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The Outlook for Organic Agriculture

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U.S. Organic Trends – Growth and Innovation

Going into the new decade:

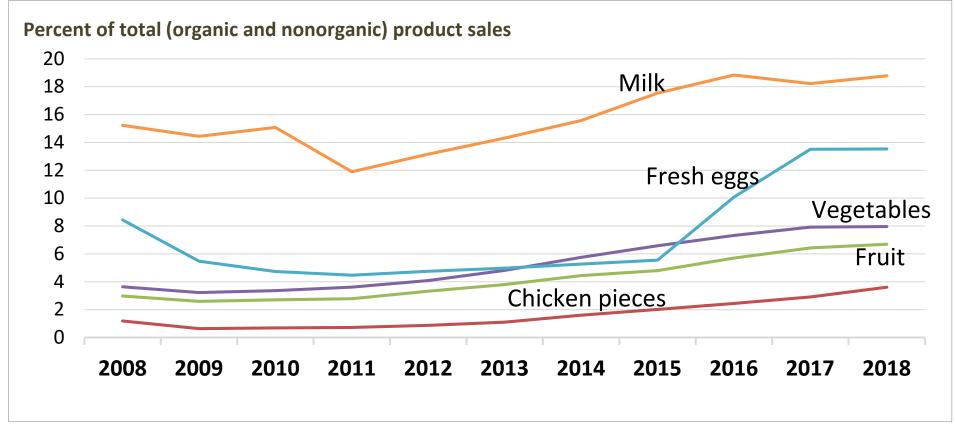
- Market penetration of organic food is increasing
- Organic sales are increasing in every farm sector
- > Produce, dairy and poultry still top organic farm sectors
- > Certified research farms, food innovation labs are spreading







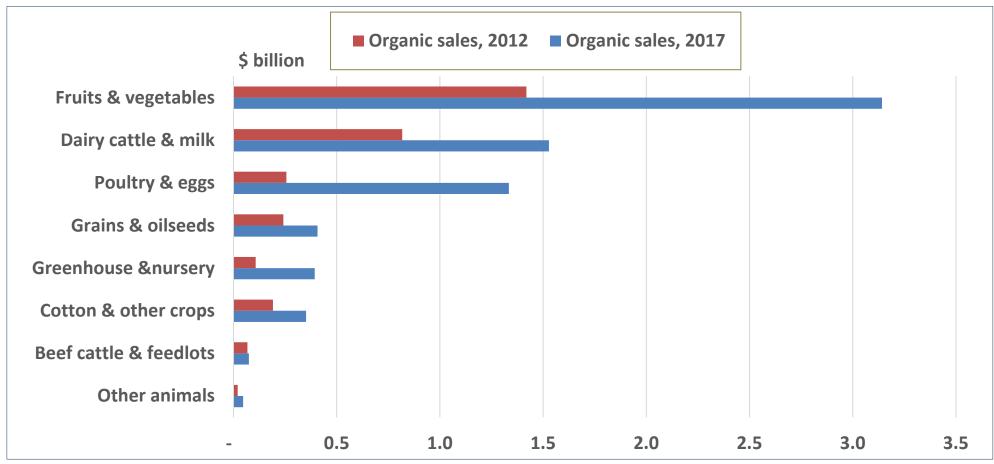
Retail market share grew for organic produce, milk, eggs, and poultry over the last decade—matching commodity increases



Source: USDA, Economic Research Service and data from market research company IRI for the 2008-18 period.



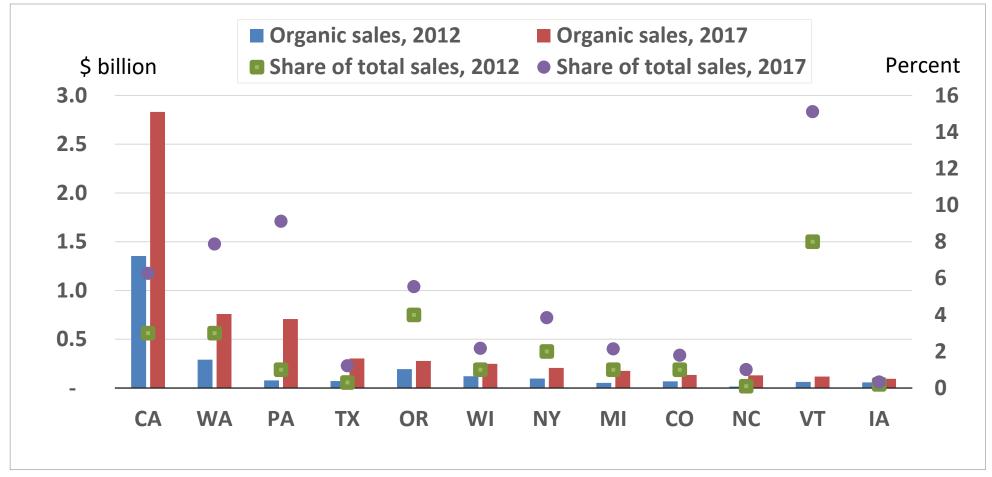
U.S. organic sales increased in every farm sector, 2012-2017— Produce, dairy and poultry sectors lead



Source: USDA Economic Research Service using data from USDA National Agricultural Statistics Service, 2017 Census of Agriculture.



U.S. organic commodity sales doubled between 2012 and 2017— Top States included California, Washington and Pennsylvania



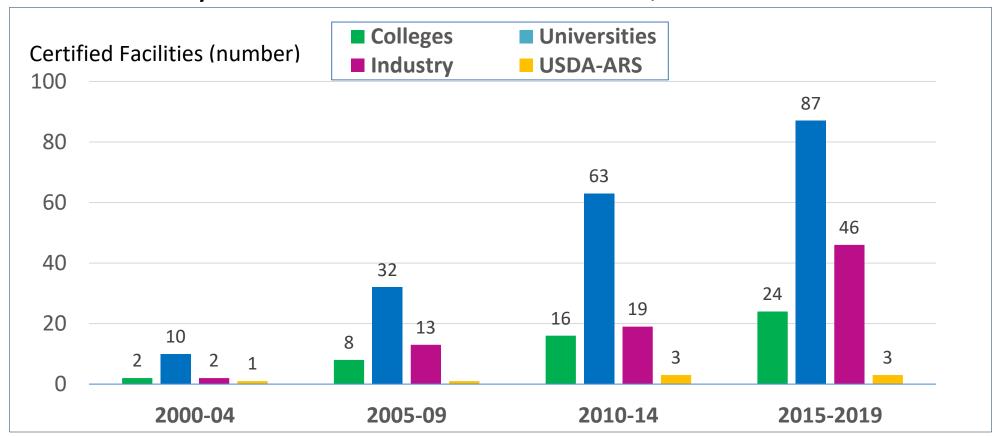
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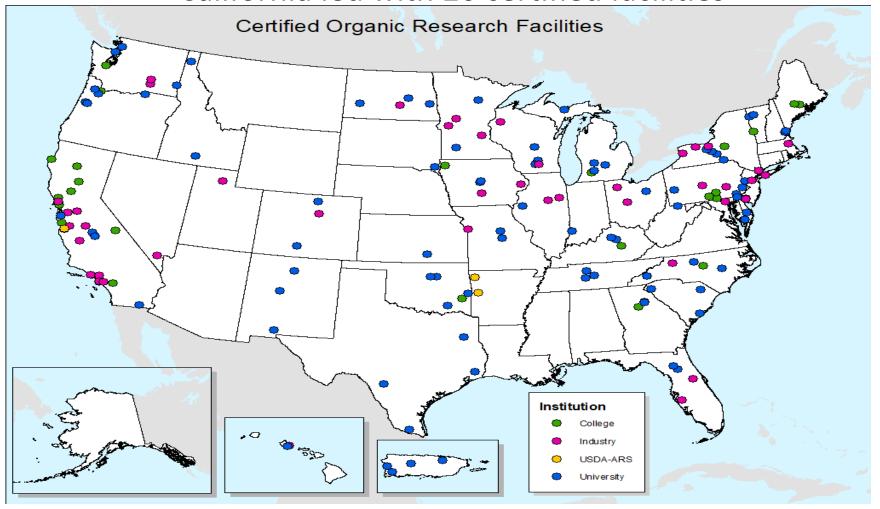
U.S. organic research farms & food innovation labs— Steady increase in certified facilities, 2000-2019



Source: USDA Economic Research Service based on data from USDA National Organic Program Integrity Database.



Certified organic research facilities in nearly 40 States in 2019— California led with 26 certified facilities



Source: USDA Economic Research Service based on data from USDA National Organic Program Integrity Database.



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