



EAT SMART

WITH FOOD NUTRITION LABELS

The Nutrition Facts label can help you make healthier choices.

Use it! Here's what to look for:

Nutrition Facts	
8 servings per container	
Serving size	2/3 cup (55g)
Amount per serving	
Calories	230
% Daily Value*	
Total Fat 8g	10%
Saturated Fat 1g	5%
Trans Fat 0g	
Cholesterol 0mg	0%
Sodium 160mg	7%
Total Carbohydrate 37g	13%
Dietary Fiber 4g	14%
Total Sugars 12g	
Includes 10g Added Sugars	20%
Protein 3g	
Vitamin D 2mcg	10%
Calcium 260mg	20%
Iron 8mg	45%
Potassium 235mg	6%
* The % Daily Value (DV) tells you how much a nutrient in a serving of food contributes to a daily diet. 2,000 calories a day is used for general nutrition advice.	

Start with serving information.

This will tell you the size of a single serving and how many servings are in the package.

Check total calories.

Do the math to know how many calories you're really getting if you eat the whole package.

Limit certain nutrients.

Compare labels when possible and choose options with lower amounts of added sugars, sodium and saturated fat and no trans fat.

Get enough of beneficial nutrients.

Eat foods with nutrients your body needs, like calcium, dietary fiber, iron, potassium and Vitamin D.

Understand % Daily Value.

- The % Daily Value (DV) tells you the percentage of each nutrient in a single serving in terms of the daily recommended amount.
- To consume less of a nutrient (such as saturated fat or sodium), choose foods with a lower % DV (5% or less).
- To consume more of a nutrient (such as fiber or potassium), choose foods with a higher % DV (20% or more).

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