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The County Regions Of Northern Ireland



SUMMARY

This report presents information from a survey of the pesticide usage practices on ornamental protected crops grown in Northern Ireland in 2003.

Sample data were collected from 65 growers and the total area of protected non-edible crops grown was 366,584 m². Ornamental crops accounted for 49% of the area grown, bedding and pot plants 43%, cut flowers 7% and other crops (i.e. trees and bulbs grown under protection) <1%. An estimated 59% of all protected non-edible crops were grown in County Down. A total of 630kg of pesticides active ingredients was applied to 2,103,703 treated m² (210spha).

Fungicides, applied to 53% of the total pesticide-treated area, accounted for 48% of the weight of pesticides applied. Iprodione, mainly used on bedding and pot plants, was the fungicide active ingredient most frequently used.

Insecticides and acaricides were applied to 32% of the pesticide-treated area, representing 3% of the total weight of pesticides applied. The pyrethroid deltamethrin was the insecticide/acaricide active ingredient most extensively used, primarily on bedding and pot plants.

Herbicides accounted for 10% of the pesticide-treated area, representing 3% of the weight of pesticides applied. Quinoclamine was the herbicide / algicide active ingredient most frequently used, primarily to control liverwort and moss on protected nursery stock plants, with oxadiazon also extensively used.

Growth regulators were applied to 4% of the total pesticide-treated area accounting for 3% of the weight of pesticides used. Daminozide and paclobutrazol were the most extensively used growth regulators.

The only molluscicide recorded in use was metaldehyde and this active ingredient represented less than 1% of both the pesticide-treated area and the total quantity of pesticides used.

Mixed formulations, containing fungicide/insecticide mixtures, soil sterilants and phenolic derivatives, accounted for less than 1% of the total pesticide-treated area but represented 43% of the total weight of pesticide used. This was mainly due to the use of the soil sterilant dazomet, which is used at a high rate per unit area.

No biological controls were recorded used in this survey period.

INTRODUCTION

As a participant in the UK Working Party on Pesticide Usage Surveys, the Department of Agriculture and Rural Development (DARD), conducts a programme of cyclical surveys to examine pesticide usage in all sectors of the agricultural and horticultural industries. The data collected provides information for consideration by the Advisory Committee on Pesticides. The information may also be used by those involved in residue testing, for public information, provision of data for research and evaluation of trends in pesticide usage.

This is the second survey of pesticide usage on protected ornamental crops in Northern Ireland. Results from the previous surveys reported on pesticide usage practices on protected crops (edible & ornamental) in 1991 (Kidd *et al*,1997)

A list of published Northern Ireland Pesticide Usage Survey reports are shown in Appendix 1.

DEFINITIONS AND NOTES

- 'Basic area' refers to the actual planted area of crop, which was 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.
- 'Spm2' refers to the treated area in square metres, ('Spha' refers to the treated area in hectares). This is an estimated figure throughout the report, as some growers only knew the total pesticide usage and their holding area, but the sprays may / may not have been applied to whole or part of the area, therefore the area may be an over estimate on this basis.
- 'Reasons for use'; the reasons reported for the use of pesticides are the growers stated reason for use and may sometimes be inappropriate.
- 'Rounding', due to rounding of figures, there may be slight differences in totals both within and between tables.
- Spot treatments were taken as 25% of the area
- General nursery area includes hardy and ornamental nursery holdings.

METHODS

The total population of nursery stock growers in Northern Ireland was developed using the Northern Ireland Agricultural Census, June 2003 (Anon., 2004) and a comprehensive list of growers held by DARD advisory staff. From this, 151 growers, representing 65% of the estimated population of general (includes hardy and protected ornamental crops) nursery stock growers were sampled. As there was no initial information to identify which holdings had protected or non-protected crops, this was determined following data entry. Of the 151 growers sampled, 65 grew protected crops. The sample was stratified into the six county regions of Northern Ireland. The total number of holdings in each county, together with the numbers surveyed are shown in Table 1 (Figure 1). The estimated total area of protected ornamental crops grown in Northern Ireland is shown in Table 2.

This survey represents the period from September 2002 to September 2003.

The purpose of the survey was explained to selected growers in preliminary correspondence. Holdings were then visited and data collected by personal interview. The grower's perceived reasons for pesticide use were also included, but may not always seem appropriate. The collected data were analysed using SPSS software.

RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

REGIONAL PESTICIDE USAGE

While 51% of the total pesticide- treated area was attributed to County Down, only 10% of the total quantity of pesticides was used there. Conversely, County Antrim, accounting for 46% of the total quantity of pesticide usage represented only 13% of the total pesticide-treated area. County Armagh accounted for 30% and 35% of the total pesticide-treated area and quantities of pesticides used, respectively. (Tables 3 & 4, Figure 3).

PESTICIDE USAGE ON CROPS

The estimated quantities of pesticide active ingredients used and the area of crop types treated with pesticides are shown in Tables 5 & 6. The protected crops were grouped into the following categories; Bedding and pot plants (accounting for 40% of the total pesticide-treated area and 28% of the total quantity of pesticides applied), Cut flowers (9% and 39%, respectively), Protected ornamental crops (51% and 25%, respectively) and others (accounting for less than 1% of the treated area and 7% of the quantity of pesticides applied).

TOTAL PESTICIDE USAGE

A total of 629 kilograms of pesticide active ingredients were applied to 2,103,703 spray m² (210spha) of protected ornamental crops grown in Northern Ireland in 2003 (Tables 3 and 4, Figure 2). Fungicides were applied to 53% of the pesticide-treated area, representing 48% of the weight of pesticides applied. Herbicides were applied to 10% of the area treated with pesticides, accounting for 3% of the total weight of pesticides used.

Insecticides/acaricides, applied to 32% of the pesticide-treated area, represented 3% of the total pesticide usage by weight. Growth regulators represented 4% and 3% of the total pesticide-treated area and weight of active ingredients used, respectively.

Molluscicides accounted for less than 1% of the pesticide-treated area and of the weight of pesticides applied.

Iprodione was the most frequently used fungicide, applied to 25% of the total fungicide-treated area, accounting only for 2% of the weight of fungicides used. Fosetyl-aluminium, applied to only 2% of the fungicide-treated area, represented 50% of the weight of fungicides used (Tables 7&8).

The pyrethroid insecticide, deltamethrin, accounted for 27% of the insecticide/acaricide-treated area but represented less than 1% of the quantity of insecticides/acaricides applied. The general purpose insecticide nicotine, applied to 8% of the insecticide/acaricide-treated area represented 53% of the weight of insecticides/acaricides used.

Mixed formulations (of insecticides and fungicides) also represented less than 1% of the pesticide-treated area but accounted for 43% of the quantity of pesticides applied.

The herbicide/algicide quinoclamine was the active ingredient most extensively used on the herbicide-treated area (48%) and accounted for 72% of the weight of herbicides used. The herbicide formulation isoxaben / trifluralin was also frequently used.

The growth regulators daminozide (38%) and paclobutrazol (36%) collectively accounted for 74% of active ingredients applied to the area treated with growth regulators.

A total of 89 products comprising 65 active ingredients were recorded in use during this survey. The fifty active ingredients most frequently recorded, prioritised by application area and quantity applied, are shown in Tables 9 & 10, respectively.

BEDDING AND POT PLANTS (Table 11)

The area of bedding and pot plants grown was estimated to be 159,119 m² (Table 2). A total of 835,941 spray m² of bedding and pot plants was treated with pesticides, with an estimated 177 kgs of pesticide active ingredients applied to the treated area (Tables 5 & 6).

Fungicides

An estimated 65% of the area of this crop receiving pesticide applications was treated with fungicides (93% of the weight of pesticides applied). An estimated 69% of fungicide applications had 'general disease control' given as the principal reason for usage, with Botrytis (18%) and mildew (*Peronospora spp.*) (8%) collectively accounting for a further 26% of pesticide usage. Iprodione was the most frequently used fungicide, applied to 199,514 spray m² and accounting for 3% of the weight of fungicides applied. This active ingredient was also the most extensively used fungicide, applied to bedding and pot plants in 1991. Chlorothalonil (18%) and the fungicide mixture metalaxyl/thiram (14%) collectively accounted for a further 32% of principally prophylactic applications.

Herbicides

All herbicides were applied to the treated area for 'general weed control'. Paraquat was the most commonly applied herbicide, accounting for 93% of the herbicide-treated area and 85% of the weight of herbicides applied to bedding and pot plants. Glyphosate was the only other herbicide recorded.

Insecticide/Acaricides

Insecticides and acaricides applied for 'general insect control' and to control aphids accounted for 56% and 38% of the insecticide/acaricide-treated area, respectively. The pyrethroid active ingredient deltamethrin, accounted for 59% of the insecticide/acaricide-treated area but represented only 2% of the weight of insecticides/acaricides applied to this crop category.

Growth Regulators

Bedding and pot plants accounted for an estimated 86% of the total growth regulator-treated area. Paclobutrazol, daminozide and chlormequat were the three active ingredients recorded used on these crops (Table 7).

Other Products

The mixed formulation bupirimate/pirimicarb/triforine was applied to 2,151spm² to control 'disease' on bedding and pot plant crops (Table 5).

Metaldehyde was the only molluscicide recorded, used on less than 1% of the pesticide-treated area of this crop type (Table 5).

CUT FLOWERS (Table 12)

The area of cut flowers grown in this survey period was recorded at approximately 3 hectares, representing 7% of the area of non-edible protected crops grown in Northern Ireland in 2003 (Table 2).

No herbicides were recorded in use on cut flower crops.

Fungicides

Fungicides were applied to 39% of the pesticide-treated area (less than 1% of the weight of pesticides applied). As with bedding and pot plant crops, iprodione was the fungicide active ingredient most extensively used on cut flower crops. An estimated 99% of all fungicide applications to cut flower crops was to control rust (*Puccinia lagenophorae* and *P.horiana*, with the latter mainly affecting chrysanthemums).

Insecticide/Acaricides

Of the pesticide applications to cut flowers, insecticides/acaricides accounted for 52% of the pesticide-treated area and 3% of the quantity applied to cut flower crops. Nicotine was the active ingredient most extensively used applied to 25% of the treated area and accounting for 67% of the weight of insecticides used. The principal reason (52%) cited by growers for use of insecticides was to control aphids. The active ingredients pymetrozine (15%) and spinosad (15%) collectively accounted for 30% of the insecticide/acaricide-treated area and 10% of the quantity of insecticides/acaricides used (Tables 5 & 6).

Growth Regulators

Daminozide was the only growth regulator applied to 5% of the total pesticide treated area of cut flowers (Table 5).

Other Products

Metaldehyde was the only molluscicide active ingredient applied to 1,120spm² of cut flower crops. The soil sterilant dazomet was applied to approximately 3% of the pesticide-treated area of these crops (Table 5).

ORNAMENTAL CROPS (Table 13)

Ornamental crops (shrubs, conifers, hedging, alpines, heathers, herbaceous plants, roses and any mixed areas of ornamental crops under protection) were grown on 49% (180,787m²) of the total area of protected non-edible crops grown in Northern Ireland in 2003 (Table 2).

Fungicides

Fungicide applications to ornamental crops represented 45% of total fungicide use on non-edible protected crops (Table 5). This also represented 46% of the pesticide-treated area of ornamental crops. Pyrifenox, the most widely used active substance, was applied to 81,290 spm² (16% of the fungicide-treated area).

Herbicides

An estimated 205,000 spm² (19%) of ornamental crops received a herbicide treatment. While quinoclamine was the most extensively used herbicide active ingredient (48% of the herbicide-treated area of ornamental crops) applied chiefly to control liverwort and moss, the herbicide mix of isoxaben/trifluralin (45% of the herbicide-treated area) was the most extensively used as a general weed control.

Insecticide/Acaricides

Insecticide/acaricides accounted for 34% of the pesticide-treated area and 4% of the quantity of pesticide applied to ornamental crops. The pyrethroid bifenthrin was the active ingredient most frequently used on these crops accounting for 28% of the insecticide/acaricide-treated area and 3% of the quantity applied, with 20% of applications being applied to control red spider mite (*Tetranychus urticae*).

Growth Regulators

Of the ornamental crops grown, an estimated 3,168spm² received growth regulators. Paclobutrazol was the active ingredient most extensively used accounting for 89% of the growth regulator-treated area and 47% of the quantity of active ingredients used.

Other Products

The fungicide/insecticide mix, bupirimate/pirimicarb/triforine applied to control blackspot (*Diplocarpon rosae*) and aphids was applied to an estimated 1,130spm².

Phenolic derivatives applied as hygiene measures were also applied to 53% of the area of ornamental crops treated with other products.

Metaldehyde was the only molluscicide recorded in use on protected ornamental crops.

OTHER CROPS (Table 14)

An estimated 823 m² of other crops, which included trees and bulbs grown under protection were recorded grown during this survey period (Table 2)

Carbendazim, applied to 2% of the pesticide-treated area of these, crops was the only fungicide recorded. The soil sterilant dazomet was applied to 85% of the pesticide-treated area. The molluscicide metaldehyde was applied to 14% of the pesticide-treated area of crops grown in this category.

PESTICIDE APPLICATIONS TO COMPOST AND SITE (Tables 15 & 16)

The survey indicated that it is common practice for growers to purchase compost with pesticides incorporated. This compost may subsequently be mixed with other types before planting occurs and it is extremely difficult to estimate total pesticide use in compost accurately. Consequently, the following data refers only to compost treatments applied by the grower or those composts for which the application rate could be verified precisely.

The herbicide active ingredient glyphosate, applied to pathways, car parks and around the site of general nursery holdings as a general weed control, accounted for 51% of the total herbicide-treated area of nursery site applications and 45% of the weight of herbicides applied. Paraquat and oxadiazon, collectively accounted for a further 24% of applications and 23% of the weight applied.

The only molluscicide active ingredient recorded used on nursery sites was metaldehyde, applied to 124,274 spm² to control slugs.

An estimated 933 spm² received applications of the mixed formulation bupirimate/pirimicarb/triforine, to control whitefly.

A total of 351kg of insecticides were applied to approximately 5000m³ of compost to control vine weevil (*Otiorhynchus sulcatus*). The organophosphorus insecticide chlorpyrifos accounted for 75% of the treated area and over 99% of the weight of pesticides applied to compost. Fipronil was the only other insecticide active ingredient recorded used on compost.

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Figure 1 The proportional distribution of protected ornamental crops grown in Northern Ireland, 2003.

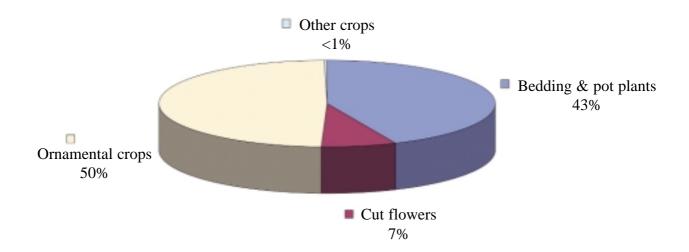


Figure 2 The regional distribution of protected crops grown in Northern Ireland, 2003.

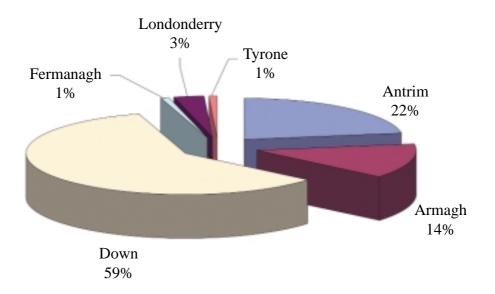


Figure 3 The area of protected ornamental crops treated with each pesticide type in the county regions of Northern Ireland, 2003.

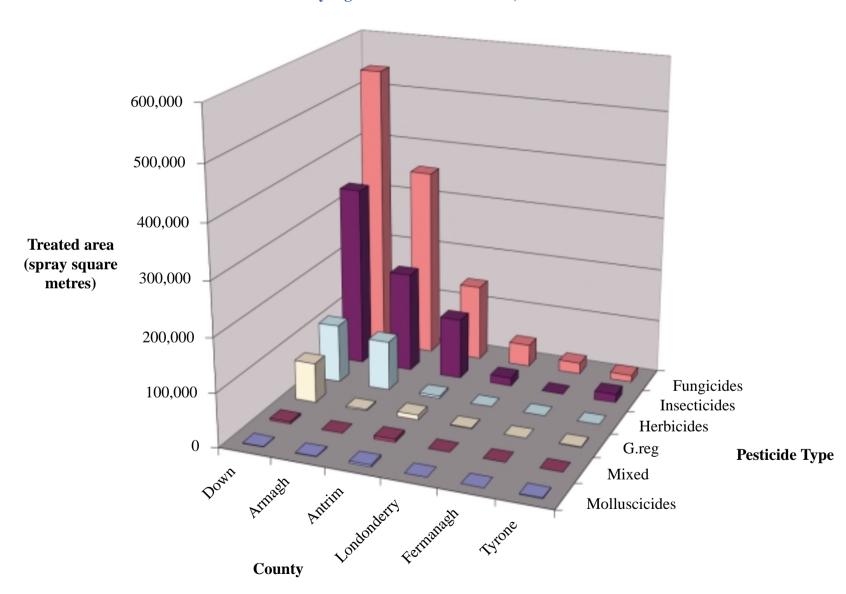


Table 1 The total number of protected and hardy nursery stock growers and the number of growers sampled in Northern Ireland in 2003.

County	Number of growers surveyed	Number of growers sampled	(%)
Antrim	52	35	67
Armagh	36	23	64
Down	85	57	67
Fermanagh	12	5	42
Londonderry	33	23	70
Tyrone	15	8	53
Northern Ireland	233	151	65

Table 2 Estimated area (m²) of protected ornamental crops grown regionally in Northern Ireland 2003.

				County			
Crop type	Antrim	Armagh	Down	Fermanagh	Londonderry	Tyrone	Northern Ireland
Bedding & pot plants	32,985	18,632	98,020	3,094	5,111	1,278	159,119
Cut flowers	10,319	1,620	11,408	•	2,508		25,855
Ornamental crops	38,299	30,247	107,220		3,381	1,640	180,787
Other	722	•	101	•	•	٠	823
All crops	82,324	50,499	216,749	3,094	11,000	2,918	366,584

Table 3 Estimated area (spm²) of protected ornamental crops treated regionally with each pesticide type in Northern Ireland 2003.

Pesticide type Growth Mixed Northern Crop type Fungicides Herbicides Insecticides Molluscicides regulators Formulations Ireland Antrim 144,157 4,168 114,518 8,390 6,294 3,920 281,448 352 Armagh 355,425 93,416 188,563 1,051 2,220 641,028 Down 3,792 541,185 109,835 339,089 1,234 74,830 1,069,965 Fermanagh 21,656 21,656 15,246 198 1,192 Londonderry 41,892 58,527 Tyrone 12,730 15,824 1,061 1,465 31,079 All pesticides 1,117,045 207,420 673,240 7,464 88,097 10,437 2,103,703

Table 4 Estimated quantity (kg) of pesticide active ingredients applied to protected ornamental crops treated regionally with each pesticide type in Northern Ireland 2003.

	Pesticide type						
Crop type	Fungicides	Herbicides	Insecticides	Molluscicides	Growth regulators	Mixed Formulations	Northern Ireland
Antrim	11.62	0.98	6.68	0.71	0.54	270.59	291.12
Armagh	201.59	13.93	0.85	0.22	1.10	0.01	217.70
Down	35.39	3.18	6.61	0.14	17.66	0.32	63.31
Fermanagh	0.38						0.38
Londonderry	1.55		1.99	0.33	0.19		4.05
Tyrone	50.83		1.48	0.48	0.01		52.80
All pesticides	301.36	18.09	17.61	1.88	19.49	270.93	629.36

Table 5 Estimated area (spm²) of pesticide active ingredients applied to protected ornamental crops treated with each pesticide type in Northern Ireland 2003.

Pesticide type

Crop type	Fungicides	Herbicides	Insecticides	Molluscicides	Growth regulators	Mixed Formulations	Northern Ireland
Bedding & pot plants	541,799	2,043	210,356	4,080	75,512	2,151	835,941
Cut flowers	72,374	•	95,613	1,120	9,417	5,280	183,804
Ornamental crops	502,859	205,377	367,271	2,163	3,168	2,385	1,083,223
Other	13	•	•	101	•	622	735
All crops	1,117,045	207,420	673,240	7,464	88,097	10,437	2,103,703

Table 6 Estimated quantity (kg) of pesticide active ingredients applied to protected ornamental crops treated with each pesticide type in Northern Ireland 2003.

Pesticide type

Crop type	Fungicides	Herbicides	Insecticides	Molluscicides	Growth regulators	Mixed Formulations	Northern Ireland
Bedding & pot plants	165.83	0.13	3.88	0.91	6.53	0.08	177.35
Cut flowers	1.37		7.88	0.4	12.77	224.65	247.07
Ornamental crops	134.16	17.96	5.85	0.56	0.19	0.93	159.66
Other				0.01		45.27	45.28
All crops	301.36	18.09	17.61	1.88	19.49	270.92	629.36

Table 7 Estimated area (spm²) of protected ornamental crops treated with pesticide formulations in Northern Ireland 2003.

Pesticide type	Bedding &	Cut	Ornamental	Other	Total area
& formulation	pot plants	Flowers	crops	crops	$(sp m^2)$
Fungicides					
Azoxystrobin	2,736	9,431	18,431	•	30,598
Benomyl	7,547	•	44,093	•	51,640
Bupirimate	3,957		3,184		7,140
Bupirimate/triforine	36,373		2,700		39,073
Carbendazim	34,292	•	51	13	34,355
Chlorothalonil	97,958	367	59,705		158,029
Chlorothalonil/metalaxyl	20,560		43,636		64,197
Copper oxychloride			4,313	•	4,313
Copper-ammonium carbonate	510		25,438		25,947
Cyproconazole/propiconazole		14,667	•		14,667
Dichlofluanid	4,625		58		4,683
Etridiazole	740		388		1,128
Fenarimol			25,438		25,438
Fosetyl-aluminium	21,474		1,971		23,445
Furalaxyl	22,015	43	5,053		27,111
Iprodione	199,514	26,700	48,470		274,685
Mancozeb	1,566		50,875		52,441
Metalaxyl/thiram	76,374				76,374
Myclobutanil	1,874		23,869		25,743
Oxycarboxin	•		231		231
Penconazole	3,249		•		3,249
Prochloraz		4	44,126		44,130
Propamocarb hydrochloride	33		55		88
Propiconazole	2,660	21,163			23,823
Pyrifenox	3,293	<i>,</i>	81,290		84,583
Thiram			4,196		4,196
Tolclofos-methyl	158		1,413		1,571
Vinclozolin			11,563	_	11,563
Zineb	293		2,313		2,605
	2,0	•	2,616	·	2,000
All fungicides	541,799	72,374	502,859	13	1,117,045
Herbicides					
Glufosinate-ammonium	_	_	252	_	252
Glyphosate	153	•	252	•	405
Isoxaben/trifluralin	100	•	91,737	•	91,737
Oxadiazon	•	•	13,908	•	13,908
Paraquat	1,890	•	13,700	•	1,890
Quinoclamine	1,070	•	99,228	•	99,228
Zumociumine	•	•	77,220	•	JJ,220
All herbicides	2,043	•	205,377	•	207,420

Table 7 (cont.) Estimated area (spm²) of protected ornamental crops treated with pesticide formulations in Northern Ireland 2003.

Pesticide type	Bedding &	Cut	Ornamental	Other	Total area
& formulation	pot plants	Flowers	crops	crops	(sp m ²)
Insecticides/acaricides					
Abamectin	1,078	864	54,688	•	56,631
Aldicarb	1,282		23	•	1,305
Bifenthrin	14,505		102,730	•	117,235
Buprofezin	3,629	•	584	•	4,213
Chlorpyrifos			595	•	595
Clofentezine		•	23,125	•	23,125
Cypermethrin	11,551	11,373	53,042	•	75,966
Deltamethrin	125,031	8,880	46,957	•	180,868
Dichlorvos	182	12,077	284		12,544
Dicofol/tetradifon	•		10,406		10,406
Diflubenzuron	•		18,546	•	18,546
Dimethoate	3,629	•	548	•	4,177
Fatty acids	•	144	88	•	232
Fenbutatin oxide			15,676		15,676
Fipronil			1,767	•	1,767
Gamma-HCH	826	•	•		826
Imidacloprid	14,284	463	1,234		15,981
Malathion	6,658	5,900	5,429		17,988
Nicotine	1,890	24,062	25,836		51,788
Permethrin	1,397	1,467			2,864
Pirimicarb	8,785	1,654			10,440
Pymetrozine	1,504	14,404	527		16,435
Spinosad	876	14,324	44	•	15,245
Teflubenzuron	13,248		3,381	•	16,629
Tetradifon	•		1,760	•	1,760
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All insecticides/acaricides	210,356	95,613	367,271	•	673,240
Molluscicides					
Metaldehyde	4,080	1,120	2,163	101	7,464
All molluscicides	4,080	1,120	2,163	101	7,464
Growth regulators					
Chlormequat	22,455	•			22,455
Daminozide	23,737	9,417	289		33,443
4-indol-3-yl-butyric acid			69		69
Paclobutrazol	29,320		2,810		32,130
All growth regulators	75,512	9,417	3,168	•	88,097

Table 7 (cont.) Estimated area (spm²) of protected ornamental crops treated with pesticide formulations in Northern Ireland 2003.

Pesticide type & formulation	Bedding & pot plants	Cut Flowers	Ornamental crops	Other crops	Total area (sp m²)
Other products & mixed formul Bupirimate/pirimicarb/triforine Cresylic acid Dazomet	2,151	5,280	1,130 1,255	622	3,281 1,255 5,902
All other products & mixed formulations	2,151	5,280	2,385	622	10,437
All pesticides	835,941	183,804	1,083,223	735	2,103,703

Table 8 Estimated quantities (kg) of protected ornamental crops treated with pesticide formulations in Northern Ireland 2003.

Pesticide type & formulation	Bedding & pot plants	Cut Flowers	Ornamental	Other crops	Total quantity (sp kg)
& formulation	pot plants	riowers	crops	crops	(sp kg)
Fungicides					
Azoxystrobin	0.07	0.24	0.52		0.83
Benomyl	1.62		2.36		3.98
Bupirimate	0.16		0.04		0.20
Bupirimate/triforine	0.60		0.04		0.64
Carbendazim	0.96		< 0.01	< 0.01	0.96
Chlorothalonil	4.96	0.18	7.36		12.50
Chlorothalonil/metalaxyl	3.28		5.02		8.30
Copper oxychloride	•		0.58		0.58
Copper-ammonium carbonate	< 0.01		0.15		0.15
Cyproconazole/propiconazole	•	0.30	•		0.30
Dichlofluanid	0.09		0.12		0.21
Etridiazole	0.64		0.98		1.61
Fenarimol	•		0.11		0.11
Fosetyl-aluminium	139.38		11.18		150.57
Furalaxyl	1.81	< 0.01	0.27		2.08
Iprodione	4.38	0.40	1.06		5.84
Mancozeb	0.08		1.30		1.37
Metalaxyl/thiram	6.21			•	6.21
Myclobutanil	0.01		0.01		0.02
Oxycarboxin			0.09		0.09
Penconazole	0.02	•			0.02
Prochloraz	•	0.01	101.47		101.48
Propamocarb hydrochloride	0.26		0.39		0.66
Propiconazole	0.03	0.24			0.26
Pyrifenox	1.12		0.04		1.16
Thiram	•	•	0.28		0.28
Tolclofos-methyl	0.16	•	0.14	•	0.29
Vinclozolin	•	•	0.58		0.58
Zineb	0.01	•	0.08	•	0.09
All fungicides	165.83	1.37	134.16	<0.01	301.36
Herbicides					
Glufosinate-ammonium			0.01		0.01
Glyphosate	0.02		0.03		0.05
Isoxaben/trifluralin			0.02		0.02
Oxadiazon	•		4.86		4.86
Paraquat	0.11				0.11
Quinoclamine			13.04		13.04
All herbicides	0.13		17.96		18.09

Table 8 (cont.) Estimated quantities (kg) of protected ornamental crops treated with pesticide formulations in Northern Ireland 2003.

Pesticide type	Bedding &	Cut	Ornamental	Other	Total quantity
& formulation	pot plants	Flowers	crops	crops	(sp kg)
Insecticides/acaricides					
Abamectin	< 0.01	< 0.01	0.02		0.02
Aldicarb	0.74		0.01	ė	0.75
Bifenthrin	0.04		0.18	•	0.21
Buprofezin	0.01		< 0.01	•	0.01
Chlorpyrifos			0.03		0.03
Clofentezine			0.46		0.46
Cypermethrin	0.05	0.05	0.24		0.34
Deltamethrin	0.08	0.01	0.02		0.12
Dichlorvos	0.02	0.94	0.02		0.98
Dicofol/tetradifon			0.05	•	0.05
Diflubenzuron	•		0.56	•	0.56
Dimethoate	0.01		0.08	•	0.08
Fatty acids		0.06	0.04	•	0.10
Fenbutatin oxide			0.18	•	0.18
Fipronil			0.10	•	0.10
Gamma-HCH	0.05				0.05
Imidacloprid	1.28	< 0.01	0.17		1.45
Malathion	0.50	0.66	0.39		1.56
Nicotine	0.90	5.27	3.16		9.33
Permethrin	< 0.01	< 0.01			0.01
Pirimicarb	0.11	0.07			0.18
Pymetrozine	0.03	0.28	0.01		0.32
Spinosad	0.03	0.54	< 0.01		0.57
Teflubenzuron	0.04		0.11		0.15
Tetradifon			0.01		0.01
All insecticides/acaricides	3.88	7.88	5.85		17.61
Molluscicides					
Metaldehyde	0.91	0.40	0.56	0.01	1.88
Metaldenyde	0.91	0.40	0.30	0.01	1.00
All molluscicides	0.91	0.40	0.56	0.01	1.88
Growth regulators					
Chlormequat	1.02				1.02
Daminozide	5.38	12.77	0.10		18.26
4-indol-3-yl-butyric acid			< 0.01		< 0.01
Paclobutrazol	0.12	•	0.09		0.21
All growth regulators	6.53	12.77	0.19	•	19.49

Table 8 (cont.) Estimated quantities (kg) of protected ornamental crops treated with pesticide formulations in Northern Ireland 2003.

Pesticide type & formulation	Bedding & pot plants	Cut Flowers	Ornamental crops	Other crops	Total quantity (sp kg)
Other products & mixed formu	lations				
Bupirimate/pirimicarb/triforine	0.08		0.04		0.11
Cresylic acid			0.89		0.89
Dazomet		224.65		45.27	269.92
All other products					
& mixed formulations	0.08	224.65	0.93	45.27	270.93
All pesticides	177.35	247.07	159.66	45.28	629.36

Table 9 The fifty active ingredients most extensively used on ornamental crops in Northern Ireland 2003 prioritised by treated area (spm²).

	Active ingredient	Treated area (sp m ²)
1	Iprodione	274,688
2	Chlorothalonil	222,225
3	Deltamethrin	180,870
4	Metalaxyl	140,570
5	Bifenthrin	117,236
6	Quinoclamine	99,228
7	Trifluralin	91,737
8	Isoxaben	91,737
9	Pyrifenox	84,582
10	Thiram	80,572
11	Cypermethrin	75,965
12	Abamectin	56,630
13	Mancozeb	52,440
14	Nicotine	51,784
15	Benomyl	51,641
16	Bupirimate	49,494
17	Prochloraz	44,130
18	Triforine	42,355
19	Propiconazole	38,497
20	Carbendazim	34,353
21	Daminozide	33,443
22	Paclobutrazol	32,131
23	Azoxystrobin	30,599
24	Furalaxyl	27,110
25	Copper-ammonium carbonate	25,948
26	Myclobutanil	25,746
27	Fenarimol	25,438
28	Fosetyl-aluminium	23,447
29	Clofentezine	23,125
30	Chlormequat	22,455
31	Diflubenzuron	18,546
32	Malathion	17,988
33	Teflubenzuron	16,630
34	Pymetrozine	16,436
35	Imidacloprid	15,982
36	Fenbutatin oxide	15,675
37	Spinosad	15,244
38	Cyproconazole	14,670
39	Oxadiazon	13,909
40	Pirimicarb	13,720
41	Dichlorvos	12,544
42	Tetradifon	12,166
43	Vinclozolin	11,563
44	Dicofol	10,406
45	Metaldehyde	7,464
46	Dazomet	5,902
47	Dichlofluanid	4,682
48	Copper oxychloride	4,313
49	Buprofezin	4,212
50	Dimethoate	4,176

Table 10 The fifty active ingredients most extensively used on ornamental crops in Northern Ireland 2003 prioritised by weight (kg).

	Active ingredient	Quantity applied (kg)
1	Dazomet	269.92
2	Fosetyl-aluminium	150.56
3	Prochloraz	101.48
4	Chlorothalonil	19.71
5	Daminozide	18.26
6	Quinoclamine	13.04
7	Nicotine	9.33
8	Iprodione	5.84
9	Thiram	5.45
10	Oxadiazon	4.86
11	Benomyl	3.98
12	Metalaxyl	2.12
13	Furalaxyl	2.08
14	Metaldehyde	1.88
15	Etridiazole	1.61
16	Malathion	1.56
17	Imidacloprid	1.45
18	Mancozeb	1.37
19	Pyrifenox	1.16
20	Chlormequat	1.02
21	Dichlorvos	0.98
22	Carbendazim	0.96
23	Cresylic acid	0.89
24	Azoxystrobin	0.83
25	Aldicarb	0.75
26	Copper oxychloride	0.58
27	Vinclozolin	0.58
28	Spinosad	0.57
29	Bupirimate	0.56
30	Diflubenzuron	0.56
31	Clofentezine	0.46
32	Propiconazole	0.45
33	Triforine	0.36
34	Cypermethrin	0.34
35	Pymetrozine	0.32
36	Tolclofos-methyl	0.29
37	Bifenthrin	0.21
38	Pirimicarb	0.21
39	Dichlofluanid	0.21
40	Paclobutrazol	0.20
41	Fenbutatin oxide	0.18
42	Copper-ammonium carbonate	0.15
43	Teflubenzuron	0.15
44	Cyproconazole	0.12
45	Deltamethrin	0.12
46	Paraquat	0.11
47	Fenarimol	0.11
49	Fipronil	0.10
50	Zineb	0.09

Table 11 Bedding and pot plants: pesticide-treated area (spm²), quantities used (kg) and reasons for use.

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Pesticide type	70.	5 0	Disease	T	Damping	3.503.3	treated	applied
and formulation	Black spot	Botrytis	Control	Leaf spot	off	Mildew	(sp m ²)	(kg)
Fungicides								
Azoxystrobin	•					2,736	2,736	0.07
Benomyl	•	7,547				•	7,547	1.62
Bupirimate	•		2,436			1,520	3,957	0.16
Bupirimate/triforine			21,656	14,716			36,373	0.60
Carbendazim	217	27,675	6,400				34,292	0.96
Chlorothalonil		5,193	90,083			2,682	97,958	4.96
Chlorothalonil/metalaxyl	5,852		840		•	13,868	20,560	3.28
Copper-ammonium carbonate	•		510		•		510	< 0.01
Dichlofluanid	•				•	4,625	4,625	0.09
Etridiazole	•		740		•		740	0.64
Fosetyl-aluminium			21,323		36	115	21,474	139.38
Furalaxyl		46	20,005		1,964		22,015	1.81
Iprodione	•	56,302	137,860		•	5,352	199,514	4.38
Mancozeb	•		1,566		•		1,566	0.08
Metalaxyl/thiram	4,383		62,390		•	9,600	76,374	6.21
Myclobutanil	•		1,874		•		1,874	0.01
Penconazole	•		2,151		•	1,098	3,249	0.02
Propamocarb hydrochloride	•		33		•		33	0.26
Propiconazole	•		2,660		•		2,660	0.03
Pyrifenox	•		1,370		•	1,922	3,293	1.12
Tolclofos-methyl	•				158		158	0.16
Zineb	•		293		•	•	293	0.01
All fungicides	10,453	96,762	374,190	14,716	2,158	43,520	541,799	165.83

Table 11 (cont.) Bedding and pot plants: pesticide-treated area (spm²), quantities used (kg) and reasons for use.

Pesticide type and formulation	General weed control	Thrips	Vine weevil	Whitefly	Insect control	Aphids	Total area treated (sp m²)	Total quantity applied (kg)
Herbicides & desiccants								
Glyphosate	153	•					153	0.02
Paraquat	1,890	•			•	•	1,890	0.11
All herbicides	2,043	•	•	•	•		2,043	0.13
Insecticides/acaricides								
Abamectin		338		740			1,078	< 0.01
Aldicarb				622		660	1,282	0.74
Bifenthrin		•			9,560	4,945	14,505	0.04
Buprofezin		•				3,629	3,629	0.01
Cypermethrin		•	1,566	1,804		8,181	11,551	0.05
Deltamethrin					86,174	38,857	125,031	0.08
Dichlorvos					182		182	0.02
Dimethoate					3,629		3,629	0.01
Gamma-HCH					826		826	0.05
Imidacloprid			1,061		12	13,212	14,284	1.28
Malathion				2,824	2,922	912	6,658	0.50
Nicotine					1,890		1,890	0.90
Permethrin						1,397	1,397	< 0.01
Pirimicarb						8,785	8,785	0.11
Pymetrozine				1,504			1,504	0.03
Spinosad		876					876	0.03
Teflubenzuron					13,248		13,248	0.04
All insecticides/acaricides		1,214	2,627	7,494	118,443	80,578	210,356	3.88

Table 11 (cont.) Bedding and pot plants: pesticide-treated area (spm²), quantities used (kg) and reasons for use.

Pesticide type and formulation	Slugs	Growth regulation	Disease control	Total area treated (sp m ²)	Total quantity applied (kg)
Molluscicides	4.000			4.000	0.04
Metaldehyde	4,080	•	•	4,080	0.91
All molluscicides	4,080	•	•	4,080	0.91
Growth regulators					
Chlormequat		22,455		22,455	1.02
Daminozide		23,737		23,737	5.38
Paclobutrazol	•	29,320	•	29,320	0.12
All growth regulators	•	75,512	•	75,512	6.53
Mixed formulations					
Bupirimate/pirimicarb/triforine			2,151	2,151	0.08
All mixed formulations	•	•	2,151	2,151	0.08

Table 12 Cut flowers: pesticide-treated area (spm²), quantities used (kg) and reasons for use.

Pesticide type		Disease			White	Damping	Total area treated	Total quantity applied
and formulation	Botrytis	Control	Leaf spot	Rust	Rust	off	(sp m ²)	(kg)
Fungicides								
Azoxystrobin	•	•	•	9,431	•	•	9,431	0.24
Chlorothalonil		367					367	0.18
Cyproconazole/propiconazole		•		14,667			14,667	0.30
Furalaxyl		•				43	43	< 0.01
Iprodione	300				26,400	•	26,700	0.40
Prochloraz			4			•	4	0.01
Propiconazole				13,875	7,288		21,163	0.24
All fungicides	300	367	4	37,972	33,688	43	72,374	1.37

Table 12 (cont.) Cut flowers: pesticide-treated area (spm²), quantities used (kg) and reasons for use.

								Total area	Total quantity
Pesticide type and formulation	TDI	VVII-:4 - 61	Insect	A 1- 2 - 3	C1	Growth	C4 1 4	treated	applied
and formulation	Thrips	White fly	control	Aphids	Slugs	regulation	Sterilant	(sp m ²)	(kg)
Fungicides									
Abamectin	864				•			864	< 0.01
Cypermethrin			10,560	813	•		•	11,373	0.05
Deltamethrin			367	8,513				8,880	0.01
Dichlorvos			12,077					12,077	0.94
Fatty acids			•	144				144	0.06
Imidacloprid			•	463				463	< 0.01
Malathion	495		367	5,039				5,900	0.66
Nicotine			5,280	18,782				24,062	5.27
Permethrin				1,467				1,467	< 0.01
Pirimicarb			367	1,288			•	1,654	0.07
Pymetrozine		1,019		13,385				14,404	0.28
Spinosad	14,324	•		•	•		•	14,324	0.54
All insecticides/acaricides	15,683	1,019	29,017	49,893	•	•	•	95,613	7.88
Molluscicides									
Metaldehyde					1,120			1,120	0.40
All molluscicides	•	•	•		1,120	•	•	1,120	0.40
Crowth recordators									
Growth regulators Daminozide						9,417		9,417	12.77
All growth regulators	•	•	•	•	•	9,417	•	9,417	12.77
Other products									
Dazomet							5,280	5,280	224.65
All other products		•		•			5,280	5,280	224.65

Table 13 Ornamental crops: pesticide-treated area (spm²), quantities used (kg) and reasons for use.

Pesticide type and formulation	Black spot	Botrytis	Disease control	Leaf spot	Rust	Damping off	Mildew	Total area treated (sp m ²)	Total quantity applied (kg)
	•	•		•					. 3/
Fungicides									
Azoxystrobin	•		18,431	•	•	•		18,431	0.52
Benomyl			44,093			•		44,093	2.36
Bupirimate			2,659			•	524	3,184	0.04
Bupirimate/triforine	777		•		•		1,924	2,700	0.04
Carbendazim			•		51			51	< 0.01
Chlorothalonil			59,705					59,705	7.36
Chlorothalonil/metalaxyl	•	•	43,636				•	43,636	5.02
Copper oxychloride	•	•	4,313				•	4,313	0.58
Copper-ammonium carbonate		•	25,438				•	25,438	0.15
Dichlofluanid	•		58				•	58	0.12
Etridiazole			388					388	0.98
Fenarimol			25,438					25,438	0.11
Fosetyl-aluminium		1,138	388			4	442	1,971	11.18
Furalaxyl			69			4,984		5,053	0.27
Iprodione		1,757	46,482			231		48,470	1.06
Mancozeb			50,875					50,875	1.30
Myclobutanil			2,313		240		21,316	23,869	0.01
Oxycarboxin			231					231	0.09
Prochloraz			44,063	64				44,126	101.47
Propamocarb hydrochloride			35			20		55	0.39
Pyrifenox			46,250				35,040	81,290	0.04
Thiram			2,333				1,864	4,196	0.28
Tolclofos-methyl						1,413		1,413	0.14
Vinclozolin			11,563					11,563	0.58
Zineb			2,313					2,313	0.08
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All fungicides	777	2,895	431,071	64	291	6,652	61,110	502,859	134.16

Table 13 (cont.) Ornamental crops: pesticide-treated area (spm²), quantities used (kg) and reasons for use.

Pesticide type and formulation	General weed control	Liverwort/ moss	Red spider mite	Thrips	Vine weevil	Insect control	Aphids	Total area treated (sp m ²)	Total quantity applied (kg)
Herbicides & desiccants									
Glufosinate-ammonium	252							252	0.01
Glyphosate	252							252	0.03
Isoxaben/trifluralin	91,737	•						91,737	0.02
Oxadiazon	13,908	•						13,908	4.86
Quinoclamine	11,956	87,273						99,228	13.04
All herbicides	118,104	87,273	•		•			205,377	17.96
Insecticides/acaricides									
Abamectin				344		54,344		54,688	0.02
Aldicarb						23		23	0.01
Bifenthrin	•	•	45,277			50,037	7,416	102,730	0.18
Buprofezin		•				•	584	584	< 0.01
Chlorpyrifos					528		67	595	0.03
Clofentezine			23,125					23,125	0.46
Cypermethrin	•					46,024	7,018	53,042	0.24
Deltamethrin	•					23,163	23,794	46,957	0.02
Dichlorvos	•					284		284	0.02
Dicofol/tetradifon						10,406		10,406	0.05
Diflubenzuron	•					18,546		18,546	0.56
Dimethoate							548	548	0.08
Fatty acids							88	88	0.04
Fenbutatin oxide			3,509			12,167		15,676	0.18
Fipronil					1,767			1,767	0.10
Imidacloprid						408	826	1,234	0.17
Malathion				2,504		2,693	231	5,429	0.39
Nicotine				1,119		3,958	20,759	25,836	3.16
Pymetrozine						•	527	527	0.01
Spinosad				44				44	< 0.01
Teflubenzuron						3,381		3,381	0.11
Tetradifon		•			٠	1,760		1,760	0.01
All insecticides/acaricides	•		71,911	4,012	2,295	227,196	61,858	367,271	5.85

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Table 13 (cont.) Ornamental crops: pesticide-treated area (spm²), quantities used (kg) and reasons for use.

Pesticide type and formulation	Slugs	Growth regulation	General weed control	Vine weevil	Blackspot & Aphids	Sterilant	Total area treated (sp m²)	Total quantity applied (kg)
Molluscicides Metaldehyde	2,163						2,163	0.56
All molluscicides	2,163	•	•	•		•	2,163	0.56
Growth regulators Daminozide 4-indol-3-yl-butyric acid Paclobutrazol		289 69 2,810					289 69 2,810	0.10 <0.01 0.09
All growth regulators		3,168					3,168	0.19
Other products & mixed formulations Bupirimate/pirimicarb/triforine Cresylic acid		:	104	392	1,130	759	1,130 1,255	0.04 0.89
All other products & mixed formulations			104	392	1,130	759	2,385	0.93

Table 14 Other crops: pesticide-treated area (spm²), quantities used (kg) and reasons for use.

Pesticide type & formulation	Disease control	Slugs	Sterilant	Total area treated (sp m²)	Total quantity applied (kg)
Fungicides Carbendazim	13			13	< 0.01
All fungicides	13			13	<0.01
Molluscicides		101		404	0.04
Metaldehyde	•	101	•	101	0.01
All molluscicides	•	101	•	101	0.01
Other products Dazomet			622	622	45.27
All other products		•	622	622	45.27

Table 15 Nursery site: pesticide-treated area (spm²), quantities used (kg) and reasons for use.

Pesticide type	We	eeds on site	S	lugs	Whit	eflv	Total quantity applied	Total area treated
and formulation	(kg)	(sp m ²)	(kg)	(sp m ²)	(kg)	(sp m ²)	(kg)	(sp m ²)
Herbicides & desiccants								
Chlorthal-Dimethyl	0.43	4,625					0.43	4,625
Clopyralid/triclopyr	0.17	1,920			•		0.17	1,920
Dichlobenil	12.50	22,383			•		12.50	22,383
Diquat/paraquat	1.90	16,393			•		1.90	16,393
Glufosinate-ammonium	14.61	108,067	•		•		14.61	108,067
Glyphosate	67.41	550,194	•		•		67.41	550,194
Isoxaben	0.50	19,777	•		•		0.50	19,777
Oxadiazon	24.27	125,504					24.27	125,504
Paraquat	11.08	125,649					11.08	125,649
Paraquat/diquat/amitrole/simazine	6.12	15,559					6.12	15,559
Propyzamide	1.51	23,143					1.51	23,143
Quinoclamine	1.59	8,209	•				1.59	8,209
Simazine	7.78	49,886					7.78	49,886
All herbicides	149.85	1,071,310	•			•	149.85	1,071,310
Molluscicides								
Metaldehyde			6.44	124,274			6.44	124,274
All molluscicides	•	•	6.44	124,274	•	•	6.44	124,274
Mixed formulations								
Bupirimate/pirimicarb/triforine	•		·	•	< 0.1	933	<0.1	933
All mixed formulations	•		•	•	<0.1	933	<0.1	933

Table 16 Compost: pesticide-treated area (cubic metres), quantities used (kg) and reasons for use.

Pesticide type	Vin	e weevil	Total quantity applied	Total area treated
& formulation	(kg)	cubic metres	(kg)	cubic metres
Insecticides/acaricides				
Chlorpyrifos	349.52	3744	349.52	3744
Fipronil	1.54	1254	1.54	1254
All insecticides/acaricides	351.06	4997	351.06	4997

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