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Foreword from the Managing Directors



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Managing Director



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The year 2024 was a demanding one, both for GLOBALG.A.P. and for the world at large. Geopolitical tensions escalated and economic pressures weighed heavily on societies. As a result, food prices continued to rise, protests erupted, and people – whether consumers, producers, or business owners – stood up to make their voices heard.

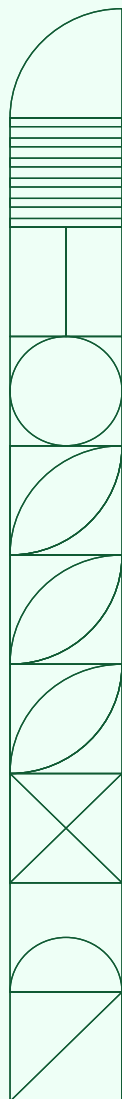
Producers, in particular, sought greater recognition – not just for their critical role in feeding the world, but also for the growing challenges they face, from economic pressures to ever-evolving legislation. Regulatory decisions made in 2024, for example by the European Union, reshaped the landscape of responsible food production, sparking both debate and determination across the sector.

With GLOBALG.A.P., change was a constant theme. The latest Integrated Farm Assurance (IFA) standard version 6 replaced version 5, while we also deepened our collaboration with strategic partner osapiens to enhance our technology systems. Change brings uncertainty, but it also brings opportunity. The transition to IFA v6 has fostered meaningful dialogue with producers, helping them navigate the shift to risk- and outcome-based audits. These conversations underscored the power of engagement, reinforcing the need for stronger stakeholder connections and a more inclusive approach to progress.

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One of the defining moments of 2024 was our first SUMMIT in five years, held in Warsaw, Poland. There, we took a bold step in strengthening stakeholder collaboration with the launch of the new Technical Advisory Committee – designed to provide scientific, technical, and market-driven insights to shape the future of FoodPLUS. The conference sparked wide-ranging discussions on legal expectations, food safety, sustainability, and the ever-growing role of technology in agriculture. Our goal was not just to inform, but to inspire – leaving attendees with new perspectives, ideas, and a shared sense of purpose.

Looking back, 2024 marked both the close of an era and the beginning of a transformation in farming. The challenges we faced reinforced the importance of resilience, collaboration, and innovation. As we move forward, we do so with a clear vision and renewed determination – ready to embrace the opportunities that lie ahead in 2025 and beyond.



Year in numbers

190,465

producers under
GLOBALG.A.P.
certification in 2024

This comprises all producers certified to the core solutions of Integrated Farm Assurance (IFA), Compound Feed Manufacturing (CFM), Crops for Processing (CfP), Produce Handling Assurance (PHA), and the Harmonized Produce Safety Standard (HPSS), including benchmarked equivalents.

See page 28 for a breakdown of each GLOBALG.A.P. standard and add-on.

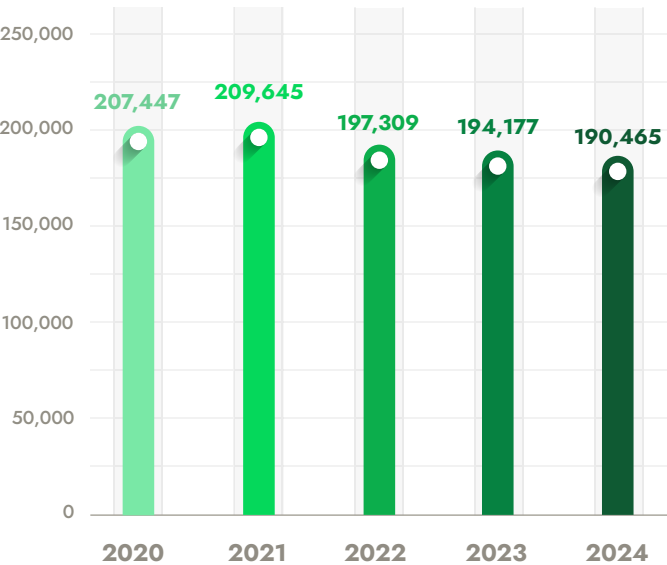
5,137

supply chain companies
under GLOBALG.A.P.
certification

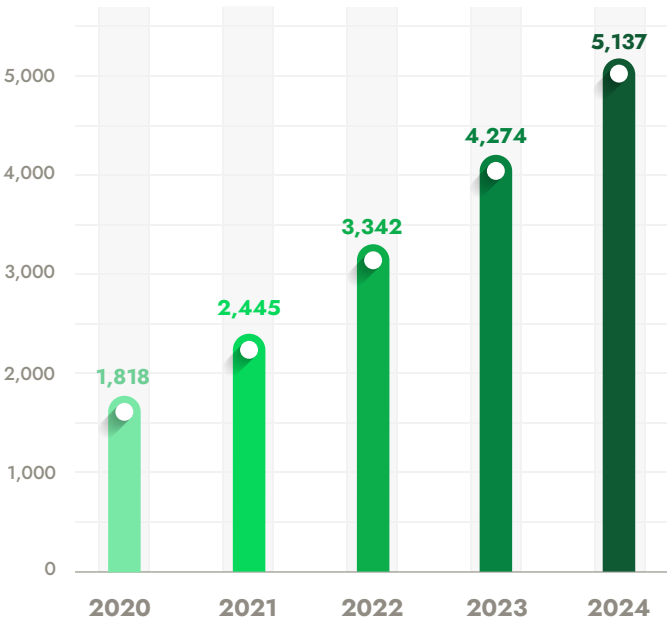
Counted here are all supply chain companies certified to the GLOBALG.A.P. Chain of Custody (CoC) standard, including benchmarked equivalents. The CoC standard is designed to safeguard the segregation of products originating from GLOBALG.A.P. certified production processes. The number of supply chain companies with CoC certification has increased by 20.2% since 2023.

See page 35 for more information on the CoC standard.

Producers under GLOBALG.A.P. certification in 2024



Supply chain companies under GLOBALG.A.P. certification in 2024

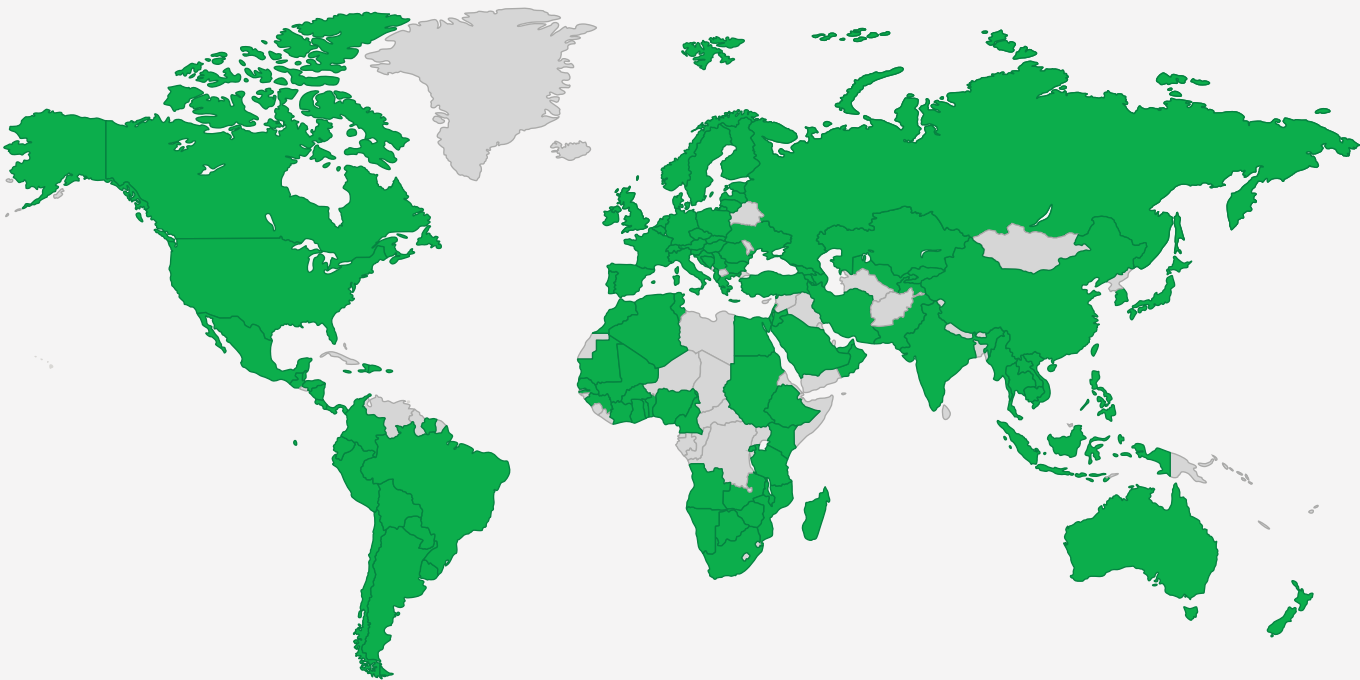


135

countries with producers
under GLOBALG.A.P.
certification in 2024

This figure represents producers with certificates for the core solutions of IFA, CFM, Cfp, PHA, HPSS, and CoC, including benchmarked equivalents. IFA is the most widely implemented GLOBALG.A.P. standard, with producers located in 135 countries in 2024. The GLOBALG.A.P. Risk Assessment on Social Practice (GRASP) is the most widely used add-on, with assessed producers in 100 countries.

See page 24 for more information on the global reach of our standards and add-ons.



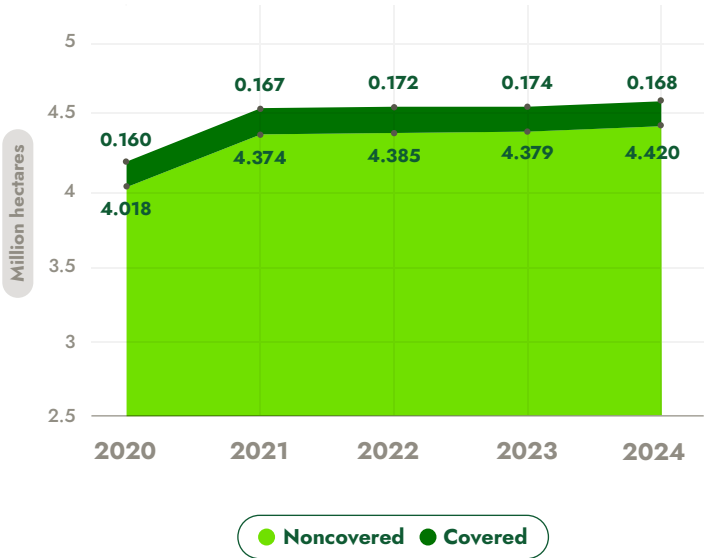
4,588,347

hectares of certified
plant production in
2024

This is calculated based on the productive area certified under the IFA plants scope (all product categories), as well as the Cfp and HPSS standards. Based on first and further harvests per crop type, this total has increased by 35,000 hectares in comparison with 2023.

See page 28 for detailed information on each product category of the IFA plants scope.

Hectares of certified plant
production (covered and
noncovered)



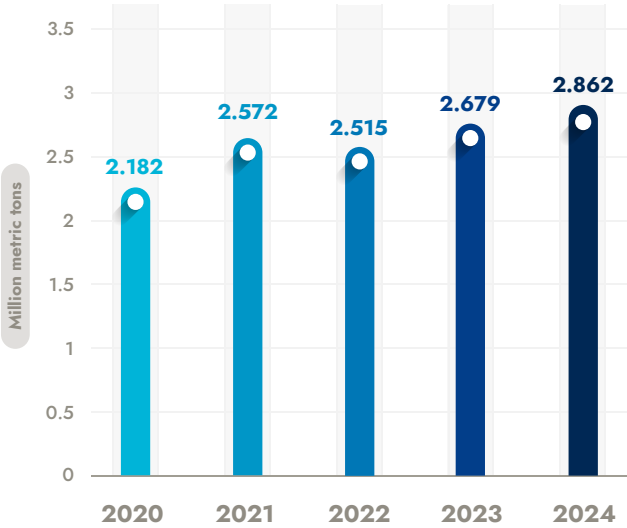
2,861,529

metric tons of aquaculture products from certified production in 2024

This is based on producers certified to the IFA standard for aquaculture. The total metric tons of aquaculture products from certified production processes increased by over 182,000 metric tons in comparison with 2023.

See page 34 for detailed information on IFA for aquaculture.

Metric tons of aquaculture products from certified production



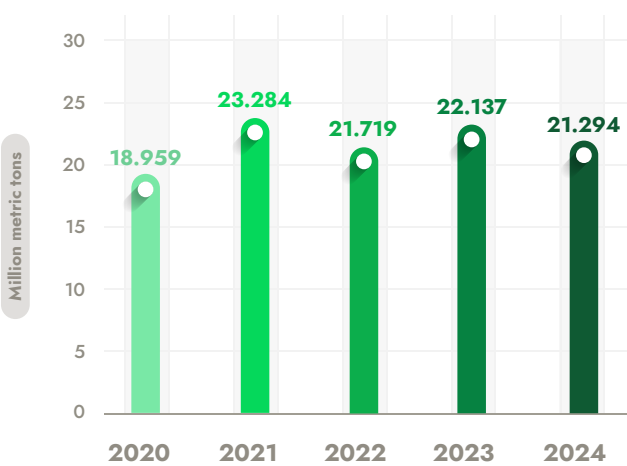
21,293,748

metric tons of compound feed products from certified production in 2024

This is based on commercial compound feed manufacturers certified to the CFM standard. It includes feed produced for both the aquaculture and livestock markets, with a year-on-year decrease of 3.8% compared with 2023.

See page 36 for detailed information on CFM.

Metric tons of compound feed from certified production



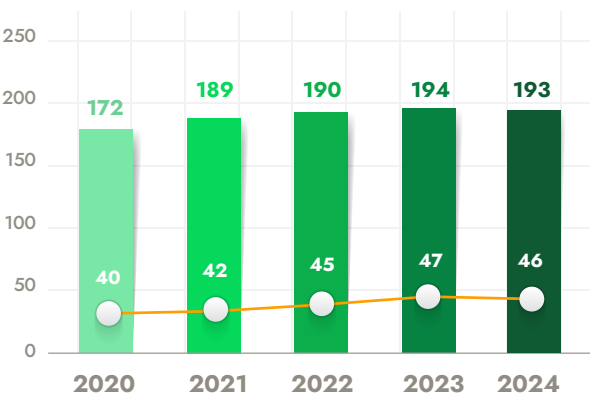
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GLOBALG.A.P. approved certification bodies in 2024

Certification bodies (CBs) play a key role in our operations, from farm auditing and assessment to the registration and maintenance of producer data in our IT systems. All GLOBALG.A.P. certificates are issued by approved CBs, all of which are accredited and independent third-party entities. The number of CBs decreased by one in 2024, with CB headquarters located in 46 countries worldwide. Many CBs also operate internationally.

For more information on GLOBALG.A.P. approved CBs, please see the [2024 Integrity Report](#).

GLOBALG.A.P. approved certification bodies and countries of headquarter locations

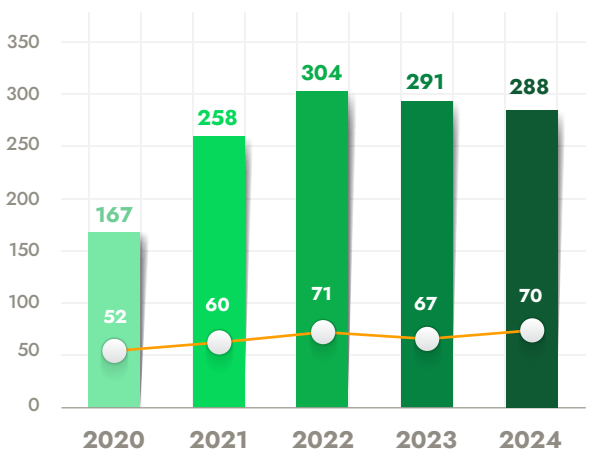


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GLOBALG.A.P. Registered Trainers in 2024

Registered Trainers are independent farming experts who are supported by GLOBALG.A.P. to train producers and other interested parties on the implementation of our standards and add-ons. With first-hand knowledge of the GLOBALG.A.P. certification system, Registered Trainers are a key component of our capacity-building activities. **288 active trainers were operating across 70 countries on six continents in 2024.**

Registered Trainers and countries represented by the program



Key highlights



January

First IFA v6 for aquaculture NIGs published

In January 2024, the NTWG Colombia successfully submitted the **first NIG for version 6 of the IFA standard for aquaculture**. The NIG complements the standard by providing an interpretation based on the legal and structural conditions of the specific country. This includes the incorporation of national legislation that is required to complement the standard principles and criteria during the audit process.

Lead by ICONTEC, Colombia's NTWG was also supported by the United Nations Industrial Development Organization (UNIDO) Global Market Access Program (GMAP) for Colombia, the Norwegian Agency for Development Cooperation (NORAD), Colombia Productiva, and the Colombian Ministry of Commerce, Industry, and Tourism.

Luz Dary Santamaría Zapata, Lead Standardization Manager at ICONTEC, commented: "The release of the NIG is a product of the commitment of key aquaculture stakeholders, such as authorities, government institutions, universities, international cooperation actors, and private sector representatives. **It demonstrates the benefits of collaborative scenarios to enhance responsible aquaculture practices.**"

In addition to the milestone represented by the first IFA v6 for aquaculture NIG, other NTWGs also supported the publication of 83 NIGs for GRASP v2 and 18 NIGs for the IFA v6 plants scope in 2024.

[Learn more about the first NIG for IFA for aquaculture](#)



March

NSF Certification UK awards first IFA v6 Smart certificate

NSF Certification UK Ltd became the first GLOBALG.A.P. approved CB to establish an API connection to the GLOBALG.A.P. IT systems and complete an audit to the latest version of the IFA standard in 2024. **The first IFA v6 Smart certificate – in the fruit and vegetables product category – was awarded to Roberto Faillace in Italy**, recognizing his farm's production of oranges, strawberries, and lemons.

A GLOBALG.A.P. Associate Community Member of over 20 years, NSF Certification UK completed the milestone after IFA v6 replaced v5.2 on 1 January 2024. It followed a long journey of public consultation on the updated standard content and a transition period after the final IFA v6 documents were published in late 2022.

Situated in Scanzano Jonico in the province of Matera, Roberto Faillace's farm is a frontrunner in achieving IFA v6 Smart certification. Spanning approximately 30 hectares, the farm specializes in citrus fruits and strawberries and is known throughout Italy for a **focus on quality products while prioritizing responsible farm management practices that respect the environment and safeguard biodiversity**.

Faillace stated: "We take pride in being the first Italian company to achieve GLOBALG.A.P. certification with the new IFA v6. Our success is the result of our commitment to the environment and the well-being of our employees throughout the cultivation of our land."

[Discover more about the first IFA v6 Smart certificate](#)



August

GFSI recognition for IFA standards v6 received

The new IFA standards v6 GFS received recognition once again from the Global Food Safety Initiative (GFSI) in August, highlighting our unwavering dedication to upholding the highest standards of food safety across the supply chain. **Formal recognition of the IFA standards for fruit and vegetables and aquaculture marked the successful alignment with the GFSI Benchmarking Requirements v2020** for All: Farming of fish and seafood, BI: Farming of plants (other than grains and pulses), and BIII: Pre-process handling of plant products.

This recognition ensures that responsible production processes certified according to the GLOBALG.A.P. IFA standards from 6 August 2024 **adhere to globally acknowledged food safety standards**. Starting from 1 January 2025, all IFA audits for aquacul-



ture and fruit and vegetables will be conducted against IFA v6 Smart or IFA v6 GFS, the latter being necessary for GFSI recognition.

In a joint press release with GFSI, Lalaina Randriamanantsoa, GFSI Senior Technical Manager commented: "It is great to see GLOBALG.A.P. successfully completing their GFSI benchmarking assessment once again. I particularly recognize the team's engagement throughout this process and note the effort GLOBALG.A.P. made to improve the previous versions of the certification programs in question whilst maintaining alignment with GFSI Benchmarking Requirements v2020."

[Read more about GFSI recognition and the IFA v6 GFS transition period](#)

September

GLOBALG.A.P. SUMMIT 2024 in Warsaw, Poland

Industry leaders from across farming value chains joined the GLOBALG.A.P. SUMMIT 2024 in Warsaw, held 10–12 September, under the theme "Shaping the future of farming together". The event brought **close to 300 stakeholders from more than 40 countries together** to navigate the evolving challenges and opportunities facing the agriculture and aquaculture sectors.

As new legislation, technological advancements, and rising consumer expectations reshape the industry, this year's SUMMIT served as a platform for exploring innovative solutions and fostering collaboration during this critical time of transformation. The SUMMIT agenda spanned keynote speeches and dedicated breakout sessions, exploring topics such as harmonization and simplification, AI and the future of auditing, sustainability and green claims, and the importance of engaging with smallholders across the globe.

Elmé Coetzer-Boersma, Managing Director of GLOBALG.A.P. c/o FoodPLUS GmbH, summarized: "This SUMMIT has **demonstrated that true progress stems from collective action**. By sharing insights and strategies, we can not only overcome current challenges but also drive innovative solutions that shape the future of farming."

As the SUMMIT concluded, participants emphasized the importance of ongoing dialogue and collaboration across sectors, **underlining that these are not just one-time exchanges, but part of a continuous process**. This event undoubtedly served as a catalyst for forging new connections and inspiring concrete action toward a more innovative, sustainable, and fit-for-future industry. In the closing speech, the next SUMMIT was announced for 2026.

[Learn more about the key themes of the GLOBALG.A.P. SUMMIT 2024](#)



September

Launch of PFA v6

Primary Farm Assurance (PFA) is a GLOBALG.A.P. capacity-building program that facilitates the implementation of good agricultural practices among smallholders and producers in developing economies and emerging markets. Version 6 of the standard was published on 11 September 2024 and replaced version 5 on 1 March 2025.

PFA offers three levels of standards to assess responsible farming practices. Centered on a capacity-building approach that promotes an accessible and gradual progression to full IFA certification, the PFA program **aims to support small-scale producers in improving farm management at their own pace**. In v6, the PFA levels were adjusted to follow a more intuitive approach, with each PFA level – Entry Level, Intermediate Level, and Advanced Level – featuring increasing implementation requirements.

PFA v6 now includes more content addressing environmental topics compared to v5. This change reflects updates to IFA v6 and trends in the wider industry. As a result, PFA standards now offer a more holistic approach to relevant topics at a suitable level for the producer's current circumstances, rather than focusing on food safety alone. This ensures the PFA program continues to support producers on their journey to adopting the IFA standard, if desired.

[Discover more about the updates in PFA v6](#)



Events



Trade fairs IPM, Essen (Germany)

23–26 January

Event: ALPH International Grower of the Year (IGOTY) Awards

Fruit Logistica, Berlin (Germany)

7–9 February

Panel discussion: “Addressing responsible water management in high water risk regions”

Fish International, Bremen (Germany)

25–27 February

Seafood Expo Global, Barcelona (Spain)

23–25 April

Panel discussion: “Responsible aquaculture supply chains: Addressing evolving transparency requirements from farm to consumer”



TOUR stops South Africa (Paarl)

16–17 April

Conference and farm visits in partnership with Keystone Collection | **Title:** “Embracing responsible solutions”

Online events

GLOBALG.A.P. webinar series: A guide to IFA v6 transition

- “Guía para la transición de IFA v6: flores y ornamentales”
13 May
- “A guide to IFA v6 transition: Flowers and ornamentals”
14 May
- “A guide to IFA v6 transition: Aquaculture” | **22 May**
- “A guide to IFA v6 transition: Fruit and vegetables” | **22 May**
- “Guía para la transición de IFA v6: acuicultura” | **23 May**
- “Guía para la transición de IFA v6: frutas y hortalizas”
25 May
- “A guide to IFA v6 implementation: Fruit and vegetables”
12 June

GLOBALG.A.P. panel discussion: UN International Day of Biological Diversity

“**Be Part of the Plan:** How can responsible and resilient farming practices promote and protect biodiversity?” | **28 May**

GRASP International Labour Organization (ILO) webinar series

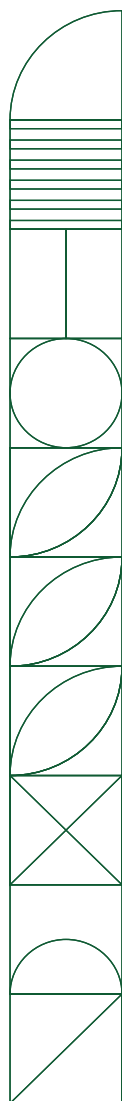
- “Problems of forced labor in agricultural enterprises and presentation of the GRASP v2 tool ” | **18 June**
- “Application of the GRASP v2 tool to detect forced labor risks in agricultural companies” | **9 July**
- “Application of the GRASP v2 tool for family farms and subcontracted work” | **13 August**

GLOBALG.A.P. North America: Summer webinar series

- “IFA supports PROFIT – Transforming audits into value-added programs” | **13 June**
- “IFA supports PLANET – Pollinator protection: Enhancing farm sustainability and productivity” | **11 July**
- “IFA supports PEOPLE – Fostering ethical labor practices for a sustainable future” | **15 August**

GLOBALG.A.P. SUMMIT 2024 preview webinar

- “Future transformation in farming: A warm-up webinar for the GLOBALG.A.P. SUMMIT 2024” | **16 July**





GLOBALG.A.P. SUMMIT 2024

Shaping the future of farming together

10–12 September | Warsaw, Poland

After a five-year break, experts and leaders from across farming value chains convened at the **GLOBALG.A.P. SUMMIT 2024 in Warsaw** to explore emerging challenges, new technologies, and the future of the industry. Almost **300 stakeholders** came together to discuss new legislation, technological advancements, and rising consumer expectations as they reshape the agriculture and aquaculture sectors.



Collaboration was the cornerstone of the three-day event, where participants discussed targeted strategies to address current and future industry challenges in a series of **10 break-out sessions**. The SUMMIT also offered significant networking opportunities, fostering open dialogue and knowledge-sharing with **55 different speakers** and **attendees representing 44 countries**.

Throughout the agenda, topics included the latest advancements in **auditing innovations, artificial intelligence, precision farming, and remote sensing technologies**, as well as their transformative applications in agriculture. Keynotes and vibrant panel discussions also emphasized the increasing significance of **green claims, farm certification, consumer trust, and product labeling** as vital strategies for enhancing brand loyalty. Additionally, opportunities for supply chain stakeholders to enhance **traceability and transparency** were explored.



On the final day, the SUMMIT **farm visit program** provided unique on-the-ground perspectives on the achievements of Polish producers in responsible farming practices. Three tours were conducted, spanning Masovian apple and pepper specialties in collaboration with the host of the NTWG Poland, a visit to an innovative aquaponics operation, and a covered production visit including year-round tomato and mushroom cultivation.



Changemaker Awards

At the SUMMIT 2024, we launched a new initiative to celebrate global stakeholders who foster positive change in the world of farming. The inaugural Changemaker Awards were centered on those who have made a significant contribution to society through their innovative practices and forward-thinking concepts. With **submissions from 16 countries across five continents**, SUMMIT attendees voted for one nominee in each category (producers, retailers, and certification bodies), with the winners celebrated on stage during the evening event on 10 September.



ONE ACRE FUND

Winner

Producer category
One Acre Fund
Kenya



Winner

Certification body category
Kiwa Ecuador
Ecuador



Winner

Retailer category
The SPAR Group
South Africa

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Capacity-building projects

Facilitating the production of safe food, safeguarding the environment, and empowering farming communities are central to the GLOBALG.A.P. vision. We are committed to cultivating global partnerships to achieve our objectives collectively. As part of this mission, we support numerous capacity-building projects worldwide which help strengthen the agricultural sector by developing and upscaling local expertise, encouraging producers to adopt safe and responsible practices, and connecting them to regional and international markets.

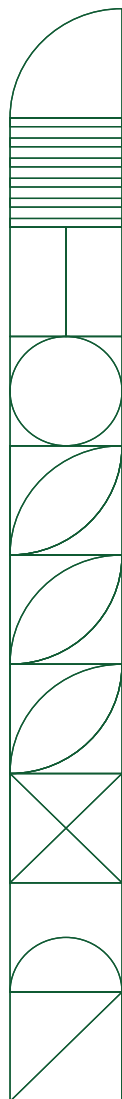


Namibia: Laying the foundations for long-term impact

In collaboration with the Namibian Agronomic Board (NAB), GLOBALG.A.P. designed a capacity-building project to strengthen the country's agricultural sector and support local producers in meeting internationally recognized food safety and quality standards.

With a strong focus on the PFA program and IFA standard, the initiative aims to enhance Namibia's food control system, making locally produced agronomic and horticultural products safer, more sustainable, and more competitive in both domestic and global markets. By equipping auditors, producers, and trainers with the necessary skills and certifications, the project paves the way for a stronger, more resilient agricultural industry.

A key part of this transformation includes specialized training for NAB inspectors. The project also goes a step further by financially and technically supporting GLOBALG.A.P. Registered Trainers, ensuring their long-term impact on Namibia's farming community. To solidify these efforts, the initiative established the NTWG Namibia to develop a national interpretation guideline, providing clear, standardized best practices for Namibian producers on the ground. The project will continue to run until 2026.





Tajikistan: Strengthening local networks and expertise

Conducted in partnership with the **Deutsche Gesellschaft für Internationale Zusammenarbeit (GIZ)** and the **Ministry of Agriculture of Tajikistan**, the project aimed to promote good agricultural practices, enhance food safety, and increase the export potential of local producers.

Key activities included training local experts in GLOBALG.A.P. standards, particularly in fruit and vegetable production, to create a network of locally available trainers and consultants. This initiative provided direct access to certification services in the local language, reduced costs, and accelerated the certification process for producers across Tajikistan.

Two training sessions were held on the IFA standard for fruit and vegetables: a Quality Management System and Internal Auditor Training, and a GRASP course. Additionally, an on-site mentorship program further supported selected participants in applying knowledge in real farm settings. As a result, six participants qualified as GLOBALG.A.P. Registered Trainers, strengthening the country's certification infrastructure. An NTWG Tajikistan meeting also facilitated discussions on the development and implementation of local standards on good agricultural practices. These efforts contribute significantly to the long-term sustainability and competitiveness of Tajikistan's agricultural sector.



India: Engaging decision-makers on the power of certification

The "Sustainable Agriculture Systems and Policies Project" in India – **led in collaboration with GIZ and the Ministry of Agriculture and Farmers' Welfare (MoA&FW)** – sought to strengthen the country's agricultural sector by promoting safer and more responsible farming practices.

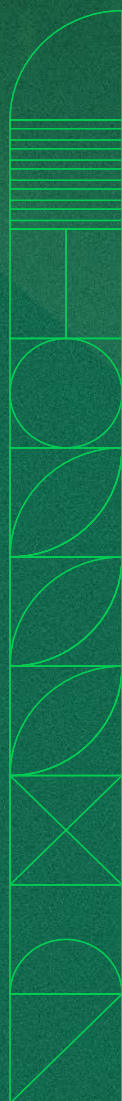
The project focused on training 30 local specialists in the IFA standard v6, equipping them with the knowledge and skills necessary to support farmers in meeting international food safety and environmental requirements. Additionally, it engaged key decision-makers in the public and private sectors, highlighting the importance of certification in expanding market opportunities for Indian agricultural products.

As part of the initiative, MoA&FW held a virtual awareness session, providing an introduction to GLOBALG.A.P. and its certification framework. This was followed by two intensive training programs in Bengaluru. There, participants engaged in hands-on learning, including a farm visit to observe real-world implementation.

The training concluded with an exam, where 24 participants successfully passed and 10 qualified for the GLOBALG.A.P. Registered Trainer program, positioning them to further educate and guide local producers. Through this initiative, India moved closer to aligning its agricultural industry with global standards, fostering both economic growth and environmental responsibility.

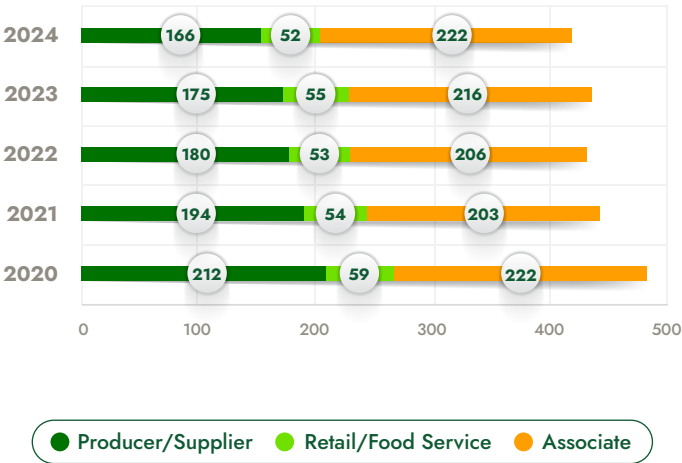
Community membership

The GLOBALG.A.P. brand is supported by a network of global partnerships. GLOBALG.A.P. Community Member organizations are vital in helping us to continuously improve our standards and add-ons, promote safer and more responsible farming practices around the world, and collaborate on innovative solutions for the benefit of the entire supply chain. **We thank our 440 community member organizations for their contribution in 2024!**

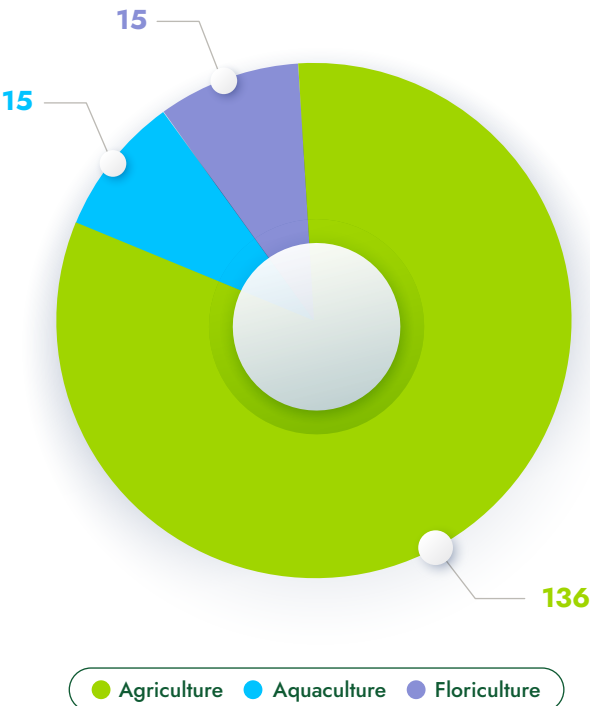


Year overview

GLOBALG.A.P. Community Members by category

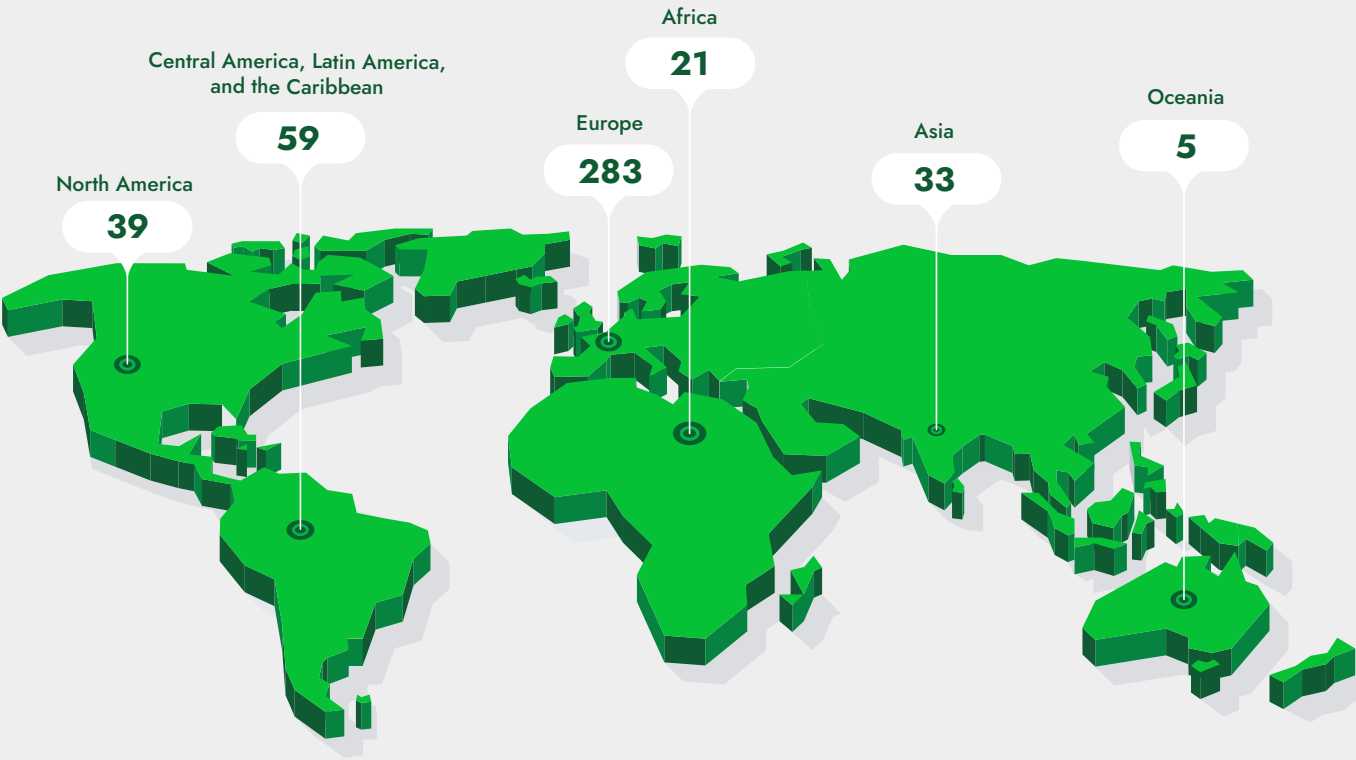


GLOBALG.A.P. Community Members by sector (producer/supplier)



GLOBALG.A.P. Community
Members **by region**

TOTAL 440



New GLOBALG.A.P.
Community Members in 2024

	AgriAvengers srl Italy		Agroinventario Chile
	AGROQUIMICOS VERSA SA DE CV Mexico		Agroto Business (M) Sdn Bhd Malaysia
	Berritum Sp. z o.o. Poland		Bioiberica S.A.U. Spain
	Biosphères France		CAPEC - Cajas y Palets en una Economia Circular Spain
	CARE US United States of America		Driscoll's (Xishuangbanna) Fruit Planting Limited China
	Eurofins Assurance Vietnam Limited Liability Company Vietnam		FarmTrace South Africa

	FERTIBERIA S.A Spain		Fertilab - FERTILIDAD DE SUELOS S. DE R. L. Mexico
	Gowan Company United States of America		Horticultural Development Council Zimbabwe
	INNOVA CONSULTORES DEL PERÚ E.I.R.L. Peru		Kazakhstan Association of Sugar, Food and Processing Industries - Kazakhstan
	Kyrgyz Association of Fruits and Vegetable Producers (APE) - Kyrgyzstan		Lenor Colombia SAS Colombia
	MRL Management Chile		Namibian Agronomic Board (NAB) Namibia
	NORMICH, A.C. Mexico		PepsiCo International United Kingdom
	Provision Analytics Canada		QA Global Group Saudi Arabia
	Ripe Fresh Trading LLC United Arab Emirates		Stolt Sea Farm (Prodemar) Spain
	U.S. Grains Council United States of America		Union of Economists of Turkmenistan Turkmenistan
	Veganic Spain		Vertiproter, Unipessoal, Lda. Portugal
	WIKIFARMER Greece		

Long-term GLOBALG.A.P. Community Members: 10+ years

Retail/Food service



Producer/Supplier



Associate



View all GLOBALG.A.P. Community Members on our website

An aerial photograph of a farm. In the foreground, there are several long, straight rows of green crops, possibly tomatoes, growing in a field. A dirt path runs alongside the crops. In the middle ground, a person wearing a white shirt and a wide-brimmed hat is standing on a wooden platform, sorting through several wooden crates filled with red tomatoes. The background shows more of the farm and some trees. The overall scene is bathed in warm, golden light, suggesting late afternoon or early morning.

GLOBALG.A.P. Smart **farm** **assurance solutions**

GLOBALG.A.P. standards are applicable to **agriculture, aquaculture, floriculture, compound feed manufacturing, and the supply chain**, with the option to extend certification coverage via tailored add-ons. Linked to delivery services that support their consistent implementation, we offer a complete solution for global supply chains.

Key insights



Core solutions



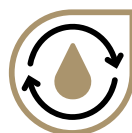
The **GLOBALG.A.P. Chain of Custody (CoC)** standard has demonstrated strong performance as supply chain legislation around the world evolves. The standard has continued to see widespread adoption, with the **number of companies with certified processes rising by over 20% in 2024**. The standard is now implemented in 65 countries across the globe.



The **Produce Handling Assurance (PHA)** standard provides food safety and traceability certification of postharvest activities such as the cooling, packing, handling, and storage of crops for human consumption. Following a 59% increase in number of producers with certified processes in 2023, the **number has grown to 73 producers in 2024**.



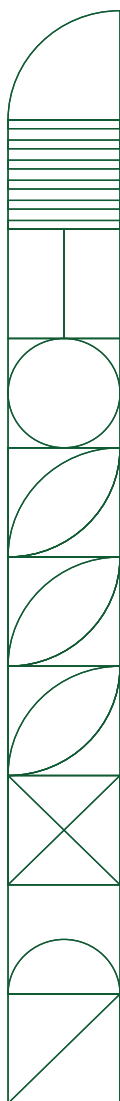
The **Integrated Farm Assurance (IFA) standard for aquaculture** has seen continued growth, with an increase in both number of producers with certified production processes and number of countries of implementation. The **total metric tons of aquaculture products from IFA certified production processes surpassed 2.8 million** for the first time in 2024.



The **Sustainable Program for Irrigation and Groundwater Use (SPRING)** remains the fastest growing solution, as in 2023, with the **number of producers audited to SPRING increasing by over 5,500 in 2024**. Audited production now covers 450,000 hectares worldwide – highlighting the global focus on responsible water management.



Add-ons to
core solutions





Primary solutions

Providing a basic level of assurance, primary solutions offer a gateway to the GLOBALG.A.P. certification system. As stand-alone standards, they are not combined with any other GLOBALG.A.P. standards or add-ons and are not a full form of certification valid for global trade. However, they may fulfill local requirements for producers in emerging markets and/or facilitate the first steps towards accredited certification.

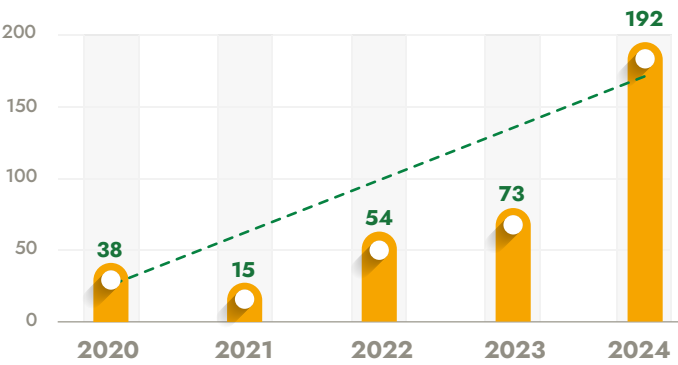


Primary Farm Assurance (PFA)

PFA is a capacity-building program designed to assess good agricultural practices in developing economies and emerging markets.

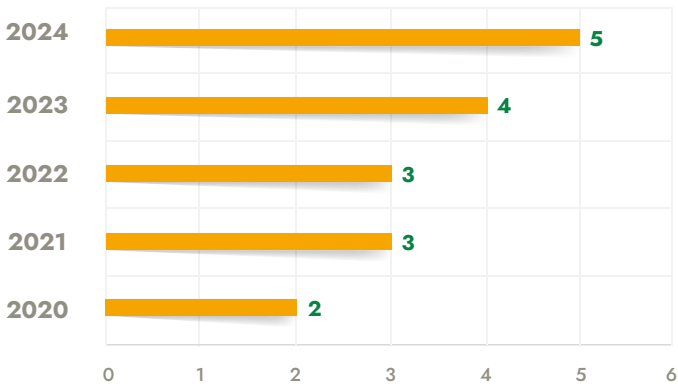
192
producers assessed
to the program

+163% since 2023



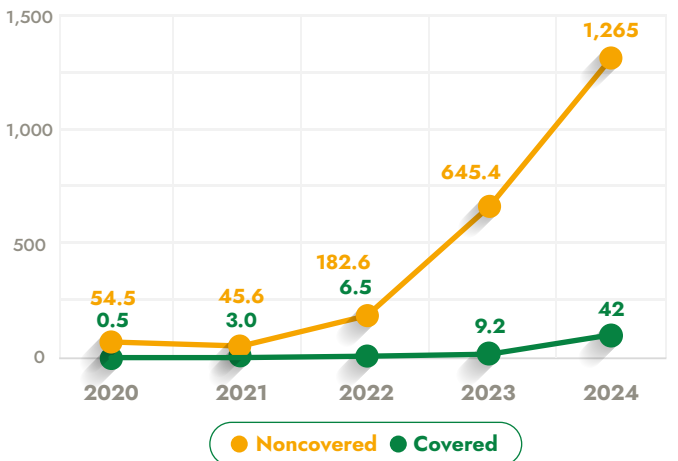
5
countries with
assessed production
processes

+25% since 2023



1,307
hectares of assessed
production

+96% (noncovered) / +356.5% (covered)
since 2023



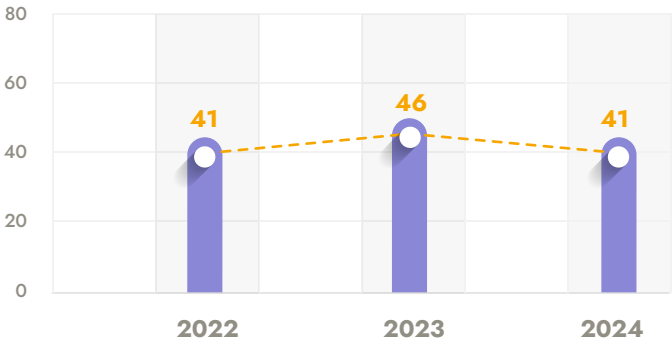


Impact-Driven Approach to Sustainability (IDA) module

The IDA module is an entry-level standard for the collection and analysis of input consumption data and other farm metrics in floriculture production.

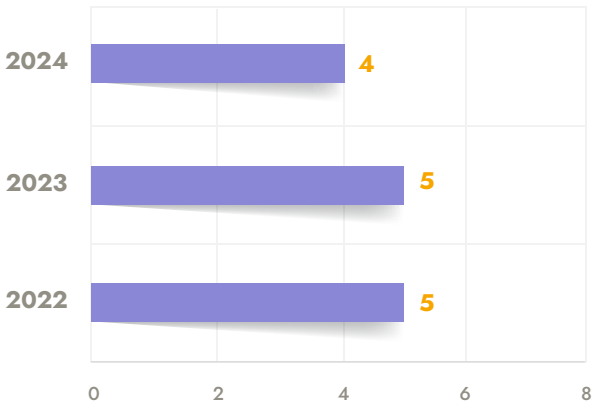
41
producers audited to the module

+10.8% since 2023



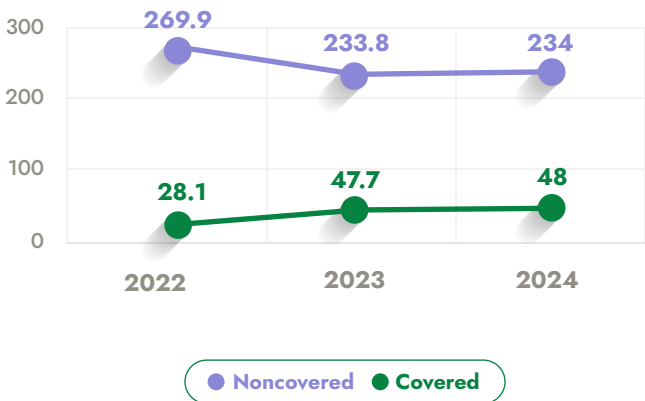
4
countries with audited production processes

-20% since 2023



282
hectares of audited production

+0% (noncovered) / +0% (covered)
since 2023





Core solutions

GLOBALG.A.P. core solutions include internationally recognized standards for primary production and the supply chain. These standards usually result in a certificate that is widely recognized in global markets and frequently requested by buyers as a trading requirement. Core solutions can be flexibly combined with add-ons to target to specific topics in more detail.

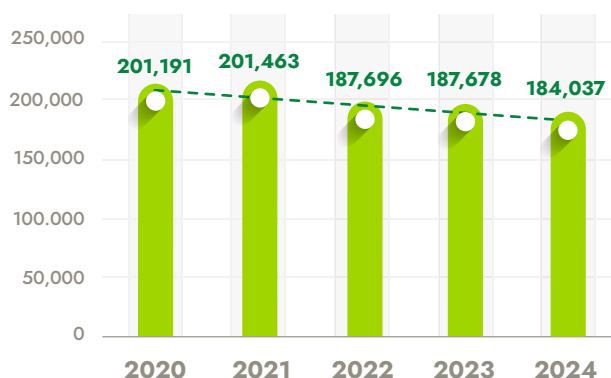


Integrated Farm Assurance (IFA) for fruit and vegetables

IFA for fruit and vegetables is a global standard for safe and responsible farming practices.

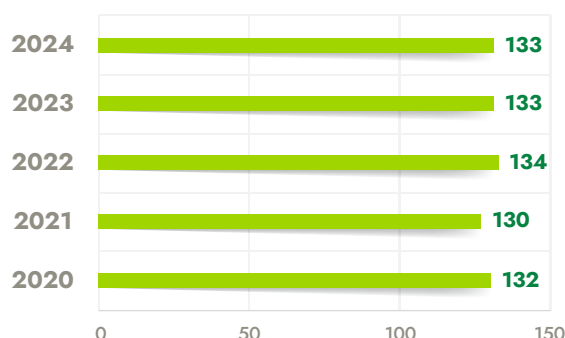
184,037
producers under
certification

-1.9% since 2023



133
countries with certified
production processes

+0% since 2023



4,270,291
hectares of certified
production

+1.6% (noncovered) / -3.5% (covered)

since 2023



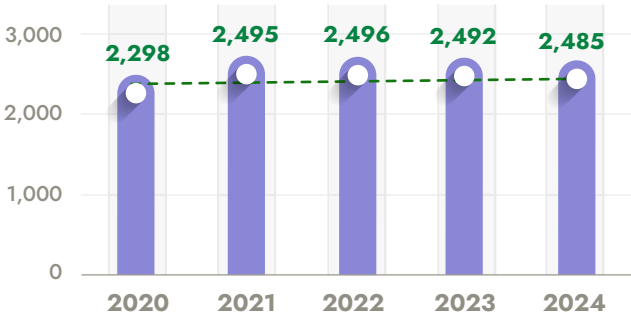


Integrated Farm Assurance (IFA)
for **flowers and ornamentals**

IFA for flowers and ornamentals is a global standard for safe and responsible farming practices.

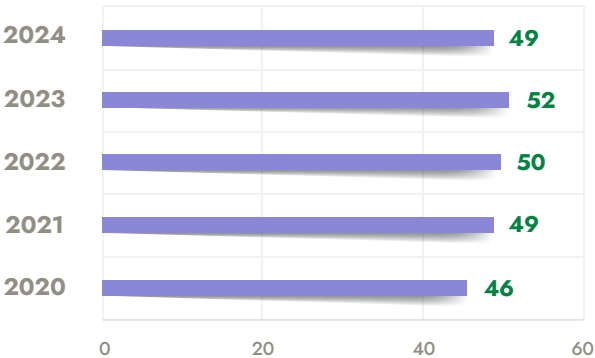
2,485
producers under
certification

-0.2% since 2023



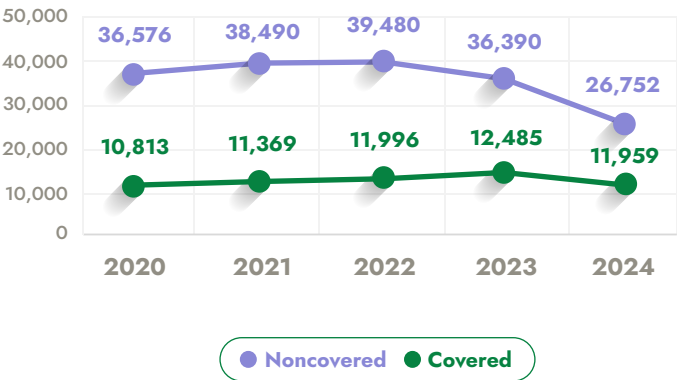
49
countries with **certified**
production processes

-5.7% since 2023



38,711
hectares of **certified**
production

-26.4% (noncovered) / -4.2% (covered)
since 2023



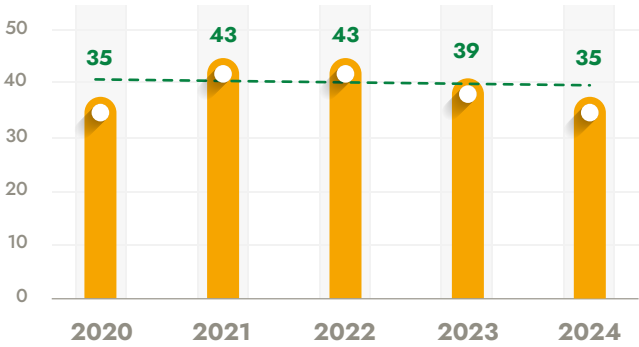


Integrated Farm Assurance (IFA)
for hops

IFA for hops is a global standard for safe and responsible farming practices.

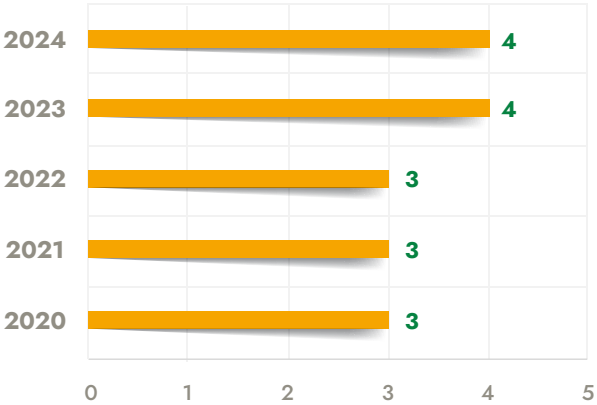
35
producers under
certification

-10.2% since 2023



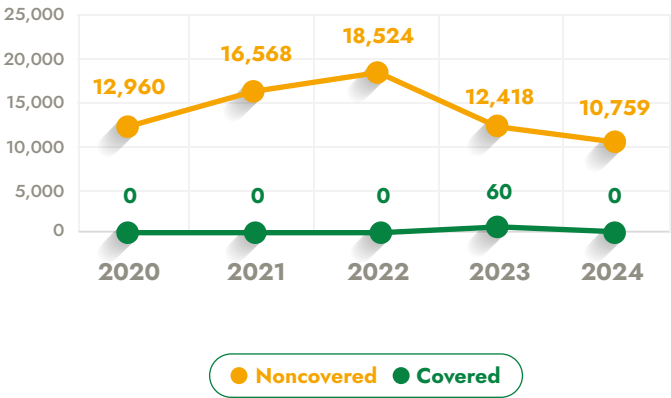
4
countries with certified
production processes

+0% since 2023



10,759
hectares of certified
production

-13.4% (noncovered) / -100% (covered)
since 2023





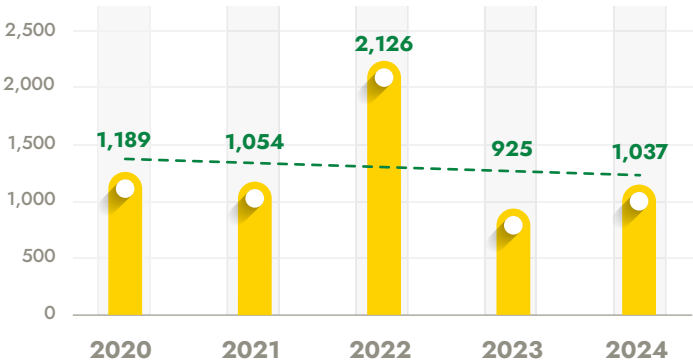
Integrated Farm Assurance (IFA)
for **combinable crops**

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IFA for combinable crops is a global standard for safe and responsible farming practices.

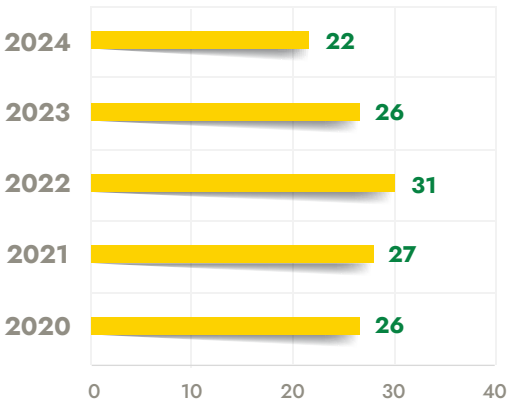
1,037
producers under
certification

+11.6% since 2023



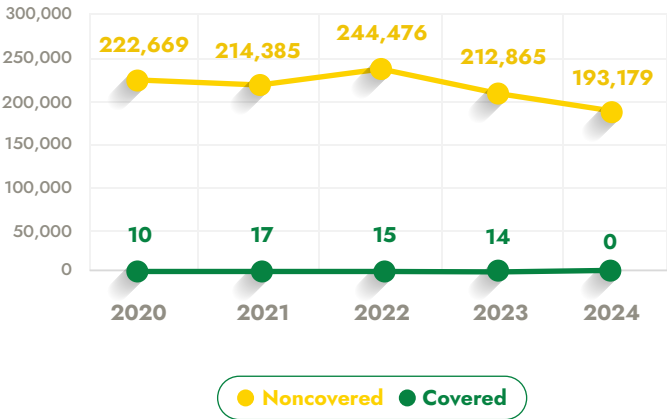
22
countries with **certified**
production processes

-15.4% since 2023



193,179
hectares of **certified**
production

-9.2% (noncovered) / -99.5% (covered)
since 2023





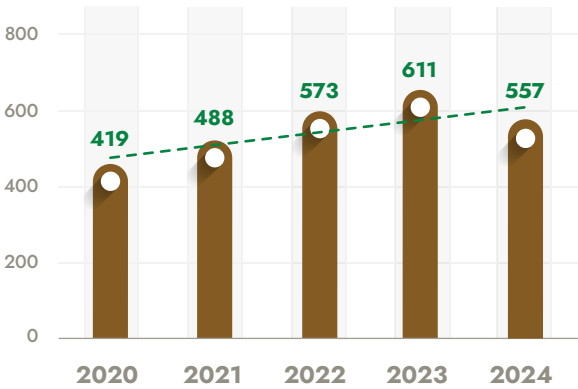
Integrated Farm Assurance (IFA)
for **plant propagation material**

IN REVISION (2024)

IFA for plant propagation material is a global standard for safe and responsible farming practices.

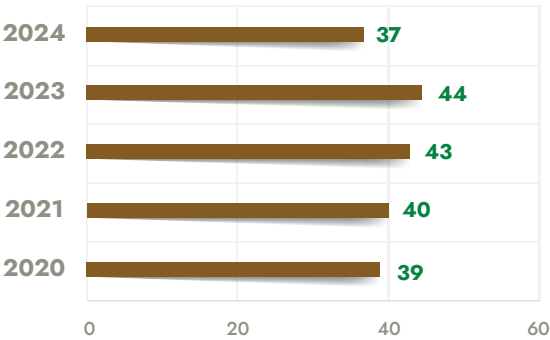
557
producers under
certification

-8.8% since 2023



37
countries with **certified**
production processes

-15.9% since 2023



15,940
hectares of **certified**
production

+4% (noncovered) / -7.8% (covered)
since 2023





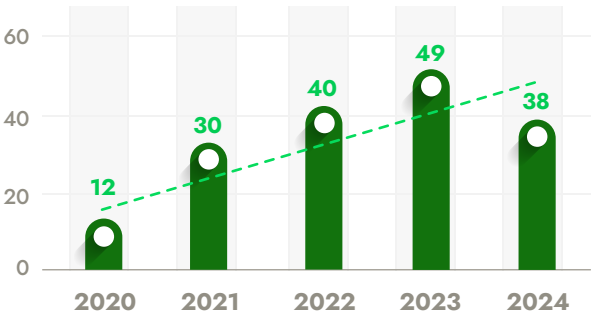
Integrated Farm Assurance (IFA)
for tea

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IFA for tea is a global standard
for safe and responsible farming
practices.

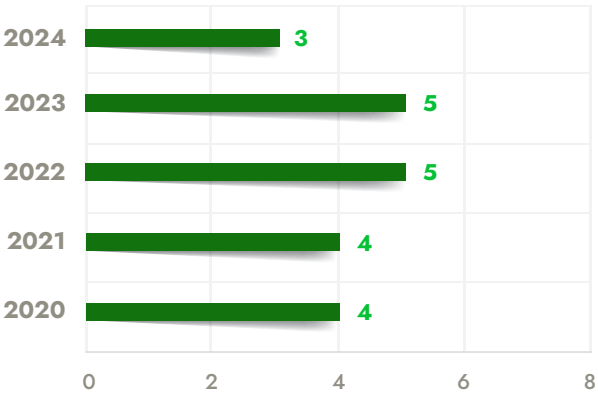
38
producers under
certification

-22.4% since 2023



3
countries with certified
production processes

-40% since 2023



1,387
hectares of certified
production

-71.7% (noncovered) since 2023



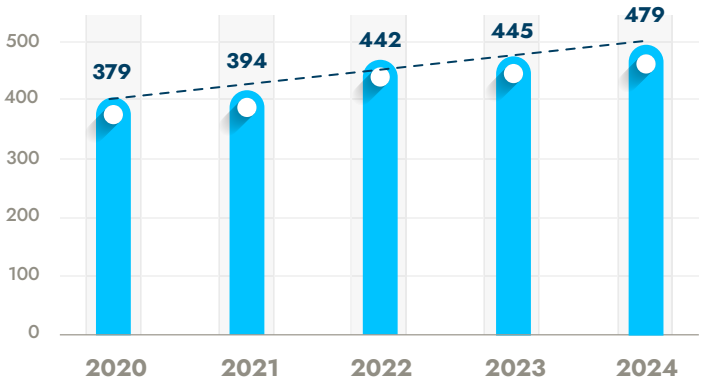


Integrated Farm Assurance (IFA)
for **aquaculture**

IFA for aquaculture is a global standard for safe and responsible farming practices in aquaculture production.

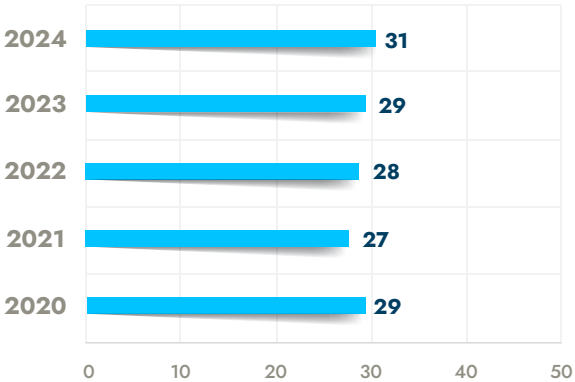
479
producers **under**
certification

+7.6% since 2023



31
countries with **certified**
production processes

+6.9% since 2023



2.862 million
metric tons from
certified production

+6.8% since 2023



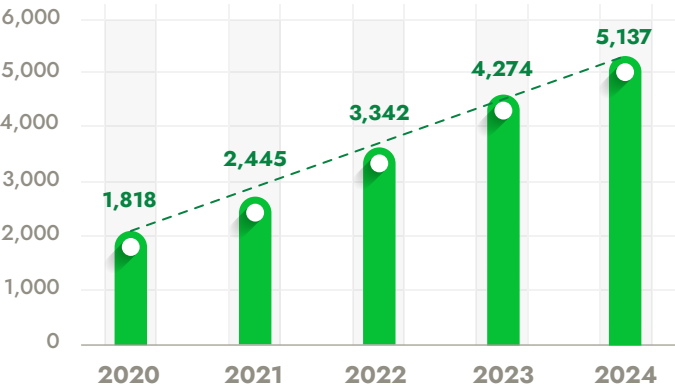


GLOBALG.A.P. Chain of Custody (CoC)

CoC is a supply chain standard that safeguards the segregation and traceability of products originating from GLOBALG.A.P. certified production processes.

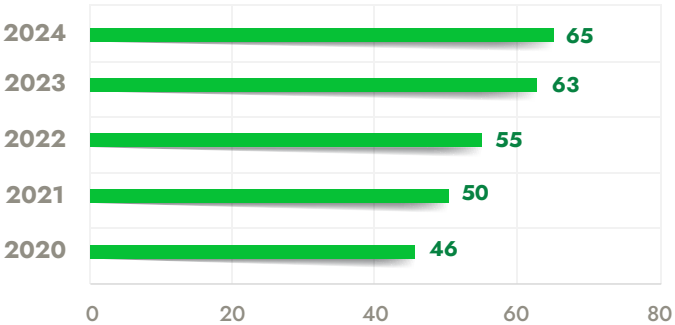
5,137
companies under
certification

+20.2% since 2023



65
countries with CoC
certificate holders

+3.1% since 2023



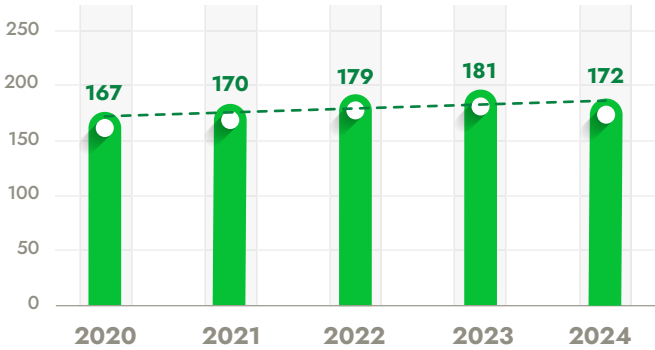


Compound Feed Manufacturing (CFM)

CFM is a global feed mill standard for commercial compound feed production processes.

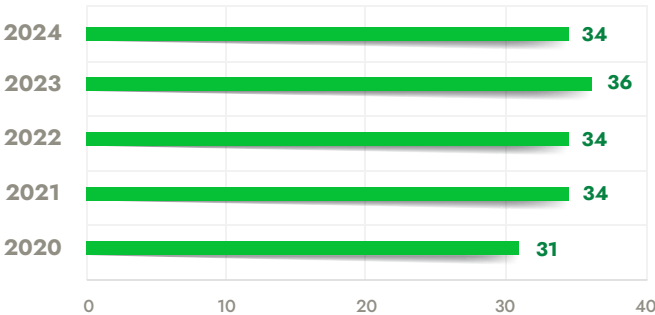
172
manufacturers under
certification

-5% since 2023



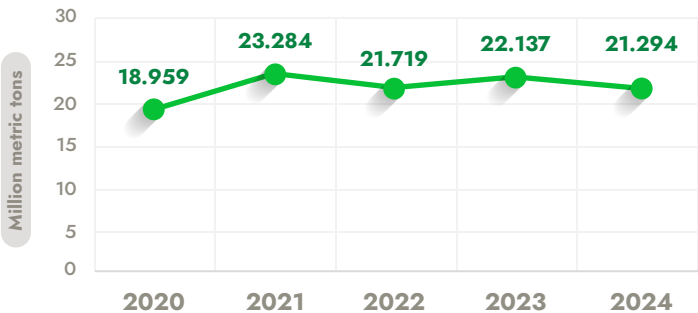
34
countries with certified
production processes

-5.5% since 2023



21.294 million
metric tons from
certified production

-3.8% since 2023



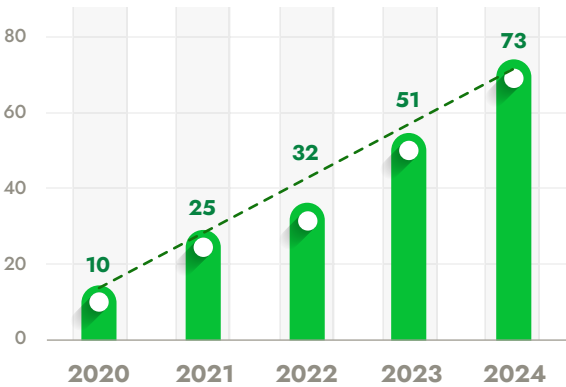


Produce Handling Assurance (PHA)

PHA is a GFSI-recognized, FSMA-aligned food safety standard for postharvest activities such as the packing, handling, and storage of crops.

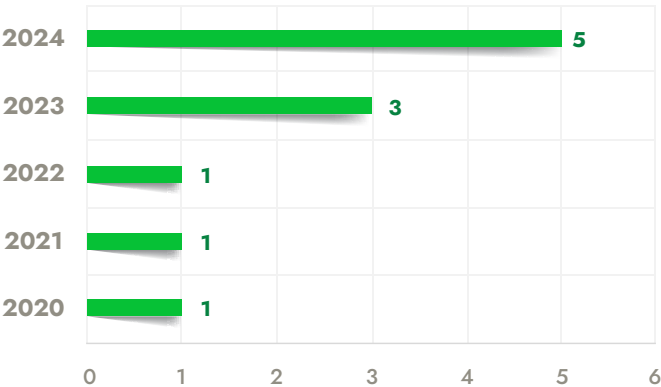
73
producers under
certification

+43.1% since 2023



5
countries with certified
production processes

+66.6% since 2023



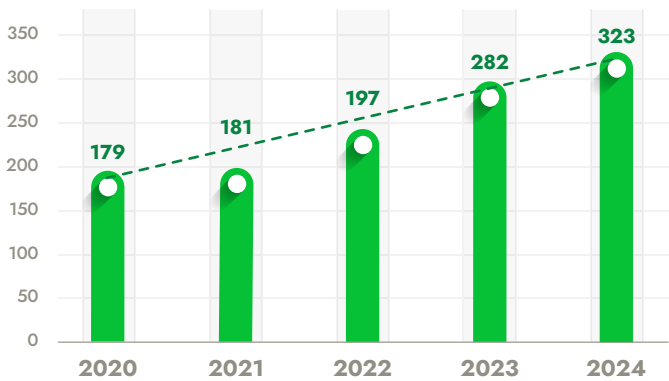


Harmonized Produce Safety Standard (HPSS)

HPSS is a GFSI-recognized, FSMA-aligned food safety standard based on the Combined Harmonized Standard from the IFPA's Produce GAP Harmonization Initiative.

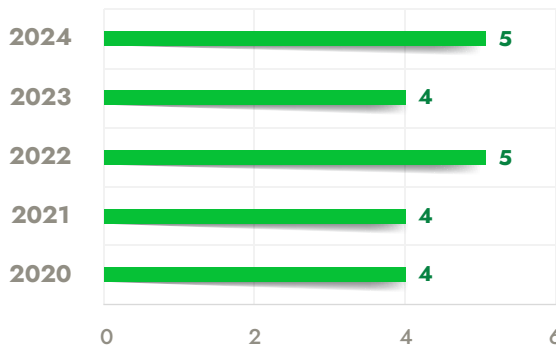
323
producers under
certification

+14.5% since 2023



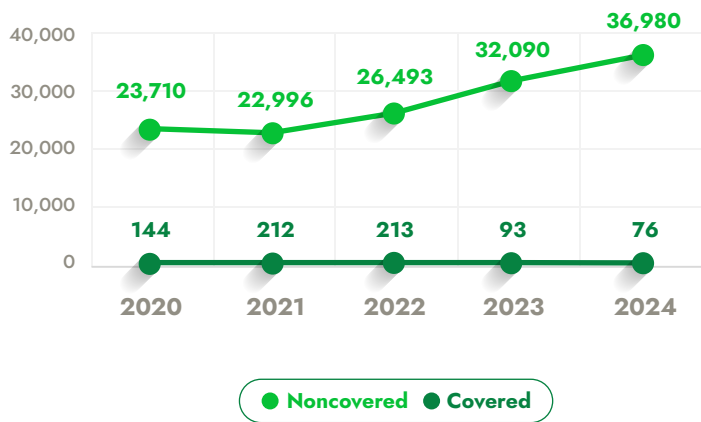
5
countries with certified
production processes

+25% since 2023



37,056
hectares of certified
production

+15.2% (noncovered) / -17.8% (covered)
since 2023





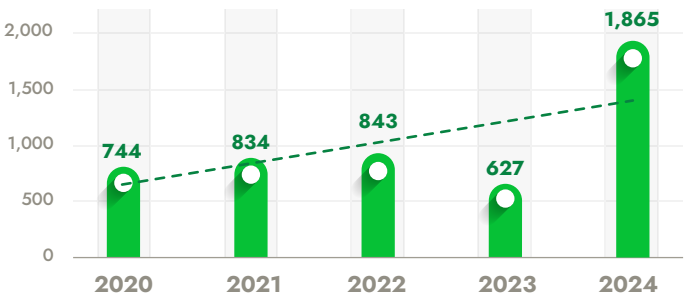
Crops for Processing (CfP)

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CfP is a global standard for safe and responsible farming practices in the production of crops destined for further processing.

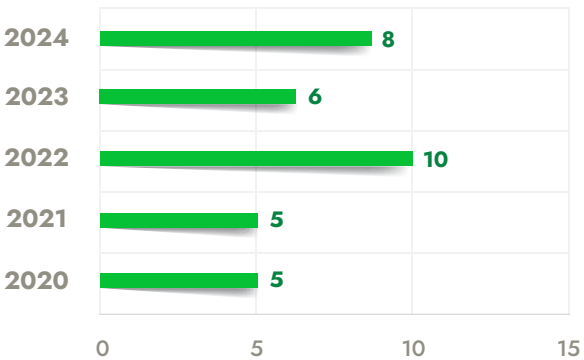
1,865
producers under
certification

+197.4% since 2023



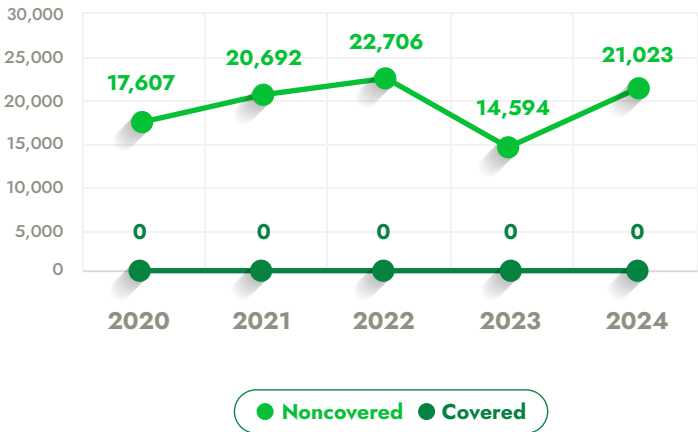
8
countries with certified
production processes

+33.3% since 2023



21,023
hectares of certified
production

+44% (noncovered) since 2023





Add-ons to core solutions

Audited or assessed in combination with a GLOBALG.A.P. core solution, **our add-ons expand the certification scope to offer tailored or more comprehensive assurance on a specific topic.** This provides a wide range of possible standard and add-on combinations that reduce audit duplication, upgrade a producer’s status, and offer buyers specific assurance based on their preferences.

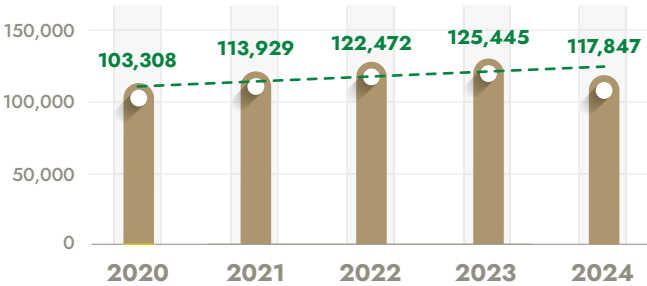


GLOBALG.A.P. Risk Assessment on Social Practice (GRASP)

GRASP is an add-on for the evaluation of workers’ health, safety, and welfare at farm level.

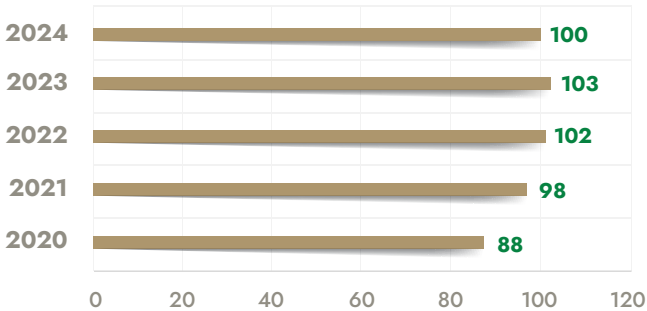
117,847
producers **assessed**
to the add-on

-6% since 2023



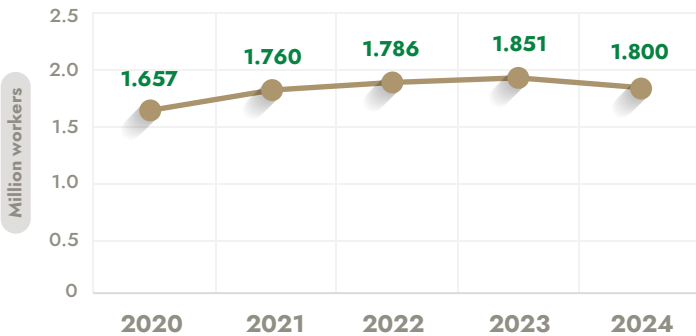
100
countries with **assessed**
production processes

-2.9% since 2023



1.8 million
workers **covered under**
assessed production
processes

-2.7% since 2023



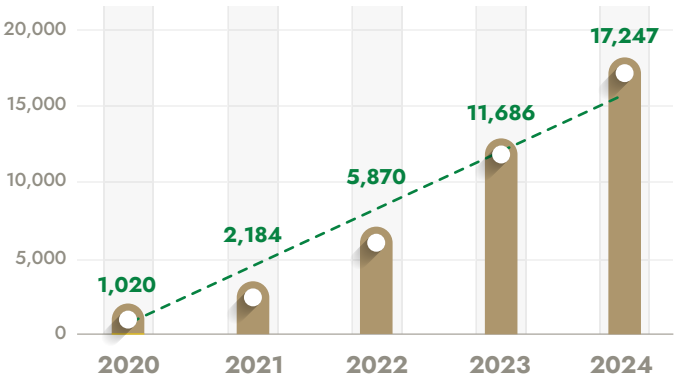


Sustainable Program for Irrigation and Groundwater Use (SPRING)

SPRING is an add-on for responsible water management in plant production processes.

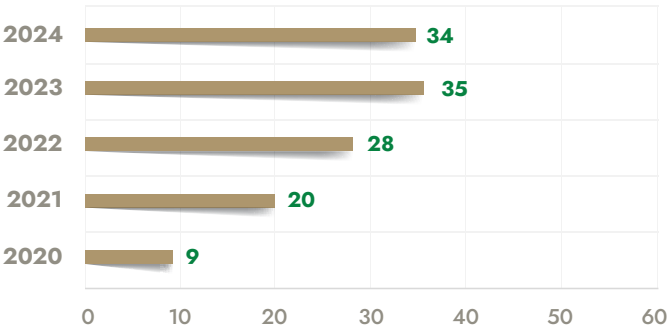
17,247
producers **audited**
to the add-on

+47.5% since 2023



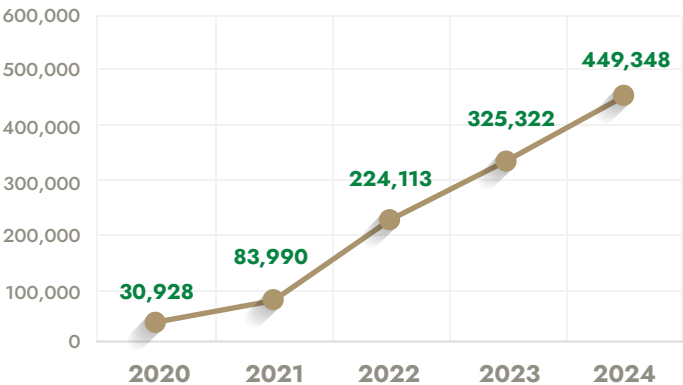
34
countries with
audited production
processes

-2.8% since 2023



449,348
hectares of **audited**
production

+38.1% (noncovered + covered production)
since 2023



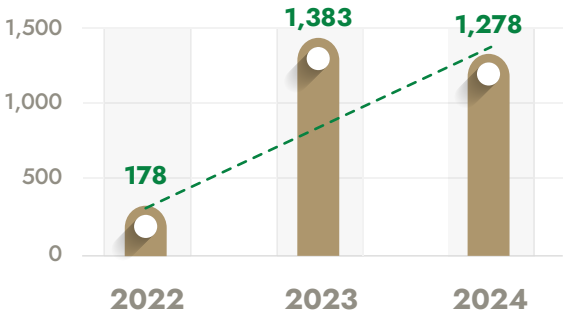


BioDiversity

The BioDiversity add-on contains science-based requirements which help producers demonstrate on-farm biodiversity management practices.

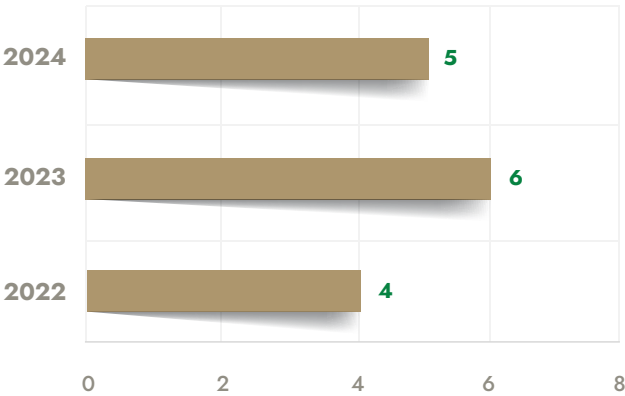
1,278
producers audited
to the add-on

-7.6% since 2023



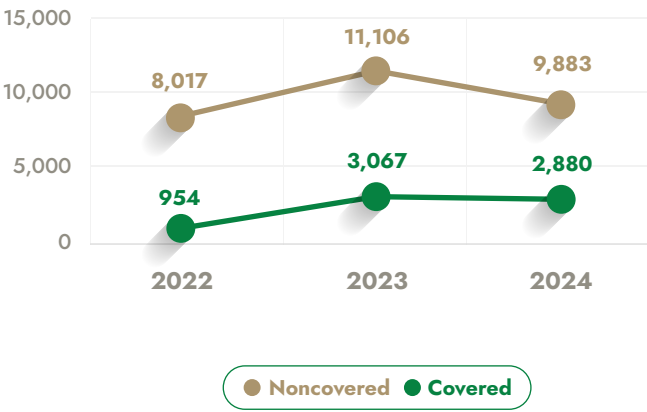
5
countries with
assessed production

-16.6% since 2023



12,763
hectares of audited
production

-11% (noncovered) / -6.1% (covered)
since 2023



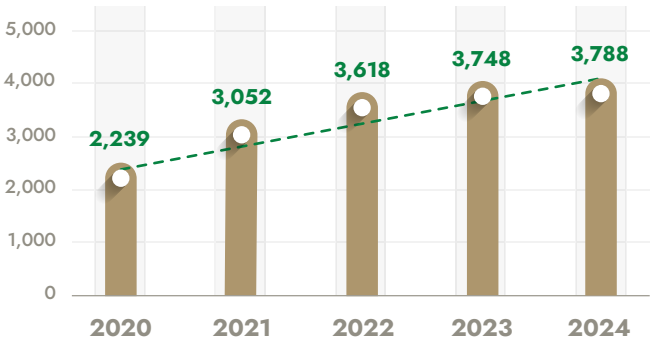


Food Safety Modernization Act (FSMA) Produce Safety Rule (PSR) add-on

The FSMA PSR add-on addresses FDA requirements for the import of fruit and vegetable products to the US market.

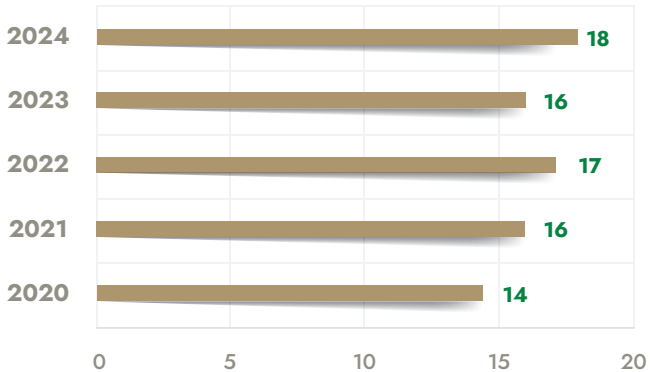
3,788
producers audited
to the add-on

+1% since 2023



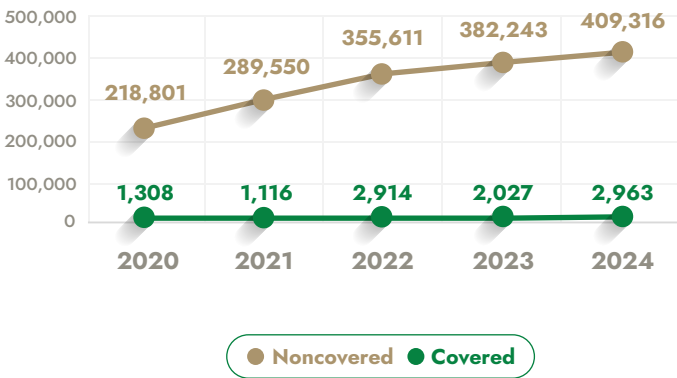
18
countries with audited
production processes

+12.5% since 2023



412,279
hectares of audited
production

+7% (noncovered) / +46.1% (covered)
since 2023



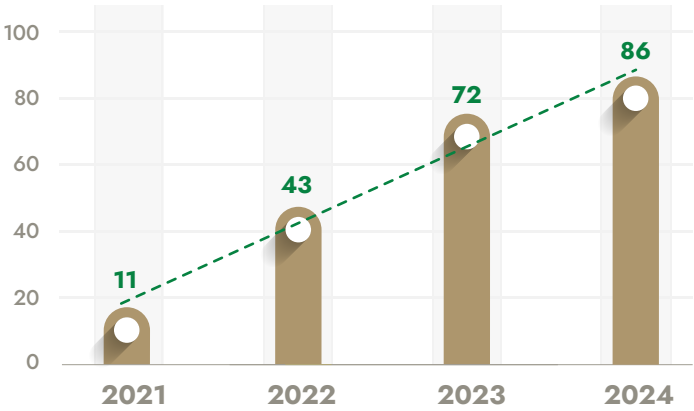


Impact-Driven Approach to Sustainability (IDA) add-on

The IDA add-on promotes more responsible farming practices through the collection and analysis of input consumption data and other farm metrics.

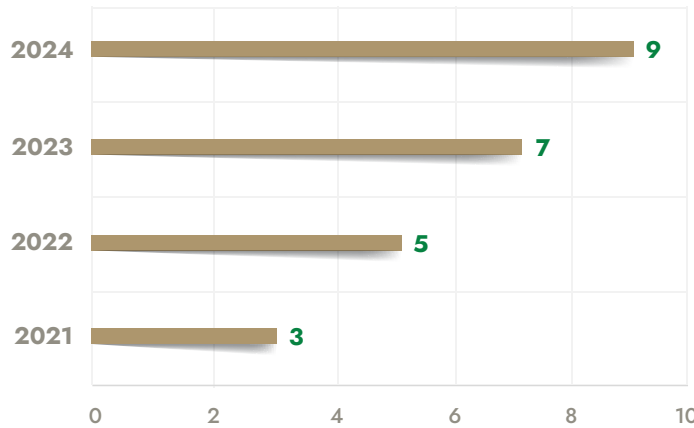
86
producers audited
to the add-on

+19.4% since 2023



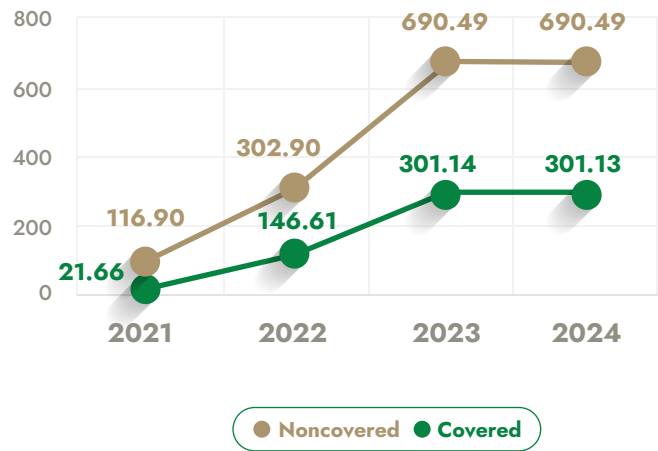
9
countries with audited
production processes

+28.5% since 2023



991
hectares of audited
production

+0% (noncovered) / +0% (covered)
since 2023



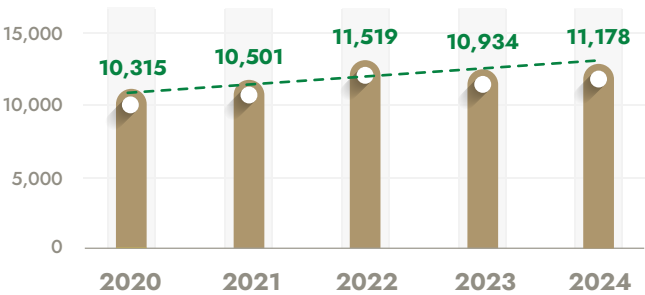


GLOBALG.A.P. Farm Sustainability Assessment (GGFSA)

The GGfSA add-on enables producers to combine a Farm Sustainability Assessment from SAI Platform with a GLOBALG.A.P. standard for plants in a single audit.

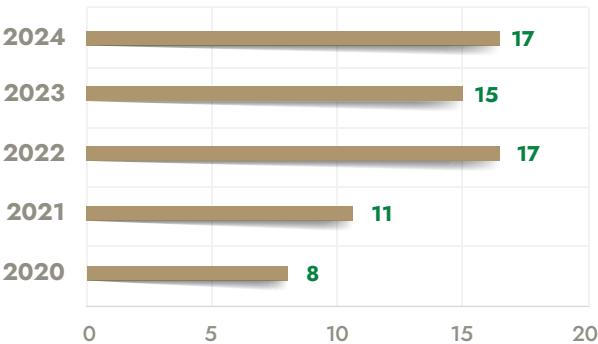
11,178
producers audited
to the add-on

+2.2% since 2023



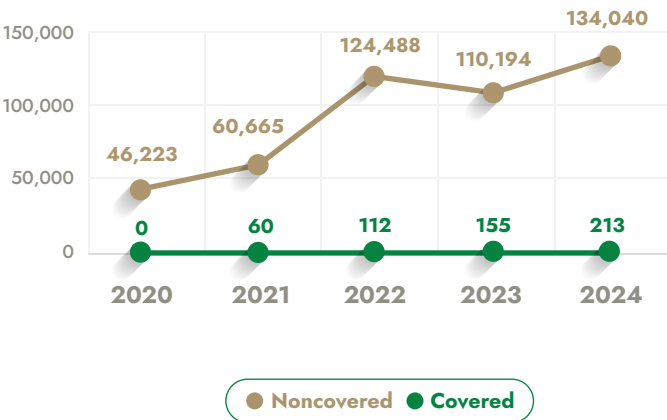
17
countries with audited
production processes

+13.3% since 2023



134,253
hectares of audited
production

+21.6% (noncovered) / +37.1% (covered)
since 2023



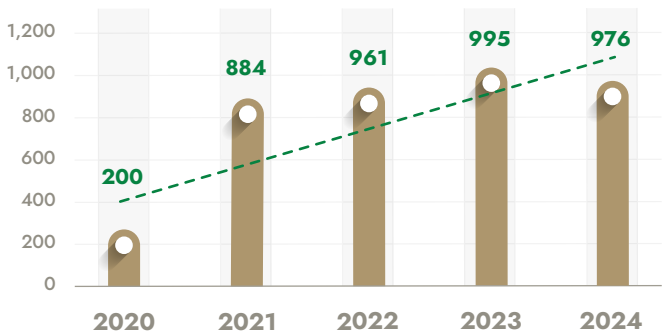


TR4 Biosecurity
add-on

The TR4 Biosecurity add-on outlines a risk mitigation plan for minimizing the spread of the Tropical Race 4 fungus on banana and plantain farms.

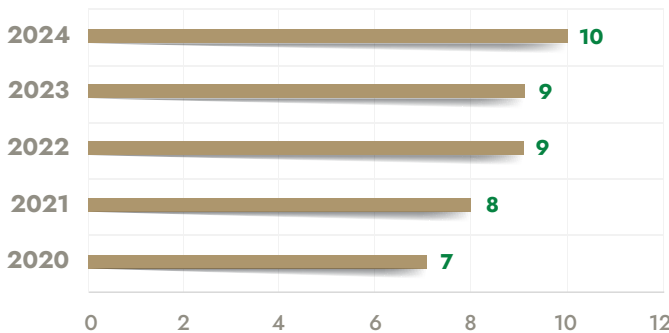
976
producers audited
to the add-on

-1.9% since 2023



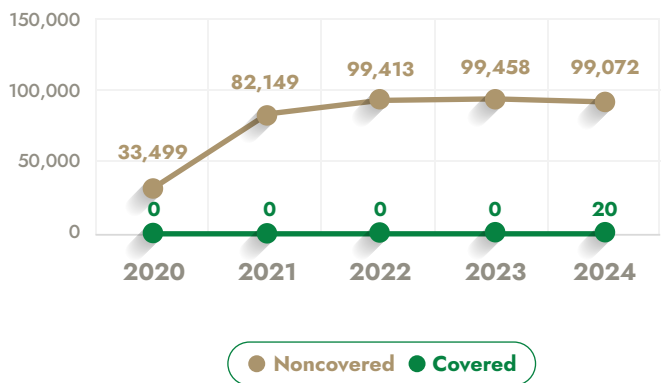
10
countries with audited
production processes

+11.1% since 2023



99,092
hectares of audited
production

-0.3% (noncovered) since 2023



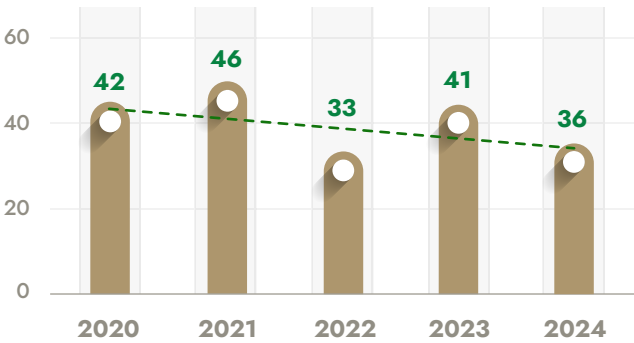


NON-GM "Ohne Gentechnik" (NON-GM)

The NON-GM add-on enables aquaculture, compound feed, and supply chain stakeholders to demonstrate that their products are free from GMOs.

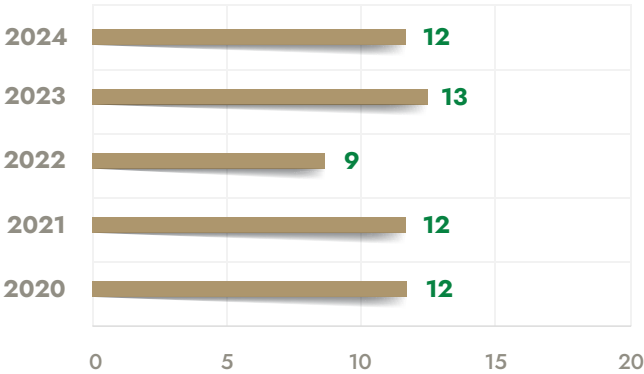
36
producers audited
to the add-on

-12.1% since 2023



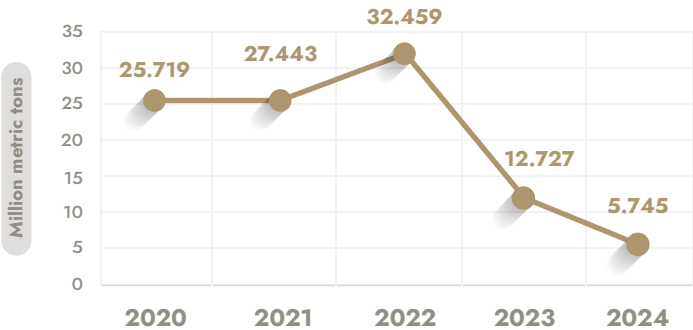
12
countries with audited
production processes

-7.7% since 2023



5.745 million
metric tons from
audited production

-54.8% since 2023





GGN label in review

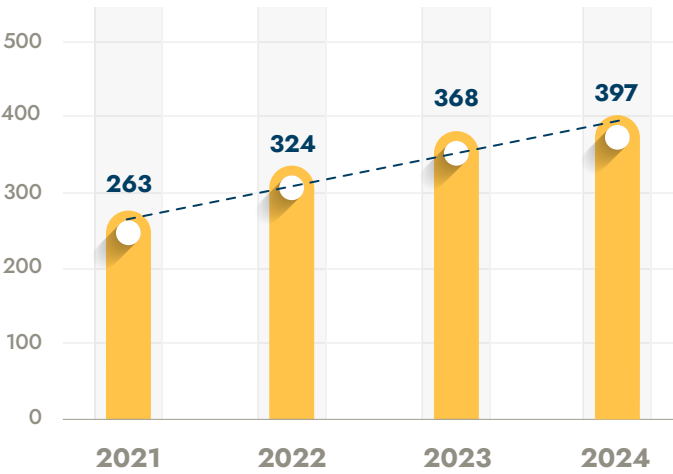
The **GGN label** is a cross-category consumer label that stands for **certified, responsible farming and transparency**. Built on a foundation of robust international GLOBALG.A.P. standards, the label also grants valuable transparency via the 13-digit tracking codes found on product packaging, enabling shoppers to trace products via the GGN label portal.



Year in numbers

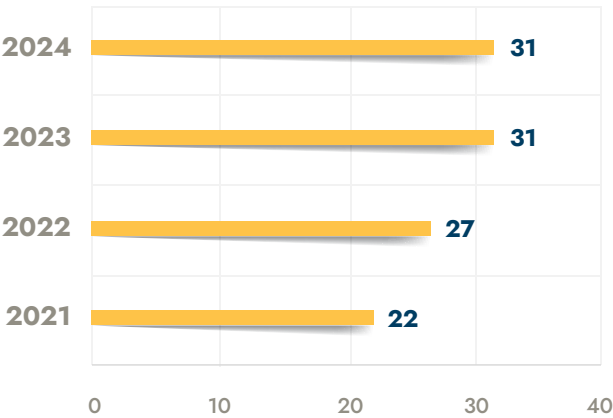
397
GGN label
licensees

+7.9% since 2023



31
countries with GGN
label licensees

+0% since 2023



672/153
GGN label
farm/trader profiles

+5.8% (farm) / +7% (trader) since 2023

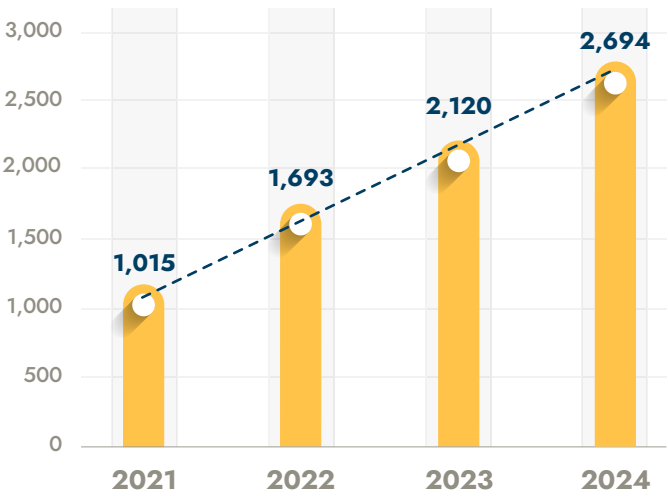


Traders may hold more than one GGN label license (for different scopes).

2,694
products with
the GGN label

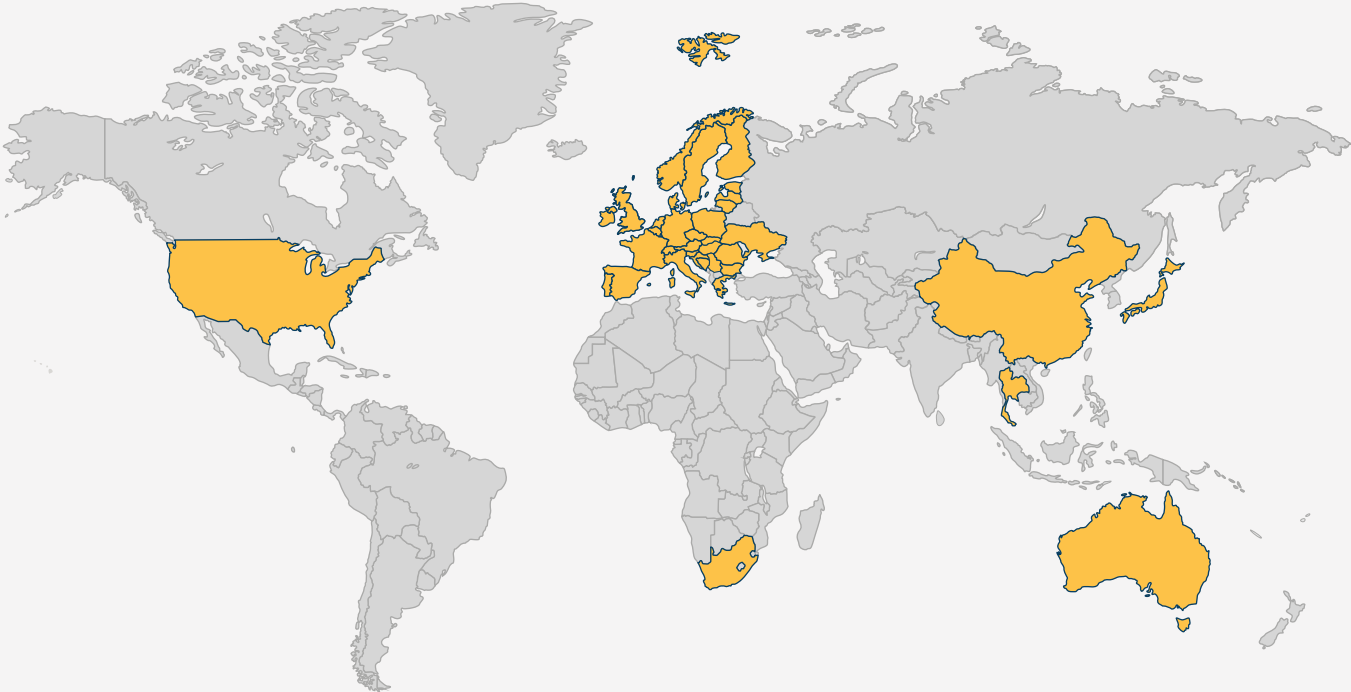
+27% since 2023

Products are the individual products in store that feature the GGN label on packaging.



Countries where products with
the GGN label are available

TOTAL 40



- | | | | | | |
|-------------|------------------|---------------|----------------|-----------------|-------------------|
| 1 Australia | 8 Czech Republic | 15 Hungary | 22 Malta | 29 Serbia | 36 Switzerland |
| 2 Austria | 9 Denmark | 16 Ireland | 23 Moldova | 30 Singapore | 37 Thailand |
| 3 Belgium | 10 Estonia | 17 Italy | 24 Netherlands | 31 Slovakia | 38 Ukraine |
| 4 Bulgaria | 11 Finland | 18 Japan | 25 Norway | 32 Slovenia | 39 United Kingdom |
| 5 China | 12 France | 19 Latvia | 26 Poland | 33 South Africa | 40 United States |
| 6 Croatia | 13 Germany | 20 Lithuania | 27 Portugal | 34 Spain | |
| 7 Cyprus | 14 Greece | 21 Luxembourg | 28 Romania | 35 Sweden | |



Aquaculture scope



98
GGN label licensees
for aquaculture

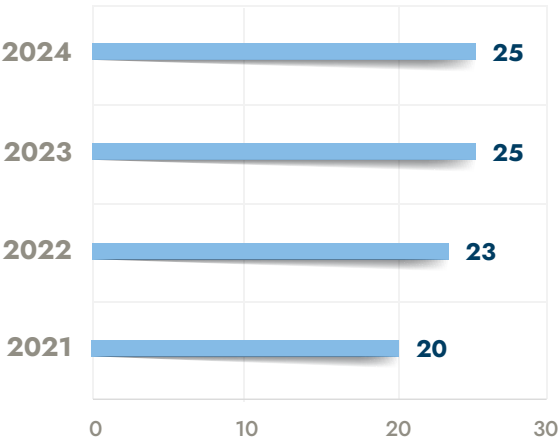
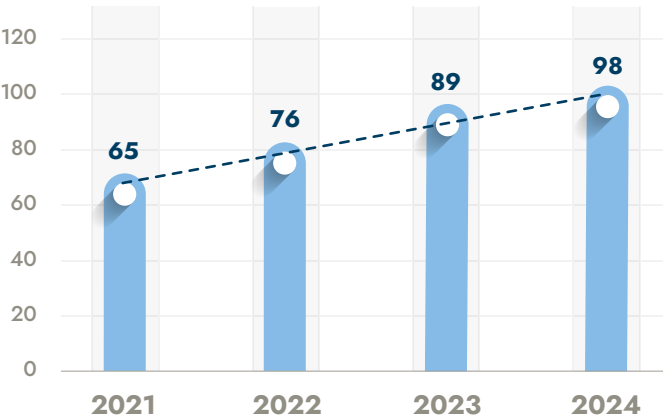
+10.1% since 2023

25
countries with GGN
label licensees for
aquaculture

+0% since 2023

The GGN label can be applied to all species of farmed finfish, crustaceans, molluscs, and seaweed/algae (fresh, frozen, and packed).

Requirements for use of the GGN label include fish feed sourced from manufacturers with Compound Feed Manufacturing (CFM) certification, an Integrated Farm Assurance (IFA) certificate for aquaculture at each production stage, a GLOBALG.A.P. Risk Assessment on Social Practice (GRASP) letter of conformance at farm level, a GLOBALG.A.P. Chain of Custody (CoC) certificate for all supply chain members, and a GGN label license for the business responsible for labeling the product.



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GGN label aquaculture
farm/trader profiles

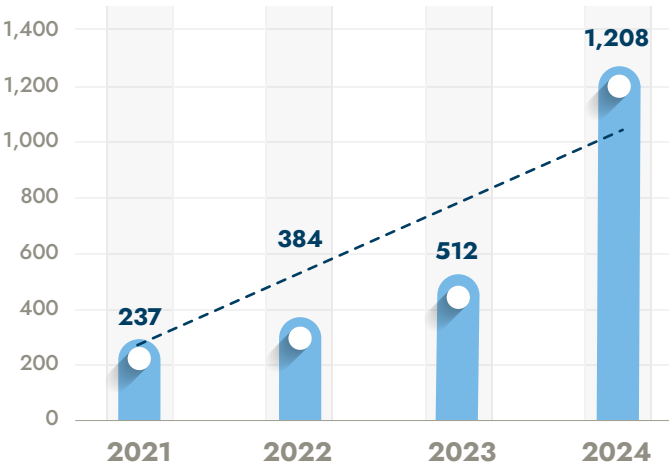
+16.1% (farm) / +9.3% (trader)
since 2023



1,208

aquaculture products
with the GGN label

+136% since 2023





Floriculture scope



262
GGN label licensees
for floriculture

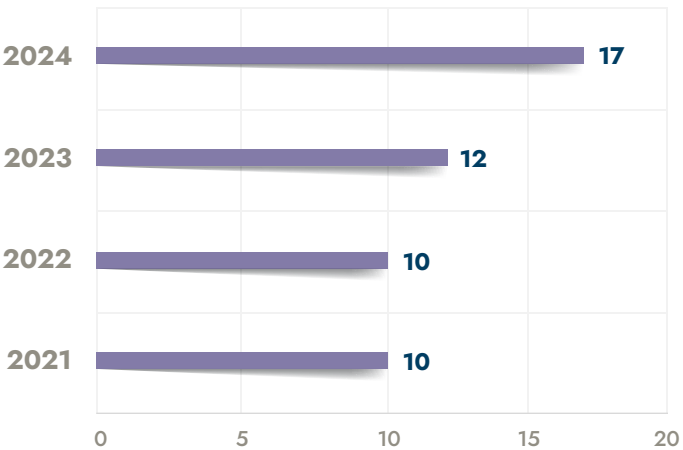
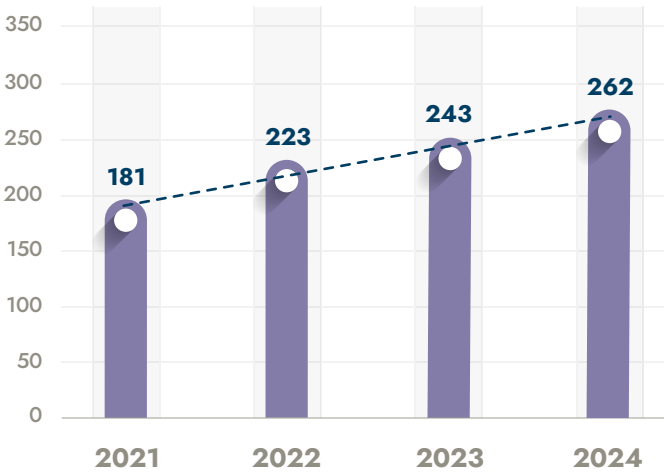
+7.8% since 2023

17
countries with
GGN label licensees
for floriculture

+41.6% since 2023

The GGN label can be applied to cut flowers, flower bouquets, flower bulbs, potted plants (non-edible), and Christmas trees.

Requirements for use of the GGN label include an Integrated Farm Assurance (IFA) certificate for flowers and ornamentals at farm level, a GLOBALG.A.P. Risk Assessment on Social Practice (GRASP) letter of conformance at farm level, a GLOBALG.A.P. Chain of Custody (CoC) certificate for all supply chain members, and a GGN label license for the business responsible for labeling the product.



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GGN label floriculture
farm/trader profiles

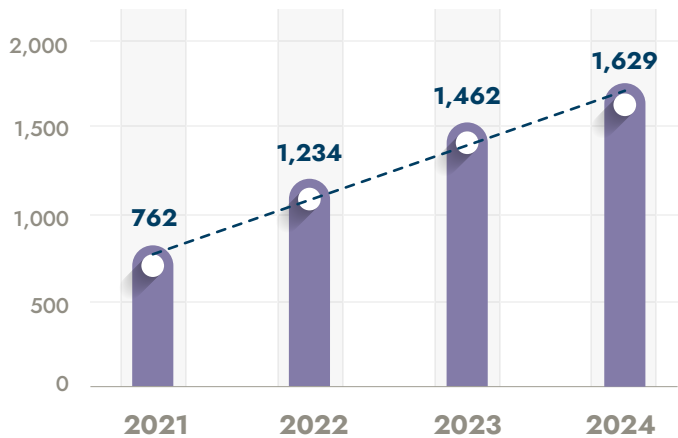
+3.8% (farm) / +7.5% (trader)
since 2023



1,629

floriculture products
with the GGN label

+11.4% since 2023





Agriculture scope

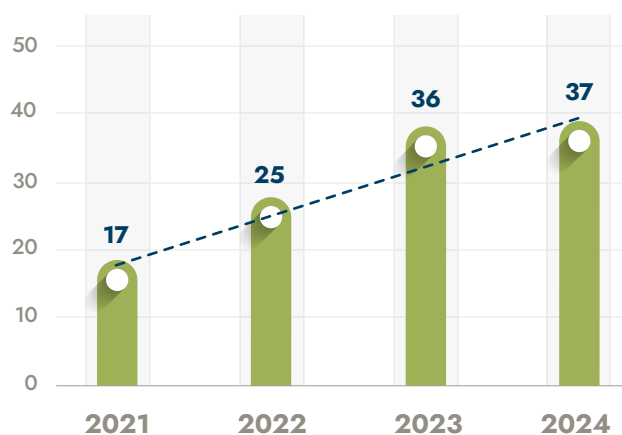


The GGN label can be applied to fresh fruit and vegetables (loose and packed), potted fruit and vegetable plants, potted herbs, and cut/mixed/frozen fruit and vegetables.

Requirements for use of the GGN label include an Integrated Farm Assurance (IFA) certificate for fruit and vegetables at farm level, a GLOBALG.A.P. Risk Assessment on Social Practice (GRASP) letter of conformance at farm level, maximum residue levels monitored via the GLOBALG.A.P. RMS platform, a GLOBALG.A.P. Chain of Custody (CoC) certificate for all supply chain members, and a GGN label license for the business responsible for labeling the product.

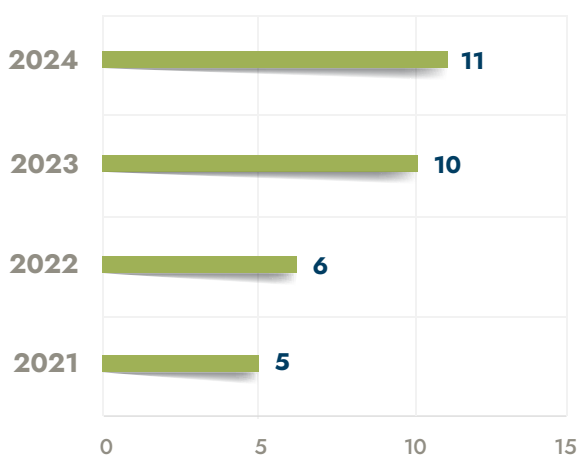
37
GGN label licensees
for agriculture

+2.7% since 2023



11
countries with GGN
label licensees for
agriculture

+10% since 2023



220/14

GGN label agriculture
farm/trader profiles

+155.8% (farm)* / -6.6% (trader)
since 2023

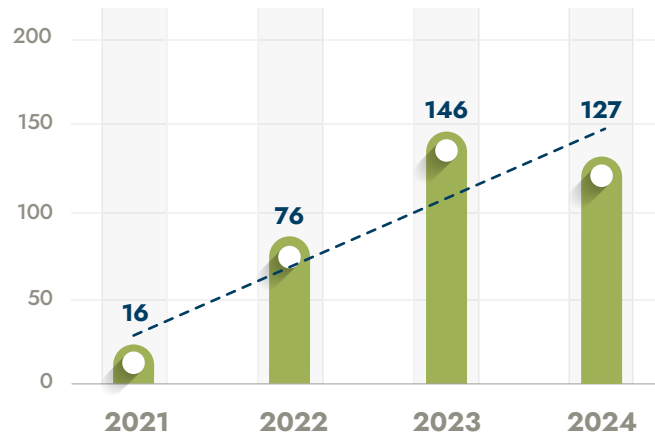
*The 2024 increase is due to farm profiles that were manually created by FoodPLUS for producers.



127

agriculture products
with the GGN label

-13% since 2023





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