

# Fall 2010 Conference Survey Results

This last fall, the CBD asked all of our Members and conference attendees to give us feedback on the future format of educational conferences. We received 151 responses. This information will be invaluable in helping the Board of Directors make recommendations to the Membership on future conference length after the upcoming 5 day spring 2011 conference. In the next few months I will be working to further analyze and group the responses in order to present this information to the Membership at the spring conference. Please feel free to contact me with any questions or suggestions. Thank you to everyone who participated!

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87.4%	87.4% of respondents are current or retired forensic practitioners or managers.	52.8%	Of the forensic practitioners who attended a 5-day conference, 52.8% would like one 5-day conference, while 30.6% would like one 2-day and one 5-day conference.
7.1%	Local, state, and federal government was fairly equally represented and 7.1% of forensic practitioner/manager respondents work for a private company.	42.6%	Of the forensic practitioners who did not attend a 5-day conference, 42.6% would like two 2-day conferences, while 21.3% would like one 2-day and one 5-day conference.
19.3%	19.3% of respondents have not attended a CBD conference in the last 5 years and 15.3% have attended 7-10 conferences in the last 5 years. The majority of respondents (42.7%) attended 1-3 conferences in the last 5 years.	21.3%	
42.7%		85.1%	85.1% of respondents would not object to having vendors participate in only one conference each year.
60.7%	60.7% of the respondents have not attended a 5-day conference.	52.9%	52.9% of respondents prefer that conferences take place on weekdays, 29.3% prefer weekends (Friday and Saturday), and 17.9% prefer weekdays into the weekend (i.e. Wednesday to Saturday).
56%	56% of respondents want there to be a 5-day conference (either just the 5-day or a 2-day and a 5-day), while 33.6% of respondents want two 2-day conferences.	29.3%	
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