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What: Finding Food in Farm Country: The Economics of Food & Farming in SE MN

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Why: To examine the paradox that occurs when a region produces much food but it is difficult for the residents themselves to find/purchase food for themselves.

How: examines aggregate farm income data for the seven counties of SE MN (Fillmore, Goodhue, Houston, Mower, Olmsted, Wabasha and Winona), profiles NE Iowa farmers groups who have organized to provide produce to neighbors, & suggests resources for farmers wishing to do the same