

# Fresh Fruit & Vegetable State Profile

## VERMONT

### State Fruit & Vegetable Production

**6,808** Acres of Fresh Produce & Tree Nuts

**\$4 M** Fresh Produce & Tree Nuts **Exports**

### State Fruit & Vegetable Businesses & Workforce

**1,702** Farms



**4,427** Farm Employees

**↑ 20% INCREASE** nationwide in H2A workers in **2018**

**9** Produce Shippers, Wholesalers & Businesses

**\$500 M**

**INCREASE**

IN AGRICULTURAL IMPORTS OF FRESH FRUITS, VEGETABLES AND TREE NUTS

EXPECTED NATIONWIDE IN FY 2019

### Opportunities to Increase Fruit & Vegetable Consumption

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

**88%**

of schools need **Updated Kitchen Equipment**

**ONLY 12%**

of adults across Vermont are meeting the **Dietary Guidelines for Americans** recommendations for fruit and vegetable consumption

### Federal Investments in Fruits & Vegetables



**15.5 M**

annual servings of fruits & vegetables served through the **National School Lunch** program

**\$104 K**

in fresh fruit and vegetable vouchers for participants in the **Women, Infants and Children program (WIC)**  
FY 2018

**\$1.8 M**

in **Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Program (FFVP)** to **154 schools** annually



**Total Market Access Program (MAP) Funding for Specialty Crops**  
**\$53M**

FY 2016

**\$2.3 M**

in **Specialty Crop Block Grants** through **111 total block grants**  
FY 2008-2017

**\$146 K**

value in **Pest & Disease Grants**  
FY 2018

**\$100 K**

in projects through **Specialty Crop Research Initiative (SCRI)**  
FY 2008-2017