

FRUIT & VEGETABLE STATE PROFILE



MINNESOTA

STATE FRUIT & VEGETABLE PRODUCTION

- **\$423.5 Million** Value of fruits, vegetables, berries, potatoes, melons and tree nuts
- **230,029** Acres of fruits, vegetables, berries, potatoes, melons and tree nuts

PRODUCE BUSINESS & EMPLOYMENT

- **4,053** Farms
- **18,773** Farm employees
- **122** Produce shippers, wholesalers and businesses
- **\$51.14 Million** Value in fresh fruit and vegetable exports

OPPORTUNITY FOR FRUIT AND VEGETABLE CONSUMPTION

- **14%** Prevalence of childhood obesity ages 10-17; National rank: **#32**
- **96%** of school districts need at least one piece of equipment to better serve nutritious foods
- **98%** of schools are meeting the current school nutrition standards
- **94%** of parents support serving a fruit or vegetable in school meals

NEED FOR BETTER HEALTH

- **214,810** Children participating in school breakfast; breakfasts served **33,881,524**
- **613,739** Children participating in school lunch; lunches served **95,893,968**
- **119,402** Participants in the Women, Infants and Children Program (WIC)
- **482,946** Participants in SNAP Program
- **84** Schools have received salad bars through the United Fresh Start Foundation/*Let's Move Salad Bars To Schools* Initiative

IMPACT OF FEDERAL FRUIT & VEGETABLE PROGRAMS

- **\$6.268 Million** Total funding from the Farm Bill Specialty Crop Block Grant Program for **92** projects to increase competitiveness and profitability of producers from 2008-2015.
- **\$3.771 Million** To fund the Fresh Fruit & Vegetable Program in **139** elementary schools this year
- **\$12.89 Million** Estimated annually for fruit and vegetable vouchers for WIC participants.