

Happy Thanksgiving

In Missouri, we have a lot to be thankful for...



MEAT

The Show-Me State ranks

4th in turkey production

with an estimated 17.5 million raised each year, yielding a total of 575 million pounds with a value of \$415 million!

Lowest unemployment in 5 years

MISSOURI UNEMPLOYMENT 6.5%

as of October 2013

and POTATOES

2.08 million



pounds of sweet potatoes and potatoes were produced in Missouri in 2012.

MISSOURI'S TOP 10 MAJOR ANNOUNCEMENTS IN 2013

by number of jobs created and investment

- 1. Cerner (Kansas City): up to 15,000 Jobs**
- 2. Automotive Industry (Statewide):**
1,304 Jobs, \$190.8 Million (Ford in Kansas City, Toyota Bodine in Troy, General Motors in Wentzville, Yanfeng USA Automotive Trim Systems in Riverside, Adrian Steel in Kansas City, Leggett & Platt in Carthage)
- 3. Monsanto (Chesterfield): 675 Jobs, \$400 Million**
- 4. Boeing (St. Louis): 400 Jobs**
- 5. CG Power Systems/Canam Steel (Washington): 330 Jobs, \$4.2 Million**
- 6. Pharma Medica Research, Inc. (St. Charles): 320 Jobs, \$30.8 Million**
- 7. Reinsurance Group of America (Chesterfield): 300 Jobs, \$140 Million**
- 8. U.S. Bank (Earth City): 260 Jobs**
- 9. Mallinckrodt (Hazelwood): 150 Jobs, \$2 Million**
- 10. Triumph Foods (St. Joseph): 105 Jobs, \$7.5 Million**



with DESSERT

1,430

acres of Missouri farmland produced pumpkin in 2007



A great THANKSGIVING STAPLE

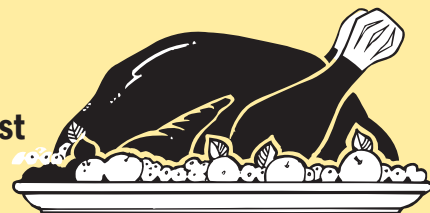
MISSOURI ranks

1ST in the NATION in **BLACK WALNUTS**, a common ingredient in many holiday dishes. Also, good enough to eat alone.



THAT'S SOMETHING TO GOBBLE ABOUT

LOWEST Thanksgiving meal cost **IN 3 YEARS**



Happy Thanksgiving from all of us at the Missouri Department of Economic Development