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"Impatto della guerra in Ucraina sulla società civile e sull'agricoltura: perdite, adattamenti e vie di resilienza"



Direct and indirect losses in Agrisector from Russian military aggression in Ukraine, since Feb 2022

Scale of Damage and Losses

Total damages and losses exceed €74 billion.

20% of agricultural land is lost or contaminated.

Every fifth farmer is serving in the Armed Forces of Ukraine.

World Bank estimates:

- \$11.2 billion in direct damages
- \$72.7 billion in indirect losses

Structural Challenges

Long-term pressures similar to the EU:

- Recurring droughts
- Climate change impacts
- Ageing rural population

Sector Resilience and Performance

Despite the war, Ukraine continues agricultural reforms aligned with EU legislation.

In 2024, agriculture generated:

- 15% of GDP
- 60% of export revenues

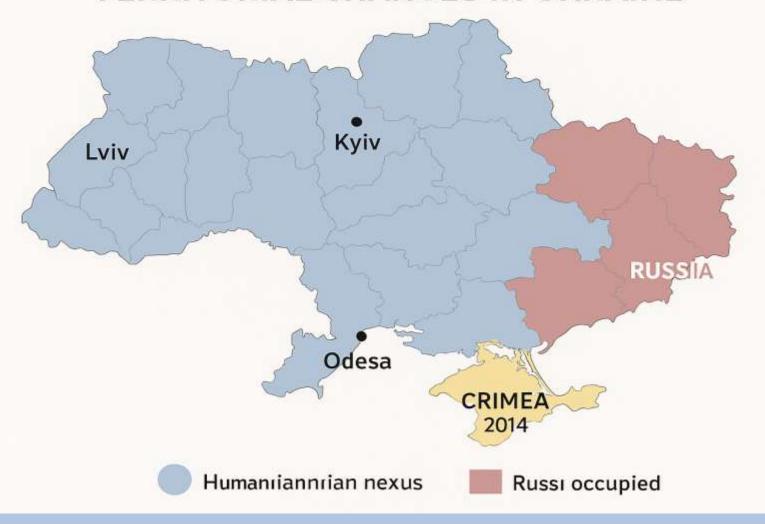
Since 2022, Ukraine exported 230+ million tonnes of agricultural products, earning over \$81 billion.

Strategic Importance for Europe

Ukraine's agriculture remains a pillar of national economic stability and a driver of global food security



TERRITORIAL CHANGES IN UKRAINE



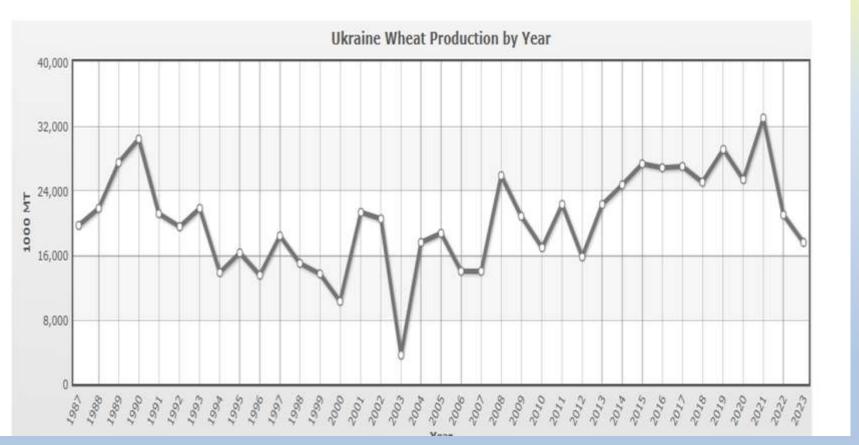
Ukraine agricultural sector has lost \$78.3 billion from war damage, that amounts to 20% of its capital stock and 25% reduction of sowing area.

Civil Society in Ukraine before and after full scale invasion

Before the Full-Scale Invasion (Pre-2022)	After the Full-Scale Invasion (Post-2022)				
Civil activity concentrated in central and western regions; Kyiv, Lviv, Kharkiv dominated NGO density (approx. 60% of total).	Big decentralization due to displacement; civil initiatives active in all 24 oblasts; increased activity in Western regions absorbing 5–6 million internally displaced persons (IDPs).				
Public trust in government institutions averaged 25–30% (Razumkov Centre, 2021); limited cooperation frameworks.	Trust in Armed Forces and local administrations exceeds 90% ;				
Internal displacement affected about 1.5 million people (since 2014, primarily Donbas).	As of 2025, over 5 million IDPs inside Ukraine and 6 million refugees abroad (UNHCR);				
Around 70% of NGOs relied on foreign grants;	Explosion of domestic and diaspora crowdfunding (e.g., Come Back Alive , United24); over \$1.8 billion raised through civic and volunteer initiatives (2022–2025).				
Voter turnout around 49% (2019 elections) ; civic participation moderate; regional identity divisions persisted.	Over 80% of Ukrainians report participation in volunteering or donations (2023 KIIS survey);				
Approximately 60% of media owned by oligarchs; limited trust in news sources.	Rapid rise of independent digital media and Telegram networks for civic coordination; media trust increased to ~70%				
Civil society played limited advocacy role; policy inputs mainly through donor-funded projects.	Civic actors now directly shape reconstruction policy, anti-corruption monitoring, and EU integration agenda; recognized as strategic partners in Ukraine's Recovery Plan (2023).				
Engagement mainly with EU-funded and UN-affiliated projects;	Deep collaboration with European NGOs, diaspora organizations, and international donors; participation in global advocacy on sanctions and justice.				
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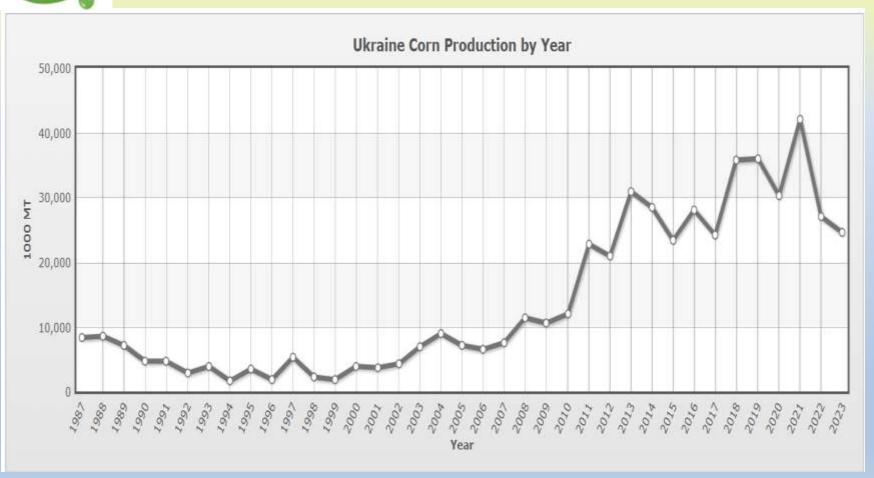


The dynamics of wheat production in Ukraine 1987-2023



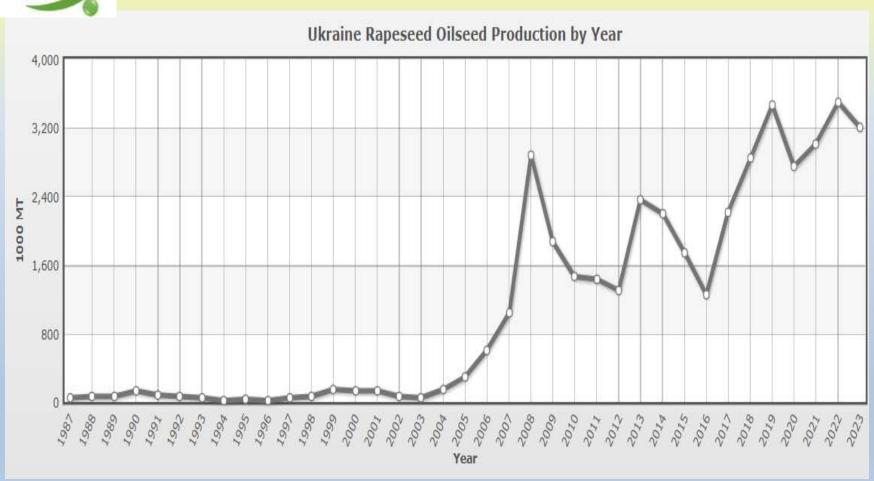


The dynamics of corn production in Ukraine 1987-2023





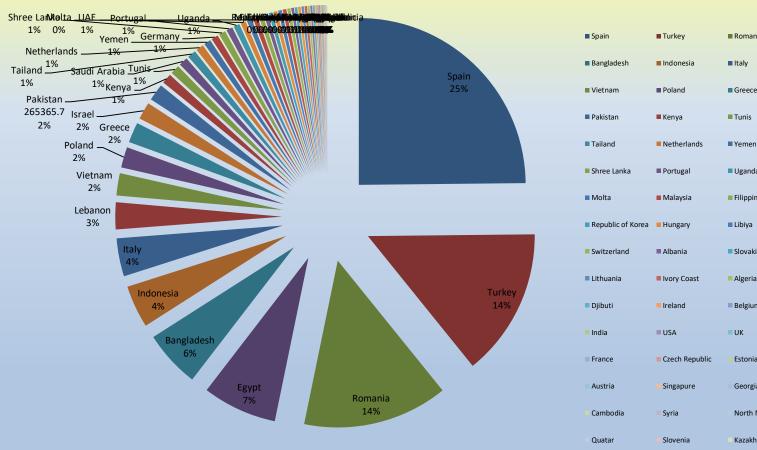
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Wheat, corn/maize, barley production in Ukraine 2018-2023

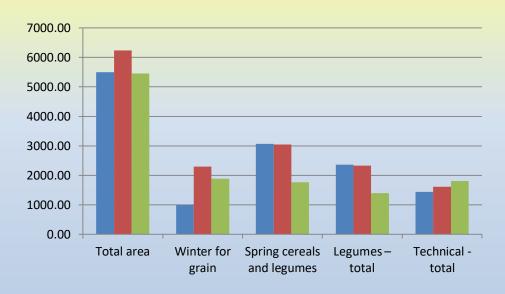
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Main Crops trade(wheat) Ukraine, **Export**



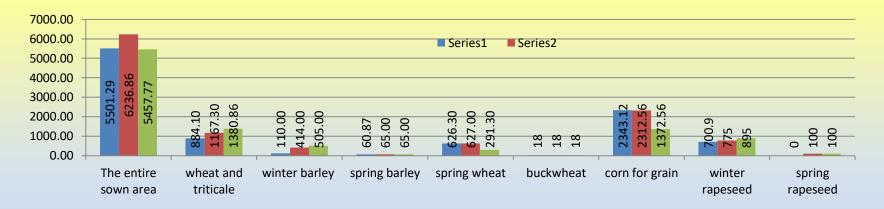
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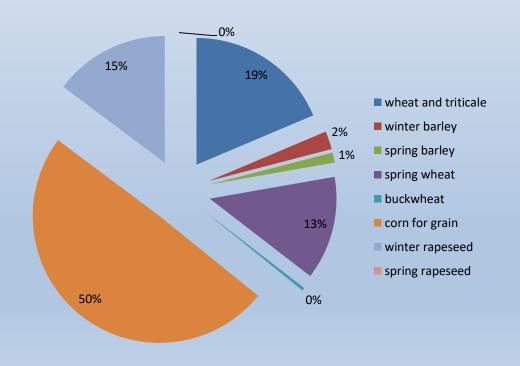
The assessment of potential of straw heat capacity for Ukraine



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Total heat=	51 600 000,00	MegaVT					

Structure of sown areas (wheat, corn, rapeseed, sunflower), by Hnizdychivska TG, Stryi district, Lviv region





Field cleaning technology post harvest









baling grain

transportation

storage

heating

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TOP-6 facts: straw as an alternative energy source

Top-1: 400 kg of straw per ton of grain

If we burn 1 ton of straw, we will get about 3 mW of thermal energy. If compared to coal and benzene, straw as a fuel would be much cheaper.

Top-2: A million tons of straw will replace 300 million cubic meters of gas Despite this fact, straw is not used as a fuel in Ukraine, or is used rarely. The main reasons are considered to be the lack of certain equipment for collecting and pressing into standard rolls and bales. However, the main obstacle is still the lack of a clear state policy aimed at the use and production of biofuels.

Top-3: 750 UAH - the cost of a ton of straw with a delivery distance of 25 km

Top-4: Processing straw into pellets solves many problems. Yes, in the form of briquettes and pellets, straw losses during storage are much lower, transportation and the process of loading into boilers are much more convenient. The heat transfer capacity of pellets is up to 4400 kcal / kg, which is approximately at the level of certain types of coal. The use of straw and other types of waste in the form of briquettes is growing at a very high rate around the world.

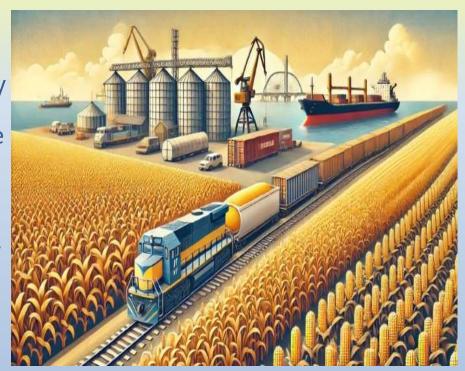
Top-5: Burning straw is a "green" energy source. Just like solar and wind power plants, "straw" CHPs are also considered "green". The state is obliged to purchase electricity from biofuel producers.

Top 6: International organizations provide loans for bioenergy Funds for the purchase of straw burning equipment can be obtained from the Danish IFU fund. But before giving money, the Danes will assess your project and its prospects. The amount of loan funds provided will be up to 1.5 million euros.

Possible solutions to address Grain Loss in Ukraine

Ukraine has made progress in precision agriculture, storage, logistics, and processing, war-related damages and financial constraints still limit technology adoption. Investments in Al, IoT, and automated systems could further reduce grain losses by 15-20% in the next decade.

Best practice: FAO & USAID's Emergency Storage Project (2022-2023)
Deployed temporary grain silos and portable dryers to Ukrainian farmers, saving over 4 million tons of grain from spoilage.





Conclusions:

Technology Setbacks

- Destruction of Modern Facilities: The Russian war has damaged high-tech grain elevators,
 drying stations, and rail hubs, forcing reliance on inefficient alternatives.
- **Limited Investment in AgTech**: financial instability, high energy prices and disrupted supply chains have slowed the adoption of automation, Al-based quality control, and smart logistics solutions.
- Absence of digital supply chain trackers;

Price volatilities for fertilizers and pest control (leading to 50-60% decrease) [gov.ua, 2023] Storage Deficiencies

•Limited Access to Modern Silos:

- -Many farms rely on outdated granaries or temporary storage (plastic bags, open-air piles), leading to moisture absorption, pest infestations, and fungal growth.
- **-Lack of Automated Climate Control**: Without temperature and humidity sensors, grain storage is prone to spoilage and excessive shrinkage losses.
- -Absence of Hermetic Storage Solutions: Advanced sealed storage systems (like CO₂ fumigation) prevent pests and fungi but are not widely used.

Thank you for attention!

































