

## Chapter 12 Outline

Introduction  
Fresh Fruit  
    Quality Grades for Fresh Fruit  
    Fresh Fruit Varieties  
Fresh Vegetables  
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    Fresh Vegetable Varieties  
Fresh Produce Distribution Systems  
    Distribution  
    Packaging  
Costs, Pricing, and Yield of Fresh Produce  
Processed Fruits and Vegetables  
    Grading, Specifications, and Quality  
    Distribution  
    Pricing and Yield  
Produce Food Safety Issues  
Management Considerations  
    Farm Fresh  
    Sustainability

## Competencies

1. Identify the factors important to quality in fruits and vegetables. (pp. 357–360, 368–370)
2. Provide the major categories and varieties of fresh fruits and vegetables. (pp. 357–377)
3. Identify the major growing areas, availability, pricing factors and storage issues for fresh fruits and vegetables. (pp. 357–377)
4. Explain the requirements, content and importance of purchase specifications for fresh produce. (pp. 357–377)
5. Describe the distribution, processing and packaging options for fresh produce. (pp. 377–378)
6. Explain the factors that affect yield for fresh produce, and describe their effect on costs. (p. 378)
7. List available sources of information to assist in produce purchasing decisions. (p. 378)
8. Describe the market forms of processed fruits and vegetables. (pp. 378–379)
9. Explain the requirements, content and importance of purchasing specifications for processed fruits and vegetables. (pp. 379–382)
10. Describe management considerations related to purchasing produce products. (pp. 383–384)