

Helping our Scientific Review Branch Identify Potential Pools of Reviewers

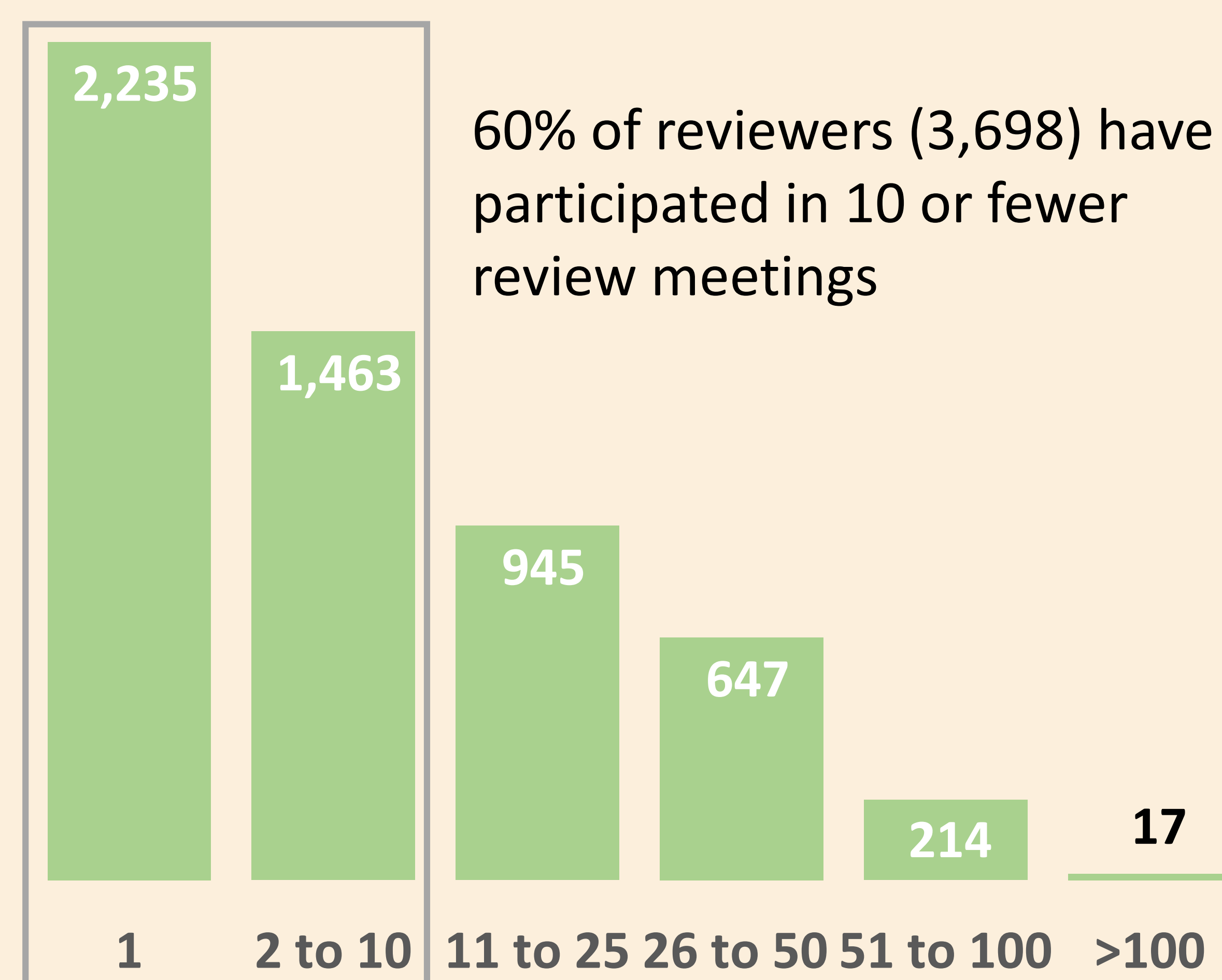
NIEHS Scientific Review Branch Challenge: Finding qualified reviewers for ES study sections

Solution: Understand previous and current service commitments of ES applicants and reviewers

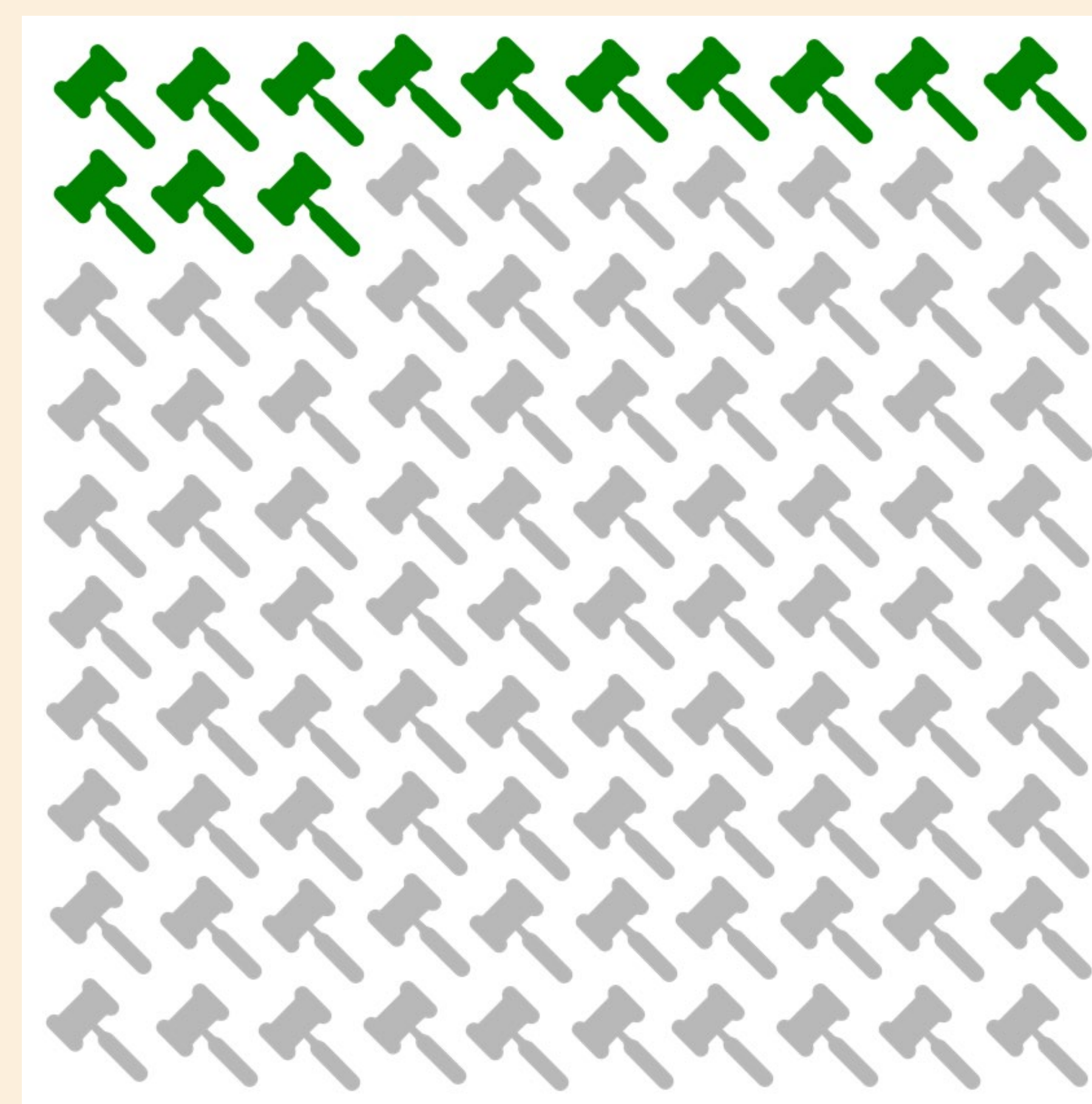
Examined Data for PIs who: Applied for funding in last 10 years OR Served on an ES Study Section in last 10 years

5,647 PIs in Dataset

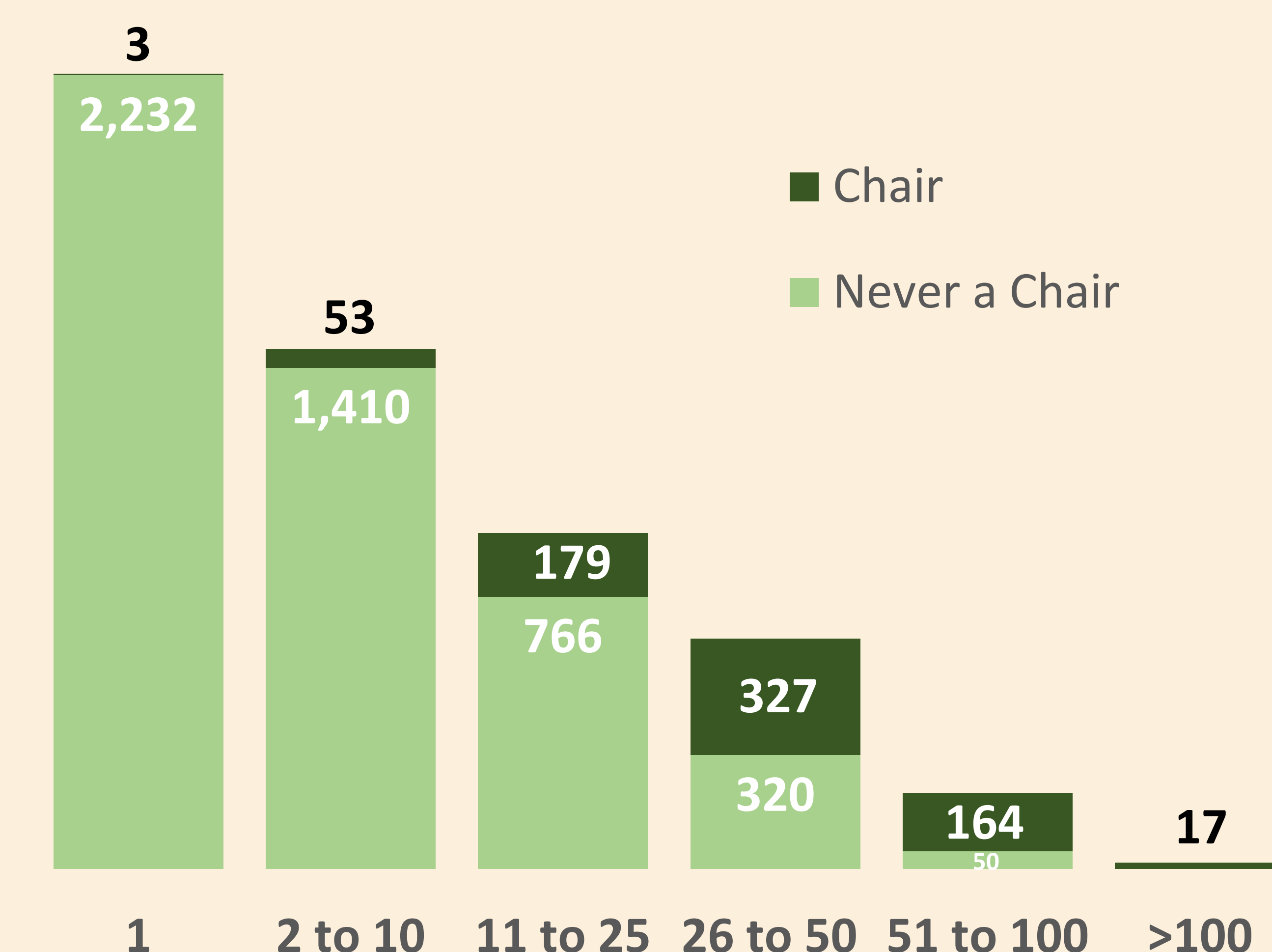
40% of reviewers have participated in just 1 review meeting



13% of reviewers serve as committee chairs

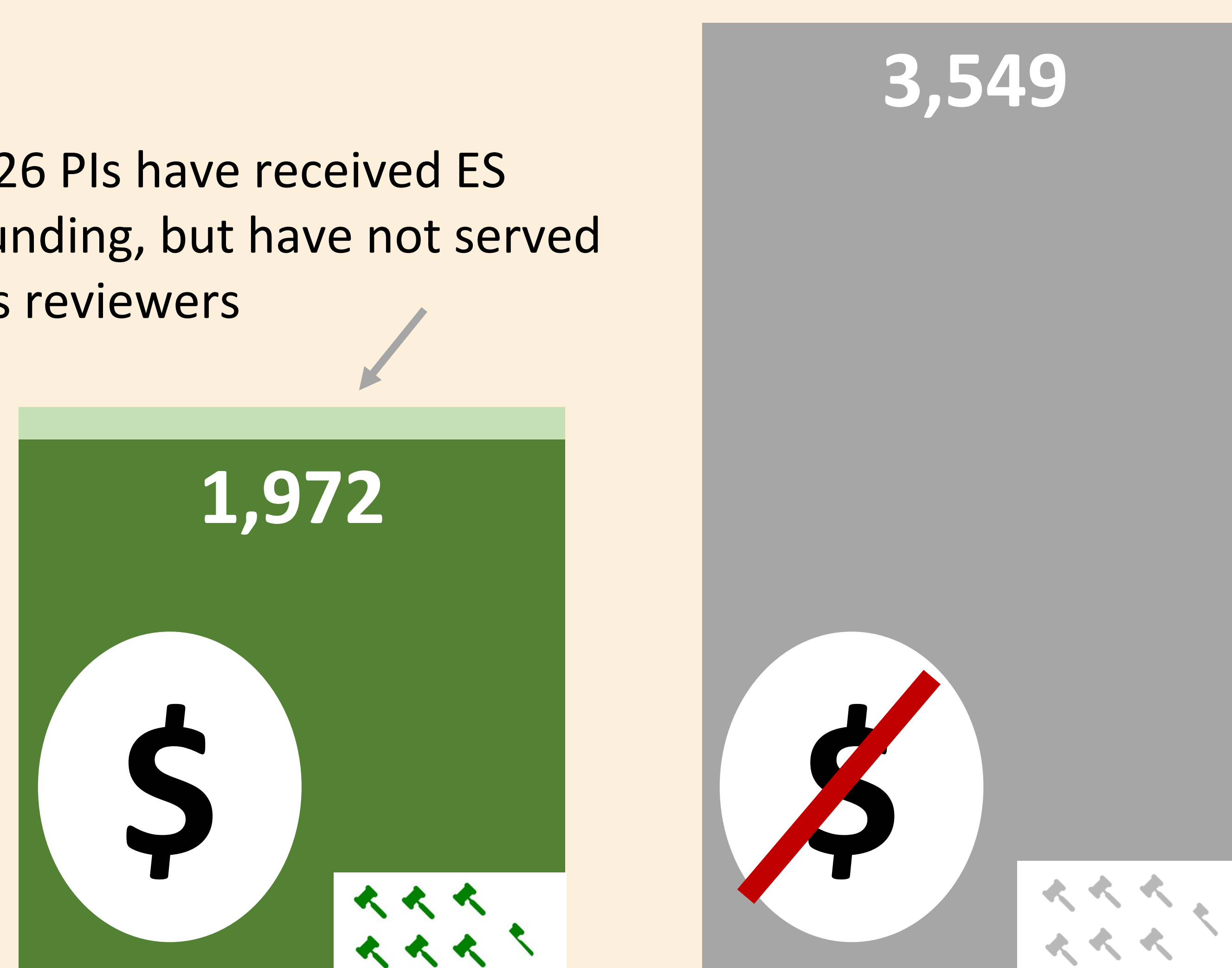


Committee Chairs participate in more meetings... May have less time to serve as reviewers



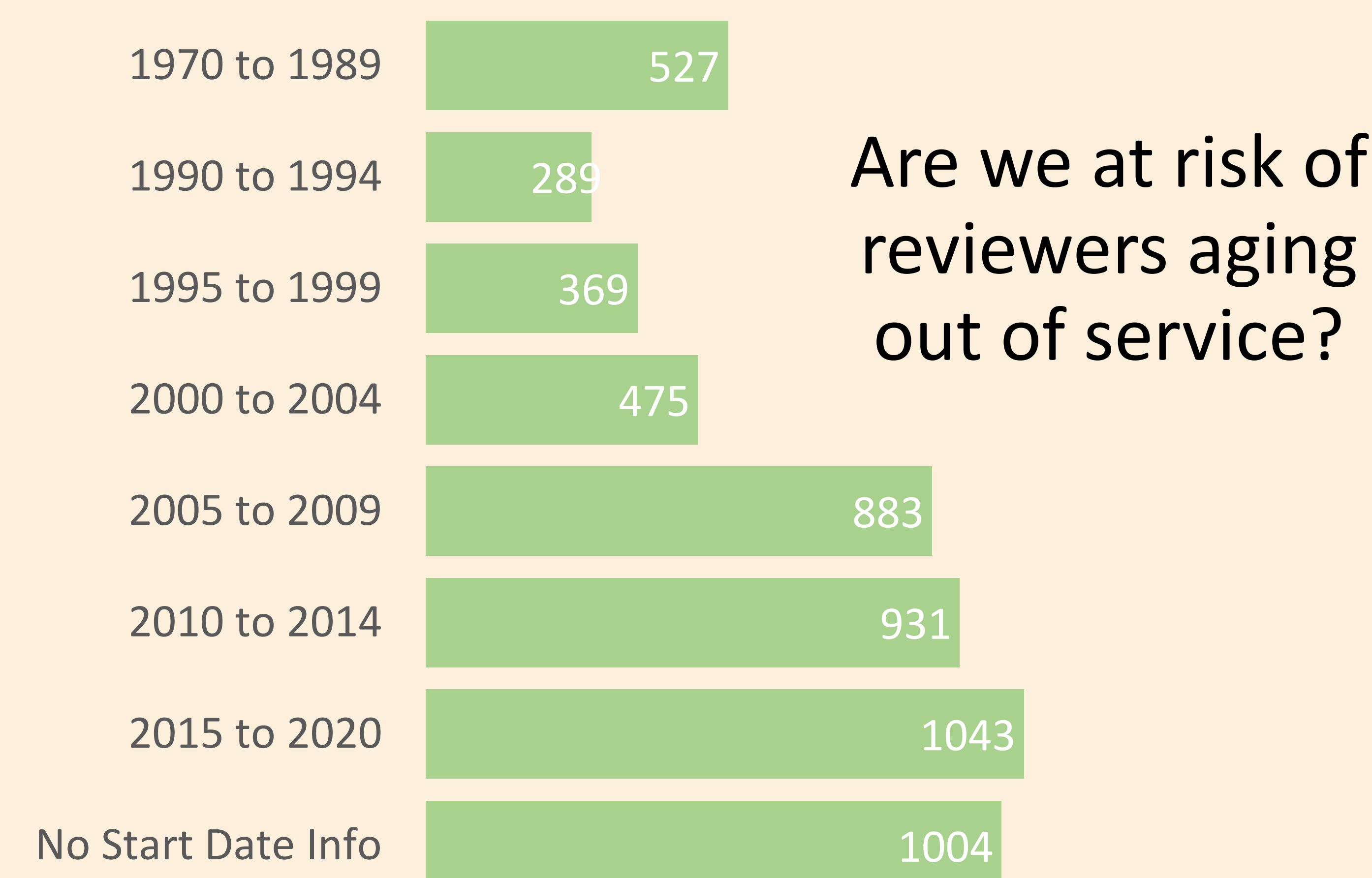
36% of PIs in data set have received NIEHS funding

126 PIs have received ES funding, but have not served as reviewers



50% of committee chairs have received NIEHS funding

50% of reviewers applied for their first R01 or started their committee service in the last 15 years



Potential Next Steps

- Examine further why so many reviewers serve on just 1 committee
- Consider using secondary ES assignments to expand reviewer pool (1,200 PIs have secondary ES assignments for their grants)
- Continue to thank and acknowledge reviewer service

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