



EXTRA INFORMATION:
2025 Organics Survey



Purpose:

To collect acreage, production, sales data, and marketing and agricultural practices for a variety of certified organic crop and livestock commodities.

Uses of the Data:

Used by government agencies (both federal and state) and the organic industry to determine sustainability, size, and structure of the industry for planning, policy-making, research and market analysis.

Producers can use the data to help make decisions for their operations (expand/reduce production or compare production volumes/price points with state and U.S. averages).

Vital to help improve insurance programs for organic producers.

Grower associations use the data to help promote organic agriculture both domestically and abroad.

General:

If the operation did not produce any "Certified Organic" products, you will skip all the production questions and only ask about transitional acres in section 14. Watch the skips in the questionnaire.

Be sure to exclude anything that was for home use, home gardens, or personal consumption.

Include landlord's share and contractor's share when reporting acres, production sold, and gross value of sales.

Exclude any wild gathered crops.

Exclude anything bought and re-sold (must have been produced by this operation).

If the respondent produced something that is not listed, enter the name of the item and select the "not listed" code in that section.

GVS should be reported whether the item was sold as organic or as conventional as long as it was grown as certified organic. This can happen if there was not a market to sell as Certified organic.

Estimate quantity as GVS for anything that is still expected to be sold.

Report acres to the nearest tenth whenever possible.

Value added products must be produced from the operation's own organic agriculture production (cannot be from items purchased, processed and sold).

Value added is any activity or service occurring after agricultural production that added value to the product such as processing milk into cheese, berries into jam, apples into cider, etc.