

Strangford & Lecale Stakeholders

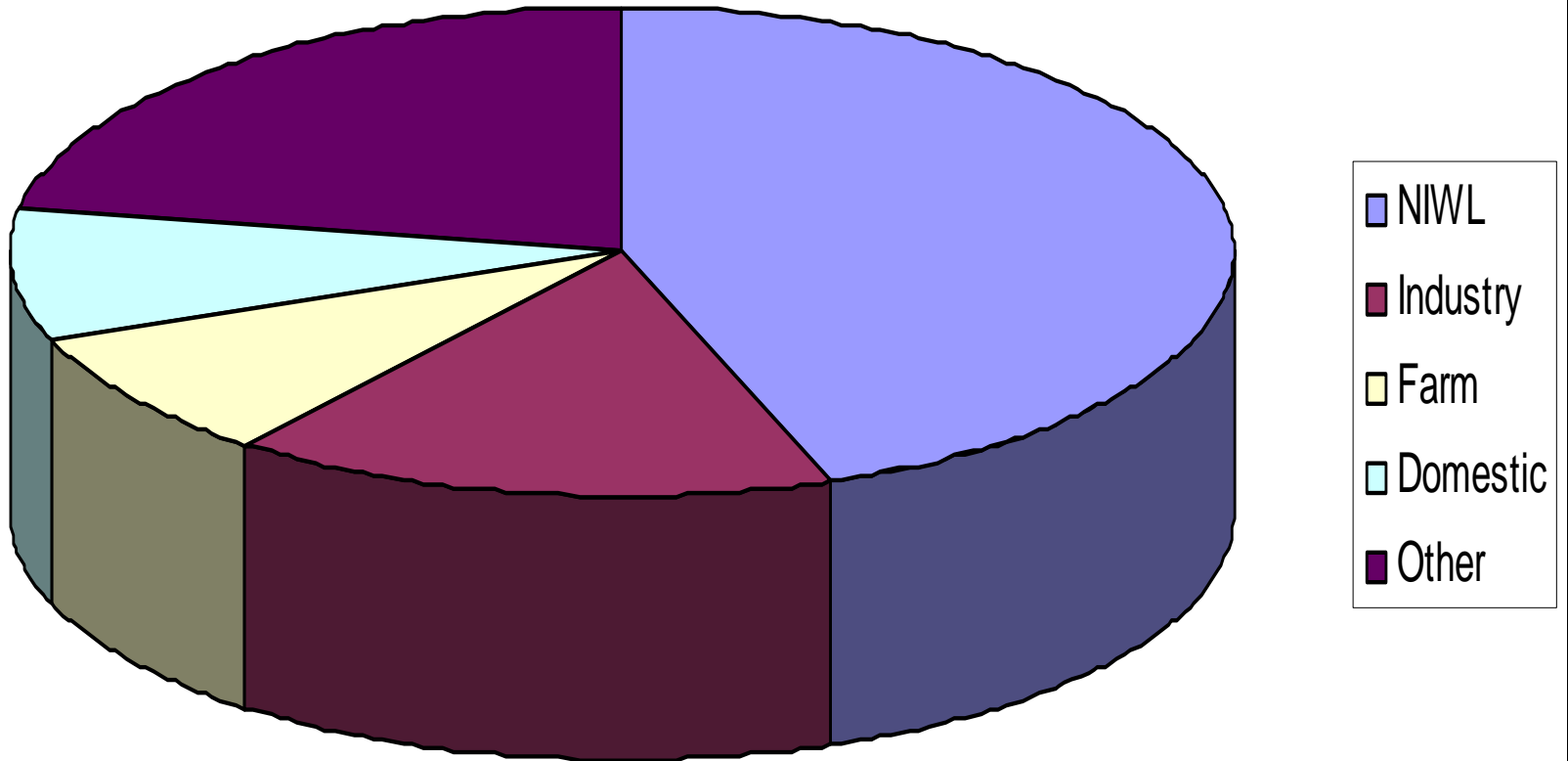
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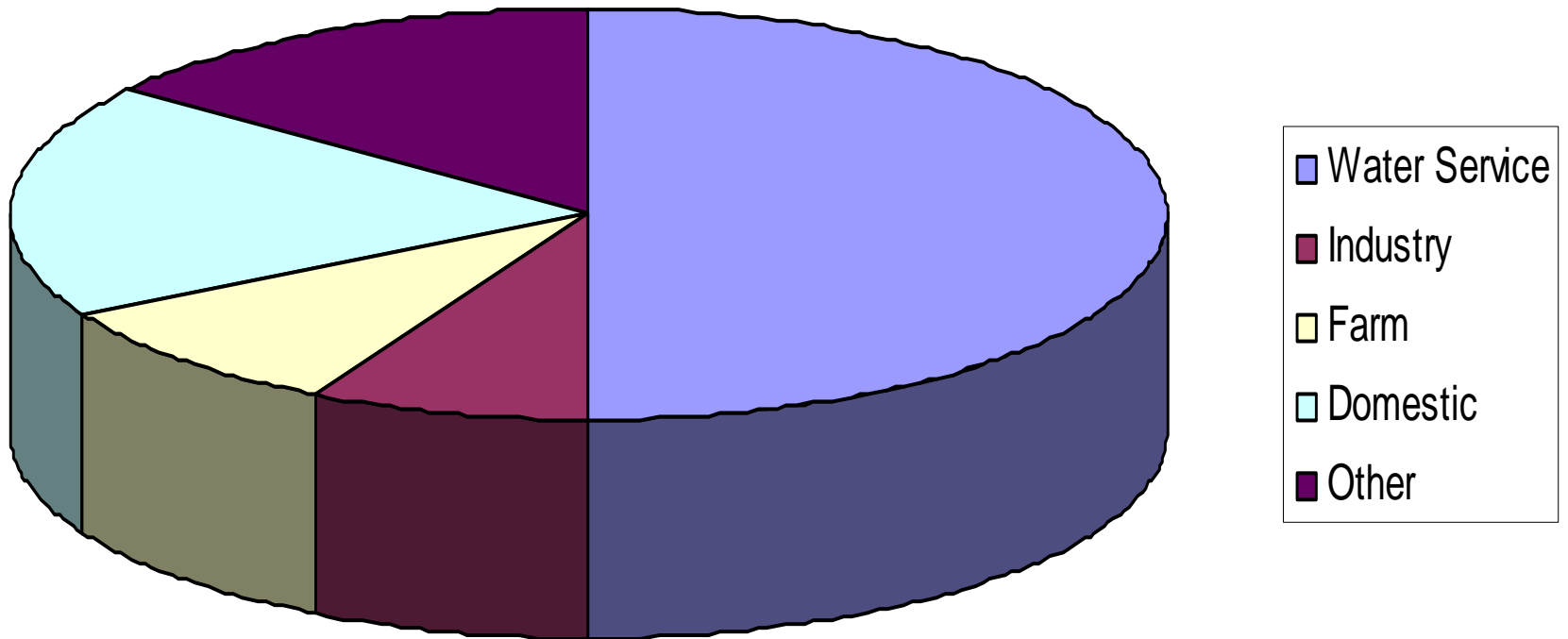
Pollution Response

	2008	2009
Reported Incidents	253	287
No Pollution Found	133	145
Confirmed	120	142
Low Severity	89	107
High / Medium Severity	31	35

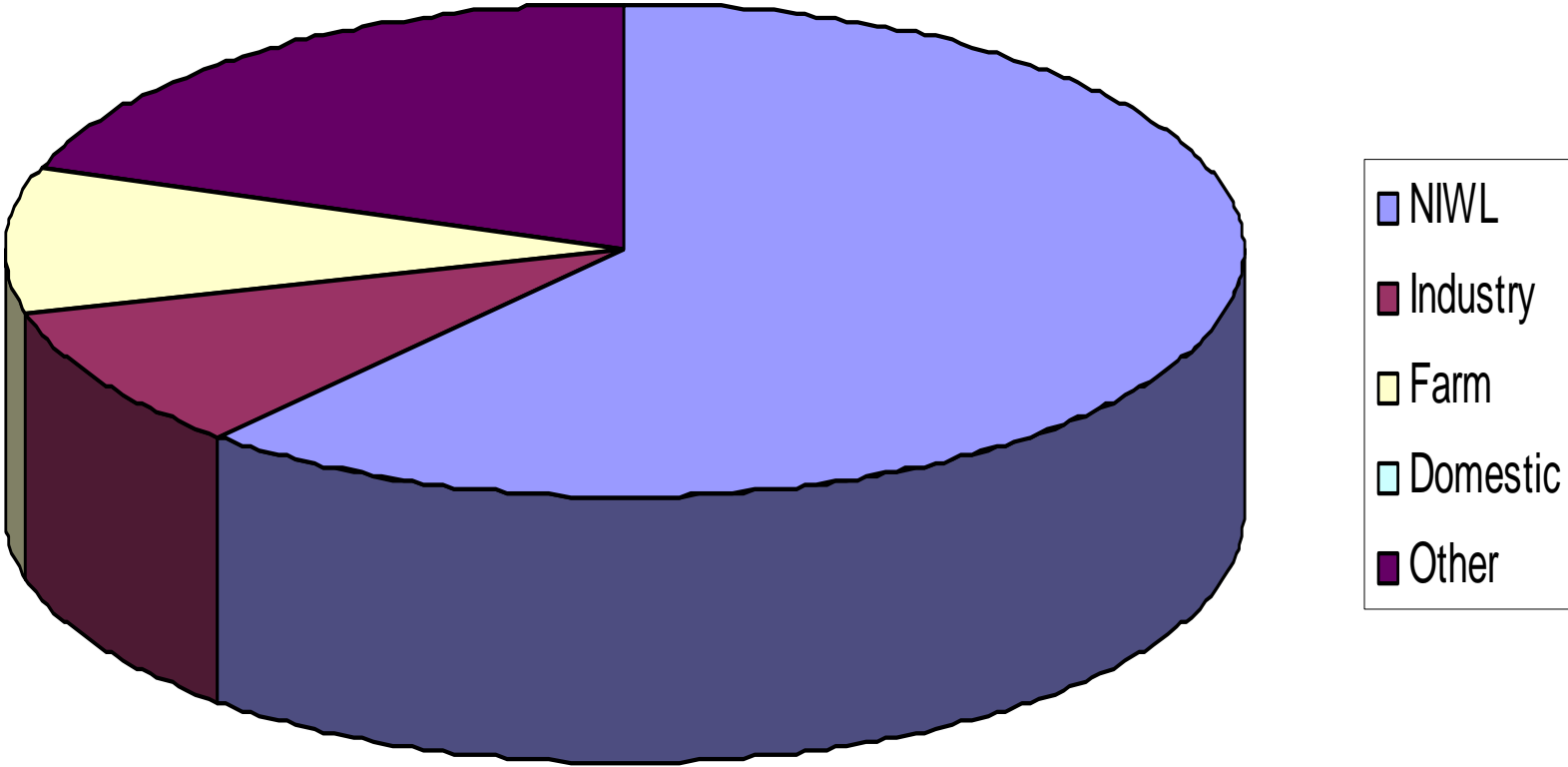
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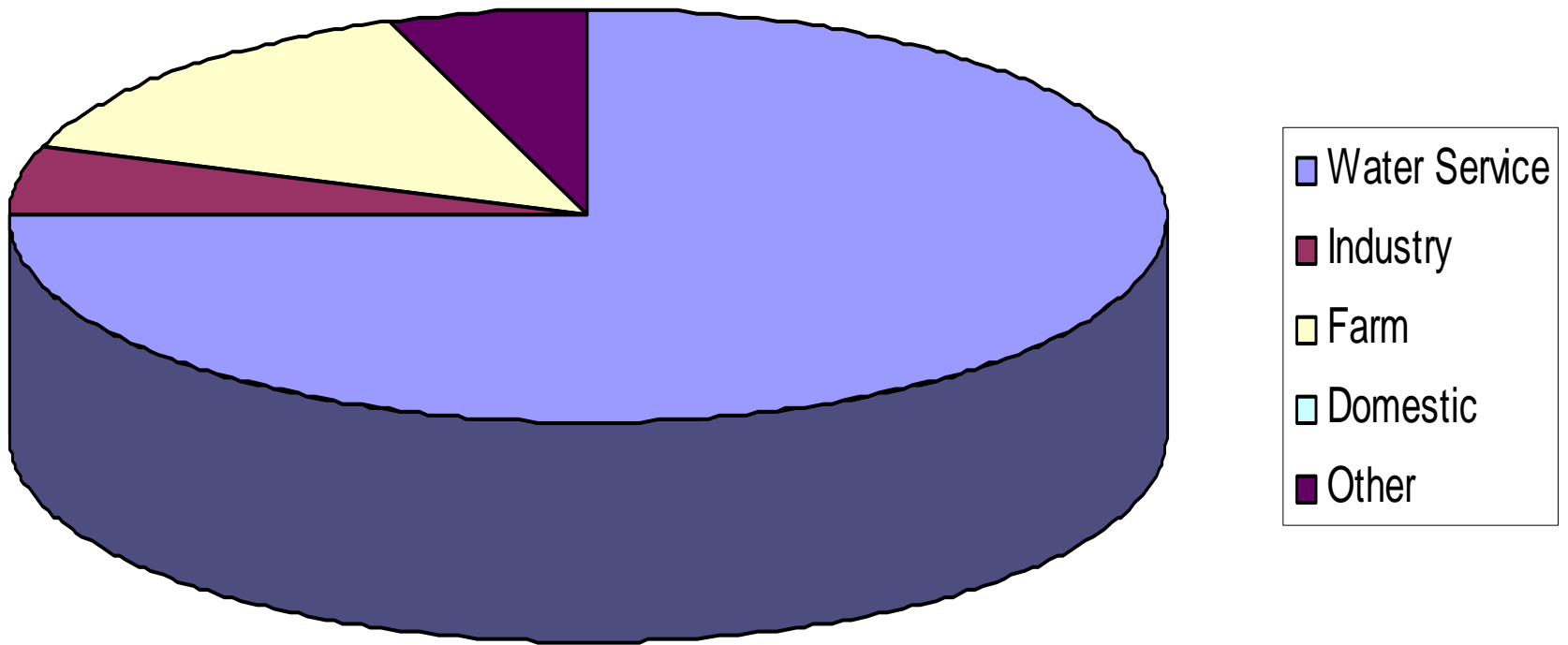
2009 Total Confirmed Incidents



2008 High / Medium Severity Incidents



2009 Medium/High Severity Incidents



66 High / Medium Severity

- 45 (19+26) NIWL
- 5 (3+2) Industry
- 8 (3+5) Farm
- 8 (6+2) Other

5 Industry (3+2)

- 1 Conviction (Oil in Crawfordsburn)
- 1 PPS
- 2 Warning Letters & Costs
- 1 Not sourced (Oil in Bangor Marina)

8 Agriculture (3+5)

- 3 PPS
- 2 Warning Letter & Costs
- 1 Advisory letter & Clean-up (oil)
- 2 Not Sourced

8 Other (6+2)

- 4 sewage (not NIWL's fault)
- 1 oil (Dibney)
- 1 fishkill (Donaghadee)
- 1 beach failure (Ballywalter)
- 1 other (probably sewage)

8 Other (6+2)

- 1 → PPS (Ards Mags 14th June)
- 1 Advisory letter
- 2 consented
- 4 Not sourced / NFA

19 NIWL 2008

- 1 Conviction (NIWL in Saintfield)
- 2 Notices
- 9 Warning Letters
- 2 Advisory Letters
- 1 consented
- 1 insufficient evidence
- 1 on-going
- 3 old STW → new works

26 NIWL 2009

- 0 Conviction
- 2 Remedial work (pre-notice)
- 11* PPS (7 files)
- 2 Warning Letters & Costs
- 6 Consented
- 6* On-going investigations (only 4 problems)
- 1 old STW → new works (Saintfield)

Pollution incident impact assessment criteria

High

A major incident involving one or more of the following:

- a. potential or actual persistent effect on water quality or aquatic life;
- b. closure of potable water, industrial or agricultural abstraction if necessary;
- c. extensive fish kill;
- d. excessive breaches of consent conditions;
- e. extensive remedial measures necessary;
- f. major effect on amenity value.

Pollution incident impact assessment criteria

Medium

A significant pollution incident involving one or more of the following:

- a. notification to abstractors necessary;
- b. significant fish kill;
- c. measurable effect on invertebrate life;
- d. water unfit for stock;
- e. bed of watercourse contaminated;
- f. amenity value to the public, owners or users reduced by odour or appearance.

Pollution incident impact assessment criteria

Low

A minor incident resulting in localised environmental impact only. Some of the following may apply:

- a. notification to abstractors not necessary;
- b. fish kill of fewer than 10 fish (species of no particular importance to the affected water);
- c. no readily observable effect on invertebrate life;
- d. water unfit for stock;
- e. bed of watercourse only locally contaminated;
- f. minimal environmental impact and amenity only marginally affected.

Water Pollution Hotline

The 24 hour, 7 days a week hotline for reporting all environmental incidents relating to water pollution in Northern Ireland.

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