# Popcorn

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## **About Popcorn**

- Popcorn is a member of the grass family whose hard kernels can be popped when heated.
- Popcorn is ready to harvest in 90-120 days (depending on the variety).
- Less than 1% of the corn grown in the United States is popcorn.
- A small amount of water that expands as it is heated is what causes popcorn kernels to pop.



#### Uses

Human Consumption



## Fast Facts

- Popcorn is Illinois' official state snack food.
- Each year, Americans consume 16 billion quarts of popped popcorn.
- Nebraska produces around one fourth of all popcorn produced in the U.S.



### **Popcorn at Clearview Farm**

• Our popcorn from the 2021 crop is available for purchase in the Clearview Farm shop. Bags are 2 pounds and cost \$3.





