

# FRUITS AND VEGETABLES

# ALL YEAR LONG!

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**Eat at least five fruits and vegetables a day!**

There's no reason not to have fruits and vegetables year-round. Here's why frozen or canned produce is a good choice:

### For health:

- They're just as good for you as fresh fruit and vegetables – their nutrients are preserved in the canning and freezing process.
  - Choose fruit packed in their natural juice, not in syrup.
  - Choose canned vegetables that are salt-free. You can season to taste. If you have only have salted canned vegetables, rinse in water before preparing.

### For savings:

- They cost less than fresh fruit and vegetables.

### For convenience:

- They're always in season.
- You'll have lots of choices.
- They're easily stored.
- They're already washed and cut—ready for your favorite recipe!

### Add frozen and canned vegetables to:

- Chili
- Soups or stews
- Stir-fry
- Pasta sauce
- Casseroles

Use canned black beans, corn, peppers, and onions to spice up a Mexican dish. Add chick peas or kidney beans to any salad.

### Add frozen and canned fruits to:

- Smoothies
- Yogurt parfaits
- Plain yogurt
- Fruit salad
- Cereal
- Stir-fry (pineapple)

**Or simply use as a side dish!**

SOOOOOO cool!



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**LET'S GO!**

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