

## 2025 Potato Tuber Moth

Potatoes NZ is working to help support growers in their management of Potato Tuber Moth (PTM). As part of this, we have a monitoring system using pheromone traps to catch PTM within potato crops. These results are multiple paddocks, averaged for the given area (Pukekohe, Pukekawa, Tuakau, etc.). Please use this information in combination with in-field crop scouting to help make decisions around crop management.

The overall PTM pressure across the region has increased sharply with **45 moth per day** (24 last week). See the table below for details. As crops mature and soils crack the risk of PTM accessing tubers increases. Ensure you are monitoring soil conditions and utilize practices such as irrigation to keep mounds sealed.

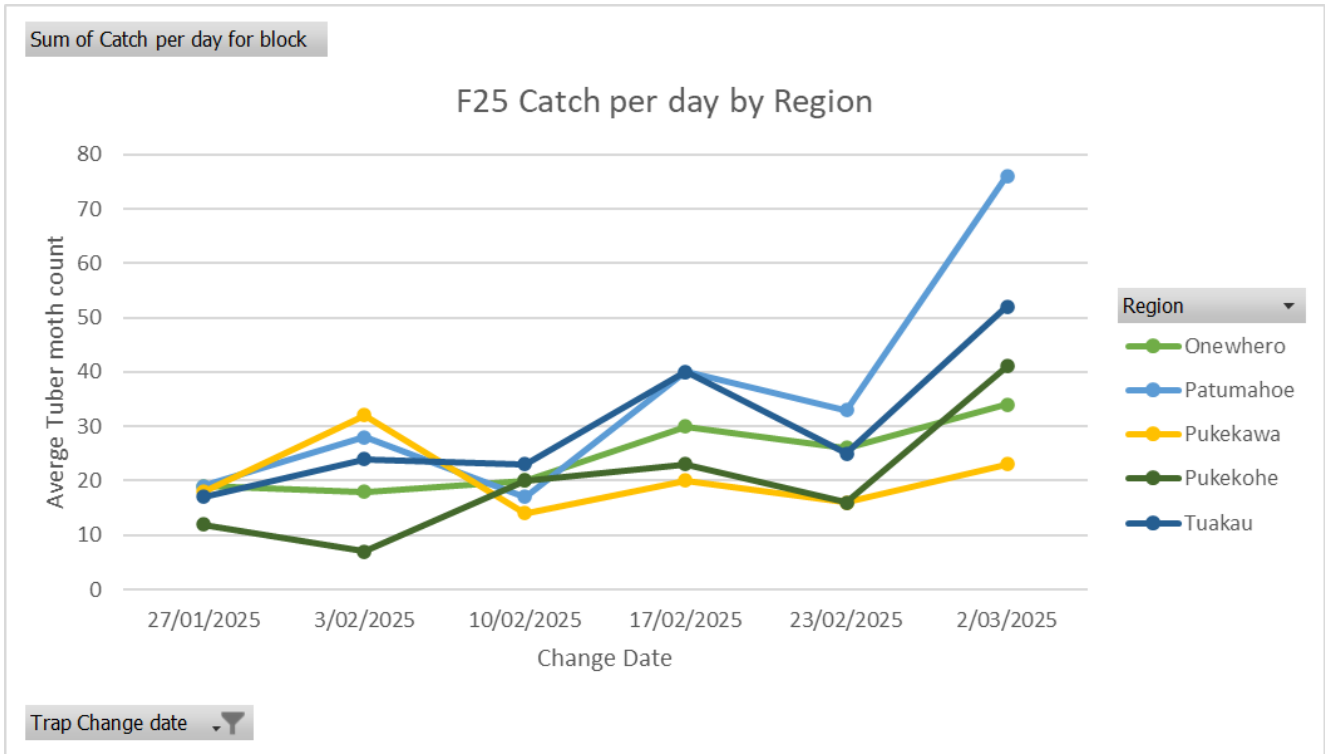
Region	Count	Count last week
Onewhero	34	18
Patumahoe	76	38
Pukekawa	23	16
Pukekohe	41	17
Tuakau	52	33

### Moth Catch Risk Range:

0-4 lower risk

5-9 moderate risk

10+ higher risk



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