

Starmer: putting himself in the history books at cost t...

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As the [Guardian has noted](#):

UK fruit and vegetable production has plummeted as farms have been hit by extreme weather.

They have added:

The country suffered the wettest 18 months [since records began](#) across the 2023-24 growing year, leaving soil waterlogged and some farms totally underwater.

The impact on harvests has been disastrous. Data from the Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs shows that year-on-year vegetable yields decreased by 4.9% to 2.2m tonnes in 2023, and the production volumes of fruit decreased by 12% to 585,000 tonnes.

Not as an afterthought, they note:

Scientists say that climate breakdown caused by the burning of fossil fuels is likely to bring more [extreme weather](#) to the UK, including more frequent [floods and droughts](#).

And what are the goals of Keir Starmer and Rachel Reeves? [They are growth and wealth creation](#). Given that the latter is measured financially, these are the antithesis of the policies required for a sustainable Britain.

But what does he care? He'll be in the history books. The rest of us can suffer the consequences of the folly he's pursuing to put himself there as far as he's concerned. That is the one thing I am sure about, having watched his campaign.

And yes, I am angry.