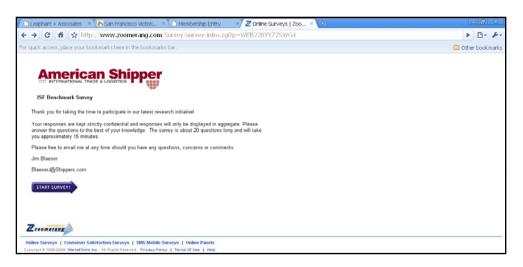
# 10+2 Update

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# ISF Benchmark Report: From Concept to Compliance

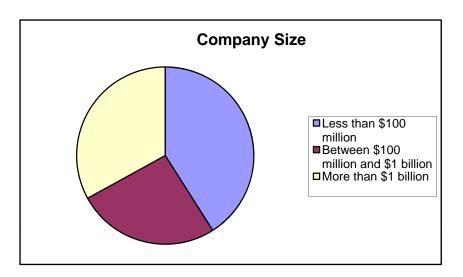




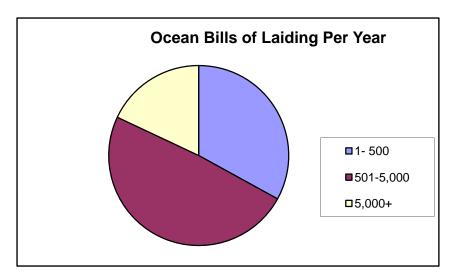
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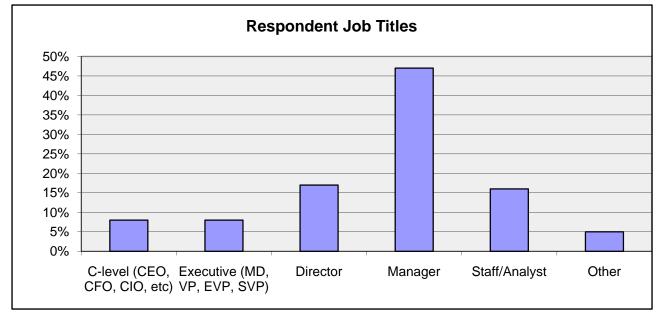
- 220 companies
  - 34% Retail/wholesale
  - 25% Freight intermediaries
  - 13% Process manufacturers
  - 20% Discrete manufacturers
- 23 questions
  - The status of ISF compliance
  - Challenges importers face in becoming compliant
  - Impact of ISF compliance including costs
  - Best practices for ISF compliance management





# **Survey Demographics**







#### Winners

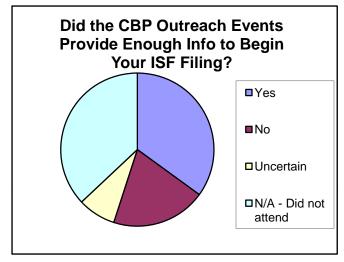
- File ISF for 100% of their U.S. imports by the January 26, 2010 deadline
- Pay \$50 or less in fees per ISF filing
- Express a high level of confidence in the accuracy, completeness, and timeliness of their ISF filings
- Make amendments to their service agreements to incorporate ISF compliance



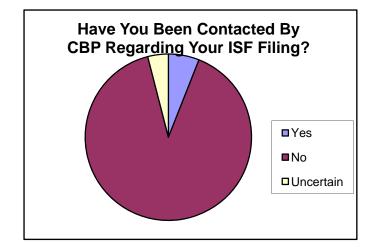


# CBPs Outreach Admirable But Not Reaching Far Enough

- Largest outreach effort ISF requires lots of information, Technical clarity and training
- Fact: Companies filing ISF's today have a much higher chance of increased confidence that they will meet the enforcement deadline
- Fact: The majority of companies are still struggling to come up to speed on the ISF

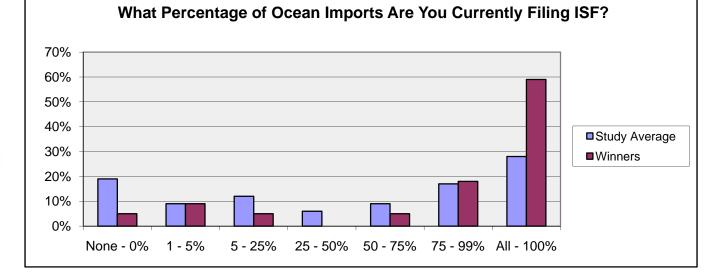






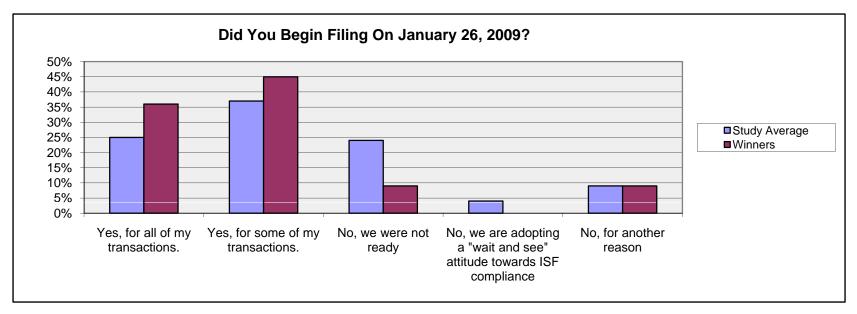
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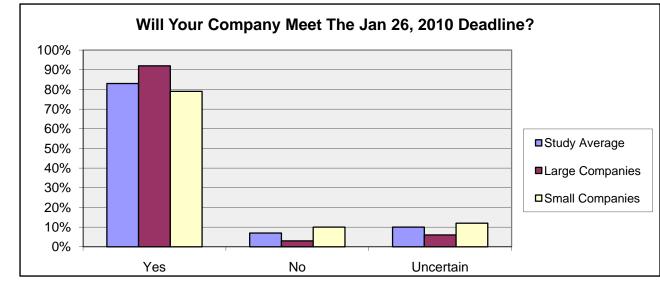
- 28% filing 100% of the ISF's
- 19% not filing at all
- Winners were twice as likely to be filing ISF's for 100% of their ocean imports
- Study average 4 times as likely to be filing no ISFs at all
- 37% have a high or very high degree of confidence that their ISF filings are timely, complete and accurate





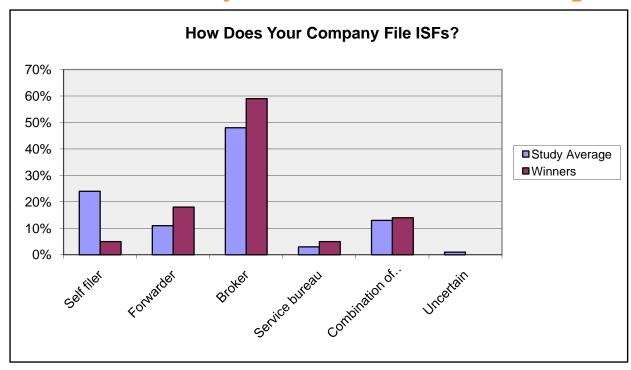
# **ISF Filing Status**



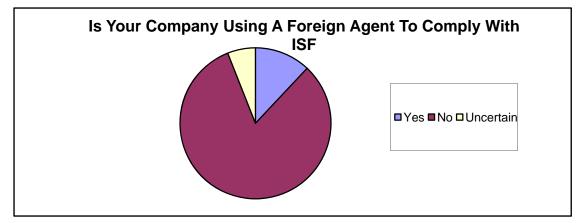




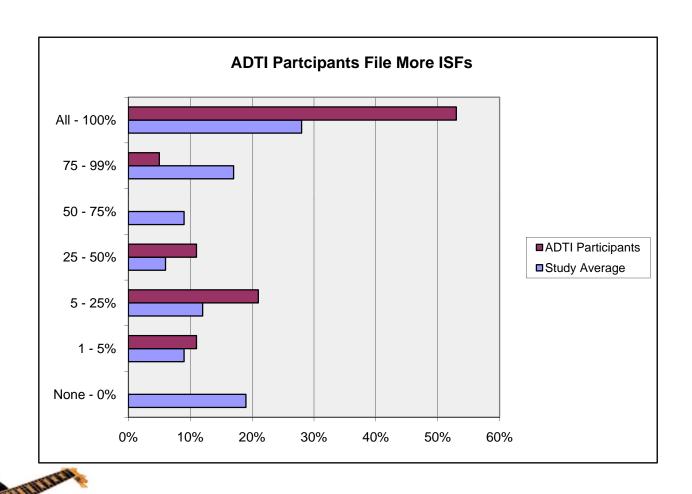
# **How Companies Are Currently Filing**







# **ADTI Participants File More ISFs**



#### **Size Matters**

- Smaller companies ...
  - higher confidence level in the timeliness, accuracy and completeness of their filings
  - but... small companies are less certain about their ability to meet the January 2010 deadline
- Larger companies...
  - less satisfied (or completely dissatisfied) with their current ISF filing
  - yet, are more certain about meeting the January 2010 deadline



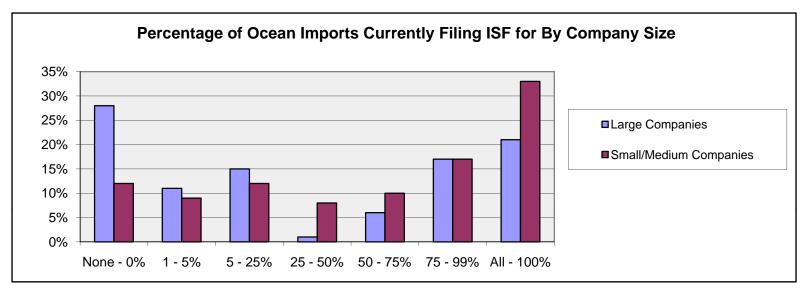
### **D-Day 2010**

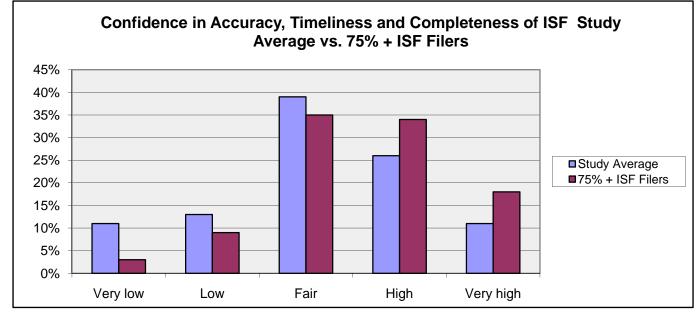
- Only 83% anticipate being able to file their ISFs by January 2010
- To avoid liquidated damages of \$5,000.00 per ISF filing
  - Timely
  - Complete
  - Accurate
- Financial losses would be staggering if enforcement began today

# **Companies Cannot Afford to Wait**



### File Now - Refine Later

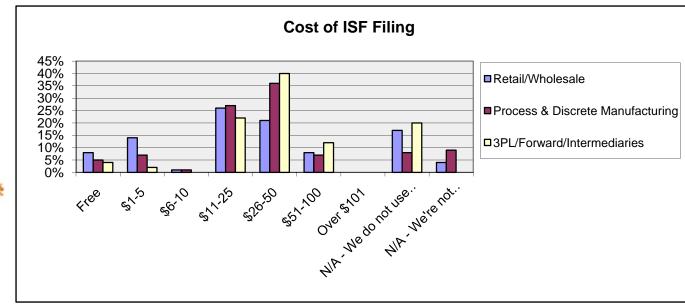






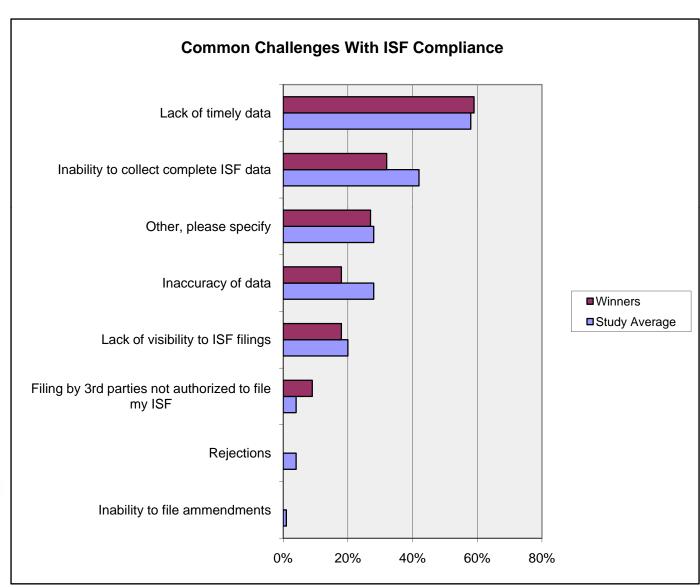
### \$30 Ain't What It Used To Be

- Retailers appear to be far more successful in limiting or eliminating ISF filing costs
  - 50% paying \$25 or less
  - 8% paying nothing at all
- Average \$30/ISF
- 50% of 3PLs, forwarders and other intermediaries paying between \$25-\$100/filing





### **ISF** Issues



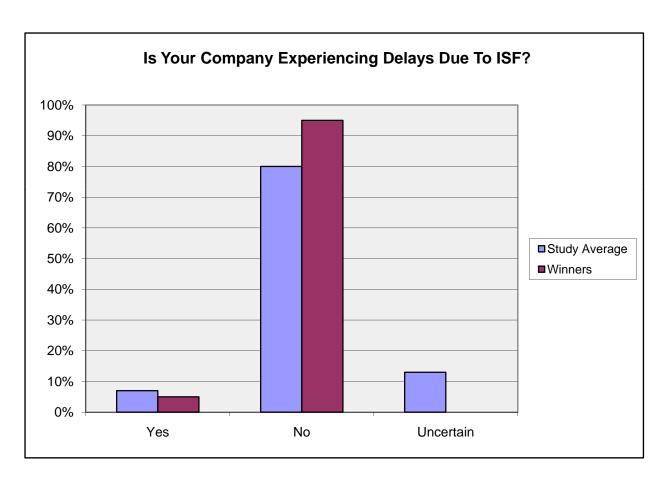


### Other Issues With ISF

- Lack of availability of the B/L data
- No match to the B/L and the duplicate ISF filing errors
- Concerns with the timing of filing of the ISF by the importer and the timing of the carrier's filing of the manifest through AMS
- Issues with technology
- Concerns with additional cost of compliance



# **ISF** Delays



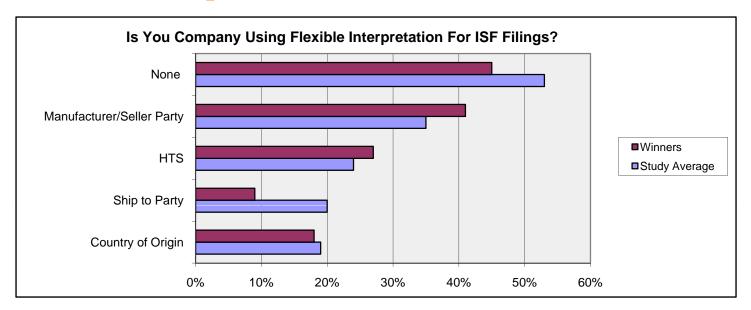


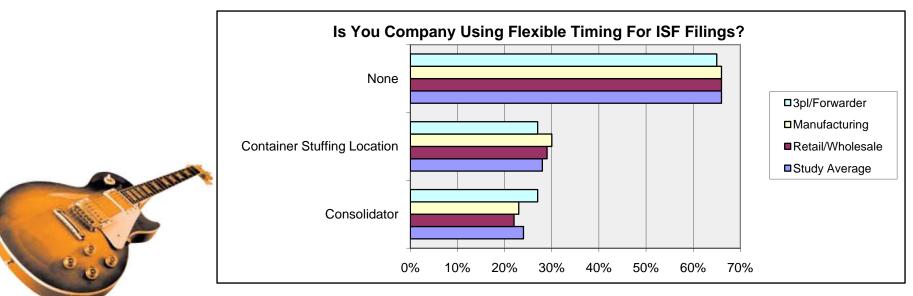
#### Costs

- CBP issued their Fiscal Year in Review
  - Year end analysis of CBP data shows entry counts and revenue collections of just under 31 million entries with \$32.5 billion in revenue collections
- Impossible to calculate the total number of ISFs that should be filed
- Bold, Unscientific Estimation
  - 72% of filers failing to file ISF
  - 72% of the customs entries that were filed in FY08 = 23,230,000,000 entries
  - This could potentially represent \$111,600,000,000,000 in penalties



# **Flexibility**





### Conclusion for Importers - Are You a Winner?

- How would I have answered these questions?
- Where would my answers place my organization ahead of or behind the curve?
- How can my organization become a winner?
- File comments with CBP
- Appraise senior management



### Conclusion for Customs – Hello Partner!

- More time and more filings are needed to adequately determine the feasibility and cost
- Regardless of size, industry, exposure the majority of companies are nowhere close to being able to comply
- Expand analysis to include accuracy and completeness, not just timeliness

## **Extend The Structured Review Period**

