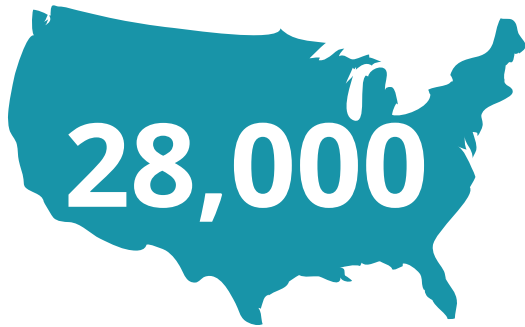


Farmers, families and businesses

are **choosing** organic food and farming.



The **\$62 billion-a-year** U.S. organic sector is supported by over



certified organic operations nationwide



Organic farms, suppliers and handlers are

creating jobs

by **opening, expanding and retooling handling** and manufacturing processing facilities

OVER **80%** of households across the country purchase organic



Ranking **15th** in the nation, North Carolina has **600 organic businesses.**



77% of North Carolina households are buying organic.



North Carolina organic commodity sales increased **185%** from 2017 to 2019, to **\$370 million annually.**



23% of North Carolina organic farms **plan on increasing production** over the next 5 years.



USDA projects North Carolina's organic acreage will **increase 20%** by 2022.



Eggs, Tobacco, Sweet Potatoes, Tomatoes, and Squash are the top crops in North Carolina.



Organic Operations by North Carolina
Congressional District

District	Organic Operations
NC01	79
NC02	17
NC03	26
NC04	78
NC05	24
NC06	41
NC07	50
NC08	49
NC09	15
NC10	34
NC11	52
NC12	15
NC13	124