



## The Organic Market in Europe

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### Trends & highlights 2018/2019

- In 2018, market and production data grew more or less at the same pace
- The European market surpassed the 40 billion euro mark
- General retailers continues to gain ground
- Data on organic imports to the European Union are available for the first time and show that tropical fruit and feedstuffs play a key role

### Agripolicy level

- Work on the new EU regulation on organic farming will continue
- Work on the common agricultural policy is in progress

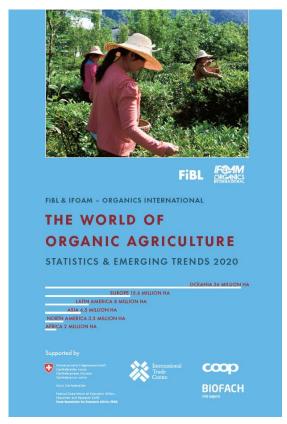


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#### **EUROPE: ORGANIC FARMLAND 2018**



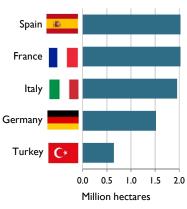
Half of Europe's organic farmland is in 4 countries.



Distribution of organic agricultural land by country 2018



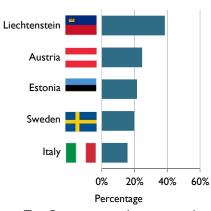
The country with the largest area of organic farmland is in Spain, followed by France and Italy.



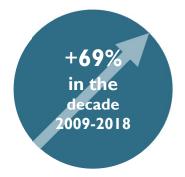
Top 5 countries with the largest areas of organic agricultural land 2018



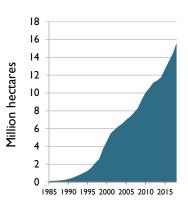
Ten countries have 10% or more of their agricultural land under organic management.



Top 5 countries, where more than 10 percent of the farmland is organic 2018



In 2018 over 1.25 hectares more were reported compared with 2017.



Growth of the organic agricultural land 1985–2018

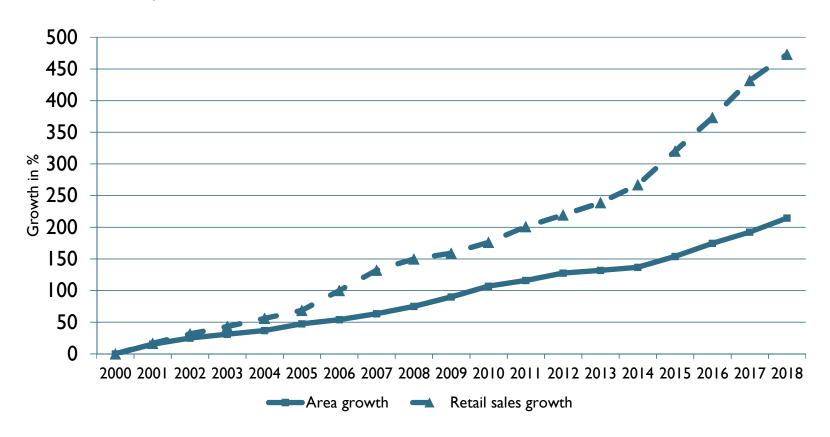


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Source: FiBL-AMI survey 2020, based on national data sources and Eurostat



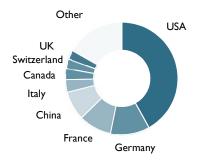


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#### **EUROPE: ORGANIC RETAIL SALES 2018**



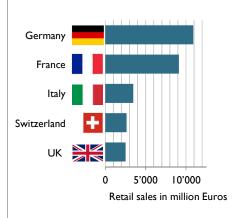
The European Union (37.4 billion €) is the second largest single market after the US (40.6 billion €) and China. By region, North America has the lead (43 billion €), followed by Europe and Asia.



Distribution of retail sales value worldwide by Country 2018



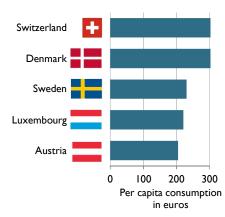
The European countries with the largest markets for organic food are Germany, France (9.1 billion €), Italy (3.5 billion €), and Switzerland (2.7 billion €).



The countries with the largest markets for organic food 2018



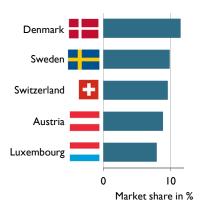
Denmark and Switzerland have the highest per capita consumption worldwide, followed by Sweden, Luxembourg and Austria.



The countries with the highest per capita consumption of organic food 2018



The country with the highest organic share of their total market is in Denmark, followed by Sweden, Switzerland, Austria, and Luxembourg.



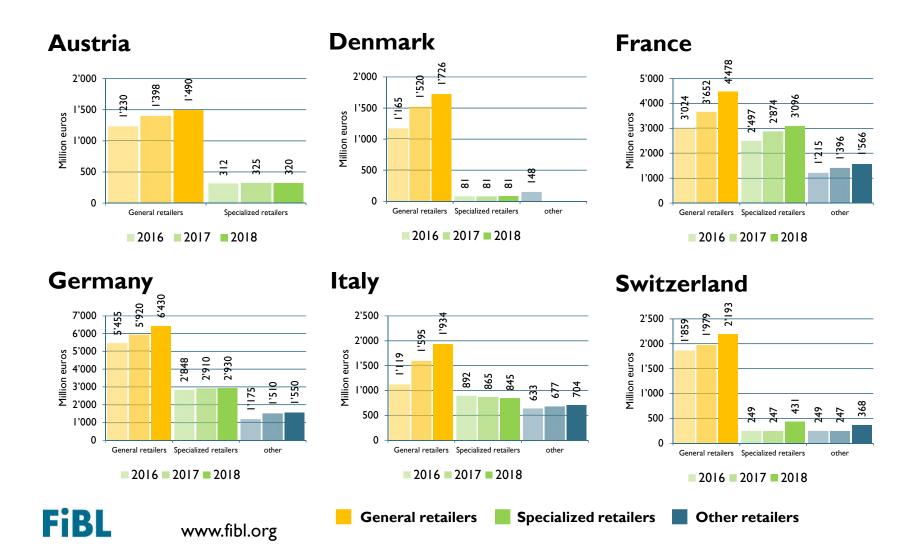
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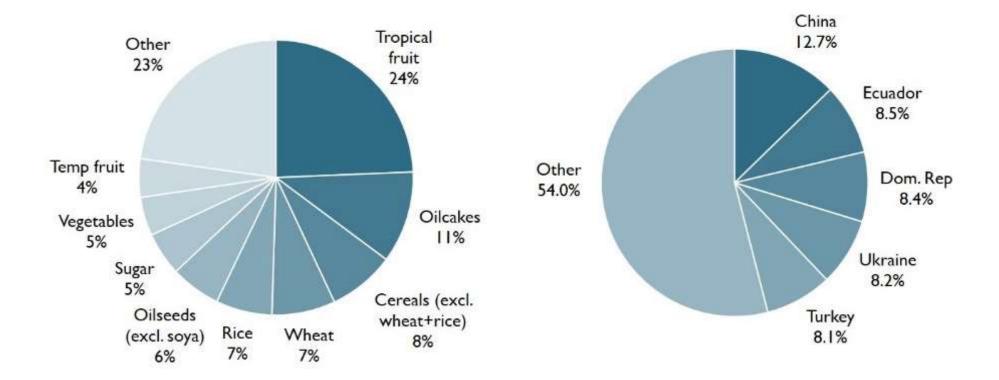
Source: FiBL survey 2020. www.organic-world.net

### Organic marketing channels (AT, CH, DE, DK, FR, IT)



# Imports to the European Union by country and by crop group 2018; total: 3.3 million tons

Source: TRACES/European Commission





#### **Conclusions**

The organic area and market continues to grow at a solid pace in Europe and worldwide.

Currently production is growing faster than in the past, thus the potential is there to meet the demand of the market better and decrease dependency on imports.

Imports play an increasingly important role for many European countries.

In some countries, the organic market shares have reached around 10 percent or even more; for individual products they can be even higher.

In most countries, general retailers are the most important and fastest growing marketing channel, however, food service is gaining in importance.

More and better data, better data access, access to visual data and linking data is needed for policy makers, market actors and researchers.

Organic farming statistics have a potential role to play when it comes to fraud detection – DG Agri's new import data are an important step forward!



#### **Organic Agriculture in Europe 2018 Organic Farmland 2018 Organic Producers & Processors 2018 Organic Market 2018** Top 3 countries (largest organic area) The number of organic producers is The European market is growing increasing European organic retail 40.7 sales in billion euros 418'610 2,2 m Per capita spending Organic producers From 2017 Spain Organic market growth 15.6 m Organic farmland in million hectares ha Organic retail sales: Top 3 countries 75'569 (in billion euros) From 2017 10.9 Organic processors From 2017 Organic share of total farmland 9 France Organic share of total farmland: Number of producers: Top 3 countries Top 3 countries 3.5 79'563 38.5% 15.4% Liechtenstein Organic market growth 69'317 24.7% 11.5% Market share 21.6% 41'632 312 € Highest per capita spending is in Denmark Denmark & Switzerland and Switzerland Source: FiBI survey based on national sources **FiBL** More information; www.organic-world.ner - statistics.fiol.org



#### Organic Agriculture in the European Union 2018

