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# Bio-pesticides and Organic Production in Mexico

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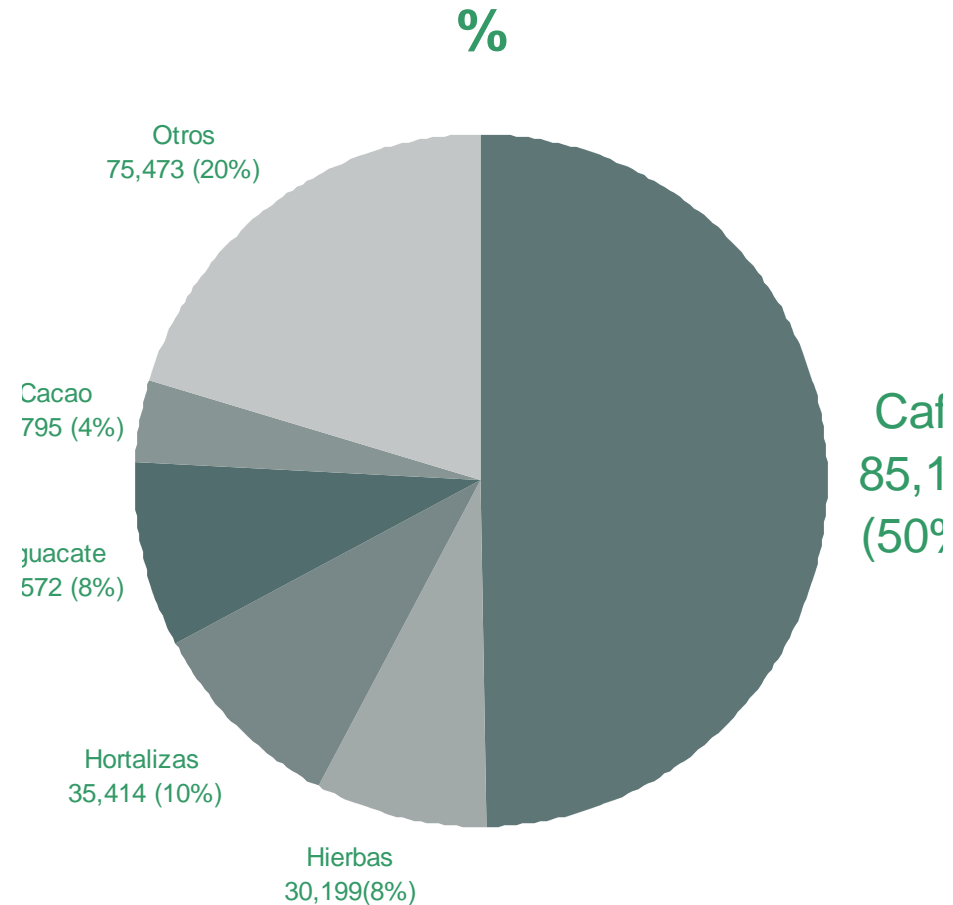
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Con más alimentos de calidad, construimos un **México más fuerte.**

1. Organic Agriculture in Mexico.
2. Legal Framework for Organic Production.
3. National Council of Organic Production.
4. Bylaw and Guidances.
5. Current Status: certification and pesticides

- Small farmers, mostly coffee
- Coffee: around 50% total surface
- 22 Ethnic groups; mostly in Oaxaca and Chiapas

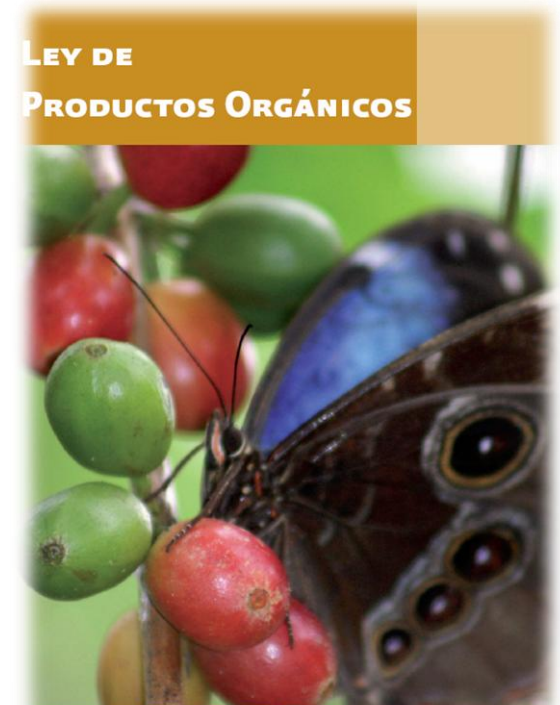
## Organic Agriculture, surface (Ha)



## Some data

	1996	1998	2000	2004/05	2007/08
<b>Surface (ha)</b>	21,265	54,457	102,802	307,692	378,693
<b>Farmers number</b>	13,176	27,914	33,587	83,174	128,862
<b>Direct jobs</b>	13,785	32,270	60,918	150,914	172,293
<b>Currency (US \$1,000)</b>	34,293	72,000	139,404	270,503	394,149

Organic Products Law	DOF 7.Febrero.2006
Organic Products Bylaw	DOF. 1.Abril. 2010
Guidance for Organic Operation	In process



## Titles

1. Aim's of the Law
2. Conversion, production and processing criteria
3. National Council of Organic Production
4. Organic Products Control and Certification System
5. Imports
6. Promotion
7. Social criteria
8. Penalties







## Article 1, Aims of the Law:

- I. To promote and regulate criteria and/or requirements for conversion, production, processing, elaboration, preparation, conditioning, storage, identification, packing, distribution, transportation, comercialization, verification and certification of products organically produced.

**Organic:** term used for a product from plant and animal origin, that was obtained under this Law and it's specifications. Expressions as organic, biological, ecological and denominations with prefixes bio and eco, annotated on labels, are synonyms and equivalent for national and international commerce.





<b>Chapter II, Conversion</b>	Conversion Period to call a product “organic”
<b>Chapter IV, Organic Certification</b>	<p>AUTHORITY CERTIFICATION</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>•Verify, monitor, and vigilance and certification</li></ul> <p>PARTICIPATIVE CERTIFICATION:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>•Authority’s acknowledgement to formally constituted groups</li><li>•Family production/local market</li><li>•Direct sale</li><li>•Small growers</li><li>•Records’ systems</li><li>•Verification program</li></ul> <p>THIRD PARTY CERTIFICATION</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>•Approved organisms</li><li>•Under official control and evaluation system</li></ul>    

## Chapter V Certifying organisms

- Approval requirements
- Annual Report
- Organic Certificate
- Renewal and extension or approval
- Suspension and revocation of approval



## Chapter VI Organic operators

- Operators' responsibilities:
- Records Systems
  - Compliance with applicable laws



## Chapter VII Substances and materials

- Published list on march every year
- To have in count international agreements

<b>Guidelines</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>•Guidelines for Organic Operation<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>•Under legal review</li></ul></li><li>•Next steps<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>•COFEMER</li><li>•Publication</li></ul></li></ul>								
<b>Approval of Certifying organisms</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>•Six Certifying organisms have notified operations from a total of 14</li></ul> <table border="1"><tr><td>1. Bioagricert</td><td>4. CCOF</td></tr><tr><td>2. Certimex</td><td>5. IMO</td></tr><tr><td>3. Ceres</td><td>6. OCIA</td></tr><tr><td></td><td>8. Quality</td></tr></table> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>•First approvals on progress</li></ul>	1. Bioagricert	4. CCOF	2. Certimex	5. IMO	3. Ceres	6. OCIA		8. Quality
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<b>General dispositions (definitions)</b>	
<b>Organic operation and it's processes (conversion of land for plant and animal production)</b>	
<b>Animal and plant production, storage and transportation</b>	
	Water and soil conservation
	Seed or propagation material, rotations
	Fertilizing program and plant nutrition
	Ecological management of insects, bacteria, viruses
	Plastic usage
	Wild plants or recolection products
	Harvest, storage and transportation of vegetables
<b>Animal production, generalities</b>	
	Natural ecosystems animals

# Guidance for Organic operation of Agricultural activities

	Origin of animals
	Feeding
	Ecological management of pests and diseases prevention
	Animal production, generalities
<b>Apiculture</b>	
	Hygiene and sanitary conditions for processing
<b>Packing and wrapping</b>	
	Flow product records
	Paralell processing
	Storage and transportation
<b>Comercialization</b>	
	References on labelling and properties declaration

# Guidance for Organic operation of Agricultural activities

<b>Certification</b>	
	Requirements
<b>Requirements for inspection and preventives measures</b>	
	Vegetables, animals and wild organisms
	Processing units
	Comercializers
<b>Participative certification</b>	
<b>Conditions and exceptions</b>	
	Imports
	Substances and criteria list, for assessment of substances and materials for organic production

Problem	Action
Time	A different file number, for an expedite resolution (Technical report)
Biological Effectiveness	Evaluation criteria according to the product

# Thank you!

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