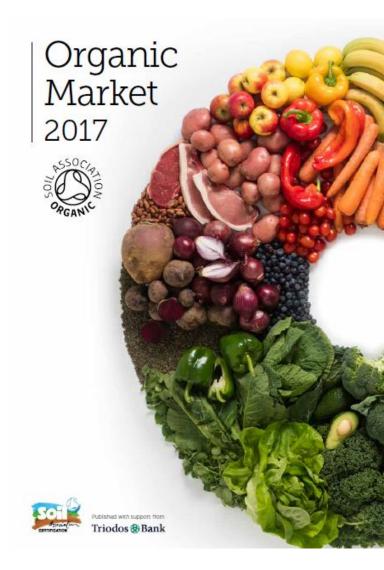




# The 2017 Organic Market Report







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### UK ORGANIC MARKET OVERVIEW



# Total organic sales 2016 £2.09B

+7.1% Sales growth

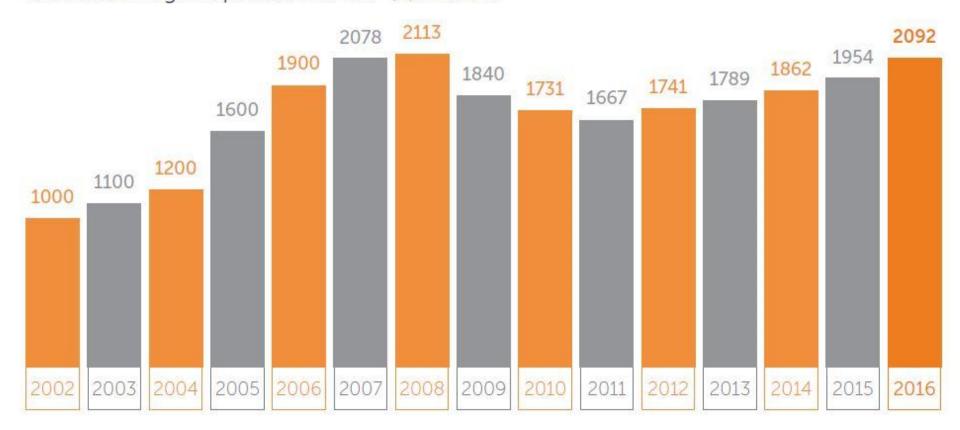




### UK SALES OF ORGANIC PRODUCTS



2002 – 2016 UK Sales of organic products in GBP (£) millions

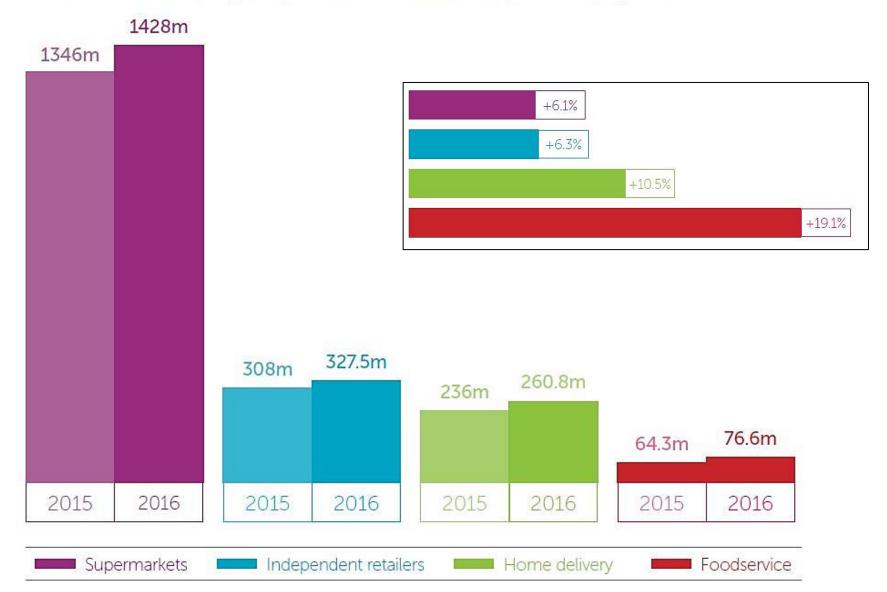




### CHANNEL GROWTH



2015 – 2016 Channel growth in GBP (£) millions and percentage growth



### **SUPERMARKETS**

£1.42 billion total sales; growth +6.1% New listings in supermarkets Organic grocery growing the fastest Discounters expanding ranges



### HOME DELIVERY

£260.8m total sales; growth of +10.5% Recipe boxes creating new interest Shoppers want convenience Amazon Fresh – shop window



### **INDEPENDENTS**

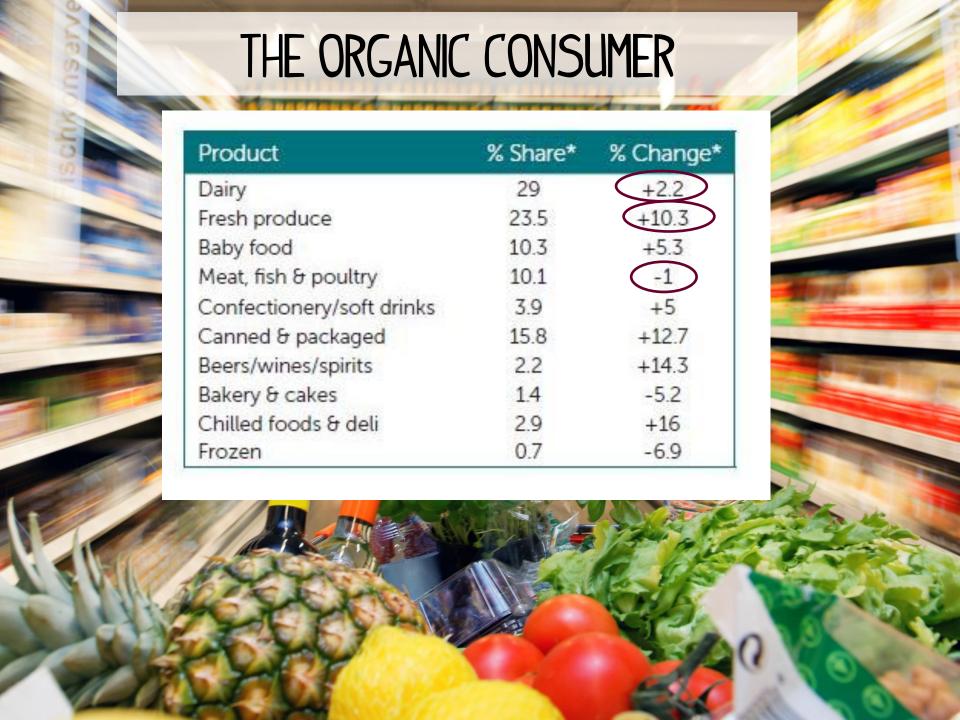
£327.5m total sales; growth +6.3% Wholesalers +5% 90% expect sales to continue to increase this year



### CATERING

- Growth of 19.1%
- More High Street and visitor attraction menus include Organic
- Food for Life Served Here now generates £15 million spend on Organic, +66% on last year
- Foodservice wholesalers seeing the opportunity
- Increased interest in healthy work place catering



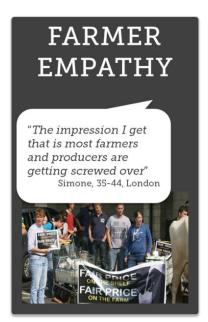




# THE ORGANIC CONSUMER









"The impression I get is that most farmers and producers are getting screwed over"

"Our blue bin is always full. It's criminal!" Janet, 35-44 Manchester

#### CONVENIENCE

"I feel quite guilty but I have to, say, just pop into Tescos. You have the local butcher which is better quality but you may not have the time" Simone, 35-44, London



#### **INFORMED**



#### HEALTH

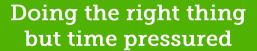


"There's so much about our food on TV"

Hayley, Principled Striver, Glasgow

"We all want to eat more healthily and are more conscious of it but price is a big issue"





Lead busy lives. Are, or feel, time pressured. Have principles but don't have time to shop around and occasionally will buy what is convenient or what they fancy. Moderately organic engaged, low price sensitivity.



### Food is central to their identity

Curious and like to discover new ingredients, cuisines, restaurants. Sceptical of trends, well informed. High organic engagement, low price sensitivity.



# Role modelling and sacrificing for their children

Life is a balance: budgets, wellbeing vs. treats, time for work, time for play.
Juggling. Will make personal sacrifices for their children. Engaged with organic, high price sensitivity.



#### Making a statement

Highly social; the most outer-directed. Want to look and feel good.
Engaged with organic but not a philosophical level.
Price conscious but will make sacrifices in one area to allow them to have something else.



### Getting everything under control

Orientated towards living a healthy life. Strongly held views on food, production, retail. Self-focused, engaged with food, organic as one of a number of interesting options.

Price conscious but least price sensitive.



#### See the bigger picture

Want to do the right thing for the planet and their communities as much as themselves. Emotionally engaged in product choices. Very high organic engagement also very price sensitive (their value equation is not focused on price though)



### THE YEAR AHEAD



- Organic meeting consumer need, and becoming even more relevant
- Consumer confidence
- Foodservice opportunities; overall market predicted to grow at consistent 2.9%
- Uncertainty post EU referendum
  - Organic regulation
  - Farmer payments
  - Future trade deals
- Rising prices and inflation







## Thank you

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## Biology



Crane-fly larvae Adults emerge late summer / autumn Lay eggs shortly afterward in grass Larvae hatch in about a fortnight

Most vulnerable stage immediately after hatching

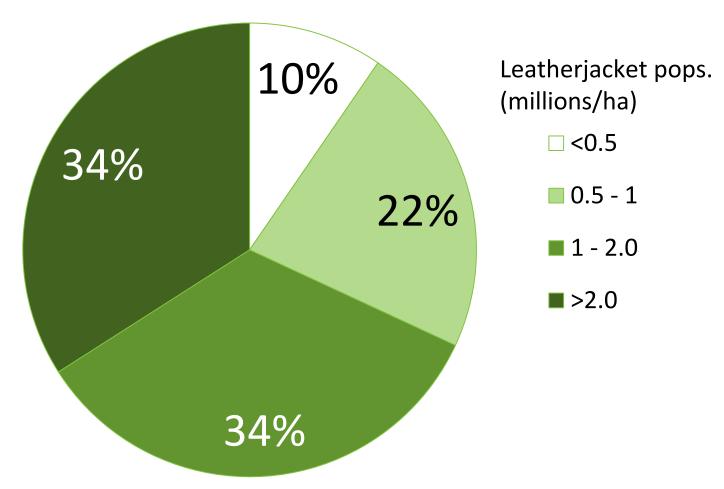
### **Vulnerable period** Life – optimum time for control cycle Larva (1st -2nd instar) Late autumn Adults emerge & fly - Egg laying Autumn Larva (4th instar) -

Pupae

Larva (3rd instar) Over winter Larva (3rd instar) Larva (4th instar) Spring -

summer

### Field data: winter 2017



Data taken from 94 field samples in Ayrshire and Bute in early 2017





# Sampling

25 soil cores

Each core is:

- 2.5" (6.5 cm) wide
- 2.5" (6.5 cm) deep

Cores taken along the longest diagonal of the field





### Field lab treatment

- Garlic (Rigel G)
- Sprayed end November 2016
- Recommended rate 1-2 l/ha

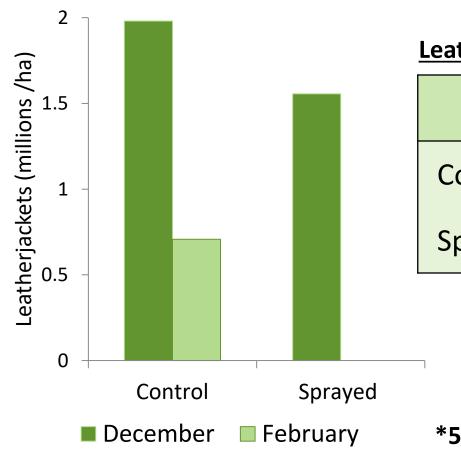


Rigel G		
	1.5	l/ha
£	80	/I bottle
£	119	/ha



 Currently sold in 1 l bottles for higher value crop use

### Results



#### Leatherjacket pop. estimates (millions /ha)

	December	February
Control	1.98	0.71*
Sprayed	1.56	0.00**

<sup>\*5</sup> leatherjackets were found in 25 cores

<sup>\*\*</sup>indicates 0-141,482 leatherjackets /ha

### What's next?

- Were the results genuine, or were they due to sampling error? Probably not.
- Did the climate in the milder wetter south west make a difference?
- Did we get lucky with the timing?
- Will spray applications in spring work?
- Should we replicate the trial in drier colder conditions (i.e. north east Scotland)?













