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Activity 9.1A: Where Is the Food in Your Community?

Materials

- Internet access

Instructions

Are there locally grown foods in your area? Use the following questions to help you determine where there may be locally produced foods.

Local Commodities

1. Conduct an internet search to find the top five agricultural commodities produced in your county. The USDA Census of Agriculture website will allow you to search commodities by state and county.
2. List the top five agricultural commodities in your area.

Answer:

3. Did you expect these five to be the top commodities? Explain your answer.

Answer:

4. Do you know anyone who produces these crops or animals?

Answer:

Farmers Markets

1. Check the city or county website for your area to see if there are any locally scheduled farmers markets.
2. Are there any farmers markets scheduled in your area?

Answer:

3. How often are they held?

Answer:

4. Are they open seasonally or year-round?

Answer:

Community Gardens

1. Search for community gardens in your area.
2. Are there any community gardens in your area?

Answer:

3. Where are they located?

Answer:

4. What are the requirements for joining the community garden in your area? Are there fees involved?

Answer:

Cooperatives

1. Search for agricultural community cooperatives in your area. A good search phrase is: “buy locally grown produce in (insert your town/city).”
2. What opportunities exist for buying into a consumer cooperative in your area?

Answer:

3. What are the fees involved?

Answer: