

U.S., V.A. and W.V. Apple Facts

- Apples are grown commercially in 32 states the top 10 are Washington, New York, Michigan, Pennsylvania, California, Virginia, North Carolina, Oregon, Ohio and Idaho
  - Nation wide, about 67% of apples are eaten fresh, while 33% is used for **processing** (juice, applesauce, apple butter, slices and cider). In **Virginia**, 70% of apples are sold for **processing**.
- The state fruit of West Virginia is the Golden Delicious Apple
  - Virginia has more than 100 commercial orchards on more than 16,000 acres of land.
- It takes 2 lbs. of apples to make 3 cups of applesauce. 1 bushel of apples will make approximately 14-20 quarts of applesauce.
  - Apple harvest in Virginia and West Virginia begins in July and extends through the early part of Movember, with the majority of the apples harvested in September and October.

