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## Calling New England Food Organizations to Get Counted in the 2025 Local Food Count

*Regional data collection now live to strengthen local food systems.*

Montpelier, VT – Organizations across New England are invited to Get Counted in the [2025 Local Food Count](#), a regional effort to measure how much food is sourced locally by schools, hospitals, dining services and other organizations.

The Local Food Count is part of the New England Feeding New England initiative, which aims to strengthen the region's food system and increase local food sourcing. Data collection is open through April 30, 2026, and the information gathered will help identify current purchasing patterns and opportunities to expand local procurement.

“Getting counted is a simple but powerful way for organizations to contribute to regional food resilience,” said Leah Rovner, Director, New England Food System Planners Partnership. “The data we collect together will inform strategies to strengthen our local food economy.”

Participation is open to organizations in Massachusetts, Connecticut, Rhode Island, New Hampshire, Maine and Vermont. All data submitted will be kept confidential and used only in aggregate to show regional trends.

Organizations can complete the survey today and join a growing network committed to supporting New England's farmers, fishers, and food makers. Resources, including project overviews, past results, and state-specific data, are available online.

### How to Get Counted:

- Complete the [Local Food Count survey](#) now
- Visit our website for a complete list of our [definitions and to see past results](#)
- Share this opportunity with leadership and peers

### About The New England Food System Planners Partnership

*The New England Food System Planners Partnership (NEFSPP) is a collaboration amongst seven state-level food system organizations and representatives from the six-state agricultural, economic and*

*environmental departments in New England. New England Feeding New England (NEFNE) is the Partnership's primary initiative and aims to have 30% of the food produced in New England consumed in the region by 2030. The Local Food Count is a cornerstone project of NEFSPP's Feeding New England campaign, designed to increase local food sourcing and build resilience across the region.*

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