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2019 CERTIFIED ORGANIC SURVEY

IOWA

The **2019 Certified Organic Survey** is a special study conducted by the U.S. Department of Agriculture's (USDA) National Agricultural Statistics Service (NASS) and is part of the 2017 Census of Agriculture program. The primary purpose of the survey is to collect value of sales information at the commodity level along with acreage, production, and practices data for a variety of certified organic crop and livestock operations. This is the sixth comprehensive organic survey NASS has conducted and the first since the 2016 Organic Survey.

Complete results of the 2019 Certified Organic Survey are available at: www.nass.usda.gov/organics/

Top 10 States by Number of Certified Organic Farms: 2019

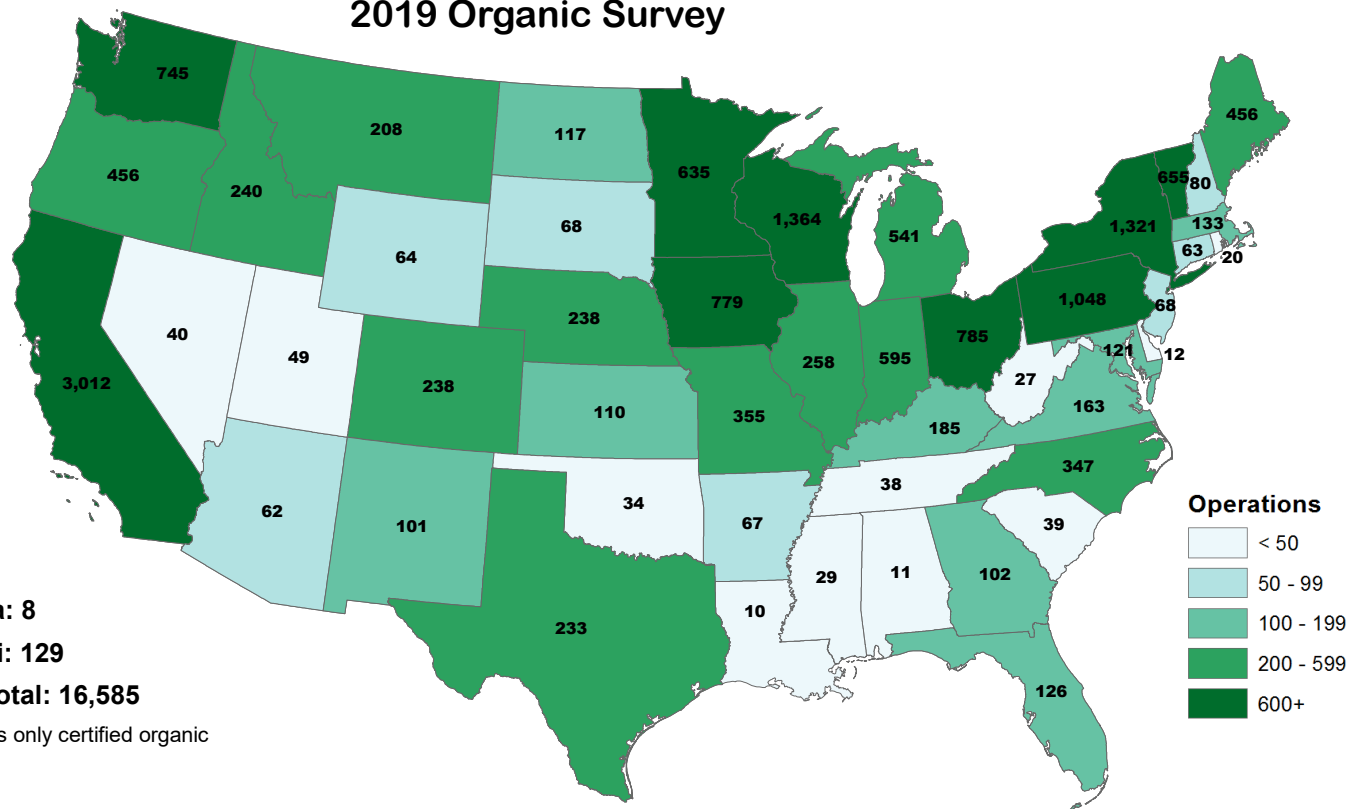
State	2019				Change in sales 2019/2016
	Organic ag land	Operations	Total organic sales	Average sales per farm	
	(acres)	(number)	(million dollars)	(thousand dollars)	(percent)
California	965,257	3,012	3,596.9	1,198	+24
Wisconsin	250,940	1,364	268.9	198	+5
New York	323,081	1,321	298.4	227	+38
Pennsylvania	107,550	1,048	741.8	714	+12
Ohio	111,920	785	117.0	150	+16
Iowa	133,691	779	144.6	186	+10
Washington	111,930	745	886.0	1,192	+39
Vermont	203,002	655	159.7	245	+26
Minnesota	172,968	635	113.6	179	+7
Indiana	(D)	595	181.0	305	+83
United States	5,495,274	16,585	9,925.9	601	+31

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**IN 2019, THE AVERAGE
ORGANIC FARM IN IOWA
WAS
172 ACRES, COMPARED TO
331 ACRES FOR THE U.S.**

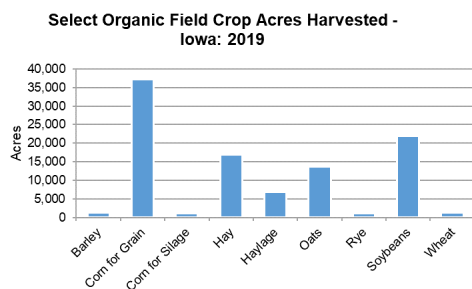
In 2019, Iowa ranked sixth in the nation for the total **number of certified organic farms** with 779 farms. That is nearly 5% of the nation's total number of certified organic farms. There were **133,691 acres of certified organic farmland** in Iowa. This was an increase of 30,555 acres from 2016.

**ORGANIC FARMS*—States and United States
2019 Organic Survey**



Corn for grain had the highest total value of sales of organically produced commodities in Iowa with \$38.0 million in sales. Iowa produced more certified organic corn of grain and **soybeans** than any other state, and comprised 13 and 15 percent of national production, respectively. The area harvested for organic corn for grain increased 25% from 2016. Organic soybean sales were \$15.5 million in Iowa.

Iowa produced 30% of the Nation's organic **oats** with sales totaling \$4,376,642 in 2019.



On December 31, Iowa producers had 5,458 certified organic **hogs** on hand, and comprised 36% of the national inventory. Iowa's organic hog inventory ranked first among all other states.

Eggs had the second highest total value of sales of organically produced commodities in Iowa with \$37.1 million in sales.

Organic Livestock, Poultry, and Livestock Products Inventory and Sales, Certified Organic Farms — Iowa: 2019

Commodity	Inventory			Value of sales		
	Farms	Peak	On Dec 31	Farms	Quantity sold	Total sales
	(number)	(head)		(number)	(units)	(dollars)
LIVESTOCK						
Milk cows (head)	107	5,967	5,321	88	1,425	1,101,148
Beef cows (head)	26	1,117	1,037	17	126	127,860
Other cattle & calves (head)	143	6,755	5,745	111	3,040	3,347,079
Hogs & pigs (head)	19	6,991	5,458	17	8,927	3,368,316
Sheep & lambs (head)	2	(D)	(D)	1	(D)	(D)
Goats & kids (head)	10	1,653	1,303	9	397	41,672
Chickens, layers (head)	98	1,071,344	1,042,445	55	366,490	680,270
Chickens, broilers (head)	6	(D)	(D)	6	(D)	(D)
Turkeys (head)	1	(D)	-	1	(D)	(D)
LIVESTOCK PRODUCTS						
Milk from cows (lbs)	(X)	(X)	(X)	105	70,705,742	19,103,218
Milk from goats (lbs)	(X)	(X)	(X)	9	1,772,433	967,705
Chicken eggs (dozen)	(X)	(X)	(X)	98	21,359,070	37,105,725

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Organic Field Crops Production and Sales, Certified Organic Farms — Iowa: 2019

Crop and unit	Harvested			Value of sales		
	Farms	Area	Quantity	Farms	Quantity	Total sales
	(number)	(acres)	(units)	(number)	(units)	(dollars)
Barley (bu)	25	1,206	48,652	16	39,670	269,574
Corn for grain (bu)	523	37,110	4,990,469	445	4,448,696	37,992,873
Corn for silage (tons)	58	1,105	17,479	13	2,829	198,931
Hay, dry (tons)	382	16,967	54,442	282	35,622	5,045,692
Hay, dry, alfalfa and alfalfa mixtures (tons)	280	11,936	41,180	212	26,834	4,023,546
Hay, all other dry hay (tons)	142	5,031	13,262	95	8,788	1,022,146
Haylage (tons)	116	6,778	34,131	64	9,432	1,036,691
Oats (bu)	225	13,643	903,343	183	850,688	4,376,642
Rye (bu)	25	1,073	35,696	17	17,495	155,249
Sorghum for silage (tons)	23	610	7,227	9	2,353	161,533
Soybeans (bu)	417	21,843	864,072	376	792,194	15,529,134
Wheat, all (bu)	27	1,365	49,718	23	47,828	439,638
Wheat, spring (bu)	7	293	7,810	7	7,810	89,552
Wheat, winter (bu)	21	1,072	41,908	17	40,018	350,086

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Organic Fruits, Berries, Vegetables, and Tree Nuts Production and Sales, Certified Organic Farms — Iowa: 2019

Crop and unit	Harvested			Value of sales		
	Farms	Area	Quantity	Farms	Quantity	Total sales
	(number)	(acres)	(units)	(number)	(units)	(dollars)
Apples (lbs)	5	13	65,844	5	65,844	206,310
Berries	49	(D)	(X)	49	(X)	(D)
Blueberries (lbs)	3	8	9,596	3	9,596	(D)
Strawberries (cwt)	8	(D)	70	8	70	32,295
Other berries (lbs)	40	165	320,284	40	320,284	275,521
All vegetables (grown in the open)	53	128	(X)	53	(X)	1,144,316
Other vegetables and fresh herbs (grown under protection) (*sq. ft.)	11	39,142*	(X)	11	(X)	261,175
All tree nuts	4	16	(X)	4	(X)	30,688

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TO IOWA ORGANIC PRODUCERS: THIS REPORT CONTAINS A BRIEF SUMMARY OF THE DATA COLLECTED FROM THE 2019 CERTIFIED ORGANIC SURVEY. WE APPRECIATE YOUR ASSISTANCE IN PROVIDING TIMELY AND ACCURATE DATA ON THIS GROWING INDUSTRY. THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT.