#### FRESH FRUIT & VEGETABLE STATE PROFILE

# Connecticut



#### Fresh Produce Economic Impact

**Total Acres of** Fresh Produce



Sales



1,800

Farms



**Employees** 



**\$454M** Total Wages

**\$5.2M** Fresh Produce and Tree Nuts Exports

**\$230K** Support for State Governments to Enhance Produce Safety

**\$16.95** State Adverse Effect Wage Rate (AEWR)

**\$14** State Minimum Wage Per Hour

### Opportunities to Increase Fruit & Vegetable Consumption

of Schools Needing **Updated Kitchen** Equipment



**84.9%** of adults across Connecticut are **not** meeting the Dietary Guidelines for Americans recommendations for fruit and vegetable consumption



\$12.6M in fruit and vegetable vouchers for participants in the Women, Infants and Children program (WIC)



## Farm Bill Investments in Fruits & Vegetables

\$3.9M in Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Program (FFVP) to 138 schools annually

\$436.7K Specialty Crop Block Grants

**\$0** Specialty Crop Research Initiative (SCRI)

\$189K Pest and Disease Grants

10.91% Organic Share of Produce Dollars





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