

# FRUIT & VEGETABLE STATE PROFILE



# TENNESSEE

## STATE FRUIT & VEGETABLE PRODUCTION

- **\$72.88 Million** Value of fruits, vegetables, berries, potatoes, melons and tree nuts
- **33,351** Acres of fruits, vegetables, berries, potatoes, melons and tree nuts

## PRODUCE BUSINESS & EMPLOYMENT

- **2,651** Farms
- **8,411** Farm employees
- **92** Produce shippers, wholesalers and businesses
- **\$12.25 Million** Value in fresh fruit and vegetable exports

## OPPORTUNITY FOR FRUIT AND VEGETABLE CONSUMPTION

- **20.5%** Prevalence of childhood obesity ages 10-17; National rank: **#5**
- **90%** of school districts need at least one piece of equipment to better serve nutritious foods
- **100%** of schools are meeting the current school nutrition standards

## NEED FOR BETTER HEALTH

- **376,865** Children participating in school breakfast; breakfasts served **59,876,390**
- **676,702** Children participating in school lunch; lunches served **106,490,118**
- **150,115** Participants in the Women, Infants and Children Program (WIC)
- **1,115,967** Participants in SNAP Program
- **63** 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

- **\$3.662 Million** Total funding from the Farm Bill Specialty Crop Block Grant Program for **83** projects to increase competitiveness and profitability of producers from 2008-2015.
- **\$3.680 Million** To fund the Fresh Fruit & Vegetable Program in **163** elementary schools this year
- **\$16.21 Million** Estimated annually for fruit and vegetable vouchers for WIC participants.