FRESH FRUIT & VEGETABLE STATE PROFILE

Maryland



Fresh Produce Economic Impact

61.5K

Total Acres of Fresh Produce



Sales



1.713

Farms



18.5K

Total **Employees**



\$953M Total Wages

\$18.2M Fresh Produce and Tree Nuts Exports

\$423K Support for State Governments to Enhance Produce Safety

\$16.55 State Adverse Effect Wage Rate (AEWR)

\$13.25 State Minimum Wage Per Hour

Opportunities to Increase Fruit & Vegetable Consumption

94% of Schools Needing Updated Kitchen Equipment

88.3%



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

\$33.2M

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



Farm Bill Investments in Fruits & Vegetables

\$4.8M in Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Program (FFVP) to 155 schools annually

\$479.6K Specialty Crop Block Grants

\$0 Specialty Crop Research Initiative (SCRI)

\$1.8M Pest and Disease Grants

9.91% Organic Share of Produce Dollars





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