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The USDA National Agricultural Statistics Service (NASS) recently released the results of the 2022 Census of Agriculture. The NASS Census of Agriculture is completed every five years and is constructed to count all U.S. farms and ranches with \$1,000 or more of products raised and sold during the census year. The 2022 results showed that total organic products sales reached \$9.585 billion in 2022, up from \$7.277 billion in 2017, while the average sales per farm increased from \$400,603 in 2017 to \$553,380 in 2022. To view more of the 2022 Census of Agriculture visit: <https://www.nass.usda.gov/AgCensus/index.php>

The USDA AMS National Organic Program (NOP) provides an email notification service to send out updates to the organic community. The Organic Insider released on February 5 included a reminder for producers beginning to or in the process of transitioning to organic certification to apply for the Organic Transition Initiative (OTI) at a local NRCS service center as soon as possible. The OTI aids producers through education and mentoring, direct assistance to farmers, and through supporting market development projects. To read more from the Organic Insider, view archives, or register to receive updates by email visit: <https://www.ams.usda.gov/reports/organic-insider>

The Transition to Organic Partnership Program (TOPP) was formed through cooperative agreements between the USDA and non-profit organizations to provide technical assistance and support for transitioning and existing organic farmers. A calendar of events held by partner organizations can be found at the following link: <https://www.organictransition.org/events/>

The USDA National Institute of Food and Agriculture (NIFA)'s weekly newsletter, NIFA Update, provides information on news and information regarding agricultural-related sciences and technologies. The newsletter includes a list of upcoming application deadlines. Grants listed with a focus on organic agriculture include the Organic Agricultural Research and Extension Initiative (OREI) and Integrated Research, Education, and Extension Competitive Grants Program - Organic Transitions. Applications close on March 7th at 5:00pm EST. To read more from NIFA Update, view archives, receive updates on emails, or find more information about grants with upcoming deadlines visit: <https://www.nifa.usda.gov/nifa-update>

The National Organic Standards Board (NOSB) will meet in Milwaukee, WI from April 29 - May 1, 2024. The meeting is to discuss substances petitioned for addition to or deletion from the National List of Allowed and Prohibited Substances (National List), substances due to sunset from the National List in 2026, and recommendations on organic policies. The NOSB typically meets twice per year in various locations around the United States. Prior to meetings, the NOSB reviews written public comments and listens to oral public comments. The public comment webinars will be held on April 23 and April 25, 2024. During meetings, the NOSB discusses agenda items, and then votes on recommendations to the Secretary in a public forum. Detailed meeting information, including agendas, locations, proposals, and public comments, will be posted below as it becomes available. For information on previous meetings, visit the NOSB meetings page: <https://www.ams.usda.gov/rules-regulations/organic/nosb/meetings>

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