



# NORTHEASTERN REGION ORGANIC REPORT

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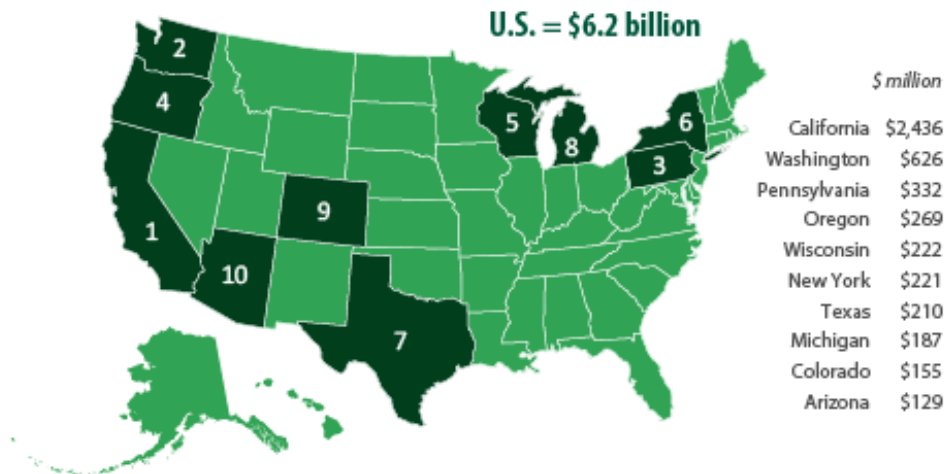
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**HARRISBURG, PA September 21, 2016** – The U.S. Department of Agriculture’s National Agricultural Statistics Service (NASS) released the results of the 2015 Certified Organic Survey, which show that 12,818 certified organic farms in the United States sold a total of \$6.2 billion in organic products in 2015, up 13 percent from \$5.5 billion in 2014. Pennsylvania and New York ranked in the top 10 in organic sales.

## Top 10 States in Organic Sales, 2015

Ten states account for 78% of U.S. certified organic sales



### Northeastern Region Highlights

**Connecticut** shows that 59 certified organic farms sold a total of \$4.7 million in organic products in 2015, up 27 percent from \$3.7 million in 2014.

**Maine** shows that 476 certified organic farms sold a total of \$47.8 million in organic products in 2015, down 12 percent from \$54.2 million in 2014.

**Maryland** shows that 88 certified organic farms sold a total of \$13.9 million in organic products in 2015, down 27 percent from \$19.0 million in 2014.

**Massachusetts** shows that 130 certified organic farms sold a total of \$30.5 million in organic products in 2015, up 23 percent from \$24.8 million in 2014.

**New Hampshire** shows that 106 certified organic farms sold a total of \$18.7 million in organic products in 2015, down 10 percent from \$20.8 million in 2014.

**New Jersey** shows that 75 certified organic farms sold a total of \$11.3 million in organic products in 2015, up 45 percent from \$7.8 million in 2014.

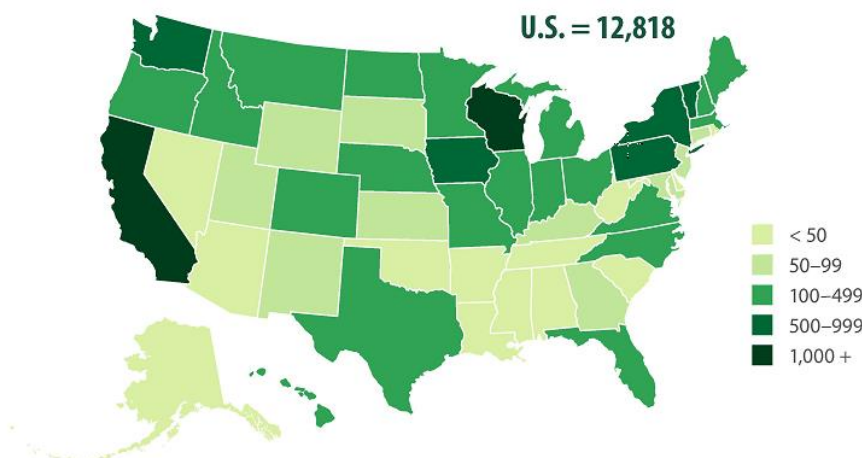
**New York** shows that 934 certified organic farms sold a total of \$221 million in organic products in 2015, up 34 percent from \$164 million in 2014.

**Pennsylvania** shows that 681 certified organic farms sold a total of \$332 million in organic products in 2015, up 6 percent from \$313 million in 2014.

**Rhode Island** shows that 19 certified organic farms sold a total of \$474 thousand in organic products in 2015, down 47 percent from \$902 thousand in 2014.

## Number of Certified Organic Farms, by State, 2015

California and Wisconsin had more than 1,000; South had few



Source: USDA NASS 2015 Certified Organic Survey



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The 2015 Certified Organic Survey is a census of all operations identified as having certified organic production. Certified organic farms must meet the standards set out by USDA's Agricultural Marketing Service's (AMS) [National Organic Program](http://www.nass.usda.gov/organic) (NOP) and be certified compliant by an approved agent of NOP. Survey results are available at [www.nass.usda.gov/organic](http://www.nass.usda.gov/organic) or the Quick Stats database at <http://quickstats.nass.usda.gov>.

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