Fresh Fruit & Vegetable State Profile

RHODE ISLAND

State Fruit & Vegetable Production

- 5 K Acres of Fresh Produce & Tree Nuts
- $102 K Fresh Produce & Tree Nuts Exports
- $10 M Value of Fresh Produce & Tree Nuts

State Fruit & Vegetable Businesses & Workforce

- 381 Farms
- 1,501 Farm Employees
- 16 Produce Shippers, Wholesalers & Businesses

Opportunities to Increase Fruit & Vegetable Consumption

24 schools and growing have received salad bars through the industry's investment in the United Fresh Start Foundation and Salad Bars to School Initiative

91% of schools need Updated Kitchen Equipment

Only 12% of adults across Rhode Island are meeting the Dietary Guidelines for Americans recommendations for fruit and vegetable consumption

Federal Investments in Fruits & Vegetables

- 31 M servings of fruits & vegetables served daily through the National School Lunch & Breakfast programs
- $1 M in fresh fruit and vegetable vouchers for participants in the Women, Infants and Children program (WIC)
- $2.2 M in Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Program (FFVP) to 101 schools annually

Total Market Access

Program (MAP)

Funding for Specialty Crops

$53 M

$2.9 M

NATIONAL Covid-19 Economic Relief

- 174 K+ jobs retained by 2869 companies who had Paycheck Protection Program (PPP) loans over $150K
- More than 132 M Farmers to Families Food boxes delivered by local and regional distributors valued at $4.5 BILLION
- $2.3 B Coronavirus Food Assistance Program (CFAP) payments, $1.7 MILLION to Rhode Island

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