



Fruit and vegetables

Some fruit and vegetables are always countable:

- ▶ *Do you like bananas?*
- ▶ duck with *spring cabbage*

Some are always uncountable:

- ▶ *Celery is usually eaten raw.*
- ▶ Others may be eaten whole (countable)...
- ▶ *baked apples*
- ▶ *baby carrots*

Some may be countable or uncountable,

depending on whether you are thinking of them as plants or as food and on how they are prepared as food. If you are thinking of a fruit or vegetable as a plant you are usually talking about the whole fruit or vegetable, so it will be countable:

- ▶ *Plant the cabbages in rows.*

Larger fruit or vegetables, that you do not eat whole, are uncountable as food:

- ▶ duck with *spring cabbage*

Others may be eaten whole (countable)...

- ▶ *baked apples*
- ▶ *baby carrots*

... or prepared in such a way that they are not eaten whole (uncountable in British English but still countable in American English):

- ▶ *stewed apple (BrE) / stewed apples (NAme)*
- ▶ *grated raw carrot (BrE) / grated raw carrots (NAme)*

