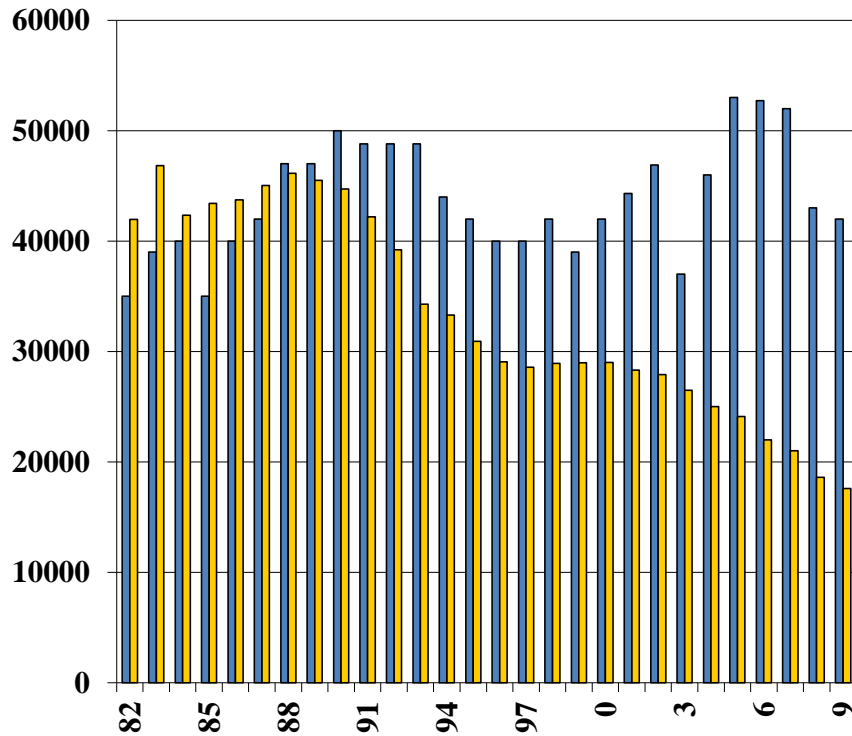


# Beekeeping statistics in Finland



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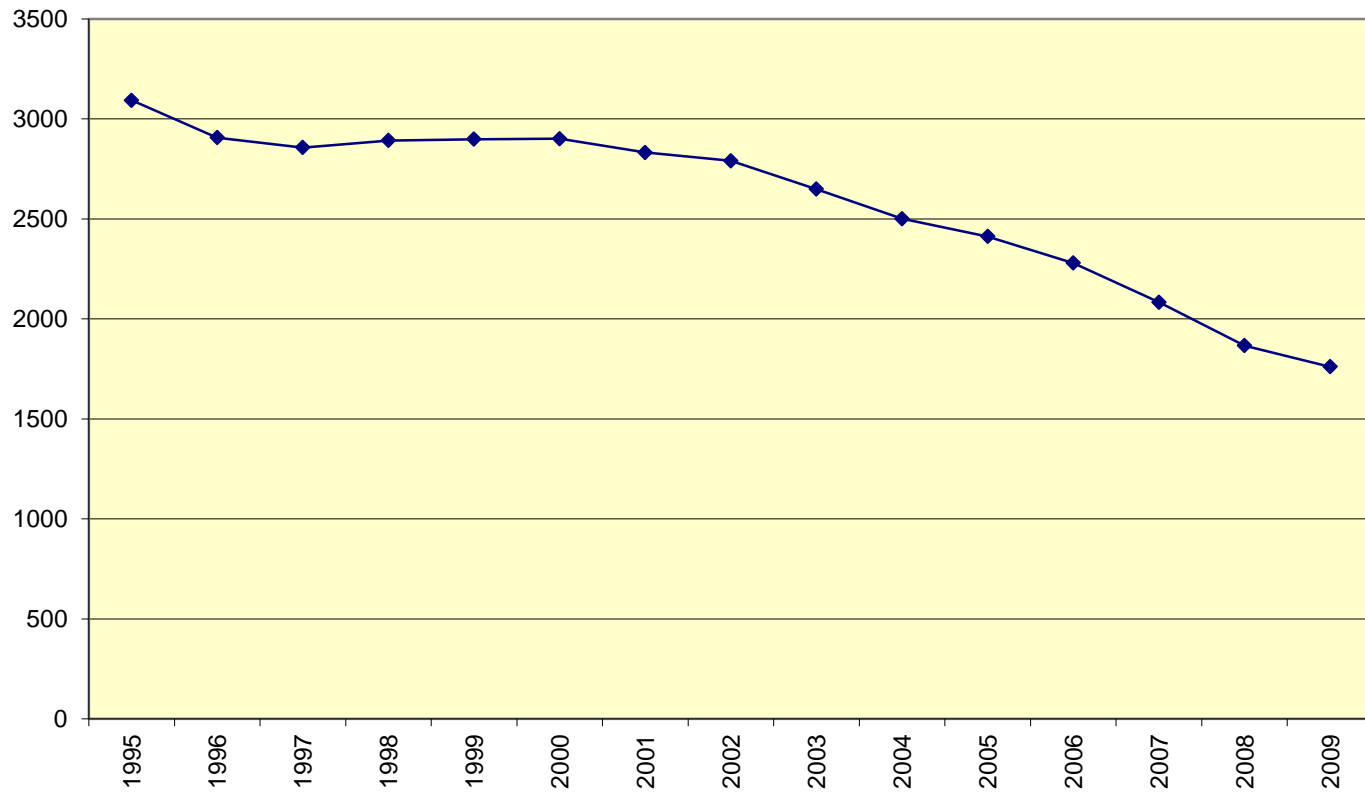
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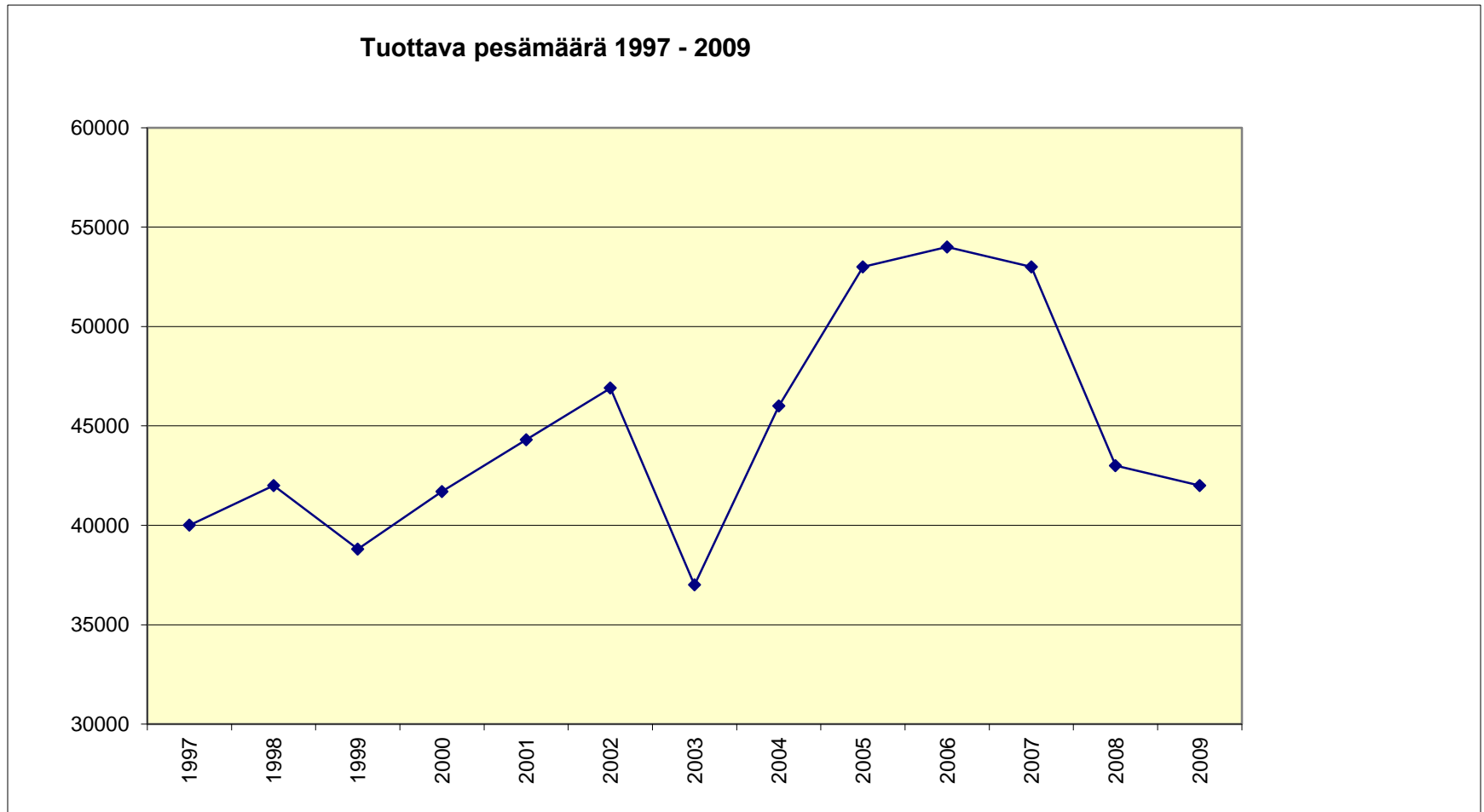
- Most beekeepers 1988
- Most hives 1991 and 2006
- Numbers go down after market problems, go up with honey price

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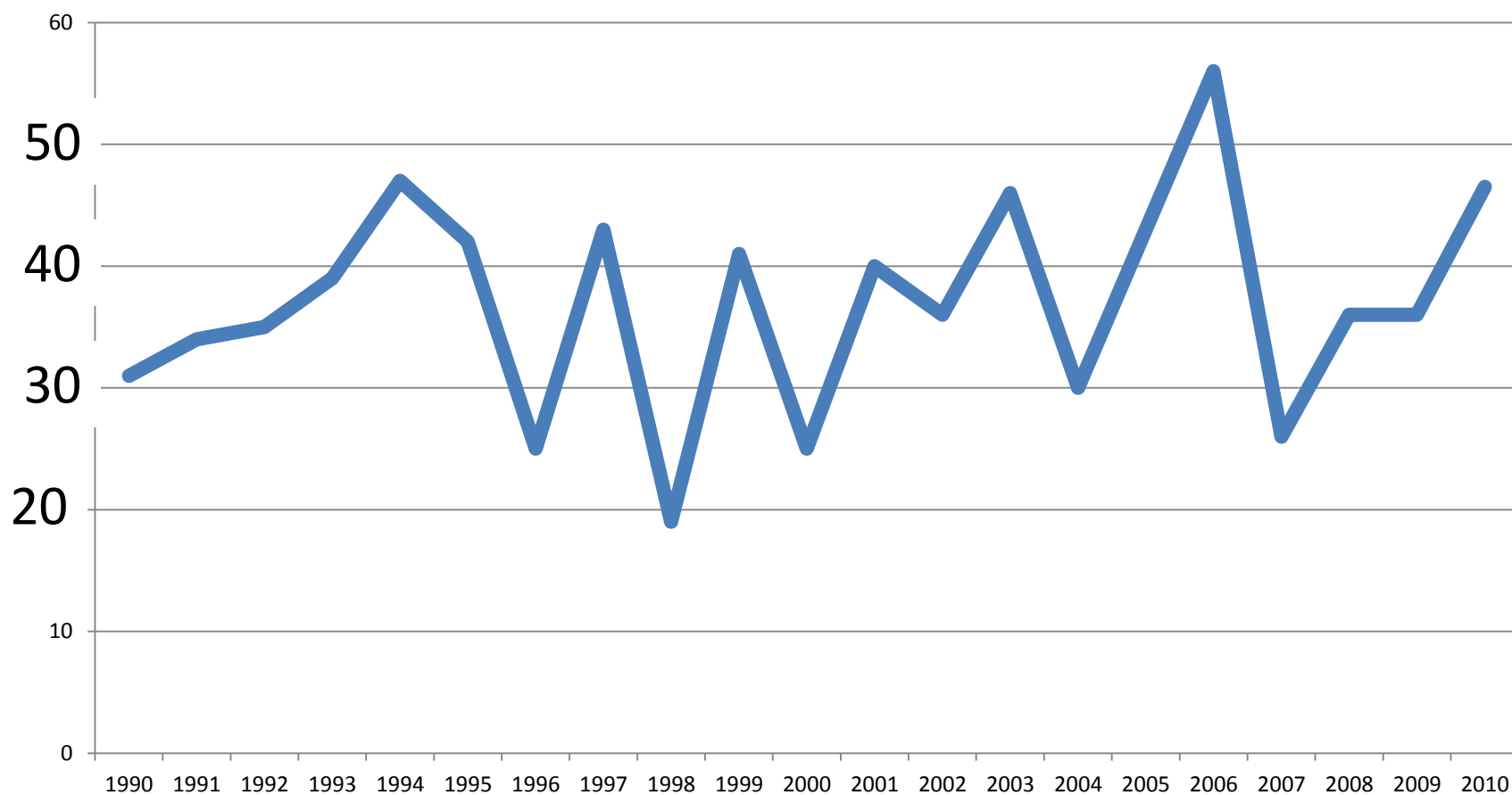
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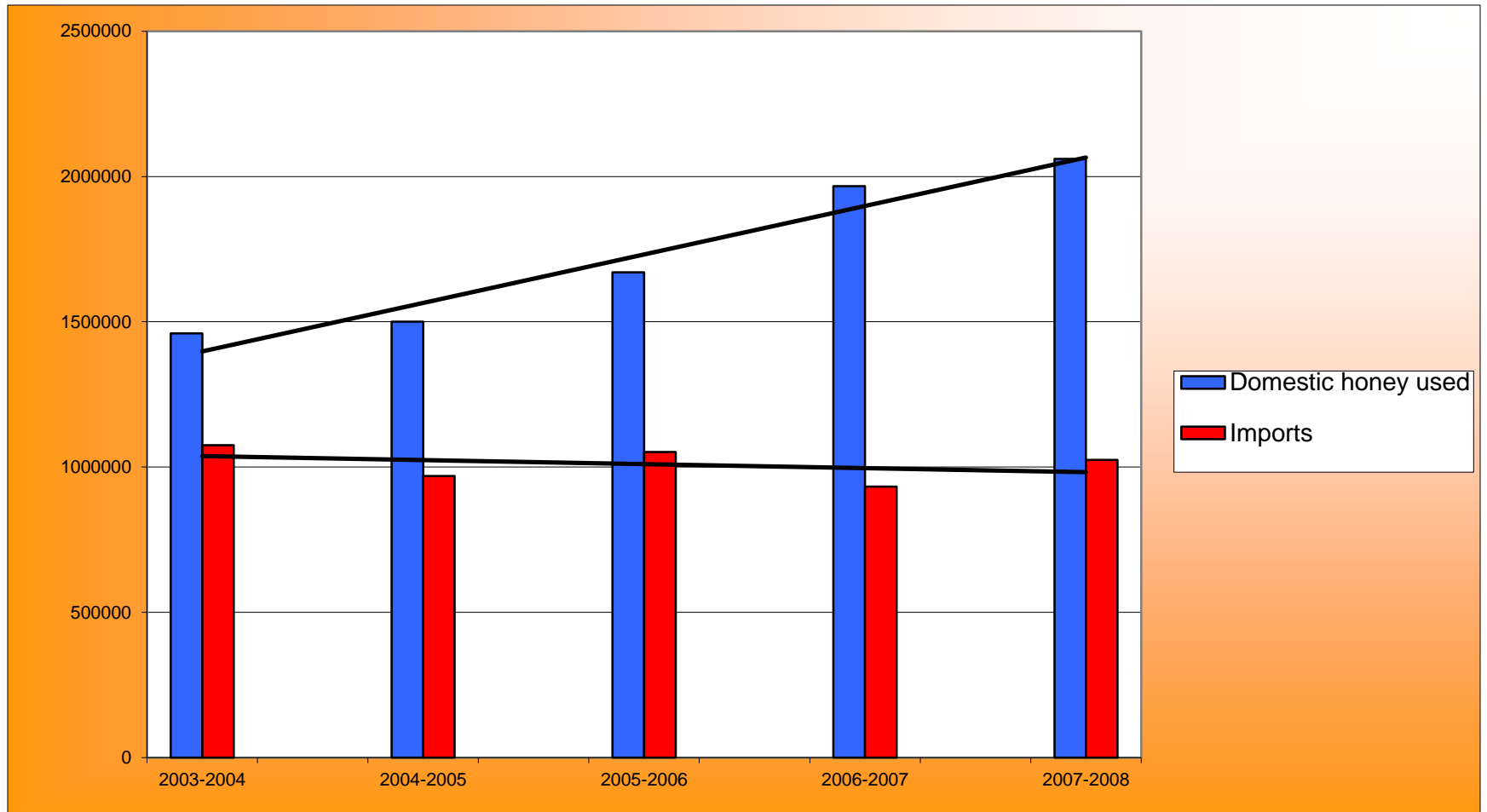
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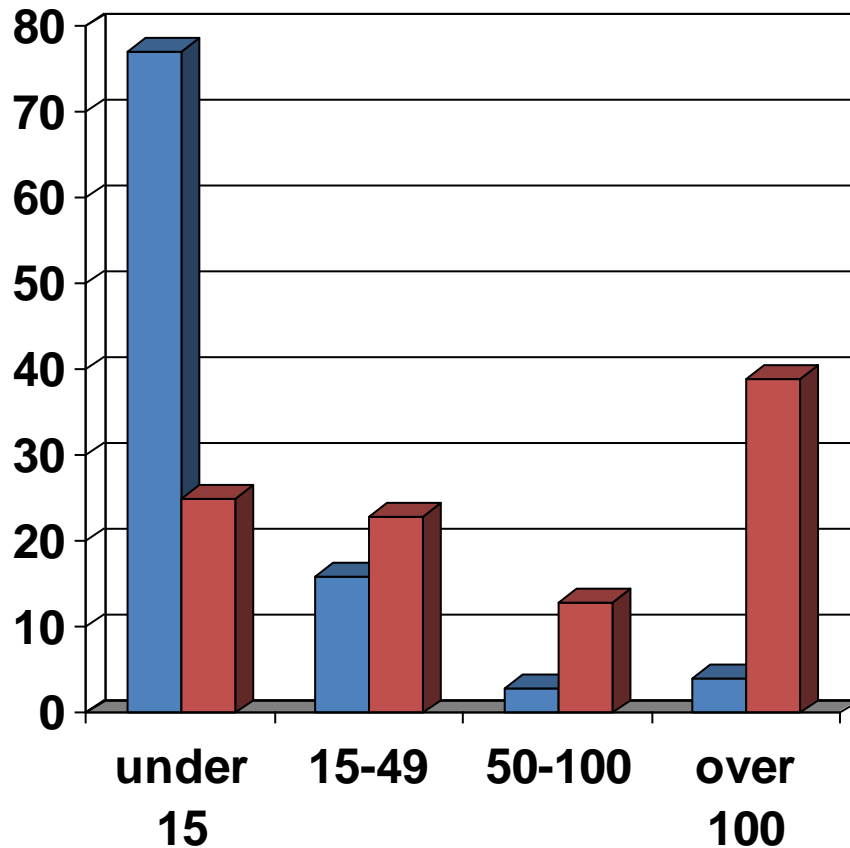
# Average honeycrop in Finland



# Consumption of domestic honey and imports



# Structure of beekeepers



**AVERAGE AGE 60**

■ % members  
■ % hives

**27 % OF HIVES  
WITH BEEKEEPERS  
OVER 65 YEARS**

# Mots hobbyist, few professionals

- Total 2400 beekeepers
- 46000 hives in production 2010
- 300 biggest own more than 50 % of hives
- 55 have more than 100 hives
- 10 have more than 300 hives
- 5 have more than 500 hives
  
- Biggest operation about 1500 hives



# Price of honey

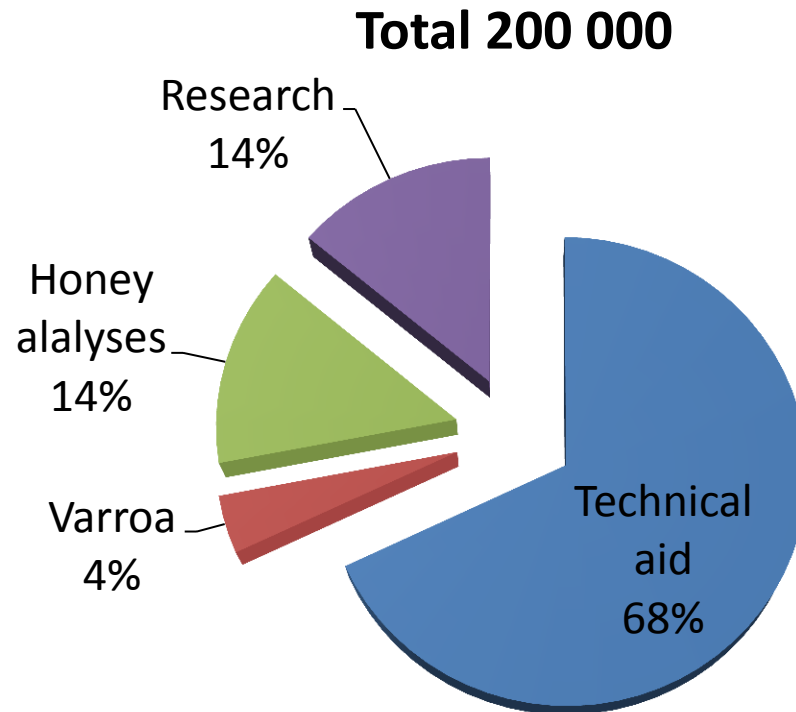
- Packers pay 3,8 euro/ kg, money in hand in 0,5-2 years
- Beekeepers out of honey pay 4 euro right away
- Packed honey into the shops 6 – 7 euro
- Customer price from shops 8,3 euro
- ALL PRICES HERE WITOUT VAT TAX 13 %

# In next years

- Price of honey is coming up
- We will get more newbeekeepers, but will the total increase ?
- Will the perice bee good enough to increase the hive number to fill the market demand ?

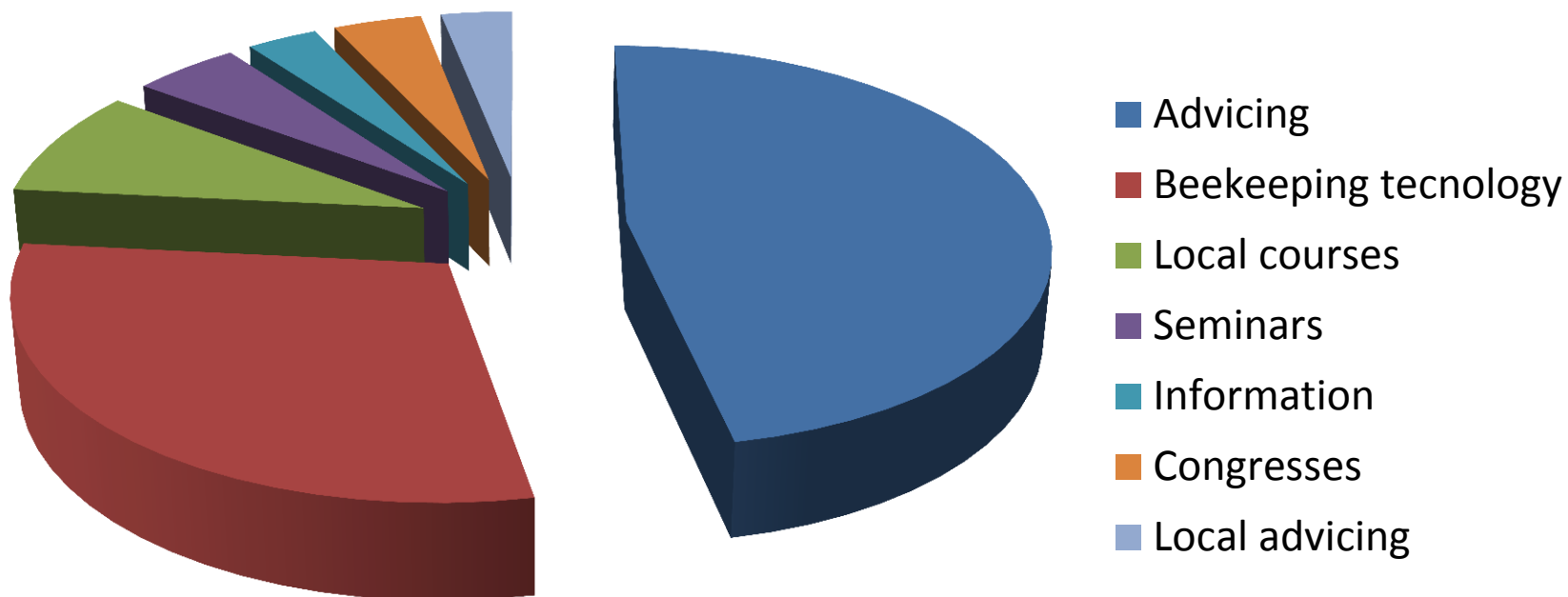
# How we use the EU support money

Technical aid	Varroa	Honey analyses	Reserch
136000	8000	28000	28000

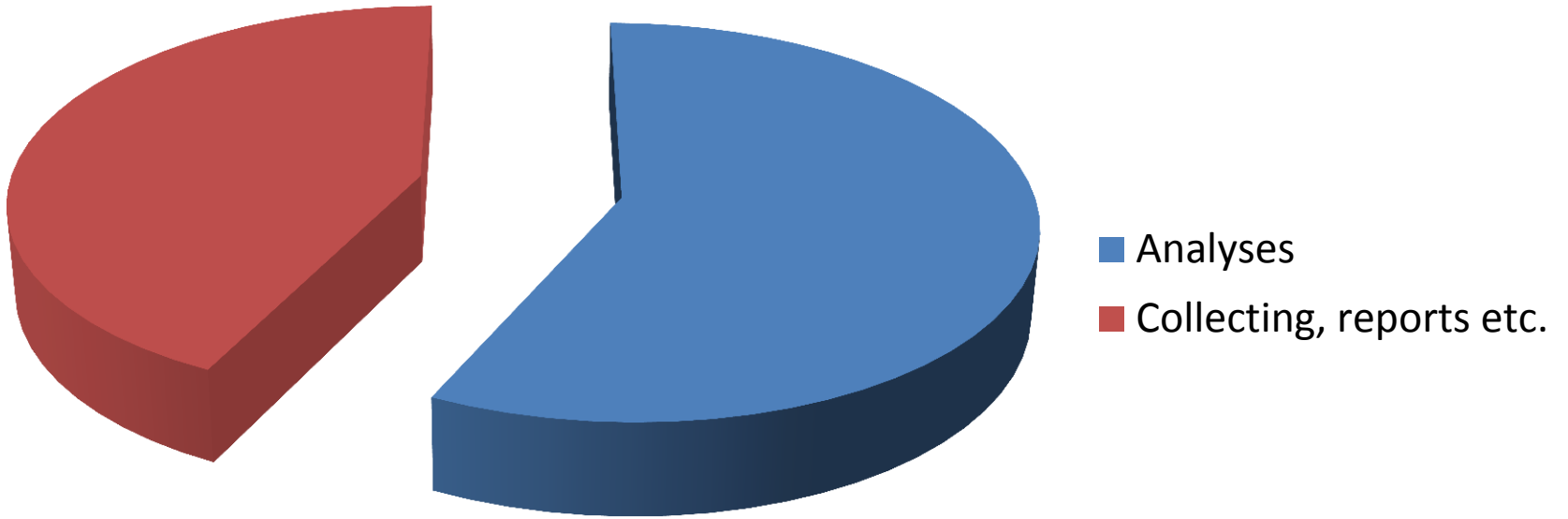


# Technical aid

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# Honey analyses



# Research

