

THE EU ORGANIC FARMING EVOLUTION

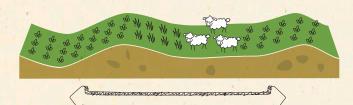


The EU organic logo. Look out for it!

ORGANIC PRODUCTION IS ON THE INCREASE

Total area cultivated as organic





2011 9.6 MILLION HECTARES

+ 500 000 hectares/year

Expansion of the organic area every year over the last decade

5.4%

Area of organic farmland as a percentage of utilised agricultural area in Europe

TOP 5 COUNTRIES FOR ORGANIC FARMING

EU countries with the highest proportions of organically farmed land:





19%

SWEDEN

ESTONIA 14% 15.7%



CZECH REPUBLIC 13%



There were 2.6 million heads of certified organic cattle in the EU **LATVIA** in 2011 10%

TOP 5 COUNTRIES WITH THE LARGEST AREA FOR ORGANIC FARMING

In absolute terms, in 2011 the largest areas of organic farming land were in:

TOGETHER these countries account for 57 % of the total organic area of the European Union. -



SPAIN 1.8 MILLION **HECTARES**



1.1 MILLION

HECTARES



GERMANY 1 MILLION



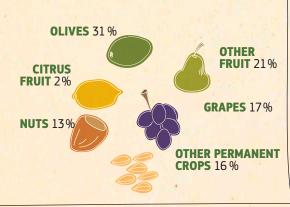
FRANCE 0.97 MILLION HECTARES



UNITED KINGDOM 0.63 MILLION HECTARES

TOP ORGANIC CROPS

Which permanent crops are organic farmers growing? % of EU total area:



THE SOCIO-ECONOMICS OF ORGANIC FARMING

More than **225 000** organic producers were registered in the European Union in 2011.

CONSUMER VALUE of EU market for organic food products 19.7 billion

euro in 2011

GROWTH RATE 9% from 2010 to 2011



GENDER WOMEN MAKE UP 24% OF ORGANIC FARM MANAGERS. In some countries this is higher:

Latvia 41% Croatia 32% Italy 30%

AGE FARMERS UNDER 55

