

Over 99% of farmers follow EPA pesticide rules, so why is the public scared of chemicals?

[In September] the Federal Food and Drug Administration (FDA) released its 2017 pesticide residue sampling data results. FDA concluded: “The latest set of results demonstrate once again that the majority of the foods we test are well below the federal limits set by the Environmental Protection Agency.”

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Government sampling data shows an over 99% compliance rate among farmers with the laws and regulations required for pesticide applications on organic and conventional fruit and vegetable crops. This led the United States Department of Agriculture to state that: “The U.S. food supply is among the safest in the world.”

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However, studies show a growing barrier to [produce] consumption is fear-based messaging [from anti-pesticide activists] which inaccurately calls into question the safety of the more affordable and accessible fruits and veggies.

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