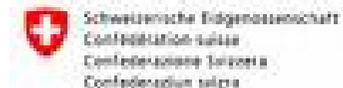


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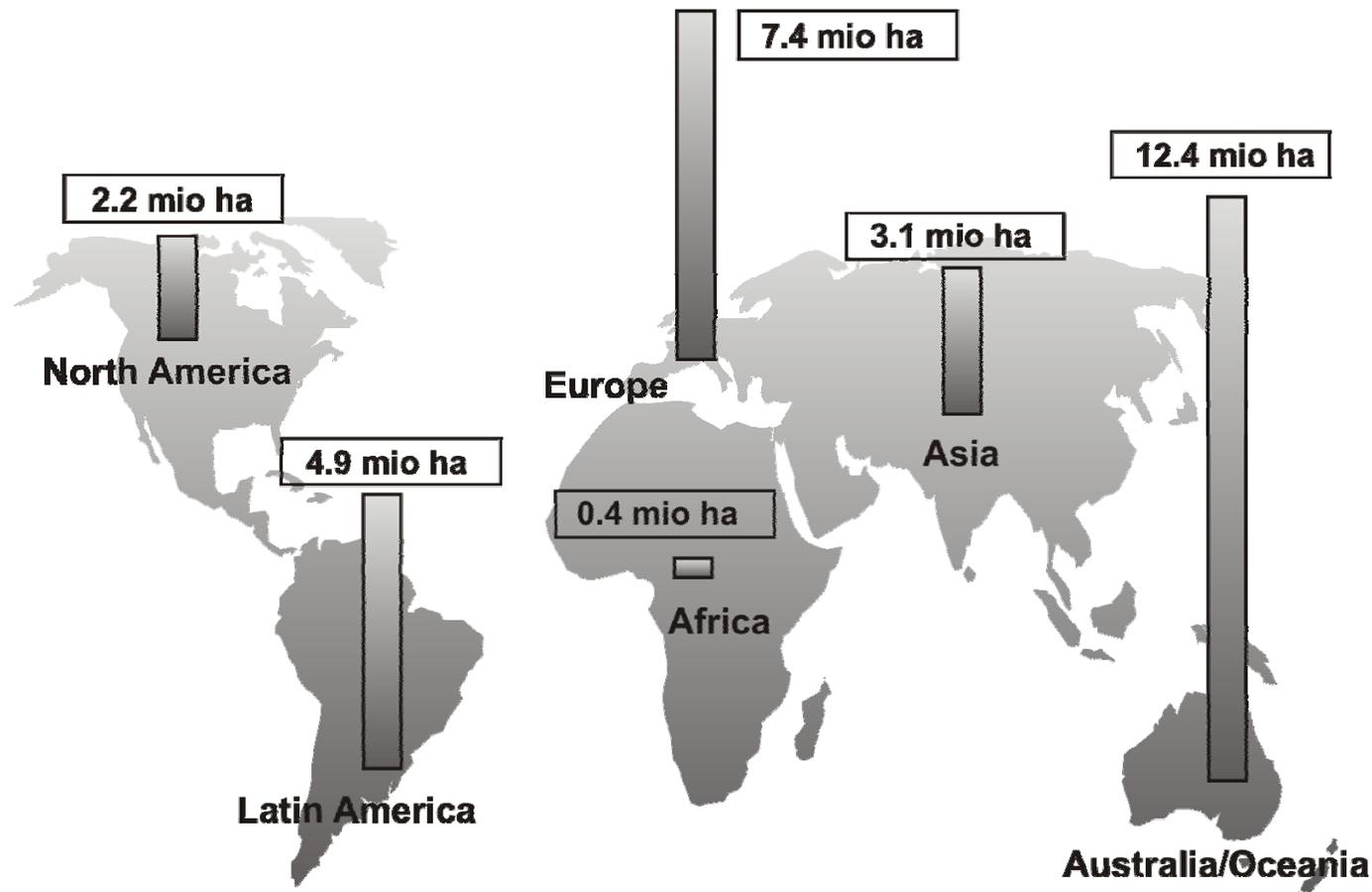
2008 edition of 'The World of Organic Agriculture'

- **Results of the FiBL Survey on global organic farming 2008 (supported by ITC, SECO and Nürnberg Messe)**
- **Continent reports from experts, some country reports**
- **Chapter on the global organic market**
- **Legislation, harmonization, certification: Current situation**
- **Almost 35 authors contributed to the study; in total about 140 persons provided information**

The FiBL Survey 2008

- **Data provided by numerous country experts, including representatives from NGOs, certification bodies, governments, researchers**
- **Data of 31.12.2006**
- **Data from 135 countries (out of 196)**
- **2006 data from 124 countries**
- **Land use information for almost 90 % of the world's organic land, varying levels of data depth though.**

Global Organic Farming 2006



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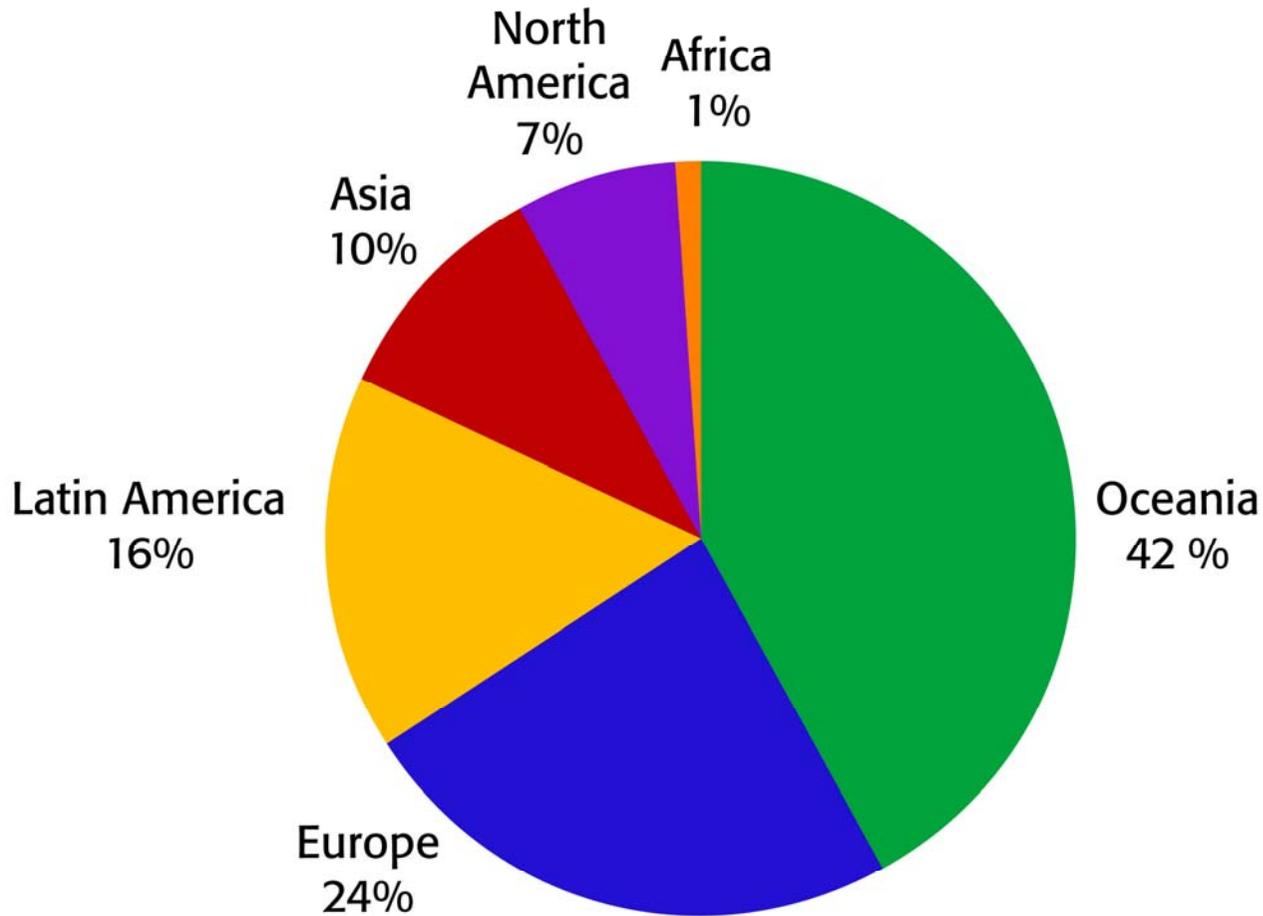
Global Organic Agriculture 2006: Key data

- 30.4 million hectares of agricultural land are managed organically
- 12.3 million hectares are in Australia
- Almost 30 % of the agricultural land in Liechtenstein are organic
- During 2006: Growth in all continents

Further key data from ,The World of Organic Agriculture 2008‘

- **Global turnover with organic products 2006: almost 40 billion US Dollars 2006**
- **69 countries have a regulation, 21 are drafting one**
- **There are more than 468 certifiers**
- **The organic wild collection area is more than 33 million hectares (FiBL Survey)**

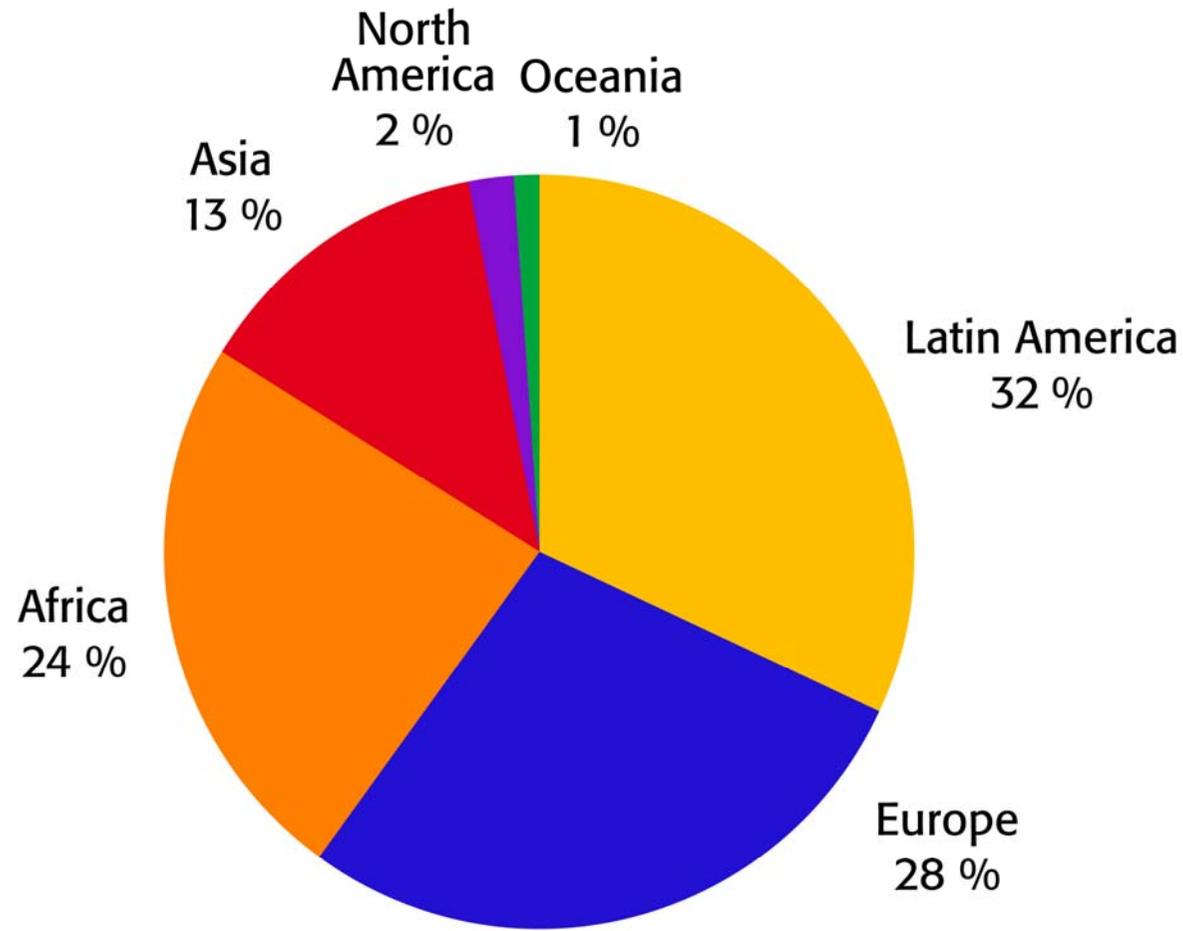
Distribution of global organic agricultural land by continent 2006



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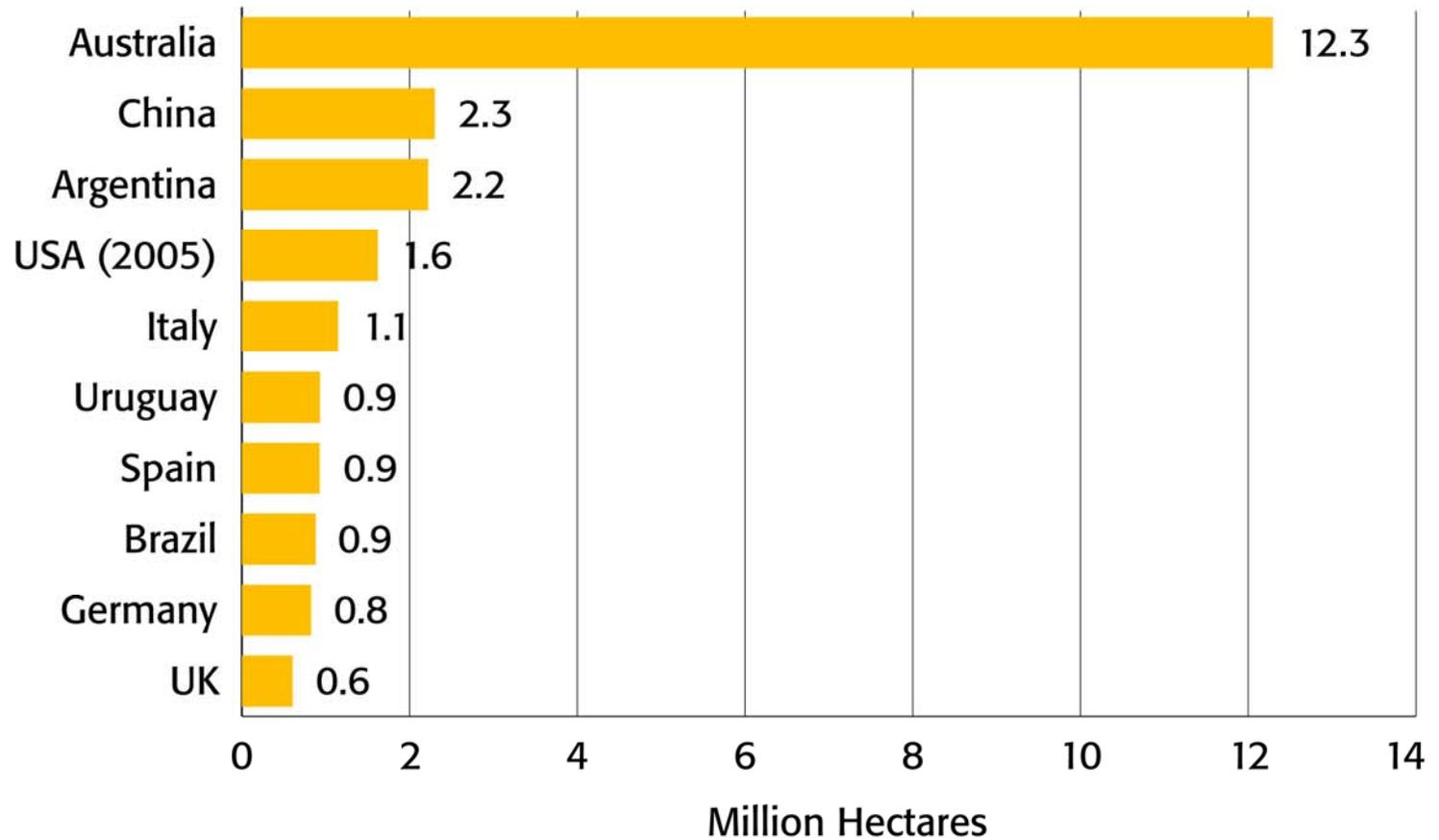
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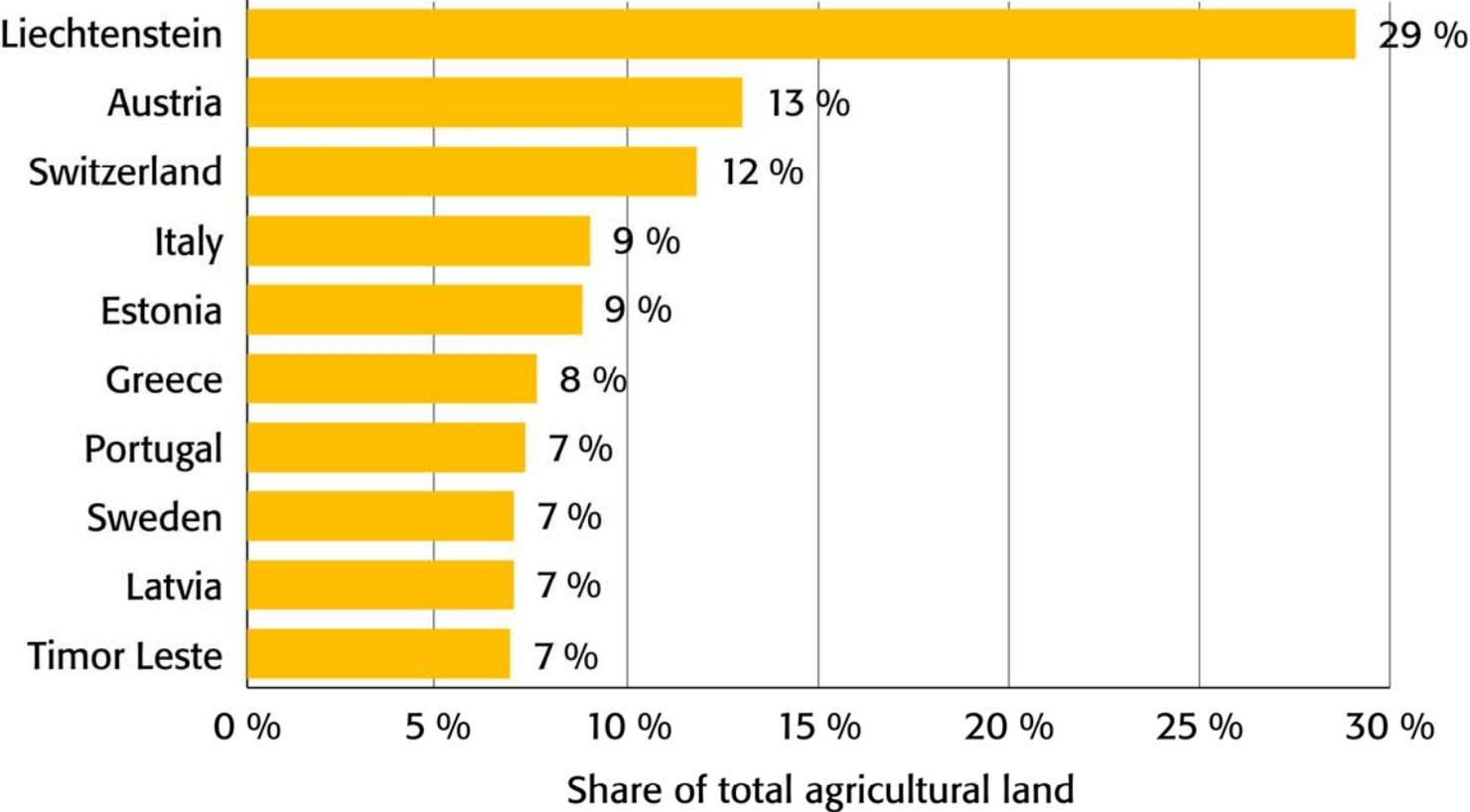
The ten countries with most organic land 2006



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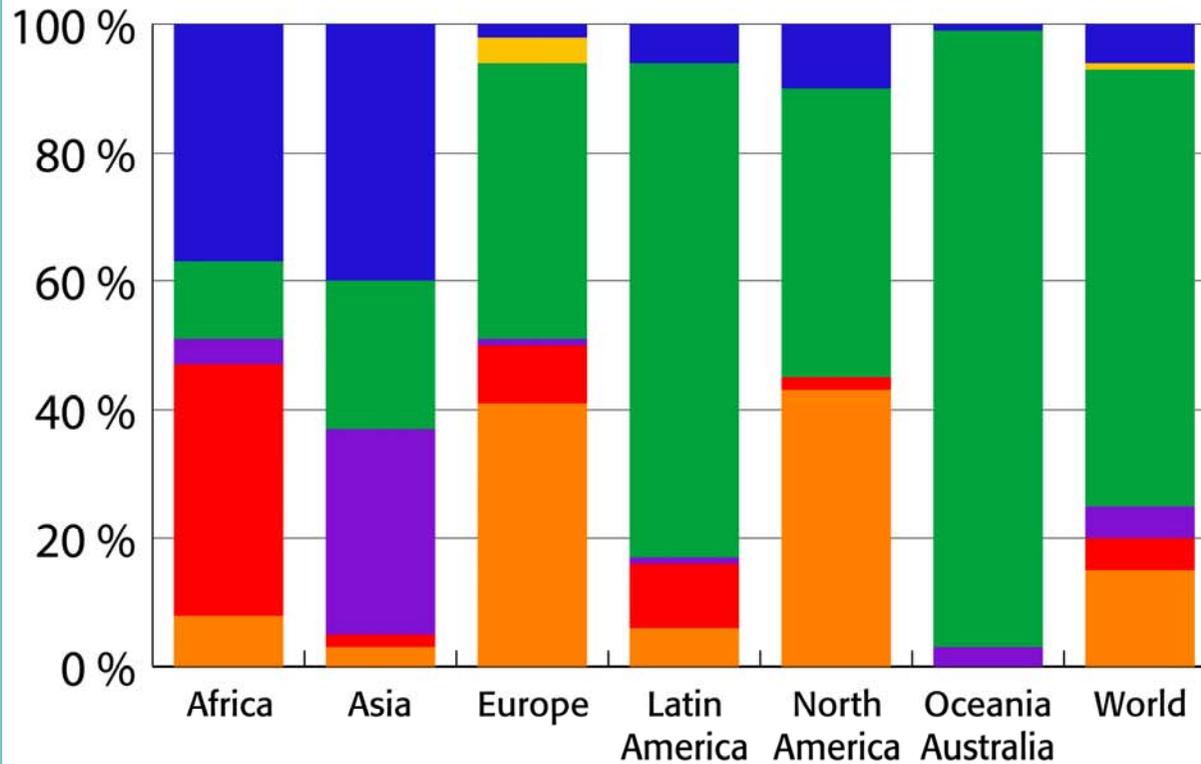
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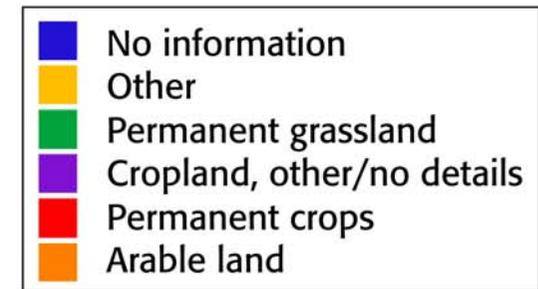
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Land use in organic agriculture 2006 by continent



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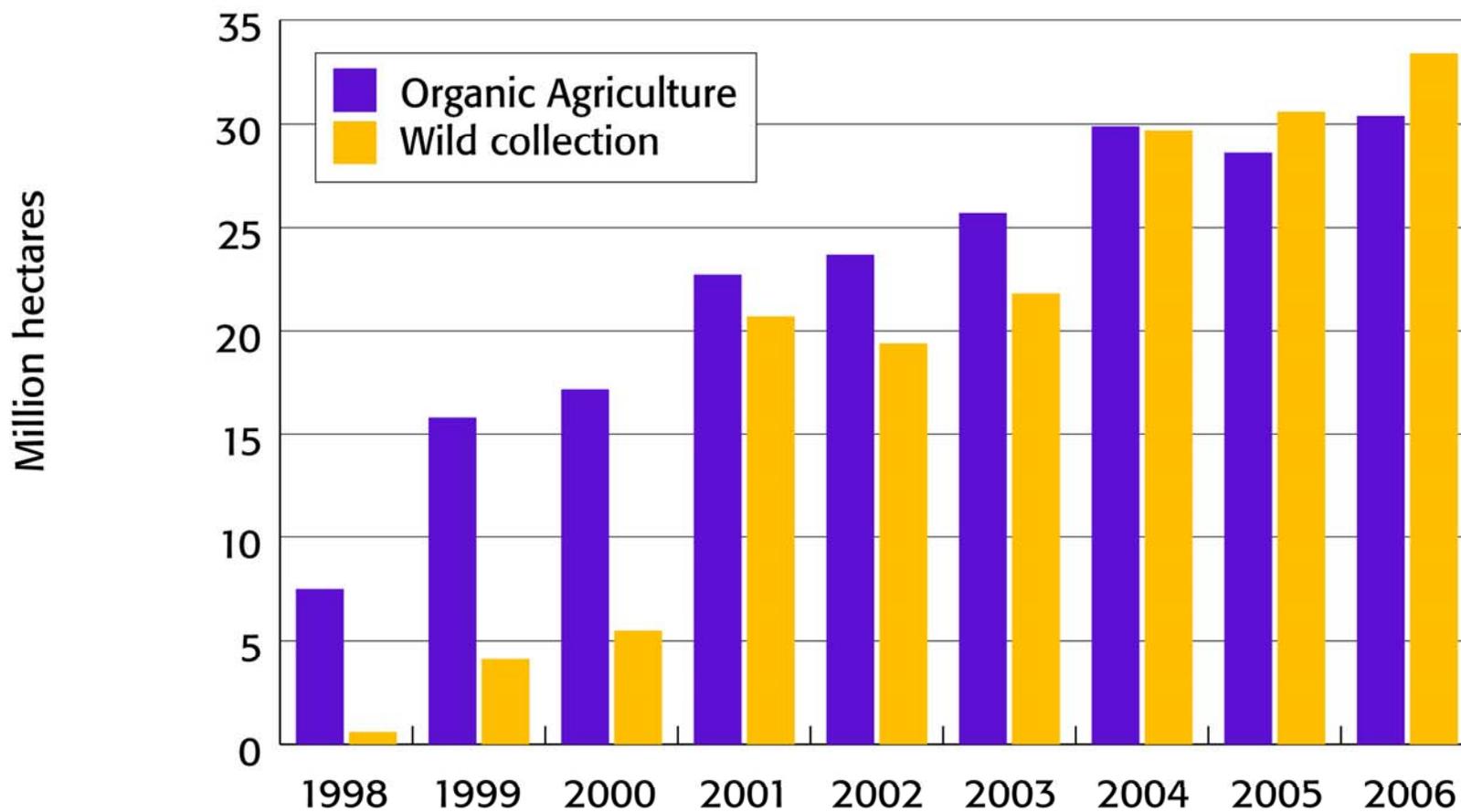


Source: FiBL Survey 2008

Development 2005 - 2006

- **Growth in all continents during 2006**
- **Compared to the adjusted data of 2005: Increase of 1.8 million hectares**
- **The highest increase during 2006: Australia/Oceania (more than 600'000 hectares) and Europe (more than 500'000)**
- **Increase of organic land in more than 90 countries**
- **Trend 2007: Further growth (Lithuania + 25 %; Czech Republic + 11 %; Austria +2.7%)**

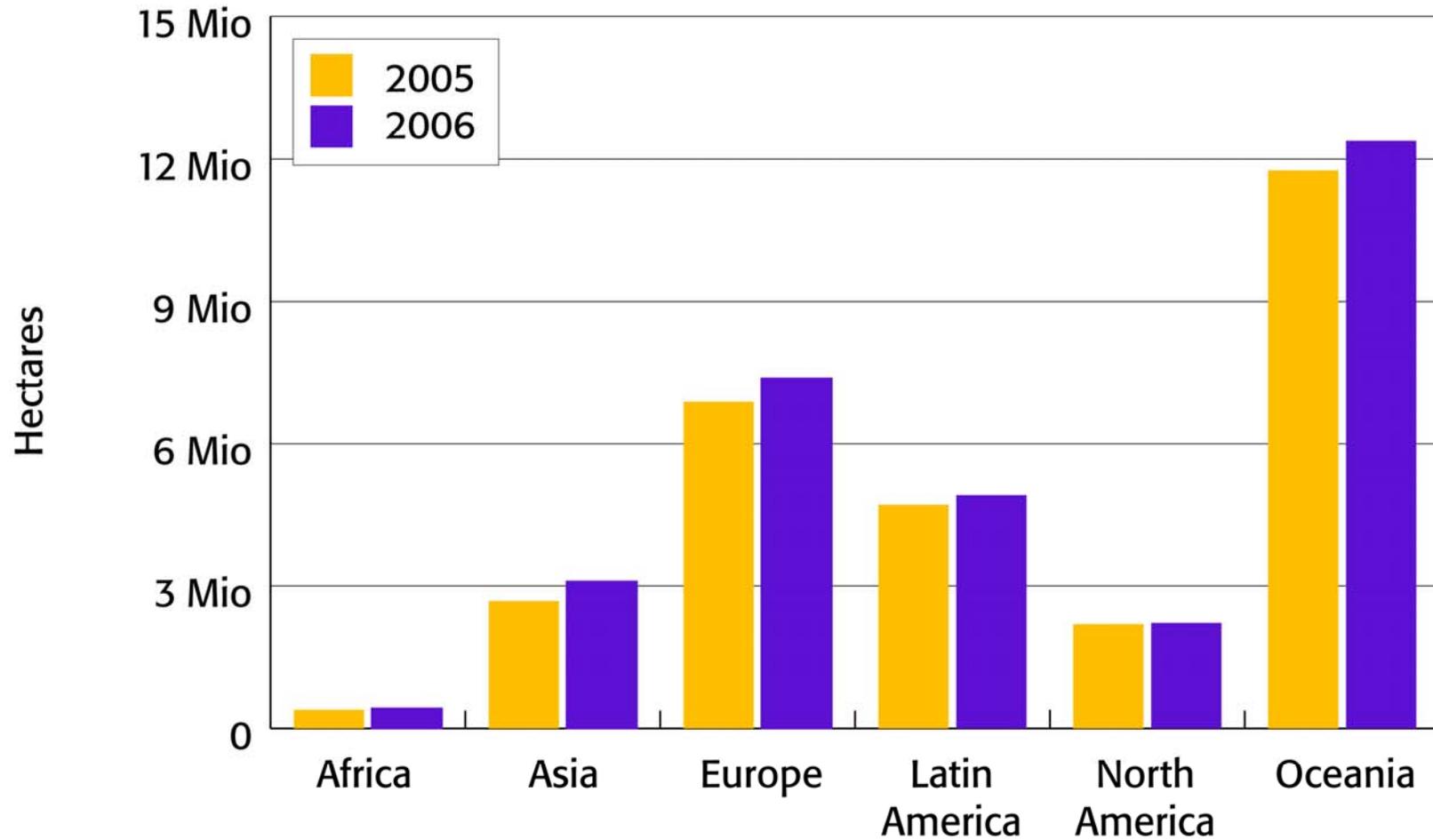
Development of certified organic land worldwide 1998 to 2006



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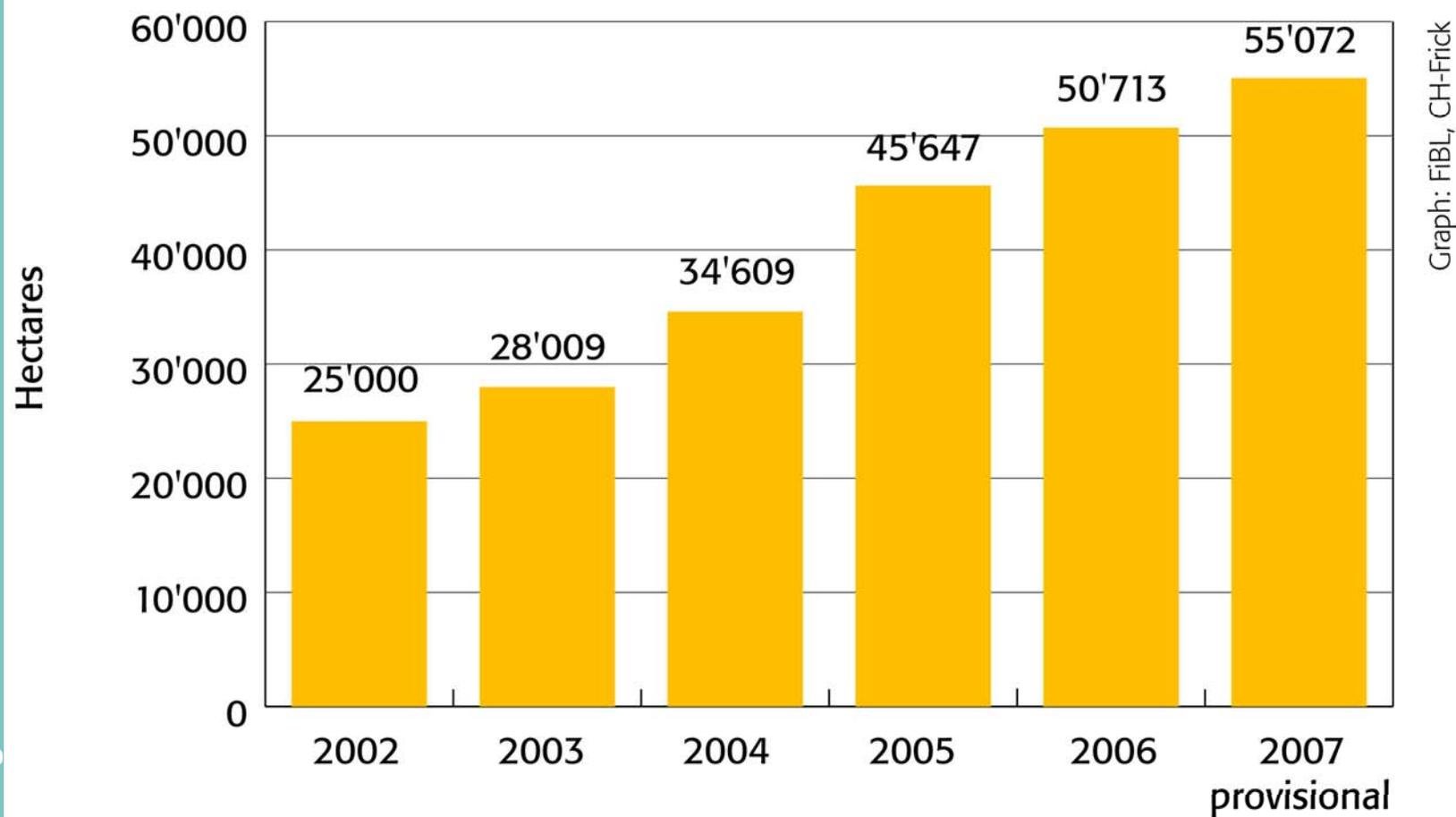
Development of organic agriculture in the continents 2005 – 2006



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Development of organic agricultural land in Colombia 2002-2007

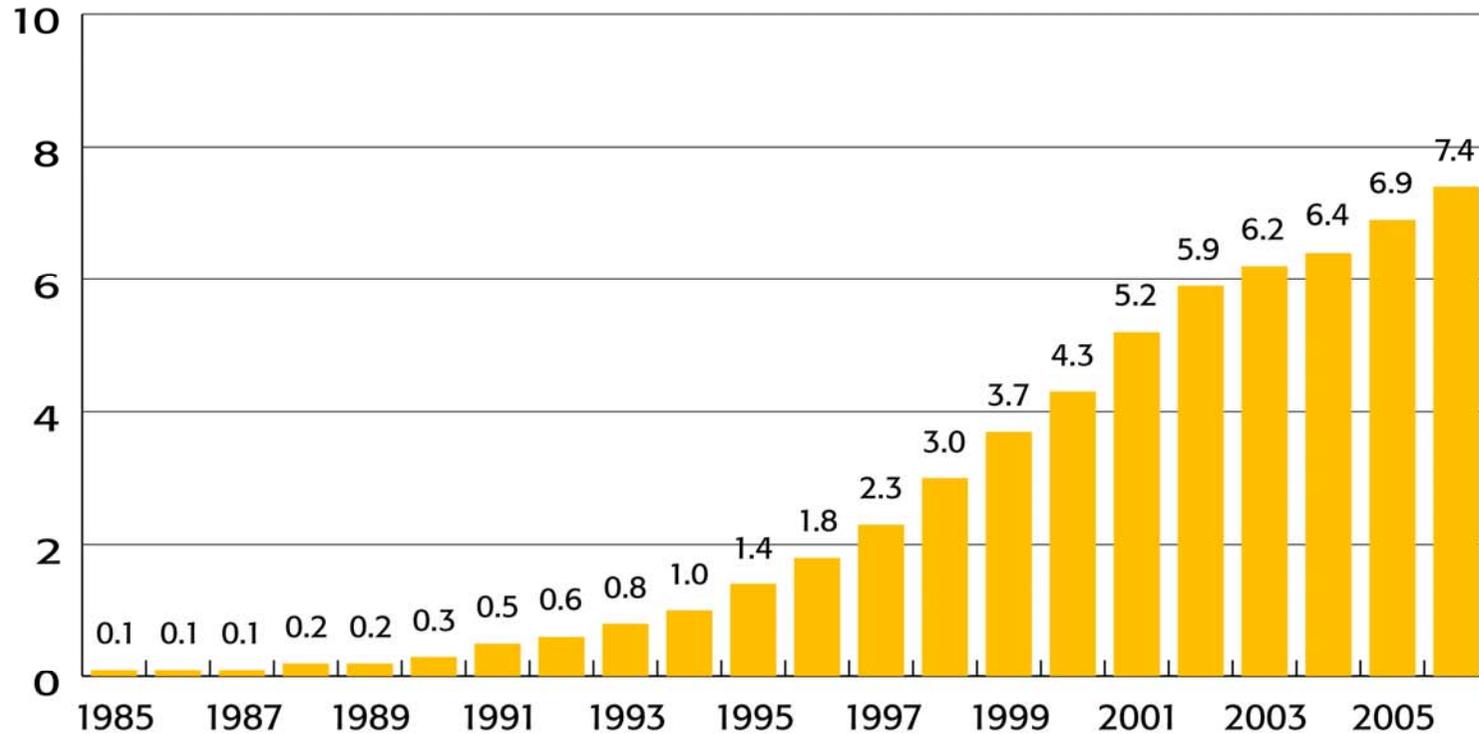


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Development of the organic agricultural land in Europe 1985-2006

Million hectares



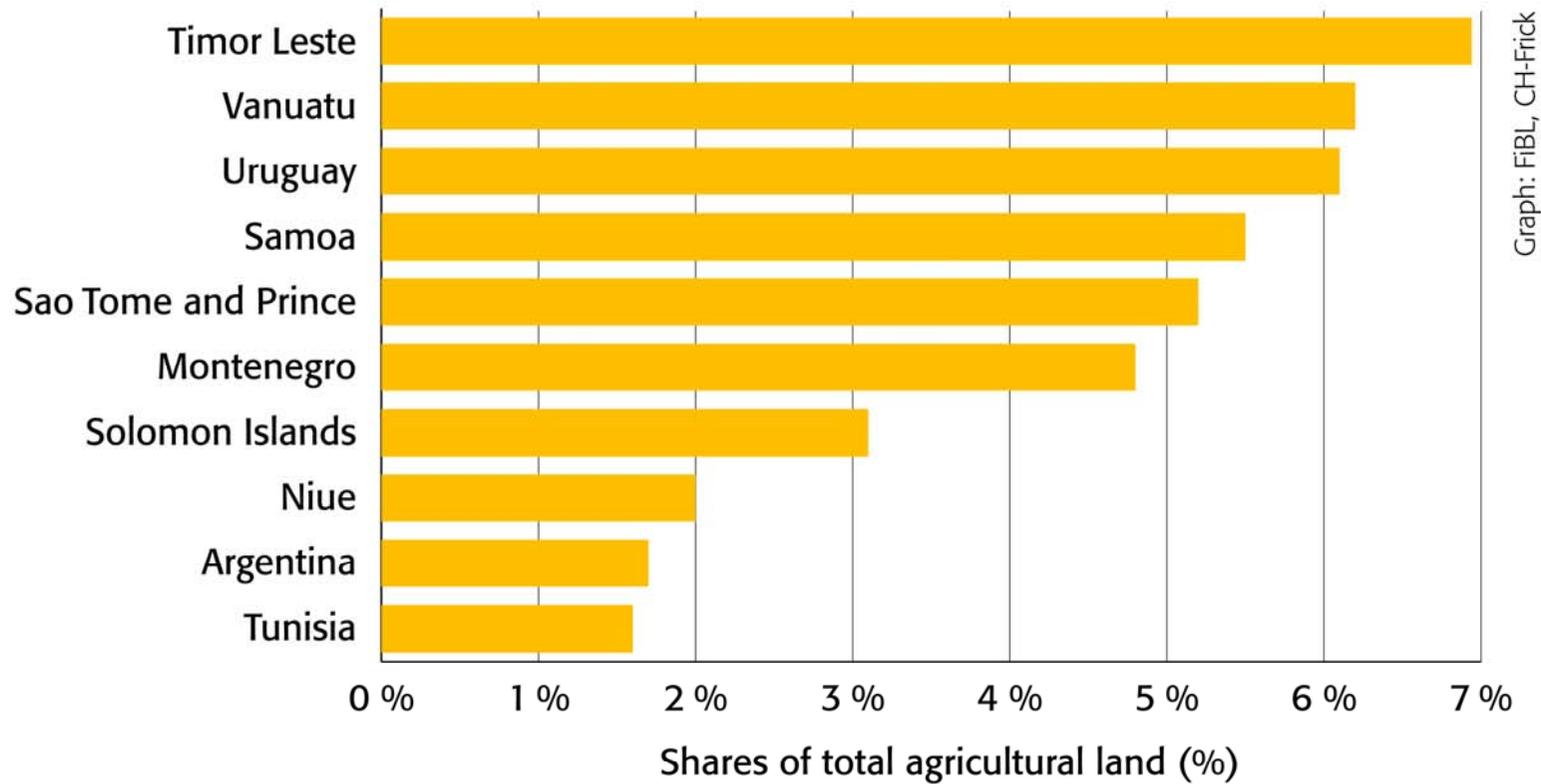
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Source: Institute of Rural Sciences, Aberystwyth University, UK; FiBL, CH-Frick

Organic Farming in Developing Countries

- **8.8 million hectares are in developing countries (Countries on the DAC List)**
- **This is almost a third of the world organic land**
- **Only few developing countries have more than 1 % share of the agricultural land land**
- **Export is a major activity; this is also reflected in the land use pattern: Permanent crops (coffee, tropical crops) and permanent grassland (meat from Latin America) play an important role**

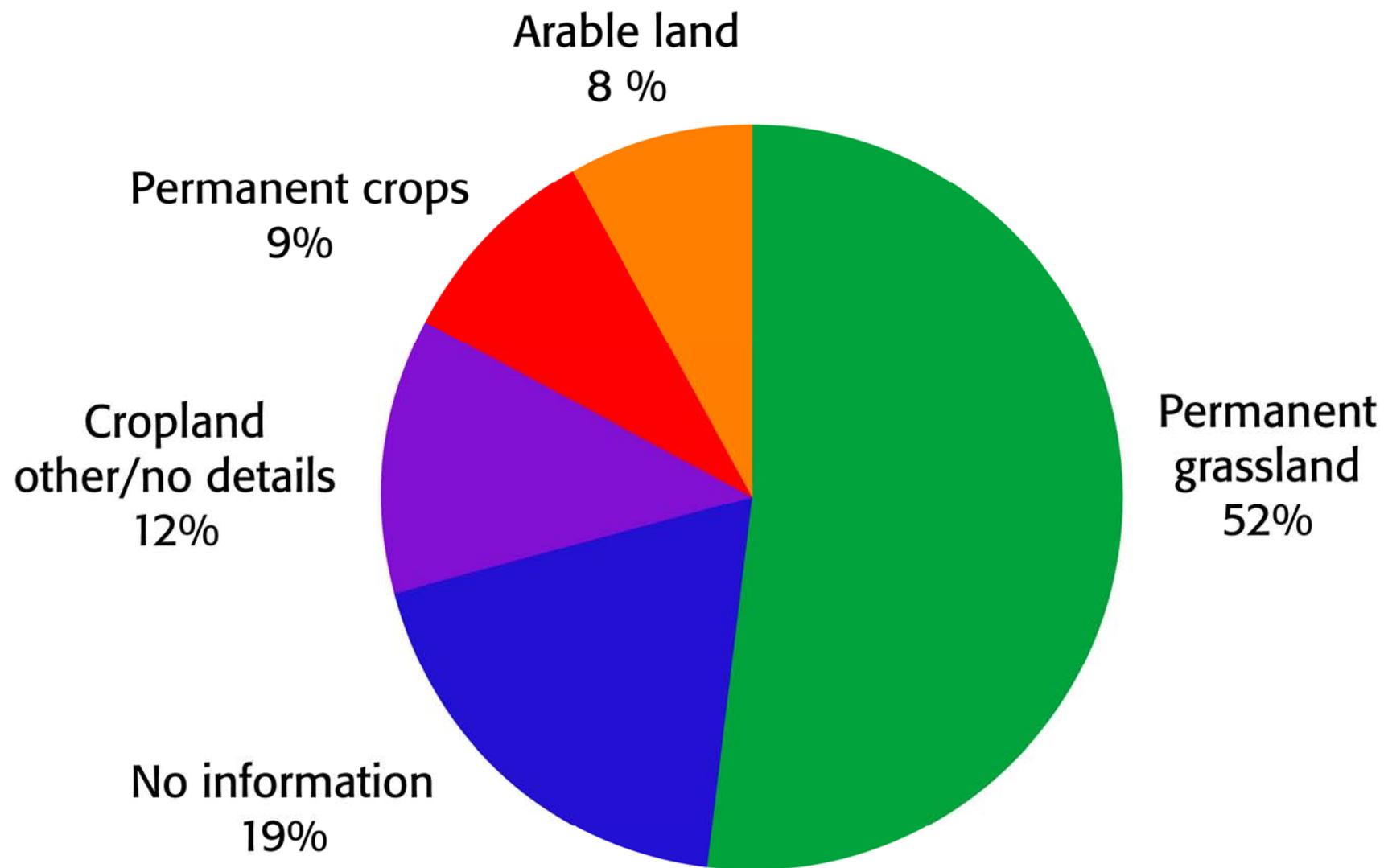
The ten developing countries with the highest shares of organic agricultural land 2006



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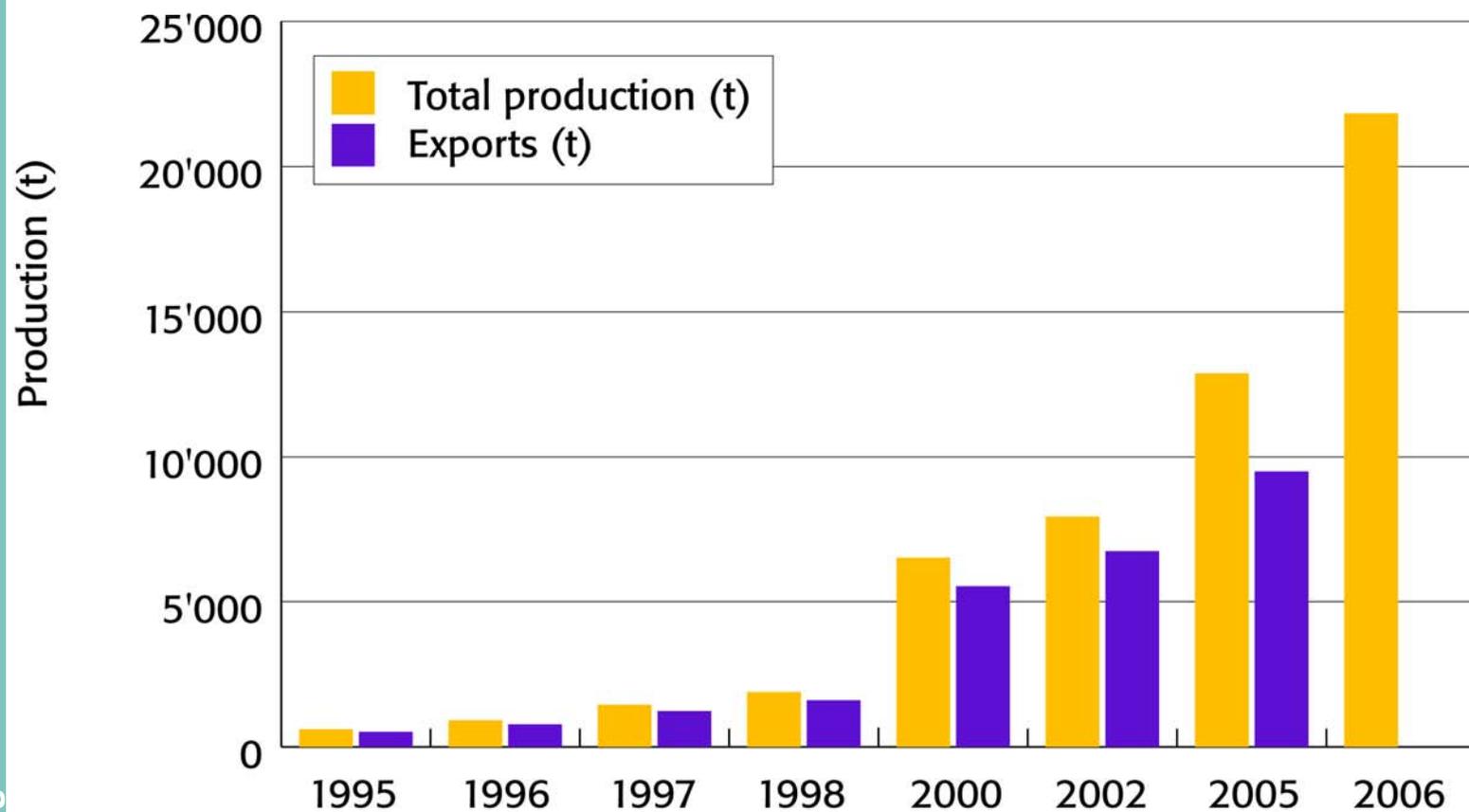
Use of organic agricultural land in developing countries 2006



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Development of organic production in Bolivia 1995-2006



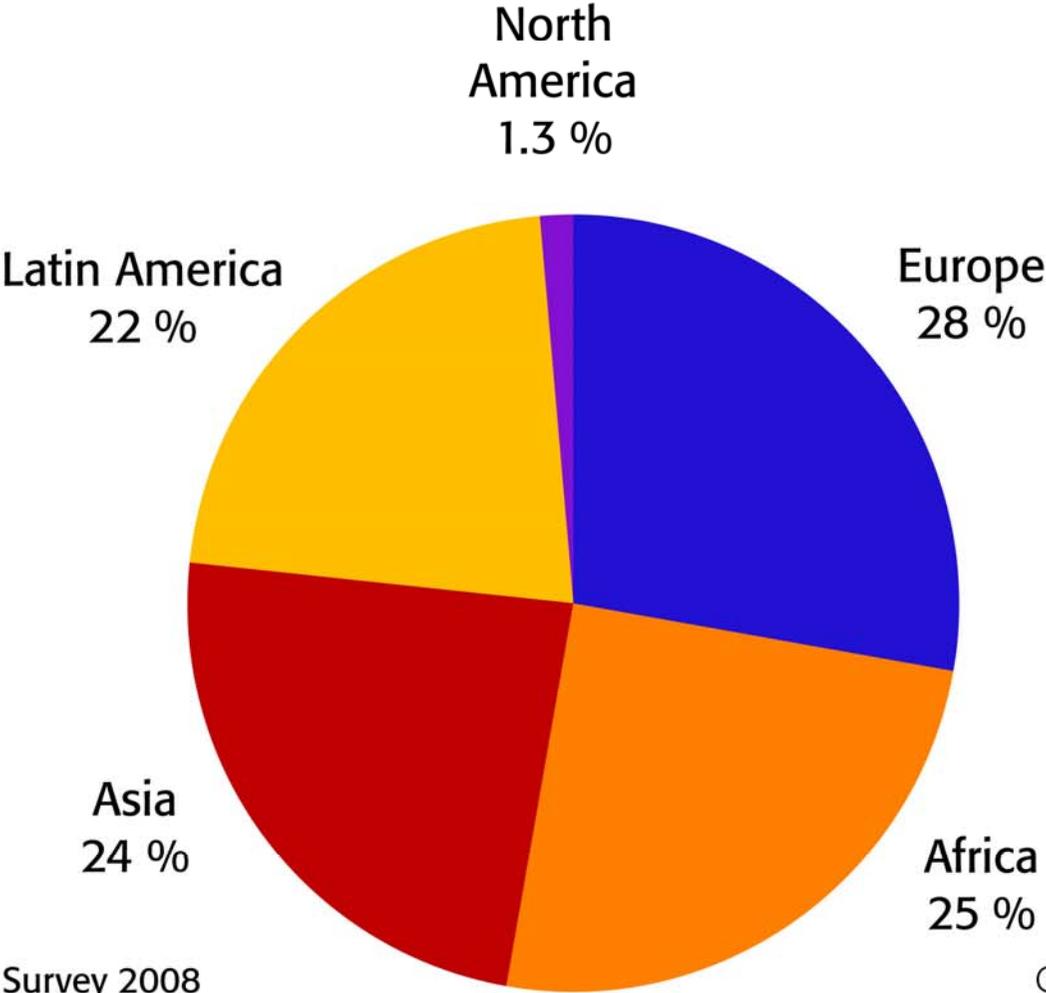
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Source: Asociación de Organizaciones de Productores Ecológicos de Bolivia 2007

Wild collection

- **Much of the organic land previously declared as agricultural land is actually certified wild collection**
- **The data, also for previous years were adjusted where possible**
- **Currently more than 33 million hectares are certified for organic wild collection**

Distribution of organic wild collection land by continent 2006



Source: FiBL Survey 2008

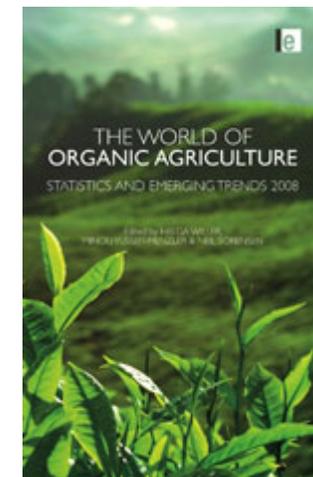
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Outlook

- **Organic land area continues to grow – in all parts of the world**
- **Cropping patterns in developing countries reflect the high importance of exports, but domestic markets are developing, too**
- **Wild collection plays an important role, particularly in developing countries but also in Europe**

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