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# FARM TO MARKET

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By Liz Garcia







How do stores get fresh fruits and veggies when it's winter?



Let's go to the grocery store.





Here are some fruits and vegetables for sale.





Some are from **local** farms.  
They were grown in fields close to the store.





Some are from fields that are far away.





What grows near you depends on the time of year  
and how cold or warm it is outside.





## Did You Know?



When it is cold where you live, it is warm in other states and countries. **People can grow different things where they are.**

Many plants only grow during one season (like summer or fall). They die when they get too cold or hot.



These are some fruits that grow best where it is warm.  
Many of these fruits need very hot weather.





These vegetables do well in warm weather.  
A lot of people plant these in summer gardens.



Some fruits do not do well in hot weather.  
They grow in cooler places.





Some vegetables also grow better  
where it is cooler.



## Did You Know?



**Small farms sometimes sell what they grow at farmer's markets.**

Farmers meet together in one place. People can buy from them instead of a store. This dad and son are shopping at a farmer's market.

The fruits and vegetables that can grow where you live may change each season.

Few plants grow in winter if it is cold where you live.





Big farms often sell to stores.  
These might be local stores right in your town.  
Or they might be stores that are far away.



When they are far away, trucks, ships, and planes carry the food. Stores then sell what they get.



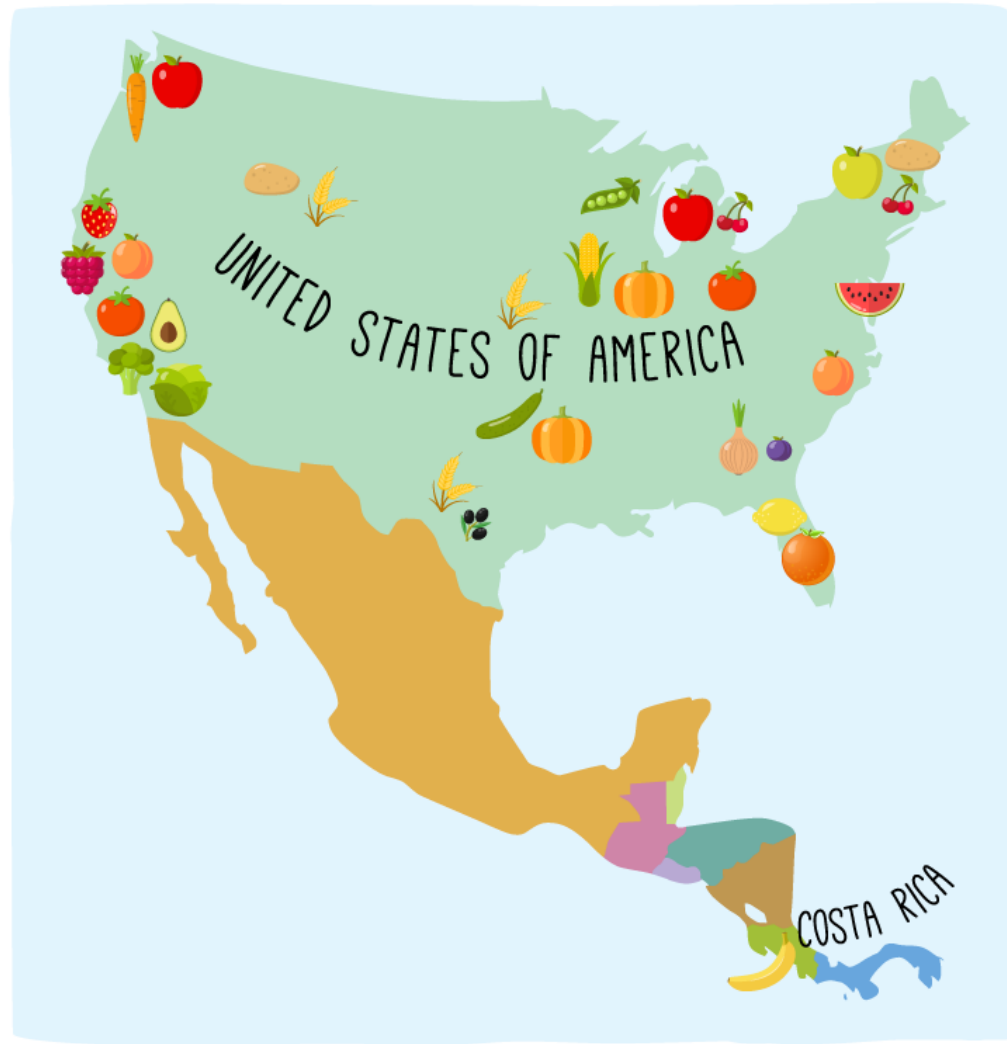


Our stores offer food from many places.  
That way, we have a lot to choose from all year.



The next time you go to the store, look for stickers. They may say where your fruits and vegetables were grown. These bananas are from Costa Rica.





Costa Rica is a country. It's far away.  
Have fun using a map to see where your food grew.



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How do stores get fresh fruits and veggies when it's winter?



Let's shop for food.





Here are some fruits and veggies.





Some are from **local** farms.  
They grew near the store.





Some grew far away.





Plants grow near you at different times of the year.  
How warm is it outside?





## Did You Know?



When it is cold where you live, it is warm in other states and countries. **People can grow different things where they are.**

Many plants only grow for one season.  
Some grow in spring. Some grow in summer or fall.



These fruits grow best where it is warm.





These veggies like it warm, too  
People plant them in summer gardens.



Some fruits grow in cooler places.





Some veggies do, too.



## Did You Know?



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Many plants only grow for one season.  
Some grow in spring. Some grow in summer or fall.





Big farms sell to stores.  
Some stores are close to the farms.  
Some are far away.



When they are far away, trucks carry the food.  
Sometimes ships and planes do, too.  
Stores then sell what they get.





Stores sell food from many places.  
We have a lot to choose from all year.



The next time you go to the store, look! Find stickers.  
They say where your food came from.  
These bananas are from Costa Rica.





Costa Rica is a country. It's far away.  
Have fun! Use a map. See where your food grew.



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