# **Washington Organic Agriculture At A Glance**

### In 2012, US organic was:

- 0.7% of farms
- 0.8% of farm sales
- 4% of retail food sales

### In 2012, WA organic was:

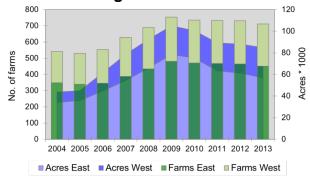
- 2.3% of farms
- 3-4% of farm sales
- 1.2% of cropland

2013 WA certified organic land	
Forage	34%
Tree fruit	22%
Vegetables	19%
Grains, beans, oilseeds	10%
Small fruit, nuts	5%
Mixed horticulture	4%
Fallow and other	6%

### WA organic agriculture characteristics (2013 unless otherwise noted):

- 712 certified farm operations (#4 in US); 3 counties with no certified organic farms
- 84,868 certified acres, 1,386 transition acres
- Farmgate sales >\$426 million (#2 in US); organic apples account for >40% of total state organic farmgate sales, 2013 packed value (FOB) ~\$300 million
- Eastern WA: 63% of farms, 67% of acres, 83% of sales
- Yakima Co. most certified farms (91); Grant Co. most certified acres (21,996) and sales (\$106.8 million)
- 30% of farms had <\$25,000/yr sales, generated 1% of total organic sales;</li>
  9% of farms had >\$1 million/yr sales, generated 56% of total organic sales (2010)
- Livestock: 34 organic dairies (2012), 27 organic poultry producers (2011)
- WA is the leading US producer of organic apples, pears, cherries, blueberries, juice grapes, sweet corn, green peas, snap beans, hops, and more

## WA Organic Farm Numbers and Acreage – East vs West



# **WA Organic Farmgate Sales**



Sources: CSANR reports; WSDA and other certifier data; NASS Census of Agr. 2012

For more information, go to the WSU Organic Statistics website at: <a href="http://csanr.wsu.edu/trends-in-washington-agriculture/organic-statistics/">http://csanr.wsu.edu/trends-in-washington-agriculture/organic-statistics/</a>

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