, margins, what constitutes a fair profit level, changes in or stabilization of prices, terms or conditions of sale.
- Pricing practices of any industry member.
- Forecasts of price increases or decreases.
- Specific credit terms, discounts, rebates, freight allowances, profits, profit margins or costs, market shares, allocation of markets, any limitation on sales, sales territories or distribution practices.
- Selection, rejection, boycott, refusal to deal with, or termination of any suppliers or customers.

#### AHA Governing Committee Industry Subcommittee

Chair: Jake Keeler, AHA GC Chair **Reed Antis**, Saratoga Zymurgist John Blichmann, Blichmann Engineering Juno Choi, BSG HandCraft Justin Crossley, AHA GC, The Brewing Network Michael Dawson, Wyeast Chris Farley, Northern Brewer

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#### What is the Industry Sub-Committee?

#### **Committee's function**

The Industry Subcommittee was formed during the National Homebrewers Conference of 2010.

The committee's primary goals are to foster better communication between the AHA and industry entities, as well as provide resources, assistance, and guidance to the AHA based on concerns brought forward by said members of the homebrewing industry.

## 2012/2013 Activities

- 1. Expanded programming for the Industry Workshop (formally called Retailers Roundtable) and increased attendance.
- 2. Review and develop questions for the annual industry survey
- 3. Exploring the idea of creating an industry trade organization of some kind perhaps through the AHA.



#### 2013 AHA Homebrew Supply Shop Survey

#### **Overview**

#### 275 Responses, a 32% increase from 2012

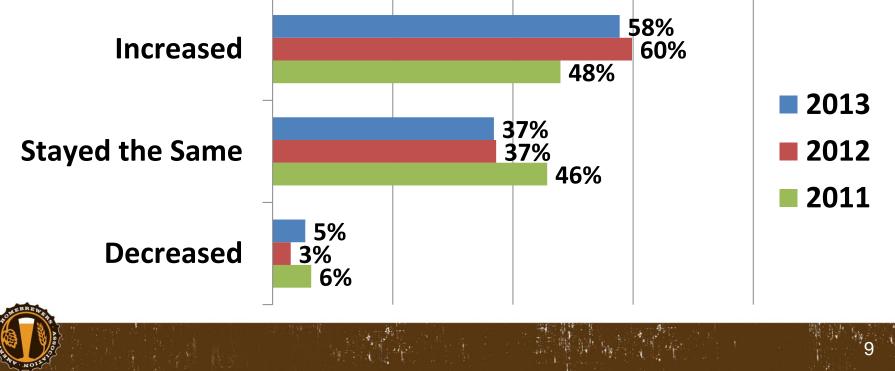
### Shops from 47 states participated

#### Years in Business

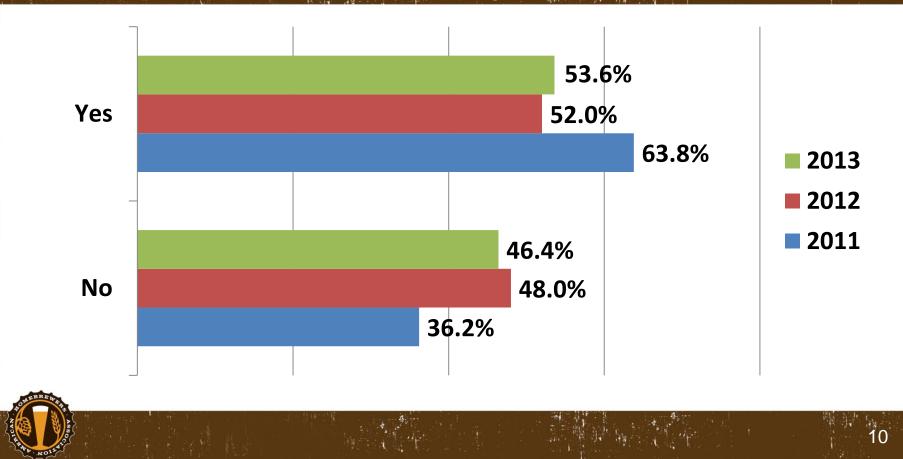
- Average: 10 years
- Median: 5 years
- 43% open ≤ 3 years (34% in 2012 survey)
- 7% open ≤ 1 year (11% in 2012 survey)

## Number of Shops In Area

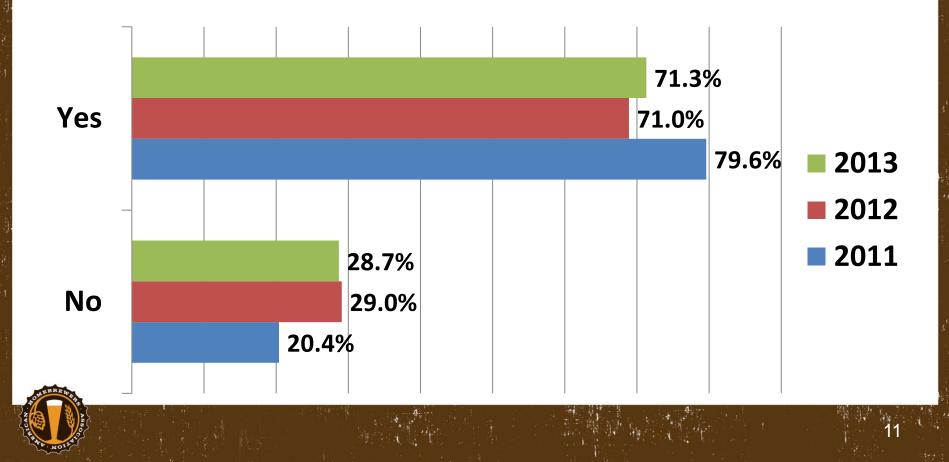
How has the number of home beer and wine retailers in your area changed over the last year?



## Is the shop the primary source of income for the proprietor?



#### Is selling home beverage making supplies the primary source of income for the shop?



## Revenue 2012 & 2011

#### **All Shops**

Gross Revenue						
	2012 2011 2012 % Change 2011 % Char					
Average	\$1,213,444	\$961,692	26.2%	20.1%		
<b>Median</b> \$265,000		\$245,000	-	-		
		Net Revenue				
	2012 2011 2012 % Change 2011 % Chan					
Average	\$118,643	\$101,993	16.3%	20.7%		
Median	\$60,000	\$52,000	-	-		

Average Net Revenue is 9.8% of Average Gross Revenue



## Shops selling home beverage making supplies as the primary source of income

	Gross Revenue				
2012 2011 2012 % Change 2011 % Chan					
Average	\$1,343,478	\$1,043,999	28.7%	23.9%	
Median	\$250,000	\$225,000	-	-	

Net Revenue				
2012 2011 2012 % Change 2011 % Chang				
Average	\$120,954	\$103,228	17.2%	25.0%
Median \$51,000 \$45,000				

Average Net Revenue is 9.0% of Average Gross Revenue



Primarily home beer & wine, not those with 70+% sales online

Gross Revenue				
2012 2011 2012 % Change 2011 % Chai				
Average	\$476,048	\$390,402	21.9%	19.30%
Median \$220,000 \$192,000		\$192,000	-	-

Net Revenue				
2012 2011 2012 % Change 2011 % Cha				
Average	\$58,361	\$47,969	21.7%	17.6%
Median	\$35,000	\$38,000	-	-

Average Net Revenue is 12.3% of Average Gross Revenue

Primarily home beer & wine, not those with 70+% sales online, in business 5+ years

		Gross Revenue	е			
2012 2011 2012 % Change 2011 % Cha						
Average	\$576,600	\$472,868	21.9%	18.35%		
Median	\$250,000	\$250,000	-	-		
		Net Revenue				
	2012 2011 2012 % Change 2011 % Change					
Average	\$68,507	\$57,394	19.4%	15.5%		
Median	\$51,000	\$47,500	-	-		

Average Net Revenue is 11.9% of Average Gross Revenue

#### NOT primarily selling home beverage supplies

	Gr	oss Revenue		
	2012	2011	2012 % Change	
Average	\$720,879	\$682,636	5.6%	
<b>Median</b> \$302,000		\$280,000	-	
	Ν	et Revenue		
	2012	2011	2012 % Change	
Average	\$93,373	\$90,207	3.5%	
Median	\$73,088	\$56,509	-	

- On average, home beverage supplies made up 22% of total sales for this group of retailers
  - Average Net Revenue is 13.0% of Average Gross Revenue

### Analysis of Gross Revenue

#### 57% ≥ 10% growth in 2012 (65% in 2011)

#### 40% ≥ 20% growth in 2012 (41% in 2011)

#### 18% experienced a decline in 2012 (10% in 2011)

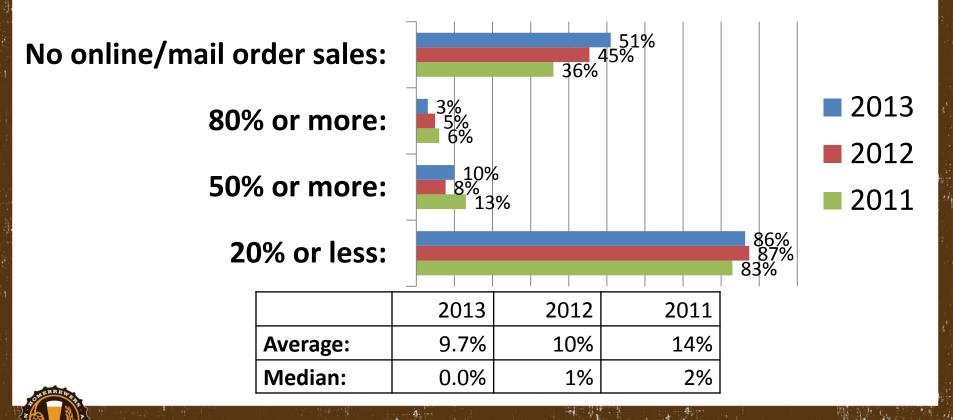
### Analysis of Net Revenue

#### 46% ≥ 10% growth in 2012 (71% in 2011)

#### 35% ≥ 20% growth in 2012 (53% in 2011)

#### 23% declined in net revenue in 2012 (17% in 2011)

What percentage of your total sales revenue comes from online or by mail-order?



## What percentage of your total sales revenue comes from online or by mail-order?...Cont'd

 There is a direct correlation between years in operation and the percentage of sales conducted online or via mail order:

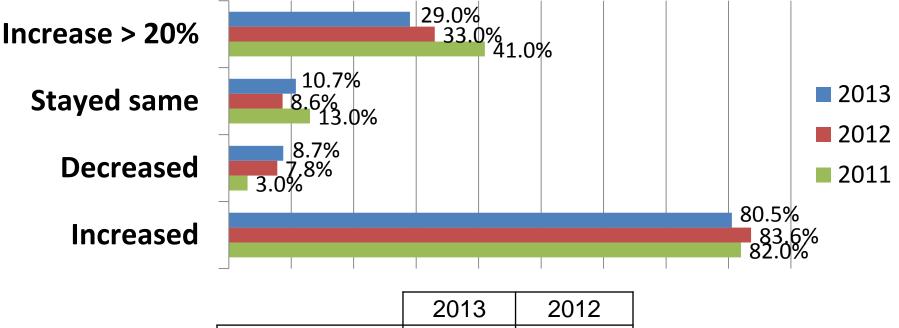
Years	Average
< 1	1.7%
< 3	3.6%
< 5	6.9%
10+	14.2%



## Revenue Per Square Foot

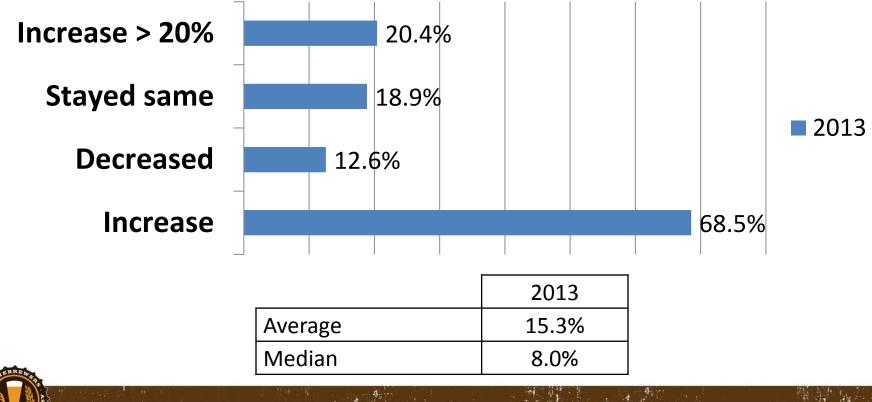
	2012	2011
All Shops	\$275	\$ 219
Home Beverage Making Only (HB)	\$297	\$ 265
HB, Without 70% Online	\$164	\$ 154
HB, Without 70% Online, Open 5+yrs Only	\$177	\$ 164

### Beginner Beer Equipment Kit Sales



	2013	2012
Average	23.1%	16.4%
Median	18.0%	10.00%

### Beginner Wine Equipment Kit Sales

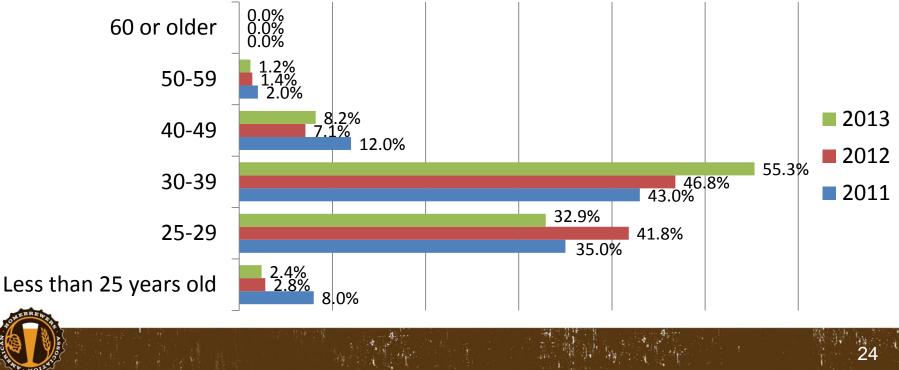


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### Beginner Kit Sales Cont'd

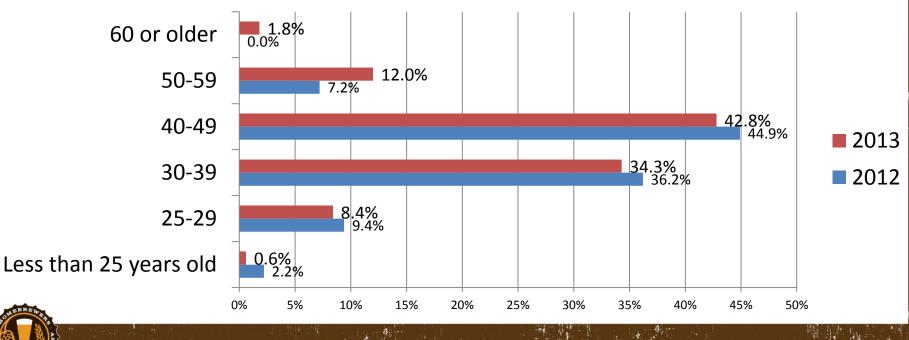
Among the customers who buy beginner homebrew kits at your shop, please

estimate what would be the most common age group

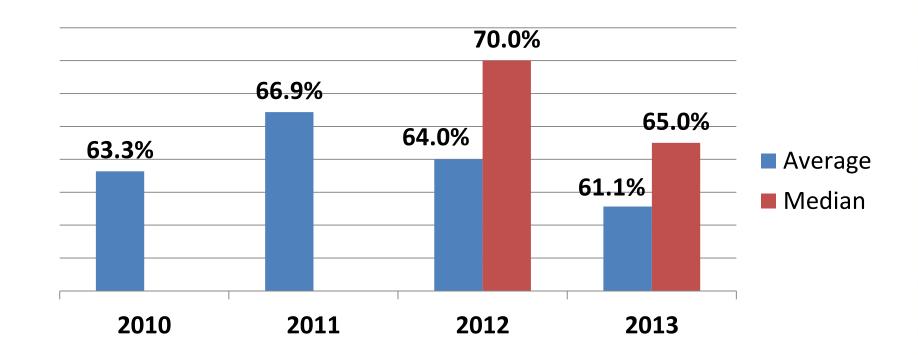


### Beginner Kit Sales Cont'd

 Among the customers who buy beginner winemaking kits at your shop, please estimate what would be the most common age group for:



### % Of Purchases That Include Malt Extract



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## Major Take Aways

- Overall revenue growth: 26%. Up from 20% in 2011
- Growth in new shops:
  43% open ≤ 3 years (34% in 2012 survey)
  - 7% open ≤ 1 year (11% in 2012 survey)

## **Potential Red Flags**

- 18% experienced decline in gross revenue. Up from 10% in 2011.
- 23% experienced decline in net revenue. Up from 17% in 2011.

### 2013 Home Beer & Wine Maker Survey

# AHA national survey of home beer and wine makers will gather information on:

- Demographics
- Hobby practices
- Purchasing habits

## 2013 Homebrew Media

- YTD: AHA has sent 9 press releases.
- Generated 125 media hits.
- Range: beer blogs to major metropolitan newspaper and radio coverage

## 2013 Homebrew Legislation

#### Homebrewing Legalized: Alabama & Mississippi

#### Transportation: Georgia, Illinois, Iowa, Kansas, Missouri

#### Brewing & Sampling for Retail Demo: Illinois

## **Questions/Suggestions**



## Retailing Like A Retailer

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#### Necessary ingredients for a successful homebrew shop

#### Brewing Passion Brewing Knowledge

### **Retail Acumen**

## Lesson One, Two Things!

1. When in doubt, go shopping!



#### 2. Two-Tier Pricing Makes \$\$\$!



## Embrace Retail!

- Consumers love shopping!
- Shoppers are conditioned by big stores!
- Shopper behavior is predictable!



## Self-Evaluation



No, No, and No I don't!

- I have a hard time *not* offering a discount to my friends.
- I feel guilty when somebody spends more money than I would on something.
- I feel bad offering the overly-expensive version of a product.

# **Consumer Thought Process**

- What is it?
  - Packaging
  - Positioning
  - Adjacency
  - Value
- Is it for sale?
  - Standard offer (price)
  - Special offer (price)
  - Exclusive offer (price)

#### \*Programmed Purchase

- Value Purchase
  - Saves time
  - Saves money
  - Increases quality
  - Makes me happy
- Impulse Purchase
  - I didn't know I needed that
  - Limited product offer
  - Limited pricing offer
  - \*\* Complimentary Purchase

### **Non-Shelf Inventory**

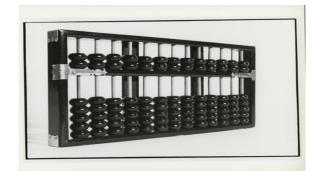
- Displays
  - Communicates a special offering
  - Offer the best value for the price
  - Yes, on sale, but sales are planned
  - Blended margin of on-vs.-off sales weeks
  - AKA, 2-Tier pricing



Blue Moon - 10 Other Craft - 10 Shock Top - 20

### Two-Tier Pricing

- Frontline Price: \$17.99
  - 12 weeks
  - 100 units per week, 1200 units per year
  - Margin = 50%
- Sale Price: \$14.99
  - 36 weeks, 3 on (frontline), 1 off (sale)
  - 300 units per week, 10,800 units per year
- Blended price: \$15.29
  - \$14.99 x 10,800 = \$161,892
  - \$17.99 x 1,200 = \$21,588
  - Total: \$183,480 / 12,000u = \$15.29



### Shopping Carts

- Without them
  - "please only buy what you can carry"
- Selecting a cart is a commitment to spend \$\$\$





#### **Destination Items**

- Safeway Milk in the back corner of the store
- Homebrew Shop grains at the back, longest walk

 Goal: to get customers to walk and shop every aisle, parting with their money as they "consume" value and service from your offerings

### Brand and Product Ribboning

- Shelf-Ribboning = Vertical, not horizontal
- Higher priced items are to be reached up for
- Lower priced items are to be reached down for
- Put the highest product up top, the middle on in the middle, the low end offering on the bottom.
- But I don't carry a low end item.... Ah-Hah!
- Know the Law of Compromise Effect!



# Loyalty Programs

#### Gamification of buying

- Introduction of game-like challenges and rewards in a non-game environment to improve engagement and participation
- Loyalty = 3<sup>rd</sup> tier pricing!
  - Frontline Price
  - Sales Price
  - Member Price (exclusive)
- Acquisition of shopper demographics



#### A Clean Store





# You won't notice the gradual dirt and dust build up over time, but your customers will!

#### Homework

- Stand in your shop (blindfolded) for 10 minutes.
  - What do you hear?
  - What do you smell?
  - What are your customers doing before they check out?
  - Go across the street from your store and sit in a chair for 30 minutes.
    - Predict what customers will purchase before they go in?
    - Profile their brewing needs?
    - Then check receipts to see what they did purchase.
    - Ask yourself what they *didn't* purchase and why?

#### Lesson One, Two Things!

#### 1. When in doubt, go shopping!









#### 2. Two-Tier Pricing Makes \$\$\$!

#### **Retailing Like A Retailer**

# Q & A Tracy B. Neal Homebrewer, Beer Industry Veteran

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## Retailer Panel

- David Kidd | Midwest Homebrewing Supply | "Managing Online & Retail Channels"
- Jason Harris | Keystone Homebrew Supply | "Roles and Challenges of Local Homebrew Supply Shops"
- Reed Antis | Saratoga Zymurgist | "The Small Retailer's Guide to Success"



### Wholesaler/Supplier Panel

- John Blichmann | Blichmann Engineering
- Juno Choi | BSG Handcraft
- Chris Opela | Brewmaster, Inc.
- Brad Smith | Beer Smith, LLC
- David Stuart | LD Carlson Co.

### Industry-Only Homebrew Expo

Thursday, June 27, 10:30 a.m. – Noon Philadelphia Marriott Downtown Franklin Hall, 4<sup>th</sup> Floor

Bring your Industry Workshop Badge

# Social Hour(s)

#### 5:00 – 7:00 p.m.

Field House Sports Bar – cross the 3<sup>ra</sup> floor skybridge to the Pennsylvania Convention Center. Down the escalator and immediately behind the escalator.

Complimentary Appetizers and Beverages.

Drink tickets in your badge.

# Thank you for coming!



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