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Marine Debris Monitoring - Ukraine Snapshot of January survey

Period: April 2025

Beaches: two Odessa city beaches

The second marine debris survey monitoring was conducted in April 2025 at the same locations of two city beaches that were previously selected for this project. The April beach litter survey revealed significant pollution levels that were slightly higher compared to survey in January (Fig. 1). Plastics and paper were again the dominant litter types, accounting for 56% and 36% respectively (Fig. 2). Prodmash showed the highest accumulation of (234 ± 29.7) SD items, where SD is the standard deviation) compared to Otrada (199.5 ± 12.0) items).

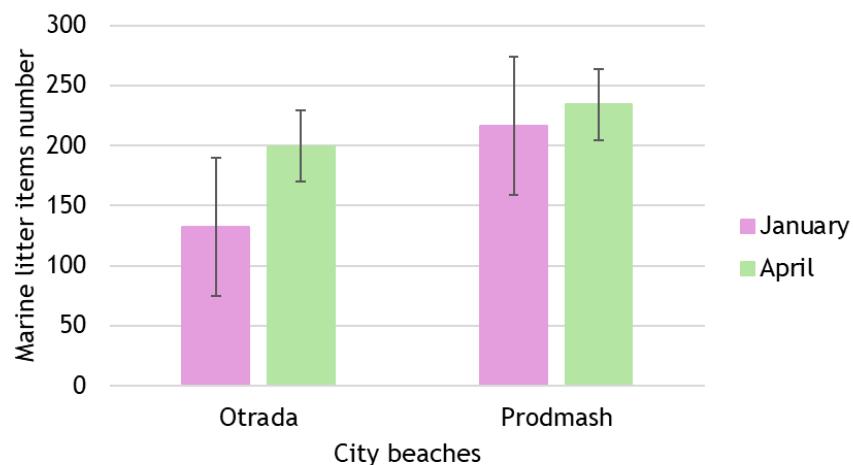


Fig. 1. Marine beach litter number on two Odessa city beaches (Otrada and Prodmash) in January and April 2025.

Common items found on both beaches included crisp/sweet packets, wet wipes, and cigarette butts. The following waste categories were also recorded, though in smaller quantities: rubber, cloth, metal, glass, pottery and medical waste.

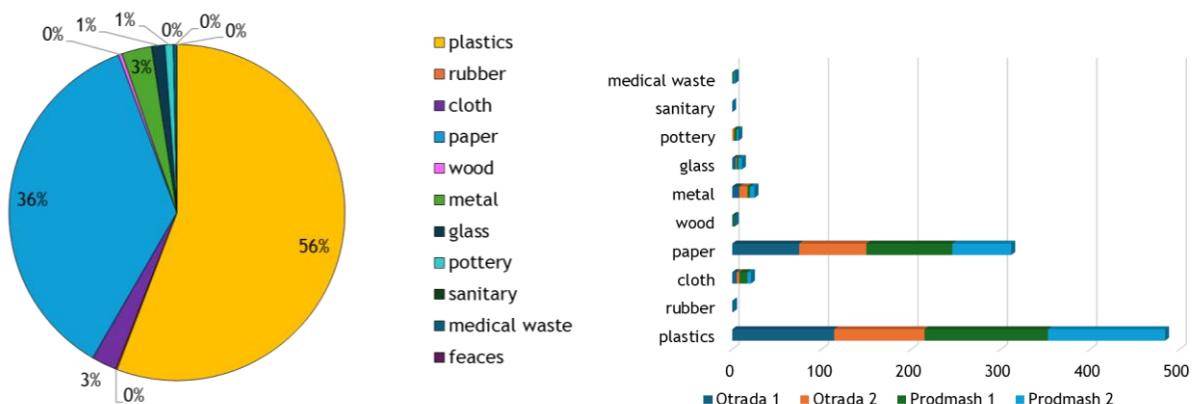


Fig. 2. Marine litter items on beaches of the Odessa City from the April 2025 survey.

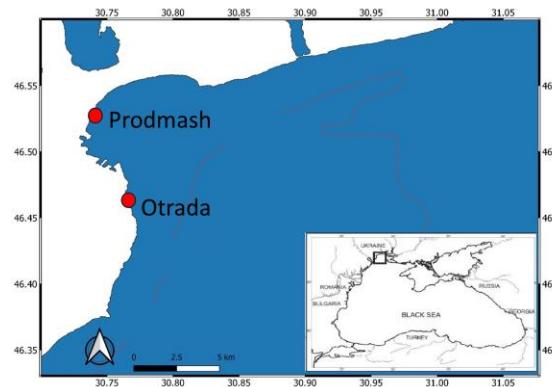


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Otrada survey



Prodmash survey



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