Organic Conversion in Copenhagen

Food policy as a lever for change

Eating Cities Summer School "Gastronomy facing sustainability"

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Goals for organic conversion in Copenhagen

60 % organic food by 2009

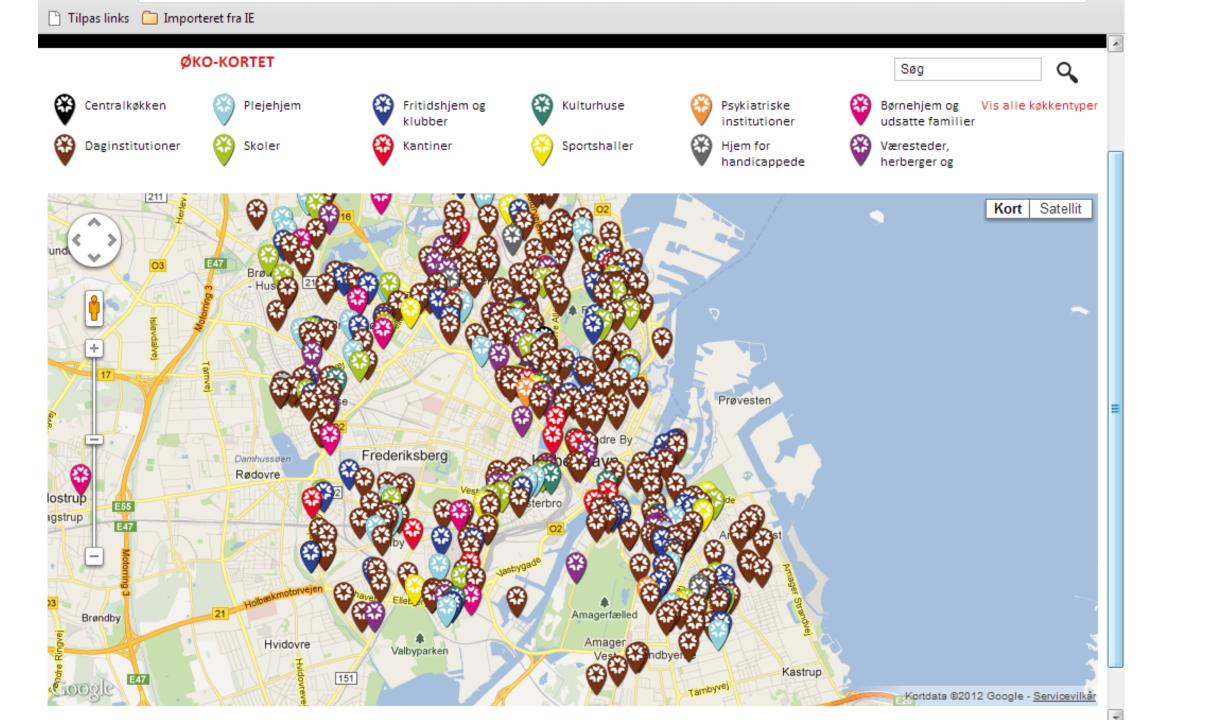
75 % organic food by 2011

90 % organic food by 2015

Result in 2016: 89% organic

(New goal to 90 % by 2019)

Goals set by the City Council in 2001 within the framework of the "ECO-Metropol" Vision of Copenhagen as Environmental Capitol of the World 2015



The road to 90% organic

- Copenhagen Eco-Metropolis; 2001 city council set 90% organic target
- Training for kitchen staff: Vocational training in basic and more advanced cooking skills
- Rotation programmes for unemployed. Receive training and replace kitchen staff during courses = employment rate of 83 %
- Change in procurement, market development, products in season, diversity, sensory evaluation,
- Organic principles integrated in public kitchens.
- Organic consumption is increasingly being measured by government certification

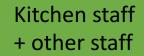




Organic conversion advisors/trainers



Parents, citizens, children



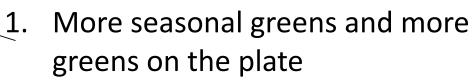






"The Copenhagen Method"

Converting to 90 – 100 % organic



2. Less meat – better use of meat



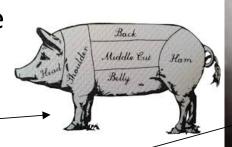
4. Bake bread and cake yourself

5. More grains, pulses, and lentils

6. Less processed food— cook from scratch

7. Reduce food waste – use it all

8. Let the seasonal produce dictateand dominate your menus







Going organic means choosing a strategy

Two ways of introducing organic ingredients in your kitchen:

1. Substitution (business as usual)

Conventional commodities are replaced with certified organic ones, changing neither diet composition nor cooking processes.

This strategy normally results in a **permanent increase** in expenditure between 20 and 30 percent.

2. Conversion (a process of change)

By changing one's habits both regarding diet composition and production, an almost 100 percent conversion to organic food is implemented without additional expenditure.

This strategy requires investments in conversion.

Can you afford to buy organic on a public budget?

 Cost of 10 years organic conversion equals 45 mill. dkr. or 6 mill. EUR (2002 – 2012)

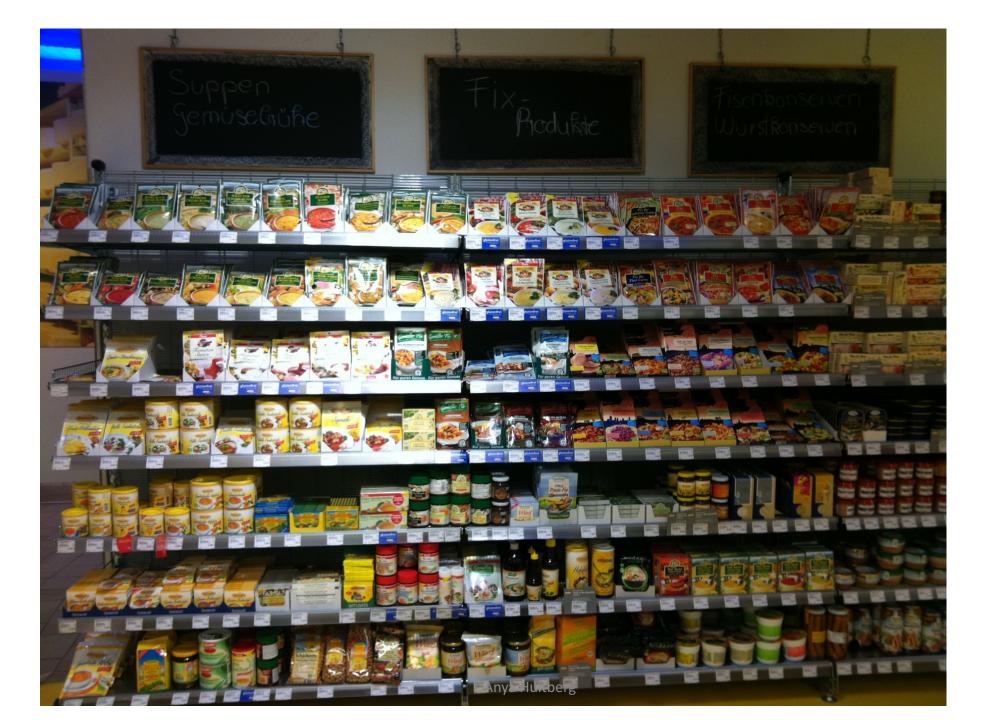
Cost of 1 years
"substitution" would
amount to the same
cost, per year! (every
year)

Skills?









Cooking from scratch

The mind of the chef

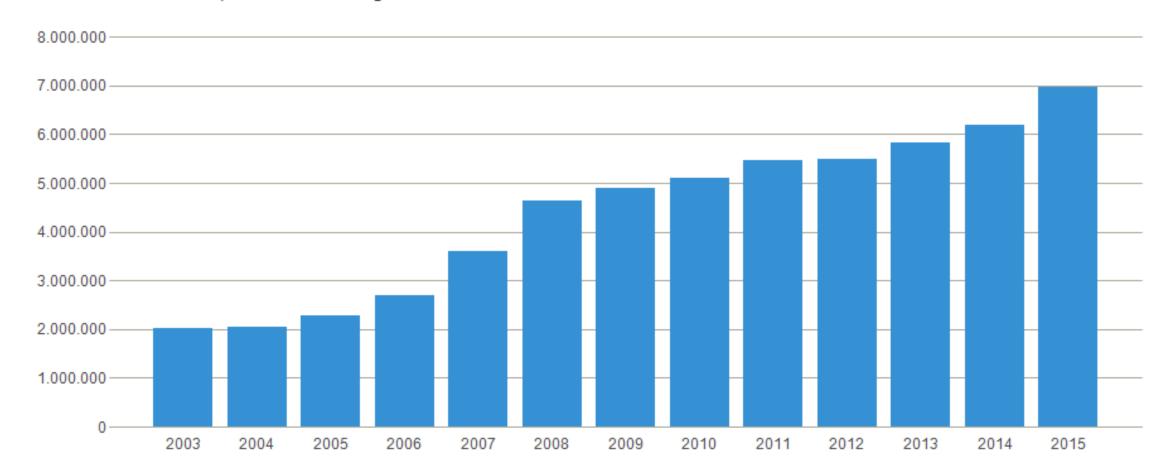
Lever for change

- Shaping the market for sustainable food in foodservice
- Creating pull effect where market moves slowly
- Emphasising quality and diversity in public tenders
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Denmark: Organic Sales retail 2003 - 2015

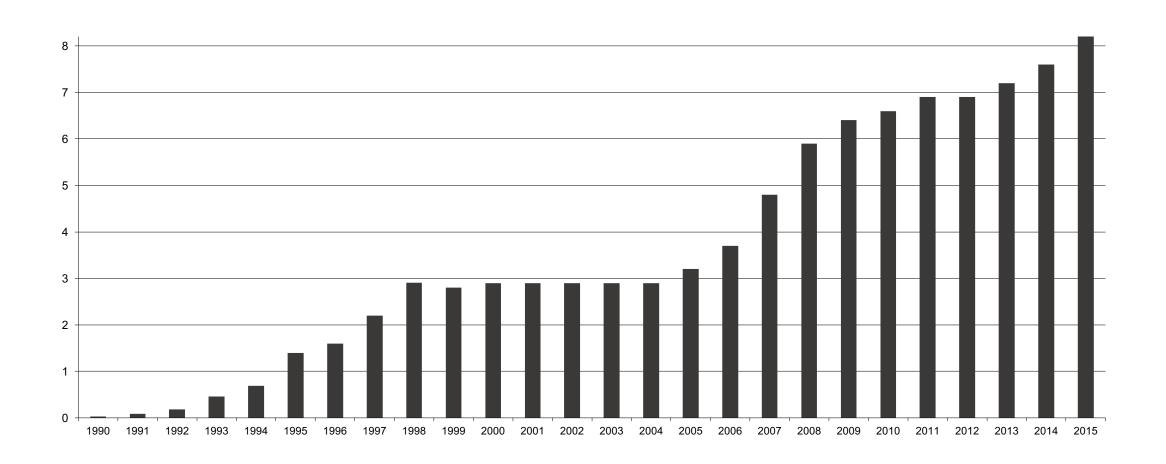
Detailomsætningen af økologiske fødevarer

Enhed: Værdi i 1000 kr. | Varer: Omsætning i alt



Kilde: Danmarks Statistik

Organic market share in retail 1990 - 2015



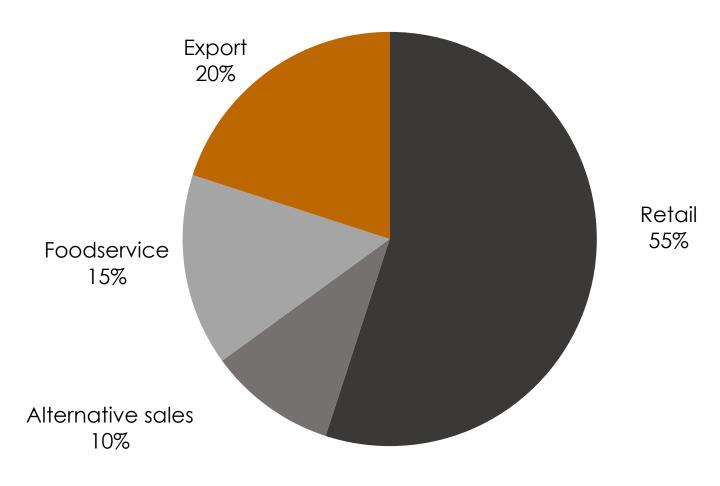


SWEDEN: 9 %

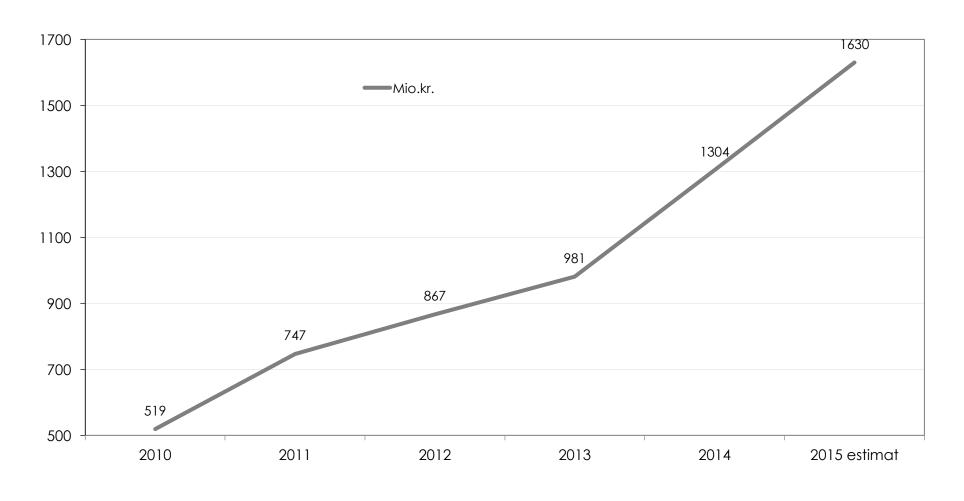
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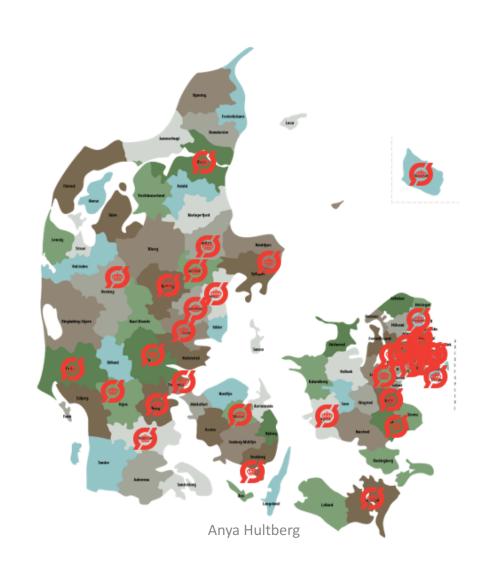
Organic market 2015



Organic Foodservice 2010 - 2015



1/3 of municipalities converting to organic



Organic halalbutchered meat

Økohalal kød

Oksekød som både er økologisk og halal

Vi udbyder frisk fersk kød af kvæg som er både økologisk og halal. Kvaliteten af halal, økologi, partering, indpakning, levering og service er i top. Når du handler hos os får du fuld information om dyret fødselsdato, liv på økogården og slagtning. Har du spørgsmål til os er du velkommen til at tage kontakt til vores kundeservice pr. e-mail eller telefon. Vi har i dag meget tilfredse faste kunder som får kød leveret direkte til døren i Storkøbenhavn og ser frem til at servicere dig også.





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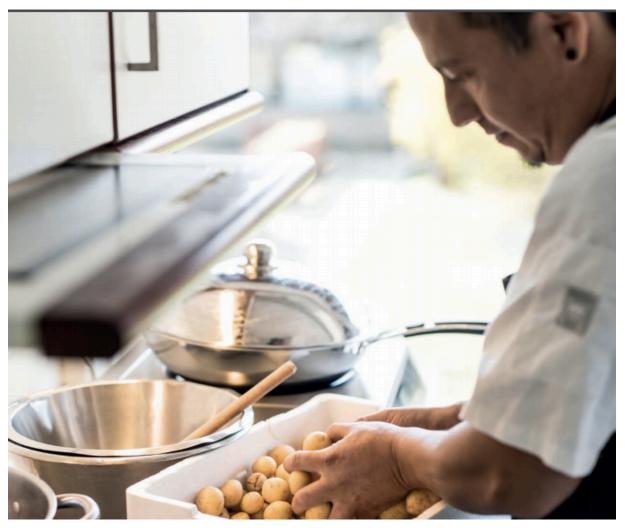




Diversity

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1.49.	Discovery	08 md – 09 md	>5000 kg	Danmark	Gasa Nord-Bandholm
	Sansa	09 md	>1000 kg	Danmark	Gasa Nordgrø-Europafr
1.50 &	Redfree	09 md	>1000 kg	Danmark	Gasa Nordgrø-Europafr
1/.51	Rubinola	09 md	>1000 kg	Danmark	Gasa Nordgrø-Europafr
Æbler,	Rød Aroma	09 md - 10 md	>5000 kg	Danmark	Gasa Nord-Bandholm
/	Sunrise	09 md - 10 md	>1000 kg	Danmark	Gasa Nord-Bandholm
Hvis	Ahrista	10 md	>1000 kg	Danmark	Gasa Nordgrø-Europafr
æblet kun	Delcorf	10 md	>1000 kg	Danmark	Gasa Nordgrø-Europafr
/	Zongi	10 md	>1000 kg	Danmark	Gasa Nordgrø-Europafr
tilbydes i	Arriva	10 md	>1000 kg	Danmark	Gasa Nordgrø-Europafr
visse	Gråsten	10 md	>5000 kg	Danmark	Gasa Nordgrø-Europafr
pakningss	Elshof	09 md – 10 md	>5000 kg	Danmark	Gasa Nordgrø-Europafr
-	Pirouette	09 md – 10 md	>1000 kg	Danmark	Gasa Nordgrø-Europafr
tør-relser	Szampion/Salsa	11 md	>1000 kg	Danmark	Gasa Nordgrø-Europafr
skrives	Belida	11 md	>5000 kg	Danmark	Gasa Nord-Bandholm
dette.	Rød Ingrid	11 md - 12 md	>10000 kg	Danmark	Gasa Nord-Bandholm
aciic.	Cox Orange	11 md - 12 md	>10000 kg	Danmark-Holland	Gasa Nord-Bandholm
\	Holsteiner Cox	11 md - 12 md	>5000 kg	Danmark	Gasa Nord-Bandholm
\	Jonagored	12 md	>5000 kg	Danmark	Gasa Nord-Bandholm
	Pigeon	12 md	>1000 kg	Danmark	Gasa Nordgrø-Europafr
X	Gala	12 md/	>5000 kg	Danmark	Gasa Nordgrø-Europafr
\	Santana	12 mg - 01 md	>1000 kg	Danmark	Gasa Nordgrø-Europafr
	Elise	01 md	>1000 kg	Danmark	Gasa Nordgrø-Europafr
	Topaz	01/md	>1000 kg	Danmark	Gasa Nordgrø-Europafr
	Rød Topaz	Ø1 md	>1000 kg	Danmark	Gasa Nordgrø-Europafr
	Braeburn	02 md - 05 md	>5000 kg	Italien-Brasi-Chile	Gasa Nordgrø-Europafr

Status of cooks and public food



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Good food for all