



Minnesota Ag News – 2021 Certified Organics

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In 2021, Minnesota ranked tenth in the Nation for the total number of **certified organic farms** with 650 farms, 4 percent of the Nation's total according to the USDA, National Agricultural Statistics Service – *2021 Organic Survey*. There were 163,835 acres of **certified organic farmland** in Minnesota. In 2021, the average organic farm in Minnesota was 252 acres, compared to 281 acres for the U.S.

Milk from cows had the highest total value of sales for organic commodities in Minnesota at \$40.8 million in sales. Minnesota produced 3 percent of national production. The State produced 19 percent of the Nation's organic **goat milk** with sales totaling \$444,000.

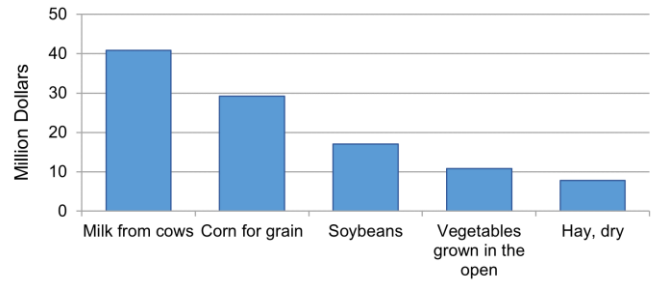
Minnesota ranked fifth in certified organic **corn for grain** and fourth in organic **soybean** production in the U.S. and comprised 8 and 7 percent of the national production, respectively.

Minnesota ranked third in certified organic **rye** production in the U.S. and comprised 15 percent of the Nation's organic rye with sales totaling \$967,168 in 2021.

Minnesota ranked third in certified organic **oat** production in the U.S. and comprised 9 of the Nation's organic oats with sales totaling \$1.82 million in 2021.

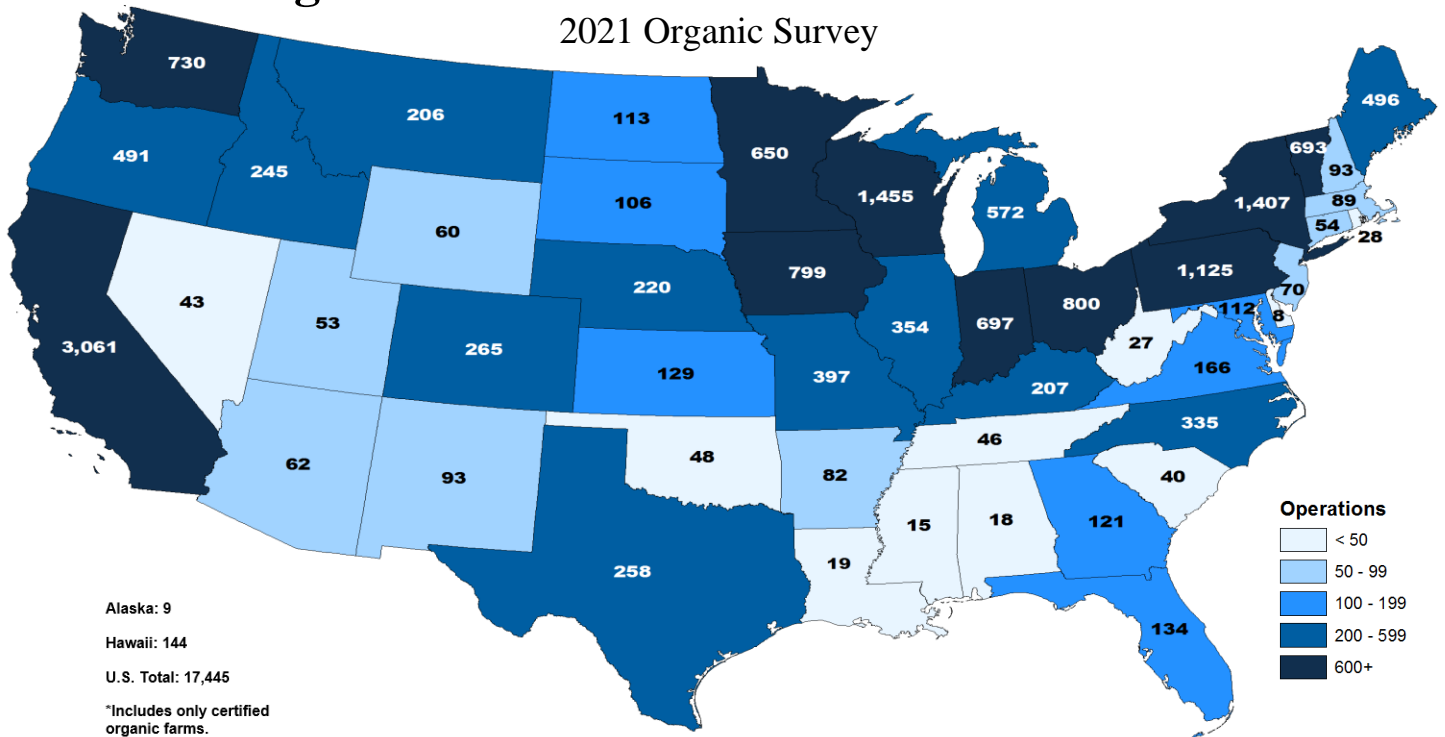
Minnesota produced 5 percent of the Nation's organic **dry hay** with sales totaling \$7.84 million in 2021.

**Organic Sales, Top 5 Commodities, Certified Organic Farms
Minnesota: 2021**



Organic Farms* – States and United States

2021 Organic Survey



Certified Organic Farms – Top 10 States: 2021

	Organic ag land	Operations	Total organic sales	Average sales per farm
	(acres)	(number)	(1,000 dollars)	(1,000 dollars)
California	813,710	3,061	3,550,489	1,160
Indiana	65,727	697	190,469	273
Iowa	169,361	799	237,616	297
Minnesota	163,835	650	149,890	231
New York	331,438	1,407	327,910	233
Ohio	111,293	800	177,571	222
Pennsylvania	104,805	1,125	1,094,356	973
Vermont	203,083	693	152,979	221
Washington	134,911	730	1,139,532	1,561
Wisconsin	245,333	1,455	312,592	215
United States	4,895,279	17,445	11,205,222	642

Organic Livestock, Poultry, and Livestock Products Inventory and Sales, Certified Organic Farms – Minnesota: 2021

Commodity	Inventory			Value of sales		
	Farms	Peak	On Dec 31	Farms	Quantity sold	Total sales
	(number)	(head)	(head)	(number)	(units)	(dollars)
Livestock						
Milk cows	104	10,878	10,352	104	2,588	2,711,990
Beef cows	23	928	863	15	181	258,738
Other cattle & calves	135	10,115	9,513	135	6,075	6,110,810
Hogs & pigs	8	1,318	922	5	1,177	240,909
Goats & kids	6	786	726	6	236	20,012
Chickens, layers	23	63,377	61,620	16	34,909	36,869
Chickens, broilers	4	3,050	2,020	4	1,830	36,800
Turkeys	7	260,500	0	7	431,500	7,029,650
Livestock products						
Milk from cows	(X)	(X)	(X)	104	139,728,831	40,823,296
Milk from goats	(X)	(X)	(X)	6	784,000	444,000
Chicken eggs	(X)	(X)	(X)	21	1,112,015	4,921,076

(X) Not applicable.

Organic Crops Production and Sales, Certified Organic Farms – Minnesota: 2021

Crop	Harvested			Value of sales		
	Farms	Area	Quantity	Farms	Quantity	Total sales
	(number)	(acres)	(units)	(number)	(units)	(dollars)
Field crops						
Barley	41	2,038	69,314	31	55,223	505,807
Corn for grain	326	31,041	3,842,704	266	3,150,573	29,223,490
Corn for silage	70	5,588	104,163	21	16,927	1,132,981
Dry edible beans, all	32	6,289	83,205	32	83,205	6,394,527
Hay, dry	270	27,333	80,764	192	45,930	7,837,779
Hay, dry, alf & alf mix	206	20,197	64,542	149	39,405	6,845,955
Hay, dry, all other	93	7,136	16,222	60	6,525	991,824
Haylage	75	10,322	43,255	30	9,197	1,244,353
Oats	109	5,666	352,757	86	301,751	1,821,721
Rye	31	1,921	91,093	25	82,755	967,168
Sorghum for silage	16	595	5,347	8	1,126	58,334
Soybeans	209	21,813	708,222	197	650,060	17,110,665
Wheat, all	53	5,522	190,099	46	173,324	2,068,487
Wheat, spring	46	4,929	159,587	39	142,812	1,734,546
Wheat, winter	9	593	30,512	9	30,512	333,941
Fruits & Berries						
Apples	21	85	544,740	21	544,740	550,436
Berries	29	50	(X)	29	(X)	733,659
Grapes	10	8	8	10	8	23,340
Vegetables						
Sweet corn	36	2,079	224,075	36	224,075	2,504,828
Vegetables grown in the open	135	4,598	(X)	135	(X)	10,840,692
Vegetables/herbs grown under protection	45	105,277*	(X)	45	(X)	483,315

(X) Not applicable.

* Square feet.