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## Seed Sources for Commercial Vegetable Production

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### DISTRIBUTORS

<b>Burpee</b> 300 Park Avenue Warminster, PA 18974 215-674-4900 ext. 215 FAX 215-674-8402	<b>Chesmore Seed Company</b> P.O. Box 8368 St. Joseph, MO 64508 816-279-0865 FAX 816-232-6134	<b>DeGiorgi Seed Company</b> 6011 N Street Omaha, NE 68117 800-858-2580 FAX 402-731-8475
<b>DeWitt Seed Company</b> P.O. Box 5556 Norman, Oklahoma	<b>Farmers Seed &amp; Kelly Nursery</b> 1706 Morrissey Drive Bloomington, IL 61704	<b>G.S. Grimes Seeds</b> 11335 Concorn-Hamboen Rd. Concord, OH 44077 800-241-7333

73070 405-364-0908 (Deals mostly with watermelon, pumpkin and cantaloupe)	507-334-1623 FAX 507-334-1624	
<b>Harris Seeds</b> 60 Saginaw Drive P.O. Box 22960 Rochester, NY 14692-2960 800-544-7938 FAX 716-442-9386	<b>Holms Seed Company</b> 2125-46th St., N.W. Canton OH 44709 216-492-0123 FAX 216-492-0167	<b>Johnny's Selected Seeds</b> Dept 670 Foss Hill Road Albion, ME 04910 207-437-4395 FAX 207-437-2165 (A good selection of vegetable, herb and cut flower seeds with emphasis on cultivars adapted to northern growing conditions. Many unique cultivars for specialty markets or farmers' markets.)
<b>Midwest Seed Growers</b> 10559 Lackman Road Lenexa, KS 66219- 1290 800-873-7333 FAX 913-894-0501	<b>Native Seeds/SEARCH</b> 2509 N. Campbell Ave. #325 Tucson, AZ 85719 520-327-9123	<b>Park Seed Wholesale</b> Cokesbury Road Hwy 254 North Greenwood, SC 29647-0001 800-845-3366 FAX 800-209-0360
<b>Pinetree Garden Seeds</b> P.O. Box 300 New Cloucester, ME 04260 207-926-3400	<b>Royal Seeds</b> 225 Florence P.O. Box 1393 St. Joseph, MO 64502 800-753-0990 816-238-7849	<b>Rupp Seeds Inc.</b> 17919 Co. Rd. B Wauseon, OH 43567 419-337-1841 FAX 419-337-5491
<b>R.H. Shumway's</b> P.O. Box 1 Graniteville, SC 29829 803-663-9771	<b>Seedway, Inc.</b> 1225 Zeager Road Elizabethtown, PA 17022 1-800-952-7333 FAX 717-367-0387 (A particularly good selection of cabbage and other crucifers, sweetcorn and onions.)	<b>Shepherd's Garden Seeds</b> 30 Irene Street Torrington, CT 06790 203-482-3638 FAX 203-496-1418 (Emphasis on cultivars appropriate for specialty markets or farmers' markets. They no longer sell in bulk quantities.)
<b>Siegers Seed Company</b> 8265 Selch Street Zeeland, MI 49464 800-962-4999	<b>Stokes Seeds</b> P.O. Box 548 Buffalo, NY 14240-0548 800-263-7233 FAX 716-695-9649	<b>Terra International/Green Barn Seed Co.</b> 430 West Carmel Drive Carmel, Indiana 46032 800-882-7552 FAX 317-844-8457 (Processing tomato seeds and other vegetables)
<b>Tomato Growers Supply Company</b> P.O. Box 2237 Fort Myers, FL 33902 813-768-1119	<b>Totally Tomatoes</b> P.O. Box 1626 Augusta, GA 30903 803-663-0016	<b>Willhite Seed Company</b> P.O. Box 23 Poolville, TX 76487 817-599-8656 FAX 817-599-5843 (good selection of melons, sweetcorn)

FAX 813-768-3476		
<b>Primary Seed Sources</b>		
<b>Abbott &amp; Cobb, Inc.</b> P.O. Box 307 Dept 307 Feasterville, PA 19053-0307 800-345-SEED FAX 215-245-9043	<b>American Takii, Inc.</b> 301 Natividad Road Salinas, CA 93906 408-443-4901 FAX 408-443-3976	<b>Asgrow Seed Co.</b> 1740 East Oak Vineland, NJ 08360 608-825-6320
<b>Bejo Zaden B.V.</b> P.O. Box 50 1749 ZH Warmenhuizen Holland 02269-3504 FAX 02269-3504	<b>De Ruiter Seeds, Inc.</b> 3001 Bethel Road Suite 207 P.O. Box 20228 Columbus, Ohio 43220 614-459-1498 FAX 614-442-1716	<b>Harris Moran Seed Company</b> 3670 Buffalo Rd. Rochester, NY 14624 716-594-9411 FAX 716-594-9415
<b>Nunhems Seeds Corporation</b> P.O. Box 18 Lewisville, Idaho 83431 208-754-8666 FAX 208-754-8669 (They sell only peas and green bean seeds)		

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