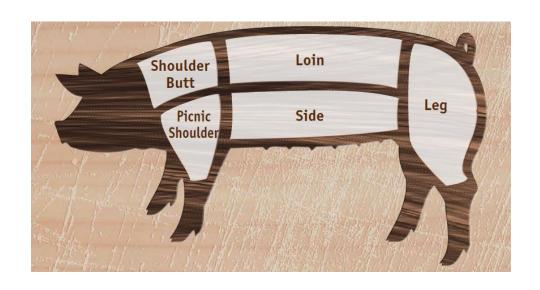
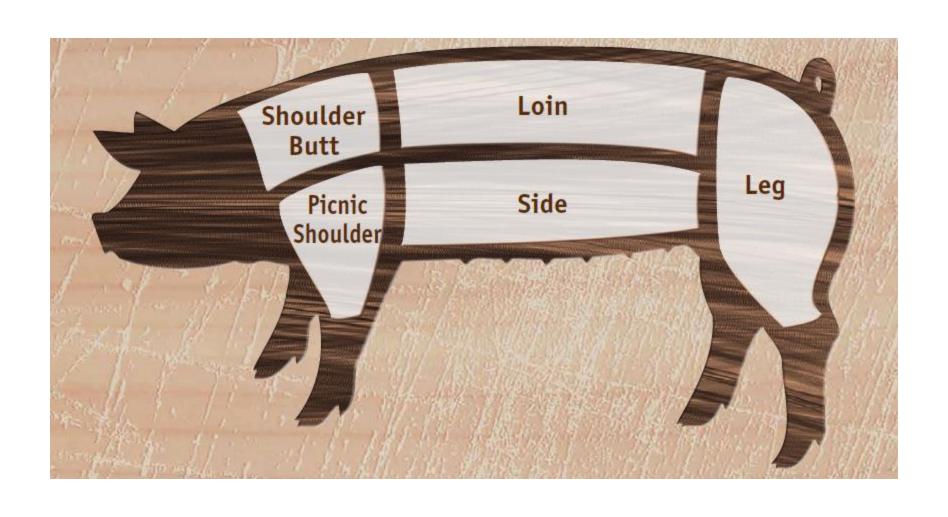
# **Understanding Pork**



- Pork is the world's most widely consumed meat product
- U.S. is 3<sup>rd</sup> in world production
- Texas ranks 14<sup>th</sup> in national production

## **5 Primal Cuts**



# Spareribs



- Comes from the Side
- Can be cooked by Roasting/Baking, Grilling, or Braising

### Picnic Roast



- Comes from the Picnic Shoulder
- Can be cooked by Roasting/Baking or Braising

### **Ground Pork**



- Primarily from the Shoulder Butt
- Can be cooked by Grilling or Sauteing

# Chops



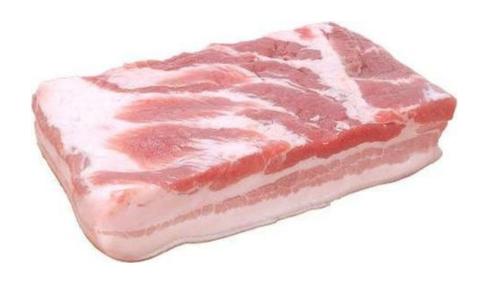
- Comes from the Loin
- Can be cooked by Roasting/Baking, Broiling, Sauteing, or Braising

### Ham



- Comes from the Leg
- Can be cooked by Roasting/Baking or Barbecuing
- Ham Steaks can be cooked by Broiling or Sauteing

### Bacon



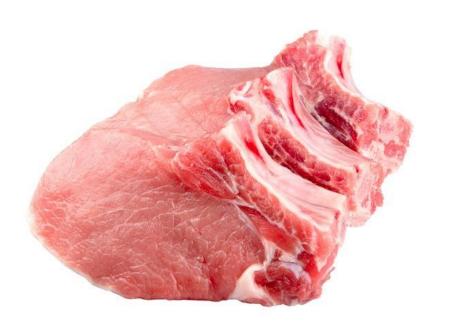
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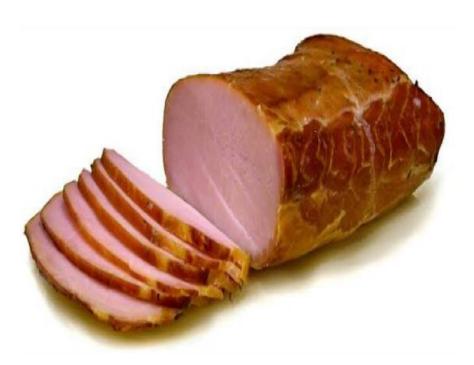
- Comes from the Loin
- Can be cooked by Roasting/Baking, Barbecuing, or Braising

### Center Rib Roast



- Comes from the Loin
- Can be cooked by Roasting/Baking or Barbecuing

### Canadian Bacon



- Comes from the Loin
- Usually cured and used with other foods (pizza, snack foods)

### **Smoked Hocks**



- Comes from the Picnic Shoulder
- Usually already cured meat

### Blade Roast



- Comes from the Shoulder Butt
- Can be cooked by Roasting/Baking or Barbecuing

### Tenderloin



- Comes from the Loin
- Can be cooked by Roasting/Baking, Broiling, Sauteing, or Braising

### **Pork Nutrition**

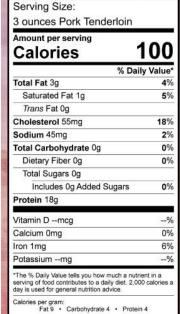
- Also known as a "white meat"
- Compares favorably with other meats in poultry in regards to fats, calories, and cholesterol
- Six cuts are considered lean or extra lean
  - Less than 10 grams total fat; 4.5 grams saturated fat, 95 milligrams cholesterol per serving
  - Look for term "loin" or "chop" when looking for lean cut of pork

### **Pork Nutrition**

- Nine Key Nutrients
  - 1. Protein
  - 2. Selenium
  - 3. Niacin
  - 4. Phosphorus
  - 5. Thiamine
  - 6. Vitamin B6
  - 7. Riboflavin
  - 8. Zinc
  - 9. Potassium

#### HEALTH CONNECTION

# NUTRITION FACTS LABEL





A 3 ounce serving of pork is considered an excellent source of:

- Protein the building block for bone, muscles, skin, and blood
- Thiamin a B vitamin which helps convert food to energy
- Niacin also a B vitamin which is essential for healthy skin, blood cells, brain and nervous system
- Phosphorus a mineral which helps build strong bones and teeth
- Riboflavin another B vitamin which is important for maintaining normal vision
- Zinc found in all body cells
- Potassium a mineral which balances body fluids and is needed for muscle contractions





# Grilling/Cooking

- Safely cooked to an internal temperature of 145° F.
- Ground pork should be cooked to 160° F.
- Two Basic Methods for Cooking:
  - Dry heat
  - Moist heat

# Dry Heat Methods

- Best applied to naturally tender cuts of meat
  - Loin chops, strips, roasts, ham and bacon
- Includes
  - Grilling (small and large cuts of meat)
  - Broiling (chops, kabob and pork patties)
  - Sauteing (chops, cutlets and strips)
  - Pan-broiling (chops, tenderloin, medallions, ham slices, bacon, ground pork patties)
  - Roasting (roasts and ham)

### Moist Heat Methods

- Best applied to less tender cuts of meat
  - Shoulder cubes
- Includes
  - Stewing
  - Braising

## Let's Practice

#### What is this product?

- 1. Apricot
- 2. Peach
- 3. Nectarine
- 4. Plum



Varieties adapted to Texas include Blenheim, Chinese, Moorpark, and

- A. Cavendish
- B. Red Globe
- C. Bryan
- D. Silver Queen

#### What is this product?

- 1. Tomato
- 2. Pomegranate
- 3. Persimmon
- 4. Tomatillo



The acidity in unripe fruit is caused by .

- A. Oxygen
- B. Roots
- C. Rain
- D. Tannins

#### What is this product?

- 1. Leg cutlet
- 2. Butterfly chop
- 3. Shoulder roast
- 4. Ribeye



On average, a market hog weighing 265 pounds will produce \_\_\_\_\_ servings of pork.

- A. 452
- B. 206
- C. 150
- D. 371

#### What is this product?

- 1. Beet
- 2. Turnip
- 3. Radish
- 4. Carrot



Store this at a humidity level of 90-98%. Quality grades include:

- A. Colossal and Jumbo
- B. US Fancy and US No. 1
- C. Texas Choice and Texas Fancy
- D. US No. 1 and US No. 2

#### What is this product?

- 1. Parsley
- 2. Rosemary
- 3. Dill
- 4. Basil



This grows best in well-drained soil with a pH of:

A. 5.8-6.5

B. 7.0-8.5

C. 2.5-3.7

D. 8.0-9.5

#### What is this product?

- 1. Garlic
- 2. Celery
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This will wilt if stored in low humidity. This product is available from:

- A. February-May
- B. August-October
- C. December-May
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#### What is this product?

- 1. Summer Squash
- 2. Watermelon
- 3. Winter Squash
- 4. Mango



For short term storage of 7 days or less, store this product in an area with \_\_\_\_ humidity.

- A. 85-95%
- B. 60-65%
- C. 40-50%
- D. 70-80%

#### What is this product?

- 1. Prime Rib
- 2. Short Rib
- 3. Brisket
- 4. Skirt Steak



This cut of meat has a tremendous amount of \_\_\_\_ throughout.

- A. Tendons
- B. Marbling
- C. Connective tissue
- D. Bones

#### What is this product?

- 1. Mango
- 2. Guava
- Papaya
- 4. Mandarin



Well-tended plants should produce fruit within a year of planting, with mature plants capable of producing \_\_\_\_ pounds per year.

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- D. 30 to 40

#### What is this product?

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- 2. Blueberry
- Blackberry
- 4. Strawberry



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