Akron Children's Hospital Education and Wellness Garden



Yellow/Orange Fruits and Vegetables



What is the **yellow/orange** color in fruits and vegetables?

The yellow pigment is from **xanthophylls**, part of the carotenoid class of phytochemicals. Lutein and zeaxanthin are two examples. Yellow vegetables are also a good source of **Vitamin C**.

Why is it important?

The yellow pigments are associated with a lower risk of depressive symptoms and may lower risk for cancer and type 2 diabetes. Yellow vegetables are good for your heart and eyes.

What fruits and vegetables are yellow/orange?

Acorn squash
Apples
Apricots
Cantaloupe
Grapefruit
Lemons
Mangoes
Nectarines
Oranges
Pineapples
Peaches
Potatoes

Pumpkin
Rutabaga
Sweet corn
Tomatoes
Tangerines
Wax beans
Yams
Yellow beets
Yellow carrots
Yellow cherries
Yellow peppers
Yellow squash





