



### U.S. SPACE INDUSTRY 'DEEP DIVE'

A COLLABORATION BETWEEN THE DOC AND THE USAF, NASA, AND NRO

#### FINAL DATASET FINDINGS

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# U.S. Space Industry 'Deep Dive' Assessment - Background

- Partnership with the U.S. Air Force, National Aeronautics and Space Administration, and the National Reconnaissance Office.
- The principle goal is to gain an understanding of the intricate supply chain network supporting the development, production, and sustainment of products and services across the defense, intelligence, civil, and commercial space sectors.

#### Objectives:

- a) Map the space industrial base supply chain in unprecedented detail;
- b) Identify interdependencies between respondents, suppliers, customers, and USG agencies;
- c) Benchmark trends in business practices, competitiveness issues, financial health, etc. across many tiers of the industrial base; and
- d) Share data with USG stakeholders to better inform strategic planning, targeted outreach, and collaborative problem resolution.

### **Survey Topics**

(Covers 2009-2012)

- Financials
- Research & Development
- Capital Expenditures
- Employment
- Mergers & Acquisitions
- Sales
- Areas of Potential USG assistance for Respondents
- Impacts of decreased USG demand

- 205 USG Space Programs
- Suppliers (U.S. & non-U.S.)
- Customers (U.S. & non-U.S.)
- Top competitors (U.S. & non-U.S.)
- Codes: DUNS, CAGE, NAICS, Inventory
- Rare Earth Elements and Counterfeiting Issues
- Challenges to Competitiveness

This presentation only scratches the surface of our data.

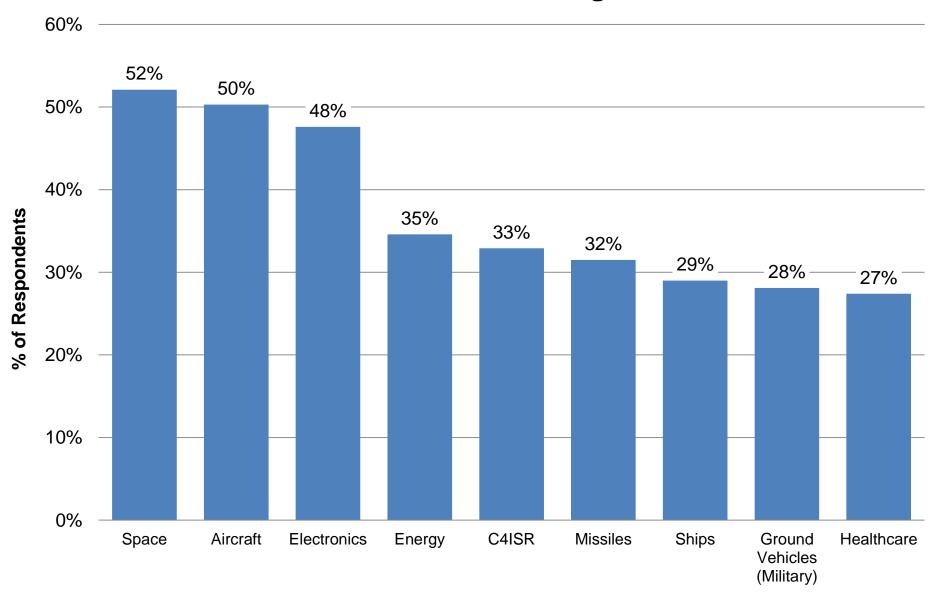
## **Overview of Respondents**

Respondents by Type of Organization		
Commercial Companies	3,585	
Universities	125	
Non-Profit Organizations	49	
U.S. Government Agencies	21	
Total	3,780	

62% of respondents are small businesses, as defined by the Small Business Administration

Respondents by Average Annual Net Sales (2009-2012)		
Very Small (Less than \$10M)	1,648	
Small (\$10 – 50M)	929	
Medium (\$50 – 250M)	498	
Large (\$250M – 1B)	234	
Very Large (Greater than \$1B)	165	
No Sales	306	

### **Involvement in Market Segments**



### **Structure of the DOC Survey**

Created 16 general segments comprised of 360 individual products & services.

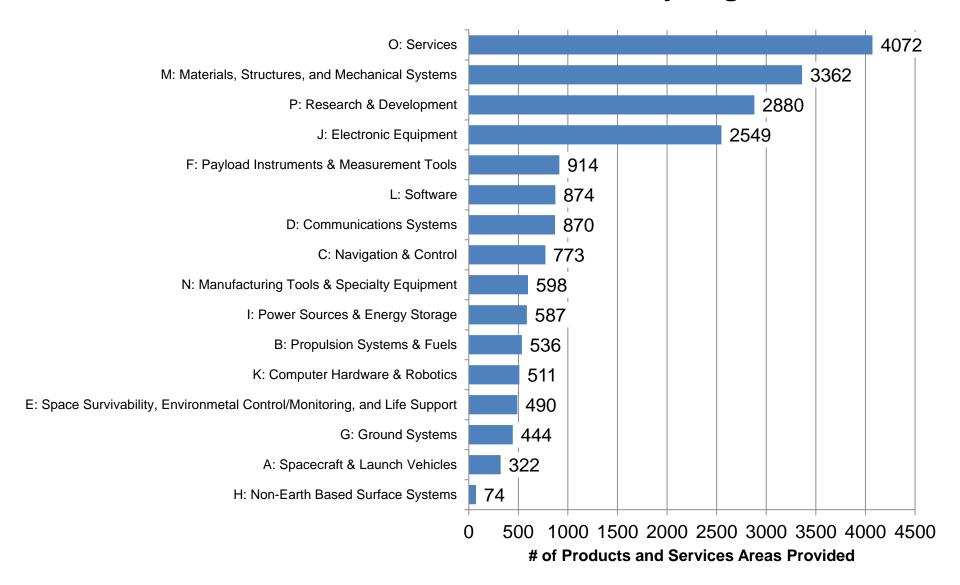
#### <u>Product and Service Segments</u>:

- A. Spacecraft & Launch Vehicles
- B. Propulsion Systems & Fuels
- C. Navigation & Control
- D. Communications Systems
- E. Space Survivability, Environmental Control/Monitoring, and Life Support
- F. Payload Instruments & Measurement Tools
- G. Ground Systems
- H. Non-Earth Based Surface Systems

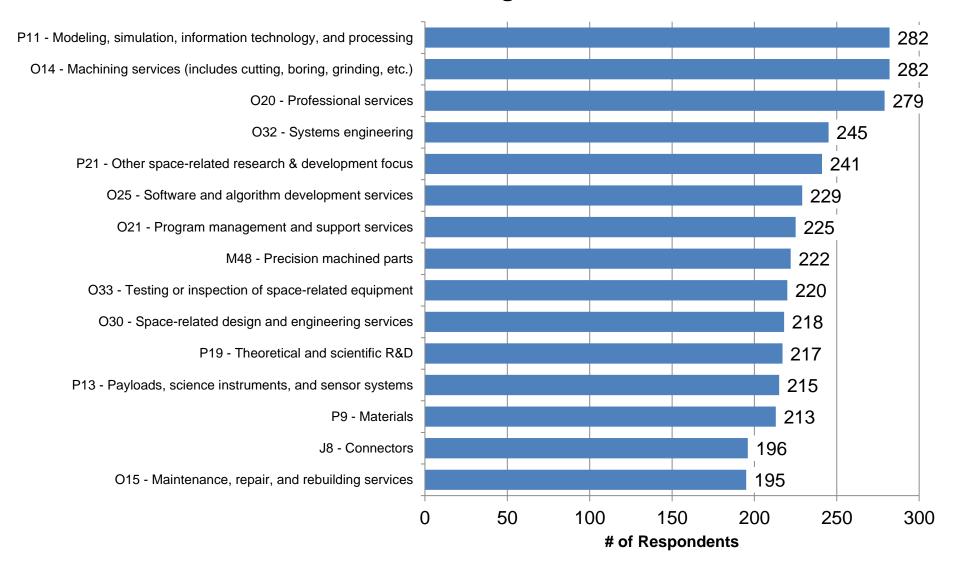
- Power Sources & Energy Storage
- J. Electronic Equipment
- K. Computer Hardware & Robotics
- L. Software
- M. Materials, Structures, and Mechanical Systems
- N. Manufacturing Tools & Specialty Equipment
- O. Services
- P. Research & Development

Respondents detail their critical suppliers, customers, and involvement in over 205 USG space programs.

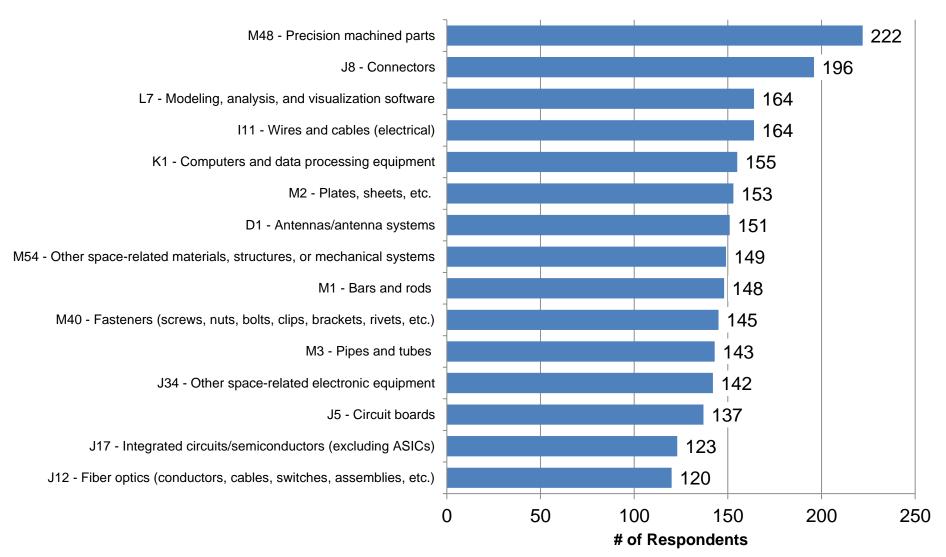
### **Products and Services Provided by Segment**



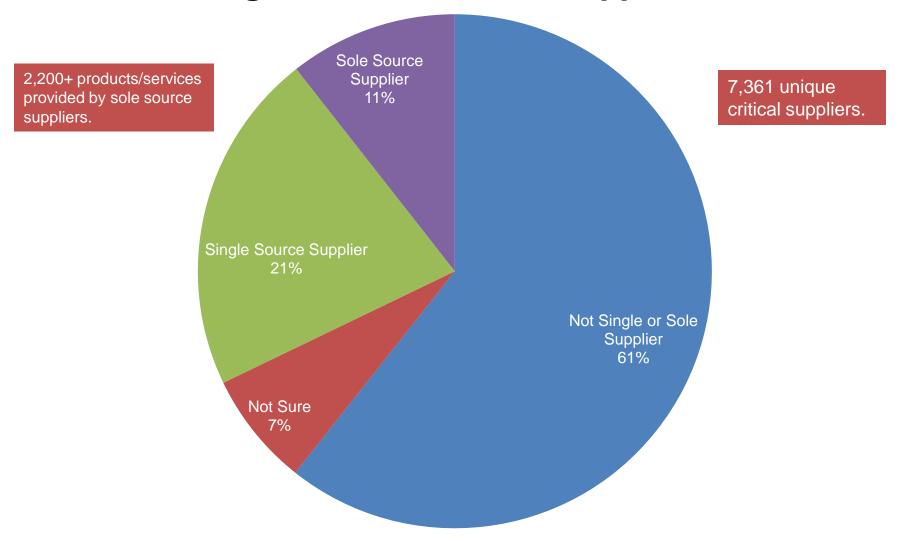
## Top 15 Product/Service Areas Provided by Respondents – All Segments



## Top 15 Product/Service Areas Provided by Respondents – Excluding Services and R&D

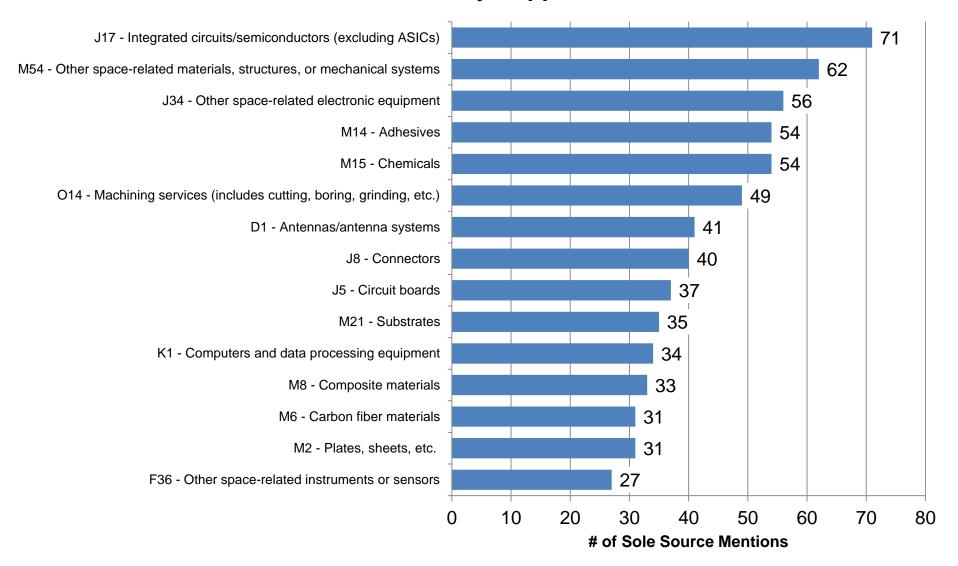


### Single and Sole Source Suppliers\*

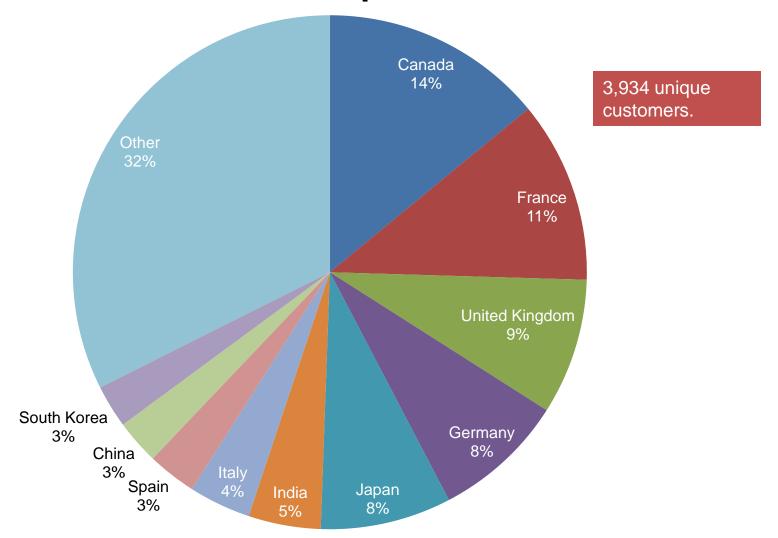


<sup>\*</sup> As a percentage of total products/services provided.

## Top 15 Sole Source Product and Service Areas Provided by Suppliers

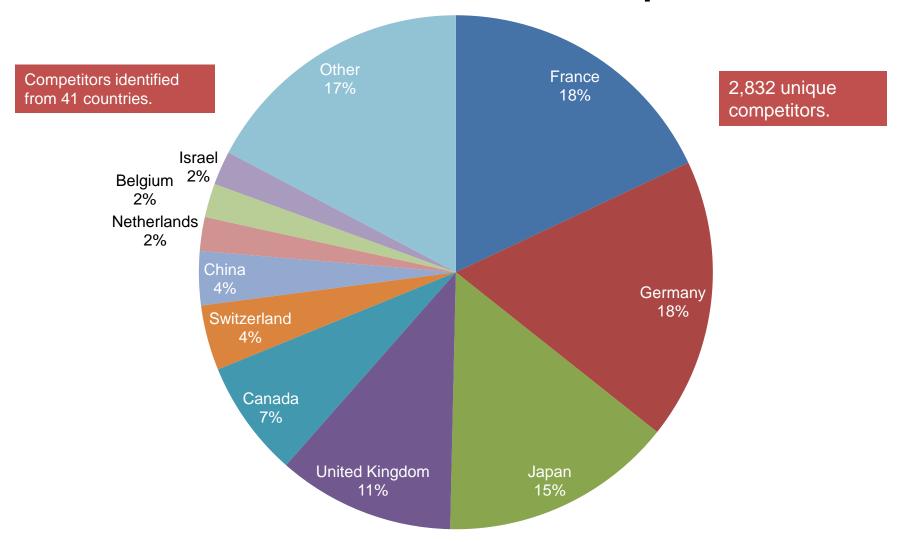


### **Location of Non-U.S. Based Space-Related Customers\***



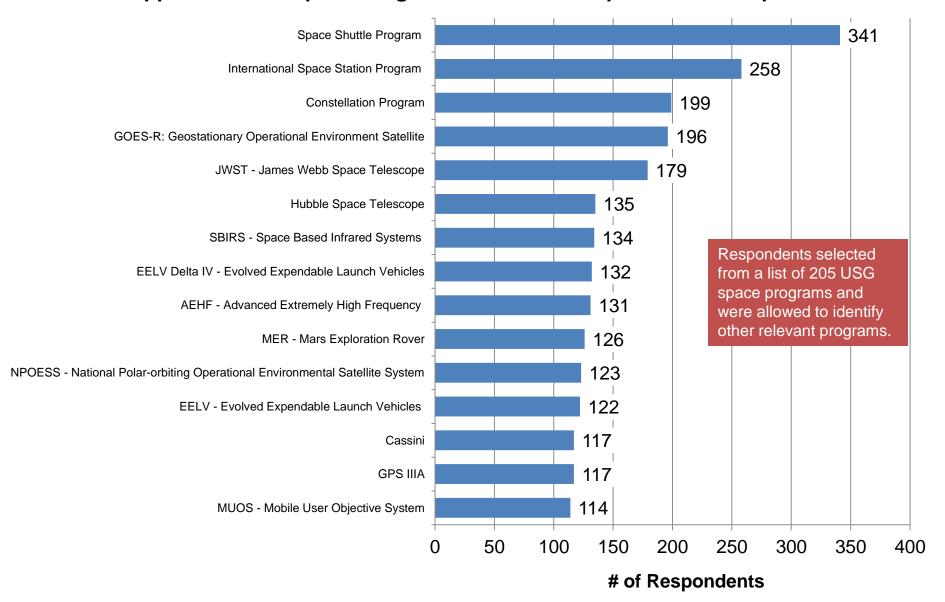
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### **Location of Non-U.S. Based Competitors\***

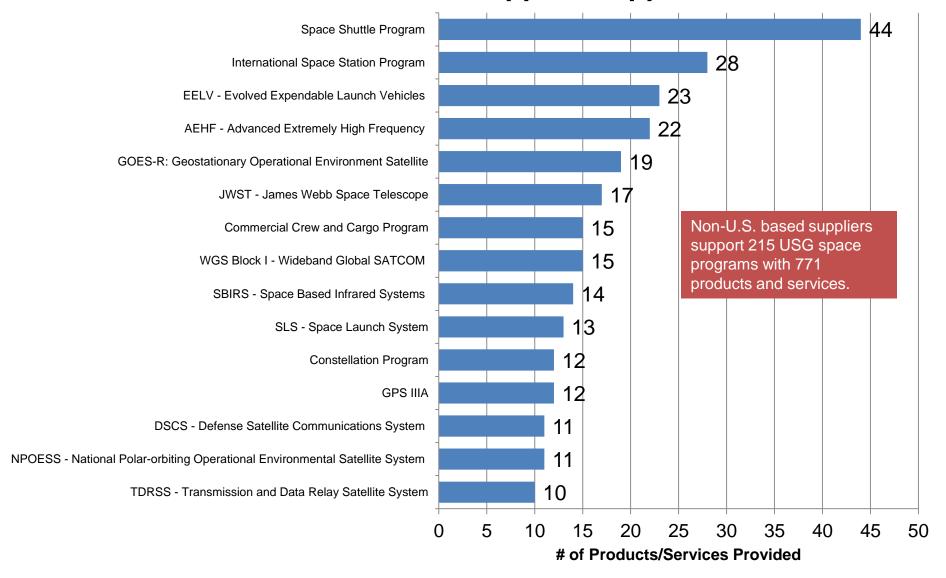


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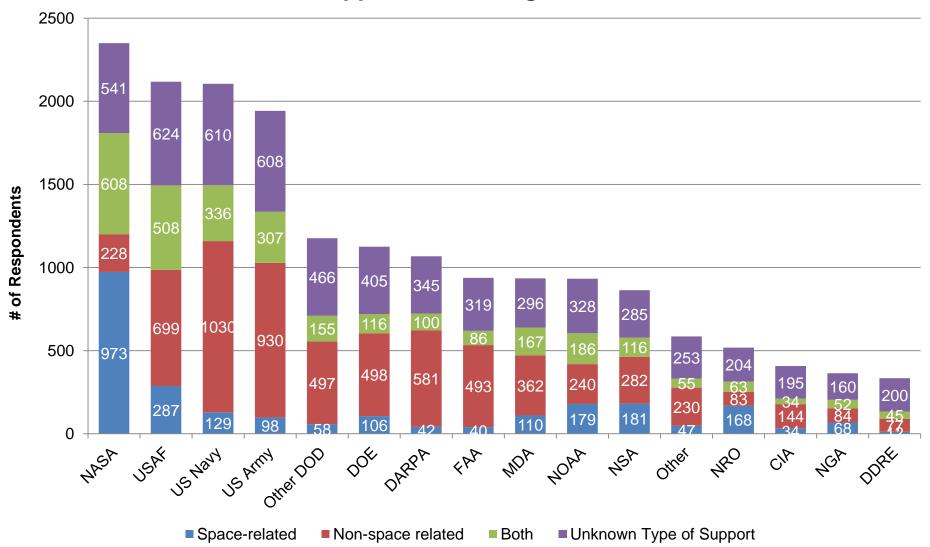
#### **Support for USG Space Programs Based on Respondent Participation**



## USG Space Programs with the Greatest Non-U.S. Based Supplier Support

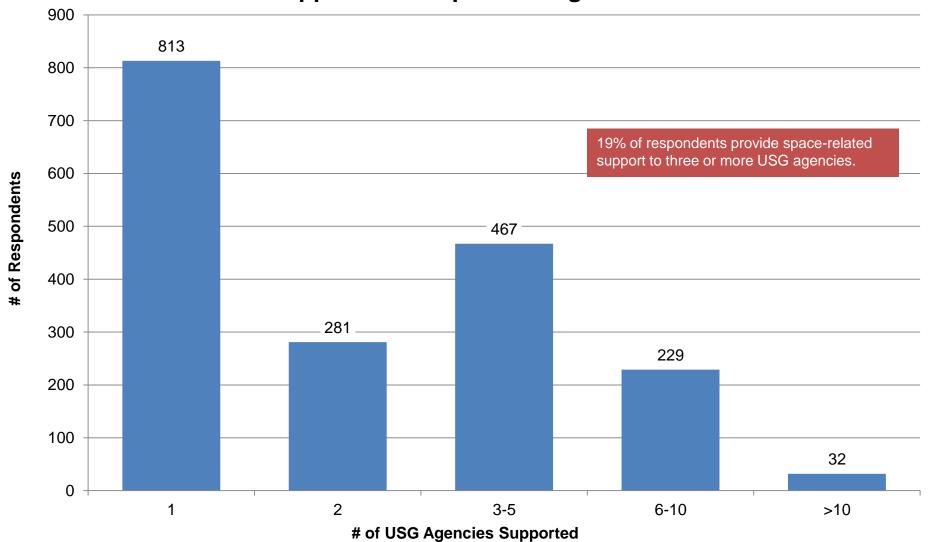


#### **Support for USG Agencies\***



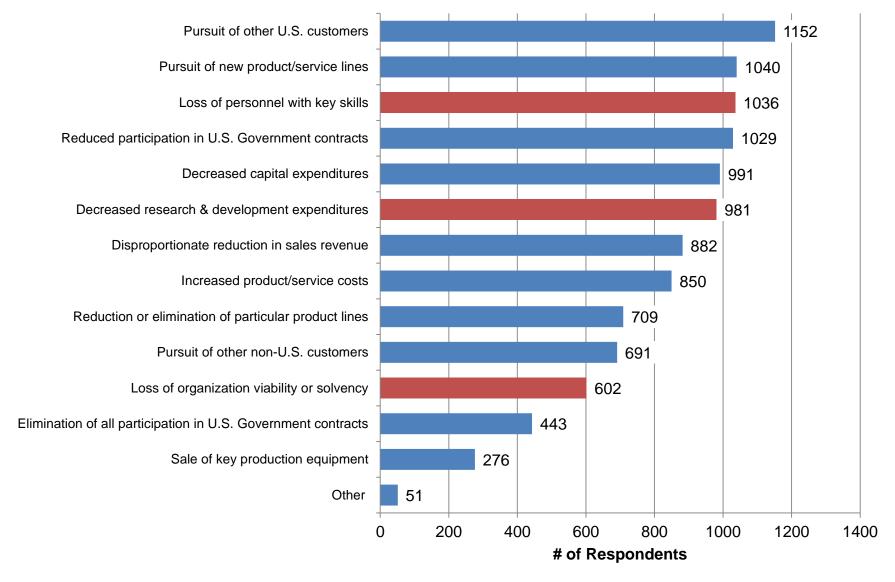
<sup>\*</sup> This identification of support is not tied to a specific USG program.

## Respondents Providing Space-Related Support to Multiple USG Agencies\*



<sup>\*</sup> A combination of "space-related" support and "both" responses.

#### Potential Impacts of a Sudden Decrease in USG Space-Related Demand



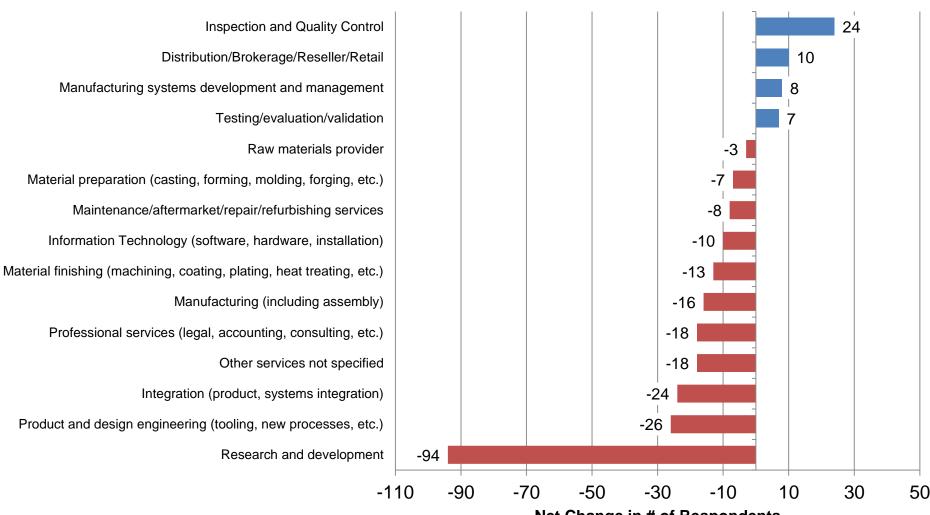
# Variability in Demand - Continued Desire to Work With USG

18 percent (666 of 3,780) of respondents said that variability in demand from the USG for space-related products and services have somewhat or significantly adversely impacted their desire to serve these customers.

#### Adverse Impacts:

- "Variation in year-to-year R&D budgets over the last 2 3 years due to changes in program priorities, federal budget pressures, cancellation of key programs has had a significant negative impact on our business stability over those years. Hiring and other long range investments have been strongly affected" – Very small company.
- "The decrease in USG space programs has fundamentally changed the outlook for several of our clients and just as importantly it has significantly impacted several potential clients resulting in a drastically reduced demand for services we provide. Consequently, while we are still interested in this segment, the market outlook is much more somber than it was just 2-3 years ago" Very small company.
- "Desire unchanged, just fewer opportunities" Very small company.
- "This is the work we do and we love it. We do it by choice. We are very dependent on the US government, but we couldn't do the same work in any other context. So we just keep doing it, even if it's not always stable. A lot of great talent is leaving the industry because of this, though. The massive NASA layoffs of last year are a sad example of that" Very small company.
- "We invested approximately one man-year plus tens of thousands of dollars to develop a product for our customer only for them to buy only three units. Due to the customer's lack of business, we have effectively cancelled the product" – Large company.
- Respondent has "prepared plans to terminate space-related production and focus on aerospace markets due to declining volume and increasing volatility of space-related sales" – Medium company.

## Net Change in Space-Related Customer Demand for Respondents' Business Lines (2009-2012)



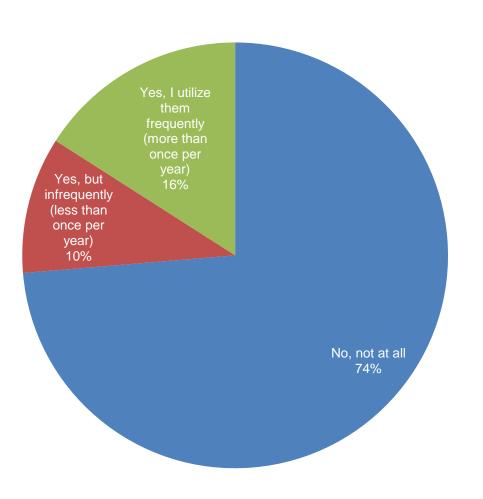
Net Change in # of Respondents (Increases in Demand – Decreases in Demand)

# Decrease in Space-Related Customer Demand for Respondent's Business Lines (2009-2012)

Decrease in Research & Development		
Very Small	174	
Small	60	
Medium	32	
Large	20	
Very Large	16	
No Sales	29	
Total	331	

Decrease in Product and Design Engineering		
Very Small	96	
Small	54	
Medium	39	
Large	14	
Very Large	11	
No Sales	11	
Total	225	

## Utilization of U.S. Export Control System (ITAR/EAR) for Space-Related Products/Services

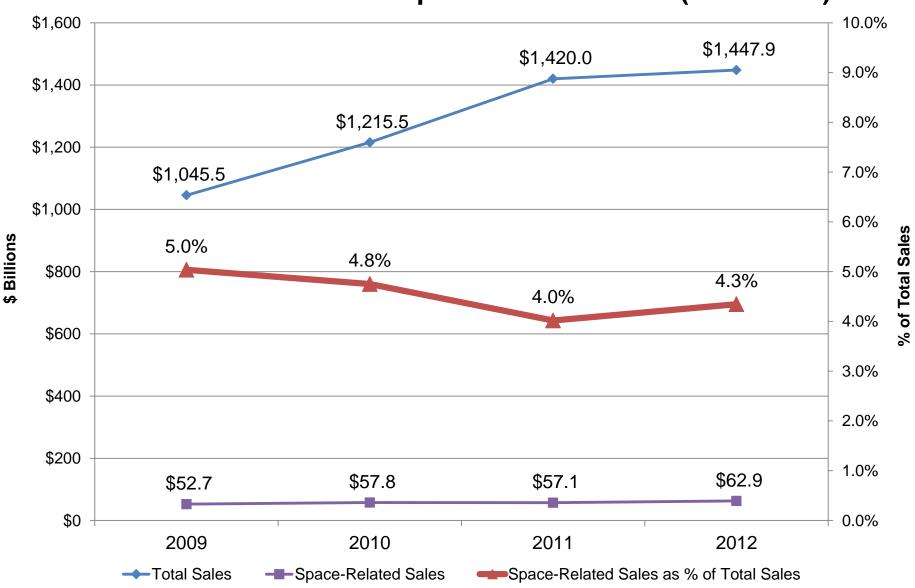


### Impacts of U.S. Export Regulations on Space-Related Products and Services

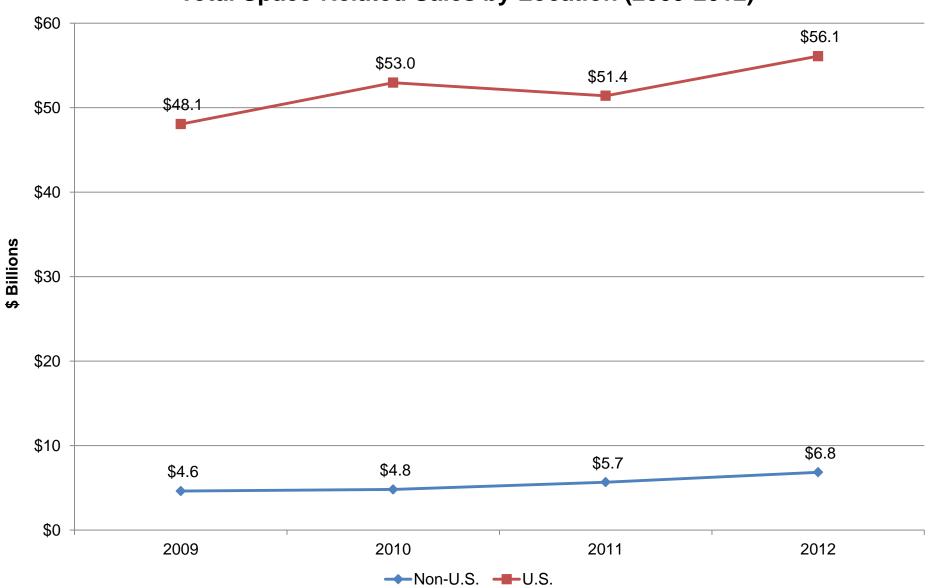
Impact	% of Respondents*
Avoided the export of space-related products or services subject to ITAR-related controls	34%
Incentivized non-U.S. organizations to "design- out" or avoid buying U.S. origin space-related products or services	26%
Incentivized non-U.S. organizations to offer "ITAR-free" space-related products or services	22%
Avoided the export of space-related products or services subject to EAR-related controls	20%
Contributed to the creation of non-U.S. companies/business lines in direct competition with the organization's space-related products or services	15%
Altered space-related R&D expenditures	12%
Caused the abandonment or alteration of space- related business lines	10%
Caused re-location of space-related production/R&D facilities outside the United States due to regulatory burdens	2%

\* Based on 995 respondents that selected "Yes" to utilizing U.S. export controls for space-related products.

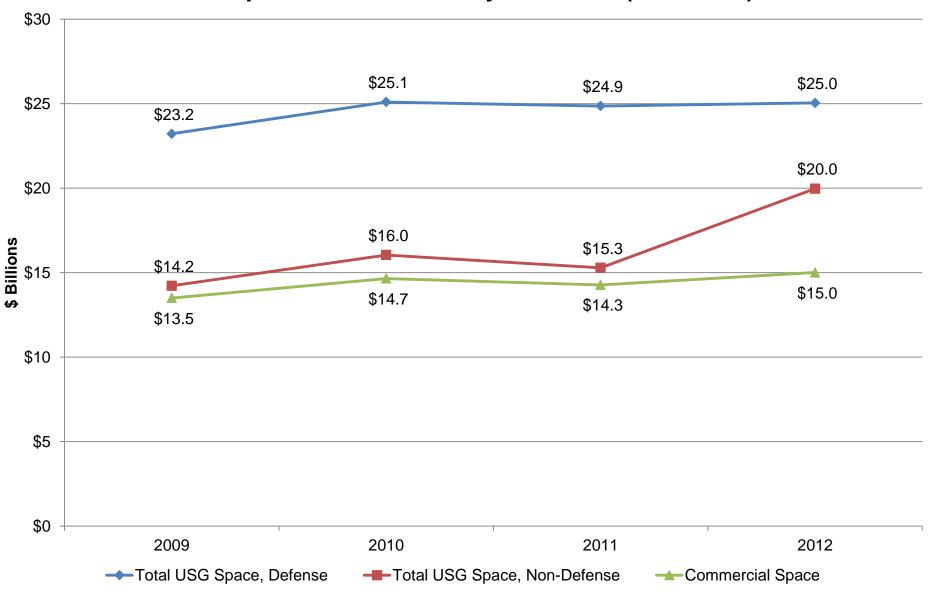
### Total Sales vs. Space-Related Sales (2009-2012)



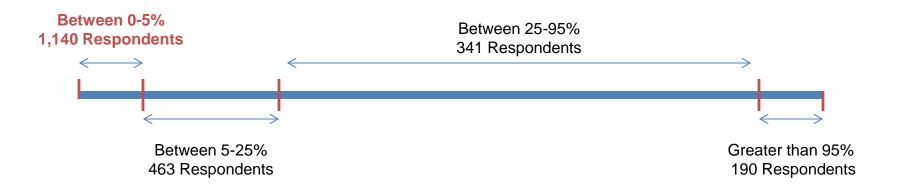
#### **Total Space-Related Sales by Location (2009-2012)**



### **Total Space-Related Sales by Customer (2009-2012)**



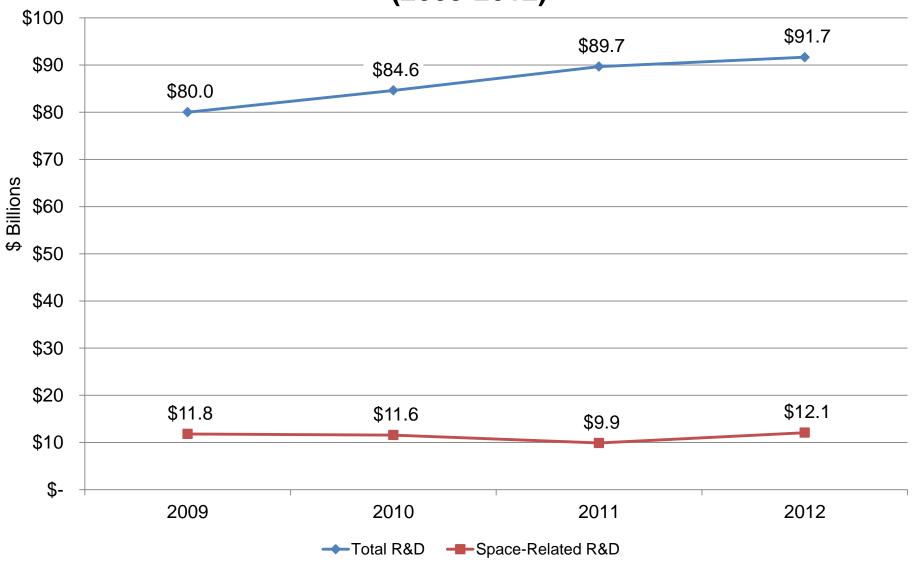
### **Exposure to Space-Related Sales\***



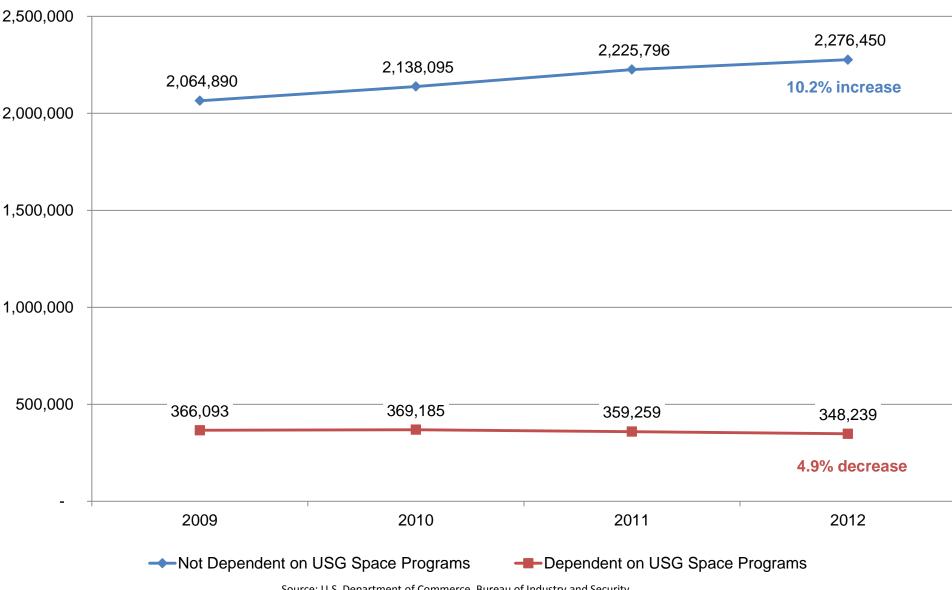
Need to understand the potential impact of USG policy decisions on respondents, space-related or otherwise.

<sup>\* 1,646</sup> respondents declared that they had no "space-related" sales.

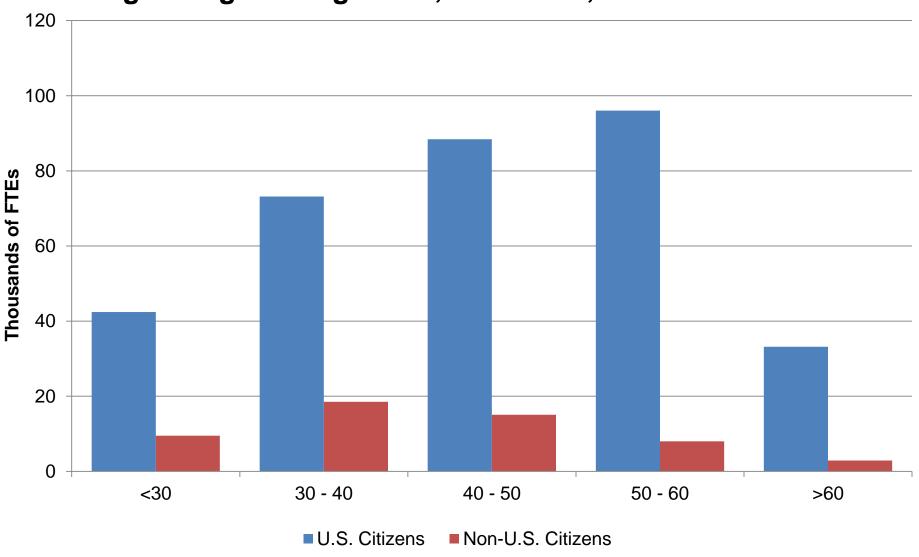
## Total Research and Development Expenditures (2009-2012)



#### Full Time Employees – Dependence on Current USG Space Programs



### Age Range of Engineers, Scientists, and R&D Staff\*



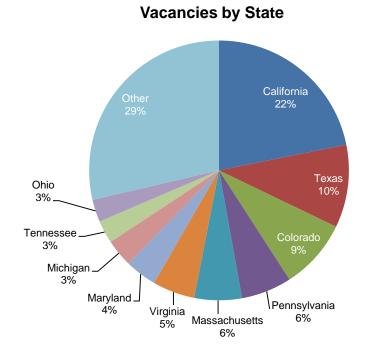
\* Excluding universities

### **Unfilled Vacancies for Skilled Positions**

- Respondents identified how many unfilled vacancies they currently have for the following positions:
  - Engineers, Scientists, and R&D Staff
  - Production Line Workers
  - Testing Operators, Quality Control, & Support Technicians
- 1,234 respondents (33 percent) currently have 24,836 vacancies for these positions.

#### Why are these vacancies unfilled?

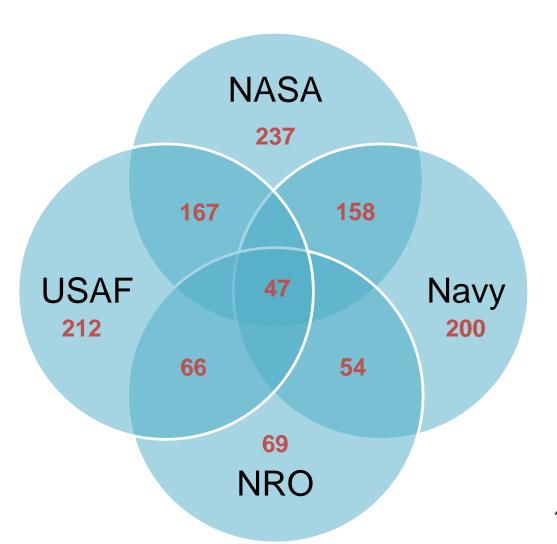
- Lack of proper skills
- Difficulty attracting workers to manufacturing
- 3. Geographic difficulties
- 4. Instability of demand



## **BRINGING IT TOGETHER:**

Cross-Cutting Data for More Effective Analysis

#### **Shared Government Risk**



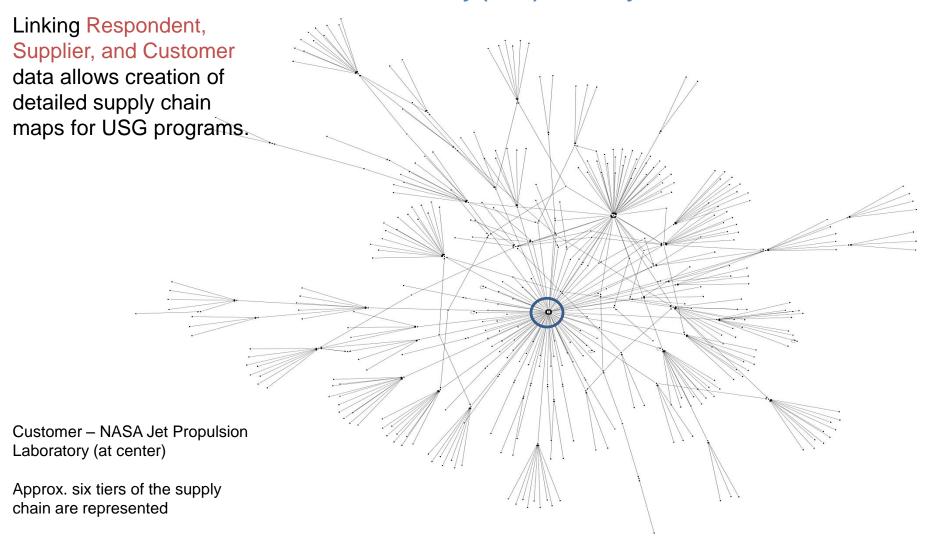
354 respondents were determined to be financially high/severe risk.\*

Sample of four USG agencies and their shared supplier risk.

Cross-cutting relationships can be viewed by product or program.

<sup>\*</sup> Based on a series of financial risk measures, taking into account profitability, liquidity, leverage, and others.

## **Supply Chain Mapping: Mars Science Laboratory (MSL) Curiosity Rover**



## Mars Science Laboratory (MSL) Curiosity Rover - Detailed View

This level of detail in supply chain mapping can only be achieved with an underlying structure that threads sections together

- the Product and Service List.

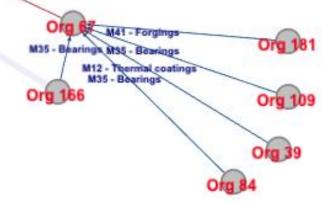
MSL - Mars Science Laboratory

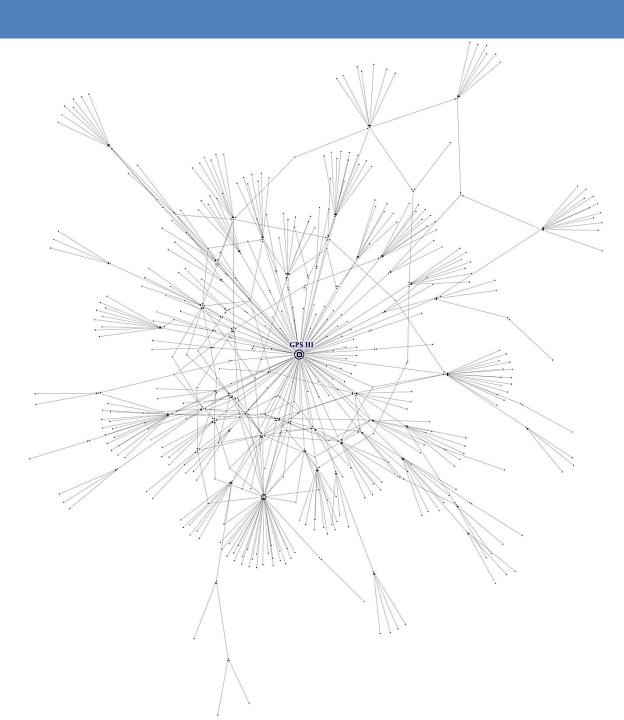
M43 - Gears and gear boxes

DOC is expanding the use of the data:

- Map multiple programs at once to uncover interdependencies
- Identify key nodes in the supply chain
- Add financial health metrics to the map
- View the maps geographically
- And more.

Partner organizations can tailor these maps to their specific needs.





#### **GPS III**

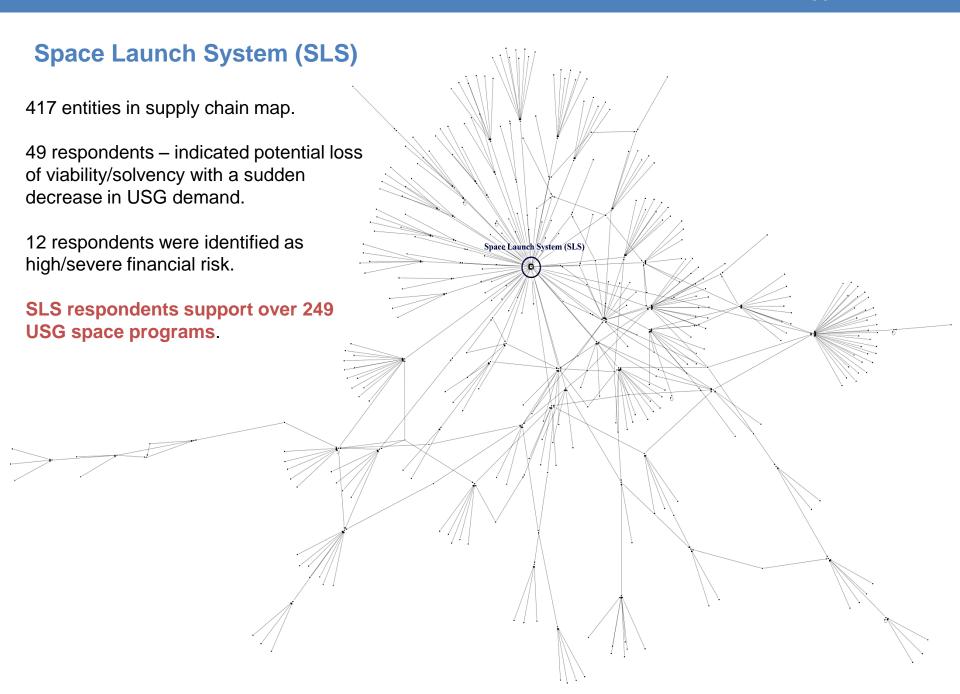
462 entities in supply chain map.

43 respondents – indicated potential loss of viability/solvency with a sudden decrease in USG demand.

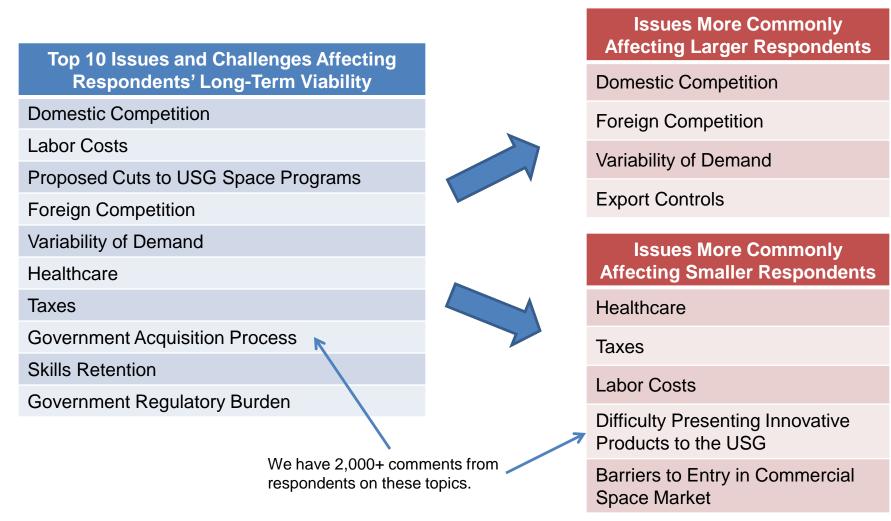
## **GPS III respondents support** over 236 USG space programs.

Most prominently:

- GOES-R (NOAA)
- AEHF (USAF)
- MUOS (U.S. Navy)
- SBIRS (USAF)
- Other GPS Systems



# Strategic Environment: "Understand the Collective Problem"



### Sample Comments Related to Government Acquisition Reform

- "More direct and transparent understanding of needs and opportunities" Small company.
- "More willingness to pursue, developed, off-the shelf products" Large company.
- "Advanced notice of opportunities, rapid contracting, monthly progress payments" Very small company.
- "DARPA has a cyber fast-track program that can make a decision and put small businesses on contract within 2 weeks of receipt of proposal. If the space-related government did that, we could give them more responsive service" – Very small company.
- "Help us find and understand where subcontracting opportunities exist at the prime contractors and within existing programs" – Large company.

## Respondents Interested in Available USG Assistance Programs and Services

Program	# of Respondents
Business development	715
R&D programs	527
SBIR and STTR contracts	492
Global export opportunities	443
Training Opportunities	416
Export licensing (ITAR/EAR)	405
Manufacturing technology development	395
Financing	353
Government procurement guidelines and e- commerce	346
Marketing assessment skills	329
Product/service development	314
Energy and environmentally conscious manufacturing	213
Patents and trademarks	196
Country Commercial Guides	60

Leverage existing USG resources to give something back to survey respondents.

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