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The European Market for Organic Food 2023

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Global Trends

- Organic farmland in the EU and Europe continued to expand, with more countries increasing their organic farming areas
- The number of organic producers grew across the region
- Organic imports (EU and US): The EU saw a decline in imports, while imports to the US increased
- Market development: The organic market in Europe experienced steady growth, with notable increases in several countries

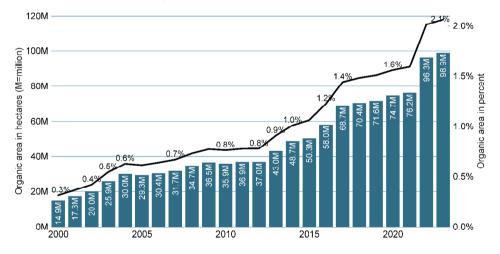


Global highlights: Organic Area Nears 99 Million Hectares - Organic Market Back on Track in 2023

World: Growth of organic agricultural land and organic share 2000 - 2023

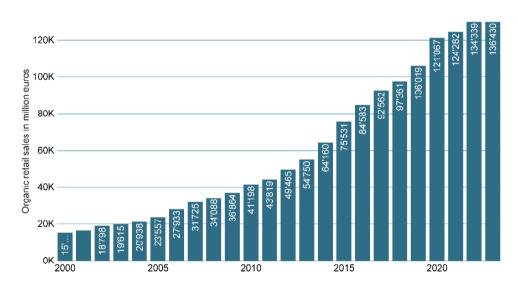
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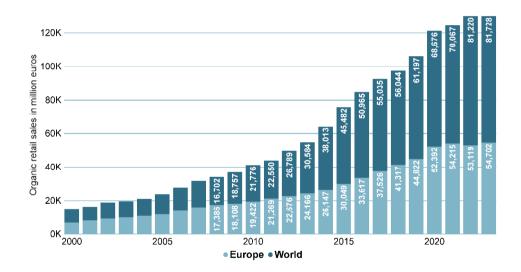




Global highlights: "USA drives organic imports, while retail growth is similar in both regions."

European and global retail sales growth 2000 - 2023

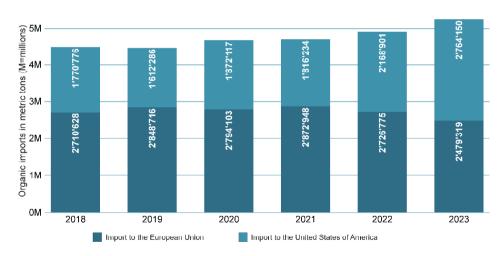


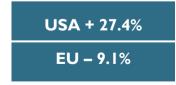




World: Development of EU and US organic imports 2018-2023

Sources: Traces/European Commission and GATS/USDA



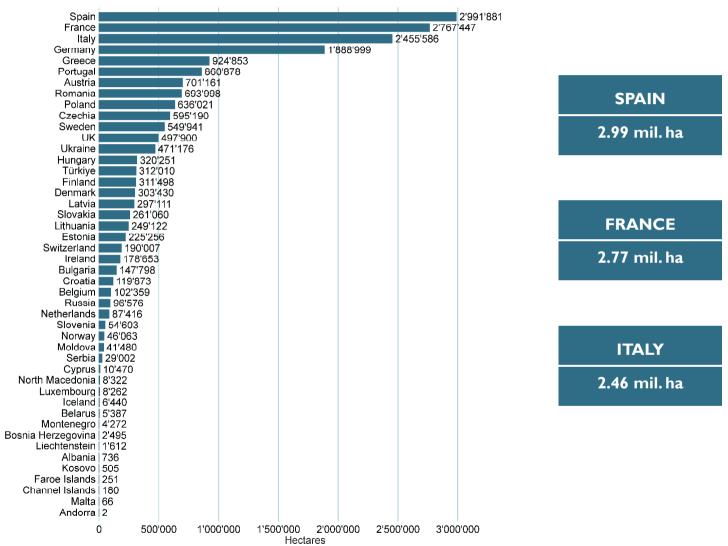


Organic farmland development in Europe



Europe: Organic agricultural land by country 2023

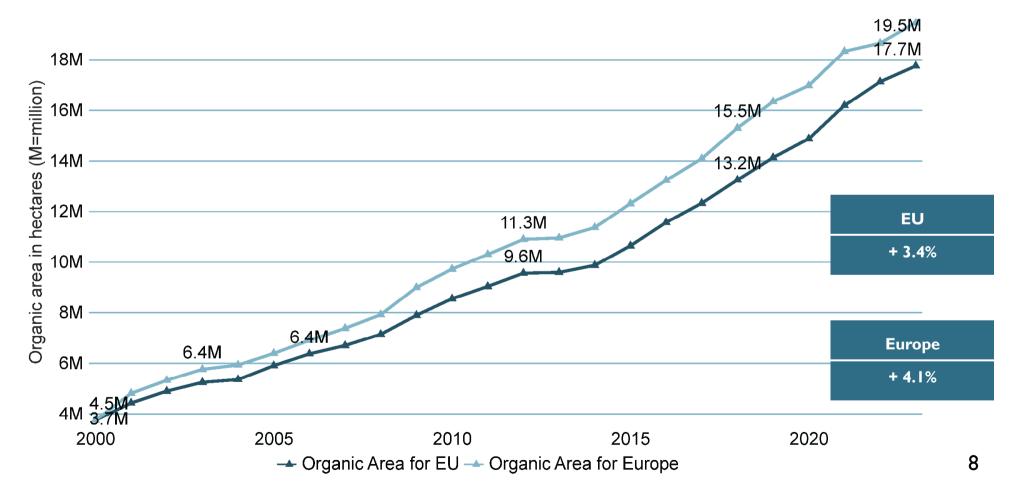
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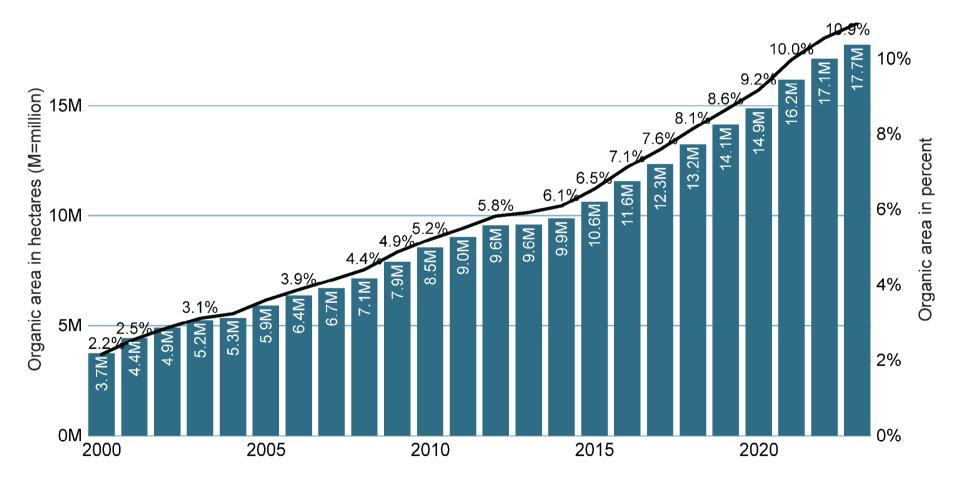
Europe and the European Union: Development of organic agricultural land 2000 - 2023

Source: FiBL-AMI surveys 2001-2025, based on the national data sources and Eurostat



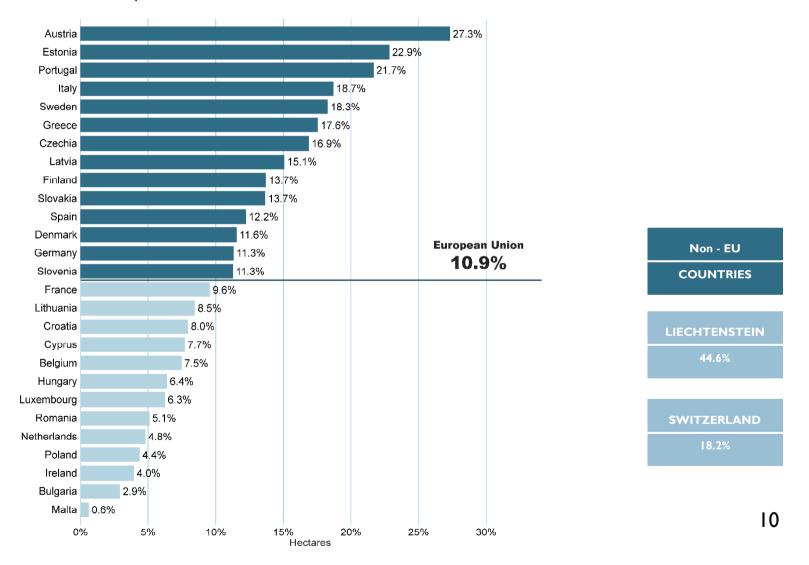
European Union: Growth of organic agricultural land and organic share 2000 - 2023

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European Union: Organic shares of total agricultural land 2023

Source: FiBL-AMI survey 2025



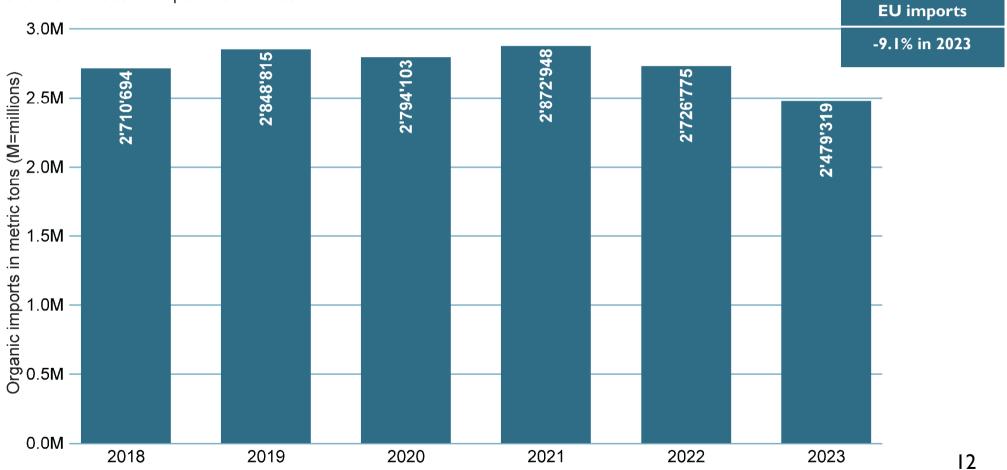


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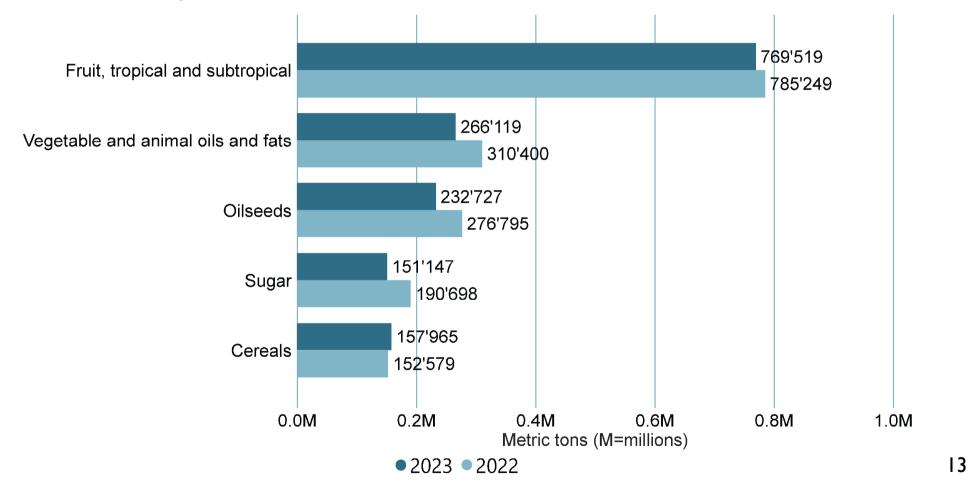
European Union: Organic agri-food imports development 2018 - 2023

Source: Traces/European Commission 2024



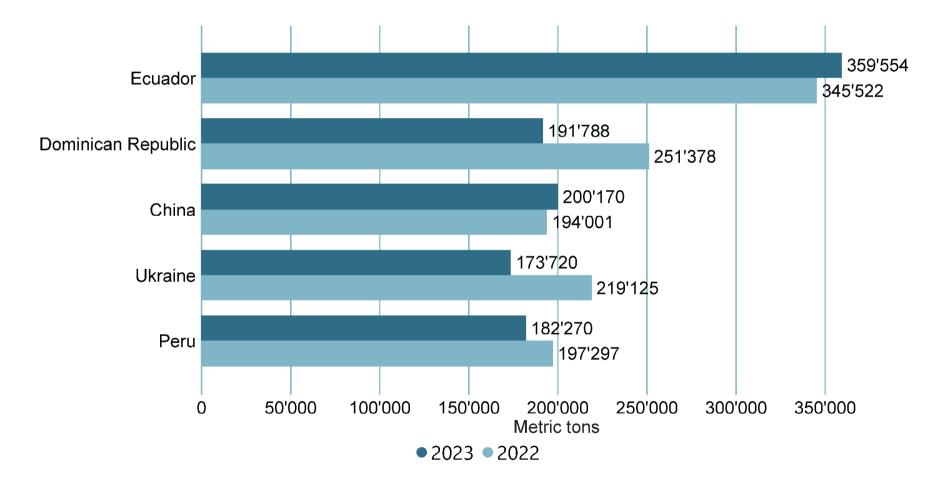
European Union: Main product categories of EU organic agri-food imports 2023

Source: Traces/European Commission 2024



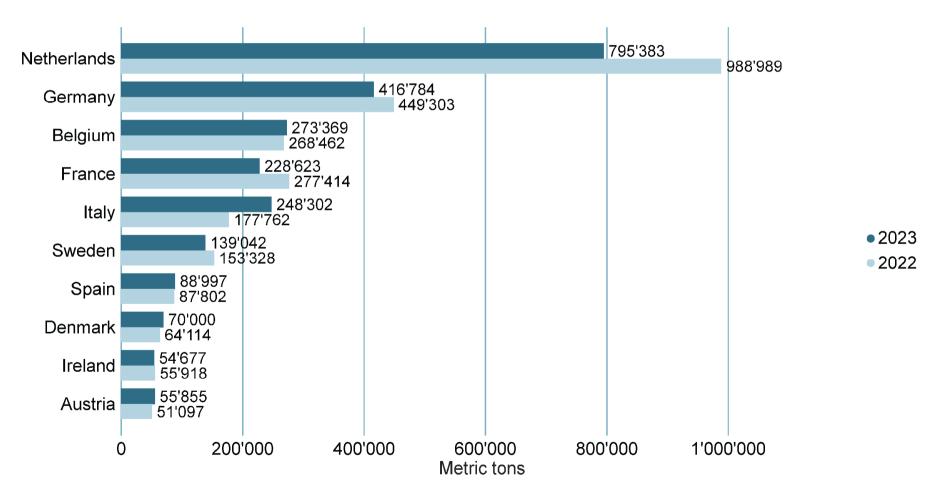
European Union: The ten countries with the largest export volumes to the EU 2023

Source: Traces/European Commission 2024



European Union: Organic agri-food imports by country 2023

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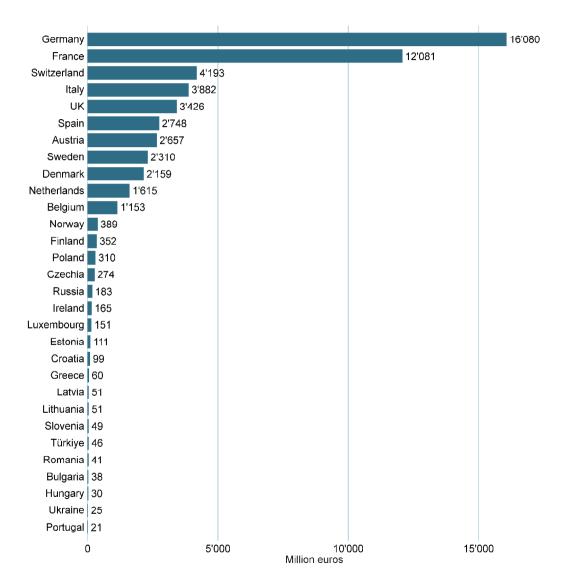


Organic retail sales development



Europe: Organic retail sales by country 2023

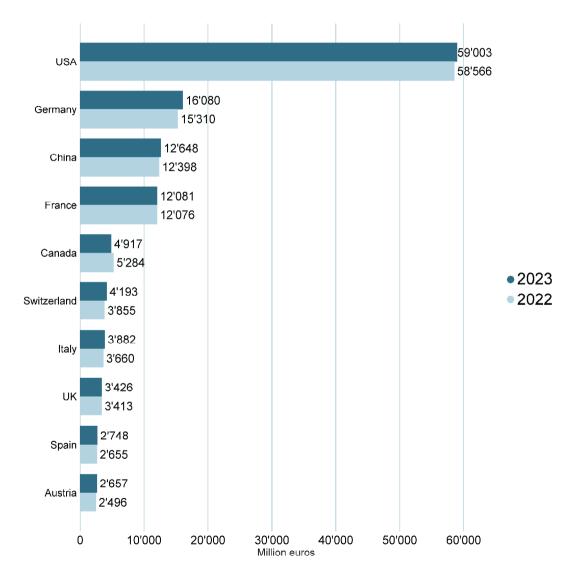
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World: Top 10 organic markets in 2022 and 2023

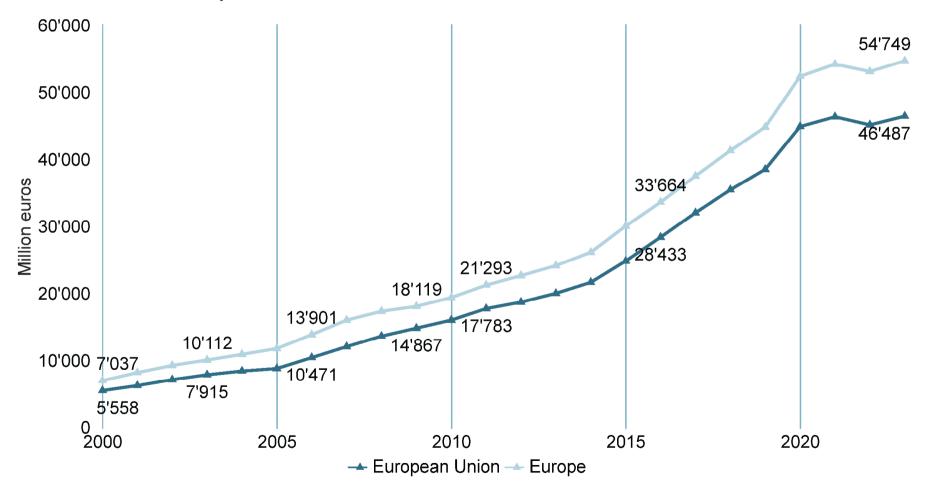
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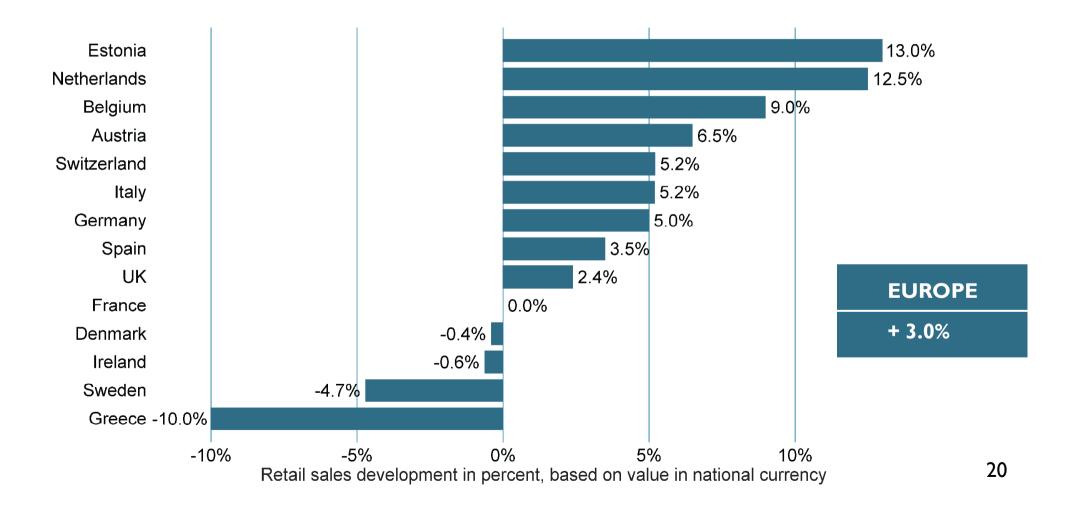
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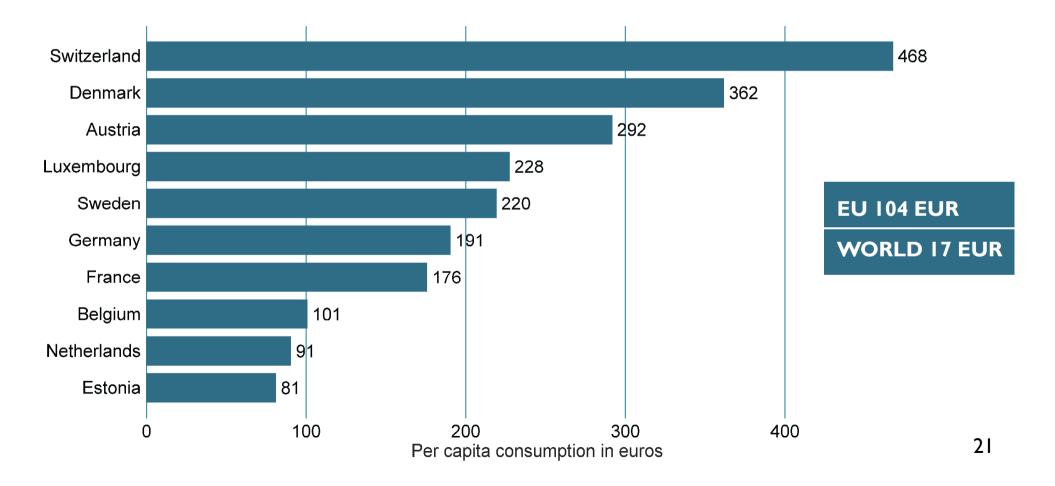
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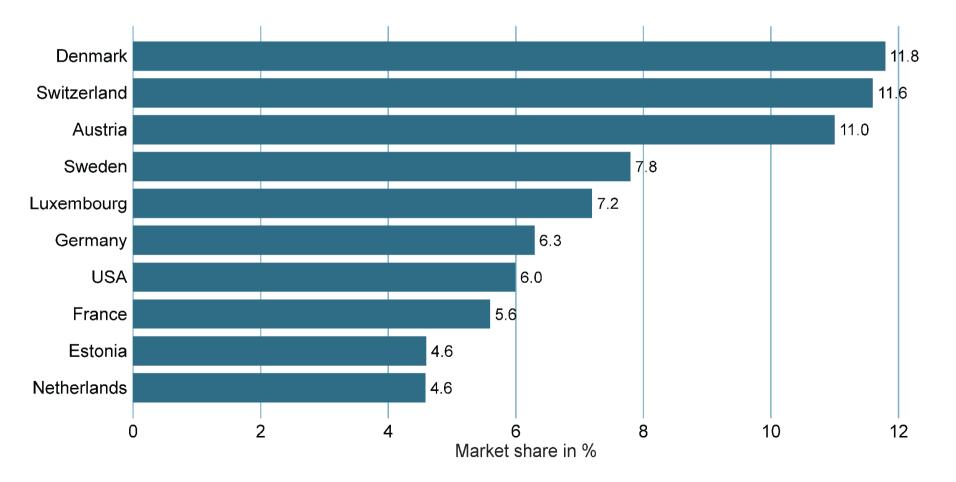
Europe: The countries with the highest per capita consumption 2023

Source: FiBL-AMI survey 2025



World: Top ten countries with the highest organic market shares of the total retail sales 2023

Source: FiBL-AMI survey 2025



Conclusions

- In 2023, 19.5 million hectares of farmland in Europe were organic, with 10.9% of the EU's farmland certified organic.
- Spain surpassed France as the largest organic farmland country. Despite challenges, Ukraine's organic farmland expanded by 0.21 million hectares.
- The EU's organic farmland grew by 0.6 million hectares (+3.6%), and Europe's by 0.77 million hectares (+4.1%), with Spain and Ukraine leading growth.
- Liechtenstein had the highest organic farmland share globally (4^4.6%), followed by Austria (27.3%) in the EU.
- Organic imports to the EU totalled 2.48 million metric tons, led by Ecuador, with bananas as the top commodity.
- Retail sales reached 54.7 billion euros (46.5 billion in the EU), marking a 3.0% increase (EU: 2.9%).
- Denmark had the highest organic market (11.8%) share and Switzerland led in per capita consumption (468 euros).
- Estonia (+13.0%), the Netherlands (+12.5%), and Belgium (+9.0%) saw the strongest market growth.



More information

- https://www.organic-world.net/yearbook/yearbook-2024.html:
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