



Pipeline Damage Prevention Program

Oversight & Safety Division



Power Point Presentation



This presentation is available for download from the RRC website at <https://www.rrc.texas.gov/pipeline-safety/training/workshops-and-conferences/pipeline-safety-permitting-and-damage-prevention-webinar/>.

Who is PDPP? (1 of 2)



- Role of PDPP
 - 6 Compliance Analysts/Reviewers, 1 Admin, 9k+ incidents/TDRFs in 2020
 - Education of Chapter 18 Rules
 - Not looking to find fault, only compliance.
 - Reduce damages

Who is PDPP? (2 of 2)



- History of PDPP
 - Sept. 1999 - State of Texas enacted first Damage Prevention law, Chapter 251 Underground Facility Damage Prevention and Safety.
 - Chapter 251 created the One-Call Board of Texas, Texas One-Call Law, and notification center(s)
 - September 2007 – Chapter 18 Rules became effective, which include safety standards and best practices for both Operators and Excavators.

EDI Uploads (1 of 3)



- RRC Online System and EDI filing links
 - <https://webapps.rrc.texas.gov/security/login.do>
 - https://portalvhdskzlf8q9lqr9.blob.core.windows.net/media/27522/tdrf_edi_document_03232015_rev16.pdf

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Texas Damage Reporting Form (TDRF)

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Texas Damage Reporting File Upload

As of Mar 23, 2015, the specifications for EDI submission have changed. The following fields are now required: Excavator State

EDI Upload	EDI Test	EDI Status
Select the file to upload: <input type="button" value="Choose File"/> No file chosen		
<input type="button" value="Verify"/>		
The following files have successfully verified. Confirm that these are the files you want to send by pressing the Submit button		
No files found.		
<input type="button" value="Submit"/> <input type="button" value="Cancel"/>		

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- 10 valid reports verified.
- File passed verification.
- 0 invalid reports verified.
- 10 total reports verified.

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Select the file to upload: No file chosen

The following files have successfully verified. Confirm that these are the files you want to send by pressing the Submit button

File Uploaded and Verified	Date Uploaded	Status	Action
EdiUploadSample.txt	01/29/2021	VALIDATED	Remove

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An email will be sent indicating which records were rejected and the corresponding reasons.

File Name	Date Received	Status	Valid Reports	Rejected Reports	Total Reports
EdiUploadSample.txt	01/29/2021	PENDING	10	0	10



Importance of Correct Info



- Without accurate and correct info, we may be unable to conclusively make a determination
 - Depth
 - Possible cause
 - Locate/dig-up tickets
 - Location
 - Dates



- This is your chance to tell a story
 - Use fixed or immovable objects
 - Make good use of the hit kit
 - Clearly show standard measurements
 - Develop a standardized practice for photo documentation

How Not To Take Pics (1 of 2)



How Not to Take Pics (2 of 2)



Acceptable RAD's



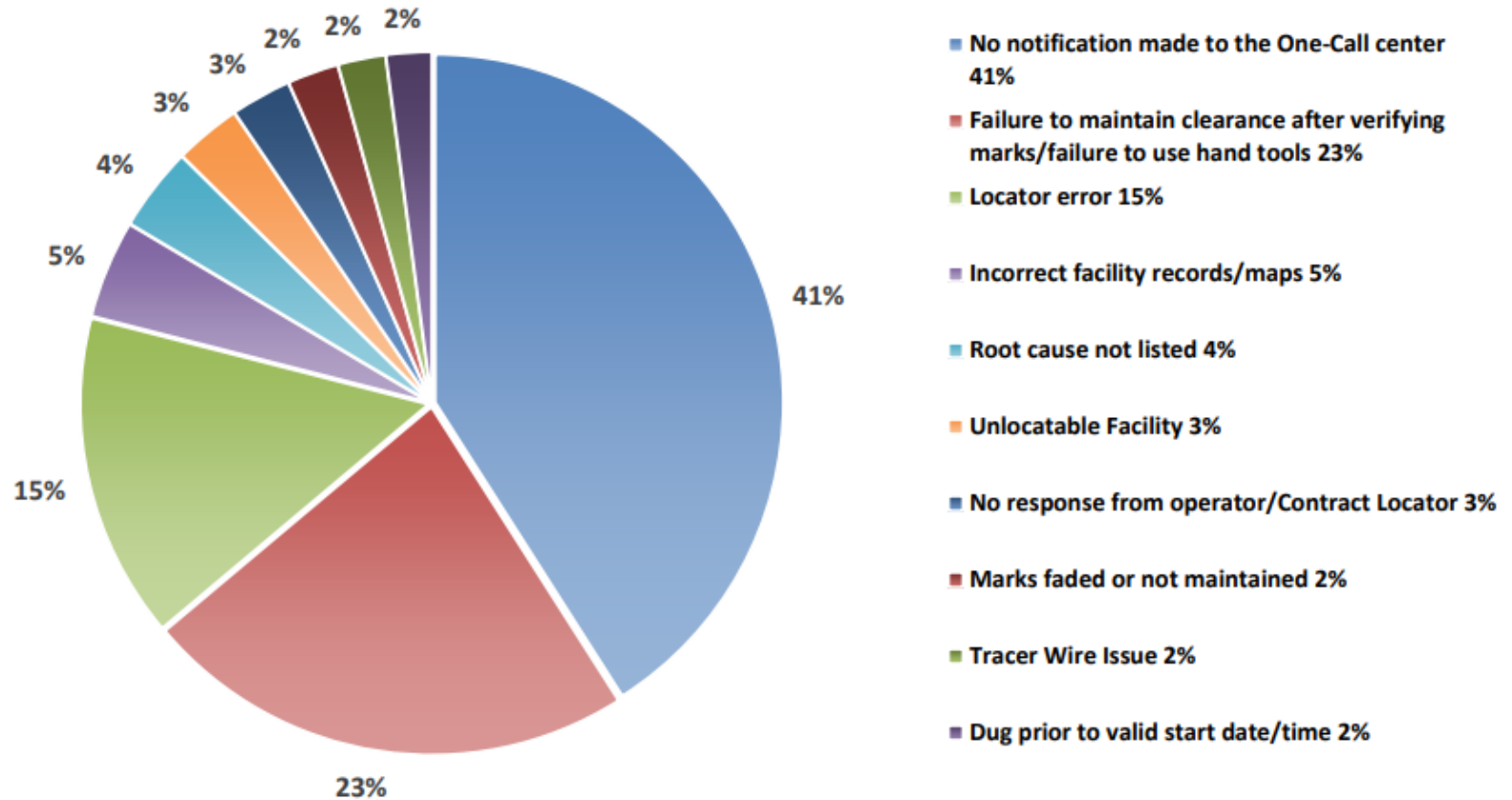


- On-Time Payments
 - Don't hesitate to reach out
 - Provide expected timeframes
 - Disputes preferred before docket due date
- Make sure info to excavators is up-to-date

Root Causes



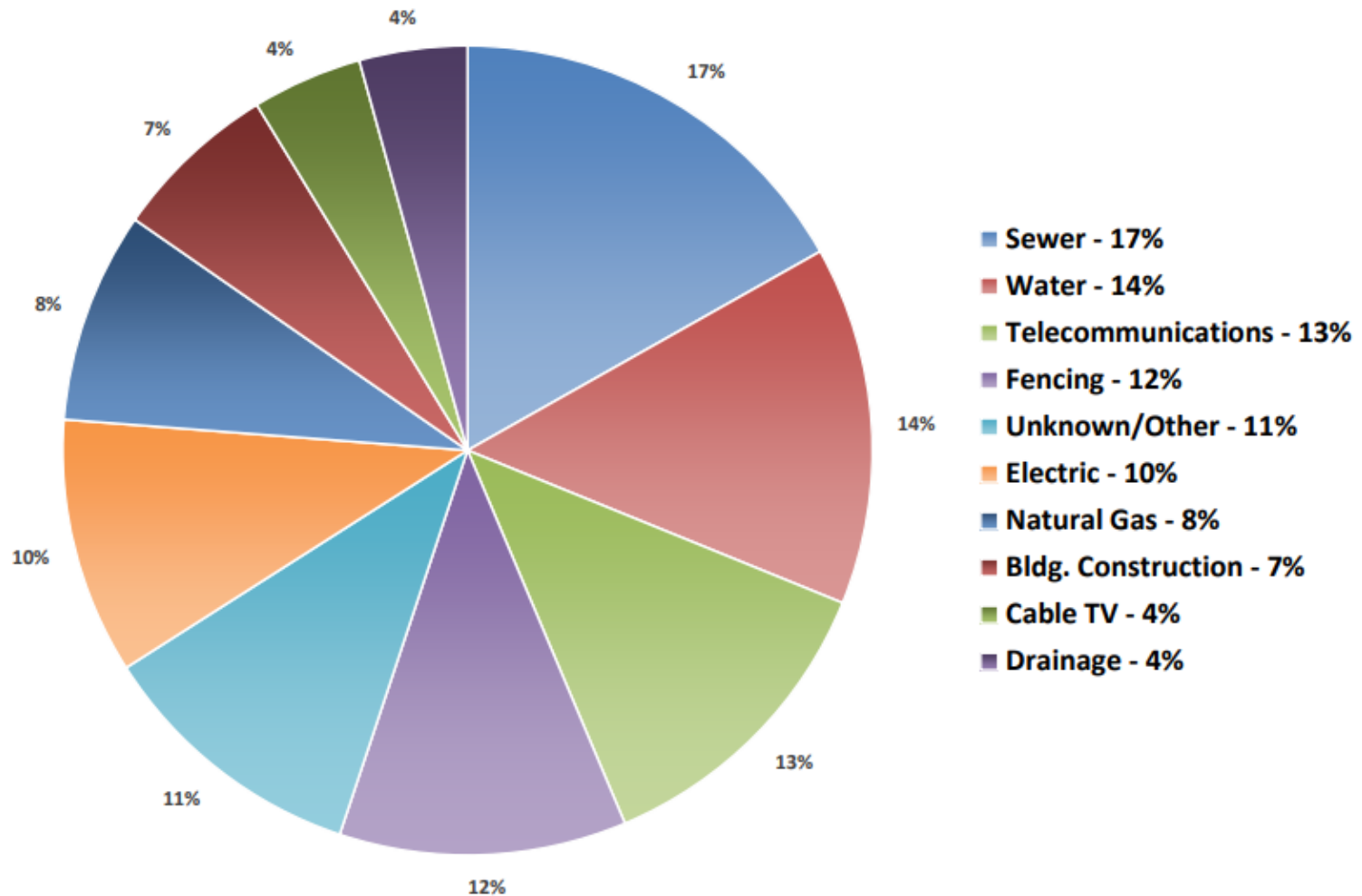
Top 10 Root Causes - Calendar Year 2019



Types of Work Performed



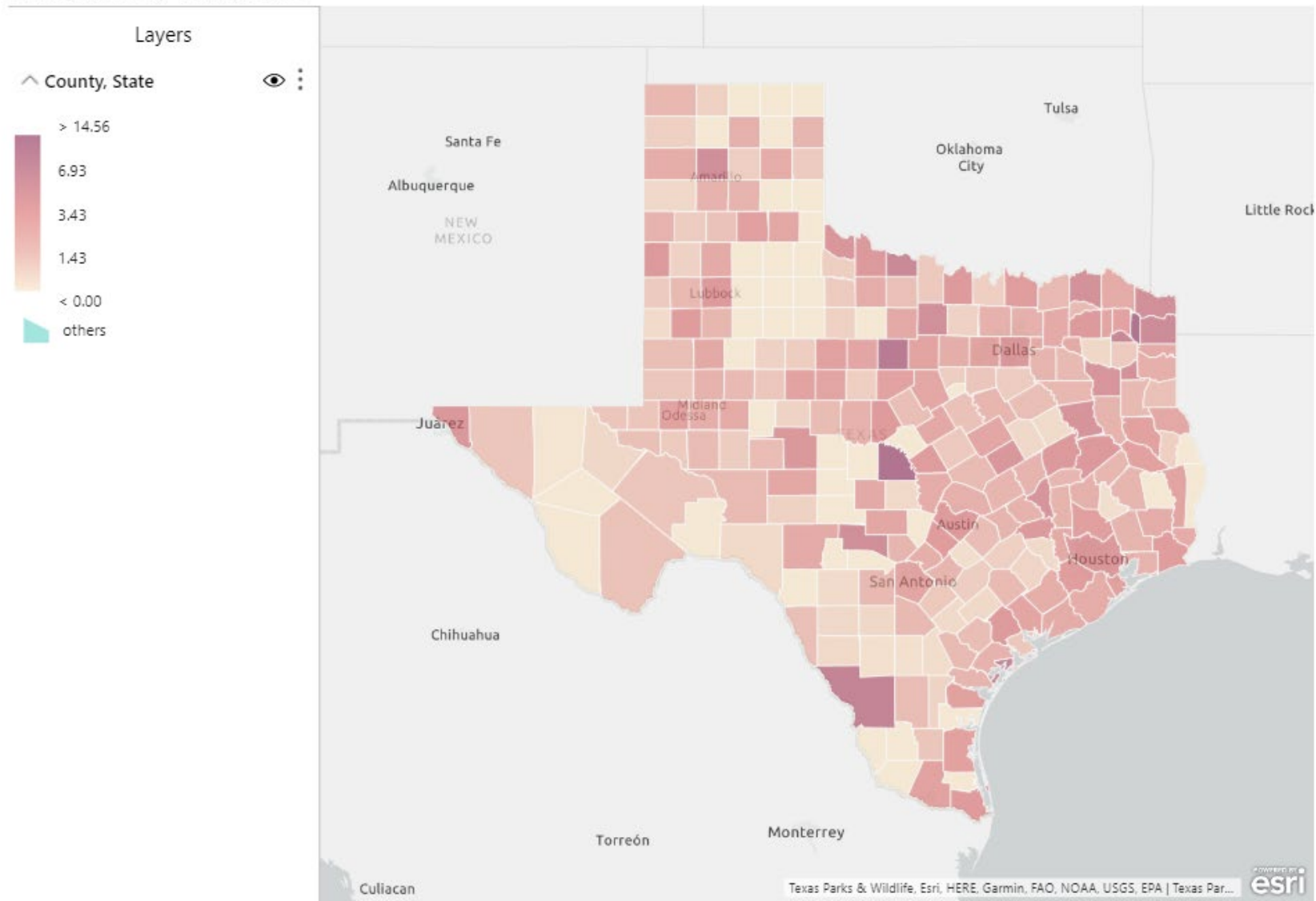
Top Ten Types of Worked Performed Calendar Year 2019



Damages per/1000 by county



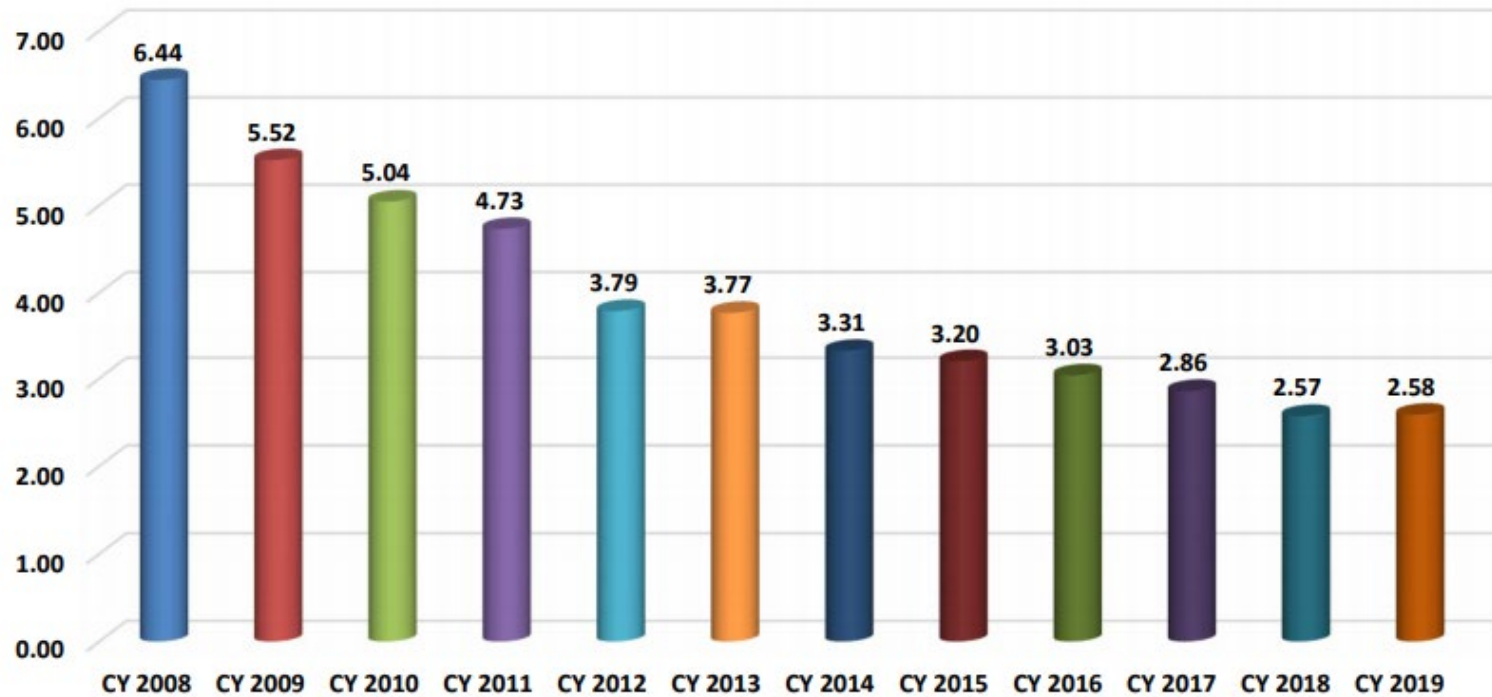
Damage/1000 by County, State



Damages per 1,000 Locates



Damages per Thousand Calendar Year



Outreach To Date



- Current total: 33 events
 - DPC
 - Over 300 audience members reached
 - UPSA
 - 208 audience members recorded
- Current fiscal year has been entirely virtual

Common Violations for Excavators



- 18.3(a) – No Locate requested prior to excavation
 - \$2,500
- 18.10(b) – Excavator failed to dig with care in the tolerance zone
 - \$2,500
- 18.11(b) – Excavator did not report damages to notification center within one hour
 - \$2,000
- 18.11(b) – Excavator did not report damages through the TDRF (within 30 days)
 - \$2,000

Common Operator Violations



- 18.8(a) – Line locator failed to use information to mark accurately
 - \$2,500
- 18.11(a) – Operator did not report damages through the TDRF (within 30 days)
 - \$1,000

Contact Information



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Know what's **below**.
Call before you dig.



Evaluation

- Please complete the evaluation available on the RRC website at <https://www.rrc.texas.gov/pipeline-safety/training/workshops-and-conferences/pipeline-safety-permitting-and-damage-prevention-webinar/>.

Archive Video

- A link to the archive video of the webcast will be available on the same webpage.

Q & A



- If you haven't already asked questions in the chat, please feel free to do so now.



Railroad Commission of Texas
Pipeline Safety, Permitting & Damage Prevention Webinar
March 9, 2021

The meeting will resume shortly.

