Organic Agriculture in Europe

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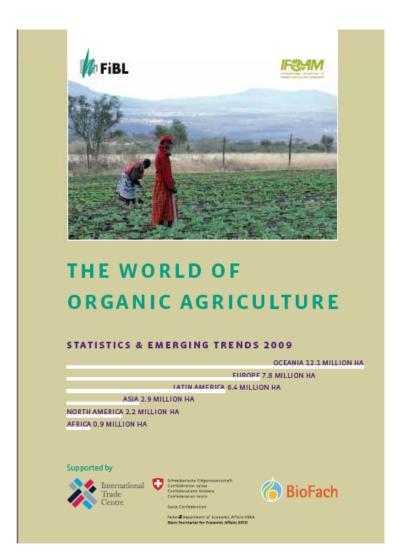




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Yearbook ,The World of Organic Agriculture'

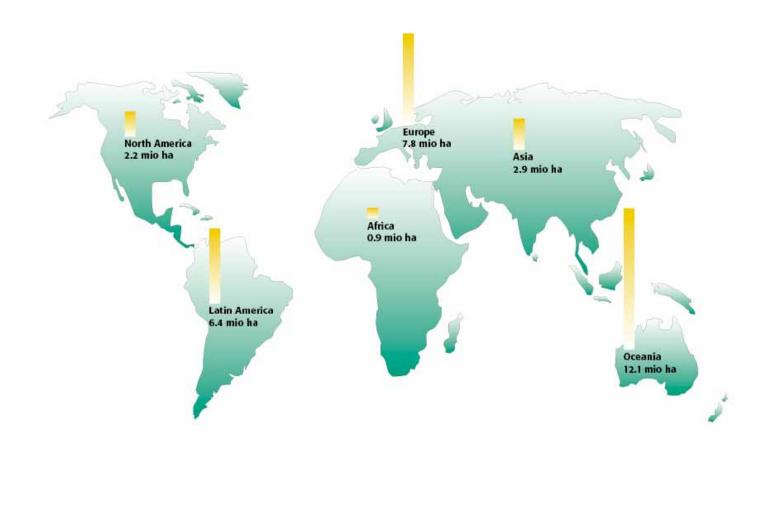
- 10th edition of ,The World of Organic Agriculture', published by IFOAM and FiBL
- Funded by ITC, SECO and BioFach
- With contributions from more than 40 authors
- Contents:
 - Results of the global organic survey
 - Organic agriculture in the geopgraphical regions, special focus on Latin America
 - Chapters on the global market, standards and legislation, crops, food security, other issues







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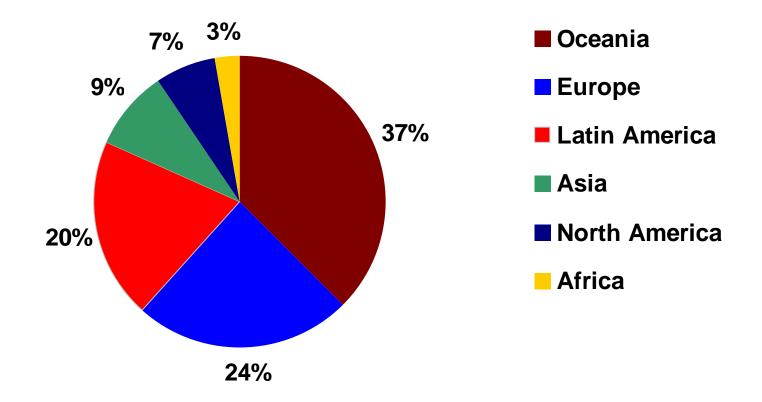


Key data

- 32.2 million hectares of agricultural land are managed organically
- This is an increase of 1.5 million hectares compared to the previous year
- Growth happened in Latin America, Africa and Europe; less organic land was reported for Oceania and in Asia
- More than one third of the world's organic land is in Oceania, followed by Europe (24%) and Latin America (20%)
- 12 million hectares are in Australia, followed by Argentina (2.8 million hectares) and Brazil (1.8 mio hectares)
- Almost 30 % of the agricultural land in Liechtenstein are organic, followed by Austria (13.4 %) and Switzerland (11 %)
- > 1.2 million organic producers were recorded



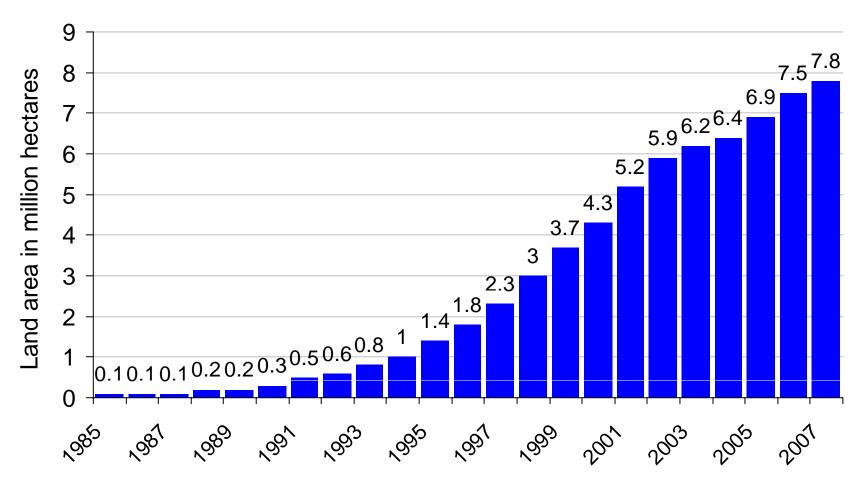
Organically managed land by geographical region 2007







Development of the organic and certified in-conversion land in Europe 1985-2007





Source: FiBL, Institute of Rural Sciences/ Université d'Aberystwyth et ZMP

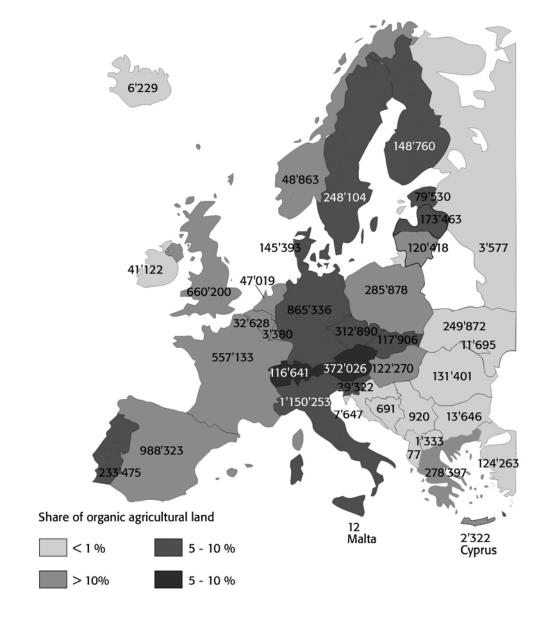
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Europe

- •7.8 million hectares
- •1.9 % of the agricultural land
- •213'000 producers

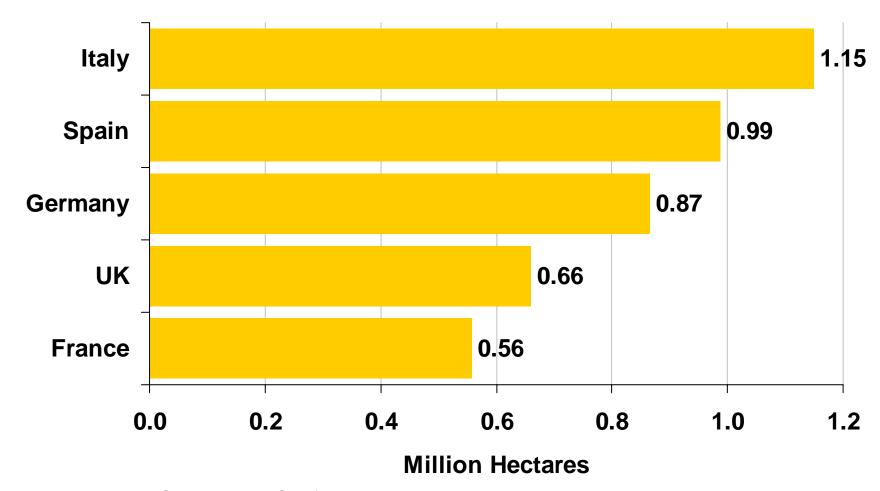
European Union

- •7.2 million hectares
- •3.9 % of the agricultural land
- •170'000 producers





The five countries with most organic land 2007

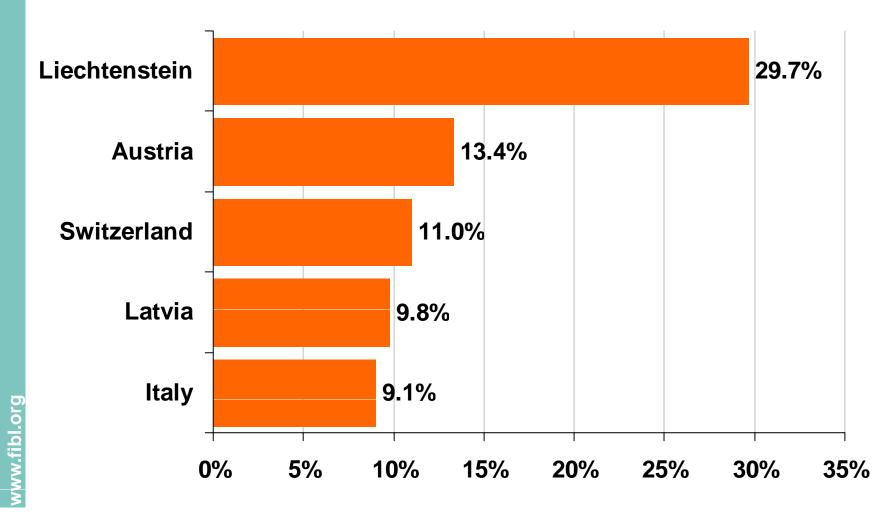


Argentina, US and Uruguay: Only fully converted areas



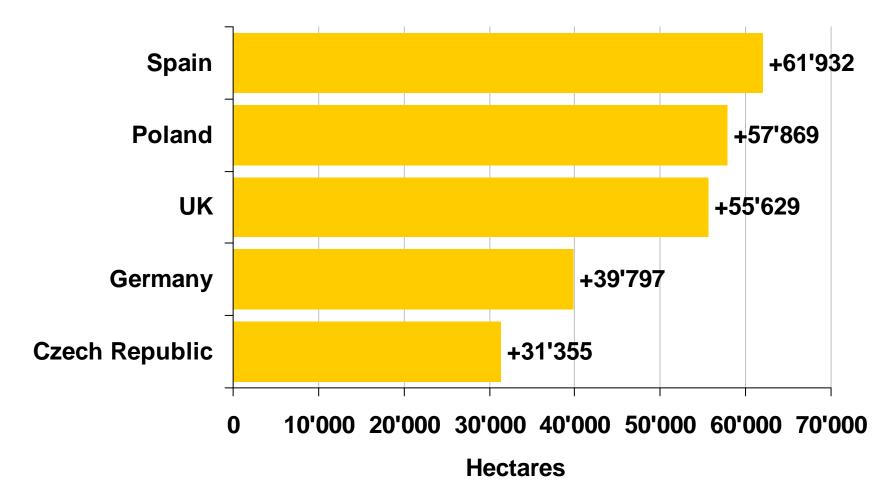
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The ten countries with the highest shares of organic land





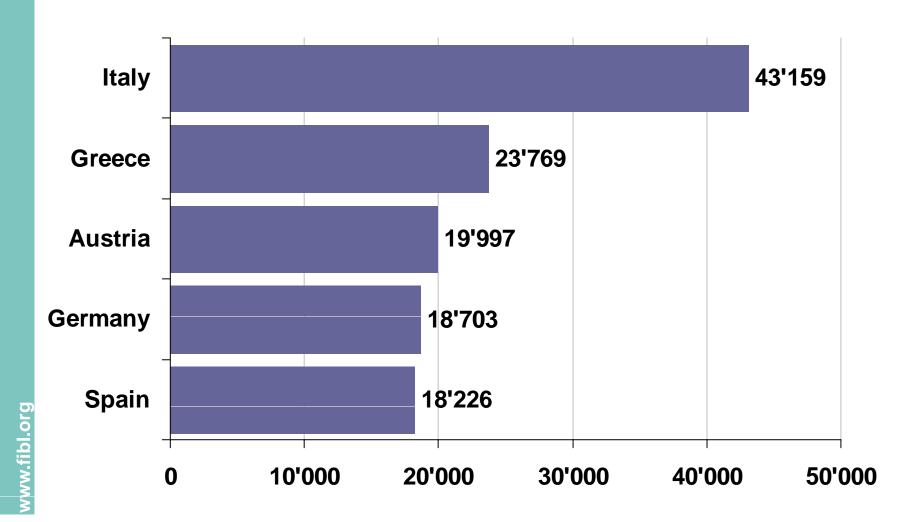
The five European countries with the highest increase of organic land 2006-2007





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The five Europan countries with the largest numbers of organic producers 2007

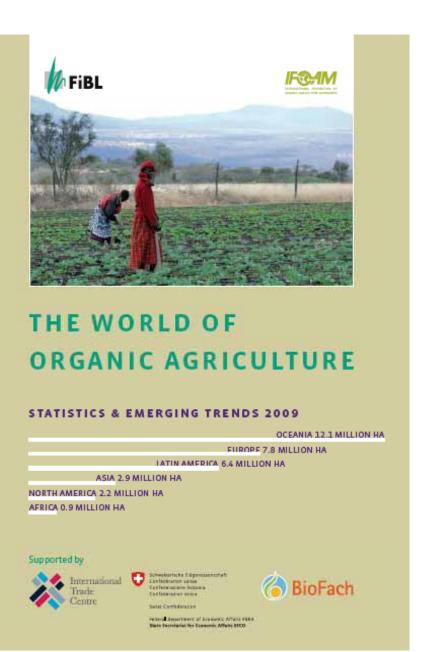




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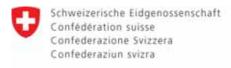




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