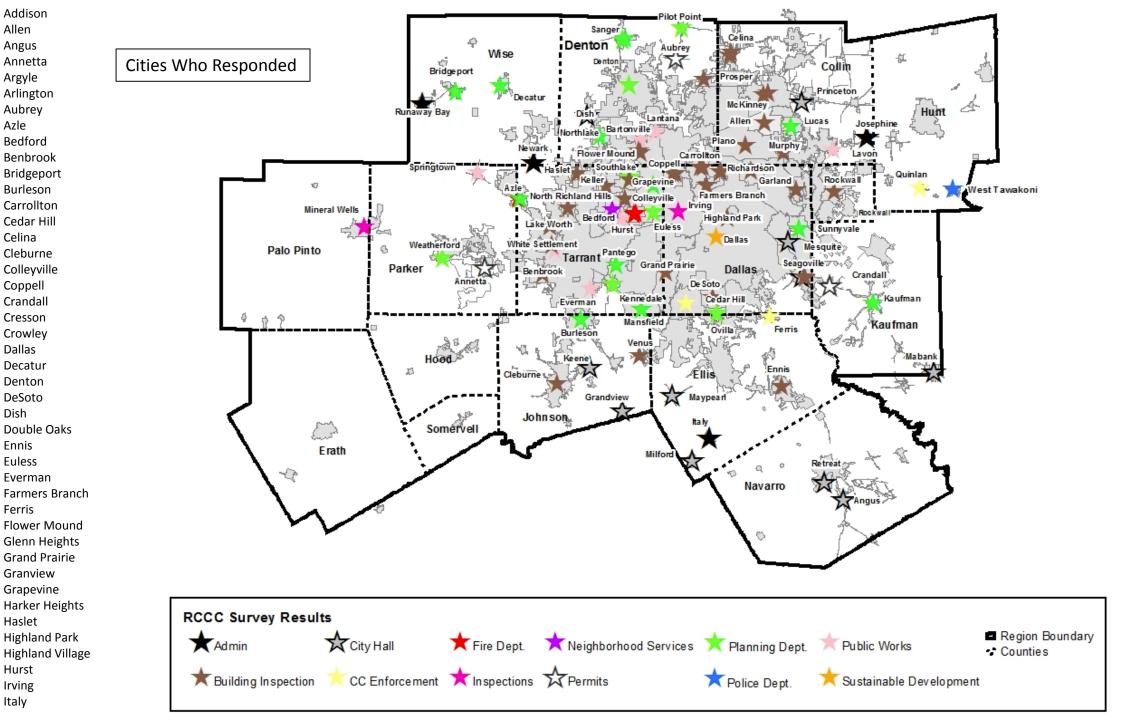
North Central Texas Council of Governments Regional Model Construction Code Survey Results

Conducted December 2014-January 2015





Addison Allen

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Carrollton

Cedar Hill

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Arlington Aubrey

Josephine Kaufman Keene Keller Kennedale Lake Worth Lavon Lewisville **Lowry Crossing** Lucas Mabank Mansfield Maypearl McKinney Mesquite Milford Mineral Wells Murphy Newark Northlake Pantego Pilot Point Plano Prosper Quinlan Retreat Richardson **Richland Hills** Rockwall Rowlett Runaway Bay Saginaw Sanger Seagoville Southlake Springtown St. Paul Sunnyvale **Trophy Club** Venus Weatherford West Tawakoni

Westover Hills

Westworth Village

City Code Adoption

- CODE ADOPTION SCHEDULE
 - Around 54% have no set time for adoption.
 - Approximately 23% adopt codes every three years.
- ► ADOPTION OF 2015 CODES
 - ▶ 68 out of 103 respondents will consider adopting codes after NCTCOG amendments are published.
- OPTION A/OPTION B
 - Approximately 30% of respondents do not know if they are an Option A or Option B city.
- USE OF NCTCOG AMENDMENTS
 - ▶ 82% of respondents typically utilize amendments presented by NCTCOG when adopting city codes.
- REQUEST FOR ASSISTANCE
 - ▶ While the majority of respondents would not like assistance evaluating opportunities to adopt more codes, around 23% of cities would like assistance. These cities were smaller in size.

Summary of Current Adopted Codes

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NOT ADOPTED	2%	2%	2%	2%	2%	8%	10%	49%	91%	
OLDER THAN 2000	0%	1%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	
2000	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	
2003	4%	2%	4%	4%	4%	1%	2%	5%	0%	
2006	17%	16%	17%	14%	17%	13%	15%	9%	0%	
2009	33%	36%	32%	33%	33%	36%	31%	17%	0%	
2012	43%	42%	44%	44%	44%	40%	41%	20%	9%	
2015	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	

Most respondents (roughly 49%) have adopted the 2011 National Electric Code; 15% have adopted either the 2008 or the 2014 NEC.

Additional Assistance

Cities would like:

- Having a knowledge base of NCTCOG certified contractors
- Educating elected officials
- Making changes to amendments
- To receive published comments for code changes
- ► The impacts and effects of code changes
- Provide a space for meetings and staff to help record results to speed up the process
- An emailed copy from the committees on the amendment consideration via email to building officials
- The ability to submit opinions and/or items for amendment considerations



Suggestions for Code Process

- NCTCOG could encourage elected leaders and city management to get their code officials involved
- Invitations to attend all code advisory meetings for the 2015 ICC Code Series and 2017 NEC to listen on what changes are being discussed that can affect our city since most contractors/developers come from surrounding jurisdictions.
- Consistent updates to advisory board listings
- More peer reviewing of amendments to ease the process for city official who are preparing ordinances and exhibits.
- Would like to see the Energy Conservation Code, or amendments to the code, address the application of spray foam insulation as it relates to R-Values and compliance with the intentions of the Code.
- ▶ 2012 Building and Fire Code needs to amend the square footage for fire sprinklers.
- Assistance matching the requirements of the newer codes with my small building inspections department and my small fire department. I fear a new code may require more of the City than we can deliver.
- More people would like to get involved but don't know how.