

Organic Statistics 2003

NOVA SCOTIA

FARMERS

Number certified: 45
% of total farmers: 1.1%
Number in transition: 1
Estimated gross value of sales: \$ 812,500
% less than \$10,000 gross sales: 62%
% over \$50,000 gross sales: 13%
Acreage in Production: 1023

TYPE OF PRODUCTION

Vegetables

Acres: 90
Mixed vegetable/market gardens: 78 acres, 26 farms, 65% direct to consumer sales;
Greenhouses 4.5 acres, 6 farms, 84% direct to consumer sales;
Potatoes 7 acres, 4 farms; garlic 1 acre

Herbs

Acres: 5 acres, 9 farms

Nursery/Flowers

1.75 acres , 2 farms

Fruit & Nuts:

Acres: 94
Berries 24 acres, 13 farms; 73% direct to consumer sales
Tree fruit 69 acres, 12 farms; 45% direct to consumer sales

Grains & Oilseeds:

Total acres: 92
Oats: 3 acres, 1 farm; Spelt: 6 acres, 1 farm; Spring grains 83 acres, 3 farms.

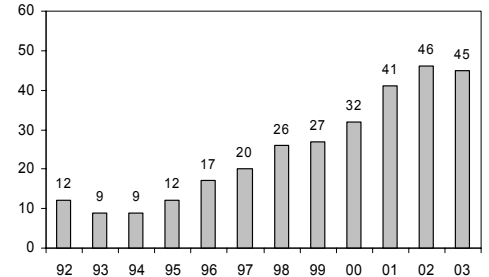
Forages & Green manures:

Pasture and Hay: 742 acres, 10 farms

Maple syrup

1 producer, 600 taps

Certified producers - Nova Scotia



Livestock

Beef cattle 140; 4 farms
Sheep 50; 2 farms
Goats 5, 1 farm
Pigs 11
Layers 350; 3 farms
Geese 10

PROCESSORS

13 certified enterprises
\$1,582,139 sales value

Types of product:

livestock feeds, compost,
organic fertilizer, medicinal
herbs, breads, granola,
apple cider, apple sauce,
coffee, soup mix, nut
butter.

RETAIL SALES

124 mainstream stores
39 other outlets
\$ value unknown

These statistics were compiled from data provided by ACORN & OCPP
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