

# AGRI-UKRAINE

## AGRICULTURE RESILIENCE INITIATIVE - UKRAINE

*Helping Ukraine Feed the World*

### PARTNERS



The United States, through the U.S. Agency for International Development (USAID), established the **Agriculture Resilience Initiative - Ukraine (AGRI-Ukraine)** to increase Ukrainian agriculture exports. The initiative supports Ukraine's embattled agriculture sector, the bedrock of Ukraine's economy, while simultaneously alleviating the global food security crisis exacerbated by Russia's war on Ukraine. Developed in partnership with Ukraine's Ministry of Agrarian Policy and Food, AGRI-Ukraine targets immediate and strategic longer-term agricultural export challenges, while also fostering the recovery of Ukraine's wider agricultural sector. **USAID has invested over \$350 million in AGRI-Ukraine and leveraged more than \$250 million from the private sector and fellow donors, and has set a total AGRI-Ukraine investment target of \$850 million.**

### KEY RESULTS

- Provided fertilizers to over **14,000 farmers – approximately 32 percent of registered farmers**—thus catalyzing the **production of over 2 MMT of crops** during the 2023/2024 season.
- Provided **1.9 MMT of grain storage** that served over **1,300 farmers** and saved over **\$300 million worth of grain**.
- Facilitated loans and grants for over **2,000 agricultural producers**, totaling over **\$85 million**, equivalent to 7% of credit value disbursed through the GOU's 5-7-9 loan program in 2023.
- Procured over **\$13.8 million in export-facilitating equipment and supplies** for public- and private-sector partners exporting grain via the Danube ports.
- Helped establish all **32 of Ukraine's water user organizations**, which cultivate about **34% of Ukraine's irrigated land**.

### LINES OF EFFORT

Purchase and delivery of **critical inputs** for farmers who have limited supplies or limited mobility

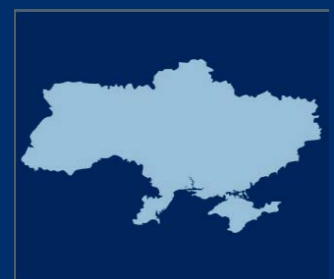
Improve and increase **export logistics and infrastructure**

Increase farmers' **access to financing** to enable full crop harvest

Deliver **drying, storage, and processing support** for Micro, Small, and Medium Enterprises in the agriculture sector

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## PARTNERSHIPS

As of January 2024, USAID has **leveraged more than \$250 million in private sector and donor investments** to maximize the impact of AGRI-Ukraine.

**Bayer** initially committed \$35 million to increase seed production and donated seeds for 25,000+ households and farmers. Bayer's investment includes boosting the capacity of their seed dryer, providing additional field equipment, and adding supplemental storage facilities. By increasing the plant's capacity, Bayer will also create new employment opportunities in the region, in addition to covering the corn seed demand in Ukraine and beyond. In January 2023, **Bayer also announced a donation of high-quality vegetable seeds** to Ukrainian farmers to help address the crisis created by Putin's full-scale invasion against Ukraine, and in April, added \$25 million to their plant investment, bringing their total investment to \$64 million.

**Grain Alliance, Kernel, and Nibulon** have increased their investments by more than \$36 million to expand three grain corridor routes. With an \$8 million co-investment from USAID, these combined efforts are projected to increase Ukraine's grain shipping capacity by more than 3.3 million tons annually, bolstering Ukraine's economy at a critical time, reducing dependency on the Black Sea, and bringing much-needed grain to the global market.

**Corteva Agriscience** also joined AGRI-Ukraine in June 2023, to increase farmers' access to the latest crop protection technologies, agronomic support, and financing tools.

In April 2023, **The World Bank** began allocating \$132 million to increase access to financing for Ukraine's farmers. This funding is aligned with AGRI-Ukraine, with a particular focus on expanding access to finance, improve access to finance through the credit program "5-7-9" and partial credit guarantees for small farms, supporting the diversification, and enhancing the efficiency of water use to enable Ukrainian farmers to produce even during periods of drought.

Between September and November 2023, AGRI-Ukraine delivered 12,000 tons of nitrogen, phosphorus, and potassium (NPK) fertilizer, procured with \$7 million of USG funds and \$5 million contributed by the **Republic of Korea**, to Ukrainian farmers in order to meet their urgent needs for fertilizer in light of economic challenges that hindered their access to it. In the span of 41 working days, AGRI-Ukraine successfully provided one ton of NPK fertilizer to 12,000 farmers in 23 oblasts. Additionally, over 7,000 farmers received 14,000 tons of fertilizer by January 2024.

In December 2023, USAID announced \$39 million worth of co-investments with **12 Ukrainian private sector companies** to increase the country's long-term grain storage capacity. Through AGRI-Ukraine, USAID is co-investing \$8 million that will leverage an additional \$31 million from the 12 agribusinesses to strengthen the storage capacity of over 900 small- and medium-sized farmers. The co-investments will expand 12 grain elevators at critical locations throughout Ukraine that will enable storage of almost one million tons annually.

For the latest updates on AGRI-Ukraine, visit our webpage at <https://www.usaid.gov/ukraine/agriculture-resilience-initiative-agri-ukraine>.