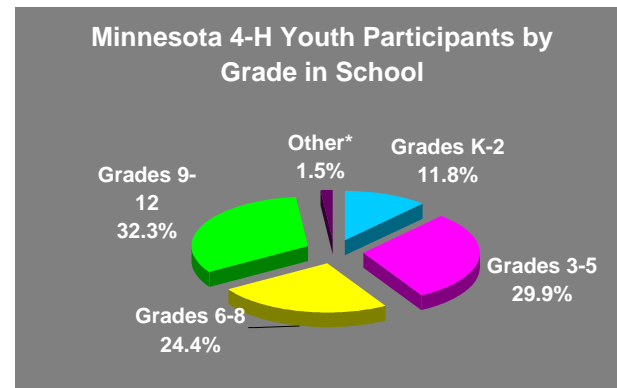
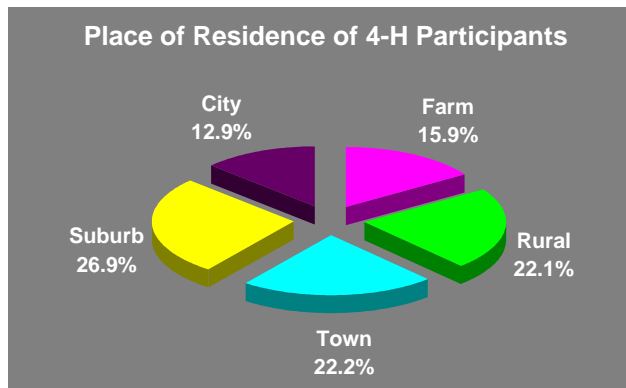


Minnesota's 4-H Programs At-a-Glance

Over the past 100 years, Minnesota 4-H impacted thousands of youth and adults each year. In 2000, approximately 260,000 youth across Minnesota participated in 4-H related activities and projects. Based on the 1999 State Demographic Data, that accounts for nearly a quarter (23%) of all youth between the ages of 5-19 living in Minnesota! One of the hallmarks of 4-H is its strong volunteer base. Last year, nearly 14,000 volunteers contributed over 1.3 million hours of service to support the positive development of Minnesota's youth.

Another hallmark of 4-H is the fact that there is a University of Minnesota Extension faculty in every county of the state working on behalf of youth and families. This fact ensures that 4-H reaches a wide range of youth. For example, the 260,000 4-H participants live across the state in rural, suburban and urban areas (see below). 4-H also offers opportunities for both boys (47%) and girls (53%) and for all age levels of youth (see below).



The changing face of Minnesota means that 4-H must also respond to the needs of diverse audiences. The following offers a small sampling of the different ways that MN 4-H Youth Development, in collaboration with other partners, is targeting traditionally under-served and under-represented youth.

- **Jump Into Fitness:** A partnership between 4-H Youth Development and the "Simply Good Eating" (EFNEP/FSNEP) Program, where short-term educational programs are conducted on nutrition, fitness and general health. This program served 3,741 participants in the St. Paul area. The race/ethnic breakdown of the participants is as follows: 25% Asian/Pacific Islander; 25% Black; 7% Hispanic; 1% American Indian; and 42% White.

