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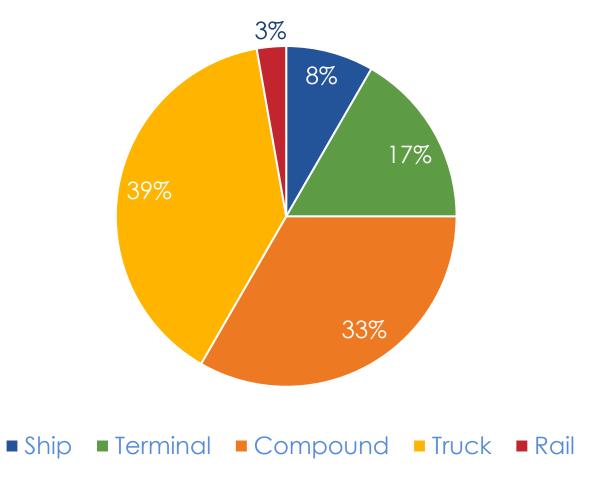








Respondents' information Type of operator







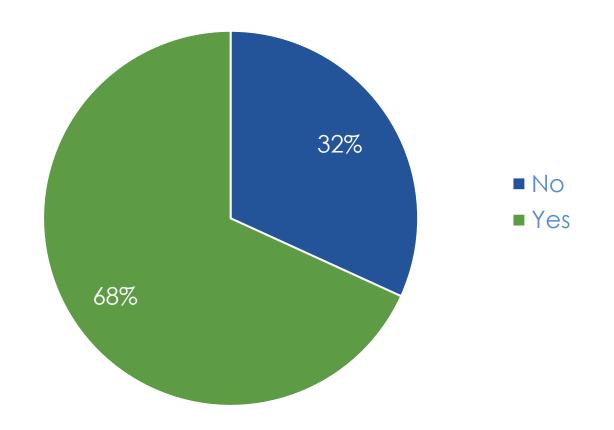








Do you have experience with direct delivery to client?







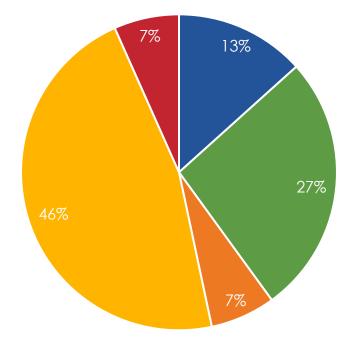








If you are offering direct delivery to client, how do you do it?



- Delivery at terminal
- Subcontracted trucks
- Jockey (delivery without truck)
- Own trucks
- Own and subcontracted trucks





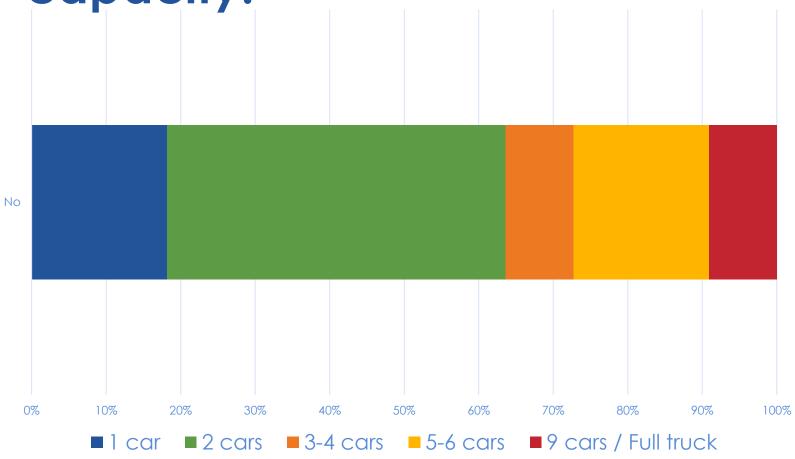








Direct delivery
If you are using trucks, please indicate the capacity:



55%
Use small 1-2 cars trucks





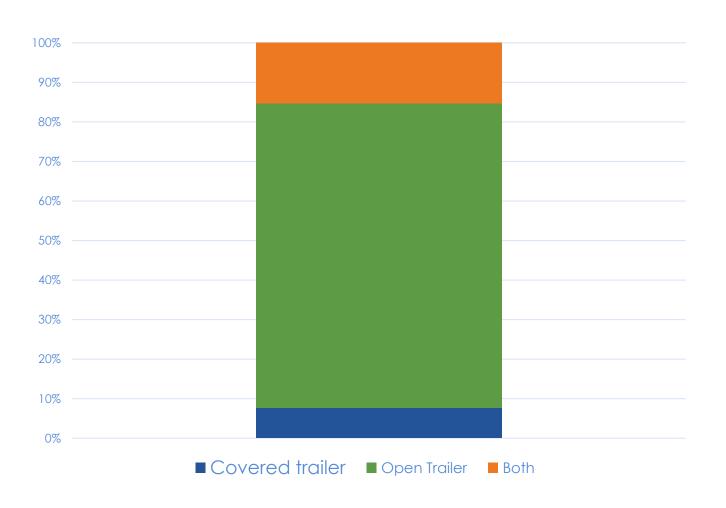








Direct delivery If you are using trucks, please indicate the type:



The great majority
Use open trailers







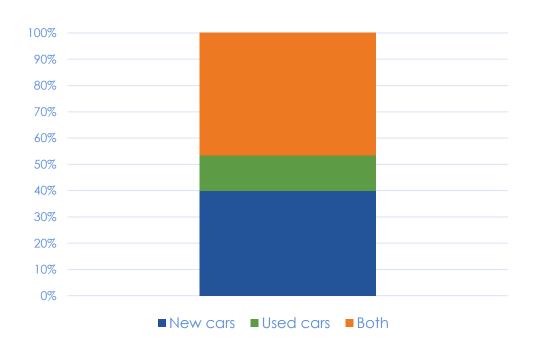






Type of cars

 In what business do you have experience with direct delivery to client?



 If both, please indicate percentage split of new vs used cars

30 – 70 %

Is on average
The percentage split new vs used







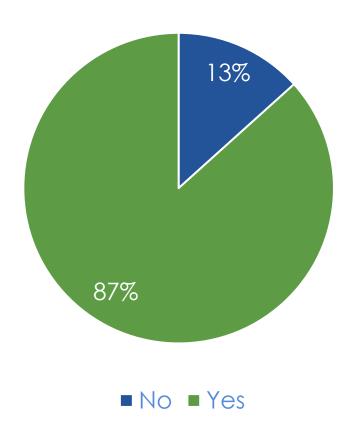


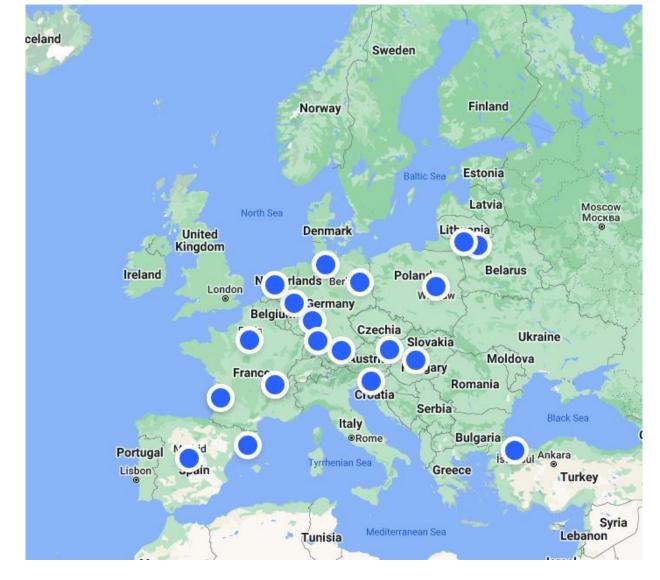




Have you ever delivered a single car to the final

client in a city?

















Future direct delivery

Of new cars





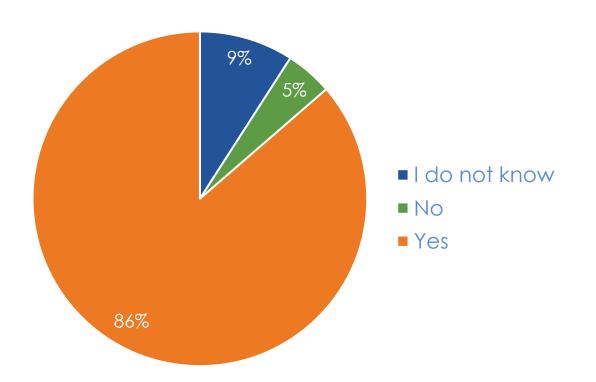


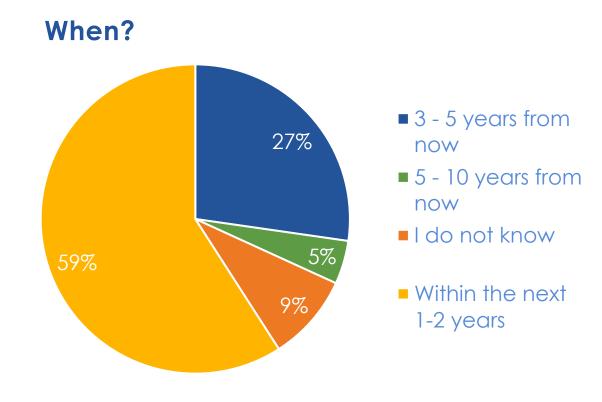






Do you see single direct delivery to client - of new cars - develop in future?









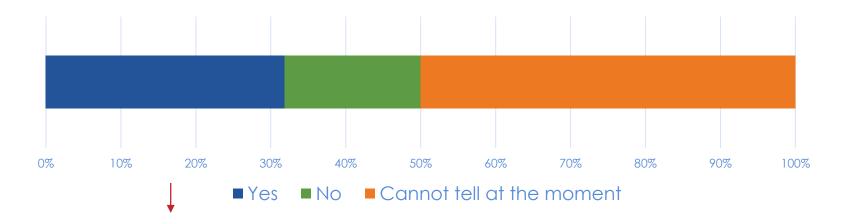


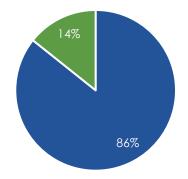






Are you planning to invest specifically in direct delivery to client in future?





- Within the next 1-2 yrs
- 3-5 yrs from now













Direct delivery of new vehicles

Challenges

qualification solutions equipment cost quidance cities clients unloading truck trucks regulation traffic space traffic space vs user adequate vs user adequate low permits working high return driver logistics holidays technical investment demands dealers

Solutions















Final remarks from respondents

International/long distance transport is different than direct delivery transport

Convenient and easy for customers but hard for carriers

Opportunity for terminals / ports













Conclusion

- 'New' type of driver
- Brand feeling
- Customer experience

Co-operation between LSPs and OEMs (needs, challenges...)

EAAG to track phenomenon with OEMs through interviews













THANK YOU!

(to be continued..)











