

## KEY INDICATORS

With 90,938 hectares, the Netherlands had 5% of its farmland under organic management in 2024, considerably less than the EU (11.1%). Growth from 2001-2024 was modest compared to most other countries; the organic farmland area only doubled. In the Netherlands, organic retail sales amounted to 1,880 million euros or 3.7% of all retail sales, similar to the EU organic share of food retail sales.



### ORGANIC FARMLAND

2001

2024

**Area\* (Share of Total Farmland)**

35,877 ha (1.8%)

90,938 ha (5%)

**Area Growth from 2001 to 2024**

125.4%



### ORGANIC LAND USE & AQUACULTURE

2001

2024

**Arable Land\* (Share of Total)**

16,001 ha (2.6%)

34,233 ha (3.4%)

**Permanent Crops\* (Share of Total)**

598 ha (2.9%)

962 ha (2.6%)

**Grassland\* (Share of Total)**

18,890 ha (1.9%)

55,743 ha (7.2)

**Aquaculture Production (Share of Total)**

N/D

15,277 t (38.7%) (2021)



### ORGANIC OPERATORS

2001

2024

**Producers (Share of Total)**

1,528 (1.5%)

2,099 (4%)

**Aquaculture Producers**

N/D

35

**Processors**

N/D

1,146

**Importers**

N/D

505



### ORGANIC RETAIL SALES

2001

2024

**Retail Sales (Share of Total)**

343 M €

1,880 M€ (3.7%)

**Per Capita Consumption**

21.5 €

105 €

**Retail Sales Growth from 2001 to 2024**

N/D

**Imports**

N/D

933,370 t

Source: FiBL survey based on national data sources, Eurostat and TRACES/European Commission in the framework of the OrganicTargets4EU project

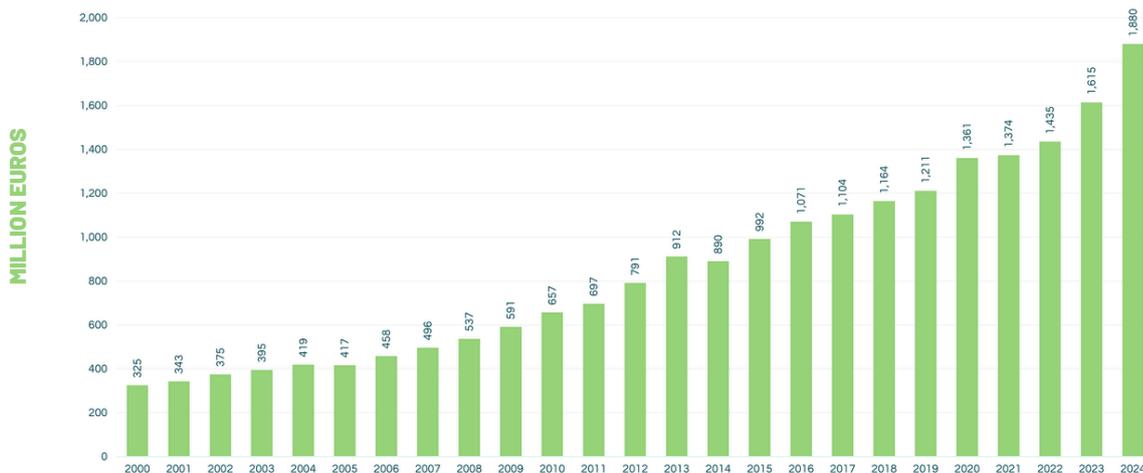
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### DEVELOPMENT OF ORGANIC FARMLAND IN NETHERLANDS



Source: FiBL-AMI Survey based on Eurostat and Nic Lampkin

### DEVELOPMENT OF ORGANIC SALES IN NETHERLANDS



Source: FiBL-AMI Survey based on Bionext and LEI

## CAP ORGANIC POLICY SUPPORT

After a long period when the Netherlands was the only country in Europe not to support conversion to or maintenance of organic farming, the introduction of support for organic farming at the top level of the national eco-scheme marks a significant change in approach. The Netherlands CAP Strategic Plan sets a target of 6.5% of UAA to be supported as organic by 2027/8, with just over 6% of total environmental support and less than 2% of CAP funds allocated to organic. Some provinces, e.g. Overijssel, provide additional conversion support not detailed here.



### CONVERSION & MAINTENANCE

2018

2027

<b>Land Area Supported (Change from 2018)*</b>	0 kha	109 kha
<b>Share of Total Agricultural Area Supported*</b>	0%	6.5%
<b>Share of Certified Organic Area Supported (Change)*</b>	0%	N/D
<b>Expenditure per Year*</b>	0 M€	16 M€
<b>Expenditure per Hectare Supported*</b>	0 €	200 €

\*including in-conversion and fully organic land



### SHARE OF CAP RESOURCES

### CAP EXP. 2023-2027 ORGANIC SHARE\*

<b>Organic Farming Support (P1)*</b>	95 M€	100%
<b>Eco-Schemes (P1)</b>	964 M€	6.2%
<b>Agri-Environment, Climate, Welfare (P2)</b>	576 M€	
<b>Total CAP Expenditure</b>	4,899 M€	1.9%

Organic eco-scheme expenditure estimated from per hectare rates and R29 indicators

\*including in-conversion and fully organic land

## CAP ORGANIC CONVERSION AND MAINTENANCE PAYMENTS FOR DIFFERENT LAND USES

INDICATOR	YEAR	FUND	GRASSLAND	ARABLE CROPS	HORTICULTURE	FRUIT CROPS
<b>Conversion Support (€/ha)</b>	2019	N/D	0	0	0	0
	2023	P1	200	200	200	200
<b>Change from 2019 to 2023</b>			∞	∞	∞	∞
<b>Maintenance Support (€/ha)</b>	2019	N/D	0	0	0	0
	2023	P1	200	200	200	200
<b>Change from 2019 to 2023</b>			∞	∞	∞	∞
<b>Conversion Support Higher than Maintenance</b>	2019		0%	0%	0%	0%
	2023		0%	0%	0%	0%

P1 (Pillar 1) European Agricultural Guarantee Fund (EAGF); P2 (Pillar 2) European Agricultural Fund for Rural Development (EAFRD) and national co-financing

## NATIONAL ORGANIC ACTION PLAN

Although the Netherlands had three action plans from 2001, there was a long period since 2010 with no new action plans. The latest action plan for 2023-2030 sets an ambitious target of 15% of UAA to be organic by 2030, making the target challenging, also given the CAP CSP target of 6.5% UAA supported as organic in 2027/8.

### TARGETS

	PERIOD	LAND AREA TARGET	OTHER TARGETS
<b>Previous Action Plan</b>	None	None	None
<b>Current Action Plan</b>	2023-30	15% of UAA by 2030	25% of public procurement

### KEY ACTIONS

#### PREVIOUS ACTION PLAN (N/D)

#### CURRENT ACTION PLAN (2023 - 2030)



### AQUACULTURE

The organic share of total aquaculture production in the Netherlands is 20%. The Netherlands was not included in our analysis of the EMFF (2014-2020) and EMFAF (2021-2027) operational programmes and the Multi-annual National Strategic Plan for Aquaculture. Aquaculture was not highlighted in the current national organic action plan from 2023. As the funding is project specific and there is no ring-fenced organic budget, statistics on organic aquaculture support expenditure are not available.

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