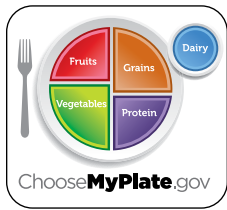




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# MyPlate Daily Checklist

## Find your Healthy Eating Style

Everything you eat and drink matters. Find your healthy eating style that reflects your preferences, culture, traditions, and budget—and maintain it for a lifetime! The right mix can help you be healthier now and into the future. The key is choosing a variety of foods and beverages from each food group—and *making sure that each choice is limited in saturated fat, sodium, and added sugars*. Start with small changes—“**MyWins**”—to make healthier choices you can enjoy.

### Food Group Amounts for 1,200 Calories a Day

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| <b>1 cup</b>   | <b>1 1/2 cups</b>  | <b>4 ounces</b>   | <b>3 ounces</b>   | <b>2 1/2 cups</b>   |
| <p><b>Focus on whole fruits</b></p> <p>Focus on whole fruits that are fresh, frozen, canned, or dried.</p> | <p><b>Vary your veggies</b></p> <p>Choose a variety of colorful fresh, frozen, and canned vegetables—make sure to include dark green, red, and orange choices.</p> | <p><b>Make half your grains whole grains</b></p> <p>Find whole-grain foods by reading the Nutrition Facts label and ingredients list.</p> | <p><b>Vary your protein routine</b></p> <p>Mix up your protein foods to include seafood, beans and peas, unsalted nuts and seeds, soy products, eggs, and lean meats and poultry.</p> | <p><b>Move to low-fat or fat-free milk or yogurt</b></p> <p>Choose fat-free milk, yogurt, and soy beverages (soy milk) to cut back on your saturated fat.</p> |



Drink and eat less sodium, saturated fat, and added sugars. **Limit:**

- Sodium to **1,500 milligrams** a day.
- Saturated fat to **13 grams** a day.
- Added sugars to **30 grams** a day.








Be active your way: Children 2 to 5 years old should play actively every day.

Use SuperTracker to create a personal plan based on your age, sex, height, weight, and physical activity level.

[SuperTracker.usda.gov](http://SuperTracker.usda.gov)

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Write down the foods you ate today and track your daily MyPlate, MyWins!

| Food group targets for a 1,200 calorie* pattern are:   | Write your food choices for each food group | Did you reach your target?                               |  |
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|  <p><b>Fruits</b><br/><b>1 cup</b><br/>1 cup of fruits counts as</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 1 cup raw or cooked fruit; or</li> <li>• 1/2 cup dried fruit; or</li> <li>• 1 cup 100% fruit juice.</li> </ul>  | <hr/> <hr/> <hr/> <hr/>                     | <input type="checkbox"/> Y<br><input type="checkbox"/> N |  <p><b>Limit:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Sodium to <b>1,500 milligrams</b> a day.</li> <li>• Saturated fat to <b>13 grams</b> a day.</li> <li>• Added sugars to <b>30 grams</b> a day.</li> </ul> |
|  <p><b>Vegetables</b><br/><b>1 1/2 cups</b><br/>1 cup vegetables counts as</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 1 cup raw or cooked vegetables; or</li> <li>• 2 cups leafy salad greens; or</li> <li>• 1 cup 100% vegetable juice.</li> </ul>   | <hr/> <hr/> <hr/> <hr/>                     | <input type="checkbox"/> Y<br><input type="checkbox"/> N | <input type="checkbox"/> Y <input type="checkbox"/> N  |
|  <p><b>Grains</b><br/><b>4 ounce equivalents</b><br/>1 ounce of grains counts as</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 1 slice bread; or</li> <li>• 1 ounce ready-to-eat cereal; or</li> <li>• 1/2 cup cooked rice, pasta, or cereal.</li> </ul>   | <hr/> <hr/> <hr/> <hr/>                     | <input type="checkbox"/> Y<br><input type="checkbox"/> N |  <p><b>Be active your way:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Children 2 to 5 years old should play actively every day.</li> </ul>  |
|  <p><b>Protein</b><br/><b>3 ounce equivalents</b><br/>1 ounce of protein counts as</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 1 ounce lean meat, poultry, or seafood; or</li> <li>• 1 egg; or</li> <li>• 1 Tbsp peanut butter; or</li> <li>• 1/4 cup cooked beans or peas; or</li> <li>• 1/2 ounce nuts or seeds.</li> </ul> | <hr/> <hr/> <hr/> <hr/>                     | <input type="checkbox"/> Y<br><input type="checkbox"/> N |  |
|  <p><b>Dairy</b><br/><b>2 1/2 cups</b><br/>1 cup of dairy counts as</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 1 cup milk; or</li> <li>• 1 cup yogurt; or</li> <li>• 1 cup fortified soy beverage; or</li> <li>• 1 1/2 ounces natural cheese or 2 ounces processed cheese.</li> </ul>                                       | <hr/> <hr/> <hr/> <hr/>                     | <input type="checkbox"/> Y<br><input type="checkbox"/> N | <p>* This 1,200 calorie pattern is only an estimate of your needs. Monitor your body weight and adjust your calories if needed.</p>  |



Track your MyPlate, MyWins

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