

# Towards a nature-friendly agriculture

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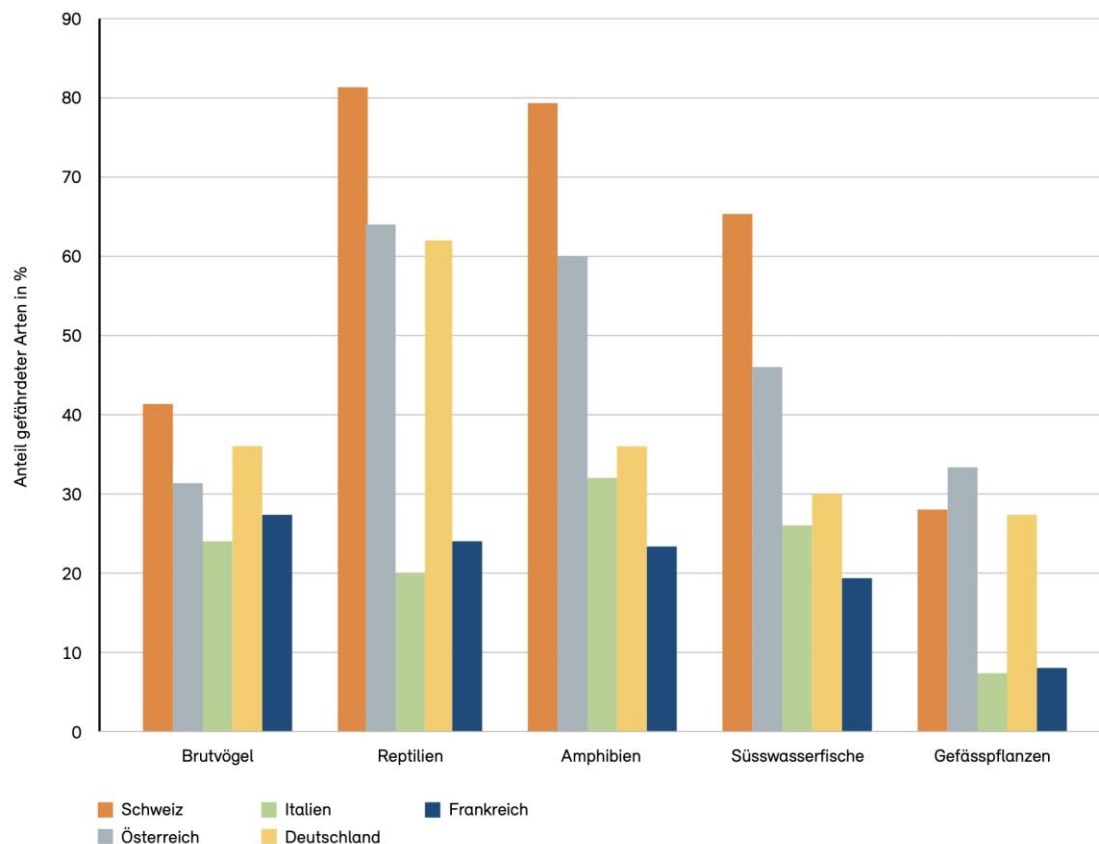


# «Heidi» - a fairy tale about Swiss nature & agriculture



# Europe's laggard - the uncomfortable reality

Abb. 41: Anteil gefährdeter Arten in der Schweiz und in angrenzenden Ländern



Quelle: BAFU und Rote Listen der angrenzenden Länder

- Red Lists are among the longest of all OECD countries
- One third of species endangered
- Half of the natural habitats endangered
- None of 13 environmental targets in the agricultural sector achieved



# Why the decline in biodiversity is alarming for agriculture - ecosystem services





# What nature needs from agriculture in CH


Biodiversity-friendly management  
across the entire agricultural area

Careful handling of soil and water

BFF: Biodiversity promotion areas of  
the required quantity, quality and  
location

Capacity-building of farmers in  
biodiversity and ecosystem services  
through training and advice



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# Concluding remarks



- Switzerland has excellent prerequisites for a nature-friendly agriculture – but uses them insufficiently
- Working together towards a sustainable food system in Switzerland
- Becoming a role model in reality - not just in fairy tales



# Thank you for your attention

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