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### Parts of Plants those Humans and other Animals Eat as Food in Vegetables

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#### Description

Vegetables' health and nutrition Vegetables are the parts of plants that humans and other animals eat as food. The original meaning is still frequently used to refer to all edible plant matter, including flowers, fruits, stems, leaves, roots and seeds. It is also applied to plants as a whole. An elective meaning of the term is applied to some degree randomly, frequently by culinary and social custom. Savory fruits like tomatoes and courgettes, flowers like broccoli and seeds like pulses may be excluded from this list. However, it does include foods that are derived from some plants and are fruits, flowers, nuts and cereal grains.

# Essential Vitamins, Minerals and Trace Elements

Vegetables play a crucial role in human nutrition most are low in fat and calories however are cumbersome and filling. They are important sources of essential vitamins, minerals and trace elements in addition to providing dietary fiber. It has been found that including vegetables in one's diet lowers the risk of cancer, stroke, cardiovascular disease and other chronic diseases. People who consume more than five servings of fruits and vegetables each day have an approximately 20% lower risk of developing coronary heart disease or stroke compared to those who consume fewer than three servings each day. Vegetables have a wide range of nutritional content consuming foods that are hard to chew and crunchy, like raw vegetables, when a person is young, while the bones are still growing, is essential for the proper development of the jaws in humans and other animals. If the jaws don't grow to their full size, there isn't enough room for the teeth to grow in properly, which results in impacted and crooked teeth. However, vegetables frequently contain toxins and anti-nutrients that prevent nutrients from being absorbed. These food varieties are generally eaten crude and may become sullied during their arrangement by a tainted food controller. When handling raw foods, hygiene is very important. These products need to be cleaned, handled and stored properly to prevent contamination. Vegetables have been important for the human eating regimen from days of yore. Some are staple food varieties however most are embellishment groceries, change up dinners with their extraordinary flavors and simultaneously, adding supplements vital for wellbeing. While some vegetables are annuals or biennials, the majority are

harvested within a year of planting or sowing. Cultivation follows a similar pattern regardless of the cultivation technique employed; the loosening of the soil, the removal or burying of weeds and the addition of organic manures or fertilizers to it; planting young plants or seeds; taking care of the crop as it grows to control pests, reduce competition from weeds and ensure adequate water supply; when the crop is ready, harvesting it; consuming the crop right out of the ground, sorting it, storing it and selling it. In temperate climates, sandy soils dry out quickly but warm up quickly in the spring, making them ideal for early crops. On the other hand, heavy clay soils hold moisture better and are better suited for late-season crops. Utilizing polytunnels, greenhouses, fleece, plastic mulch, cloches and greenhouses all have the potential to extend the growing season. In more sultry districts, the creation of vegetables is obliged by the environment, particularly the example of precipitation, while in mild zones, it is compelled by the temperature and day length.

## Mechanical Equipment on Commercial Farms

The spade, fork and hoe are the tools of choice on a domestic scale, whereas a variety of mechanical equipment is available on commercial farms. Other than farm vehicles, these incorporate furrows, harrows, drills, trans-planters, cultivators, water system hardware and collectors. Computer monitoring systems, GPS locators and self-steering programs for driverless machines are changing the cultivation methods used to grow vegetables, which has positive economic effects. Harvesting A vegetable is removed from its water and nutrition source when it is harvested. It continues to transpire while also losing moisture, as evidenced by the wilting of green leafy crops. Reaping root vegetables when they are completely full grown further develops their capacity life, yet on the other hand, these root yields can be left in the ground and collected over a lengthy period. The collecting system ought to look to limit harm and swelling to the harvest. Root crops like potatoes benefit from a brief maturation period in warm, moist environments, during which the skin thickens and hardens wounds heal and onions and garlic can be dried for a few days in the field. Prior to showcasing or stockpiling, reviewing should be finished to eliminate harmed merchandise and select produce as per its quality, size, readiness and variety. After harvest, all vegetables

benefit from proper care. An enormous extent of vegetables and transitory food sources are lost after collect during the capacity time frame. In developing nations without sufficient cold storage facilities, these losses may reach thirty to fifty percent. Molds, microorganisms, moisture-induced spoilage and vermin are the primary causes of loss. Capacity can be present moment or long haul. Because the majority of vegetables are perishable, short-term storage for a few days offers marketing flexibility. Leafy vegetables quickly lose their vitamin C because they lose moisture when stored. Potatoes and onions, for example, have better storage qualities and can be sold at higher prices. Additionally, by extending the marketing season, a larger quantity of the crop can be sold. The majority of crops place a high priority on preserving high-quality produce, maintaining a high humidity level and storing the produce in the shade if

refrigeration is unavailable. Legitimate post-collect capacity pointed toward expanding and guaranteeing timeframe of realistic usability is best affected by productive virus chain application. Vegetables like cauliflower, eggplant, lettuce, radish, spinach, tomatoes and potatoes all benefit from cold storage, with the ideal temperature varying by variety. Evaporative cooling is one example of a technology for controlling temperatures that does not require the use of electricity. Capacity of leafy foods in controlled environments with elevated degrees of carbon dioxide or high oxygen levels can hinder microbial development and expand stockpiling life. Vegetables and other agricultural products can be protected from microbial infection, insect damage and physical deterioration by being irradiated with ionizing radiation. Food's shelf life can be extended without affecting its properties in any way.

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