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National report on organic production Montenegro



Country overview, details on organic production

Country Data	2007	2008	Source
No. of inhabitants:	626,188		
No. of households:	180,517*		MONSTAT-* DATA FROM CENSUS IN 2003
Average household size:	3.43*		MONSTAT-* DATA FROM CENSUS IN 2003
Gross domestic product per capita (€)	€ 4,484	€ 4,908	MONSTAT
The Food Market			
Annual amount spent on food per person (includes non-alcoholic beverages as well as food): €	€ 54*	€ 61*	MONSTAT-Household Budget Survey harmonized with international standards

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The organic agriculture	2007	2008	2009	Source
Total agriculture area (ha)*	518.000	-	-	MONSTAT
Organic agriculture land use (converted surface controlled according to EU regulation in ha)	133.800*	101.800*	101.800*	Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Water Management
Organic agriculture land use (converted surface controlled according to country regulation in ha)	134.803,8**	103.608,1**	102.910,7**	-II-
Organic agriculture land use (in-conversion surface controlled according to country regulation in ha)	42,6	67,4	3.492,9	-II-

* wild collection areas

** including wild collection areas

The organic agriculture	2007	2008	2009	Source
Number of organic farms (converted and controlled according to EU regulation ha)	1	1	1	- -
Number of organic farms (converted and controlled according to country regulation, year)	3	6	6	- -
Number of organic farms (in-conversion and controlled according to country regulation, year)	10	20	28	- -
Number of all farms (organic + conventional), year)	13	26	34	- -

The organic agriculture	2008	2009
Cereals (kg) IN CONVERSION	8,050	500
Other crops from arable land (kg)		80
Other crops from arable land (kg) IN CONVERSION	50	
Pastures and prairies (ha)	800	4,555
Vegetables (t)	84	55
Vegetables (t) IN CONVERSION	89	
Fruits (t)	4.3	7.4
Fruits (t) IN CONVERSION	7.4	7.2
Wild collection (t)	5.4	6.6

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Animal production	2008	2009
Dairy cows	54	56 + 79 IN CONVERSION
Sheep	160 IN CONVERSION	160 910 IN CONVERSION
Goats	450 IN CONVERSION	530 150 IN CONVERSION
Beehives	40 IN CONVERSION	31 11 IN CONVERSION

Source:
Monteorganica

Table 1: Overview of registered and certified producers of organic agriculture and issued certificates in Montenegro for 2009.

No.	Municipality	No. of registered producers	No. of certificated producers	No. of organic certificates	No. of certificates in conversion
1.	Podgorica	6	1	1	-
2.	Nikšić	7	3	1	2
3.	Kolašin	2	1	1	-
4.	Pljevlja	4	1	1	-
5.	Mojkovac	1	-	-	-
6.	Berane	3	-	-	-
7.	Bijelo Polje	3	-	-	-
8.	Bar	2	2	2	-
9.	Herceg Novi	2	-	-	-
10.	Plužine	3	-	-	-
11.	Žabljak	1	-	-	-
Total:		34	8	6	2

Market development and organic certification used

- The development of organic agriculture in Montenegro can be divided in two phases: first, in the period 2001-2004., second in the period since 2004. till now.
- The first phase is characterized by activities whose primary goal was to inform producers and consumers on the advantages and disadvantages of organic agriculture, market inquiry, education and agricultural engineers to identify problems faced by organic agriculture.
- The second phase is characterized by: initiation of the preparation of drafting laws and by laws, education of local experts from agriculture (departures abroad on training, etc.) and the establishment of certification body called "Monteorganica.



Organic logo for Montenegro



Logo of the certification body Monteorganica

According to the national law Monteorganica provides a complete service in the inspection of organic products and other food quality systems according to standards and to the European Regulation. Founded in 2005.

These body is located in Podgorica, capital of Montenegro

Adress: Vasa Raickovica 18, 8100 Podgorica, Internet: www.orgcg.org

Strong brands

Brand name	product
Agrovita	Production of bread and pastries from integral flavour , growing and processing of buckwheat as an organic product
Bubulj	cheese made from goat milk
Mirjanic	jam and juices of cornel berry
Nika	diary products (organic yogurt, organic cheese)
HM Durmitor-Zabljak	hard cream- kaymak
IN SPE	processing and trading of medical plants.

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Final comments

Environmental conditions in Montenegro provide preconditions for organic agriculture, but in the further period we expect better usage of them for development of organic agriculture.

The number of organic food producers is growing

Monitoring the organic agriculture growth in Montenegro is a complex task, due to the heterogeneity and unreliability of data and the difficulty in obtaining detailed statistical information about foreign trade, consumption and processing

The slow development of local market, represents a significant constraint to growth and an obstacle to the long term sustainability of the sector

Many farmers lack information and support, and in export oriented markets, the traders play the biggest role.

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