



# Organic Agriculture in Latvia

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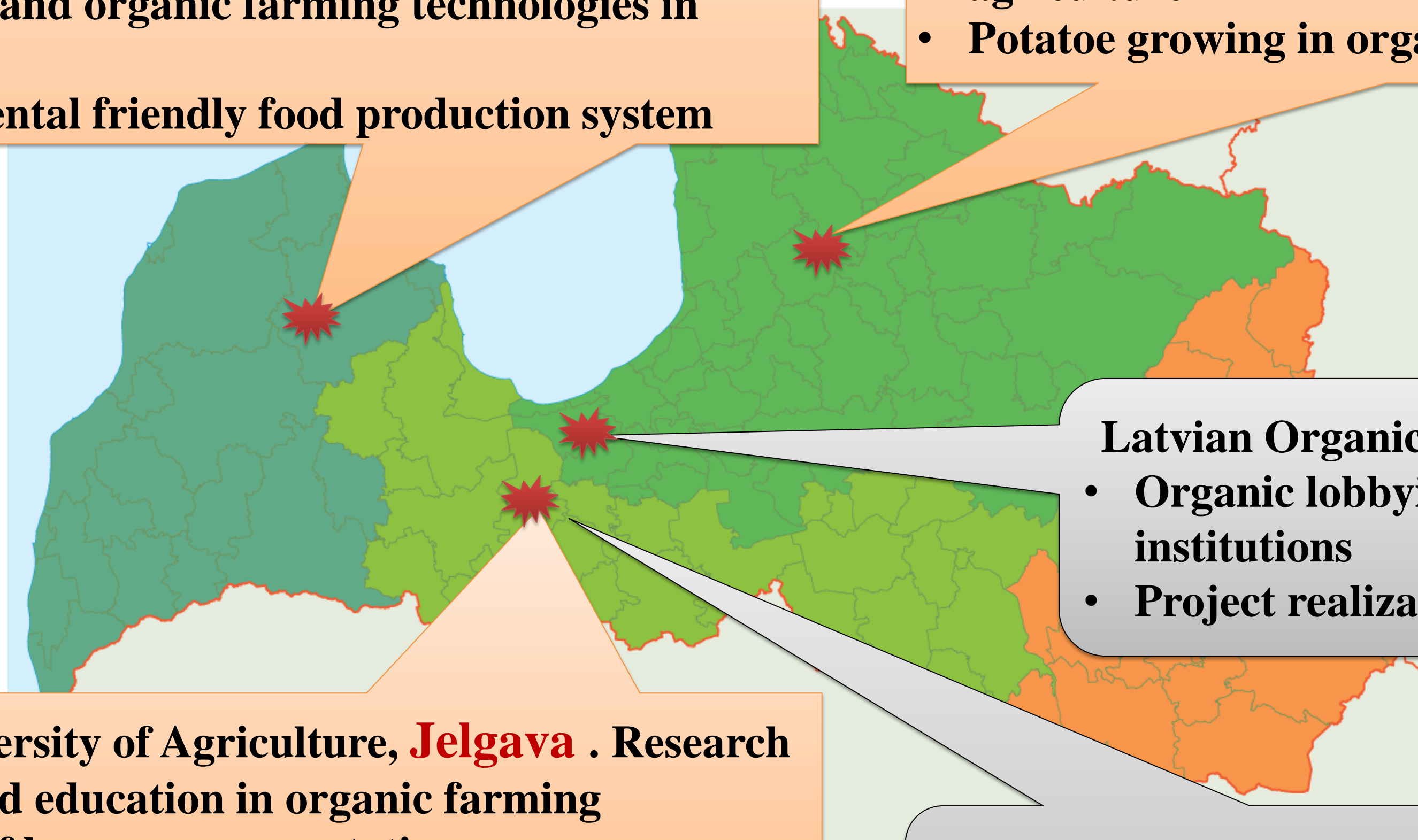


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**Stende**. Research topics:

- Organic Plant Breeding
- Legumes - as an alternative to soybean in the production of protein-rich fodder
- Investigation of breeding material to implement the integrated and organic farming technologies in crops
- Environmental friendly food production system

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**Priekuli**. Research topics:

- Weed dynamics in crop rotations with cover crops
- Variety mixtures for weed suppression
- Crop diversification and weeds on farms
- Legume supported cropping system in sustainable agriculture
- Potatoe growing in organic farming system



Latvia University of Agriculture, **Jelgava**. Research and education in organic farming

- Growing of legumes, crop rotations
- Environmental friendly food production system

Latvian Organic Farming Association, **Riga**,

- Organic lobbying in governmental institutions
- Project realization in marketing activities

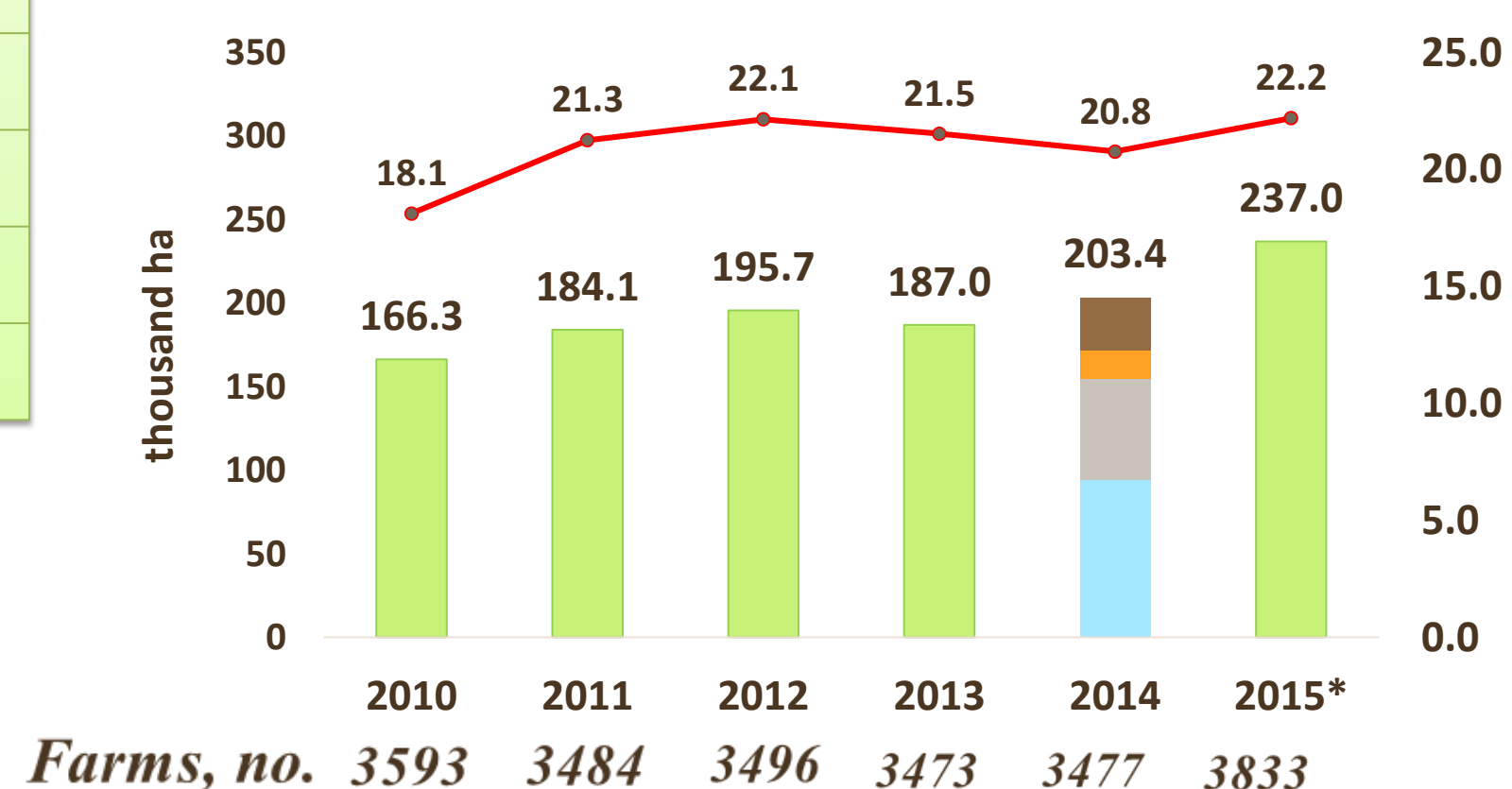
Latvian Rural Advisory and Training Centre, **Jelgava**, consultations and demonstrations in organic farming

## Key figures in 2015: structure of crops and no. of animal

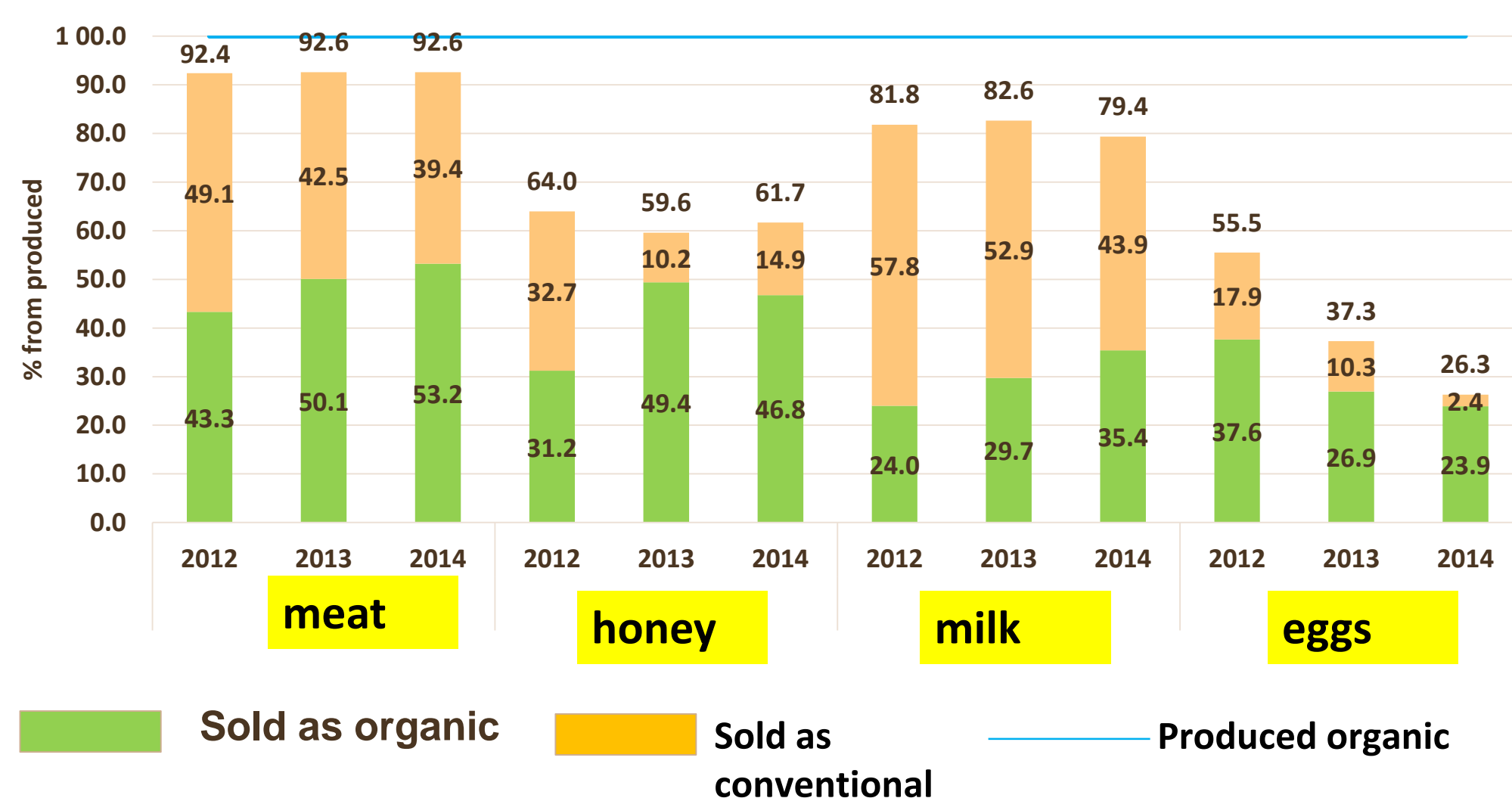
Crops	ha	%
Field crops	44916.7	22.00
Vegetables	281.1	0.14
Grasslands	161458	77.21
Fruits and berries	1354.0	0.65
In total	208009	100

Animals	Number	% from total
Cattle	80400	13.8
Pigs	2838	0.9
Sheeps	32363	31.6
Goats	2323	18.3
Poultry	22132	0.5
Horses	1015	10.6
Beehives	24167	26.0

Certified organic farming areas, the number of farms and the aid paid for organic development



## Proportion of produced and sold organic animal products %



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