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# Organic Agriculture in Europe: Current Statistics

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- The 22<sup>nd</sup> edition of ,The World of Organic Agriculture', was published by FiBL and IFOAM – Organics International in February 2021
- > Data tables and graphs (data 2019)
- > Country and continent reports
- > Markets, standards, policy support
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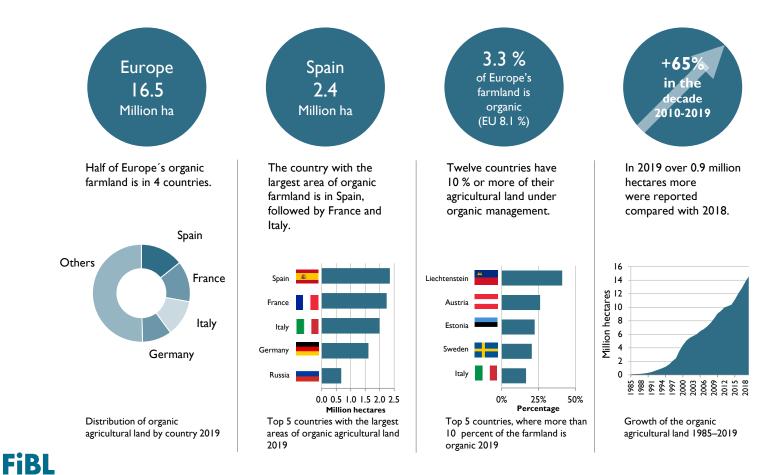
## Another record year for organic in Europe and worldwide - highlights

Organic agricultural land reached an all time high with 16.5 million hectares (EU: 14.5 million hectares)

- 3.3 percent of the agricultural land is organic (EU: 8.1 percent)
- In 12 countries 10 percent or more of the farmland is organic (EU: 10 countries)
- 0.43 million producers were reported another all time high (EU: 0.34 million)

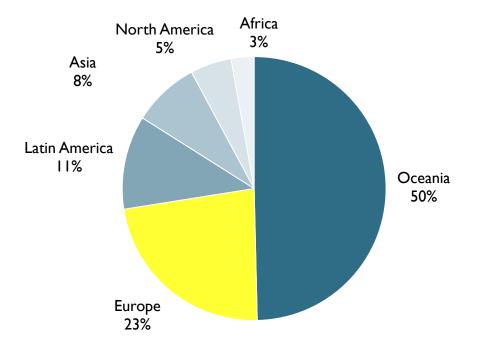
The market exceeded 45 billion euros (EU: 41.4 billion)

## **EUROPE: ORGANIC FARMLAND 2019**



## **Organic Agricultural Land Distribution**

**Distribution of organic agricultural land by region 2019** Source: FiBL survey 2021

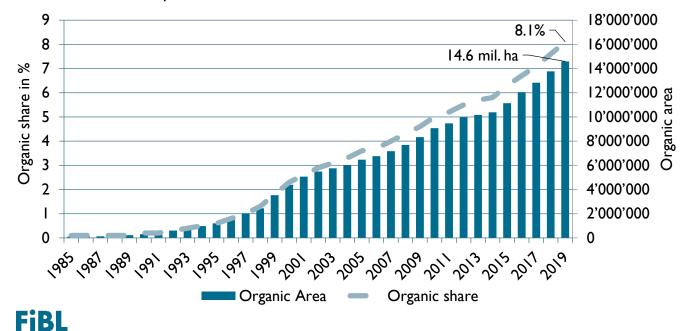




## European Union: Growth of the organic farmland

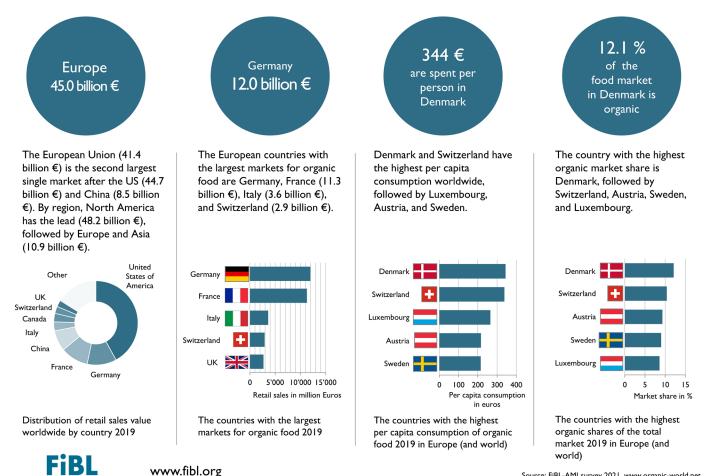
# European Union: growth of organic area and organic share 1985-2019

Source: FiBL-AMI survey 2021, based on national data sources and Eurostat



### **EUROPE: ORGANIC RETAIL SALES 2019**

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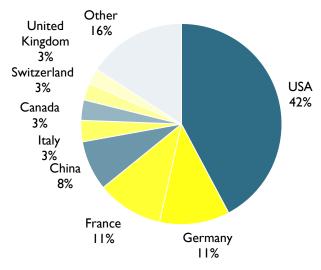


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## Figure: Distribution of retail sales in Europe and worldwide

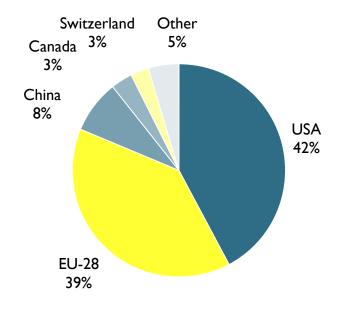
### Global market: Distribution of retail sales value by country 2019

Source: FiBL-AMI survey 2021, based on retail sales with organic food



# World: distribution of retail sales by single market 2019

Source: FiBL-AMI survey 2021

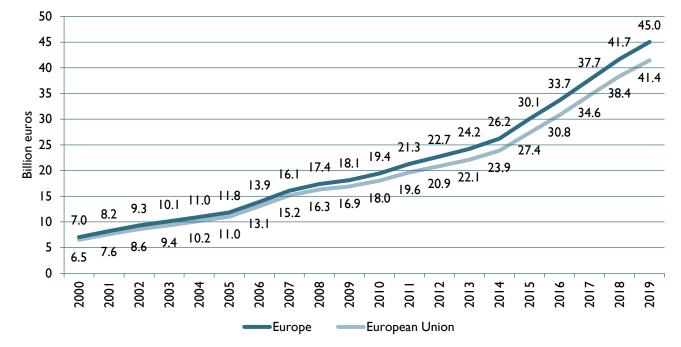




## Europe and European Union: Development of retail sales 2000-2019

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Source: FiBL-AMI Surveys 2006-2021, OrganicDataNetwork Surveys 2013-2015

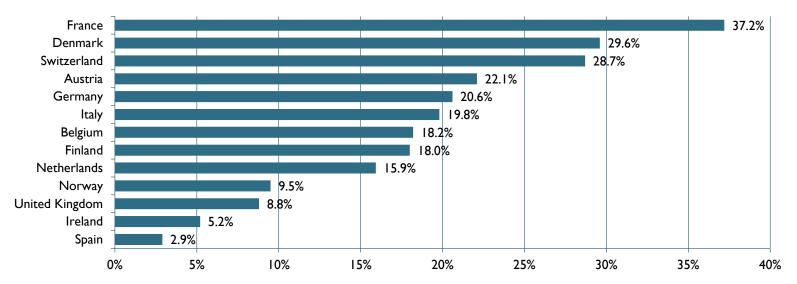




## Organic market shares of eggs

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Source: FiBL survey 2021



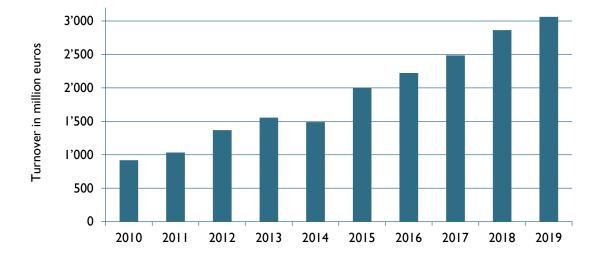
Organic share of the value of eggs sold



## Organic catering sales/food sercvice: Growth

#### European Union: Development of organic catering 2010-2019 (14 countries)

Source: FiBL-AMI survey 2021, based on national data sources and Eurostat



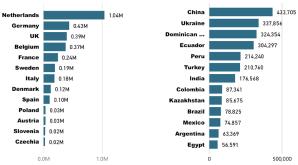
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## Organic imports to the European Union

Importing countries (imports in metric tons)

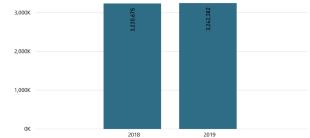
Exporting countries (exports in metric tons)





The development of total organic imports to the European Union 2019 in metric tons





FiBL survey based on national data sources and Eurostat: https://statistics.fibl.org

## Conclusions

- In 2019 organic farming continued to grow both in Europe and world wide; and again all time highs were reached for the organic farmland, producers and market.
- Imports to the European Union remained stable, showing the the EU is increasing local production.
- Public food procurement is on the rise, but data are missing in order to have a clear picture about it actual importance.
- For better monitoring of the development of the sector and to increase transparency, data collection and processing need to be improved in many countries, in particular for market and international trade data.

Thank you very much for your attention!



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