



ORGANIC ORGANIZATIONS IN CANADA

NATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS

Organic Federation of Canada

Areas of Work:



Canadian Organic Trade Association

Areas of Work:



Organic Agriculture Centre of Canada Dalhousie University

Areas of Work:



Canadian Organic Growers

Areas of Work:



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	Advocacy/Policy		Marketing
	Certification		National Organic Standards
	Domestic Promotion		OVCRT member
	Export Assistance		Provincial Organic Standards
	Extension services		Public Communications
	Farm Information		Research
	International Promotion		Stakeholder Communications
	Transition Programs		

Certified Organic Associations of BC

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Organic Alberta

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SaskOrganics Association Inc

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Manitoba Organic Alliance

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Organic Connections Inc

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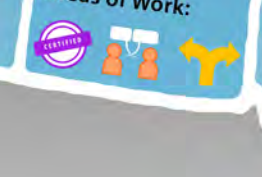
Organic Food Council of Manitoba

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Organic Producers Association of Manitoba

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Organic Council of Ontario

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Ecological Farmers Association of Ontario

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Filière biologique du Québec

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Union des producteurs agricoles: Table de développement de la production biologique

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Centre d'expertise et de transfert en agriculture biologique et de proximité

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Conseil des appellations réservées et des termes valorisants

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Atlantic Canadian Organic Regional Network

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Prince Edward Island Certified Organic Producer Co-operative

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Name	Prov.	Contact	Objectives	Name	Prov.	Contact	Objectives
Certified Organic Associations of BC (COABC) Staff: 1FT, 2PT	BC	Jen Gamble, Executive Director of Operations 250-260-4429 edo@certifiedorganic.bc.ca www.certifiedorganic.bc.ca	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Provide accreditation. Advocate on behalf of BC's organic sector. 	Centre d'expertise et de transfert en agriculture biologique et de proximité (CETAB +) Staff: 16	QC	Jean Duval, Coordinator 819-758-6401 X 2770 infor@cetab.org www.cetab.org/en	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Research and transfer technology. Consulting (technical and management). Dissemination (sector intel, information and conferences). Training and coaching.
Organic Alberta Staff: 7	AB	Becky Lipton, Executive Director 1-855-521-2400 (toll-free) or 1-587-521-2400 info@organicalberta.org www.organicalberta.org	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Provide value and demonstrate relevance to our members. Increase our capacity to achieve our goals and create a financially stable model. Build capacity to meet demand & long term sustainability in the organic agriculture and food industry. Attain and maintain strong standards for organics. Increase the value proposition of organics by clearly explaining what organics is, it's value and benefits. 	Filière biologique du Québec (FBQ) Staff: 2 *Website available in French only.	QC	Daniel Dubé, President 418-564-6366 info@filierebio.qc.ca www.filierebio.qc.ca*	To contribute to the market development and to represent the interests of the whole of the sector with other governmental and nongovernmental stakeholders.
SaskOrganics Association Inc Staff: 1	SK	Marla Carlson, Executive Director 306-535-3456 marla@saskorganics.com www.saskorganics.org	Membership based organic industry association with services including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Export market development. Education and research. Promoting benefits of organic food. 	Union des producteurs agricoles (UPA) : Table de développement de la production biologique (TDPB) Staff: 1	QC	Jérôme-Antoine Brunelle, Coordinator 450-679-0540 # 8684 jabrunelle@upa.qc.ca	To contribute to the development of Quebec's supply of organic products according to market demand, in consultation with unions, federations and specialized groups of producers and in partnership with support organizations and governmental bodies.
Organic Connections Inc Staff: 1 PT	SK	Marla Carlson, Executive Director 306-535-3456 www.organicconnections.ca	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Organize conferences and trade shows for the prairie organic industry Facilitate activities that enhance and promote the organic sector through education and awareness. 	Prince Edward Island Certified Organic Producer Co-operative (PEI COPC) Staff: 1	PEI	Karen Murchison, Research Coordinator 902-894-9999 email@organicpei.com www.organicpei.com	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Prioritize and coordinate research relevant to the industry. Create and promote networking events and educational activities. Serve as a voice for PEI's organic farmers on industry organizations and in governments.
Manitoba Organic Alliance (MOA) Staff: 0, Volunteer run	MB	Kate Storey, President 204-546-2099 info@manitobaorganicalliance.com www.manitobaorganicalliance.com Contact MOA to connect with a representative of OPAM or OFCM.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Umbrella group in Manitoba representing and lobbying for the organic value chain. Promote interests of and address issues of importance to the organic sector. Deliver information. Create growth opportunities. 	Atlantic Canadian Organic Regional Network (ACORN) Staff: 5	Atlantic	Theresa Richards, Executive Director 1-866-322-2676 admin@acornorganic.org www.acornorganic.org	ACORN aims to enhance the viability and growth of the Atlantic Canadian organic agricultural community through a unified regional network. The specific objectives of ACORN are: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Networking with all interested parties regionally and nationally. Facilitating information exchange between and amongst organizations and individuals. Lobbying for organic agriculture Coordinating non formal education for producers through to consumers.
Organic Producers Association of Manitoba (OPAM) Staff: 2+ (variable)	MB	604-567-3745 info@opam-mb.com www.opam-mb.com	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Professional organic certifier. 	Organic Federation of Canada (OFC) Staff: 2	National	Nicole Boudreau boudreau.nicole@videotron.ca www.organicfederation.ca	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> An enhanced coordinated, efficient and effective national regulation to support the development of the industry. The maintenance and interpretation of the Canadian Organic Standards to support the growth of the sector. The support to innovation through industry-led research activities and dynamic knowledge transfer. A more rapid industry growth and development by sharing information and raising awareness to all stakeholders from government to consumer domestically and nationally.
Organic Food Council of Manitoba (OFCM) Staff: Volunteer run (no paid staff)	MB	204-434-6018 Web: www.organicfoodcouncil.org	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Educate and deliver information. Promote change. Community engagement. Support farmers. 	Organic Agriculture Centre of Canada, Dalhousie University Staff: 3	National	Andy Hammermeister 902-893-8037 Andrew.Hammermeister@dal.ca www.dal.ca/oacc	National centre playing a leading role in organic research and education. Facilitates research, education, and training supporting organic sector stakeholders. Co-manages and leads administration of the Organic Science Cluster.
Ecological Farmers Association of Ontario (EFAO) Staff: 4	ON	Ali English, Executive Director 519-822-8606 ali@efao.ca www.efao.ca	To support and promote a vibrant community of ecological farmers through education, training and knowledge sharing.	Canadian Organic Trade Association (COTA) Staff: 5	National	Tia Loftsgard, Executive Director 613.482.1717 tloftsgard@ota.com, www.ota.com/canada-ota	COTA enables all members of the organic sector to share a strong voice to ensure the protection of the organic sector and encourage its continued growth. COTA supports market development, trade and market access for organic goods on a national level and plays an active role in the development of organic data and expertise.
Organic Council of Ontario (OCO) Staff: 3 PT consultants	ON	Carolyn Young, Lead Consultant carolyn.cay@gmail.com www.organiccouncil.ca	A value chain trade association focused on promoting the interests of organic businesses through advocacy, marketing, promotion and research.	Canadian Organic Growers Staff: 5	National	Wayne Adams 1-888-375-7383 wayne_adams@cog.ca www.cog.ca	Protect organic integrity, increase organic acreage, promote organic benefits, improve access to organics.
Conseil des appellations réservées et des termes valorisants (CARTV) Staff: 7	QC	Anne-Marie Granger Godbout, President & CEO 514-864-8999 info@cartv.gouv.qc.ca www.cartv.gouv.qc.ca/?q=en	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To establish standards. To accredit certification bodies. To monitor the use of the term "organic" (in French, "biologique"). To inform the public and industry. 				



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Certified Organic Associations of BC (COABC)			✓					✓	✓						
Organic Alberta	✓	✓	✓		✓		✓	✓	✓			✓			
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