

Near-record water levels on the Danube

A fifth of the territory of Hungary and a third of its settlements at risk of flooding

Facts about the Danube

Total length of the Danube

2860 km

Of which: Hungarian section

14.6%

417 km

Total catchment area

817 000 km²

Of which: Hungarian part

4.7%

38 915 km²

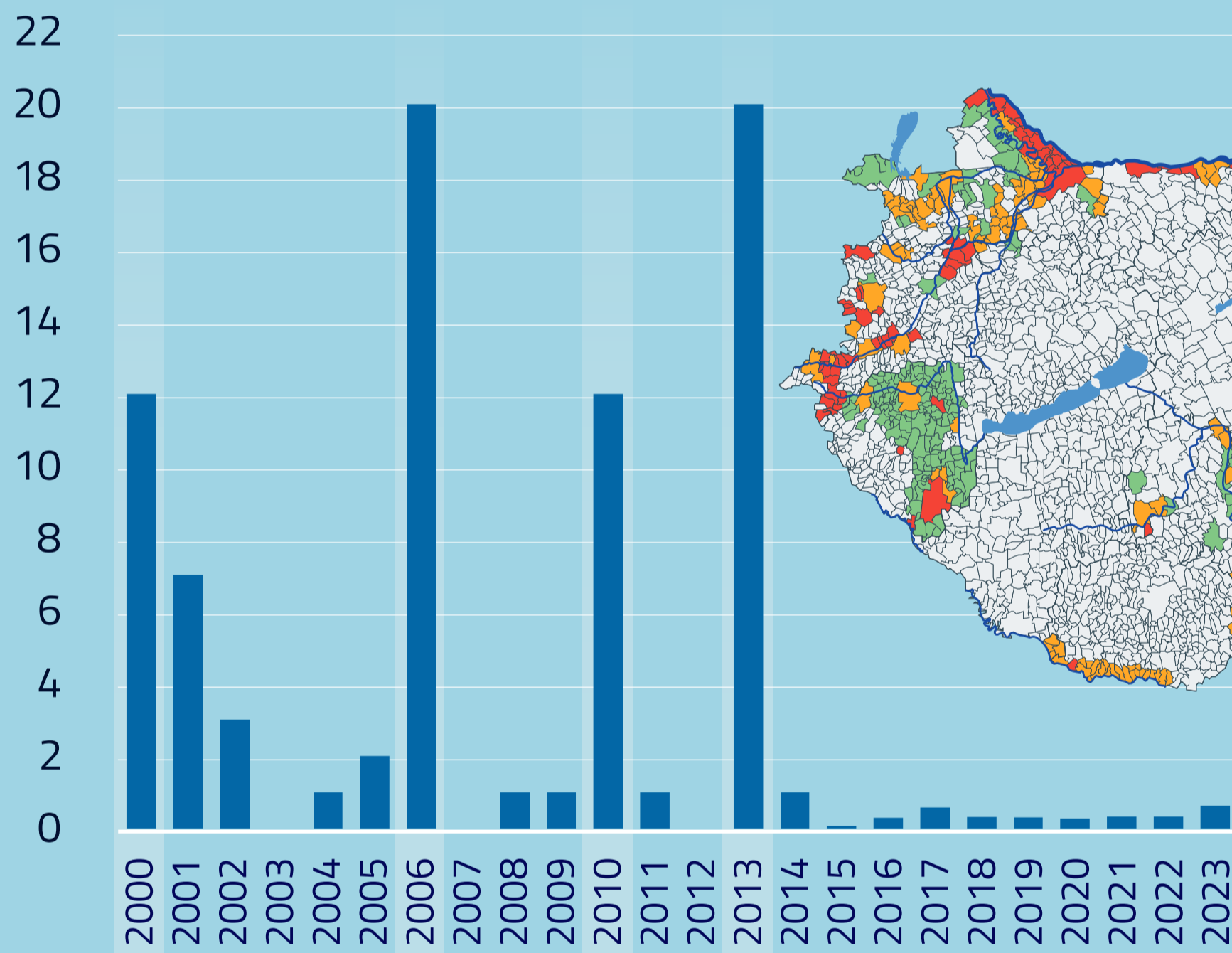
In Hungary, more than **20 thousand km²** are at risk of flooding, including **5610 km²** in the Danube river basin.

Source: HCSO Statat

Flood protection

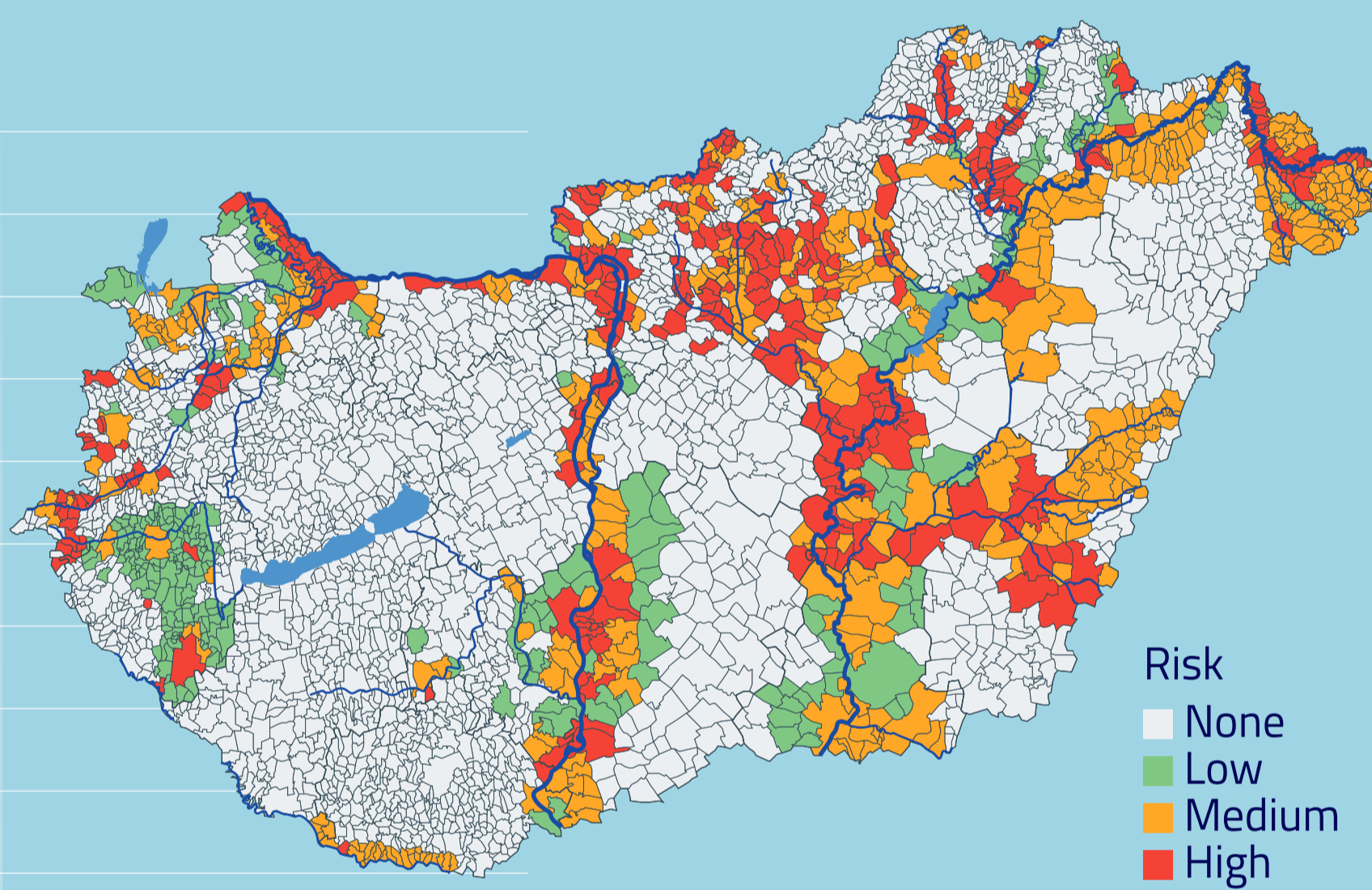
Gross flood protection costs, current prices*

Billion HUF



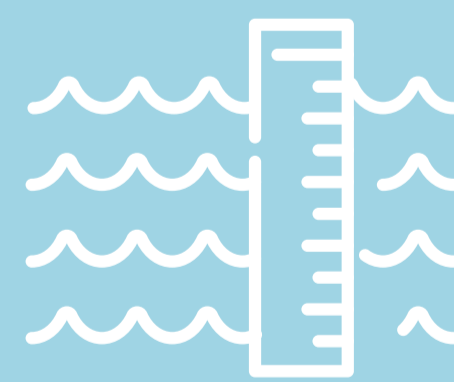
* Including protection against icy flooding.

Flood risk classification of settlements in Hungary



Source: General Directorate of Water Management, National Disaster Risk Assessment, Ministry of Interior - National Directorate General for Disaster Management.

Flood records



	MWL (maximum water level)*		Peak in 2024		Shortfall from the record
	Date	Water level	Date	Water level	
1 Nagybjacs	07/06/2013	908 cm	19/09/2024	858 cm	-50 cm
2 Komárom	08/06/2013	845 cm	20/09/2024	790 cm	-55 cm
3 Esztergom	09/06/2013	813 cm	20/09/2024	752 cm	-61 cm
4 Nagymaros	09/06/2013	751 cm	20/09/2024	684 cm	-67 cm
5 Budapest	09/06/2013	891 cm	21/09/2024	830 cm	-61 cm
6 Dunaújváros	11/06/2013	755 cm	21/09/2024	677 cm	-78 cm
7 Dunaföldvár	11/06/2013	721 cm	22/09/2024	638 cm	-83 cm
8 Paks	11/06/2013	891 cm	22/09/2024	806 cm	-85 cm
9 Dombori	11/06/2013	916 cm	23/09/2024	860 cm	-56 cm
10 Baja	12/06/2013	989 cm	23/09/2024	925 cm	-64 cm
11 Mohács	19/06/1965	984 cm	24/09/2024	890 cm	-94 cm

* The highest water level on the water scale up to the year under study.

Source: Ministry of Energy - General Directorate of Water Management