

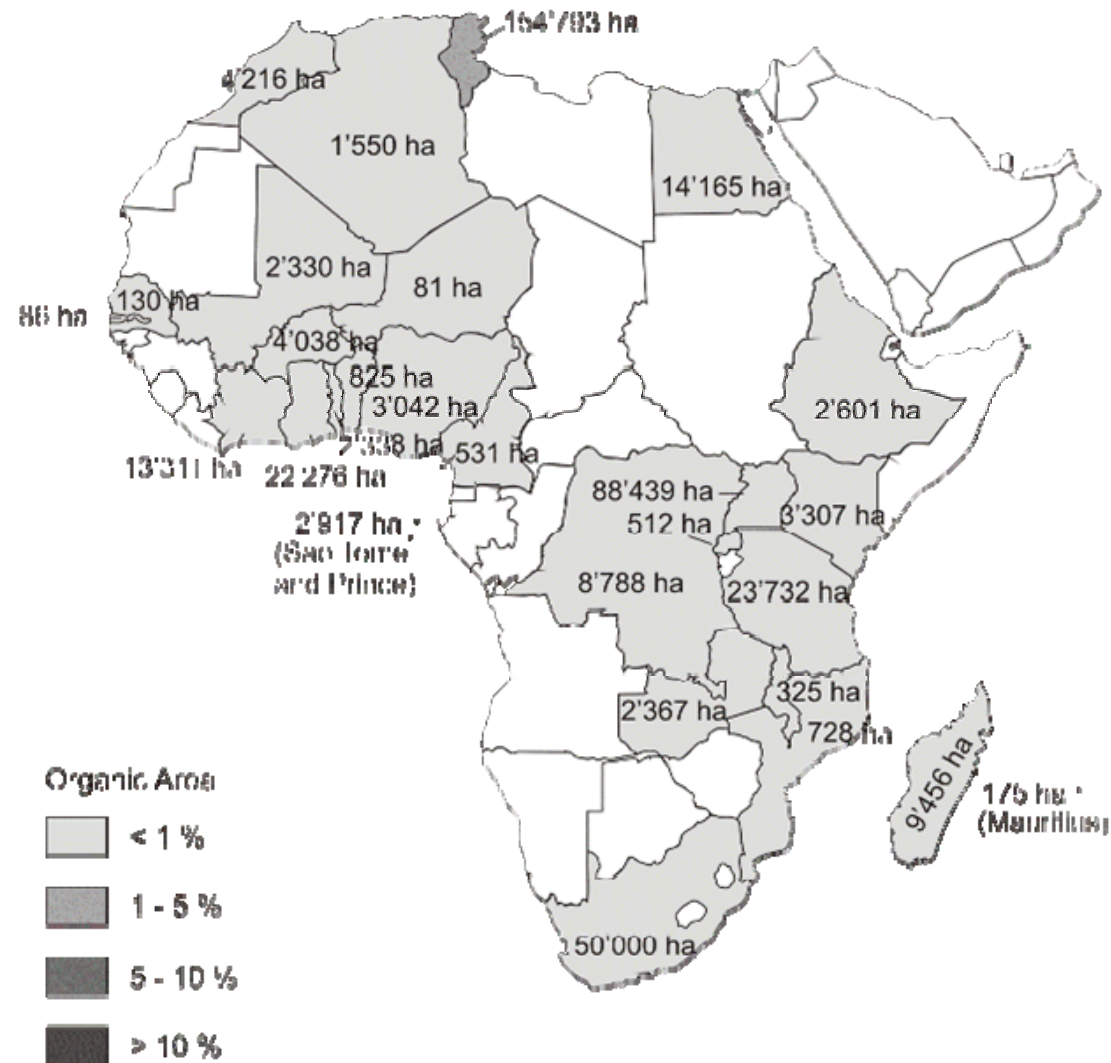
Overview on Organic Agriculture in Africa



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Organic farming in Africa

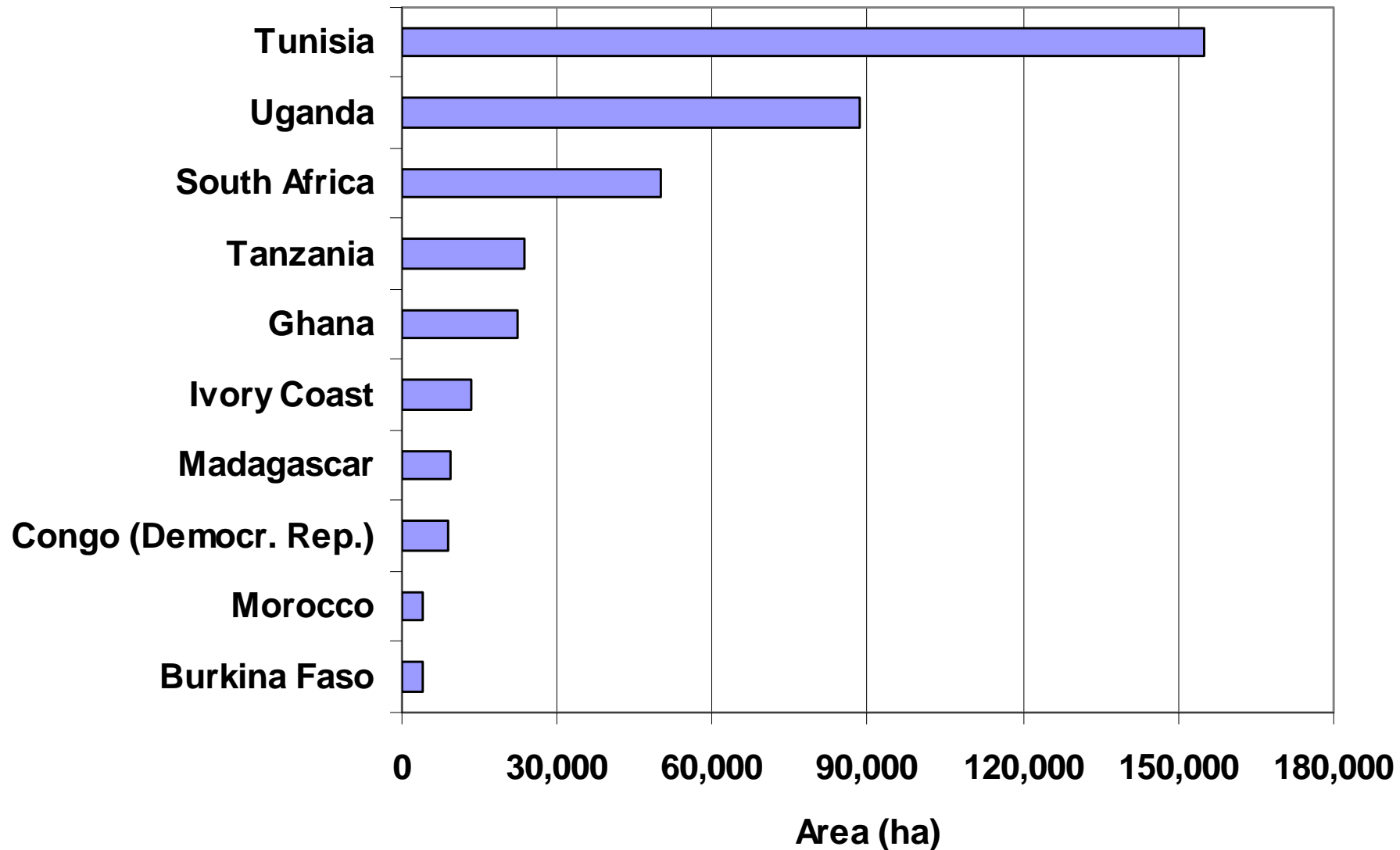


SOEL Source: IFOAM/FIBL Survey 2006

Certified organic agricultural land and farms in Africa

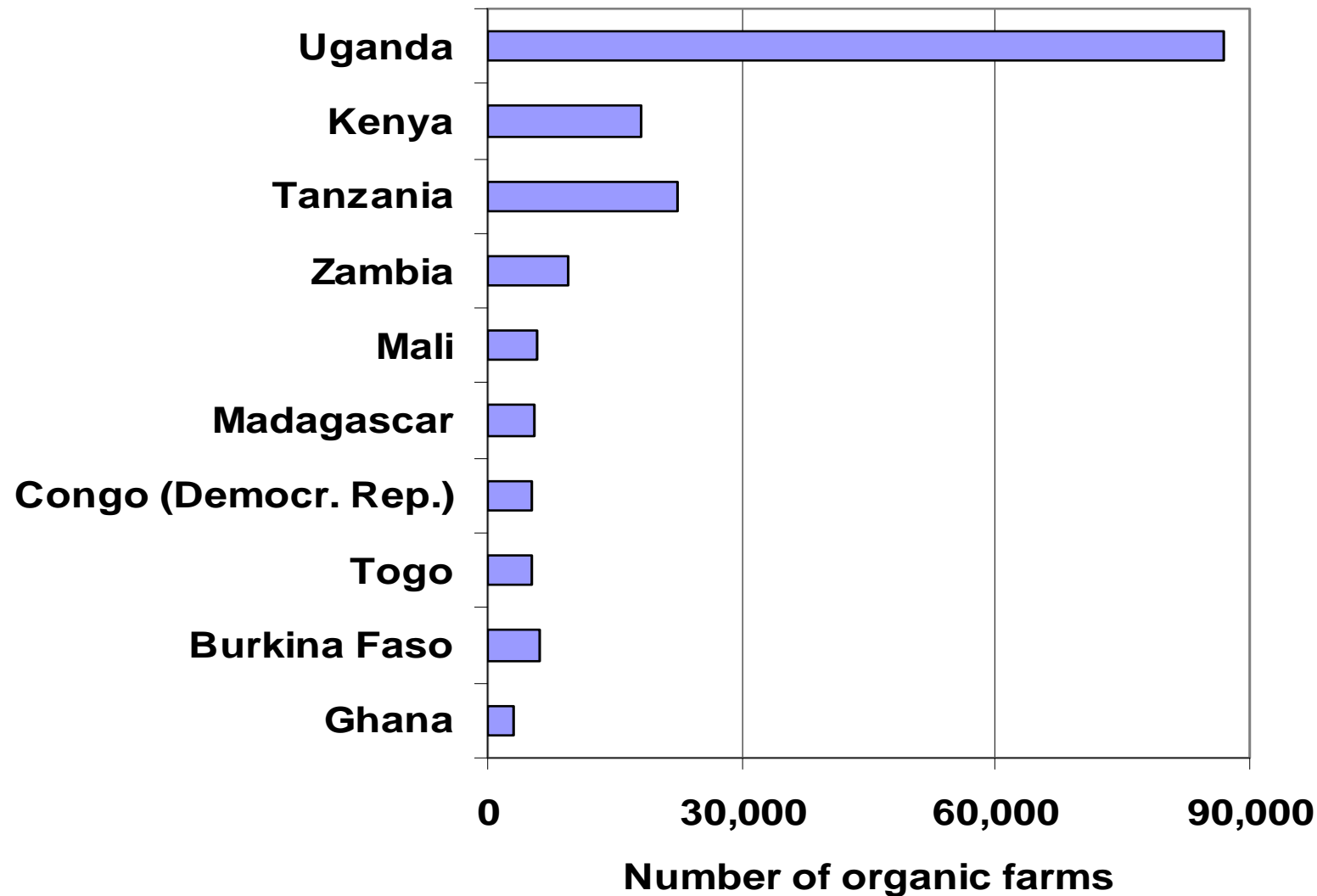
- **Organic land area: 417,059 hectares**
- **Organic farms: 175,266 farms**
- **Share of total agricultural land area: 0.05%**

The ten countries with the largest organic land area in Africa



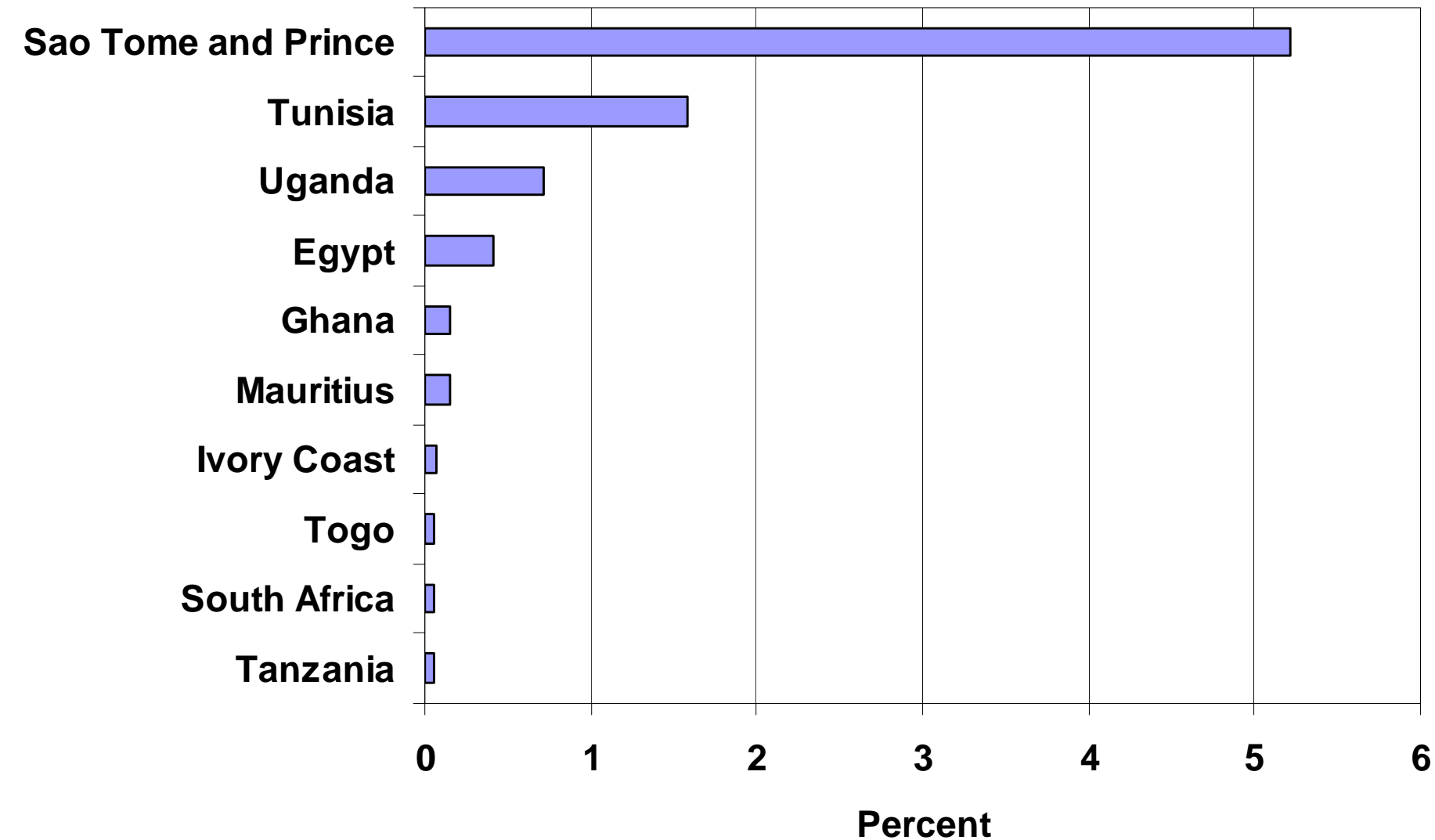
Source: IFOAM/FIBL Survey 2008

The ten countries with the highest number of organic farms in Africa



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The ten countries with the highest organic land's share of country's total agricultural area in Africa



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Certified wild collection area in Africa

- **8.3 million hectares are certified for organic wild collection.**
- **The largest wild collection areas are in:**
 - **Zambia (7.2 million hectares)**
 - **Sudan (490,000 hectares)**
 - **Kenya (186,000 hectares)**
- **Main wild collection products are honey and gum arabic.**

Organic produce from Africa



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Markets

- **The majority of certified organic produce is destined for export markets, with the large majority being exported to the European Union.**
- **The domestic market for organic products remains small. Certified organic products are currently recognized in only a few domestic markets (Egypt, South Africa, Uganda, Kenya and Tanzania).**

Standards



- The African countries with organic standards are Tunisia, Egypt and the East African Countries (Kenya, Uganda, Tanzania, Rwanda and Burundi).
- For the export, African countries are reliant upon foreign standards, such as the EU regulation for organic products, the US National Organic Program or private-sector organic standards.

Thanks for your attention!

