

A **pesticide** is a chemical substance used in agriculture to kill or limit organisms which are considered 'pests' because they might endanger agricultural [crop output](#) ; pesticides can be subdivided into:

- **fungicides** (against fungi);
- **herbicides** (against plants considered to be 'weeds');
- **insecticides** (against insects).

Further information

- [Regulation \(EC\) No 1185/2009](#) concerning statistics on pesticides

Related concepts

- [Crop output](#)
- [Fertiliser](#)
- [Organic farming](#)

Statistical data

- [Agri-environmental indicator - consumption of pesticides](#)