

# 35%

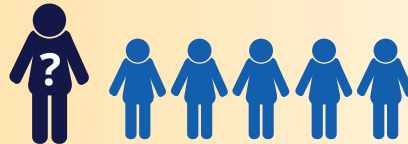
of food is unsold or uneaten in the U.S. each year.

That's equal to  
**229 MILLION TONS**  
of food, worth  
**\$408 BILLION**

**11%**  
is donated  
or recycled

**24%**  
is thrown away.

Most wasted food is edible,  
yet **1 in 6 Americans**  
is food insecure.



## UNEATEN FOOD ACCOUNTS FOR:



**4%**  
of greenhouse  
gas emissions



**14%**  
of all freshwater use



**18%**  
of all cropland used



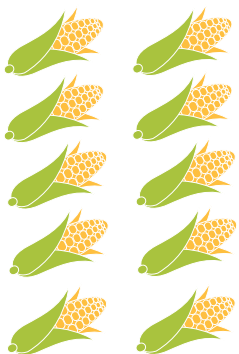
**24%**  
of landfill material

Percentages based on total percentages of resources used from farm to fork to landfill.

## In Minnesota, the average family wastes 187 POUNDS OF PURCHASED FOOD EACH YEAR

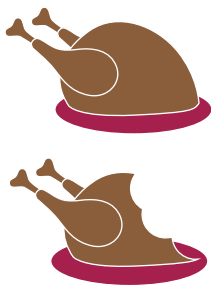


Each month, that amount of waste is equal to:



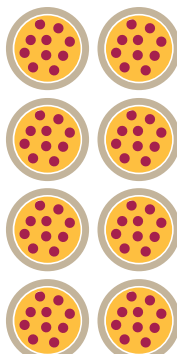
**10**  
EARS OF CORN

OR



**1.5**  
TURKEYS

OR



**8**  
PIZZAS

The average household of four could save  
**\$1,500 each year**  
in edible food.

Just think how you could  
use that money instead...

**115**

State  
Fair  
tickets

**600**

bus  
fares

**62**

family  
passes to  
Como Pool

Cost savings calculated using published entrance fees as of April 2021.



**SAINT PAUL**  
PUBLIC WORKS

[www.stpaul.gov/garbage/foodwaste](http://www.stpaul.gov/garbage/foodwaste)

ReFED Insights Engine  
ReFED Roadmap to 2030: A new resource to help cut food waste by 50%