

Vulnerability of Polish agriculture to meteorological drought

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Global Water Partnership Project

"Drought Risk Management in Central and Eastern Europe"



Agricultural drought risk

- (1) drought hazard H
- (2) *exposure* E

 $R = H \cdot E \cdot V$

(3) vulnerability to drought V





The aim of the study:

to determine the effect of meteorological drought on crop yield reduction in different agro-climatic regions of Poland

(1) **H:** a climatic factor (hazard factor) defined as meteorological drought and quantified by the standardized precipitation index *SPI*

(2) **V:** a vulnerability factor defined as potential crop yield reduction due to meteorological drought



A linear crop-water production function is used to predict the reduction in crop yield *YR*

$$YR = \left(1 - \frac{Y_{re}}{Y_p}\right) = k_Y \left(1 - \frac{ET}{ET_p}\right) = k_Y CDI$$

(Doorenbos, Kassam 1979)

$$CDI = \left(1 - \frac{ET}{ET_p}\right)$$

CDI - Crop Drought Index (an agricultural drought index)



$CDI = a + b \cdot SPI$

40 meteorological stations in Poland

meteorological data from 1970-2004

Bąk (2006), Łabędzki i Bąk (2006), Łabędzki i in. (2008)



Prediction of reduction in crop yield was calculated for the values of *SPI*:

 $-1.0 \ge SPI > -1.5$ moderate meteorological drought $-1.5 \ge SPI > -2.0$ severe meteorological drought $SPI \le -2.0$ extreme meteorological drought



- field crops
 - late potato, sugar beet, winter wheat, winter rape, maize
 - two mineral soils (light and heavy soil):

TASW=120 mm and *TASW*=200 mm (0-100 cm)

- permanent grasslands (meadows)
 - two mineral-organic soils:

TASW=50 mm and *TASW*=80 mm (0-30 cm)



8 regions on the basis of diversity of agro-climatic conditions















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Zespół realizacyjny

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Meteorological drought in August 2015

Potential yield reduction on meadows on light soils – the state at the end of August 2015









"The Agency for Restructuring and Modernisation of Agriculture received 166,500 applications from farmers who apply for aid for losses caused by drought in 2015 in the amount of 649.4 million zł"

(according to Polish Ministry of Agriculture and Rural Development)



Thank you for your attention

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