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## Summary

This is the first survey of pesticide* usage on top fruit crops in Ireland carried out by DAFM. Information on all aspects of pesticide usage was collected from 23 holdings across Ireland representing $80 \%$ of the total area of top fruit crops grown. Quantitative data have been adjusted to provide estimates of total pesticide usage.

In 2014 an estimated 617 hectares of top fruit crops were grown in Ireland with an estimated 8443 kgs of active substance applied.

A total of 32 active substances were recorded in use on top fruit crops in the survey.
Fungicides were applied to $81 \%$ of the pesticide-treated area, representing $89 \%$ of the total weight of pesticides used. Herbicides were applied to $5 \%$ of the pesticidetreated area, accounting for $7 \%$ of the total weight of pesticides used. Insecticides were applied to $7 \%$ of the pesticide treated area, representing $3 \%$ of the weight of pesticides applied. Growth regulator usage accounted for $7 \%$ of the pesticide-treated area and less than $1 \%$ of the weight of active substance applied.

Bramley fruiting apples comprised 47\% of the area of top fruit crops in Ireland 2014, accounting for $51 \%$ of the total pesticide treated area and $44 \%$ of the total weight of pesticides used on all top fruit crops. Bramley fruiting apples accounted for $50 \%$ of the area of top fruit crops treated with fungicide and received $41 \%$ of the total weight of fungicides applied.

Cider apples comprised $39 \%$ of the area of top fruit crops in Ireland 2014, accounting for $31 \%$ of the total pesticide treated area and $41 \%$ of the total weight of pesticides used on top fruit crops. Cider apples accounted for $33 \%$ of the area of crops treated with fungicide and received $43 \%$ of the weight of total fungicides applied.

Desert apples comprised 13\% of the area of top fruit crops in Ireland 2014, accounting for $17 \%$ of the total pesticide treated area and $15 \%$ of the total weight of pesticides used on all top fruit crops.

[^0]Other top fruit crops collectively refers to Plums, Cherries and Pears and compromised $1 \%$ of the area of top fruit crops grown in Ireland in 2014, accounting for less than $1 \%$ of the total pesticide-treated area and less than $1 \%$ of the total weight of pesticides used on all top fruit crops.

## Definitions \& notes

- 'Basic area'; refers to the actual planted area of crop treated with a given pesticide.
- 'Treated area'; refers to the total area treated with a pesticide, which includes all repeated applications to the basic area. This is measured in 'sprayhectares' (basic area x number of spray applications = spray hectares (spha)).
- 'Rounding'; due to rounding of figures there may be slight differences in totals both within and between tables and diagrams.
- 'Other top fruit crops'; collectively refers to blackberries, blueberries, gooseberries, loganberries, red currants and tayberries.
- 'Spray applications'; refers to the number of treatments of any pesticide type to the treated areas.
- 'PPP'; refers to plant protection product.
- 'Herbicides'; are defined as PPPs used to control and / or prevent unwanted vegetation
- 'Fungicides’; are defined as PPPs used to control and / or prevent harmful fungal disease
- 'Insecticides'; are defined as PPPs used to control and / or prevent harmful insects
- 'Growth regulators'; are defined as PPPs used and / or control physiological process within a plant
- 'Biocides'; are defined as chemicals that are used to control and / or prevent various types of harmful or unwanted organisms, including disinfectants, preservatives, insect repellents, rodenticides and insecticides


## Background

The regulatory system for PPPs in Ireland is based directly on EU legislation which provides a very high level of protection for man, animals and the environment. The hazard of an active substance is an inherent property which can cause a harmful effect and cannot be altered or mitigated.

Legislation has been put in place at both EU and national level to minimise the risks associated with the use of PPPs while ensuring necessary crop protection. Previously legislation has concentrated mainly on the authorisation of PPPs for specific uses and the laboratory testing of food samples for PPP residues. New legislation (Sustainable Use of Pesticides Directive) based on the EU 'Thematic strategy on the sustainable use of pesticides' aims to achieve a balance between ensuring human and environmental safety while maintaining continued viability of the farming and amenity sectors. This will involve training and registration of advisers, distributors, operators and inspectors of pesticide application equipment, controls on storage, supply and use, adoption of the principles of IPM and improved statistics on PPP use. To address the requirement for improved statistics, Regulation (EC) No 1185/2009 was adopted on 25 November 2009 which requires each member state to collect
statistics on PPP use. It is the area identified above as "improved statistics on PPP use" that this survey and future surveys will be addressing.

While sales data can provide information on the overall amount of PPPs used in the country, surveys at farm/grower/producer level are required to quantify the amounts used on different crops and to identify where and how they are being used. This type of information is required to clearly identify the risks involved and to develop and defend a strategy for the sustainable use of PPPs. Some of the specific outputs of a usage survey are as follows:

1. Provision of reliable factual data to inform policy makers.
2. Provision of information for the on-going review process of existing PPPs by providing data regarding national and regional usage of PPPs and use patterns for particular crops.
3. Monitoring farm practices to highlight areas where PPP use might be reduced by supplementation with or replacement by alternative pest control strategies e.g. use of resistant varieties, cultivation practices etc.
4. Provision of data to assess likely operator exposure to PPPs and to predict environmental impact of PPP use.
5. Monitoring changes in patterns of PPP use over time in response to government policy or economic factors.
6. Provision of information for residue monitoring programmes to assist with identifying particular areas of risk and to validate findings.

## Methods

The sample of holdings to be surveyed was selected across the 26 counties, on the basis of the total area of top fruit crops grown, using data from the Department of Agriculture, Food and the Marine. For the purpose of the survey the country was divided into three geographical regions namely the East, South and the North/West as per Table A. The sample was stratified into four size groups, according to the total area of top fruit crops grown in each region. Holdings were selected at random within each of the size groups and the number of holdings selected was proportional to the total area of crops grown.

Table A: Regions selected for survey and respective counties.

| Regions | East | South | North/West |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Counties | Louth | Wexford | Donegal |
|  | Meath | Kilkenny | Leitrim |
|  | Dublin | Waterford | Monaghan |
|  | Kildare | Tipperary | Cavan |
| Offaly | Limerick | Westmeath |  |
|  | Laois | Cork | Longford |
|  | Carlow | Kerry | Sligo |
|  | Wicklow |  | Roscommon |
|  |  |  | Mayo |
|  |  |  | Galway |
|  |  |  | Clare |

The purpose of the survey was explained to the occupiers of selected holdings in preliminary correspondence. A total of 23 holdings were contacted during the period April to June 2015 and data collected by personal interview for top fruit crops grown in 2014. The data collected included; the area of crops grown, area treated, target crop, pesticide used and number of treatments applied. Holdings selected in the original sample which were unable to provide data were replaced with ones from the same county and size group held on a reserve list. The total number of farms sampled in each size group is shown in Table B. The collected data were entered using Oracle, a relational database programme. Validated data were downloaded for analysis using SPSS software.

Table B: The total number of farms sampled from each size group.

|  | $<6 \mathrm{ha}$ <br> Holdings <br> sampled | $6<9$ ha <br> Holdings <br> sampled | $9<14 \mathrm{ha}$ <br> Holdings <br> sampled | $>14$ ha <br> Holdings <br> sampled | Total <br> Remps |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| sampled |  |  |  |  |  |

## Crops

Information was collected for bramley fruiting apples, desert apples, cider apples and other top fruit crops.

The number and areas of crops surveyed are shown in Table C. Data from 23 growers provided information on 89 examples of 4 crop types. The total area of crops sampled in the survey ( 492 ha ) was representative of the area of top fruit crops grown in Ireland in 2014 (617 ha).

Table C: The total number and area (hectares) of crops sampled, estimated total area and the proportion (\%) of the total area of top fruit crops surveyed in Ireland, 2014.

|  | Number of <br> crops surveyed | Survey area <br> (ha) | Proportion of <br> Estimated area <br> (ha) | crops surveyed <br> (\%) |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Crop | 33 | 261 | 293 | $89 \%$ |
| Bramley Fruiting | 17 | 160 | 238 | $67 \%$ |
| Cider | 29 | 65 | 79 | $83 \%$ |
| Dessert | 10 | 5 | 7 | $82 \%$ |
| Other crop |  |  |  |  |
| Total | 89 | 492 | 617 | $80 \%$ |

Bramley fruiting apples covered an estimated 47\% of the total area of top fruit crops in 2014. Cider and desert apples accounted for $39 \%$ and $13 \%$ of the area of top fruit crops in 2014 respectively. Other crops accounted for 1\% of the total area of top fruit crops in 2014.

Figure 1: Areas of individual top fruit crops grown in Ireland (ha), 2014.


## Pesticide usage

Fungicides were applied to $81 \%$ of the pesticide-treated area accounting for $89 \%$ of the total weight of pesticides used. Herbicides were applied to $5 \%$ of the pesticidetreated area and accounted for $7 \%$ of the total weight of pesticides used. Insecticides were applied to $7 \%$ of the pesticide treated area of top fruit crops, accounting for $3 \%$ of the weight of pesticides applied. The use of growth regulators accounted for $7 \%$ of the pesticide-treated area and less than $1 \%$ of the weight of active substance applied.

Figure 2: Pesticide usage (spha) on top fruit crops treated in Ireland, 2014.


Figure 3: Weight (kgs) of pesticides applied to top fruit crops treated in Ireland, 2014.


## Pesticide usage survey results 2014

## Pesticide usage on bramley fruiting apples

293 ha of bramley fruiting apples in Ireland.
5,000 treated hectares.
3,682 kilogrammes applied.
$100 \%$ of the area of bramley fruiting crops received a pesticide treatment.

Figure 4: Pesticide usage (spha) on bramley fruiting apple crops in Ireland, 2014.


Figure 5: Weight of pesticides (kg) applied to bramley fruiting apple crops in Ireland, 2014.


Figure 6: Proportional area of bramley fruiting apple crops treated with each pesticide group in Ireland, 2014.


Figure 7: The top 10 active ingredients most extensively used on bramley fruiting apples in Ireland in 2014, ranked by area treated (spray-hectares).

| Active substance | Treated area (spha) | Basic area treated (ha) | Quantity applied (kg) |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Dithianon | 1164 | 316 | 1067 |
| Captan | 809 | 252 | 1204 |
| Myclobutanil | 540 | 148 | 46 |
| Boscalid | 422 | 192 | 79 |
| Pyraclostrobin | 422 | 192 | 35 |
| Paclobutrazol | 294 | 97 | 22 |
| Chlorpyrifos | 244 | 145 | 135 |
| Pyrimethanil | 232 | 105 | 93 |
| Mancozeb | 218 | 71 | 360 |
| Glyphosate | 214 | 150 | 363 |

Figure 8: The top 10 active ingredients most extensively used on bramley fruiting apples in Ireland in 2014, ranked by weight (kg).

| Active substance | Quantity applied (kg) | Treated area (spha) | Basic area treated (ha) |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Captan | 1204 | 809 | 252 |
| Dithianon | 1067 | 1164 | 316 |
| Glyphosate | 363 | 214 | 150 |
| Mancozeb | 360 | 218 | 71 |
| Chlorpyrifos | 135 | 244 | 145 |
| Pyrimethanil | 93 | 232 | 105 |
| Dodine | 84 | 136 | 86 |
| Boscalid | 79 | 422 | 192 |
| Myclobutanil | 46 | 540 | 148 |
| Maneb | 43 | 24 | 24 |

## Pesticide usage on cider apples

238 ha of cider apples grown in Ireland.
3,027 treated hectares.
3,457 kilogrammes applied.
$100 \%$ of the area of cider apples received a pesticide treatment

Figure 9: Pesticide usage (spha) on cider apple crops in Ireland, 2014.


Figure 10: Weight of pesticides (kg) applied to cider apple crops in Ireland, 2014.


Figure 11: Proportional area of cider apples treated with each pesticide group in Ireland, 2014.


Figure 12: The top 10 active ingredients most extensively used on cider apple crops in Ireland in 2014, ranked by area treated (spray-hectares).

| Active substance | Treated area (spha) | Basic area treated (ha) | Quantity applied (kg) |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Captan | 1,010 | 283 | 1,874 |
| Dithianon | 461 | 151 | 496 |
| Pyrimethanil | 257 | 122 | 89 |
| Glyphosate | 194 | 116 | 128 |
| Mancozeb | 175 | 50 | 232 |
| Myclobutanil | 173 | 113 | 15 |
| Sulphur | 141 | 30 | 393 |
| Difenoconazole | 136 | 103 | 11 |
| Tebuconazole | 124 | 80 | 28 |
| Chlorpyrifos | 94 | 94 | 66 |

Figure 13: The top 10 active ingredients most extensively used on cider apple crops in Ireland in 2014, ranked by weight (kg).

| Active substance | Quantity applied (kg) | Treated area (spha) | Basic area treated (ha) |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Captan | 1,874 | 1,010 | 283 |
| Dithianon | 496 | 461 | 151 |
| Sulphur | 393 | 141 | 30 |
| Mancozeb | 232 | 175 | 50 |
| Glyphosate | 128 | 194 | 116 |
| Pyrimethanil | 89 | 257 | 122 |
| Chlorpyrifos | 66 | 94 | 94 |
| Dodine | 58 | 64 | 32 |
| Tebuconazole | 28 | 124 | 80 |
| Bupirimate | 24 | 86 | 56 |

## Pesticide usage on desert apples

79 ha of desert apples grown in Ireland.
1,699 treated hectares.
1,294 kilogrammes applied.
$100 \%$ of the area of desert apples received a pesticide treatment.

Figure 14: Pesticide usage (spha) on desert apple crops in Ireland, 2014.


Figure 15: Weight of pesticides (kg) applied to desert apple crops in Ireland, 2014.


Figure 16: Proportional area of desert apple crops treated with each pesticide group in Ireland, 2014.


Figure 17: The top 10 active ingredients most extensively used on desert apple crops in Ireland in 2014, ranked by area treated (spray-hectares).

| Active substance | Treated area (spha) | Basic area treated (ha) | Quantity applied (kg) |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Captan | 372 | 79 | 655 |
| Dithianon | 249 | 65 | 229 |
| Paclobutrazol | 168 | 42 | 11 |
| Myclobutanil | 142 | 51 | 8 |
| Bupirimate | 103 | 31 | 18 |
| Chlorpyrifos | 91 | 52 | 52 |
| Tebuconazole | 79 | 34 | 22 |
| Pyrimethanil | 78 | 46 | 29 |
| Mancozeb | 78 | 38 | 109 |
| Prohexadione-calcium | 67 | 45 | 7 |

Figure 18: The top 10 active ingredients most extensively used on desert apple crops in Ireland in 2014, ranked by weight (kg).

| Active substance | Quantity applied (kg) | Treated area (spha) | Basic area treated (ha) |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Captan | 655 | 372 | 79 |
| Dithianon | 229 | 249 | 65 |
| Mancozeb | 109 | 78 | 38 |
| Glyphosate | 54 | 41 | 38 |
| Chlorpyrifos | 52 | 91 | 52 |
| Dodine | 32 | 48 | 29 |
| Pyrimethanil | 29 | 78 | 46 |
| Tebuconazole | 22 | 79 | 34 |
| 2,4-D | 20 | 16 | 16 |
| Bupirimate | 18 | 103 | 31 |

## Pesticide usage on other top fruit crops

7 ha of other top fruit crops in Ireland.
26 treated hectares.
10 kilogrammes applied.
$78.42 \%$ of the area of other top fruit crops received a pesticide treatment.

Figure 19: Pesticide usage (spha) on other top fruit crops in Ireland, 2014.


Figure 20: Weight of pesticides (kg) applied to other top fruit crops in Ireland, 2014.


Figure 21: Proportional area of other top fruit crops treated with each pesticide group in Ireland, 2014.


Figure 22: The top 10 active ingredients most extensively used on other top fruit crops in Ireland in 2014, ranked by area treated (spray-hectares).

| Active substance | Treated area (spha) | Basic area treated (ha) | Quantity applied (kg) |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Pirimicarb | 5 | 4 | 1 |
| Boscalid | 5 | 2 | 1 |
| Pyraclostrobin | 5 | 2 | 0 |
| Thiacloprid | 4 | 3 | 0 |
| Captan | 3 | 0 | 3 |
| Myclobutanil | 2 | 2 | 0 |
| Pyrethrins | 2 | 2 | 0 |
| Cymoxanil | 2 | 1 | 3 |
| Chlorpyrifos | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| Diquat | 1 | 1 | 0 |

Figure 23: The top 10 active ingredients most extensively used on other top fruit crops in Ireland in 2014, ranked by weight (kg).

| Active substance | Quantity applied (kg) | Treated area (spha) | Basic area treated (ha) |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Cymoxanil | 3 | 2 | 1 |
| Captan | 3 | 3 | 0 |
| Pirimicarb | 1 | 5 | 4 |
| Boscalid | 1 | 5 | 2 |
| Glyphosate | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| Chlorpyrifos | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| Dithianon | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| Pyraclostrobin | 0 | 5 | 2 |
| Myclobutanil | 0 | 2 | 2 |
| Thiacloprid | 0 | 4 | 3 |

Table 1: $\quad$ Estimated area (ha) of top fruit crops grown nationally in Ireland, 2014.

| Crop | Ireland |
| :--- | :---: |
| Bramley | 293 |
| Cider | 238 |
| Desert | 79 |
| Other crops | 7 |
| Total | 617 |

Table 2: $\quad$ Estimated area (spray-hectares) of top fruit crops treated nationally with each pesticide type in Ireland, 2014.

|  |  |
| :--- | :---: |
| Pesticide type | Ireland |
| Fungicides | 7,899 |
| Herbicides | 507 |
| Insecticides | 638 |
| Growth Regulators | 709 |
| Total | 0 |

Table 3: Estimated weight (kg) applied to top fruit crops treated nationally with each pesticide type in Ireland, 2014.

|  |  |
| :--- | :---: |
| Pesticide type | Ireland |
| Fungicides | 7,499 |
| Herbicides | 608 |
| Insecticides | 279 |
| Growth Regulators | 58 |
| Total | $\mathbf{8 , 4 4 3}$ |

Table 4: The total area (spray hectares) and the basic area (hectares), of top fruit crops in Ireland 2014 treated with each pesticide type.

| Pesticide Type |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Crop type | Fungicides |  | Herbicides |  | Insecticides |  | Growth regulators |  | All Pesticides |  |  |
| Bramley Fruiting | 3,930 | 293 | 221 | 150 | 393 | 200 | 456 | 164 | 5,000 | 293 | 293 |
| Dessert | 1,305 | 79 | 58 | 47 | 102 | 62 | 235 | 56 | 1,699 | 79 | 79 |
| Cider | 2,651 | 238 | 228 | 101 | 130 | 104 | 18 | 8 | 3,027 | 238 | 238 |
| Other crop | 12 | 3 | 1 | 1 | 13 | 5 |  |  | 26 | 5 | 7 |
| Total | 7,899 | 613 | 507 | 300 | 638 | 370 | 709 | 229 | 9,752 | 616 | 617 |

Table 5: $\quad$ The total quantities (kilograms) of each pesticide type used on top fruit crops in Ireland 2014.

|  | Pesticide type |  |  |  |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Crop | Fungicides | Herbicides | Insecticides | Growth <br> regulators | Total weight <br> applied (kg) |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Bramley Fruiting | 3,117 | 371 | 155 | 39 | 3,682 |
| Dessert | 1,148 | 75 | 54 | 17 | 1,294 |
| Cider | 3,227 | 160 | 68 | 2 | 3,457 |
| Other crops | 7 | 1 | 2 |  | 10 |
|  |  |  | $\mathbf{6 0 8}$ | $\mathbf{2 7 9}$ | $\mathbf{5 8}$ |
| All crops | 7,499 |  |  | 8,443 |  |

Table 6: Estimated area (spray-hectares) of top fruit crops treated with pesticide formulations in Ireland, 2014.

| Pesticide type \& formulation | Crop |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Bramley <br> Fruiting | Desert | Cider | Other | All crops |
| Fungicides |  |  |  |  |  |
| Boscalid/pyraclostrobin | 422 | 58 | 25 | 5 | 510 |
| Bupirimate | 135 | 103 | 86 |  | 324 |
| Captan | 809 | 372 | 1,010 | 3 | 2,194 |
| Cymoxanil |  |  |  | 2 | 2 |
| Cyprodinil/fludioxonil | 16 | 28 |  |  | 44 |
| Difenoconazole | 144 | 38 | 136 |  | 318 |
| Difenoconazole/Tebuconazole | 24 | 6 |  |  | 30 |
| Dithianon | 1,164 | 249 | 461 | 1 | 1,875 |
| Dodine | 136 | 48 | 64 |  | 248 |
| Kresoxim-methyl | 5 | 27 |  |  | 32 |
| Mancozeb | 218 | 78 | 175 |  | 471 |
| Maneb | 24 | 6 |  |  | 30 |
| Myclobutanil | 540 | 142 | 173 | 2 | 857 |
| Pyrimethanil | 232 | 78 | 257 |  | 567 |
| Sulphur | 14 |  | 141 |  | 155 |
| Tebuconazole | 46 | 73 | 124 |  | 243 |
| All fungicides | 3,930 | 1,305 | 2,651 | 12 | 7,899 |

Table 6 (cont.): Estimated area (spray-hectares) of top fruit crops treated with pesticide formulations in Ireland, 2014.

| Pesticide type \& formulation | Crop |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Bramley <br> Fruiting | Desert | Cider | Other | All crops |
| Herbicides |  |  |  |  |  |
| 2,4-D | 7 | 16 |  |  | 23 |
| Dichlorprop-P/MCPA/mecoprop-P |  | 0 | 8 |  | 8 |
| Diquat |  |  |  |  | 0 |
| Glufosinate-ammonium |  | 0 | 26 |  | 26 |
| Glyphosate | 214 | 41 | 194 | 1 | 450 |
| All herbicides | 221 | 58 | 228 | 1 | 507 |
| Insecticides |  |  |  |  |  |
| Chlorpyrifos | 244 | 91 | 94 | 1 | 430 |
| Cypermethrin | 8 |  | 8 |  | 16 |
| Deltamethrin |  |  | 2 |  | 2 |
| Pirimicarb | 47 | 9 |  | 5 | 61 |
| Pyrethrins | 47 | 1 |  | 2 | 50 |
| Thiacloprid | 47 | 1 | 26 | 4 | 78 |
| All Insecticides | 393 | 102 | 130 | 13 | 638 |
| Growth regulators |  |  |  |  |  |
| Paclobutrazol | 294 | 168 | 9 |  | 471 |
| Prohexadione-calcium | 162 | 67 | 9 |  | 238 |
| All growth regulators | 456 | 235 | 18 | 0 | 709 |
| All pesticides | 5,000 | 1,699 | 3,027 | 26 | 9,752 |

Table 7: $\quad$ Estimated quantities (kilograms) of pesticide formulations used on top fruit crops in Ireland, 2014.

|  | Crop |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Bramley |  |  |  |  |
| Pesticide type \& formulation | Fruiting | Desert | Cider | Other | All crops |

## Fungicides

| Boscalid/pyraclostrobin | 112 | 16 | 7 | 1 |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Bupirimate | 32 | 18 | 24 | 136 |
| Captan | 1,204 | 655 | 1,874 | 3 |
| Cymoxanil |  |  |  | 3,736 |
| Cyprodinil/fludioxonil | 8 | 13 |  | 3 |
| Difenoconazole | 7 | 2 | 11 | 21 |
| Difenoconazole/Tebuconazole | 21 | 5 |  | 20 |
| Dithianon | 1,067 | 229 | 496 | 26 |
| Dodine | 84 | 32 | 58 | 1,792 |
| Kresoxim-methyl | 0 | 3 |  | 174 |
| Mancozeb | 360 | 109 | 232 | 3 |
| Maneb | 43 | 11 |  | 701 |
| Myclobutanil | 46 | 8 | 15 | 54 |
| Pyrimethanil | 93 | 29 | 89 | 69 |
| Sulphur | 28 |  | 393 | 211 |
| Tebuconazole | 12 | 18 | 28 | 421 |
| All fungicides | 3,117 | 1,148 | 3,227 | 7 |

## Herbicides

| 2,4-D | 8 | 20 |  | 28 |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Dichlorprop-P/MCPA/mecoprop-P |  | 14 | 0 | 15 |  |
| Diquat |  |  | 18 | 0 |  |
| Glufosinate-ammonium | 363 | 54 | 128 | 1 | 546 |
| Glyphosate |  |  |  |  | 18 |
| All herbicides | 371 | 75 | 160 | 1 | 608 |

Table 7 (cont.): Estimated quantities (kilograms) of pesticide formulations used on top fruit crops in Ireland, 2014

|  | Crop |  |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Pesticide type \& formulation | Bramley |  |  |  |

Insecticides

| Chlorpyrifos | 135 | 52 | 66 | 1 | 254 |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Cypermethrin | 0 |  | 0 | 0 |  |
| Deltamethrin |  |  | 0 |  | 0 |
| Pirimicarb | 13 | 1 |  | 1 | 15 |
| Pyrethrins | 4 | 0 | 0 | 4 |  |
| Thiacloprid | 3 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 5 |
|  |  |  |  |  | 279 |
| All Insecticides | 155 | 54 | 68 | 2 | 279 |

## Growth regulators

| Paclobutrazol | 22 | 10 | 0 | 33 |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Prohexadione-calcium | 17 | 7 | 1 |  | 25 |
|  |  |  |  | 0 | 58 |
| All growth regulators | 39 | 17 | 2 |  | 0 |
| All pesticides | 3,682 | 1,294 | 3,457 | 10 | 8,443 |

Table 8: $\quad$ The twenty active ingredients most extensively used on top fruit crops in Ireland in 2014, ranked by area treated (spray-hectares).

| No. | Active ingredient | Treated area (sp ha) |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
|  |  |  |
| 1 | Captan | 2,194 |
| 2 | Dithianon | 1,875 |
| 3 | Myclobutanil | 857 |
| 4 | Pyrimethanil | 567 |
| 5 | Pyraclostrobin | 510 |
| 6 | Boscalid | 510 |
| 7 | Paclobutrazol | 471 |
| 8 | Mancozeb | 471 |
| 9 | Glyphosate | 450 |
| 10 | Chlorpyrifos | 430 |
| 11 | Difenoconazole | 348 |
| 12 | Bupirimate | 324 |
| 13 | Tebuconazole | 273 |
| 14 | Dodine | 248 |
| 15 | Prohexadione-calcium | 238 |
| 16 | Sulphur | 155 |
| 17 | Thiacloprid | 78 |
| 18 | Pirimicarb | 62 |
| 19 | Pyrethrins | 50 |
| 20 | Cyprodinil | 45 |

Table 9: The twenty active ingredients most extensively used on top fruit crops in Ireland in 2014, ranked by weight (kilograms).

| No. | Active ingredient | Quantity (kgs) |
| :---: | :--- | :---: |
|  |  |  |
| 1 | Captan | 3,735 |
| 2 | Dithianon | 1,792 |
| 3 | Mancozeb | 700 |
| 4 | Glyphosate | 546 |
| 5 | Sulphur | 420 |
| 6 | Chlorpyrifos | 254 |
| 7 | Pyrimethanil | 211 |
| 8 | Dodine | 174 |
| 9 | Boscalid | 95 |
| 10 | Tebuconazole | 76 |
| 11 | Bupirimate | 73 |
| 12 | Myclobutanil | 70 |
| 13 | Maneb | 54 |
| 14 | Pyraclostrobin | 43 |
| 15 | Paclobutrazol | 33 |
| 16 | $2,4-D$ | 28 |
| 17 | Difenoconazole | 28 |
| 18 | Prohexadione-calcium | 25 |
| 19 | Glufosinate-ammonium | 18 |
| 20 | Pirimicarb | 16 |

Table 10: Estimated quantity (kg), spray area (spha) and basic area (ha) of active substance for bramley fruiting apples, 2014.
$\left.\begin{array}{llccc} & & \begin{array}{c}\text { Quantity (kg) of } \\ \text { Active Ingredient }\end{array} & \begin{array}{c}\text { Spray area (spha) of } \\ \text { Active Ingredient }\end{array} & \begin{array}{c}\text { Basic area (ha) of Active } \\ \text { Ingredient }\end{array} \\ \text { Crop } & \text { Total } & \text { Total } & \text { Total }\end{array}\right\}$

Table 11: Estimated quantity (kg), spray area (spha) and basic area (ha) of active substance for desert apples, 2014.

| Crop | Active Substance | Quantity (kg) of Active Ingredient Total | Spray area (spha) of Active Ingredient Total | Basic area (ha) of Active Ingredient <br> Total |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Desert apples | Herbicides |  |  |  |
|  | 2,4-D | 20 | 16 | 16 |
|  | Dichlorprop-P | 0 | 0 | 0 |
|  | Glufosinate-ammonium | 0 | 0 | 0 |
|  | Glyphosate | 54 | 41 | 38 |
|  | MCPA | 0 | 0 | 0 |
|  | Mecoprop-P | 0 | 0 | 0 |
|  | Fungicides |  |  |  |
|  | Boscalid | 10 | 58 | 38 |
|  | Bupirimate | 18 | 103 | 31 |
|  | Captan | 655 | 372 | 79 |
|  | Cyprodinil | 8 | 28 | 28 |
|  | Difenoconazole | 4 | 44 | 23 |
|  | Dithianon | 229 | 249 | 65 |
|  | Dodine | 32 | 48 | 29 |
|  | Fludioxonil | 5 | 28 | 28 |
|  | Kresoxim-methyl | 3 | 27 | 13 |
|  | Mancozeb | 109 | 78 | 38 |
|  | Maneb | 11 | 6 | 6 |
|  | Myclobutanil | 8 | 142 | 51 |
|  | Pyraclostrobin | 5 | 58 | 38 |
|  | Pyrimethanil | 29 | 78 | 46 |
|  | Tebuconazole | 22 | 79 | 34 |
|  | Insecticides |  |  |  |
|  | Chlorpyrifos | 52 | 91 | 52 |
|  | Pirimicarb | 1 | 9 | 9 |
|  | Pyrethrins | 0 | 1 | 1 |
|  | Thiacloprid | 0 | 1 | 1 |
|  | Growth regulators |  |  |  |
|  | Paclobutrazol | 11 | 168 | 42 |
|  | Prohexadione-calcium | 7 | 67 | 45 |

Table 12: Estimated quantity (kg), spray area (spha) and basic area (ha) of active substance for cider apples, 2014.

| Crop |  | Quantity (kg) of Active Ingredient | Spray area (spha) of Active Ingredient | Basic area (ha) of Active Ingredient |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Active Substance | Total | Total | Total |
| Cider apples | Herbicides |  |  |  |
|  | Dichlorprop-P | 7 | 8 | 8 |
|  | Glufosinate-ammonium | 18 | 26 | 26 |
|  | Glyphosate | 128 | 194 | 116 |
|  | MCPA | 4 | 8 | 8 |
|  | Mecoprop-P | 4 | 8 | 8 |
|  | Fungicides |  |  |  |
|  | Boscalid | 5 | 25 | 24 |
|  | Bupirimate | 24 | 86 | 56 |
|  | Captan | 1,874 | 1,010 | 283 |
|  | Difenoconazole | 11 | 136 | 103 |
|  | Dithianon | 496 | 461 | 151 |
|  | Dodine | 58 | 64 | 32 |
|  | Mancozeb | 232 | 175 | 50 |
|  | Myclobutanil | 15 | 173 | 113 |
|  | Pyraclostrobin | 2 | 25 | 24 |
|  | Pyrimethanil | 89 | 257 | 122 |
|  | Sulphur | 393 | 141 | 30 |
|  | Tebuconazole | 28 | 124 | 80 |
|  | Insecticides |  |  |  |
|  | Chlorpyrifos | 66 | 94 | 94 |
|  | Cypermethrin | 0 | 8 | 8 |
|  | Deltamethrin | 0 | 2 | 2 |
|  | Thiacloprid | 2 | 26 | 26 |
|  | Growth regulators |  |  |  |
|  | Paclobutrazol | 0 | 9 | 8 |
|  | Prohexadione-calcium | 1 | 9 | 8 |

Table 13: Estimated quantity (kg), spray area (spha) and basic area (ha) of active substance for other crops, 2014.

| Crop | Active Substance | Quantity (kg) of Active Ingredient Total | Spray area (spha) of Active Ingredient Total | Basic area (ha) of Active Ingredient Total |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Other crops | Herbicides |  |  |  |
|  | Diquat | 0 | 1 | 1 |
|  | Glyphosate | 1 | 1 | 1 |
|  | Fungicides |  |  |  |
|  | Boscalid | 1 | 5 | 2 |
|  | Captan | 3 | 3 | 0 |
|  | Cymoxanil | 3 | 2 | 1 |
|  | Dithianon | 0 | 1 | 0 |
|  | Myclobutanil | 0 | 2 | 2 |
|  | Pyraclostrobin | 0 | 5 | 2 |
|  | Insecticides |  |  |  |
|  | Chlorpyrifos | 1 | 1 | 1 |
|  | Pirimicarb | 1 | 5 | 4 |
|  | Pyrethrins | 0 | 2 | 2 |
|  | Thiacloprid | 0 | 4 | 3 |

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[^0]:    *Pesticide is an over-arching term that includes both plant protection products (including, for the purpose of this report, fungicides, herbicides, insecticides and growth regulators) and biocides.

