

FY 2013 Survey Results of Water Pollution by Agricultural Chemicals Used at Golf Courses

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The Ministry of the Environment has collected the results of monitoring surveys of agricultural chemicals in golf course drains, which is conducted by local governments and regional environment offices in FY 2014.

The monitoring surveys were conducted in accordance with the "Tentative Guideline for the Prevention of Water Pollution by Agricultural Chemicals Used in Golf Courses", hereinafter referred to as "the Guideline". 17,328 samples from 511 golf courses were measured in the survey and no sample of the drains exceeded reference values of concentrations set in the Guideline (Table 1 and Table 2).

Table 1 Summary of survey results

Prefectures	Number of golf courses surveyed***	Number of agricultural chemicals surveyed (**and***)	Total number of samples (*; **and***)	The number of samples surveyed from drains	Number of samples exceeding the reference value
Hokkaido	44 (2)	57 (14)	466 (14)	109 (6)	0 (0)
Aomori	1 (1)	4 (4)	4 (4)	0 (0)	0 (0)
Iwate	1 (1)	2 (2)	2 (2)	0 (0)	0 (0)
Miyagi	5 (1)	71 (2)	165 (2)	5 (0)	0 (0)
Akita	2	6	6	0	0
Yamagata	1 (1)	8 (8)	5 (5)	0 (0)	0 (0)
Fukushima	13	43	438	134	0
Ibaraki	6 (1)	20 (5)	31 (5)	18 (0)	0 (0)
Tochigi	58	100	2,101	556	0
Gunma	2 (2)	22 (22)	17 (17)	0 (0)	0 (0)
Saitama	25	60	813	677	0
Chiba	14	74	541	184	0
Tokyo	3 (1)	23 (9)	42 (6)	24 (6)	0 (0)
Kanagawa	13	43	161	131	0
Yamanashi	0	0	0	0	0
Nagano	9	71	314	122	0
Niigata	6	26	145	52	0
Toyama	8	60	433	433	0
Ishikawa	2 (2)	10 (10)	11 (11)	0 (0)	0 (0)
Fukui	5	29	49	6	0
Gifu	5 (2)	26 (22)	37 (22)	0 (0)	0 (0)
Shizuoka	23	63	816	196	0
Aichi	25	79	330	111	0
Mie	3	8	8	0	0
Shiga	3 (1)	27 (9)	37 (8)	12 (8)	0 (0)
Kyoto	12	79	208	157	0
Osaka	25	63	546	113	0
Hyogo	79	99	3,918	442	0
Nara	24	42	840	385	0
Wakayama	3	42	380	0	0
Tottori	1	43	82	0	0
Shimane	5	31	55	0	0
Okayama	15	55	741	0	0
Hiroshima	8	58	432	432	0
Yamaguchi	2 (1)	3 (1)	5 (1)	0 (0)	0 (0)
Tokushima	1 (1)	4 (4)	4 (4)	0 (0)	0 (0)
Kagawa	8	44	320	0	0
Ehime	2 (2)	10 (10)	10 (10)	0 (0)	0 (0)
Kochi	1 (1)	5 (5)	4 (4)	0 (0)	0 (0)
Fukuoka	11	81	981	383	0
Saga	8	46	346	0 (0)	0 (0)
Nagasaki	5	58	540	0	0
Kumamoto	8	33	496	31	0
Oita	2	30	89	0	0
Miyazaki	2 (2)	11 (11)	11 (11)	8 (8)	0 (0)
Kagoshima	10	69	338	41	0
Okinawa	2 (2)	14 (14)	10 (10)	0 (0)	0 (0)
	511 (24)	- -	17,328 (136)	4,762 (28)	0 (0)

Notes: \* The total number of samples includes those collected from drain, pond in golf courses, and water outside of golf courses.

Notes: \*\* The total number of samples includes those surveyed by municipalities and reported to their prefectures.

Notes: \*\*\* Figures in brackets are results measured by regional environment offices.

Table 2 Summary of survey results of each chemical

Agricultural chemicals	Reference value (mg/L)	Concentration range detected * (mg/L)	Number of samples exceeding the reference value	Number of samples *
Asulam	2	N.D.-0.013	0	127
Acetamiprid	1.8	N.D.	0	34
Acephate	0.063	N.D.	0	48
Azoxystrobin	4.7	N.D.-0.05	0	113
Amisulbrom	2	N.D.	0	4
Alachlor	0.2	N.D.	0	11
Ixoathion	0.08	N.D.	0	76
Isoxaben	1.3	N.D.	0	2
Isoprothiolane	2.6	N.D.	0	69
Iprodione	3	N.D.	0	98
Iprobenfos (IBP)	0.93	-	0	0
Imidacloprid	1.5	N.D.	0	46
Iminoctadine tris(Albesilate)	0.06			
Iminoctadine-Triacetate	(as in Iminoctadine)**	N.D.	0	90
Imibenconazole	0.26	N.D.	0	6
Indaziflam	0.5	N.D.	0	3
Indoxacarb	0.13			
IndoxacarbMP	(as in Indoxacarb)**	N.D.	0	1
Ethoxysulfuron	1.4	N.D.-0.005	0	52
Etofenprox	0.82	N.D.	0	38
Etridiazol (Echlomezol)	0.04	N.D.	0	49
Oxadiargyl	0.2	N.D.	0	10
Oxaziclomefone	0.24	N.D.	0	44
Oxine-Copper	0.2	N.D.	0	78
Cafenstrole	0.07	N.D.	0	63
Quinoclamine (ACN)	0.055	N.D.	0	2
Captan	3	N.D.	0	74
Cumyluron	0.2	N.D.	0	7
Glufosinate	0.24			
Glufosinate-P-Sodium	(as in Glufosinate)**	N.D.	0	5
Kresoxim-Methyl	9.5	-.	0	0
Clothianidin	2.5	N.D.-0.003	0	86
Chlorantraniliprole	6.9	N.D.	0	33
Chlorimuron-Ethyl	2	N.D.	0	5
Chlorpyrifos	0.02	N.D.	0	67
Chlorphthalim	0.069	-	0	0

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Chlorothalonil (TPN)	0.4	N.D.	0	94
Chloroneb	0.5	N.D.	0	62
Cyazofamid	4.5	N.D.	0	25
Dicamba (MDBA)				
Dicamba-Potassium (MDBA-Potassium)	9.3 (as in MDBA)	N.D.	0	3
Dicamba-Dimethylammonium (MDBA-Dimethylammonium)				
1,3-dichloropropene (D-D)	0.5	-.	0	0
Cyclosulfamuron	0.8	N.D.-0.003	0	72
Dithiopyr	0.095	N.D.	0	63
Siduron	3	N.D.-0.14	0	74
Difenoconazole	0.25	N.D.	0	73
Cyflumetofen	2.4	N.D.	0	4
Cyproconazole	0.3	N.D.-0.0011	0	59
Simazine (CAT)	0.03	N.D.-0.0056	0	76
Simeconazole	0.22	N.D.	0	42
Silafluofen	2.9	N.D.	0	9
Spinetoram	0.63	N.D.	0	1
Diazinon	0.05	N.D.-0.0002	0	96
Daimuron	7.9	N.D.	0	2
Thiamethoxam	0.47	N.D.	0	52
Thiuram(Thiram)	0.2	N.D.	0	104
Thiodicarb	0.8	N.D.	0	87
Thiophanate-Methyl	3	N.D.-0.03	0	67
Thiobencarb	0.2	N.D.	0	9
Thifluzamide	0.37	N.D.-0.0075	0	77
Tetraconazole	0.1	N.D.	0	65
Tebuconazole	0.77	N.D.	0	76
Tebufenozide	0.42	N.D.	0	43
Triaziflam	0.23	N.D.	0	9
Triclopyr	0.06	N.D.-0.0208	0	84
Trichlorfon (DEP)	0.05	N.D.	0	54
Trinexapac-Ethyl	0.15	N.D.	0	44
Triflumizole	0.39	N.D.	0	52
Trifloxystrobin	1	N.D.	0	11
Tolclofos-Methyl	2	N.D.-0.1	0	107
Napropamide	0.3	N.D.-0.0017	0	67
Validamycin	12	N.D.	0	29
Halosulfuron-Methyl	2.6	N.D.	0	75

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Hydoroxyisoxazol (Hymexazol)	1	N.D.	0	52
Bifenthrin	0.26	-	0	0
Pyraflufen-Ethyl	4.5	N.D.	0	6
Pyributicarb	0.23	N.D.	0	55
Pyribencarb	1.0	N.D.	0	11
Pyroxasulfone	0.5	-	0	0
Fenitrothion (MEP)	0.03	N.D.-0.0003	0	91
Ferimzone	0.5	N.D.	0	12
Butamifos	0.2	N.D.	0	56
Flazasulfuron	0.3	N.D.	0	69
Furametpyr	0.1	-	0	0
Fluxapyroxad	0.55	-	0	0
Fludioxonil	8.7	N.D.	0	17
Flucetosulfuron	1	N.D.	0	4
Flutolanil	2.3	N.D.	0	74
Flubendiamide	0.45	N.D.	0	22
Flupoxam	0.21	N.D.	0	10
Flurprimidol	0.39	N.D.	0	1
Prodiamine	1.7	N.D.	0	27
Propamocarb Hydrochloride	7.7	N.D.	0	15
Propiconazole	0.5	N.D.	0	104
Propyzamide	0.5	N.D.-0.003	0	99
Benomyl	0.2	N.D.	0	39
Permethrin	1	N.D.	0	53
Pencycuron	1.4	N.D.-0.004	0	93
Bensultap	0.9	N.D.	0	33
Penthiopyrad	2	N.D.	0	17
Pendimethalin	3.1	N.D.	0	73
Penflufen	0.53	N.D.	0	1
Benfluralin (Bethrodine)	0.1	N.D.	0	70
Benfuresate	0.69	-.	0	0
Boscalid	1.1	N.D.	0	62
Phosethyl	23	N.D.	0	51
Foramsulfuron	13	N.D.	0	15
Polycarbamate	0.3	N.D.	0	29
Myclobutanil	0.63	N.D.	0	9
Milbemectin	0.7	-.	0	0
Mecoprop-Potassium	0.47			
Mecoprop-Dimethylammonium	(as in	N.D.-0.014	0	57
Mecoprop-P-Isopropylammonium	Mecoprop)**			

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Mecoprop-P-Potassium				
Mesotrione	0.07	N.D.	0	0
Metamifop	0.11	N.D.	0	8
Metalaxy	0.58			
Metalaxy-M	(as in Metalaxy)**	N.D.	0	81
Methoxyfenozide	2.6	N.D.	0	7
Metconazole	1	N.D.	0	23
Metolachlor	2.5			
S-Metolachlor	(as in Metolachlor)**	N.D.	0	1
Mepronil	1	N.D.-0.0007	0	68
EPN	0.037	N.D.	0	3
MCPA-Isopropyl	0.051			
MCPA-Sodium	(as in MCPA)**	N.D.	0	36
Total		-	0	4,762

Notes: \* The number includes those data collected at drain outlets of golf courses.

Notes:\*\* For the sake of evaluation against the reference value, agricultural chemicals were measured in terms of the chemical shown in the column of “reference value”.