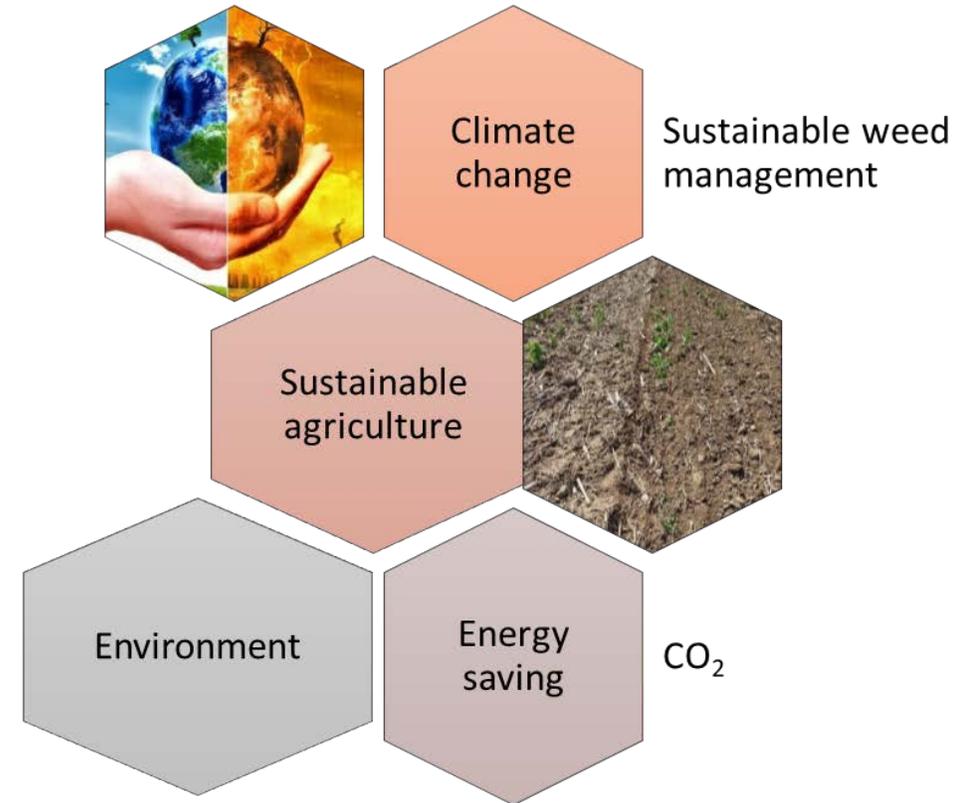




# Weed occurrence in soybean under different conservation tillage and liming

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# Introduction





# Materials and Methods

- The aim of the research **was to determine the influence of tillage and limig on weed status in soybean fields**
- **Čačinci, Croatia** (17°86'36" E, 45°61'32"N, 111 m a. s. l.)
- **2022**
- **split plot design with three replications**
- **Weed sampling occurred during critical weed period in soybean crops (V3) and at maturity stage (R7)**
- pH (KCl) = 4,09, pH (H<sub>2</sub>O) = 5,65
- **Herbicide application - Uniform for all treatments**
  - Pre-em: 960 g l<sup>-1</sup> S-Metolachlor (1.2 l ha<sup>-1</sup>), Metribuzin 70 % (0.6 kg ha<sup>-1</sup>)
  - Post-em: 22.4 g l<sup>-1</sup> Imazamoks, 480 g l<sup>-1</sup> Bentazon (1 l ha<sup>-1</sup>)

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## Main treatment

- **conventional tillage** (ST - plowing up to 30 cm depth)
- **deep conservation tillage** (CTD - loosening up to 30 cm depth) with 30% minimum crop residue coverage
- **shallow conservation tillage** (CTS - loosening up to 10 cm depth) with 50% minimum crop residue coverage

## Sub-treatment

- Liming material (CaO) was manually applied in recommended amounts (1046 kg/ha)

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**weed coverage** - visual assessment using a square of 0.25 m<sup>2</sup> at four randomly selected places on each experimental plot

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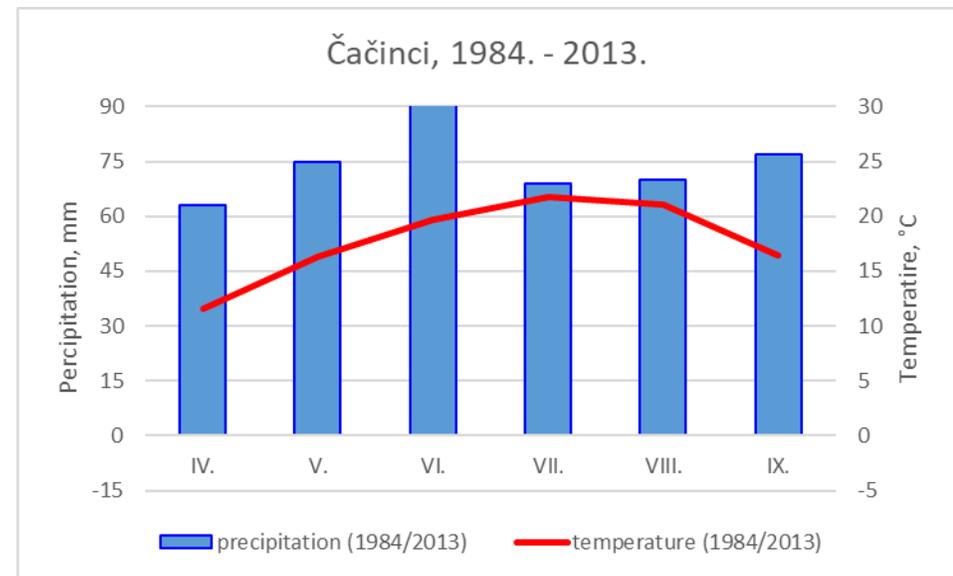
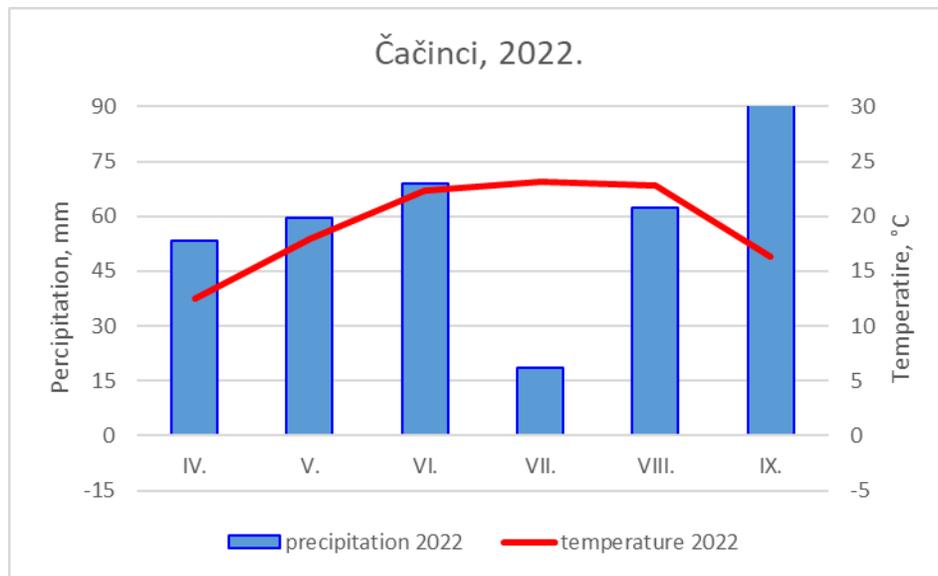
**the number and above-ground biomass of weeds species** - counting individual **weed species** using a square of 0.25 m<sup>2</sup> in four replicates per experimental plot

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**weeds from each square** - cut at ground level, counted, dried at 60°C for 48 h and weighed

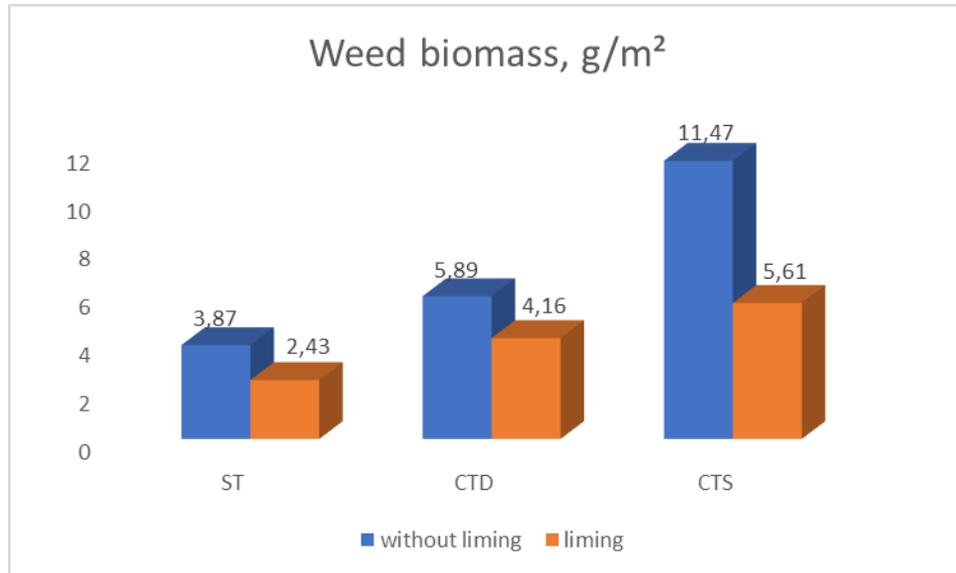


# Weather conditions, Čačinci 2022

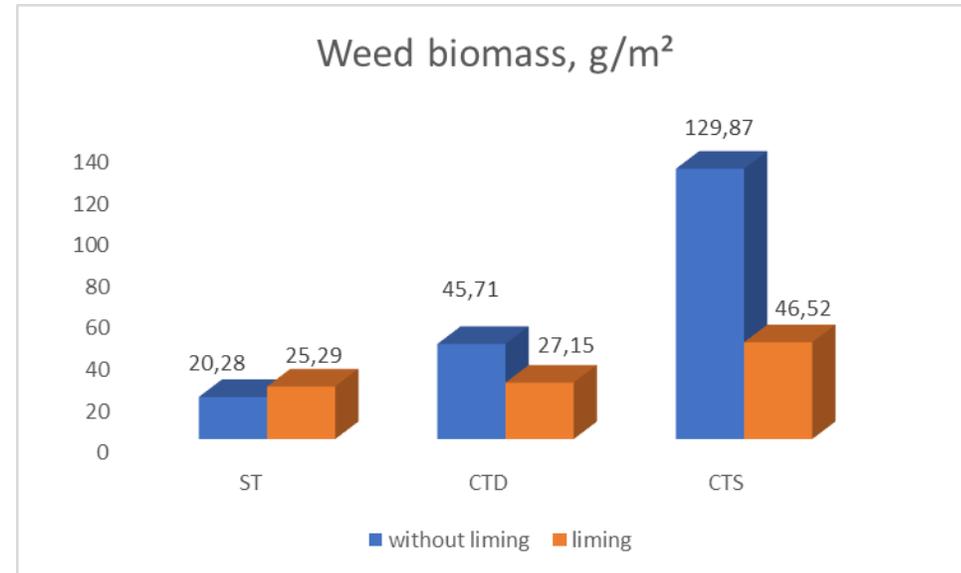


# Weed biomass

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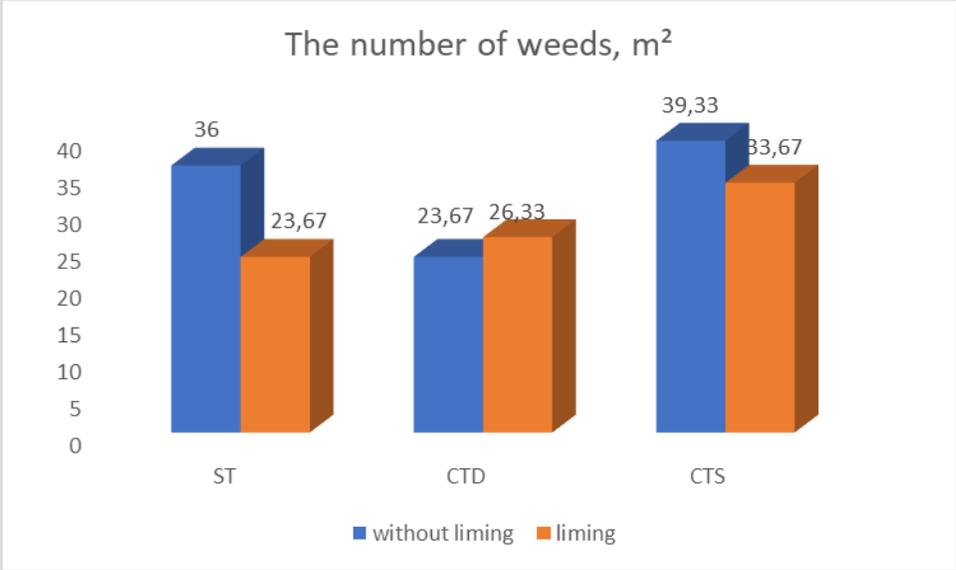


R7 stage

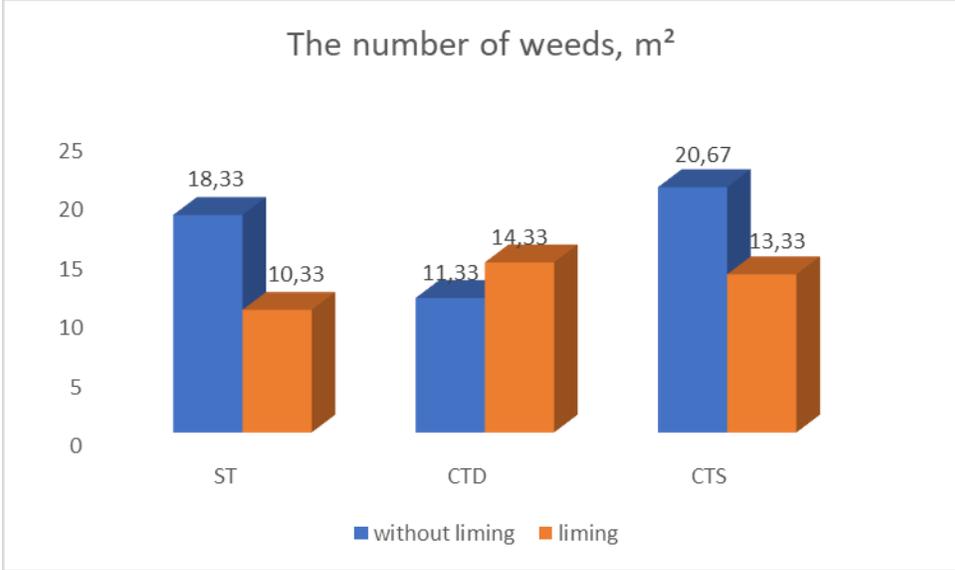


# The number of weeds

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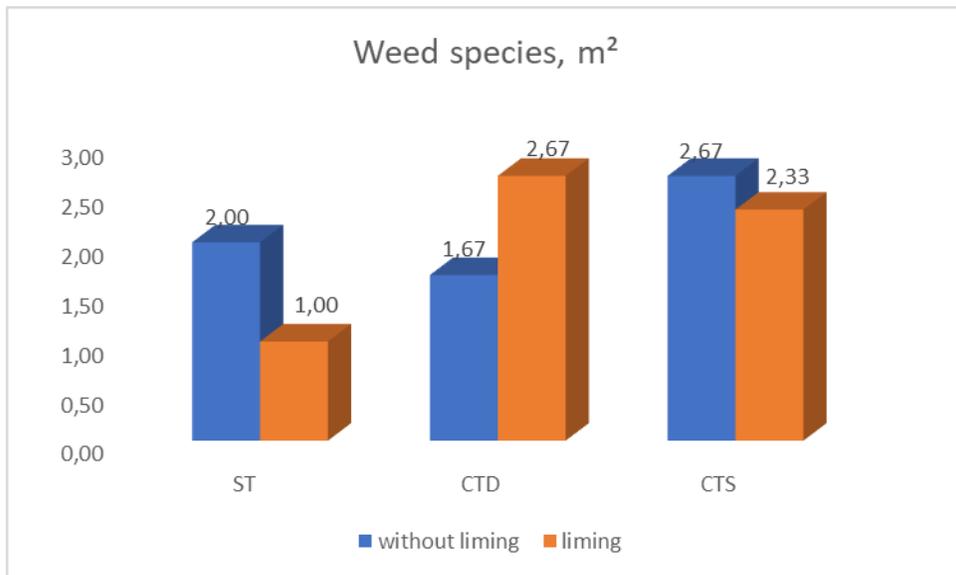


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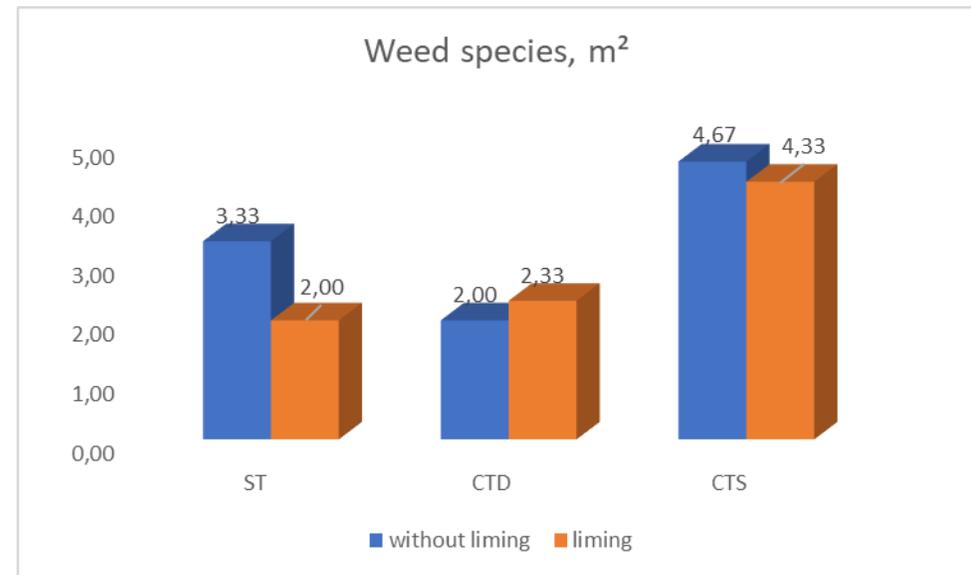


# Weed species

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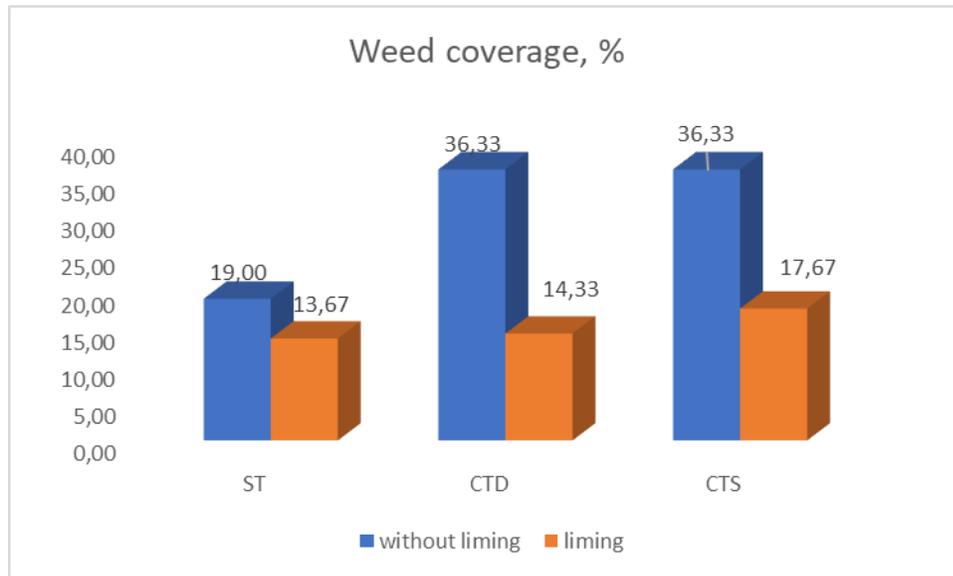


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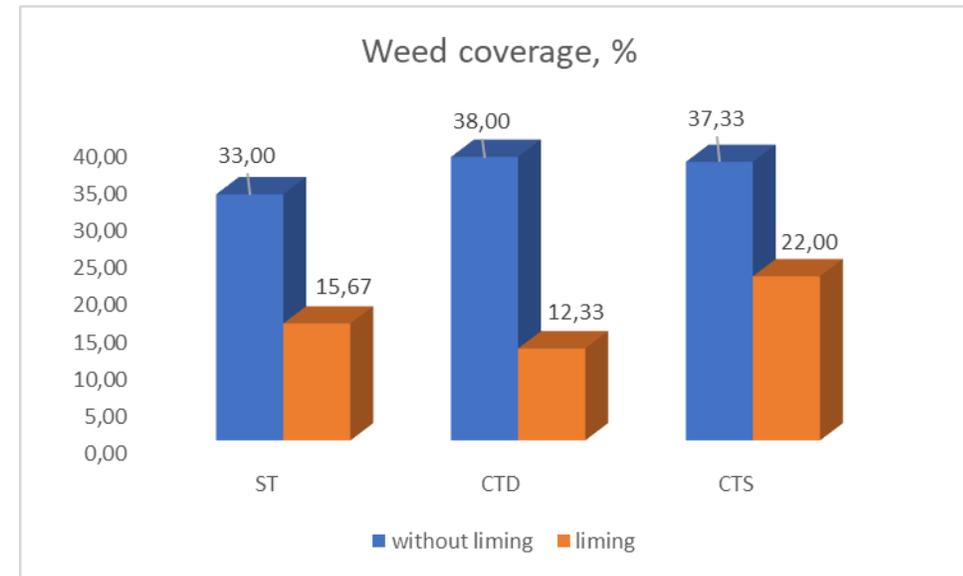


# Weed coverage

V3 stage



R7 stage



# Conclusions

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On average, weed parameters were higher at non-limed treatments compared to limed.

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Liming significantly decreased weed biomass and weed density on CTS in R7 growth stage. An average decreasing in weed coverage was present in all limed tillage treatments compared to non-limed.

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On average, CTS with no liming led to increased weed infestation in soybean crops.



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