# Eggs

### Pan-Fry

- 1. Coat a skillet with non-stick spray or heat 1 teaspoon of oil until just hot enough to sizzle a drop of water.
- 2. Break eggs into small dish one at a time. Slide gently into pan. Immediately reduce heat.
- 3. Cover and cook until egg whites are completely set and yolks thicken, but are not hard. If desired, baste eggs with oil, or turn eggs to cook both sides.

#### Boiling

- 1. Place a single layer of eggs in a saucepan.
- 2. Add enough cool water to rise at least 1 inch above eggs.
- 3. Over medium heat, bring water to just boiling.
- 4. Cover pan and remove from heat.
- 5. Let eggs stand about 12 to 15 minutes.
- 6. Run cool water over eggs until cool enough to handle.

#### Penny Saving Pointers for Eggs

- Protein supplied by eggs is high in quality and low in cost.
- Any size eggs work in most basic recipes. For baking, recipes usually call for large eggs. Three small eggs equal two large eggs.
- One egg equals one ounce of lean meat, poultry, or fish.
- 7. Peel and eat. Since older eggs peel easier, try to buy eggs about 5 days before hard-boiling.

## Safety for Eggs

- Commercially bought eggs do not need to be washed at home and washing is not recommended.
- Farm fresh eggs should be washed before refrigeration. Once collected from the chicken, dirt should be rubbed off. Wash the eggs in 90°F water. Dry eggs before placing in carton and refrigerating.
- Eggs and dishes with eggs must be thoroughly cooked to 160°F to prevent salmonella contamination.
- The yolk and white will be firm when fully cooked.
- For recipes calling for uncooked eggs, use pasteurized eggs, egg substitutes, or powdered eggs.

