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2019 CERTIFIED ORGANIC SURVEY

MINNESOTA

The **2019 Certified Organic Survey** is a special study conducted by the U.S. Department of Agriculture's (USDA) National Agricultural Statistics Service (NASS) and is part of the 2017 Census of Agriculture program. The primary purpose of the survey is to collect value of sales information at the commodity level along with acreage, production, and practices data for a variety of certified organic crop and livestock operations. This is the sixth comprehensive organic survey NASS has conducted and the first since the 2016 Organic Survey.

Complete results of the 2019 Certified Organic Survey are available at: www.nass.usda.gov/organics/

Top 10 States by Number of Certified Organic Farms: 2019

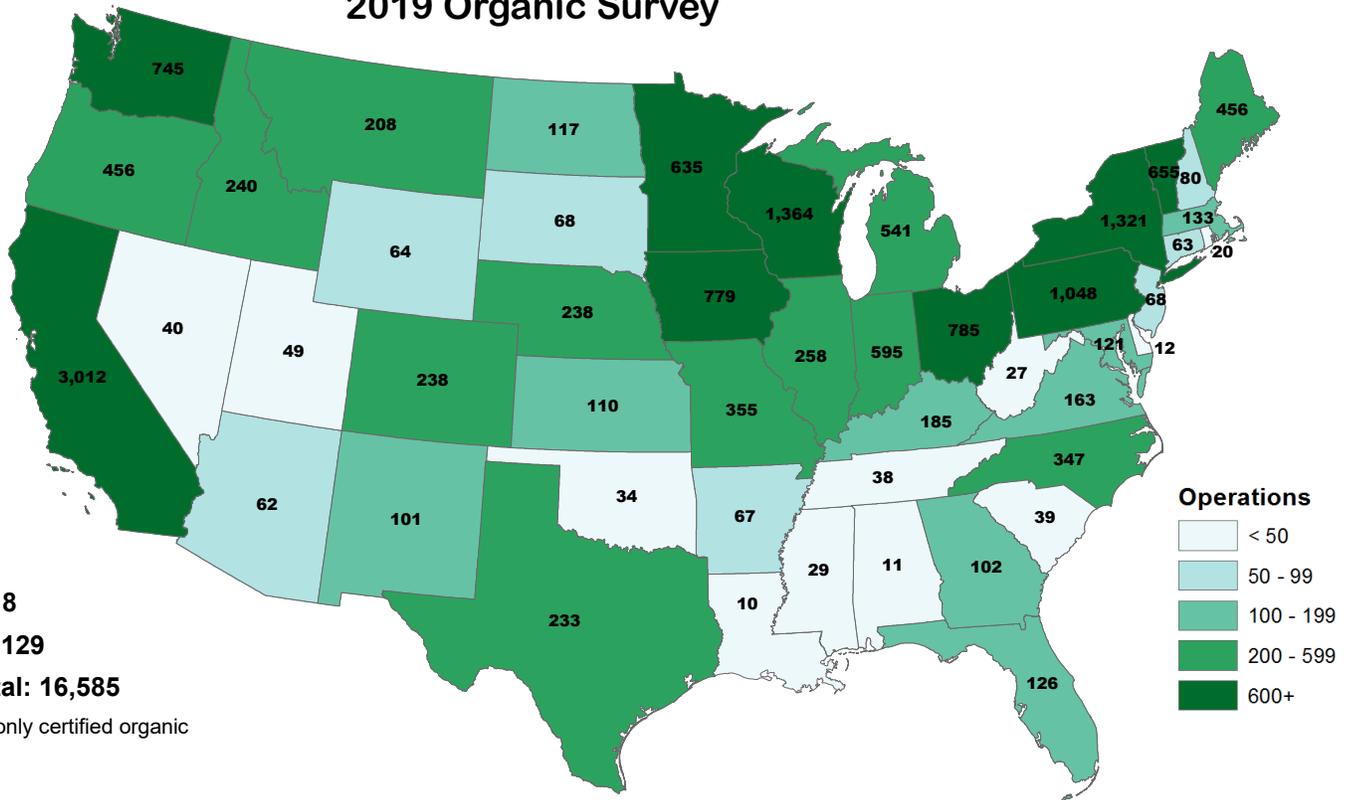
State	2019				Change in sales 2019/2016 (percent)
	Organic ag land (acres)	Operations (number)	Total organic sales (million dollars)	Average sales per farm (thousand dollars)	
California	965,257	3,012	3,596.9	1,198	+24
Wisconsin	250,940	1,364	268.9	198	+5
New York	323,081	1,321	298.4	227	+38
Pennsylvania	107,550	1,048	741.8	714	+12
Ohio	111,920	785	117.0	150	+16
Iowa	133,691	779	144.6	186	+10
Washington	111,930	745	886.0	1,192	+39
Vermont	203,002	655	159.7	245	+26
Minnesota	172,968	635	113.6	179	+7
Indiana	(D)	595	181.0	305	+83
United States	5,495,274	16,585	9,925.9	601	+31

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IN 2019, THE AVERAGE ORGANIC FARM IN MINNESOTA WAS 272 ACRES, COMPARED TO 331 ACRES FOR THE U.S.

In 2019, Minnesota ranked ninth in the nation for the total **number of certified organic farms** with 635 farms. That is nearly 4% of the nation's total number of certified organic farms. There were 172,968 **acres of certified organic farmland** in Minnesota. This was an increase of 42,280 acres from 2016.

**ORGANIC FARMS*—States and United States
2019 Organic Survey**

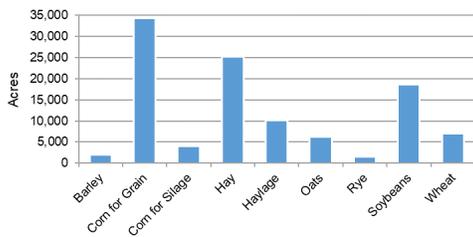


Cow milk had the highest total value of sales of organically produced commodities in Minnesota with \$38.2 million in sales.

Minnesota ranks third in certified organic **corn for grain** and fourth in organic **soybean** production in the U.S. and comprised 10% of the national production, for both corn and soybeans.

Minnesota ranked second in certified organic **rye** production in the U.S. and comprised 16% of the Nation's organic **rye** with sales totaling \$328,736 in 2019.

Select Organic Field Crop Acres Harvested - Minnesota: 2019



Minnesota produced 38% of the Nation's organic **goat milk** with sales totaling \$913,814.

Minnesota ranked third in certified organic **oat** production in the U.S. and comprised 12% of the Nation's organic **oats**, with sales totaling \$1,441,161 in 2019.

Organic Livestock, Poultry, and Livestock Products, Inventory and Sales, Certified Organic Farms — Minnesota: 2019

Commodity	Inventory			Value of Sales		
	Farms (number)	Peak (head)	On Dec. 31 (head)	Farms (number)	Quantity sold (units)	Total sales (dollars)
LIVESTOCK						
Milk cows (head)	127	11,219	10,407	118	2,966	2,921,205
Beef cows (head)	23	486	430	22	129	110,343
Other cattle & calves (head)	154	9,489	8,556	144	5,122	5,070,201
Hogs & pigs (head)	10	776	384	8	798	173,094
Sheep & lambs (head)	3	(D)	74	1	(D)	(D)
Goats & kids (head)	11	1,566	1,167	11	376	28,267
Chickens, layers (head)	23	62,910	62,346	11	39,322	21,770
Chickens, broilers (head)	6	2,080	1,900	6	2,000	40,000
Turkeys (head)	4	(D)	(D)	4	(D)	(D)
LIVESTOCK PRODUCTS						
Milk from cows (lbs)	(X)	(X)	(X)	125	138,891,803	38,244,305
Milk from goats (lbs)	(X)	(X)	(X)	11	1,643,139	913,814
Chicken eggs (dozen)	(X)	(X)	(X)	20	1,403,975	2,483,164

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Organic Field Crops, Production and Sales, Certified Organic Farms — Minnesota: 2019

Crop and unit	Harvested			Value of sales		
	Farms (number)	Area (acres)	Quantity (units)	Farms (number)	Quantity (units)	Total sales (dollars)
Barley (bu)	43	1,930	67,923	30	47,423	361,073
Corn for grain (bu)	376	34,397	3,746,944	308	3,073,736	24,863,496
Corn for silage (tons)	85	3,982	61,638	12	5,715	320,037
Dry edible beans, all (cwt)	34	4,349	55,913	34	55,913	4,151,166
Hay, dry (tons)	293	25,302	80,883	187	46,080	6,882,393
Hay, dry, alfalfa and alfalfa mixtures (tons)	227	19,508	65,047	150	40,622	6,163,327
Hay, all other dry hay (tons)	105	5,794	15,836	55	5,458	719,066
Haylage (tons)	105	10,179	48,781	41	9,298	1,019,606
Oats (bu)	138	6,172	344,081	96	279,163	1,444,161
Rye (bu)	46	1,526	54,179	35	37,851	328,736
Sorghum for silage (tons)	15	447	3,340	4	1,313	76,100
Soybeans (bu)	229	18,717	604,276	214	566,667	10,830,644
Wheat, All (bu)	59	7,015	235,705	54	221,266	2,483,174
Wheat, spring (bu)	54	6,645	217,263	49	202,824	2,291,788
Wheat, winter (bu)	7	370	18,442	7	18,442	191,386

Organic Fruits, Berries, and Vegetables Production and Sales, Certified Organic Farms — Minnesota: 2019

Crop and unit	Harvested			Value of sales		
	Farms (number)	Area (acres)	Quantity (units)	Farms (number)	Quantity (units)	Total sales (dollars)
Apples (lbs)	15	81	576,442	15	576,442	367,782
Berries	17	11	(X)	17	(X)	114,685
Blueberries (lbs)	4	6	(D)	4	(D)	(D)
Raspberries (lbs)	7	1	1,039	7	1,039	8,188
Strawberries (cwt)	13	(D)	73	13	73	29,986
Other berries (lbs)	2	(D)	(D)	2	(D)	(D)
All vegetables (grown in the open)	96	4,346	(X)	96	(X)	(D)
Other vegetables and fresh herbs (grown under protection) (*sq. ft.)	16	66,673*	(X)	16	(X)	167,438

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TO MINNESOTA ORGANIC PRODUCERS: THIS REPORT CONTAINS A BRIEF SUMMARY OF THE DATA COLLECTED FROM THE 2019 ORGANIC SURVEY. WE APPRECIATE YOUR ASSISTANCE IN PROVIDING TIMELY AND ACCURATE DATA ON THIS GROWING INDUSTRY. THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT.