

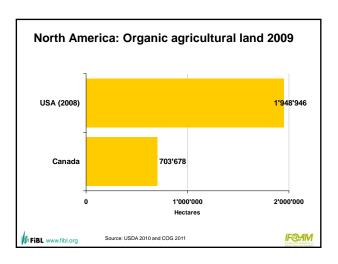


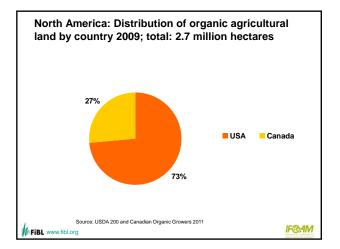


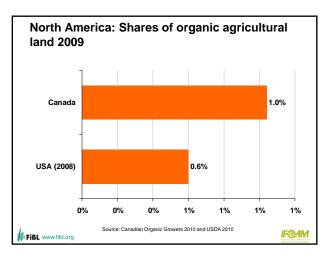
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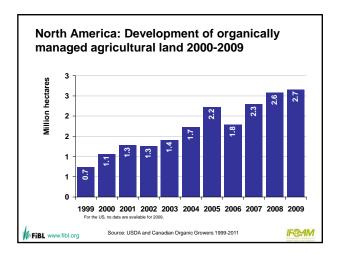
- In Canada, Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada in 2010 released a new report on the Canadian organic sector's trade data and retail sales. Analyzing the 2008 sales of organic foods, the report concludes that the total Canadian organic market is worth 2 billion Canadian dollars annually.
- Regarding legislation, representatives from the Canada Organic Office and the US National Organic Program have completed a full peer review, in order to monitor and evaluate how the US-Canada organic equivalence arrangement is being applied.

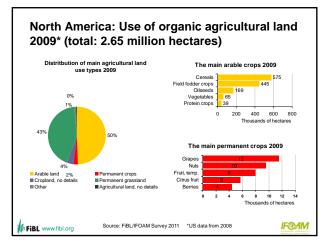
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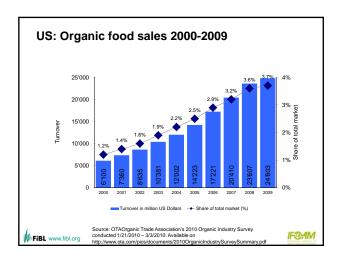


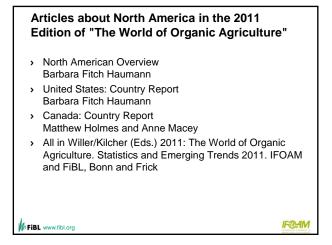


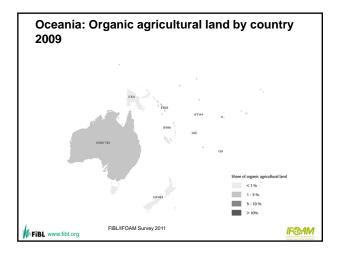












Organic agriculture in Oceania: Key figures 2009

- > This region includes Australia, New Zealand, and island states like Fiji, Papua New Guinea, Tonga, and Vanuatu.
- Altogether, there are 8'466 producers, managing 12.2 million hectares.
- This constitutes 2.8 percent of the agricultural land in the area and 33 percent of the world's organic land.
- Ninety-nine percent of the organic land in the region is in Australia (12 million hectares, 97 percent of which is extensive grazing land), followed by New Zealand (124'000 hectares), and Vanuatu (8'996 hectares).
- The highest shares of all agricultural land are in Samoa (7.9 percent), followed Vanuatu (6.1 percent), the Solomon Islands (4.3 percent), and Australia (2.9 percent).

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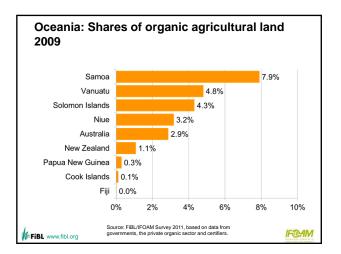
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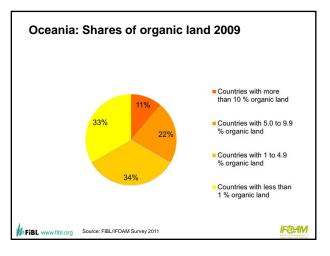
- Growth in the organic industry in Australia, New Zealand and the Pacific Islands has been strongly influenced by rapidly growing overseas demand; domestic markets are, however, also growing. In Australia it was at 947 Australian dollars in 2009 and in New Zealand at 350 million New Zealand dollars.
- The biggest change in the Australian domestic market over 2009 was that the Australian Standard for Organic and Biodynamic Products was adopted and published by Standards Australia.
- The year 2010 marked a milestone for the Pacific Region: The International Organic Accreditation Service (www.ioas.org) assessed the Pacific Organic Standard (POS) and found it to be equivalent to the standards requirements of the European Union's organic regulations.

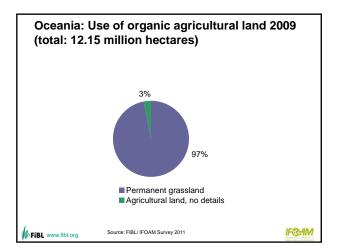
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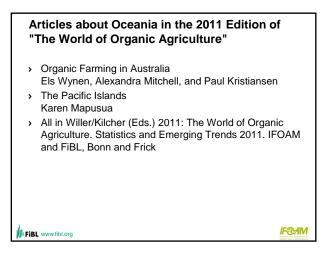
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- > ORC: Organic Research Centre Elm Farm, UK, www.efrc.com
- RUTA: Unidad Regional de Asistencia Técnica (RUTA; Regional Unit for Technical Assistance), Costa Rica, <u>www.ruta.org</u>
- > USDA: United States Department of Agriculture (USDA), www.usda.gov

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