

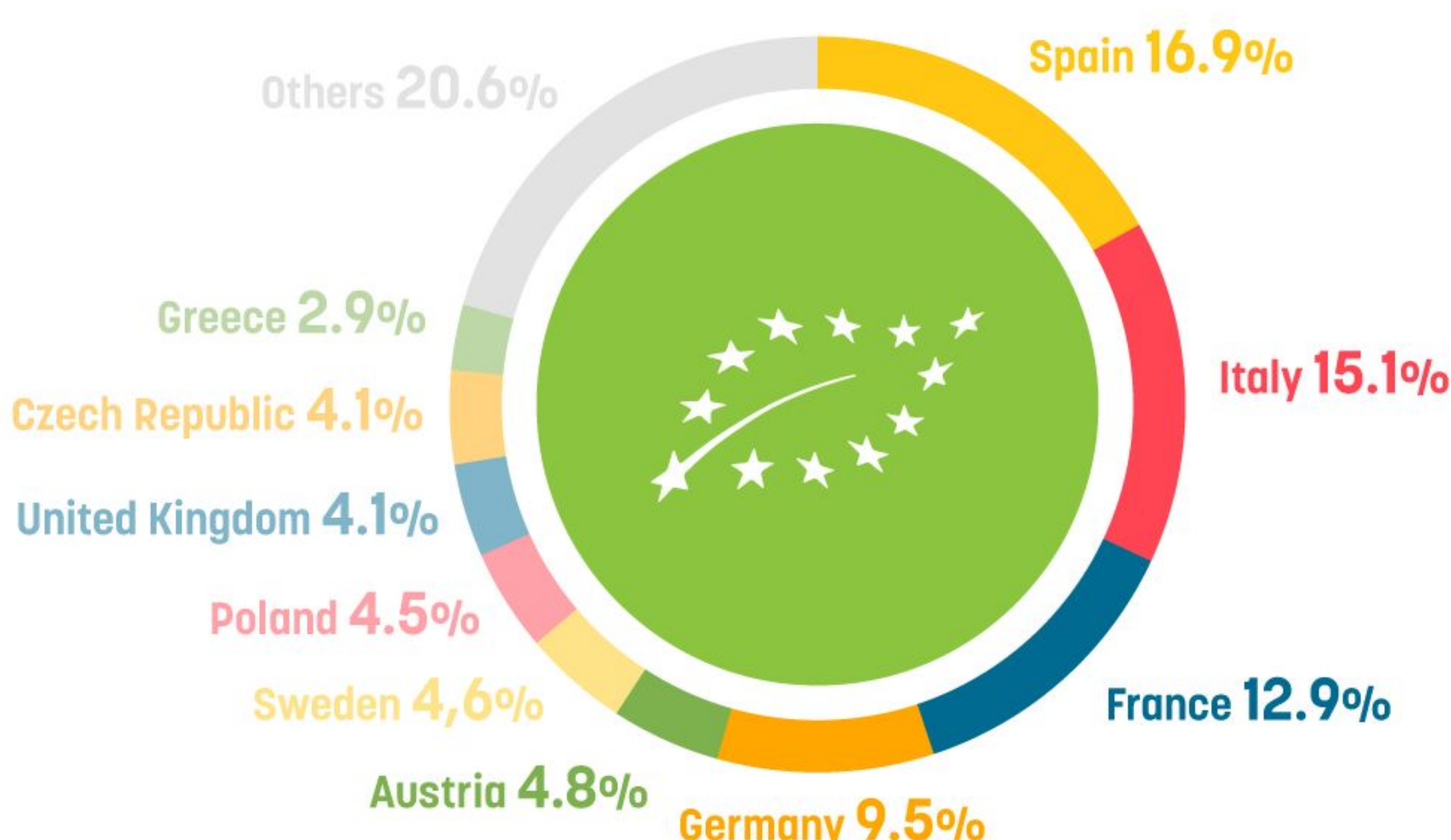
ORGANIC FARMING: EUROPE'S SOUTH PRODUCES, NORTH CONSUMES

Organic farmland in three countries in southern Europe accounts for 44.9% of the total across the EU, but when it comes to the consumption of organic products, northern countries top the list.

Organic farming still represents, though, 6.7% of the EU's total utilised agricultural area.

SHARE OF TOTAL ORGANIC AREA

According to official data, the amount of organic farmland in the EU increased by 18.7% between 2012 and 2016. Analysts estimate that Spain, Italy, France and Germany represent over half of the EU's total organic farmland (54.4%).



WHAT DO WE PRODUCE?



45.1%

Pasture and meadows
(for organic livestock)



44.0%

Arable crops
(cereals, fresh vegetables, green fodder and industrial crops)



10.9%

Permanent crops
(fruit trees and berries, olive groves and vineyards)

CONSUMPTION

The EU was the world's second biggest single market in 2016 in organic retail sales (€30.7 billion) after the US (€38.9 billion), followed by China. In the EU, Germany has the largest market for organic food (€9.5 billion).

Per capita consumption

Switzerland: 274 euros
Denmark: 227 euros
Sweden: 197 euros
Germany: 116 euros

Organic share of total market

Denmark: 9.7%
Luxembourg: 8.6%
Switzerland: 8.4%
Germany: 5%

