Organic Integrity Dashboard – 12/31/2019
A quarterly review of National Organic Program enforcement activities

465 Cases in Progress
As of 12/31/2019

- 55% Uncertified Organic Claims
- 5% Prohibited Practice
- 5% Pesticide Residue
- 5% Labeling Error
- 4% Surveillance
- 3% Inquiry
- 2% Fraud
- 1% Fraudulent Certificate

487 Closed Cases by Outcome
12 Months ending 12/31/2019

- Referrals – Criminal ($) 38%
- Outside NOP authority/Other 6%
- Voluntary Compliance 5%
- Insufficient Evidence 5%
- Settlement, Civil Penalty, Appeal 4%
- Fraudulent Certificates Posted 1%
- Surrender of Certification 15%
- Administrative Actions 21%
- No Violation 15%

Investigations & Inquiries by Fiscal Year

* Fiscal year 2020 numbers as of 1/24/2020.
* Percentage completed includes open cases from prior periods.


Q1 Highlight: Pasture Surveillance Project - Ongoing

Unannounced on-farm audits targeting higher risk operations. Risk factors include operation size, geographic location, and history.

- Most dairies were found to be in compliance.
- Two dairy operations surrendered certification.
- One dairy cited with a proposed suspension.
- One certifier entered into a settlement agreement with USDA.
- Dairy/Livestock training added to the Organic Integrity Learning Center to increase certifier consistency.

For additional details on the National Organic Program visit www.ams.usda.gov/Organic