

# 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.

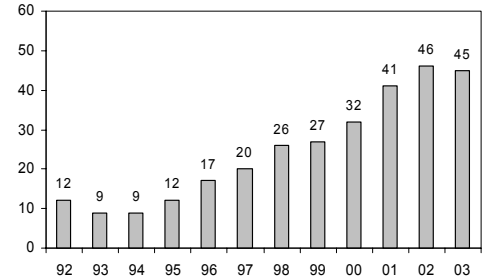
#### Forages & Green manures:

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  
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These statistics were compiled from data provided by ACORN & OCPP  
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