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River basins of Ukraine

The SWAT model setup:

- 874 000 km²
- 3 787 Subbasins
- 10 732 HRUs
- landwater.uhmi.org.ua



Annual water runoff

SWAT simulation · 1991-2020



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Calibration results

- 52 discharge gauges
- 61 snow cover sites
- Calibration 2000-2019, Validation 1980-1999
- Daily for free-flow rivers
- Yearly for man-regulated rivers
- Web interface: landwater.uhmi.org.ua



Calibration results

Three largest rivers

 Main cause of error – precipitation inputs from ERA5-Land



Climate projections

Euro-CORDEX project:

- 6 models with SWAT parameters
- 0.11° resolution
- 1971-2100



Air temperature change in 2021-2050

Baseline: 1991-2020 · River basins of Ukraine · RCP4.5

+1 °C

Precipitation change in 2021-2050

Baseline: 1991-2020 · River basins of Ukraine · RCP4.5 · Median and Q25-Q75



Precipitation will slightly increase

Water yield change in 2021-2050

Baseline: 1991-2020 · River basins of Ukraine · RCP4.5 · Median and Q25-Q75



Water runoff will slightly increase

Groundwater flow change in 2021-2050

Baseline: 1991-2020 · River basins of Ukraine · RCP4.5 · Median and Q25-Q75



Groundwater contributes more into runoff increase

Surface flow change in 2021-2050

Baseline: 1991-2020 · River basins of Ukraine · RCP4.5 · Median and Q25-Q75



Surface flow tends to increase, though changes are uncertain for some river basins

Soil water change in 2021-2050

Baseline: 1991-2020 · River basins of Ukraine · RCP4.5 · Median and Q25-Q75



Soil water has no change annually

Baseline: 1991-2020 · River basins of Ukraine · RCP4.5 · Median and Q25-Q75 40 30 20 % 10 Change, -10-20 -30 Upper Dnipro Tisa and Prut Middle Dnipro Lower Dnipro Rivers of the Rivers of the Rivers of Sea of Azov Black Sea the Crimea All Pripyat Desna Vistula Dniester Southern Don Bug North West Center East & South 35 % Precipitation change, 14

Precipitation change in February 2021-2050

Baseline: 1991-2

Precipitation will mostly increase in winter

Precipitation change in July 2021-2050

Baseline: 1991-2020 · River basins of Ukraine · RCP4.5 · Median and Q25-Q75



Precipitation in summer will decrease in the Central, East, and South of Ukraine



Water yield change in January 2021-2050

Baseline: 1991-2020 · River basins of Ukraine · RCP4.5 · Median and Q25-Q75

Water yield will mostly increase in winter

Water yield in July 2021-2050

Baseline: 1991-2020 · River basins of Ukraine · RCP4.5 · Median and Q25-Q75



Water yield will slightly increase in summer in the North and Central of Ukraine



Soil water change in January 2021-2050

Soil water tends to increase in winter



Soil water change in June 2021-2050

Soil water tends to decrease during vegetation period

Conclusions

Future: 2021-2050 · Baseline: 1991-2020 · River basins of Ukraine · RCP4.5

Slightly more water in rivers but less in soils

Thank you for your attention! Additional slides





AREAkm2	Flow_volume_km3
Basin_and_Dnipro_subs _EN	
Danube	13.6
Desna	13.6
Dniester	12.4
Don	8.3
Lower Dnipro	5.8
Middle Dnipro	12.3
Pripyat	17.9
Rivers of the Black Sea	1.0
Rivers of the Crimea	0.7
Rivers of the Sea of Azov	1.8
Southern Bug	5.4
Tisa and Prut	13.0
Upper Dnipro	19.8
Vistula	1.8