



Fifty Years of Pesticide Usage Surveys - 1965 - 2015 David Garthwaite Fera Science Ltd dave.garthwaite@fera.co.uk

PUS surveys - 1965 - 2016



- Surveys funded by Defra under an LTSA
- Data used for registration & monitoring
- Respond to queries from Government, academia, industry & the public
- Surveys are voluntary but still achieve a 90% plus response rate
- Representative, stratified sample based on June Survey data
- National estimates made using Defra June Survey and Basic Horticultural Statistics data

PUS surveys - Data collected



- All usage conventional pesticides; biopesticides & living biocontrol organisms
- Products, dates, rates and methods of application
- Water volumes and tank mixing
- Use of crop covers (selected surveys)
- Use of growing media (selected surveys)
- Use of pollinators (selected surveys)

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Range of surveys currently conducted by the PUS(UK)

Surveyed Crops	Number of Farms	% Area Grown		
Arable	1,201	6		
Grassland & Fodder	688	8		
Edible Protected	272	52		
Outdoor Vegetables	640	36		
Soft Fruit	336	39		
Orchards	283	35		

PUS crop surveys - date of first survey



Survey Year	Survey
1965	Hops
1965	Soft fruit
1966	Vegetables
1966	Outdoor bulbs & flowers
1967	Orchards
1968	Glasshouse crops
1968	Mushrooms
1971	Hardy nursery stock
1974	Arable crops
1974	Grassland & fodder crops

PUS other surveys - date of first survey



Survey Year	Survey
1966	Farm grain stores
1967	Commercial grain stores
1968	Local Authority Rodenticides
1981	Sheep
1983	Fruit stores
1988	Potato stores
1988	Rodenticide use - arable 1988
1989	Rodenticide use - fodder 1989

Surveys prior to 1987



- Data extracted from published reports
 - Survey & year
 - Crop surveyed
 - Methods of application
 - Treated areas with each active substance/formulation
 - Weight of active substance issues with formulations
 - Additional data in reports, but not on rolling database

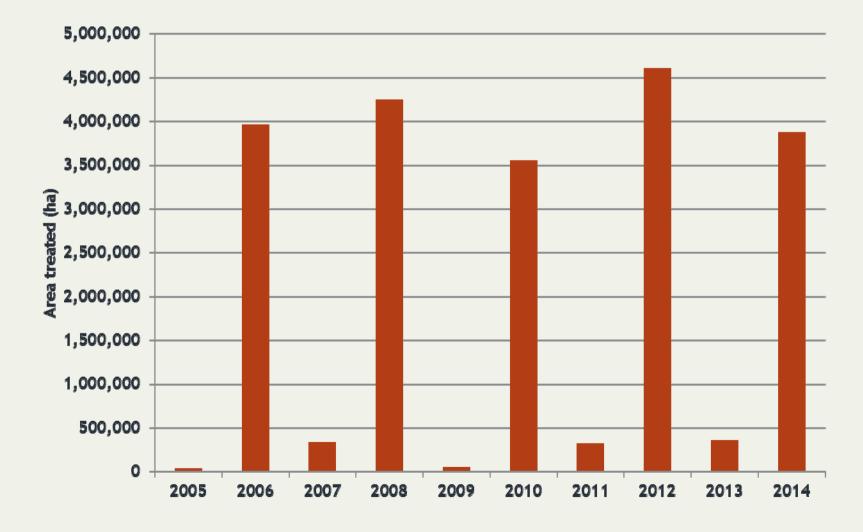
Surveys from 1987 onwards



- Full field level data
 - Survey & year
 - Crop surveyed, Products used
 - Dates, Rates & Methods of application
 - Tank mixing
 - Treated areas with each active substance/formulation
 - Weight of each active substance/formulation

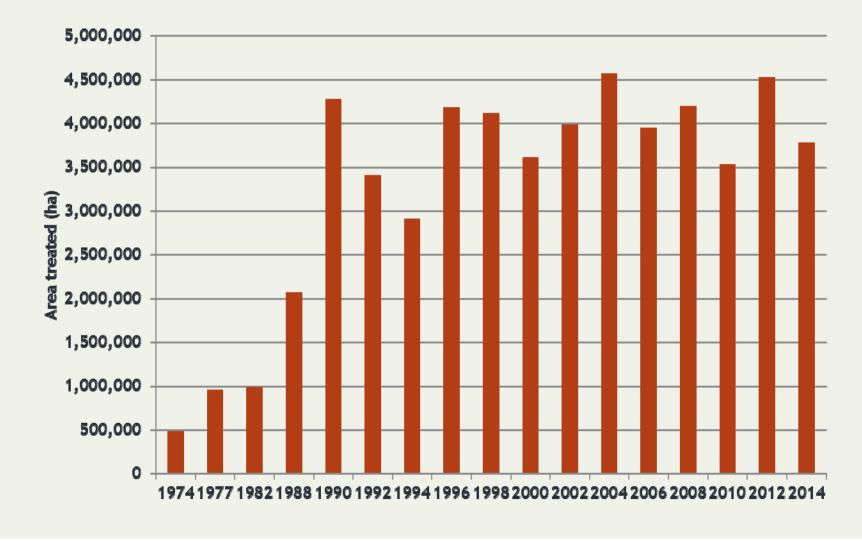


Change in insecticide usage over the last decade – all crops



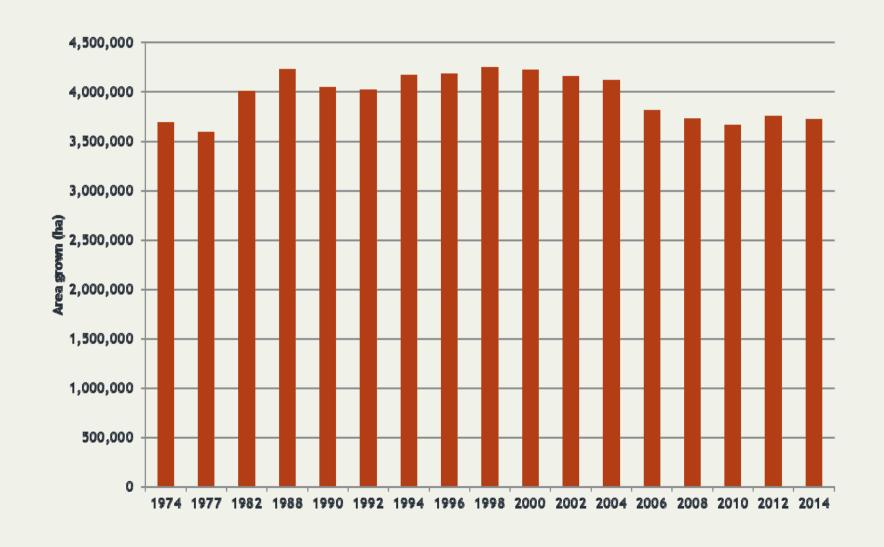


Change in insecticide usage on arable crops



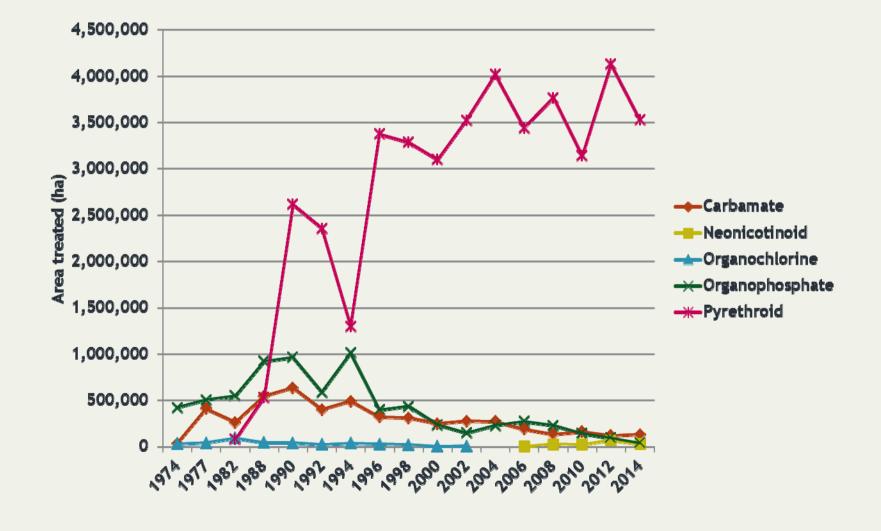


Area of arable crops grown



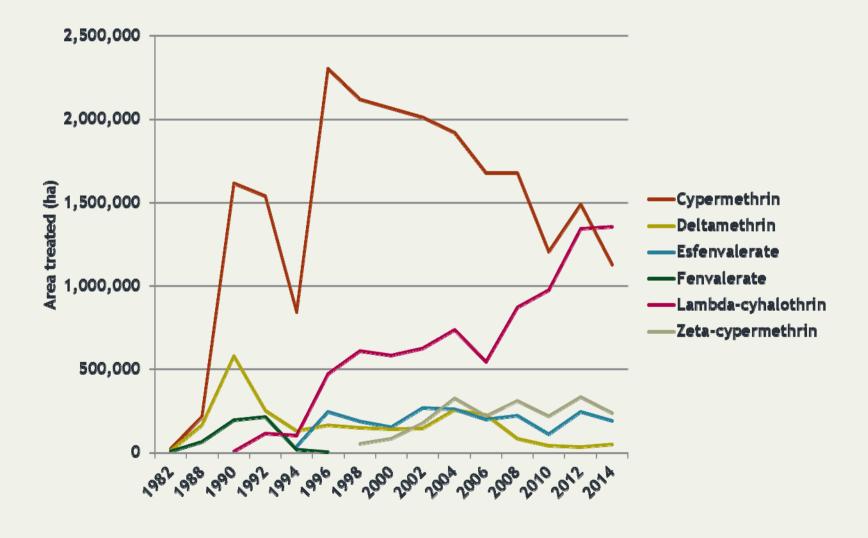


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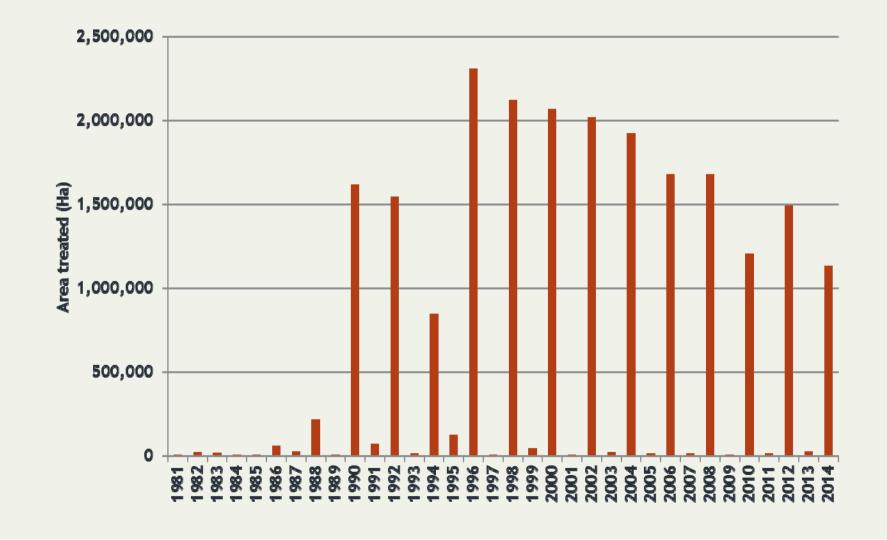


Change in pyrethroid usage on arable crops



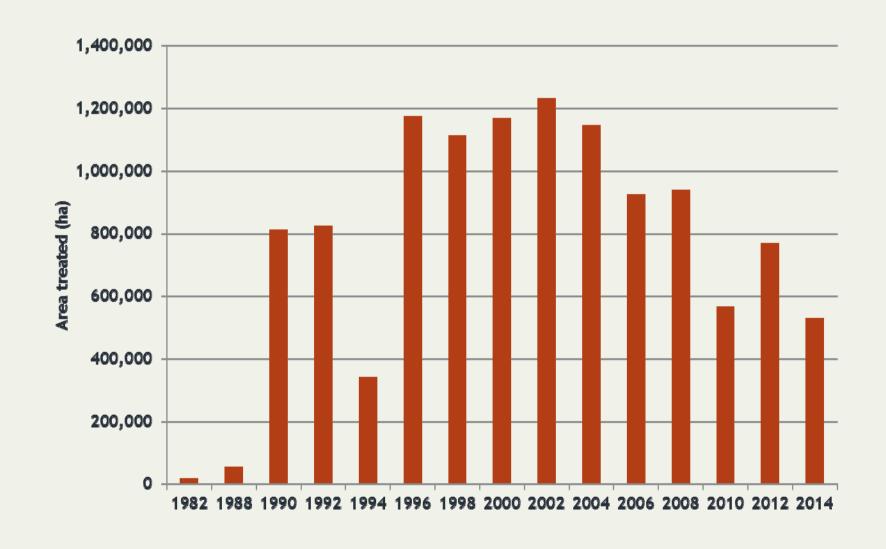


Cypermethrin usage since 1981



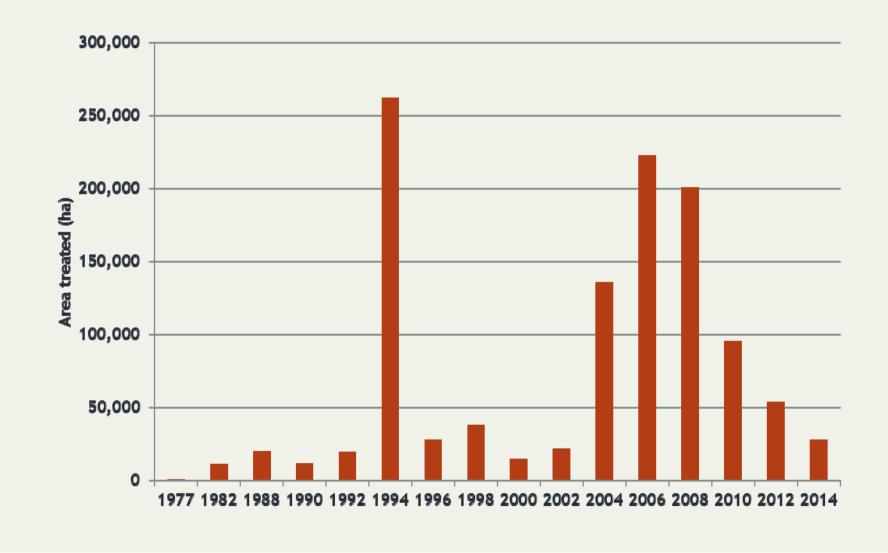


Cypermethrin usage on wheat



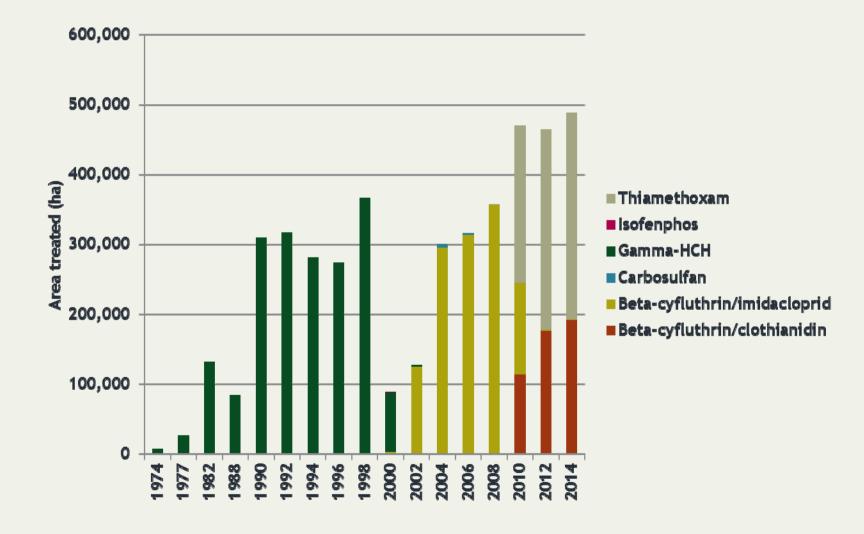


Chlorpyrifos usage on wheat



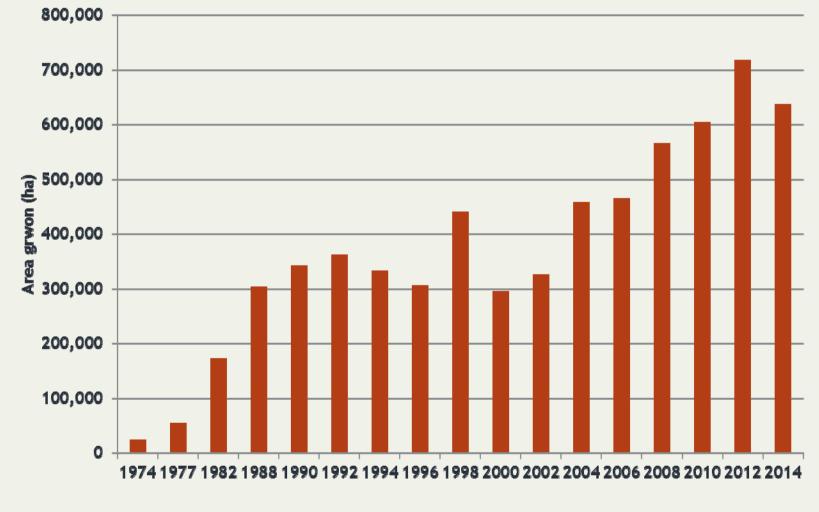


Oilseed rape - changing use of seed treatments



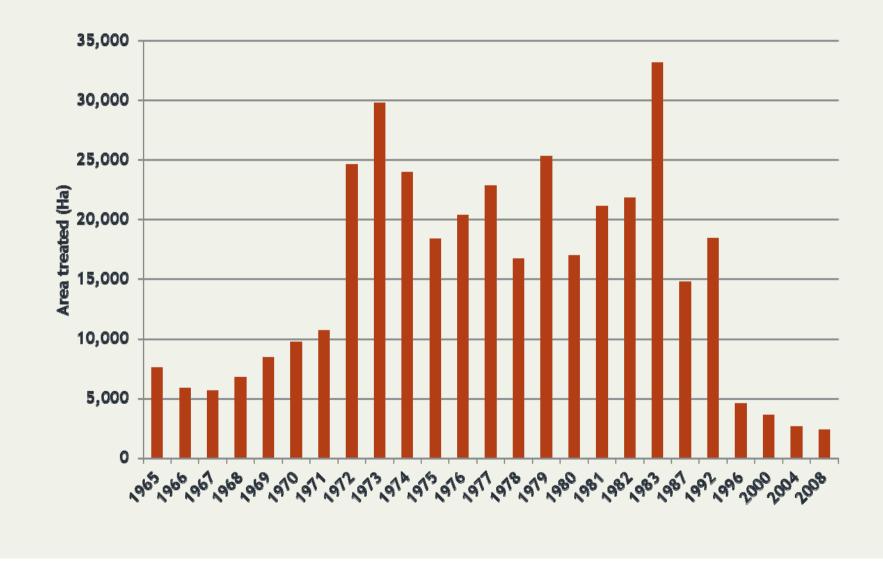


Oilseed rape - change in area grown (ha)





Change in insecticide usage on hops



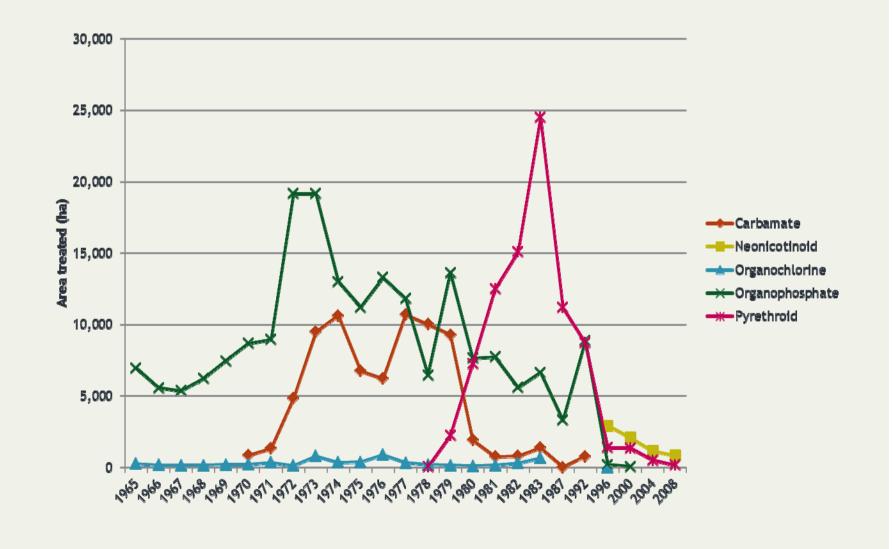


Change in area of hops grown



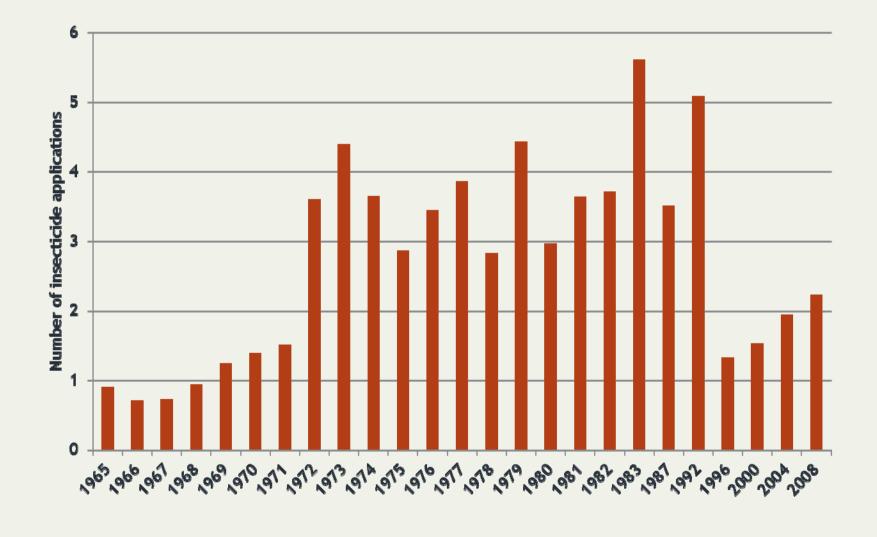


Change in insecticide usage on hops



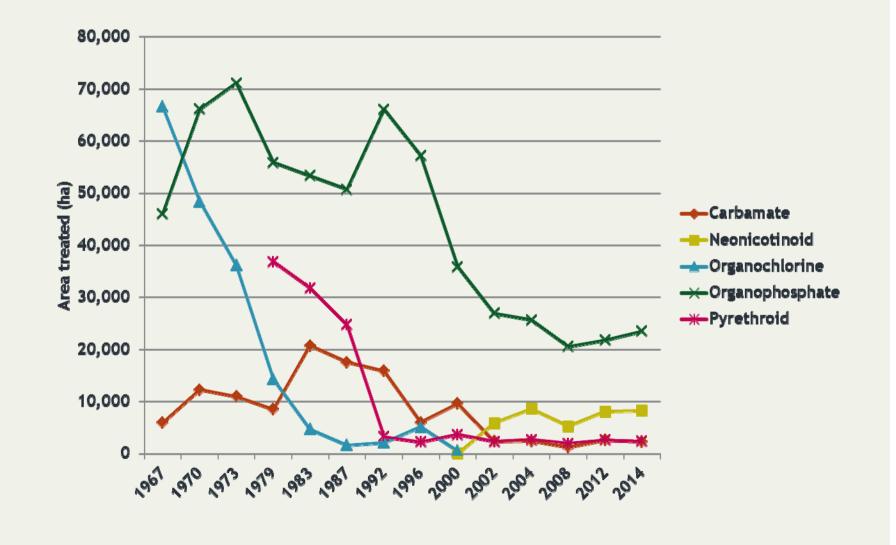
Hops - number of insecticide applications





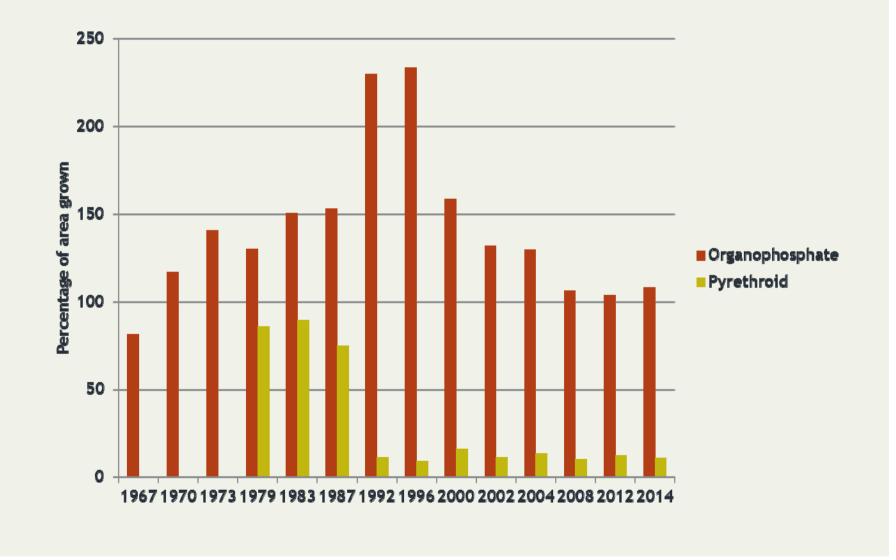


Change in insecticide usage on orchards



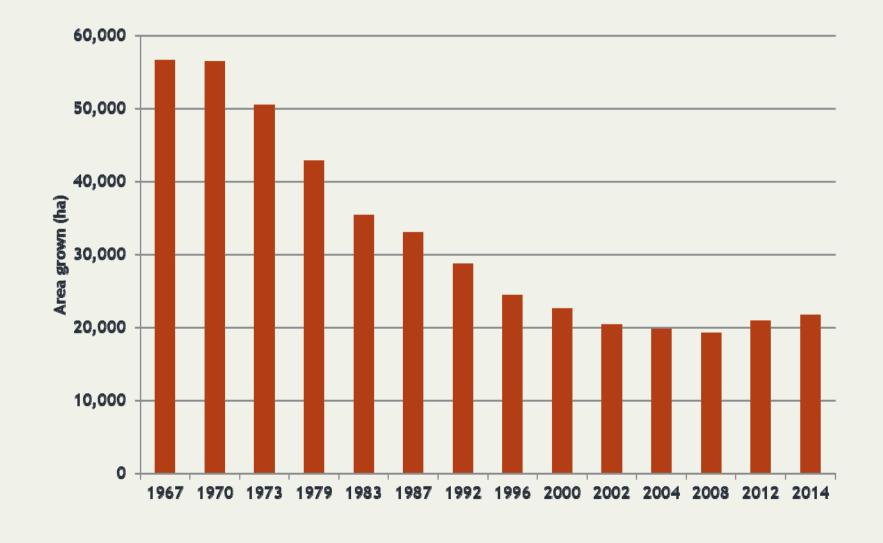


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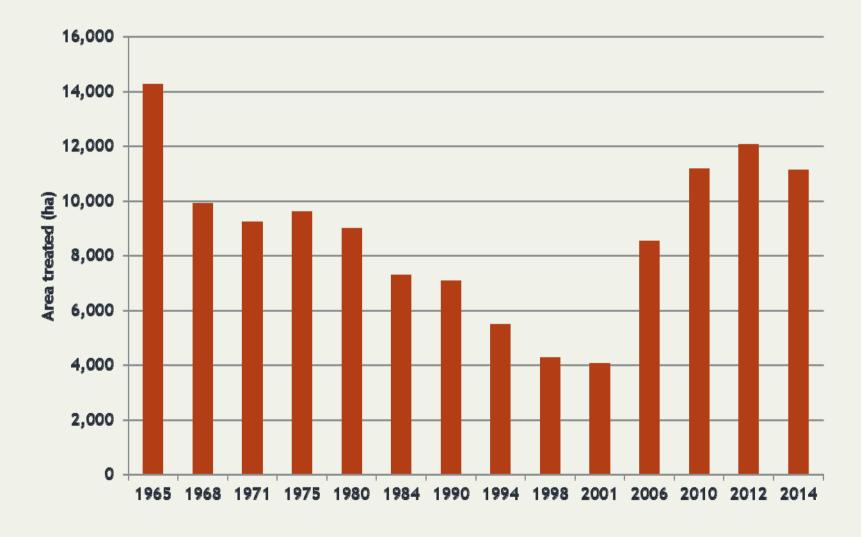


Change in area of orchards grown



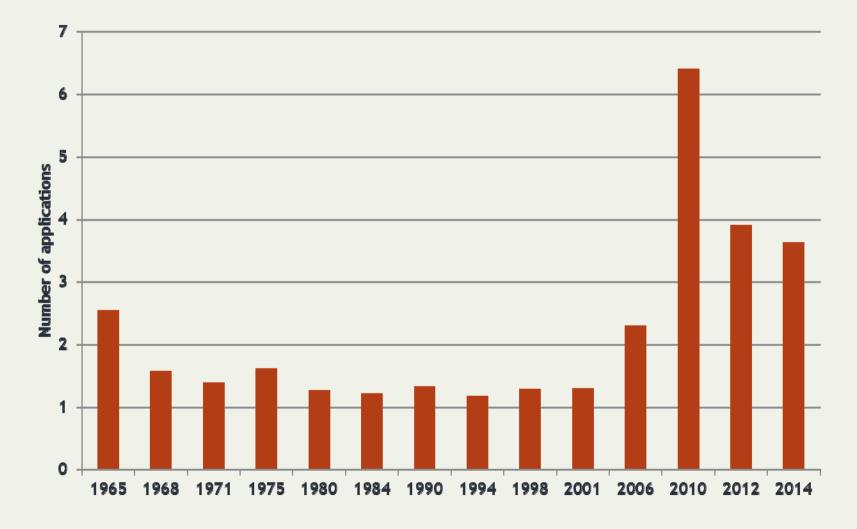


Change in insecticide usage on strawberries



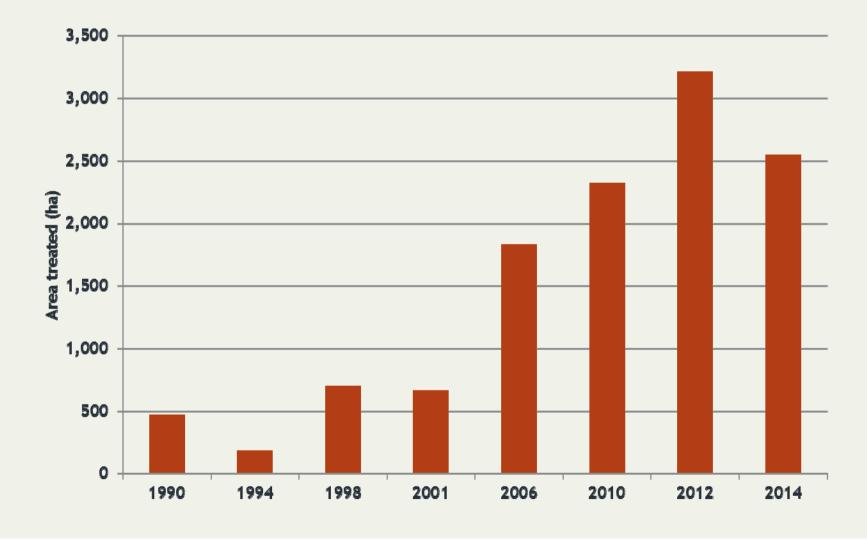


Strawberries – number of insecticide applications



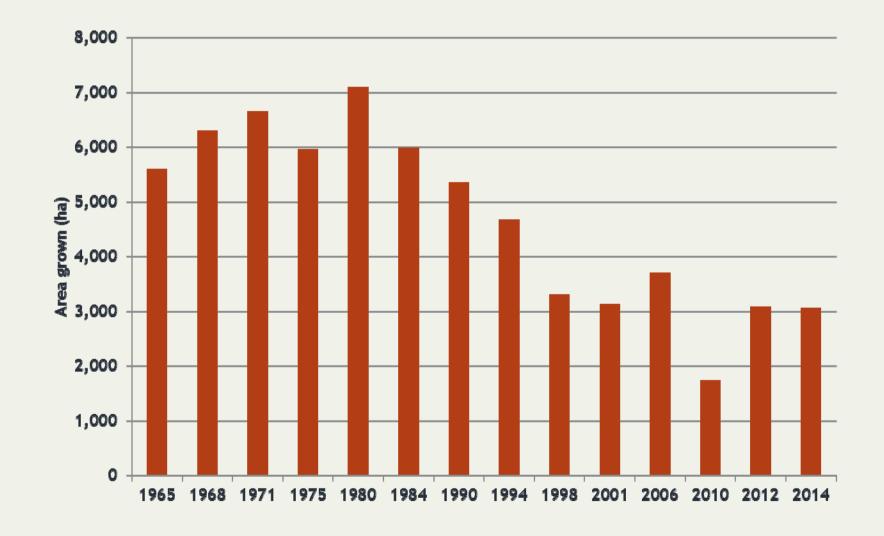


Change in living biocontrol usage on strawberries





Change in area of strawberries grown



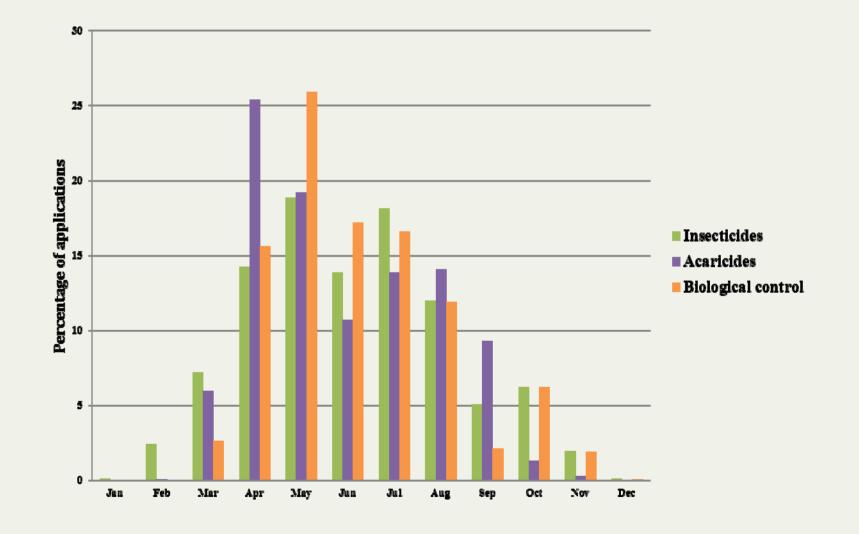


Strawberries - insecticide usage - 2014 - UK

Active substance	Area Treated (Ha)	Weight Applied (Kg)	Prop Treated area	Prop Area grown	Number app	Prop RR
Chlorpyrifos	2,721	1,801	0.19	0.49	1.41	0.94
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Pirimicarb	2,405	582	0.16	0.42	1.45	1.02
Thiacloprid	2,370	274	0.16	0.42	1.43	0.96
Pyrethrins	1,986	110	0.14	0.22	2.28	0.53
Lambda- cyhalothrin	1,811	16	0.12	0.35	1.30	0.74

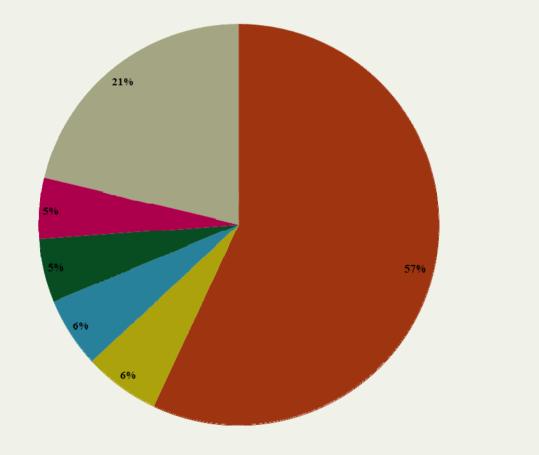


Strawberries - timing of application - 2014 - UK



Strawberries - reasons for use - 2014 - UK





aphids
thrips
caterpillars
aphids/caterpillars
vine weevil
unspecified pests