

# Emergency Management Ontario

Ontario's Emergency Management Program

Canadian Chemical Producers Association

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# EMO - Mandate

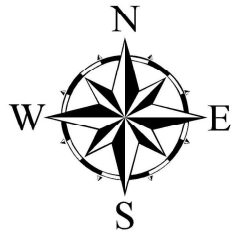
**To monitor, coordinate and assist in the development and implementation of emergency management programs throughout Ontario.**









# Organization

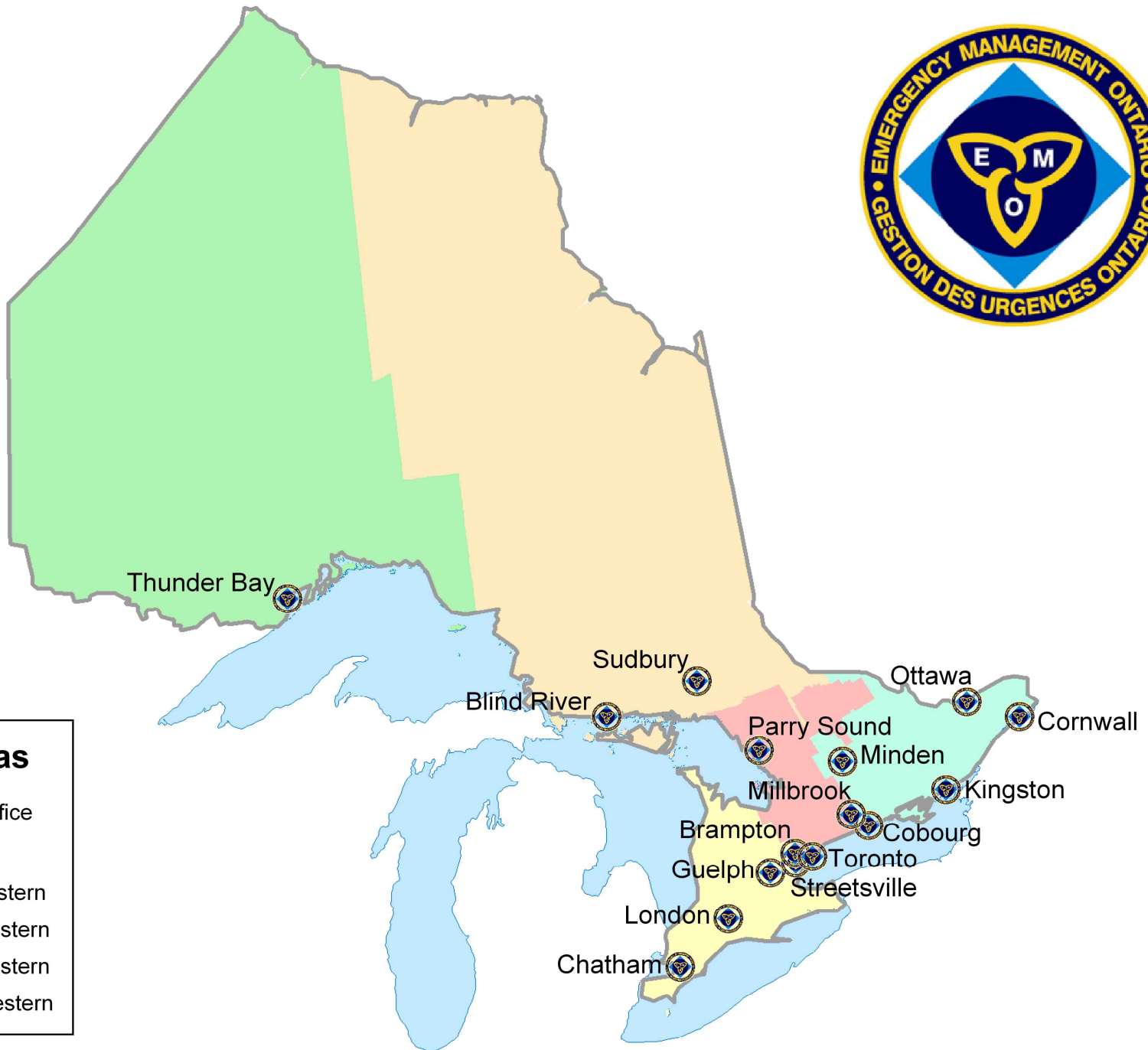
- **75 Staff**
- **6 sections:**
  - **Program Coordination and Standards**
  - **Community Programs**
  - **Provincial Mitigation and Preparedness**
  - **Provincial Response & Recovery**
  - **Training & Education**
  - **Support Programs**
- **Based in Toronto with 15 regional offices**





**EMO Areas**

-  EMO Office
-  Central
-  Northeastern
-  Northwestern
-  Southeastern
-  Southwestern

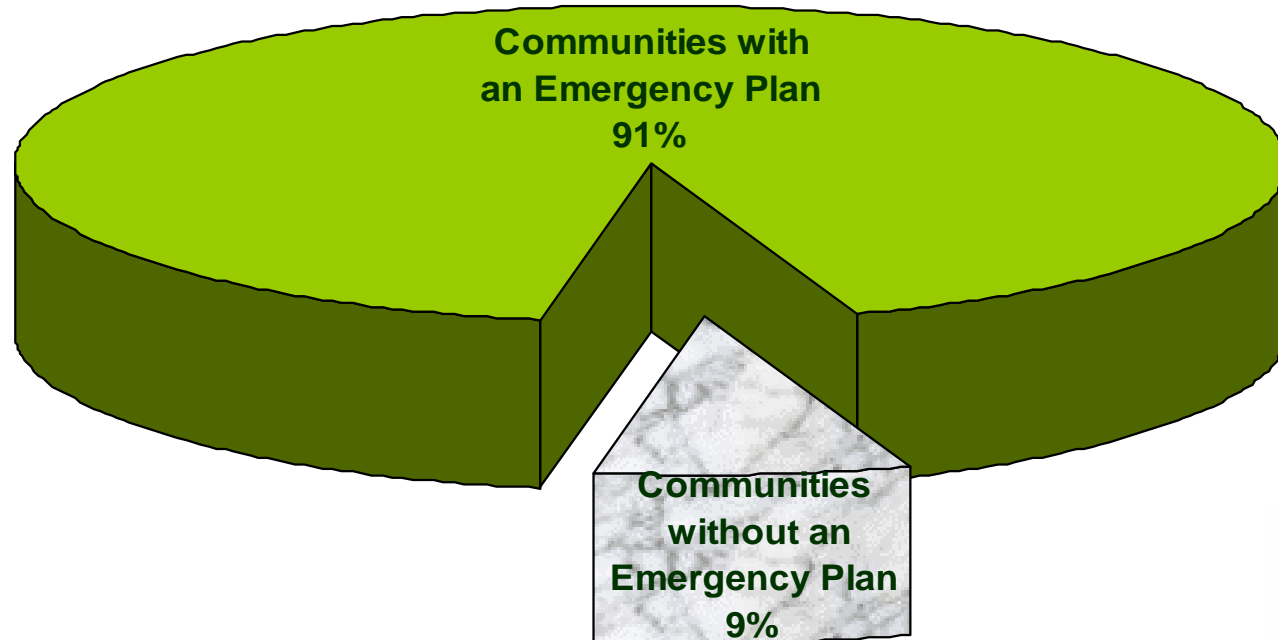


# Previous Situation

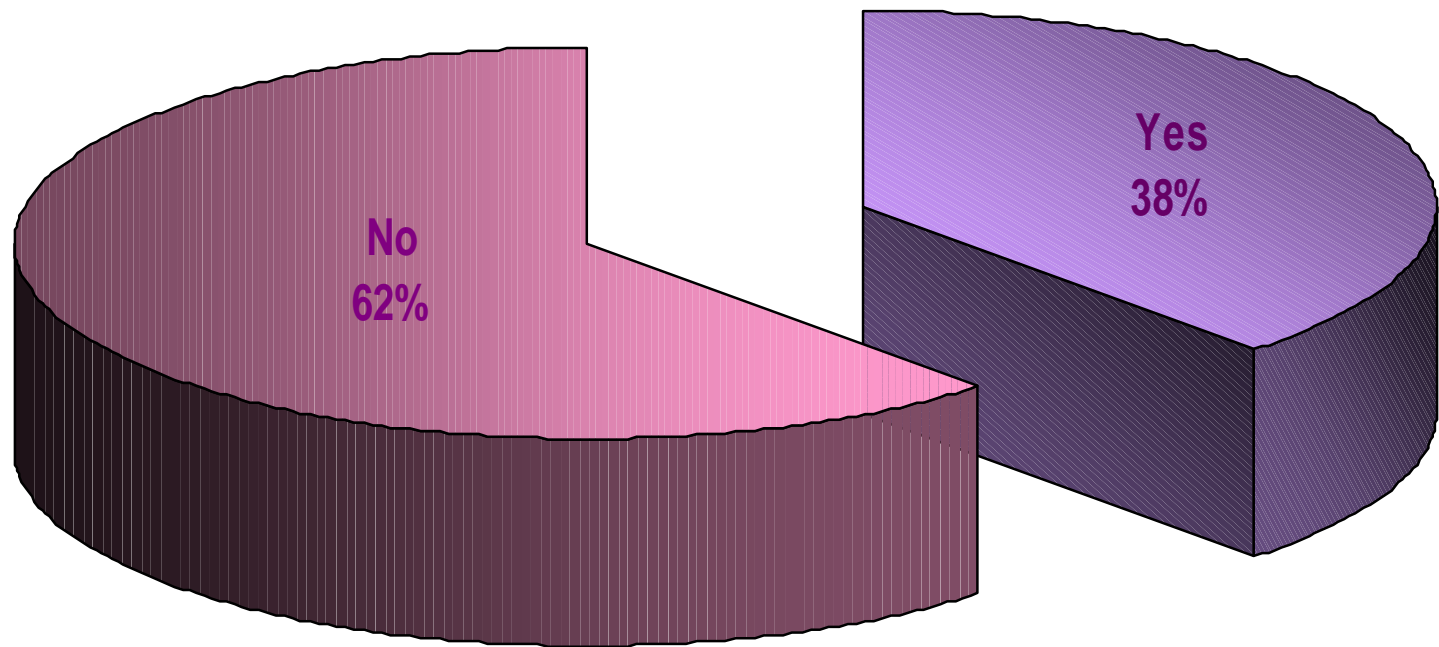
- ❖ *Emergency Plans Act*
- ❖ Permissive legislation
- ❖ No regulations
- ❖ Emergency programs based on preparedness and response (i.e., plans)
- ❖ Limited resources
- ❖ Limited municipal participation



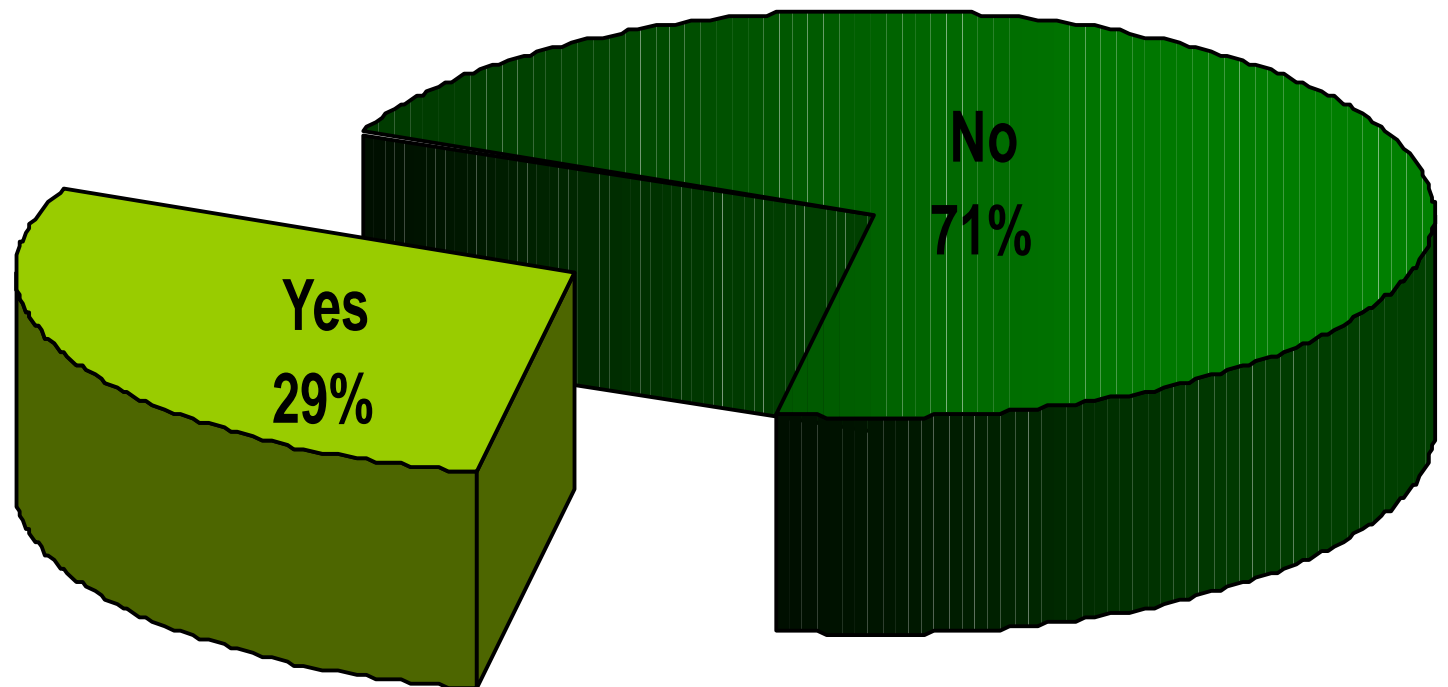
# Survey 2000 – Response Plan



# Survey 2000 - Training

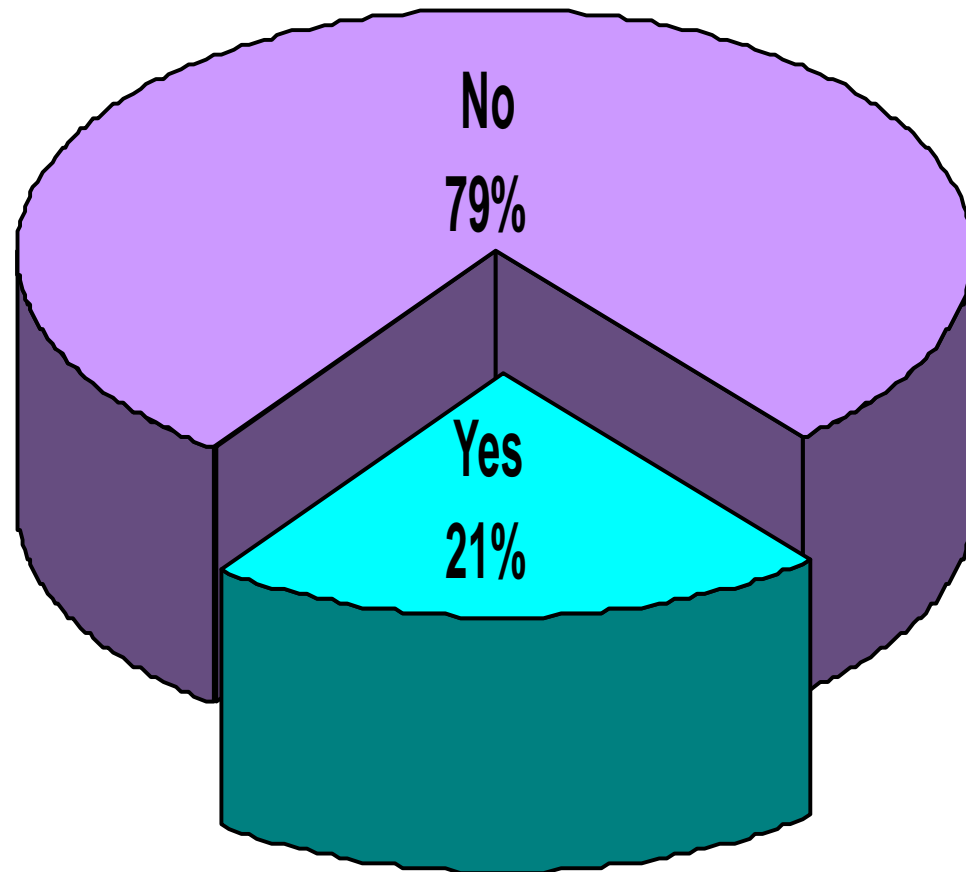


# Survey 2000 - EOC

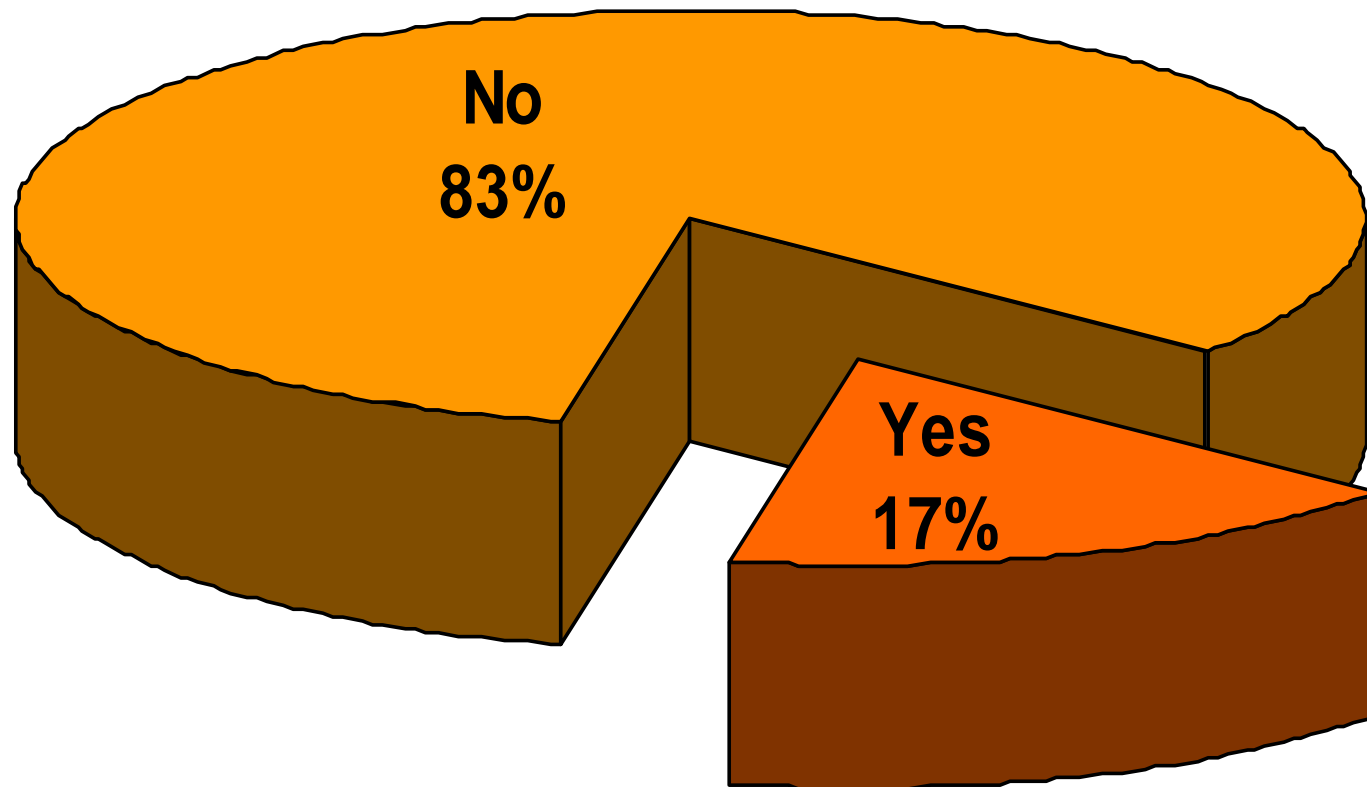




# Survey 2000 – Public Education



# Survey 2000 – Emergency Response Agency Business Continuity Plans



# Reform

- ★ Ice Storm 1998
- ★ Y2K
- ★ Report presented October 2001
- ★ Significant reform and resources
- ★ Based on international standards and recommended practices (e.g., NFPA 1600)
- ★ Involved with NEMA, IAEM, NFPA, etc.



# Core Components



**Basis**

# **Community Hazard Identification and Risk Assessment**



# Standards

**Framework for Provincial Emergency  
Management Programs**

**Framework for Community Emergency  
Management Programs**



# Framework Document

**Essential Program – 2004**

**Enhanced Program – 2005**

**Comprehensive Program – 2006**

**NFPA 1600 - 2007**



# Requirements

- ✓ **Identify coordinator**
- ✓ **Form committee**
- ✓ **Risk-based plans**
- ✓ **Emergency Operations Centre**
- ✓ **Critical infrastructure assurance**
- ✓ **Risk-based response capability**
- ✓ **Exercise program**
- ✓ **Training program**





# Requirements

- ✓ **Public education program**
- ✓ **Mitigation plan**
- ✓ **Recovery plan**
- ✓ **Dangerous goods corridors**
- ✓ **Land-use planning**
- ✓ **Emergency information plan**
- ✓ **Mutual assistance**
- ✓ **Evacuation plan**
- ✓ **External assessment**



# EMO & Industry

- Encourage industry participation on community emergency management program committees
- Comprehensive Program
- Industry representation on EMO committees
- Develop partnerships and support organizations such as CAER, PTSC and TRANSCAER
- Work with government partners to address facilities not participating in such programs



# Conclusion

