

Safety Monitoring in War-Affected Areas



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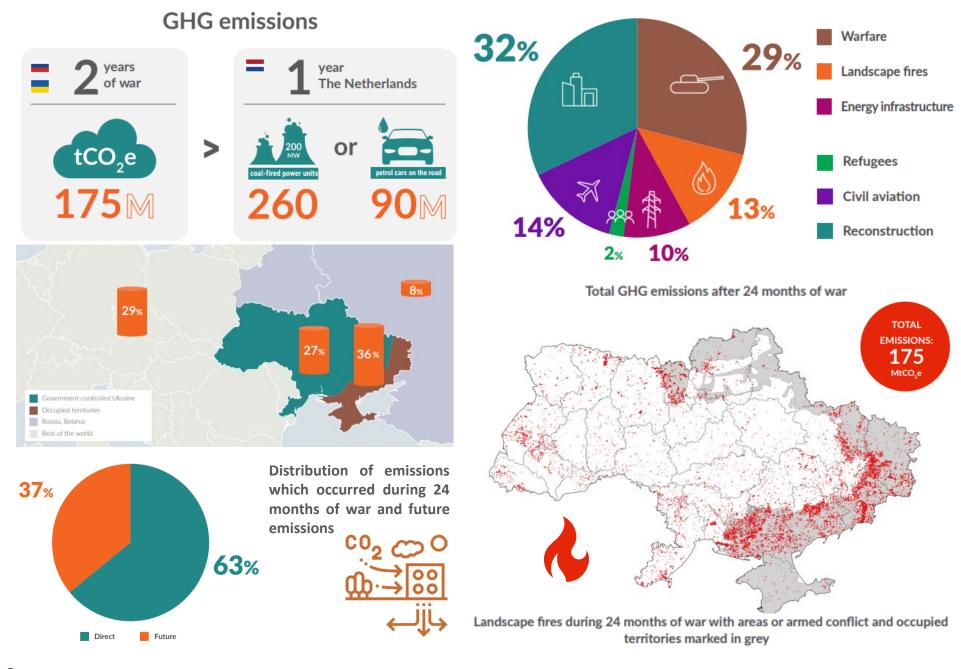












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Agro-military pollutants are harmful substances that contaminate the environment as a result of farming and warfare.



Another important factor influencing contaminant levels in grain and oilseed crops is the economic aspect, specifically the lack of funds for comprehensive treatment of harvested crops with agrochemicals.







Soil pollution

Local military contamination or historical agricultural use involving agrochemical applications may have contaminated the soil. Agromilitary pollutants can migrate through soil from nearby areas.



Airborne dispersal

Agrochemicals and military pollutants can be carried by the wind and settle on crops.



Water pollution

Agro-military pollutants can contaminate water used for irrigating crops. These pollutants can enter the water cycle through rainfall or irrigation, contaminating rivers, lakes, and aquifers, and eventually returning to the fields.



Contamination

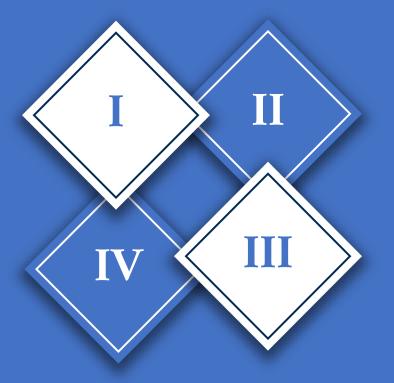
Contamination of products during storage and transportation in conditions where residues of pesticides or chemicals are present in storage facilities or containers.



Routes of pollutant contamination

Direct pollution: Toxic elements are introduced directly into the soil, water, or atmosphere.

Secondary pollution: Occurs when these elements spread through groundwater and surface water, contaminating not only soils but also water resources over larger areas.



Strength and length

Long-term pollution may result in persistent soil and groundwater contamination. Large doses of pollutants lead to higher concentrations in plants and the surrounding environment.

Availability and types of industrial facilities

Wartime destruction of industrial facilities can lead to the release of hazardous substances into the environment. These pollutants, such as those emitted into the atmosphere, water, and soil, can contaminate agricultural lands.

Types in use

The toxicity and bioaccumulation potential of chemical substances vary widely. The specific chemical makeup of weapons and munitions determines the types and amounts of hazardous materials that can contaminate the environment when used.

CONTAMINANTS military



HEAVY METALS HEAVY METALS

Iron (Fe) Copper (Cu)

Lead (Pb) Nickel (Ni)

Mercury (Hg) Zinc (Zn)

Cadmium (Cd) Arsenic (As)

Chromium (Cr)

The primary sources of the increase in their content during military operations are: Ammunition, Military equipment, and Industrial enterprises.



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CHEMICAL SUBSTANCES

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Nitrates (NO_3^-)

- Nitrogen compounds that naturally occur in soil and plants but are the main component of many explosives.
- During explosions, they decompose and form nitrate compounds, which pollute the soil and water.



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ORGANIC SUBSTANCES

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Polycyclic Aromatic Hydrocarbons (PAHs)

- formed as a result of the incomplete combustion of organic materials, such as fuels, plastics, and rubber.

Dioxins

- produced during the combustion of chlorine-containing materials, such as plastics, which may be present in equipment, gear, or buildings.



CONTAMINANTS agrochemical



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FERTILIZERS

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Nitrogen

Ammonium nitrate, Anhydrous ammonia, Urea, Ammonium sulfate, Ammonium sulfate nitrate, Calcium nitrate, Sodium nitrate.

Phosphorus

Diammonium phosphate, Monoammonium phosphate, Superphosphate, Ammonium polyphosphate, Rock phosphate.

Potassium

Potassium nitrate, Potassium sulfate, Potassium chloride, Potassium magnesium sulfate.



PESTICIDES PESTICIDES

Herbicides

2,4-Dichloro phenoxy acetic acid, Acetochlor,
 Alachlar, Atrazine, Butachlor, Glyphosate,
 Metachlor, Propachlor, Paraquat.

Insecticides

DDT, DDD, Dicofol, Dieldrin, Lindane, Heptaclor, Endosufan, Isobenzan, Toxaphene, Allethrin, Chlorpyrifos.

Fungicides

Captan, Diflotan, Folpet, Mancozeb,
 Carbenazin, Carbendazim, Kitazin, Metalaxyl,
 Benomyl, Hexaconazole, Oxafun-T.





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 Among agricultural sources of heavy metals, fertilizers, pesticides, and sewage sludge are the most common.







PRIME PRODUCT COSTS

FOR INVOLVED IN AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTION (FARMERS)



KEY CHALLENGES:

- Soil contamination with heavy metals and chemicals
- Additional costs for land remediation and recovery
- Need for alternative restoration methods (bioremediation, phytoremediation)



PRACTICAL SOLUTIONS:

- Conducting soil tests to monitor quality
- Transitioning to more sustainable farming practices (Crop Rotation)
- Seeking financial support (grants, government aid, international initiatives)



WHAT DOES THIS MEAN?

- Production costs increase by at least 10%
- Risk of reduced yields on contaminated land
- Long-term land restoration planning is necessary





PRIME PRODUCT COSTS

FOR INVOLVED IN SELLING PRODUCTS (DISTRIBUTORS, RETAILERS)



IMPACT ON BUSINESS:

- Higher procurement costs due to increased production expenses
- Stricter certification and safety compliance requirements
- Potential export limitations due to EU and international safety standards

HOW TO ADAPT:

- Work only with certified suppliers
- Implement additional laboratory testing in supply chains
- Optimize logistics to offset costs

CONSEQUENCES:

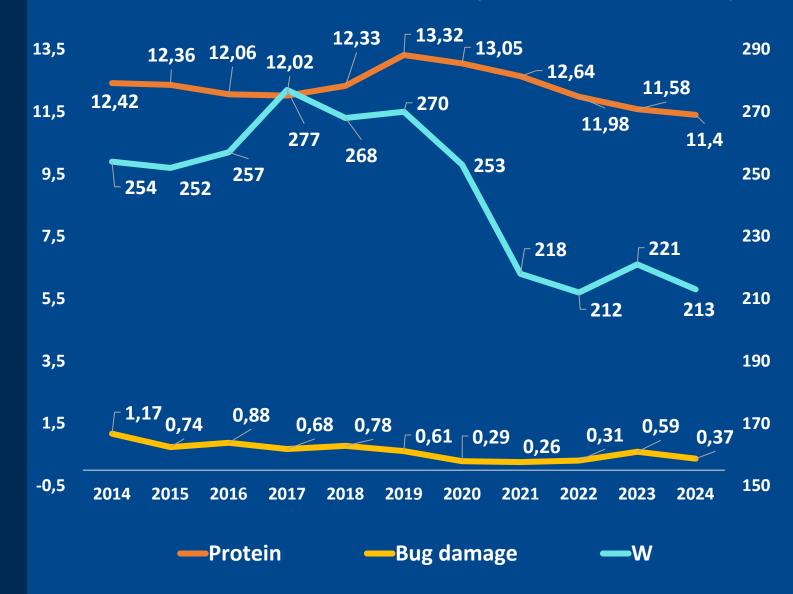
- Higher final product prices
- Growing demand for certified "clean" products
- Potential for expanding the "eco" segment





AGROCHEMICAL SHORTAGES

UKRAINIAN WHEAT QUALITY 2014-2024 YEARS (TESTED AT AGMINTEST)





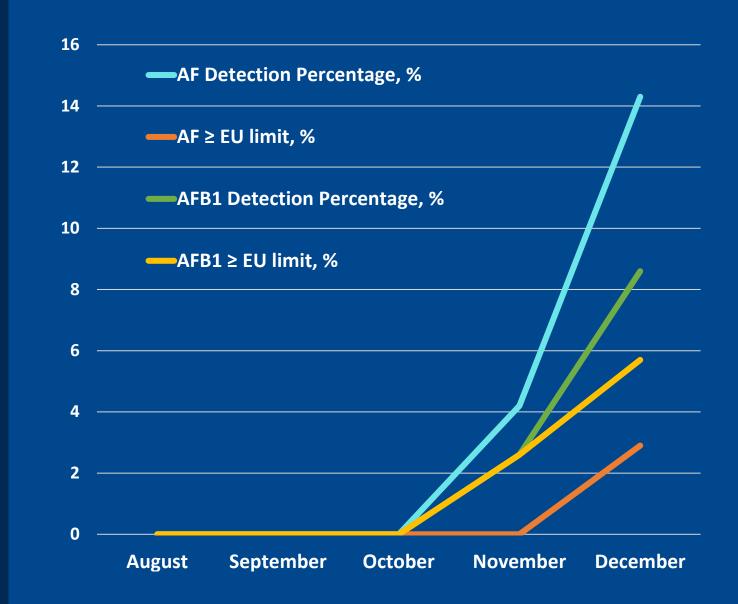


AGROCHEMICAL SHORTAGES

COMMISSION REGULATION (EU) 2023/915 on maximum levels for certain contaminants in food

> Sum of AF – 10.0 μg/kg AFB1 – 5.0 μg/kg

A TREND OF INCREASING PERCENTAGE OF AFLATOXINS DETECTION IN THE 2024 CORN HARVEST



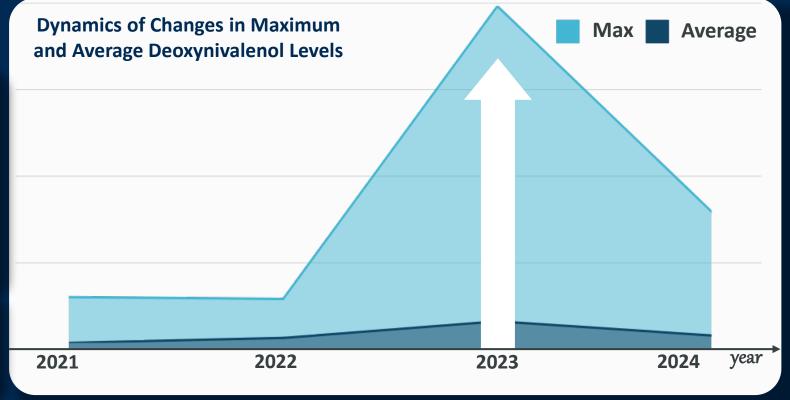


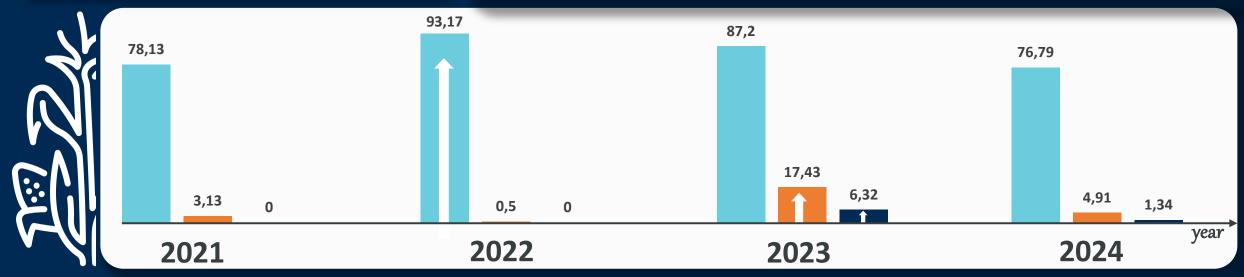
COMMISSION REGULATION (EU) 2024/1022 of 8 April 2024

amending Regulation (EU) 2023/915 as regards maximum levels of deoxynivalenol in food

NEW Maximum level for Deoxynivalenol – 1500 μg/kg

- Detection percentage (>LOQ), %
- **■** ≥ 1500 (EU limit), %
- **■** ≥ 1000 (China limit), %





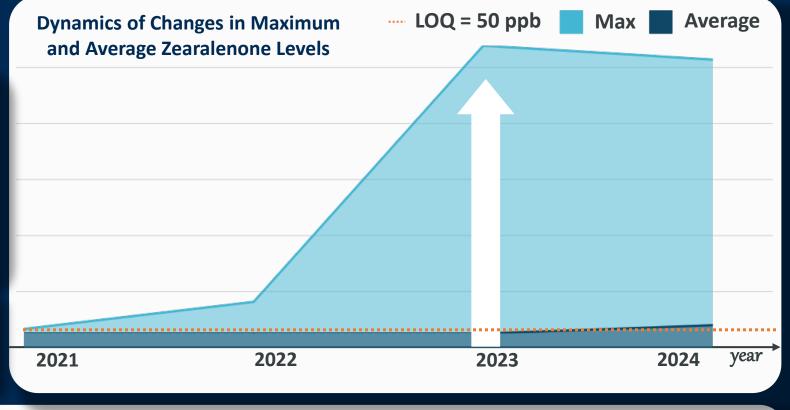


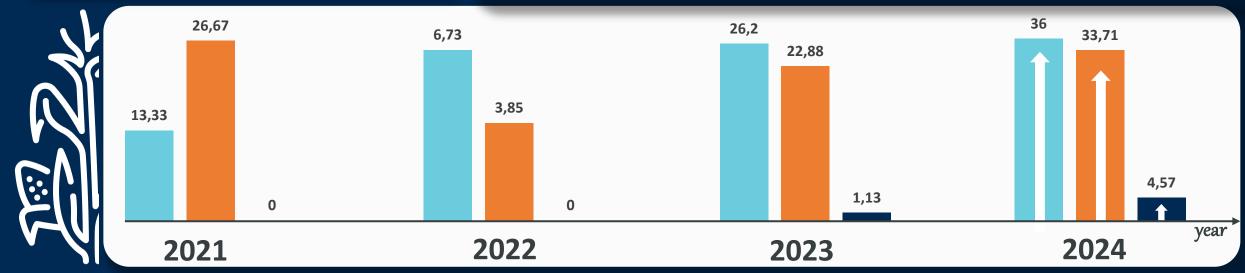
COMMISSION REGULATION (EU) 2023/915 of 25 April 2023

on maximum levels for certain contaminants in food and repealing Regulation (EC) No
1881/2006

Maximum level for Zearalenone – 350 μg/kg

- Detection percentage (>LOQ), %
- \geq 350 µg/kg (EU limit), %
- \geq 60 µg/kg(China limit), %







Percentage of detected pesticides in specified products







Pirimiphos methyl

Metalaxyl

10 %







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Percentage of detected pesticides in specified products





Pirimiphos - methyl 27%

Chlorpyrifos 6,7 %

Piperonyl butoxide, Fipronil, Malathion, Metalaxyl

<1%

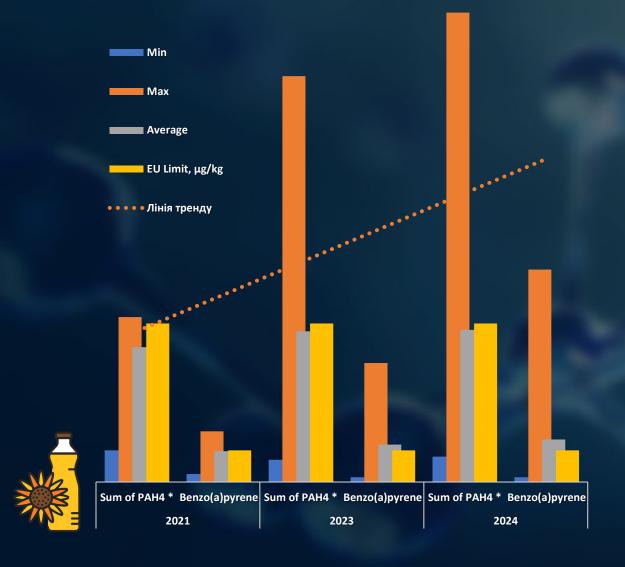








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A trend of increasing PAH content compared to the pre-war period

Average values – Sum of PAH4 are higher by

12.9 %

Average values
Benzo(a)pyrene
Are higher by

37.4 %

The maximum content of PAH4 and Benzo(a)pyrene has increased in:

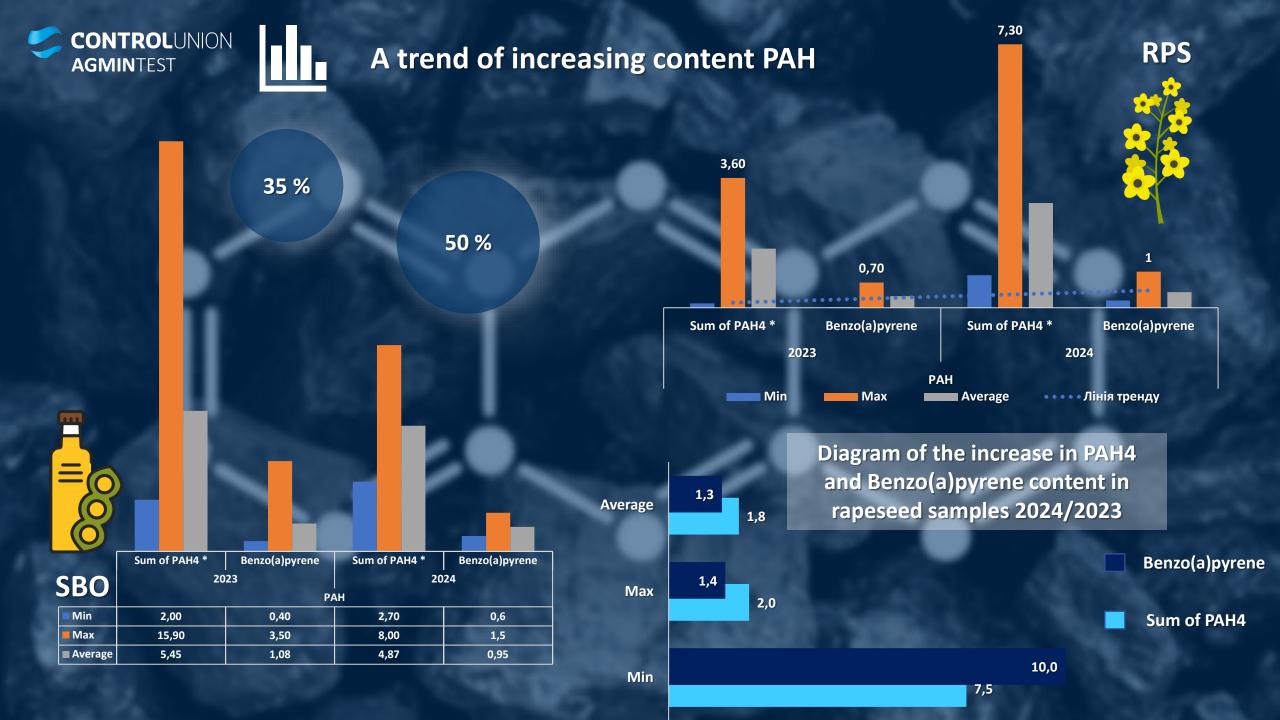
2.8 times

PAH4

4.2 times

Benzo(a)pyrene

*Sum of benzo(a)pyrene, benzo(a)anthracene, benzo(b)fluoranthene and chrysene







< 0.05* in others years

As – Arsenic



Heavy metals, ppm

WHEAT 2023 year

Arsenic (As) Lead (Pb)

Min < 0.05* < 0.05*

Max 0.12 0.08

Average < 0.05* < 0.05*



Pb - Lead







As – Arsenic

NEAM	Heavy metals, ppm									
NET Y		2021		2023				2024		
CORN	Arsenic (As)	Copper (Cu)	Lead (Pb)	Iron (Fe)	Zinc (Zn)	Copper (Cu)	Lead (Pb)	Iron (Fe), Zinc (Zn), Copper (Cu), Lead (Pb), Arsenic (As)		
Min	< 0.05*	0.57	< 0.05*	15.16	11.37	0.96	< 0.05*	< 0.05*		
Max	0.10	1.49	0.20	19.43	15.46	1.28	0.08	< 0.05*		
Average	< 0.05*	0.89	< 0.05*	16.85	12.94	1.11	< 0.05*	< 0.05*		



Zn - Zinc



Cu - Copper



Fe - Iron



Pb - Lead







Cd - Cadmium

What I	Heavy metals, ppm								
SFSO	2021		2023						
	Iron (Fe)	Zinc (Zn)	Copper (Cu)	Iron (Fe)	Zinc (Zn)	Copper (Cu)	Iron (Fe)	Zinc (Zn)	Copper (Cu)
Min	0.36	< 0.05*	< 0.05*	0.09	0.11	< 0.05*	< 0.05*	< 0.05*	< 0.05*
Max	2.84	< 0.05*	0.12	5.65	1.94	0.21	4.64	0.80	0.055
Average	1.25	< 0.05*	< 0.05*	1.02	0.49	0.02	0.42	0.23	< 0.05*



As – Arsenic

Zn - Zinc







Pb - Lead

Fe - Iron





No exceedances were detected



Cd - Cadmium

Fe - Iron





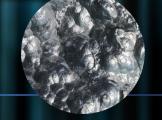
As – Arsenic

Zn - Zinc



Cu - Copper





Pb - Lead

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Heavy metals, ppm

	2021				2023		2024			
SFS	Cadmium (Cd)	Lead (Pb)	Arsenic (As)	Cadmium (Cd)	Lead (Pb)	Arsenic (As)	Cadmium (Cd)	Lead (Pb)	Arsenic (As)	
Min	< 0.05*	< 0.05*	< 0.05*	0.053	< 0.05*	< 0.05*	0.08	< 0.05*	< 0.05*	
Max	< 0.05*	< 0.05*	< 0.05*	0.20	0.11	0.07	0.22	< 0.05*	< 0.05*	
Average	< 0.05*	< 0.05*	< 0.05*	0.11	< 0.05*	< 0.05*	0.12	< 0.05*	< 0.05*	





Absence of an increasing trend in dioxin content

Dioxins are extremely persistent compounds

- 1. Sum of dioxins (WHO-PCDD/Fs-TEQ) relative to 12.0 % moisture.
- 2. Sum of dioxins and dioxin-like PCBs (WHO-PCDD/Fs-PCB-TEQ) relative to 12.0 % moisture.
- 3. Sum of PCBs non-dioxin-like relative to 12.0 % moisture.

They are usually present in very low concentrations, but even at such levels, they can be extremely toxic.

0.75 pg/g TEQ

1.25 pg/g TEQ

10 ng/g or 40 ng/g



IMPACT OF WAR ON THE AGRICULTURAL SECTOR & ADAPTATION OPPORTUNITIES (CONCLUSIONS)



Farmers

- Increased production costs (land decontamination, demining, agrochemicals)
- Reduction of available agricultural land
- Seeking alternative cultivation methods



Sellers

- Higher expenses for logistics, certification, and quality control
- Changes in export markets and demand for eco-friendly products



Adaptation Opportunities

- Implementation of advanced soil purification technologies
- Access to international grants and investments
- Strengthening market positions through quality improvement (Expansion of the List of Controlled Product Safety Indicators)



Final Message

 The war is reshaping the agricultural sector, but adaptation and innovative approaches will help ensure the stability and competitiveness of Ukrainian products. 100 +
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CONTROL UNION

70 +
COMPANIES
IN THE
GLOBAL
NETWORK

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LAB OPPORTUNITY



Analysis of quality and safety indicators.



Providing training and webinar sessions on a wide range of subjects, tailored to learners of various proficiency levels.



Preparation of grain and oilseed samples with known quality indicators of various ranges.



Research and development activities on current quality issues, including monitoring and analysis of the quality of the new harvest.



Publisher of reference books and instructional materials.





150 +

ASSESSMENTS IN THE SCOPE OF ACCREDITATION

20 +

YEARS OF AGMINTEST LABORATORY EXPERIENCE

10 +

OBJECTS
(PRODUCTS)
SUBJECT TO
ACCREDITATION



ACCREDITATIONS

GAFTA membership since 2002.

FOSFA membership since 2004.

ДСТУ ISO 17025 and ILAC accreditation

since 2011.

GMP + accreditation since 2024.





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