MyPlate Worksheet: 2,000 Calories

Your calorie needs are about 2,000 calories a day. Below are the USDA guidelines for your daily recommended amount of each food group.



Vegetables 2½ cups	Fruits 2 cups	Grains 6 ounces	Dairy 3 cups	Protein 5½ ounces
Eat a variety of vegetables each day. Aim for these amounts each week: • 1½ cups dark green	Eat a variety of fruits each day. Go easy on fruit juices. Good choices of fruits include:	f	Choose low-fat or fat-free milk, yogurt, or cheese each day. Good choices include: Low-fat or fat-free milk or chocolate milk Low-fat or fat-free yogurt Low-fat or fat-free rottage cheese or other reduced-fat cheeses Calcium-fortified milk alternatives, including soy milk	Choose low-fat or lean meats, poultry, fish, and seafood each day. Vary your protein. Choose more: • Fish and
vegetables • 5½ cups red or orange-colored vegetables • 1½ cups dry beans and peas • 5 cups starchy vegetables • 4 cups	 Berries Bananas Grapes Apples Melon Dried fruit Frozen fruit Canned 			other seafood • Lean lowfat meat and poultry • Eggs • Beans, peas • Tofu • Unsalted nuts and seeds
other vegetables	fruit			Choose less high-fat and red meat.

Source: <u>USDA MyPlate</u>

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Know your limits on saturated fat, added sugars, and salt

- Your allowance for saturated fat is 22 grams a day or less.
- Limit added sugars to less than 50 grams a day.
- Cut back on salt (sodium). Stay under 2,300 mg sodium a day. If you have a health condition such as heart disease or high blood pressure, your healthcare provider will likely tell you to limit sodium to no more than 1,500 mg a day.

Get moving and be active!

Aim for at least 30 minutes of physical activity most days of the week or 150 minutes of moderate exercise a week.

MyPlate Servings Worksheet: 2,000 Calories

This worksheet tells you how many servings you should get each day from each food group, and tells you how much food makes a serving. Use this as a guide as you plan your meals throughout the day. Track your progress daily by writing in what you actually ate.

Food Group	Daily MyPlate Goal	What You Ate Today
•	5 half-cups or 5 servings	•
Vegetables	One serving is:	
	½ cup cut-up raw or cooked vegetables	
	1 cup raw, leafy vegetables	
	½ baked sweet potato	
	½ cup vegetable juice	
	Note: At meals, fill half your plate with vegetables and fruit. 4 half-cups or 4 servings	
Fruits	One serving is:	
	½ cup fresh, frozen, or canned fruit	
	1 medium piece of fruit	
	1 cup of berries or melon	
	½ cup dried fruit	
	½ cup 100% fruit juice	
Grains	Note: Make most choices fruit instead of juice. 6 servings or 6 ounces	
	One serving is:	

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Food **Daily MyPlate Goal** Group 1 slice bread 1 cup dry cereal ½ cup cooked rice, pasta, or cereal 1 5-inch tortilla Note: Choose whole grains for at least half of your servings each day. 3 servings or 3cups One serving is: 1 cup milk 1½ ounces reduced-fat hard cheese Dairy 2 ounces processed cheese 1 cup low-fat yogurt 1/3 cup shredded cheese Note: Choose low-fat or fat-free most often. $5\frac{1}{2}$ servings or $5\frac{1}{2}$ ounces One serving is: 1 ounce cooked lean beef, pork, lamb, or ham 1 ounce cooked chicken or turkey (no skin)

What You Ate **Today**

Protein

½ cup egg substitute

½ ounce nuts or seeds

1 tablespoon peanut or almond butter

1 ounce cooked fish or shellfish (not fried)

1/4 cup cooked dry beans or peas

½ cup tofu

1 egg

2 tablespoons hummus

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