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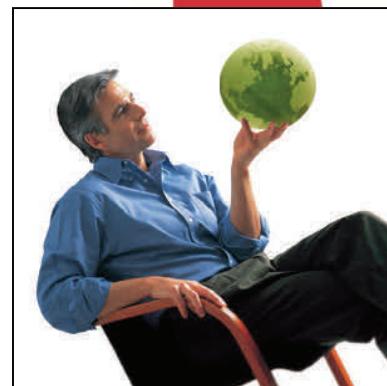
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Organic Packaged Food in Switzerland



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► **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

Switzerland is considered a global leader in organic farming and organic products, which have an established history dating back to the mid-1990's. As a result, organic foods have achieved a prominent role in the diets of the Swiss population, who have a reputation for being some of the most health-conscious consumers in the European market.

The growth of health and wellness products is aided by the Swiss government which has implemented promotional campaigns encouraging exercise and healthy eating. As Swiss consumers purchase more and more food products for their perceived health benefits, the value they place on such products continues to grow.

In 2010, Switzerland had a population of 7.8 million. Despite the relatively small size of this market, prospects for exporters remain. In 2010, the country's per capita gross domestic product (GDP) was US\$67,751 (one of the highest in the world), while consumer spending per capita was US\$39,539.

Moreover, Switzerland is internationally recognized for its economic stability, low unemployment rate and high standard of living. These characteristics are generally necessary for the successful entry of imported organic products, which are normally associated with higher prices.

Switzerland is unofficially divided into French, German and Italian cultural regions. This offers further opportunities for exporters whose organic products may appeal to consumers in one of the distinct cultural and linguistic areas.

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► MARKET TRENDS

Organic products have traditionally played an important role in the overall Swiss food sector. The significance of the organic food industry is supported by the Swiss consumers who conventionally follow a healthy lifestyle.

The organic packaged food sector grew by 7% in 2009, and then by 5% in 2010. The future of organic foods is expected to be strong, with the market forecast to reach US\$493 million in 2015. Swiss consumers normally spend a considerable amount of their budget on food, which can be attributed to high expectations of food quality. In 2010, food retail sales in Switzerland reached a total value of US\$44,014 million. Food sales alone constitute almost half of Switzerland's overall retail sales.

Domestically, there is a tendency for producers to market products labelled as "Swiss," which is received positively by consumers. Consumers in Switzerland are interested in supporting local producers, and believe that Swiss products, including organic foods, are likely to meet their expectations of quality.

While overall consumer demand for organic packaged food is widespread, it is unevenly distributed amongst women and men. A recent industry survey indicated that 78% of Swiss women are likely to purchase organic packaged food regularly, in comparison to 60% of men (Euromonitor, 2012). However, most Swiss consumers are also likely to purchase both organic and conventional packaged food products, rather than strictly adhere to one category over the other.

Although Swiss consumers are strong supporters of locally produced products and domestic retailers, the issue remains as to whether domestic producers will be able to keep up with the country's growing demand. In response, the Swiss government along with the Bio Suisse Federation, are increasing the allocation of land for organic farming and attempting to recruit more farmers willing to farm organically. Despite the country's domestic production capacity, the Swiss market for organic packaged food remains an opportunity for foreign producers due to the ever-increasing consumer demand in this well-established industry.

**Swiss Market Sizes of Organic and Regular Packaged Food – Historic/Forecast
– Retail Sales Value in US\$ millions**

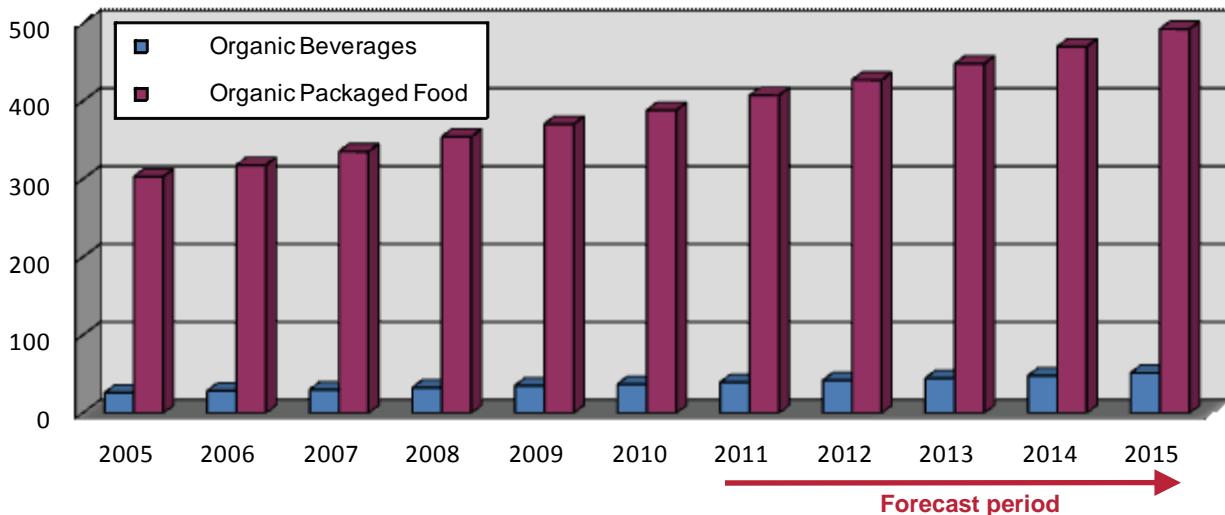
	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
Packaged food	15, 695	16,487	16,501	16,649	16,813	17,057	17,333	17,621	17,908
Organic packaged food	336	354	371	389	408	427	448	470	493
Organics as a % of total packaged food	2.4	2.4	2.5	2.7	2.7	2.8	2.9	3.0	3.0

Source: Euromonitor, 2012



► ORGANIC PACKAGED FOOD SALES

**Organic Food and Beverages in Switzerland
Historic/**Forecast** in US\$ millions**



Switzerland – Organic Packaged Food and Beverages Market Sizes – Historic/Forecast**
– Retail Sales Value in US\$ millions**

	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
Organic Beverages	26	29	30	33	35	37	40	42	45	48	52
Organic Packaged Food	303	318	336	354	371	389	408	427	448	470	493

Switzerland – Sales of Organic Packaged Food by Subsector – Historic/Forecast**
– Value Growth in % Rate and US\$ millions**

Subsector	2005-2010 CAGR* %	2005-2010 Absolute (US\$ millions)	2011-2015 CAGR* %	2011-2015 Absolute (US\$ millions)
Organic Baby Food	8.6	6.0	5.8	4.7
Organic Bakery Products	3.9	25.5	3.2	20.1
Organic Confectionery	3.3	2.9	4.9	4.2
Organic Dairy Products	2.2	10.4	3.5	15.2
Organic Ice Cream	9.9	2.7	5.3	1.8
Organic Oils and Fats	3.3	3.4	3.7	3.7
Organic Ready Meals	13.1	2.4	7.1	1.8
Organic Rice	6.4	0.1	6.9	0.1
Organic Sauces, Dressings and Condiments	17.0	3.1	12.8	4.0
Organic Snack Bars	-	-	-	-
Organic Soup	9.5	0.0	3.4	0.0
Organic Spreads	6.3	0.7	6.9	0.9
Organic Sweet and Savoury Snacks	6.4	0.8	7.2	1.0
Other Organic Food	13.3	27.3	9.2	27.8

*CAGR = compound annual growth rate

Source for all: Euromonitor, 2012

► ORGANIC PACKAGED FOOD SALES (continued)



Switzerland Organic Packaged Food Market Sizes – Historic/ Forecast
– Retail Sales in US\$ millions

	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
Total Organic Packaged Food	303.4	318.1	335.6	354.3	370.8	388.6	407.5	427.3	448.1	470.0	492.7
Organic Baby Food	11.6	13.1	14.6	16.0	16.8	17.5	18.4	19.3	20.4	21.7	23.1
Organic Milk Formula	7.2	8.3	9.3	10.3	11.2	11.8	12.5	13.3	14.2	15.2	16.4
Organic Dried Baby Food	1.4	1.5	1.5	1.6	1.6	1.6	1.7	1.7	1.8	1.9	2.0
Other Organic Baby Food	0.3	0.3	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.5	0.5	0.5
Organic Prepared Baby Food	2.6	3.0	3.4	3.8	3.7	3.8	3.8	3.9	4.0	4.1	4.2
Organic Bakery Products	121.5	125.8	131.4	137.3	141.9	146.9	152.0	157.0	162.1	167.1	172.1
Organic Biscuits	16.1	16.8	17.4	18.0	18.5	19.1	19.6	20.2	20.7	21.1	21.5
Organic Bread	98.6	101.7	106.1	110.7	114.3	118.1	121.9	125.6	129.3	132.9	136.4
Organic Breakfast Cereals	6.8	7.3	7.9	8.5	9.1	9.7	10.4	11.2	12.1	13.1	14.1
Organic Confectionery	16.2	16.6	17.3	18.0	18.6	19.2	19.9	20.7	21.7	22.8	24.1
Organic Chocolate Confectionery	13.2	13.5	14.0	14.7	15.2	15.7	16.3	17.1	17.9	18.9	20.1
Organic Sugar Confectionery	3.1	3.2	3.2	3.3	3.4	3.4	3.5	3.6	3.8	3.9	4.0
Organic Dairy Products	88.6	90.2	92.2	94.5	96.5	99.0	101.8	105.0	108.6	112.6	117.0
Organic Cheese	34.7	35.4	36.3	37.1	37.8	38.6	39.5	40.5	41.7	43.1	44.6
Organic Cream	3.4	3.5	3.5	3.6	3.6	3.6	3.6	3.5	3.5	3.5	3.4
Organic Fromage Frais and Quark	6.7	6.9	7.0	7.3	7.2	7.3	7.4	7.5	7.6	7.7	7.9
Organic Milk	43.9	44.4	45.4	46.6	47.9	49.6	51.4	53.4	55.7	58.3	61.1
Organic Reduced Fat Milk	8.5	8.6	8.7	8.9	9.1	9.4	9.7	10.0	10.4	10.9	11.4
Organic Standard Milk	35.3	35.8	36.7	37.7	38.8	40.2	41.7	43.4	45.3	47.4	49.7
Organic Ice Cream	4.5	5.0	5.6	6.2	6.7	7.2	7.7	8.2	8.7	9.1	9.5
Organic Oils and Fats	19.5	20.3	21.1	21.7	22.3	22.9	23.6	24.4	25.3	26.2	27.3
Organic Butter	12.1	12.3	12.5	12.6	12.6	12.7	12.9	13.0	13.1	13.3	13.5
Organic Olive Oil	6.0	6.6	7.2	7.7	8.1	8.7	9.3	9.9	10.6	11.4	12.2
Organic Vegetable and Seed Oil	1.4	1.4	1.4	1.5	1.5	1.5	1.5	1.5	1.5	1.5	1.6
Organic Ready Meals	2.8	3.3	3.8	4.3	4.7	5.2	5.7	6.1	6.6	7.1	7.4
Organic Rice	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.5	0.5
Organic Sauces, Dressings and Condiments	2.6	3.1	3.6	4.2	4.9	5.7	6.5	7.4	8.4	9.4	10.6
Organic Soup	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1
Organic Spreads	1.9	2.1	2.2	2.4	2.5	2.6	2.8	3.0	3.2	3.4	3.7
Organic Honey	1.9	2.1	2.2	2.4	2.5	2.6	2.8	3.0	3.2	3.4	3.7
Organic Sweet and Savoury Snacks	2.1	2.2	2.4	2.5	2.7	2.9	3.1	3.3	3.5	3.8	4.0
Organic Nuts	2.1	2.2	2.4	2.5	2.7	2.9	3.1	3.3	3.5	3.8	4.0
Other Organic Food	31.7	36.0	41.1	46.8	52.8	59.0	65.6	72.3	79.2	86.3	93.4

Source: Euromonitor, 2012

► KEY MARKET SEGMENTS



**Switzerland Organic Packaged Food Market Sizes – Historic/ Forecast
– Retail Volume in '000 Tonnes (unless otherwise indicated)**

	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
Total Organic Packaged Food	*Not Calculable*										
Organic Baby Food	0.9	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.1	1.1	1.1	1.2
Organic Milk Formula	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.4
Organic Dried Baby Food	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1
Other Organic Baby Food	0.6	0.6	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.7
Organic Prepared Baby Food	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Organic Bakery Products	23.7	24.9	25.9	26.9	27.8	28.6	29.5	30.4	31.2	32.1	33.0
Organic Biscuits	0.7	0.7	0.8	0.8	0.8	0.8	0.8	0.9	0.9	0.9	0.9
Organic Bread	22.5	23.6	24.5	25.4	26.2	27.0	27.8	28.6	29.4	30.1	30.9
Organic Breakfast Cereals	0.6	0.6	0.7	0.7	0.8	0.8	0.9	0.9	1.0	1.1	1.2
Organic Confectionery	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.8	0.8	0.8	0.9	0.9	0.9
Organic Chocolate Confectionary	0.5	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.8	0.8
Organic Sugar Confectionery	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1
Organic Dairy Products	*Not Calculable*										
Organic Cheese	2.3	2.3	2.4	2.4	2.5	2.5	2.6	2.7	2.8	2.9	3.0
Organic Cream	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3
Organic Fromage Frais and Quark	1.6	1.6	1.6	1.6	1.6	1.7	1.7	1.7	1.8	1.9	1.9
Organic Milk	24.1	24.7	25.5	26.4	27.4	28.6	30.0	31.5	33.2	35.1	37.1
Organic Reduced Fat Milk	4.6	4.6	4.7	4.8	4.9	5.1	5.3	5.5	5.7	6.0	6.3
Organic Standard Milk	19.5	20.1	20.8	21.6	22.5	23.6	24.7	26.0	27.5	29.1	30.8
Organic Ice Cream ('000 litres)	318.8	352.7	391.2	434.3	471.4	504.8	537.7	569.8	600.3	628.8	654.7
Organic Oils and Fats	1.3	1.3	1.3	1.4	1.4	1.4	1.5	1.5	1.5	1.6	1.6
Organic Butter	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.8	0.8	0.8	0.8	0.8
Organic Olive Oil	0.3	0.3	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5
Organic Vegetable and Seed Oil	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3
Organic Ready Meals	0.1	0.1	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.3	0.3	0.3
Organic Rice	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1						
Organic Sauces, Dressings and Condiments	0.3	0.4	0.4	0.5	0.6	0.7	0.8	0.9	1.0	1.1	1.2
Organic Soup	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Organic Spreads	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3
Organic Honey	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3
Organic Sweet and Savoury Snacks	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3
Organic Nuts	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3
Other Organic Food	4.6	5.1	5.8	6.6	7.3	8.1	8.9	9.7	10.5	11.3	12.1

Source: Euromonitor, 2012



► KEY MARKET SEGMENTS (continued)

**Switzerland – Per Capita Expenditure on Organic Packaged Food
– Historic/**Forecast** – US\$**

	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
Organic Packaged Food	40.9	42.6	44.8	47.0	49.1	51.2	53.5	55.9	58.4	61.0	63.7
Organic Baby Food	1.6	1.8	1.9	2.1	2.2	2.3	2.4	2.5	2.7	2.8	3.0
Organic Bakery Products	16.4	16.9	17.5	18.2	18.8	19.4	20.0	20.5	21.1	21.7	22.3
Organic Confectionery	2.2	2.2	2.3	2.4	2.5	2.5	2.6	2.7	2.8	3.0	3.1
Organic Dairy Products	12.0	12.1	12.3	12.5	12.8	13.0	13.4	13.7	14.1	14.6	15.1
Organic Ice Cream	0.6	0.7	0.7	0.8	0.9	1.0	1.0	1.1	1.1	1.2	1.2
Organic Oils and Fats	2.6	2.7	2.8	2.9	2.9	3.0	3.1	3.2	3.3	3.4	3.5
Organic Ready Meals	0.4	0.4	0.5	0.6	0.6	0.7	0.7	0.8	0.9	0.9	1.0
Organic Rice	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1
Organic Sauces, Dressings and Condiments	0.4	0.4	0.5	0.6	0.7	0.8	0.9	1.0	1.1	1.2	1.4
Organic Soup	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Organic Spreads	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.5
Organic Sweet and Savoury Snacks	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.5	0.5	0.5
Other Organic Food	4.3	4.8	5.5	6.2	7.0	7.8	8.6	9.5	10.3	11.2	12.1

Source: Euromonitor, 2012

Switzerland – Year-on-Year Growth (%) of Organic Packaged Food, by Sub-Category

	2009-10	2010-11	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15
Organic Baby Food	4.1	4.9	5.2	5.6	6.1	6.5
Organic Bakery Products	3.5	3.5	3.3	3.2	3.1	3.0
Organic Confectionery	3.2	3.7	4.2	4.8	5.2	5.5
Organic Dairy Products	2.6	2.9	3.1	3.4	3.7	3.9
Organic Ice Cream	7.3	6.8	6.3	5.6	5.1	4.4
Organic Oils and Fats	2.9	3.1	3.4	3.6	3.8	4.0
Organic Ready Meals	9.8	9.1	8.3	7.6	7.0	5.5
Organic Rice	4.0	5.1	6.2	6.8	7.4	7.3
Organic Sauces, Dressings and Condiments	15.2	14.7	13.8	13.1	12.4	11.7
Organic Soup	5.8	5.2	4.2	3.7	3.2	2.6
Organic Spreads	6.0	6.4	6.7	6.6	7.2	7.3
Organic Sweet and Savoury Snacks	6.5	6.7	6.9	7.2	7.4	7.5
Other Organic Food	11.8	11.1	10.3	9.5	8.9	8.2

Source: Euromonitor, 2012



► PRICING AND MARKET SHARES

Switzerland – Retail Sales Price of Organic Packaged Food – Historic/Forecast – US\$ per kg

	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
Organic Baby Food	16.9	17.2	17.6	18.1	18.5	19.0	19.5
Organic Bakery Products	5.1	5.1	5.1	5.2	5.2	5.2	5.2
Organic Confectionery	25.2	25.3	25.3	25.4	25.4	25.5	25.5
Organic Dairy Products					*Not calculable		
Organic Ice Cream	14.3	14.3	14.4	14.4	14.5	14.5	14.5
Organic Oils and Fats	16.0	16.1	16.2	16.2	16.3	16.5	16.6
Organic Ready Meals	25.1	25.2	25.3	25.4	25.5	25.6	25.7
Organic Rice	7.2	7.2	7.2	7.2	7.2	7.2	7.2
Organic Sauces, Dressings and Condiments	8.6	8.6	8.6	8.7	8.7	8.7	8.7
Organic Soup	6.3	6.3	6.3	6.2	6.2	6.2	6.2
Organic Spreads	11.6	11.6	11.6	11.6	11.6	11.6	11.7
Organic Sweet and Savoury Snacks	12.6	12.6	12.7	12.7	12.8	12.8	12.9
Other Organic Food	7.2	7.3	7.4	7.4	7.5	7.6	7.7

Source: Euromonitor, 2012

Note: Unit prices for organic dairy products are not calculable, as they are not all measured in kilograms.

The Swiss organic food market is well-established and continues to thrive. It continued to grow despite the 2008/2009 global recession, confirming the entrenched importance of this industry for Swiss consumers, who perceive organic foods as superior to products with artificial additives and preservatives.

Increased competition from German discounters Aldi and Lidl are causing the prices of organic foods to drop. Moreover, price declines in this market are likely to continue as trade increases between Switzerland and the European Union member states. However, prices are still unlikely to fall as low as some other European countries, such as Germany, due to the high import tariffs in Switzerland. More and more consumers are partaking in cross-border shopping, due to the high prices in Switzerland.

Switzerland – Top 10 Brand Shares (by Global Brand Name) in the Organic Packaged Food Market – % Breakdown

Brand	Company name (GBO)	2007	2008	2009	2010
Naturaplan	Coop Genossenschaft	34.5	34.1	32.2	32.0
Bio Zwiebelbrot	Hiestand AG	7.0	7.4	7.2	7.2
Bischofszell Migros	Migros Genossenschaftsbund eG	5.7	5.5	5.2	5.1
M-Bio	Migros Genossenschaftsbund eG	2.6	2.7	2.7	2.7
Bio Kaese	Emmi AG	2.4	2.3	2.2	2.1
Morga	Morga AG	1.9	1.8	1.8	1.9
Migros Bio Engagement	Migros Genossenschaftsbund eG	1.7	1.7	1.7	1.7
Max Havelaar	Migros Genossenschaftsbund eG	1.0	1.1	1.1	1.0
Bio Kaese	Napfmilch AG	1.1	1.1	1.0	1.0
Bio	Bio-Familia AG	1.0	1.0	1.0	0.9

Source: Euromonitor, 2012



► ORGANIC BEVERAGES

As seen in the organic packaged food market as a whole, organic beverages remain a popular choice for Swiss consumers. During the recession, volume sales of organic beverages continued to increase despite rising consumer price-consciousness and a growing number of discount retailers. In 2010, the current value growth of the organic beverage category was 5%. Moreover, any losses or sluggish sales growth within the organic beverage sub-categories can be attributed to an increase of less expensive options, rather than consumers opting out of the market.

Switzerland – Organic Hot Drinks Market Sizes – Historic/Forecast
– Retail Value in US\$ Millions and % Growth

	Retail Sales Value in US\$ millions					Growth (%)		
	2008	2009	2010	2011	2015	2009-10	2010-11	2011-15
Organic Hot Drinks	21.3	23.3	24.7	26.2	34.4	5.7	6.3	31.2
Organic Coffee	18.3	20.2	21.3	22.7	30.1	5.8	6.5	32.3
Organic Fresh Coffee	16.2	18.1	19.2	20.5	27.5	6.2	6.9	34.1
Organic Instant Coffee	2.0	2.1	2.2	2.2	2.6	2.8	3.1	16.1
Organic Tea	3.0	3.2	3.3	3.5	4.3	4.5	4.8	23.5
Organic Black Tea	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.5	10.0	10.3	50.6
Organic Fruit/Herbal Tea	2.1	2.1	2.2	2.3	2.8	4.1	4.3	21.0
Organic Green Tea	0.7	0.7	0.8	0.8	1.0	3.7	4.0	19.4

Switzerland – Unit Prices of Organic Hot Drinks by Sub-Category – Historic/Forecast
– US\$ per Kilogram – Based on Retail Sales

	2009	2010	2011	2015
Organic Coffee	21.0	21.0	21.1	21.4
Organic Fresh Coffee	19.5	19.5	19.6	20.2
Organic Instant Coffee	62.0	62.2	62.2	62.4
Organic Tea	44.7	44.7	44.7	44.3
Organic Black Tea	29.5	29.6	29.7	30.0
Organic Fruit/Herbal Tea	39.8	39.9	40.0	40.1
Organic Green Tea	99.5	99.8	99.9	100.3
Other Organic Hot Drinks	-	-	-	-

Switzerland – Retail Sales of Organic Hot Drinks by Sub-Category – Historic/Forecast
– US\$ Per Capita

	2009	2010	2011	2015
Organic Coffee	2.7	2.8	3.0	3.9
Organic Fresh Coffee	2.4	2.5	2.7	3.6
Organic Instant Coffee	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3
Organic Tea	0.4	0.4	0.5	0.6
Organic Black Tea	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1
Organic Fruit/Herbal Tea	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.4
Organic Green Tea	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1
Other Organic Hot Drinks	-	-	-	-

Source for all: Euromonitor, 2012

In 2010, organic black tea experienced the highest current value growth in the organic hot drinks sector at 10%. This growth is attributed to media campaigns promoting the health benefits of black tea and is likely to continue into the future. Organic coffee also remains in high demand as the Swiss population generally prefers to drink coffee over tea. In 2010, organic coffee recorded value growth of 6%.

The major challenge that exists in this sub-sector is the growing popularity of Nespresso capsules and other machines providing consumers with high quality coffee and convenience. However, organic beverages will continue to post growth, due to their role in the health and wellness market.



► ORGANIC BEVERAGES (continued)

Switzerland – Organic Soft Drinks Market Sizes – Historic/**Forecast** – Retail Value in US\$ Millions and % Growth

	Retail Sales Value in US\$ millions					Growth (%)		
	2008	2009	2010	2011	2015	2009-10	2010-11	2011-15
Organic Soft Drinks	11.4	12.1	12.7	13.4	17.2	5.0	5.6	28.5
Organic Concentrates	1.1	1.1	1.2	1.3	1.6	5.8	5.3	29.6
Organic Fruit/Vegetable Juice	10.3	10.9	11.5	12.1	15.6	4.9	5.7	28.4
Organic 100% Juice	7.4	7.9	8.2	8.7	11.4	4.8	5.7	31.1
Organic Nectars (25-99% Juice)	2.9	3.1	3.2	3.4	4.1	5.2	5.6	21.5
Organic Juice Drinks (up to 24% Juice)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

Switzerland – Unit Prices of Organic Hot Drinks by Sub-Category – Historic/**Forecast** – US\$ per Litre – Based on Retail Sales Price

	2009	2010	2011	2015
Organic Concentrates	4.5	4.3	4.2	3.9
Organic Fruit/Vegetable Juice	3.8	3.8	3.8	4.0
Organic 100% Juice	5.1	5.2	5.2	5.3
Organic Nectars (25-99% Juice)	2.3	2.3	2.3	2.3
Organic Juice Drinks (up to 24% Juice)	-	-	-	-

Switzerland – Retail Sales of Organic Soft Drinks by Sub-Category – Historic/**Forecast** – US\$ Per Capita

	2009	2010	2011	2015
Organic Concentrates	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2
Organic Fruit/Vegetable Juice	1.4	1.5	1.6	2.0
Organic 100% Juice	1.0	1.1	1.1	1.5
Organic Nectars (25-99% Juice)	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.5
Organic Juice Drinks (up to 24% Juice)	-	-	-	-

Source for all: Euromonitor, 2012

In 2010, organic soft drinks experienced a current value sales growth of 5%. In the same year, organic concentrates was the strongest-performing sub-category, with value growth of almost 6%. This growth can be attributed to consumers' willingness to pay a higher price for organic concentrates, considering the already low price of concentrates overall.

Growth for organic 100% juice is forecast to be strong at 6% from 2010-2015. Similar to organic concentrates, this increase is attributed to an expected decline in the prices of organic 100% juices, as retailers increase their selection. Lower prices and innovative products will further encourage consumers to make the switch from regular juice to organic options.



► DISTRIBUTION CHANNELS

The organic food market in Switzerland is dominated by two major grocery store chains, Coop and Migros, with value shares of 32% and 11% respectively. The dominance of Coop and Migros along with other discount chains, has made it difficult for small scale retailers to prosper in this market. Combined, Coop and Migros control approximately 80% of Switzerland's retail market and 65% of grocery banner sales. However, competition from German discounters Aldi and Lidl is increasing, causing the prices of organic foods to decline.

**Switzerland – Distribution of Organic Packaged Food
Retail Value RSP – % Breakdown**

	2008	2009	2010
Store-Based Retailing	86.3	86.4	86.5
Supermarkets/Hypermarkets	75.2	75.3	75.4
Discounters	4.0	4.0	4.1
Small Grocery Retailers	7.1	7.1	6.8
Convenience Stores	2.0	2.0	2.0
Independent Small Grocers	5.1	5.1	4.8
Forecourt Retailers	-	-	-
Other store-based retailing	-	-	0.2
Other Grocery Retailers	-	-	0.2
Non-Grocery Retailers	-	-	-
Non-Store Retailing	13.7	13.6	13.5
Vending	3.0	3.0	2.8
Home Shopping	-	-	-
Internet Retailing	10.0	10.0	10.1
Direct Selling	0.7	0.6	0.6
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0

Source: Euromonitor, 2012

► CERTIFICATION

The Bio Suisse federation is a private organization in Switzerland that includes 32 organic farmers' associations, and the Research Institute of Organic Agriculture FiBL. The label assigned to organic foods is referred to as the "Bud," and products with this label represent approximately 60% of organic sales. More information can be found at the following link: <http://www.bio-suisse.ch/en/home.php>

Although Switzerland has regulations in place designed to certify different products as organic, exporters and distributors believe that obtaining the "Bud" classification is necessary for successful market sales, which could also apply to imported goods. It is also important for exporters to recognize that even the ingredients used in the final production of "Bud" labelled products, must also meet strict Bio Suisse requirements.



► PRICING SAMPLES

The following pricing samples were derived from Euromonitor International (2011).

Brands	Company name	Outlets	Pack Size	Local Price (CHF)
Organic Fresh Coffee				
Kaffee Engagement Max Havelaar	Migros Genossenschaftsbund eG	Supermarket/hypermarket	500 g	6.7
Max Havelaar	Migros Genossenschaftsbund eG	Supermarket/hypermarket	500 g	6.7
Max Havelaar Café Bio	Migros Genossenschaftsbund eG	Supermarket/hypermarket	500 g	6.7
Max Havelaar Café Espresso Bio	Migros Genossenschaftsbund eG	Supermarket/hypermarket	500 g	6.7
Naturaplan Café	Coop Genossenschaft	Supermarket/hypermarket	500 g	6.9
Organic Black Tea				
Coop Max Havelaar Ceylon Tea	Coop Schweiz	Supermarket/hypermarket	50 bags	2.6
Coop Max Havelaar Finest Darjeeling Tea	Coop Schweiz	Supermarket/hypermarket	100 g	4.2
M Bio Tee	Migros Genossenschaftsbund eG	Supermarket/hypermarket	30 g	2.4
Organic Fruit/Herbal Tea				
M Bio Tee	Migros Genossenschaftsbund eG	Internet retailing	26 g	2.6
Twinings	Wander AG	Supermarket/hypermarket	35 units	3.4
Organic Green Tea				
M Bio Tee	Migros Genossenschaftsbund eG	Supermarket/hypermarket	26 g	2.6
Organic Concentrates				
Naturaplan Sirup Bio Holunderblüten	Laumann Co AG	Supermarket/hypermarket	0.5 litres	4.9
Naturaplan Sirup Bio Orangenminze	Laumann Co AG	Supermarket/hypermarket	0.5 litres	4.9
Naturaplan Sirup Bio Sanddorn	Laumann Co AG	Supermarket/hypermarket	0.5 litres	10.0
Naturaplan Sirup Bio Zitronenmelisse	Laumann Co AG	Supermarket/hypermarket	0.5 litres	4.9
Weight Watchers Sirup Himbeer	Laumann Co AG	Supermarket/hypermarket	1 litres	4.8
Organic 100% Juice				
Andros Blutorangensaft	Andros AG	Supermarket/hypermarket	1 litres	5.3
Anna's Best Bio Blutorangensaft	Migros Genossenschaftsbund eG	Supermarket/hypermarket	0.75 litres	3.8
Anna's Best Bio Orangensaft	Migros Genossenschaftsbund eG	Supermarket/hypermarket	0.75 litres	3.8
Biotta Saft	Thurella AG	Internet retailing	6 x 50 cl	17.1
Naturaplan Bio Birnensoft	Co op Schweiz	Supermarket/hypermarket	6 x 1 litres	14.4
Organic Soy Drinks				
Coop Naturaplan Bio Jogurt Cranberry Erdbeere	Coop Schweiz AG	Supermarket/hypermarket	2 x 150 g	1.9
Coop Naturaplan Bio Vollmilchjogurt Erdbeer	Coop Schweiz AG	Supermarket/hypermarket	2 x 180 g	1.8
Coop Naturaplan Jogurt Mango-Passionsfrucht	Coop Schweiz AG	Supermarket/hypermarket	2 x 150 g	1.9
Coop Pro Montagna Bergjogurt Apfel-Birne	Coop Schweiz AG	Supermarket/hypermarket	500 g	2.7
Coop Pro Montagna Bergjogurt Waldbeeren	Coop Schweiz AG	Supermarket/hypermarket	500 g	2.7
Organic Milk Formula				
Coop Naturaplan Bio Galactina Humana 3	Coop Schweiz AG	Supermarket/hypermarket	700 g	23.5
Coop Naturaplan Galactina Humana 2	Coop Schweiz AG	Supermarket/hypermarket	700 g	23.5
Coop Naturaplan Galctina Humana 1	Coop Schweiz AG	Supermarket/hypermarket	700 g	23.5
Hipp 1	Hipp GmbH & Co Vertrieb KG	Internet retailing	800 g	21.3
Hipp 2	Hipp GmbH & Co Vertrieb KG	Supermarket/hypermarket	800 g	21.3
Organic Dried Baby Food				
Coop Naturaplan Bio Semolette	Coop Schweiz SA	Supermarket/hypermarket	400 g	3.0
Coop Naturaplan Galactina Bio Gemüse-Brei	Wander AG	Supermarket/hypermarket	700 g	11.2
Organic Prepared Baby Food				
Coop Naturaplan Galactina Bio Kalbfleisch-Kartoffeln	Wander AG	Supermarket/hypermarket	130 g	3.8
Coop Naturaplan Galactina Bio Karotten-Kartoffeln Fe	Wander AG	Supermarket/hypermarket	130 g	2.0
Coop Naturaplan Galactina Bio Schweizer Rindfleisch	Wander AG	Supermarket/hypermarket	130 g	3.8
Coop Naturaplan Galactina Bio Zwieback mit Früchten	Wander AG	Supermarket/hypermarket	130 g	2.0



► PRICING SAMPLES (continued)

Brand	Company name	Outlets	Pack size	Local Price (CHF)
Other Organic Baby Food				
Hipp Baby Zwieback	Hipp AG	Supermarket/hypermarket	100 g	2.6
Organic Biscuits				
Coop Naturaplan Bio Cookies	Coop Schweiz AG	Supermarket/hypermarket	225 g	4.0
Coop Naturaplan Bio Cookies Choco	Coop Schweiz AG	Supermarket/hypermarket	225 g	4.0
Coop Naturaplan Bio Petit Beurre	Coop Schweiz AG	Supermarket/hypermarket	170 g	3.0
Migros Bio	Migros Genossenschaftsbund eG	Internet retailing	280 g	3.8
Natur Aktiv Bio Cookies	Aldi Suisse AG	Discounter	200 g	3.0
Organic Bread				
Coop Naturaplan Bio Ballast Knäckebrot	Coop Schweiz AG	Supermarket/hypermarket	200 g	3.1
Coop Naturaplan Bio Leinsamen Knäckebrot	Coop Schweiz AG	Supermarket/hypermarket	200 g	3.1
Natur Aktiv Bio Knäckebrot	Aldi Suisse AG	Discounter	200 g	1.8
Natur Aktiv Bio Toastbrötchen	Aldi Suisse AG	Discounter	260 g	1.4
Natur Aktiv Bio Vollkorn Toast	Aldi Suisse AG	Discounter	500 g	2.5
Organic Breakfast Cereals				
Bio Farm Haferflöckli	BIO FARM Genossenschaft	Internet retailing	500 g	4.6
Coop Bio Naturaplan Cornflakes	Coop Schweiz AG	Supermarket/hypermarket	250 g	1.7
Coop Naturaplan Bio 5-Korn-Flocken	Coop Schweiz	Supermarket/hypermarket	500 g	3.3
Coop Naturaplan Bio Dinkelflocken	Coop Schweiz AG	Supermarket/hypermarket	500 g	3.7
Coop Naturaplan Bio Hafernüssli	Coop Schweiz AG	Supermarket/hypermarket	200 g	2.5
Organic Cheese				
Coop Naturaplan Bio Mascarpone	Coop Schweiz AG	Supermarket/hypermarket	225 g	3.7
Coop Naturaplan Bio Rahmtilsiter mild	Coop Schweiz AG	Supermarket/hypermarket	220 g	5.1
Coop Naturaplan Bio Reblochon	Coop Schweiz AG	Supermarket/hypermarket	150 g	4.0
Coop Naturaplan Brie Bio	Coop Schweiz AG	Supermarket/hypermarket	180 g	4.8
Coop Pro Montagna Gstaader Bergkäse im KräutermanTEL	Coop Schweiz AG	Supermarket/hypermarket	220 g	5.6
Organic Cream				
Coop Naturaplan Bio Halbrahm	Coop Schweiz AG	Supermarket/hypermarket	200 ml	2.3
Coop Naturaplan Bio Vollrahm	Coop Schweiz AG	Supermarket/hypermarket	200 ml	2.9
Organic Fromage Frais and Quark				
Coop Naturaplan Bio Cottage Cheese nature	Coop Schweiz AG	Supermarket/hypermarket	200 g	2.3
Coop Naturaplan Bio Halbfett-Quark nature	Coop Schweiz AG	Supermarket/hypermarket	250 g	1.9
Migros Engagement Bio Magerquark	Migros Genossenschaftsbund eG	Supermarket/hypermarket	200 g	1.2
Organic Reduced Fat Milk				
Coop Naturaplan Bio Drink Teilentrahmte Milch Past 27%	Coop Schweiz AG	Supermarket/hypermarket	1 litres	1.7
Coop Naturaplan Bio Drink Teilentrahmte Milch UHT (27%)	Coop Schweiz AG	Supermarket/hypermarket	1 litres	1.8
Coop Naturaplan Bio Magermilch UHT (01%)	Coop Schweiz AG	Supermarket/hypermarket	1 litres	1.6
Organic Standard Milk				
Coop Naturaplan Bio Vollmilch UHT (39%)	Coop Schweiz AG	Supermarket/hypermarket	1 litres	1.8
Coop Nauraplan Bio Regio Züribiet Vollmilch	Coop Schweiz	Supermarket/hypermarket	1 litres	1.9
Coop Nauraplan Bio Vollmilch	Coop Schweiz	Supermarket/hypermarket	1 litres	1.7
Migros Engagement Bio Vollmilch UHT (39%)	Migros Genossenschaftsbund eG	Supermarket/hypermarket	4 x 1 litres	6.8
Natur Aktiv Bio Vollmilch	Aldi Suisse AG	Discounter	1 litres	1.7
Organic Sour Milk Drinks				
Coop Naturaplan Bio Saure Buttermilch Nature	Coop Schweiz AG	Supermarket/hypermarket	500 ml	1.0
Organic Soy Milk				
Coop Naturaplan Bio Sojadrink Nature	Coop Schweiz AG	Supermarket/hypermarket	1 litres	2.2
Migros Engagement Bio Soja Line Drink	Migros Genossenschaftsbund eG	Supermarket/hypermarket	1 litres	1.8



► PRICING SAMPLES (continued)

Brand	Company name	Outlets	Pack size	Local Price (CHF)
Organic Soy-Based Yogurt				
Coop Naturaplan Bio Jogurt Bifidus	Coop Schweiz AG	Supermarket/hypermarket	4 x 125 g	3.2
Coop Naturaplan Bio Schafmilchjogurt	Coop Schweiz AG	Supermarket/hypermarket	120 g	1.4
Coop Pro Montagna Bündner Bergjogurt Nature	Coop Schweiz AG	Supermarket/hypermarket	140 g	0.9
Coop Pro Montagna Graubünden Jogurt Nature	Coop Schweiz AG	Supermarket/hypermarket	500 g	2.4
Coop Weight Watchers Drinkjogurt Mocca	Coop Schweiz AG	Supermarket/hypermarket	500 ml	1.7
Other Organic Yogurt				
Coop Naturaplan Bio Bifidus Jogurt Mokka	Coop Schweiz AG	Supermarket/hypermarket	2 x 125 g	1.8
Coop Naturaplan Bio Bifidus Jogurt Nature	Coop Schweiz AG	Supermarket/hypermarket	500 g	1.8
Edelweiss Biologic Cappuccino	EDELWEISS GMBH & CO KG	Internet retailing	4 x 125 g	4.5
Organic Ice Cream				
Coop Naturaplan Bio Glace Chocolat	Coop Schweiz AG	Supermarket/hypermarket	460 ml	4.9
Coop Naturaplan Bio Glace Johgurt Heidelbeer	Coop Schweiz AG	Supermarket/hypermarket	460 ml	4.9
Coop Naturaplan Bio Glace Johgurt mit Zwetschgen sauce	Coop Schweiz AG	Supermarket/hypermarket	460 ml	4.9
Coop Naturaplan Bio Glace Vanille	Coop Schweiz AG	Supermarket/hypermarket	460 ml	4.9
Organic Butter				
Coop Naturaplan Bio Butter	Coop Schweiz AG	Supermarket/hypermarket	200 g	3.8
Coop Naturaplan Bio Jogurt-Butter	Coop Schweiz AG	Supermarket/hypermarket	200 g	4.1
Cremo Bio Butter	Crémo SA	Internet retailing	200 g	4.6
Natur Aktiv Bio Butter	Aldi Suisse AG	Discounter	100 g	1.9
Organic Olive Oil				
Coop Naturaplan Bio Italienisches Olivenöl	Coop Schweiz AG	Supermarket/hypermarket	0.5 litres	10.2
Coop Naturaplan Bio Olivenöl Aus Spanien	Coop Schweiz AG	Supermarket/hypermarket	0.5 litres	11.3
Migros Engagement Italienisches Olivenöl	Migros Genossenschaftsbund eG	Supermarket/hypermarket	0.5 litres	10.2
Migros Globus Olivenöl Extravergine	Migros Genossenschaftsbund eG	Internet retailing	0.5 litres	24.8
Natur Aktiv Bio Olivenöl	Aldi Suisse AG	Discounter	750 ml	11.0
Organic Vegetable and Seed Oil				
Coop Naturaplan Bio Sonnenblumenöl	Coop Schweiz AG	Supermarket/hypermarket	0.5 litres	5.7
Organic Ready Meals				
Coop Naturaplan Betty Bossi Bio Pizza del Padrone	Coop Schweiz AG	Supermarket/hypermarket	350 g	8.0
Coop Naturaplan Bio Gartensalat	Coop Schweiz AG	Supermarket/hypermarket	200 g	3.3
Coop Naturaplan Bio Nüsslisalat	Coop Schweiz AG	Supermarket/hypermarket	100 g	5.0
Coop Naturaplan Bio Ravioli alla Napoletana	Coop Schweiz AG	Supermarket/hypermarket	880 g	5.2
Organic Rice				
Coop Naturaplan Bio Vollreis	Coop Schweiz AG	Supermarket/hypermarket	1 kg	2.8
Rapunzel Riz Bio	Rapunzel Naturkost AG	Internet retailing	600 g	6.0
Organic Sauces, Dressings and Condiments				
Coop Naturaplan - Bio Ketchup	Coop Schweiz AG	Supermarket/hypermarket	540 g	4.2
Coop Naturaplan - Bio Senf	Coop Schweiz	Supermarket/hypermarket	200 g	1.7
Coop Naturaplan Bio Apfelessig	Coop Schweiz	Supermarket/hypermarket	500 ml	2.5
Coop Naturaplan Bio Bouillon Gemüse	Coop Schweiz AG	Supermarket/hypermarket	250 g	5.8
Coop Naturaplan Bio Gewürzmischung Pizza	Coop Schweiz AG	Supermarket/hypermarket	60 g	2.9
Organic Honey				
Natur Aktiv Bio Honig	Aldi Suisse AG	Discounter	500 g	5.0
Other Organic Non-Honey Spreads				
Coop Naturaplan Bio Konfitüre extra Aprikose	Coop Schweiz AG	Supermarket/hypermarket	235 g	3.0
Natur Aktiv Bio Konfitüre	Aldi Suisse AG	Discounter	340 g	2.0
Organic Fruit Snacks				
Coop Naturaplan Bio Rosinen	Coop Schweiz	Supermarket/hypermarket	200 g	1.7
Coop Naturaplan Bio Sultaninen	Coop Schweiz AG	Supermarket/hypermarket	200 g	1.4
Organic Nuts				
Natur Aktiv Bio Nussmix	Aldi Suisse AG	Discounter	250 g	5.0
Other Organic Sweet and Savoury Snacks				
Coop Naturaplan Bio Chips Nature	Zweifel Chips & Snacks Holding	Supermarket/hypermarket	140 g	3.8
Coop Naturaplan Bio Chips Paprika	Zweifel Chips & Snacks Holding	Supermarket/hypermarket	125 g	3.8



► FOR MORE INFORMATION

For more information on organic products and labelling standards, please consult the following publications from Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada, or any of the resources listed below:

- ▶ Market Trends: Organics
November 2010
- ▶ Food Labels in Europe: Changes to E.U. Labelling Regulations and New Eco-Labels in France
September 2010
- ▶ Market Briefing: Food Information and Labelling in the European Union
September 2011

Key Resources on Organic Standards, Regulations, and Labelling

Switzerland	Bio Suisse http://www.bio-suisse.ch/
European Union	*The regulations surrounding food labelling in the E.U. are currently under review, and may be subject to further amendments. For more detailed information, or the latest updates, please consult the following resources: The European Commission http://ec.europa.eu/food/food/labellingnutrition/nutritionlabel/index_en.htm The European Food Information Council http://www.eufic.org/article/en/health-and-lifestyle/food-choice/artid/Nutrition-labelling-how-where-and-why/
Canada	Canadian Food Inspection Agency, Organic Product Regulations http://www.inspection.gc.ca/english/fssa/orgbio/orgbio.shtml
International	International Taskforce on Harmonization and Equivalence in Organic Agriculture http://www.itf-organic.org/ International Federation of Organic Agriculture Movements http://www.ifoam.org/about_ifoam/standards/index.html

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